Crystal Lake Police Department



Annual Report 2018


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Gary J. Mayerhofer, City Manager
City of Crystal Lake

Dear Mr. Mayerhofer,

It is with great pleasure that I present the 2018 City of Crystal Lake Police Department Annual Report. First, I want to thank you for your continuous support of our law enforcement activities. Through this support we were able to realize our mission of providing the highest level of police service to the people who visit, live, and work in the City of Crystal Lake. Additionally, the Police Department continues to progressively plan goals and objectives to ensure the community is safe in the short and long term futures.

While we strive towards future excellence, it is important to look back and discuss our previous activities. The calendar year 2018 resulted in numerous accomplishments, which will be discussed in greater detail later in this report. Some of our accomplishments include:

- Coordinated, hosted, or participated in several community events, such as Coffee with the Chief, National Night Out, Back to School Backpack program, Car safety seat checks, attended various job fairs as well as community-related events at schools, churches, and other venues.

- Continued efforts to increase public education. Staff has met with senior citizens to discuss potential scams as well as tactics to prevent exploitation. In addition, we coordinated presentations given by our staff regarding senior scams and identity theft.

- Enhancement of supervisory and management training for staff. The Department was able to send staff to the highly regarded Northwestern University Center for Public Safety Staff and Command training and the FBI National Academy.

- Continued participation with the Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police Traffic Safety Challenge and the IDOT Traffic Enforcement Grant Program. To date the Department has successfully completed traffic enforcement campaigns resulting in an overall decrease in traffic crashes.

While these are just a few of our accomplishments, this Annual Report will delve more deeply into numerous programs and initiatives. As we move forward into 2019 we will continue pursuing progressive law enforcement policies and programs. We will also continue to strive towards not only being McHenry County's standard for local law enforcement but for the region as well. I look forward to working together with the City Council and City Staff to continue to provide a high level of public safety service. On behalf of the Police Department, I am proud to present our 2018 Annual Report. If you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

James R. Black
Chief of Police

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Eddie Pluviose

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Fernando Ortiz

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Shama Witczak

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Mission Statement

The Crystal Lake Police Department is committed to providing the highest level of police services to the people who visit, live, and work in the City of Crystal Lake. By collaborating with our citizens, we will strive to enhance the quality of life by providing police services that cultivate public trust and are responsive to the needs of the community.

Vision Statement

The men and women of the Crystal Lake Police Department will provide quality police services to the citizens we serve. We will work to enhance our existing partnership with our community to proactively address quality of life concerns, develop solutions, and effectively resolve problems while delivering unbiased professional services with respect and compassion.

Core Values

Service: *We are committed to providing quality, professional service to everyone. We will actively contribute to the welfare of our community and we genuinely care about improving the quality of life of those we serve.*

Loyalty: *We are proud of our Department and loyal to our Oath of Honor. We recognize that all members of the Department are an integral part of the organization and we treat each other with fairness and respect.*

Excellence: *We are committed to excellence in the services we provide, our personal performance, and professionalism.*

Integrity: *We obey the law and are committed to honesty and ethical behavior in all of our actions. We will accept individual responsibility for our actions and we are accountable for our decisions.*

Respect: *We are compassionate, caring, and we will treat all people with courtesy and respect. We are committed to justice, the equal treatment of individuals, and we will promote tolerance of diversity within our community.*

Pride: *We take pride in our achievements with regard to improving the quality of life within our community. Through merit displayed in our actions and conduct, we possess a dignified sense of character that reflects positively upon our organization and the community that we serve.*

Law Enforcement Oath of Honor

“On my honor, I will never betray my badge,

my integrity,

my character or the public trust.

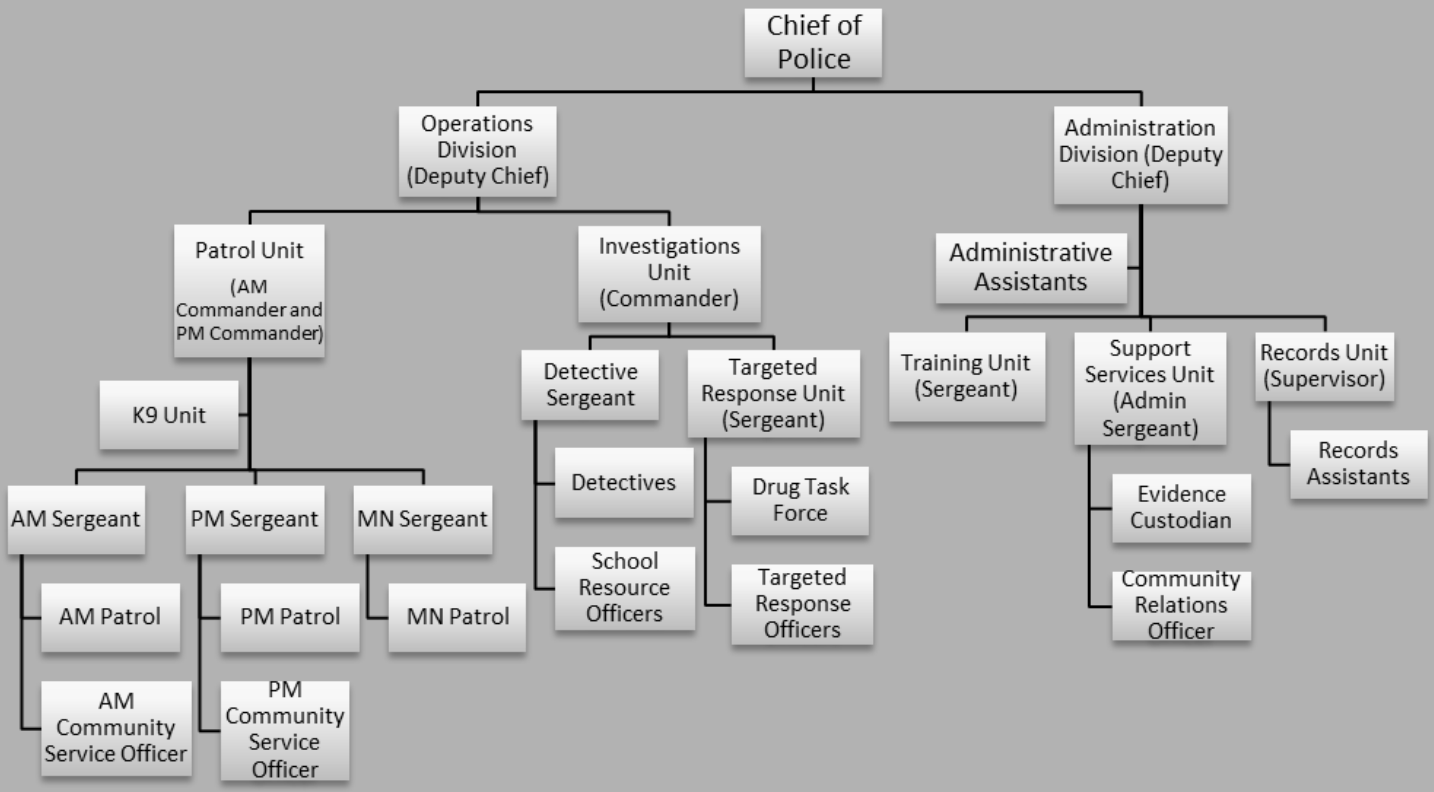
I will always have the courage to hold myself

and others accountable for our actions.

I will always uphold the constitution, my community,

and the agency I serve.”

Organizational Chart



Retirements



Officer James Haras

On June 11th, 2018, Officer James Harris retired after 29 years with the Crystal Lake Police Department.



Community Service Officer Laurie Brummitt

On May 31st, 2018, Community Service Officer Laurie Brummitt retired after 21 years with the Crystal Lake Police Department.



Terry Kafenshtok

On September 21st, 2018, Administrative Assistant Terry Kafenshtok retired after 12 years with the Crystal Lake Police Department.



Officer Sean McGrath

On May 11th, 2018, Officer Sean McGrath retired after 27 years with the Crystal Lake Police Department.

New Police Officers



On April 9th, 2018, Officer Lucas Miller began his career with the Crystal Lake Police Department



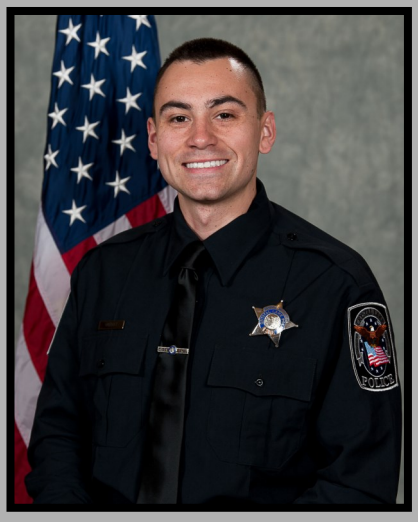
On April 9th, 2018, Officer Riley Jensen began his career with the Crystal Lake Police Department



On April 9th, 2018, Officer Nickolaus Trimpe began his career with the Crystal Lake Police Department.



On July 17th, 2018, Officer Richard Green began his career with the Crystal Lake Police Department.



On August 6th, 2018, Officer Brian Harvat began his career with the Crystal Lake Police Department.



On August 6th, 2018, Officer Andrew Serrato began his career with the Crystal Lake Police Department.



New Civilian Staff



On July 16th, 2018, Community Service Officer Fernando Ortiz began his career with the Crystal Lake Police Department.



On August 29th, 2018, Records Assistant Shama Witczak began her career with the Crystal Lake Police Department.



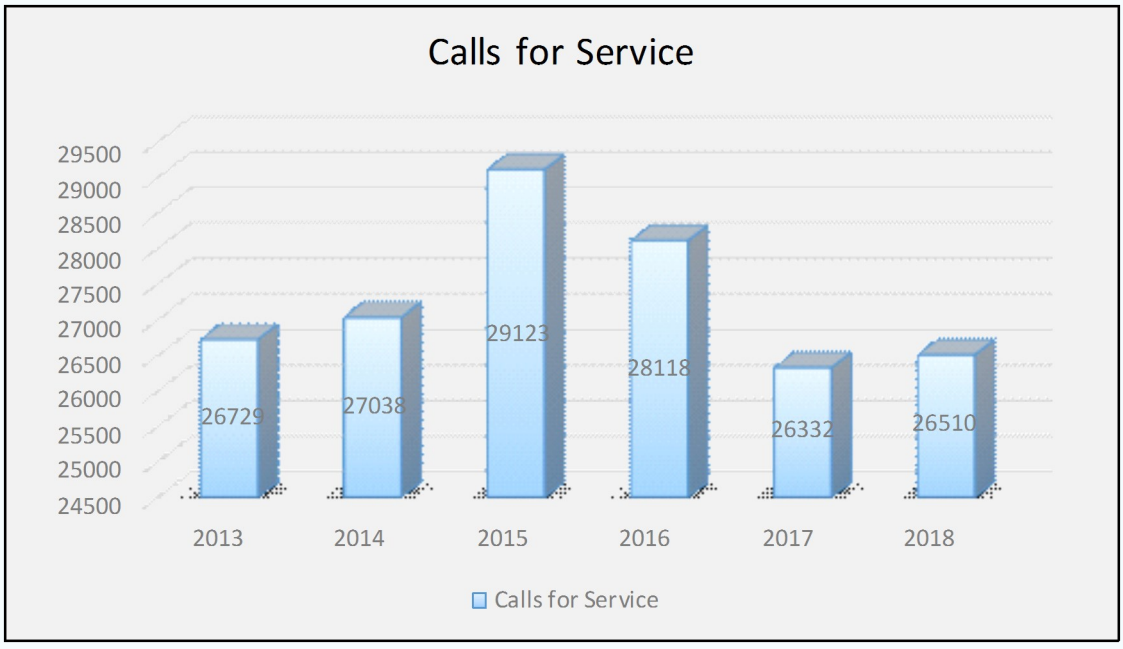
On November 26th, 2018, Administrative Assistant Laura Erickson began her career with the Crystal Lake Police Department.



Patrol Unit

The Patrol Unit is the largest and most visible Unit of the Department. The Patrol Unit is staffed with thirty-seven officers, seven sergeants, and two commanders. The Unit is divided into three shifts: day shift, afternoon shift, and midnight shift. This schedule allows for rotating days off where the officers work five days on, two days off, five days on, three days off. At least one sergeant supervises each shift on a daily basis. The Patrol Unit sergeants work a rotating schedule of 10 ¼ hour shifts, seven in a pay period, plus one 8 ¼ hour administrative day. The administrative day is used for employee performance evaluations, CALEA documentation, training and other projects. The two commanders are assigned to both the day shift and the afternoon shift, alternating between the two monthly. Although principally tasked with administrative responsibilities, the two commanders are available to support and direct the street level operations of the Patrol Unit when necessary. This ensures best practices are followed and all needs of the community are met with professional service.

In 2018, the Department responded to or initiated 26,510 calls for service, which were mostly handled by the Patrol Unit. The calls for service slightly increased (1%) from 2017. Calls for service include everything from traffic stops, citizen assists, and reports of crimes in progress, to medical assists and parking complaints. On average there were approximately 73 calls for service each day. Members of the Patrol Unit are much more than report takers, they are regarded as front-line investigators who are trained to work a call for service as comprehensively as possible within the first hours of discovery. When not handling dispatched calls for service, officers remain proactive by conducting traffic enforcement as well as business and residential patrols.



Traffic Safety

Our Department employs multiple methods to educate citizens and motorists about traffic safety. Those resources include the City Newsletter, Facebook/Twitter accounts, the Citizen Police Academy, Educational Pamphlets, Coffee with the Chief presentations, high school presentations by our School Resource Officers, the Department's Stalker Message Center, 360 speed trailer and the message boards of multiple business establishments in our City.

Bicycle Safety and Laws Presentation

On Wednesday, April 18, from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m., members of the Crystal Lake Police Department and the McHenry County Conservation District will present a free seminar on the topics of bicycle safety, traffic crash statistics, sharing the roadway, and the laws pertaining to both motorists and bicyclists. This presentation is open to all age groups. Seating is limited. R.S.V.P. to Officer Ed Pluviose.

- Check mirrors and blind spots, and signal before turning or making lane changes.
- Stay alert – no drowsy driving! Scan the roadway frequently for hazards.
- Don't drive distracted: No multi-tasking, no talking on a cell phone, no texting while driving!
- Obey the speed limit. Adjust driving speed to road, weather and other conditions. Plan ahead before leaving. Allow extra time depending on weather and road conditions.
- Always use a designated driver if consuming alcohol.
- Don't follow the car ahead too closely! Leave a safe following distance of at least three seconds from the vehicle in front and more if driving conditions are poor.
- Share the road with trucks, bikes, pedestrians and motorcycles.
- Make sure everyone in the vehicle buckles up with little ones in age appropriate car seats or booster seats.
- Don't drive aggressively and don't let the actions of other drivers cause you to make decisions that put yourself and others at risk.

Traffic Safety

Engineering

A Patrol Commander serves as our Department's representative on the City of Crystal Lake's Traffic Safety Committee. The Committee analyzes traffic-related issues and determines suitable resolutions. Those resolutions have included amending roadway engineering, posting additional signage, initiating directed Police Department enforcement, and implementing a traffic calming strategy.

Enforcement

Our Department remains dedicated to reducing the amount of vehicle crashes and injuries by enforcing violations of the Illinois Vehicle Code. To assist in achieving this objective, the Department participates in the Illinois Department of Transportation's Sustained Traffic Enforcement Program (STEP). STEP campaigns focus on times of day when the statistics show crashes involving alcohol and unrestrained occupants are the highest. In 2018, the Department participated in the 9 campaigns where 467 traffic stops were conducted and 417 citations were issued. Even when not participating in these campaigns, officers still aggressively enforce the driving laws.



PRESS RELEASE

Crystal Lake Police Department

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: **March**

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100 West Woodstock S
Crystal Lake, Illinois, 6
(815) 356-3767

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PRESS RELEASE

Crystal Lake Police Department

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: **December 18, 2018**

CONTACT: Deputy Chief Tom Kotlowski
100 West Woodstock Street
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(815) 356-3730

DRIVE SOBER OR GET PULLED OVER
CLICK IT OR TICKET

Crystal Lake Police Department Is Arresting Drunk Drivers This Holiday Season

This holiday season, the Crystal Lake Police Department will work around the clock to keep drivers and passengers safe as they search for alcohol and drug-impaired drivers. From December 19th through the early morning hours of January 2nd, the Crystal Lake Police Department is partnering with the Illinois Department of Transportation, Illinois State Police and local law enforcement agencies throughout Illinois in a year-end *Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over* enforcement campaign. Officers also will be looking for, and ticketing, individuals who aren't buckled up. It is the law in Illinois to wear your seat belt, no matter where you are seated in the vehicle.

Traffic Safety

Additional Traffic Enforcement Efforts

The members of the Patrol Unit conducted Traffic Enforcement Efforts (TEEs) throughout 2018. The TEEs are an additional attempt to reduce the amount of traffic collisions and inspire motorists to drive safely. While conducting TEEs, officers target all traffic violations while concentrating on seatbelt, improper lane usage, speeding, and distracted driving. The locations of those efforts are chosen from our analysis of collision data, notifications from concerned citizens, and observations of possible problem areas made by officers. TEEs are also initiated in school zones to increase safety and driver awareness in these vital areas. In 2018, our Department conducted 308 TEEs, totaling 271 hours of specialized enforcement.





DUI Enforcement Recognition

Since 1982 The Alliance Against Intoxicated Motorists has been providing various programs to bring awareness to the dangers of drunk driving. One such program is their annual DUI enforcement recognition awards. In 2018 AAIM recognized the following Crystal Lake officers for their outstanding DUI enforcement efforts:

Officer Phillip Lloyd-Mietus

Officer Kimberley Shipbaugh

Officer William Kitsis

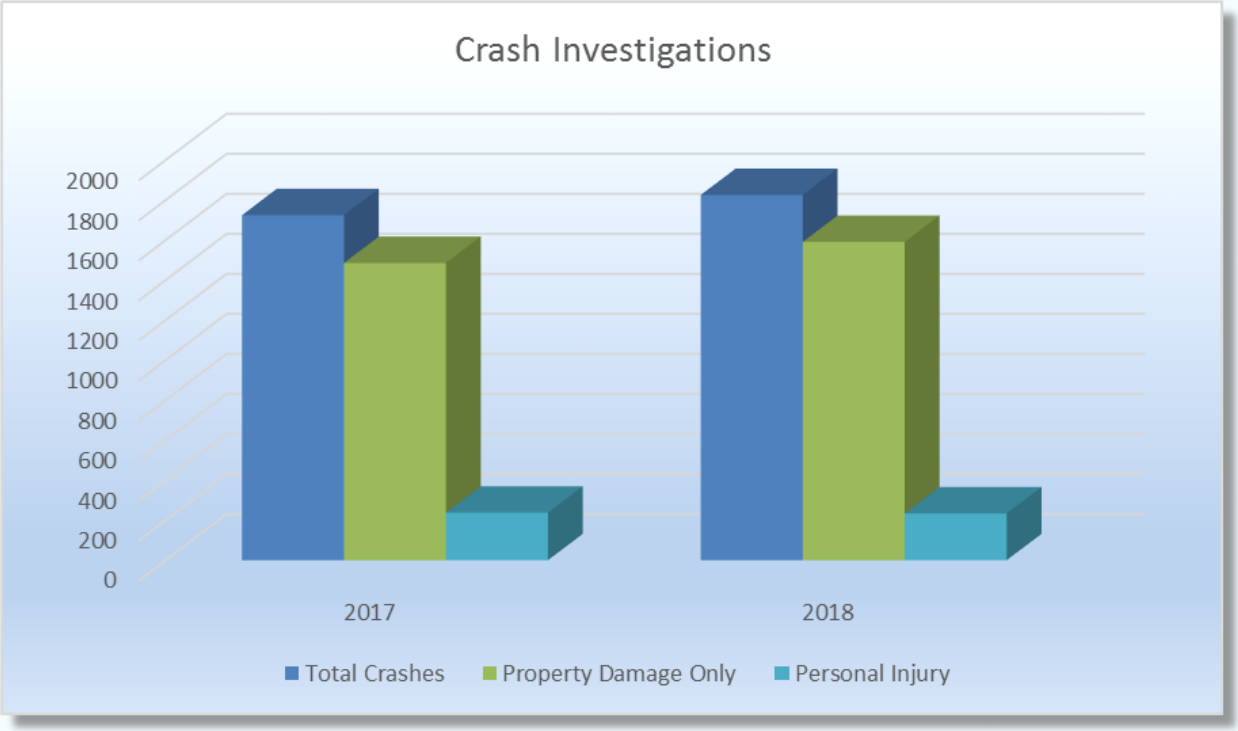
Officer David Lang

Officer Joseph Spino





Traffic Crashes



The total number of traffic crashes increased 6% in 2018 when compared to 2017. However, we experienced a 2% decrease in crashes that resulted in injury. Unfortunately, the Accident Investigation Team investigated one crash that resulted in a fatality in 2018. The cause of the fatal crash was determined to not be a result of motorist enforcement, highway engineering, or education.

Members use the Appriss electronic crash reporting system to document traffic collisions. Appriss, together with the CrimeReports mapping software, provides the Department with the ability to examine crash data more efficiently. That data is used to identify areas where concerns and patterns have developed. Our Department can then develop a plan to address the area with the objective of decreasing the amount of preventable crashes.

Railroad Safety

Crystal Lake continues to partner with Operation Lifesaver in an effort to further public education around railroad safety. Participating for the fourth year in National Rail Safety Week, which was held September 23rd through the 29th, the Crystal Lake Police Department proudly helped educate the public on this important topic. During this week 38 officers were scheduled during key periods of the day to meet with commuters at the downtown Crystal Lake Metra station in a community orientated approach towards safety education. During the week officers distributed 363 informational flyers and issued several warnings for violations.

Beyond National Rail Safety Week, the Crystal Lake Police Department actively patrols and enforces railroad warning violations. In 2018, 90 citations were issued by officers to pedestrians violating state laws pertaining to railroad warning devices.



2018 Traffic Safety Challenge

The Illinois Traffic Safety Challenge targets four major traffic safety priorities:

- Occupant Protection
- Speeding
- Impaired Driving
- Distracted Driving

For the fifth consecutive year, the Crystal Lake Police Department participated in the Illinois Traffic Safety Challenge. The Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police organizes the program with support from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration and the Illinois Department of Transportation. Additional support comes from several private entities. The Traffic Safety Challenge is a professional competition between similar size and type of law enforcement agencies. It judges departments on efforts and accomplishments in regards to traffic safety and is used as a template for participating agencies to identify traffic issues, plan strategies, reduce social harm and improve the quality of life in their communities.

Although the 2018 entry did not place in the competition, the judges' commentary recognized many positive efforts and accomplishments. One category of the 2018 submission which received significant praise was the Department's public awareness and educational achievements.

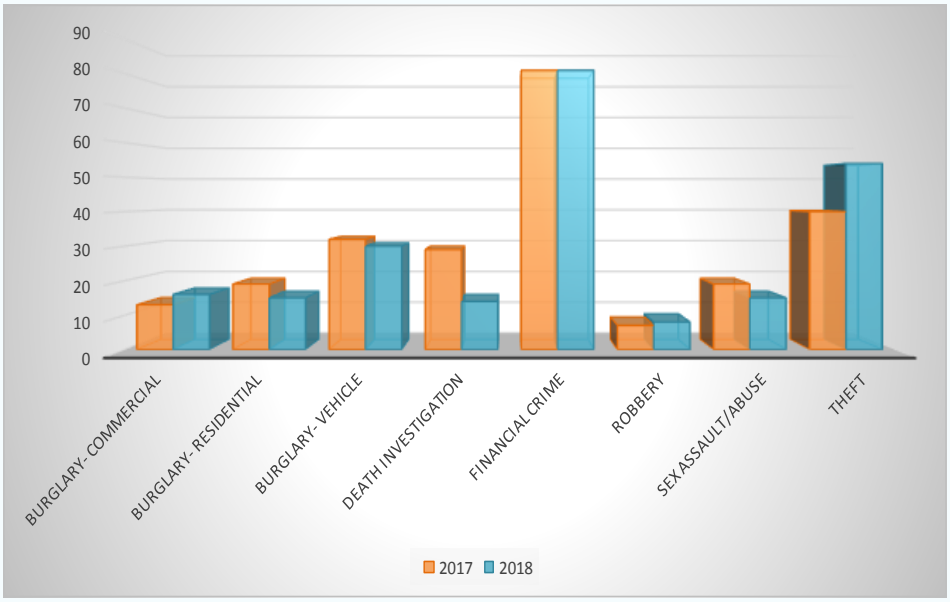
Public Awareness

Although traffic enforcement efforts are often times the most identifiable police action as a way to keep the roads safe, education and public awareness are equally as important. The Department, through a series of student education efforts, press releases and public announcements, informs and reminds the public to drive safe.

Investigations Unit

The Investigations Unit is comprised of six detectives, three school resource officers, one task force agent assigned to DEA Rockford, one Detective Sergeant and one Unit Commander. They are some of the hardest working, highly skilled and capable investigators in this area. While most calls for service are handled by the responding patrol officers, many require additional and sometimes specialty in-depth investigation, which falls under the responsibility of this Unit.

The Investigations Unit investigated a variety of reported incidents. The most frequent situations investigated are represented in the below chart.



Notable 2017 Follow-up Investigations

Residential Burglary: On August 20th, 2017, officers responded to the 800 block of Crabapple Drive for a report of a burglary. The complainant reported an unknown offender had entered the residence and stole cash and diamonds. No forced entry to the residence was noted. Detectives began an investigation and quickly developed a suspect, the ex-boyfriend of the homeowner's daughter. Detectives discovered the suspect was a registered sex offender and had failed to register this particular address when residing with the family. Through subpoenas served on phone records and preservation requests submitted for social media sites, detectives methodically assembled GPS locations through cell tower mapping, placing this particular suspect at the victim's residence within the timeframe of the crime. Interviews were conducted and one of the missing pieces of jewelry was discovered at an out-of-town pawn shop. Warrants were obtained for Residential Burglary, Theft and a Violation of Sex Offender Registration Act.

2018 Notable Investigations

Financial Crimes/Theft: On February 6th, 2018, officers responded to a financial crimes report in the 300 block of Memorial Drive. The complainant reported that upon conducting a financial audit, they discovered a current employee had unlawfully stolen around $50,000 from the company over a 5 month period. Detectives began an investigation into the incident and filed several bank and other financial subpoenas. Detectives conducted several witness interviews and reviewed pages upon pages of financial statements which revealed the facts of the matter. The suspect, who was gainfully employed at the company in their financial division, was misappropriating earmarked funds by using them to pay a personal loan. The investigation concluded with a charge of Theft, a Class 2 Felony. A warrant of arrest was obtained for the suspect.

Residential Burglary: On December 24th, 2018, a resident located in the 400 block of W. Crystal Lake Avenue reported a residential burglary and trespass to motor vehicle. Officers on scene reported the victim was adamant she had locked her doors and no evidence of forced entry was discovered. Jewelry, cash, and other valuables were missing from the residence. The complainant also reported her vehicle had been used and returned by the suspect. Detectives, working off the initial extensive investigative effort conducted by patrol officers, began an investigation into the burglary and developed a suspect who was linked to the unlawful use of the victim's stolen credit cards and sale of stolen jewelry to a local pawn shop. A search warrant for the suspect's residence was drafted and executed, resulting in the recovery of incriminating evidence. He was arrested on scene. The suspect was interviewed and subsequently confessed. As a result, the suspect was charged with Felony Residential Burglary, multiple counts of Felony Aggravated Identity Theft and Criminal Trespass to Vehicle.

Aggravated Criminal Sexual Abuse: On October 23rd, 2018, Crystal Lake Police Detectives were notified by the Algonquin Police about a female juvenile student, who attends a school in Algonquin, disclosed details of ongoing criminal sexual abuse by their music teacher while attending music lessons at the Dole Mansion. Detectives immediately began an investigation into the allegations and identified an additional three victims, who also attended lessons with the suspect and reported the same allegations. Forensic interviews on each of the victims were conducted, resulting in the corroboration of the allegations. Detectives interviewed the suspect who partially confessed to inappropriately touching the children. This suspect was later arrested and charged with four counts of Felony Aggravated Criminal Sexual Abuse.

2018 Notable Investigations

Possession of Child Pornography: On February 8th 2018, ICAC Detectives received a cyber-tip reporting a Crystal Lake resident was downloading images of child pornography. Through subpoenas served on phone records, servers and IP addresses, a suspect was developed who resided in the 1400 block of Alexandra Boulevard. As the investigation continued over the span of several weeks, a second IP address was developed linking the activity to an address in Glendale Heights, IL. It was learned that the suspect had moved out of the residence in Crystal Lake and was now residing in Glendale Heights. Probable cause was obtained to secure a search warrant for the residence in Glendale Heights and an arrest warrant for the suspect on 4 counts of unlawful possession of child pornography. Working in coordination with Glendale Heights Police and the Attorney General's Office, a search warrant was executed. As a result of the search warrant, several electronic devices were seized, with additional search warrants being executed on these devices. The suspect was served with additional charges of Child Pornography.

Burglary to Vehicle/ Theft of Vehicle: On September 7th, 2018, two males were arrested by responding officers for unlawful use of a stolen credit card while at Wal-Mart. A subsequent investigation identified the vehicle they had arrived in, which was soon discovered to be reported stolen out of Lake County. Detectives interviewed the suspects and located stolen proceeds from various retail thefts committed in Lake County within the stolen vehicle. It was also discovered that a second vehicle had been stolen out of Lake County, which the suspects had crashed into a pond. Detectives worked in coordination with Lake County Sheriff's Department. As a result, both suspects were each charged with Possession of a Stolen Vehicle and Identity Theft.

Unlawful Possession of a Firearm: On September 27th, 2018, a roll over traffic crash occurred in the area of Crystal Lake South High School. Officers responding to the scene later discovered a handgun located within the debris field of the vehicle. Both occupants denied any knowledge of the firearm. Detectives conducted an investigation working in coordination with the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms (ATF), quickly linking the handgun to the residence of the passenger. Further investigation revealed the passenger stole several handguns from his father and was selling them to a local drug dealer in exchange for money. The son was later arrested and charged with Possession of a Stolen Firearm and Unlawful Possession of Firearms. The drug dealer was arrested and charged with Possession of a Stolen Firearms and Felony Aggravated Unlawful Use of a Weapon.

2018 Notable Investigations

Financial Identity Theft: On January 6th, 2018, Crystal Lake Police responded to the 100 block of Crystal Ridge Drive regarding an identity theft complaint from the resident. It was reported the complainant's credit card information was used at a variety of locations around the Crystal Lake area. Detectives conducted a follow up investigation and suspected the offender was using a cloned credit card with the victim's information, as the victim still had possession of the card. The credit card information was unlawfully used at sixteen locations around the area. Detectives methodically canvassed each area, resulting in the development of a lead. The offender had purchased cigarettes at one location, who scanned an identification card for age verification. The data results of that scan produced a partial driver's license number and date of birth. Working with the Secretary of State, several potential suspects were developed. Later in the investigation, a name was obtained, matching one of the suspects. An interview was attempted, but the suspect retained legal counsel. Video surveillance images matched this suspect. As a result of the investigation, the suspect was arrested and charged with sixteen counts of Felony Financial Identity Theft.

Armed Robbery/Theft of Vehicle/Forgery: On December 22nd, 2018, officers responded to the 200 block of Elmhurst Street subsequent to a report of an armed robbery. It was reported the victim was attempting to deliver a pizza to the suspect, who attempted to pay for the pizza with a fraudulent one hundred dollar bill. An argument ensued, resulting in the suspect brandishing an edged weapon and stealing the pizza, along with the victim's money. Detectives immediately began an investigation into the matter and soon discovered the fraudulent bill used in this incident was linked to multiple incidents reported around the community during the previous 2 weeks, where fraudulent one hundred dollar bills were attempting to be passed. One report resulted in the theft of a motor vehicle, when the same fraudulent currency was used during the private transaction of a vehicle purchase.

Detectives developed a suspect and upon conducting a follow up investigation, located the suspect hiding within an apartment in the 200 block of Elmhurst Avenue. Incriminating evidence was discovered resulting in his arrest. The suspect was interviewed and confessed to being responsible for all the reported incidents. As a result of the investigation, the suspect was charged with 5 counts of Felony Forgery, Felony Unlawful Possession of a Stolen Motor Vehicle, Felony Theft and Armed Robbery, a Class X Felony.

2018 Notable Investigations

Criminal Damage to Property: On August 20th, 2018, Officers responded to the 200 block of Marian Parkway reference the report of multiple unattended vehicles being damaged by what appeared to be bb rounds discharged from a bb gun. The following day, additional vehicles and building windows located in the 100 and 200 block of Elmhurst Street were reported to be damaged.

On August 23rd, 2018, detectives were in the 200 block of Elmhurst Street following up on a reported residential burglary where that resident had also sustained a damaged window when it was discovered two suspects were present within that unit. Upon further investigation being conducted over the next few days, it was discovered these same two suspects were responsible for the damage to the area. The bb guns used in the commission of the crimes were recovered. One of the suspects subsequently confessed, implicating the other. Both suspects were later charged with multiple counts of Felony Criminal Damage to Property.

Aggravated Criminal Sex Abuse/Sex Offender: On April 26th, 2018, detectives were contacted by the Crystal Lake Park District Police regarding an encounter they had while at Veteran's Acres Park with a local adult registered sex offender/predator. At the time of this contact, the offender was in the company of a female juvenile and had arrived in a vehicle registered to the sex offender. Detectives were familiar with this particular sex offender and had charged him with a registration violation a few months prior. An investigation into the matter immediately ensued, where detectives filed social media preservation requests, subpoenas on cell phone providers and conducted several interviews.

It was discovered the juvenile had been groomed by this sex offender 3 months prior, had failed to report his vehicle to the Crystal Lake Police during his previous registrations and was currently engaging in consensual sex with the juvenile. As a result, the offender was charged with 2 Felony counts of Unlawful Failure/Duty to Register and Felony Aggravated Criminal Sexual Abuse. He was arrested by detectives after securing a warrant and was confined in the McHenry County Jail.

Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) detectives continued their investigation into this sex offender, resulting in an additional 17 counts of crimes ranging from Felony Possession of Child Pornography, Indecent Solicitation of a Minor and Unlawful Communication with a Minor, with some victims residing out of state.

2018 Notable Investigations

Commercial Burglary: On September 22nd, 2018, officers responded to a business located in the 100 block of N. Williams Street for a report of a delayed burglary. It was discovered that the offenders had gained access to the business and stole cash and numerous gift cards. Detectives conducted a follow up investigation. Canvasses of the business area were conducted, resulting in the identification of a witness. Video surveillance from a business located within close proximity was reviewed, leading to the development of multiple suspects. Several suspect interviews were conducted, resulting in the identification of the juvenile offender. The investigation revealed the offender had obtained a key to the business from a previous employee. The juvenile offender was charged with Theft and Burglary.

School Resource Officers



The Department and School District #155 have a successful, collaborative relationship, in part due to the efforts of three School Resource Officers (SROs), one serving in each of our community's three high schools. SROs are present in the schools when classes are in session, and are responsible for the investigation and documentation of all crimes committed within the schools. They work closely with the faculty of their respective schools, including the Dean of Students. In addition, the SROs participate in classroom presentations regarding a variety of law enforcement related safety topics, including but not limited to: traffic laws, drinking and driving, curfew, sexting and bullying. They participate in developing and practicing the District's lock-down, evacuation and emergency preparedness drills. As they are sworn officers, the SROs are considered to be the first line of defense to protect the students and staff against violence.

SROs are responsible for annual alcohol and tobacco compliance programs conducted by the City. Through the utilization of area students, SROs coordinate controlled liquor purchases (alcohol compliance enforcement) and controlled tobacco purchases at all businesses holding licenses to sell alcohol and tobacco products within the City. The programs are intended to ensure persons underage are unable to make purchases while under the legal age mandated by Illinois law.

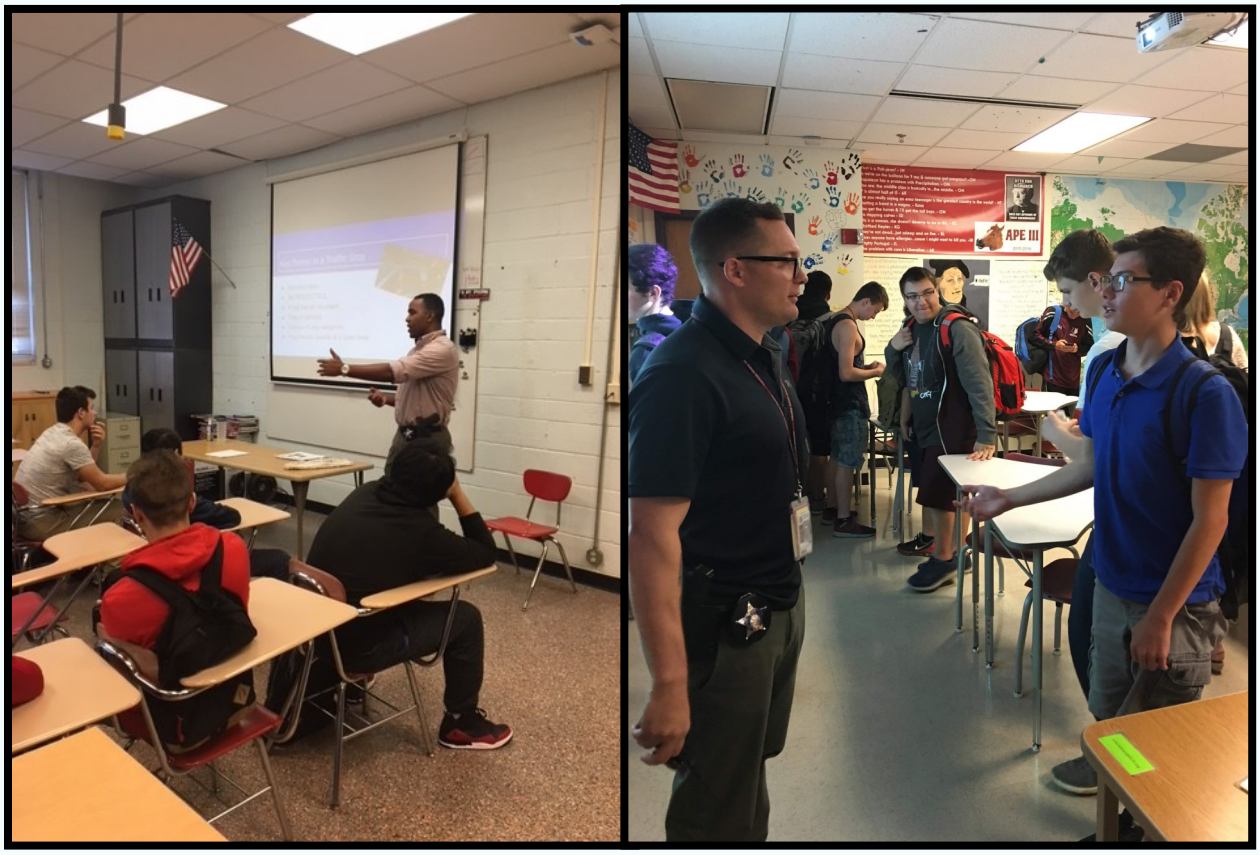
School Resource Officers

Tobacco Compliance Checks

With the goal of protecting the health of our children, the Crystal Lake Police Department participates in the Illinois Liquor Control Commission's "Kids Can't Buy 'Em Here" grant-funded tobacco enforcement program. The program's two-pronged approach features both education and enforcement. Educational materials are initially distributed to all licensed tobacco retailers, with the purpose of focusing attention to state law. Shortly following, compliance checks are conducted to determine if retailers are adhering to the minimum age required to purchase tobacco products, which prohibit the sale of tobacco products to persons under the age of 18. The Crystal Lake Police Department conducted three tobacco compliance checks of the 31 tobacco retailers located within Crystal Lake in 2018.

Alcohol Compliance Checks

The Crystal Lake Police Department conducts alcohol compliance checks throughout the year. Compliance checks are performed to determine if alcohol retailers are complying with minimum-age liquor laws that prohibit the sale of alcohol to persons under the age of 21. The Crystal Lake Police Department conducted six alcohol compliance checks of the 84 alcohol retailers located within Crystal Lake in 2018.



K9 Team

After the retirement of canine Ace in 2017, the Department continued its successful police canine program with Officer Ryan Schack and his canine partner Zeus in 2018. Zeus is a male German Shepherd who was bred and raised in the Czech Republic. He was trained at TOPS Kennel in Grayslake. Unlike the Department's previous two police canines, Zeus is trained as a bark and hold dog (not a bite dog). This allows Officer Schack to deploy him to search and track both criminal offenders as well as non-offenders such as missing people.

Officer Schack and Zeus completed training in the fall of 2018. Upon the completion of training, Zeus was certified in multiple patrol functions and received certification from the Illinois Training and Standards Board (ILTSB) in narcotics detection.

During the first few months of service, Officer Schack and Zeus have had success during deployments including locating a missing adult and making several narcotics related arrests. Officer Schack and Zeus participated in several community related events in 2018, performing demonstrations at the CLPD Citizen's Police Academy, at Indian Prairie Elementary School, and for a Girl Scout Troop that was touring the PD.



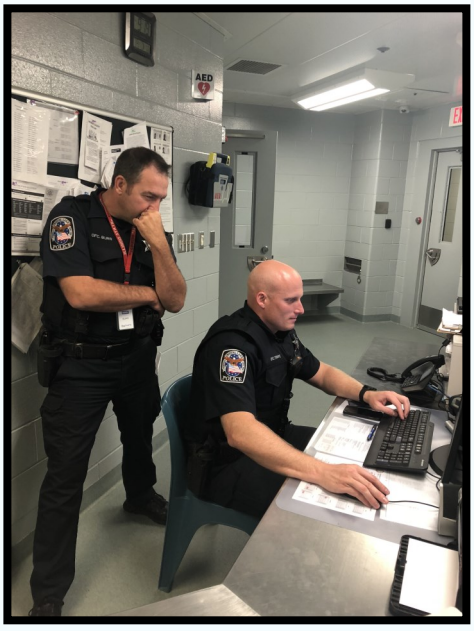
Training Unit

The goal of the Crystal Lake Police Department's Training Unit is to facilitate the highest quality of instruction to agency members and inspire a passion for excellence in policing services. In the 2018 calendar year, the training unit was challenged to raise the bar. As a result, a robust training calendar was created and implemented using numerous professional and community experts. A substantial amount of new curriculum was also designed and implemented. The overall objective was to provide officers with a broad knowledge base of highly specialized skills and tactics, while maintaining community-oriented policing at the heart of all activities. In total, 13,105 hours of instruction was provided to staff members. This was an increase of over 293 percent from the previous year.

Basic Academy and Field Training

During 2018, the Department used the Cook County Sheriff's Police Academy to certify new officers through the Illinois Training and Standards Board. The academy is located on the Triton College campus in River Grove, Illinois. The 560-hour curriculum begins the journey of aspiring officers for careers in public service. In total, five officers graduated the academy.

While all of the officers excelled within their cadre, Officer Lucas Miller was awarded class valedictorian and the Frank Knapp Award. The Frank Knapp Award is the academy's highest honor. It is given to a recruit that has high academic, marksmanship, attendance and fitness scores while maintaining outstanding spirit and attitude.



After recruits graduate the police academy, they then enter a rigorous 15-week field training program. Officers that join the Crystal Lake Police Department from outside agencies are also put through the same field training program to assure adherence to high departmental standards and expectations for service. Officers are required to successfully mitigate numerous intricate incidents while under the direct tutelage of proven veteran officers. Upon completion of field training, officers begin solo patrol in accordance with best practices, internal policies and the law. In total, four officers successfully passed field training, while two more began the process in December and are doing well.

Training Unit

Mental Health

Mental health and its correlation to modern policing continues to be at the forefront of societal concern. Cases occurring across the country involve varying degrees of mental health influences that impact victims and the community as a whole. As society continues to grow and become more complex, this impact is only projected to increase. As a result, the training unit has prioritized skills to appropriately resolve mental health related incidents.

In late 2017, the Department pledged to join the International Association of Chiefs of Police's One Mind Campaign. As part of this pledge, the Department defined sustainable partnerships with local mental health organizations. A model policy was also implemented that guided officers' response to persons with mental illness. Lastly, over twenty percent of sworn staff members obtained advanced Crisis Intervention Training (CIT) and all sworn officers attended Mental Health First Aid class. Both of these courses and the One Mind Campaign are currently recognized nationally as the gold standard within policing dealing with mental health incidents. In 2018, we proudly declare this pledge was met and the resulting improvements are used on a regular basis to help the community.

Supervisory Development

The Department continually provides advanced training for supervisory staff. Supervisors are encouraged to grow both as leaders and effective managers. This year Sergeant Charles Harris successfully graduated from Northwestern University's Staff and Command School. This time tested program provides supervisors with advanced skills to succeed as middle and upper level managers.

Also this year, the entire command staff participated in a leadership series facilitated by Outsider Consulting. The program was successful in helping the entire team grow and develop.

Deputy Chief Tom Kotlowski attended the highly regarded FBI National Academy. Very few police supervisors are afforded the opportunity to attend this extremely sought after training, bringing police leaders from around the world together in a learning environment second to none in the police profession.

Training Unit

Intoxicated Motorists and Traffic Safety Education

DUI drivers frequently impact the community as a whole. In only a split second, the decision to drive intoxicated can impact lives forever. As a result, the Department recognizes the need to aggressively address this safety concern. The Training Unit supports enforcement efforts by ongoing training and education.

Following National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHSTA) standards as well as Illinois State certified programs, officers are taught DUI detection methods and interdiction techniques to tackle the issue. Officers are also involved in educational components in the high schools and community to raise awareness regarding safe, sober driving. Some of the courses officers took were “Narcotics Investigator”, “Advanced DUI Enforcement”, “Breath Analysis for Alcohol Training”, “Comprehensive DUI Awareness” and “IDOT’s Traffic Incident Management”. Additionally, some of the classes that were taught were “Teen- Drug and Alcohol”, “Traffic safety” and “I.M.P.A.C.T.” (Internal Measures Preventing Alcohol Consumption for Teens).

Internships

The Department’s Internship Program has significant value for the Training Unit. Many successful officers within the agency began as police interns. Interns are screened and carefully picked from regional schools to spend a semester rotating through all the Units within the agency. Each student is pursuing a course of study within the field of criminal justice and receives college credit for their efforts.

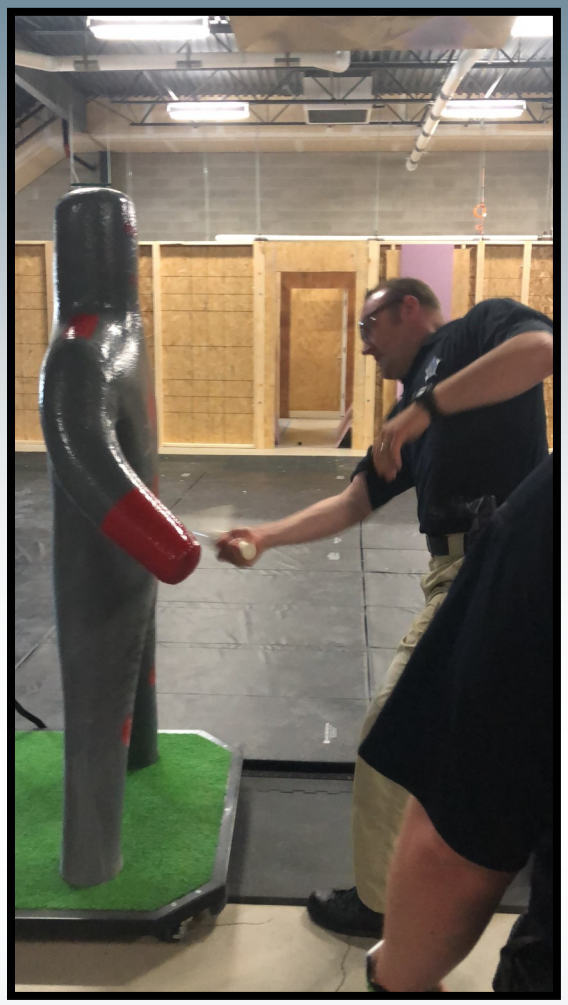
This year the Crystal Lake Police Department accepted three interns. The students were from Western Illinois University and Illinois State University. Two students were criminal justice majors and the third was a forensics major. Today, each intern has obtained employment and gained valuable insight during their tenure.

Ride-Along

In 2018, the Department accommodated 28 individuals with ride-a-longs. The Ride-Along program affords citizens in the community the opportunity to spend a shift riding with a patrol officer. This provides an excellent firsthand look at the high level of policing services the Department provides on a daily basis. Citizens can also get a glimpse into law enforcement careers from an agency that is service focused. The Ride -Along program differs from the internship program in that it is open to all members of the public.

Training Unit

Constitutional Rights and Response to Resistance



Within modern policing, officers need to have a strong command of constitutional law regarding civil rights to appropriately respond to volatile incidents. As a result of this need, all officers regularly attend training and receive legal updates through various mediums. A multifaceted approach blends sound policing tactics with current case law, while honing verbal skills. The ultimate goal in resolving incidents is to de-escalate incidents where possible and use only the amount of force reasonably necessary to effectively settle conflicts.

Some of the classes attended were: “Defensive Tactics”, “Juvenile Specialist”, “Fair and Impartial Policing” and “Search and Seizure”. All sworn officers also participate in a monthly legal update through the Police Law Institute, LLC. and CourtSmart Inc. Also, during the 2018 calendar year, all officers participated in extensive scenario based training, which included active shooter response.

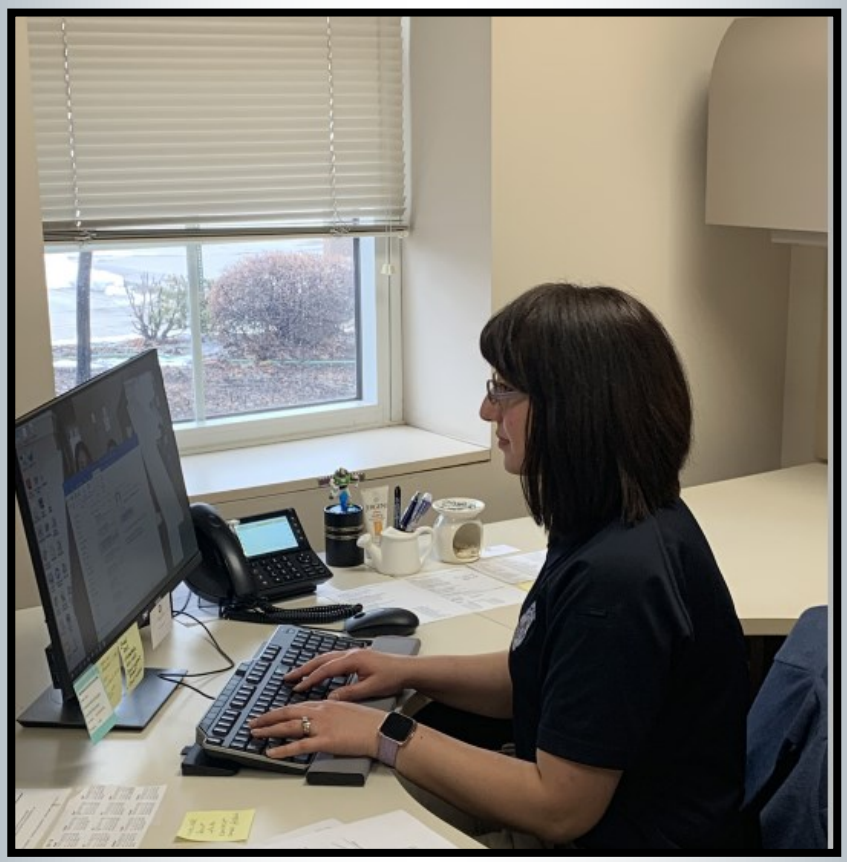


Records Unit

The Records Unit is staffed by three full-time clerks, two part-time clerks, one supervisor and is under the command of the Deputy Chief of Administration. The Records Unit welcomed one new part time Records Assistants in 2018, Shama Witczak.

The Records Unit is responsible for non-emergency phone calls and citizens arriving at the Police Department seeking assistance. The Unit maintains all police reports, citations and other documents required for court proceedings or public dissemination. Other duties include Freedom of Information (FOIA) requests, fulfilling subpoenas, expungements, various background requests and performing matron duties with female arrestees.

The current Records Management System (RMS) is *Central Square* which has field based reporting that enables all data from reports generated in the field to be sent into the RMS. RMS is utilized for looking up information and statistical reporting. *AVRS* is an automated accident reporting system that has online report downloads for citizens and insurance companies. Records also utilizes *Report Beam*, an automated citation program for traffic citations issued by officers which transmits data to the McHenry County Courthouse for prosecution of the offense cited and to the State of Illinois for statistical purposes.



Safety Committee

The Police Department Safety Committee is dedicated to promoting a healthy, safe, injury-free work environment through risk management procedures. The committee is comprised of representatives from the Patrol Unit, Criminal Investigations Unit, Support Services, and Administration.

The 2018 goals and objectives of the Police Department Safety Committee were:

- *Providing education on safety related topics to Department employees*
- *Establishing a healthy, safe, injury-free working environment*
- *Sustaining an interest in safety with employees*
- *Encouraging collaboration between employees and management*
- *Decreasing the amount and severity of injuries to employees*
- *Lowering the amount of incidents involving damage to property and equipment*

The committee meets monthly to discuss any incidents involving loss of personnel due to injury or property due to damage. The incidents are studied, root causes are identified, and preventability is established. The incident reviews result in determining if any trends or patterns are present and stimulates recommendations on workplace improvements or practices likely to reduce or eliminate such events from repeatedly occurring. In 2018, the Police Department Safety Committee reviewed 14 incidents. The rate of occurrence in 2018 was lower than 2017.

Additionally, a monthly safety message is created by supervisors, which address relevant subjects effecting members of the Department. In 2018 these topics included:

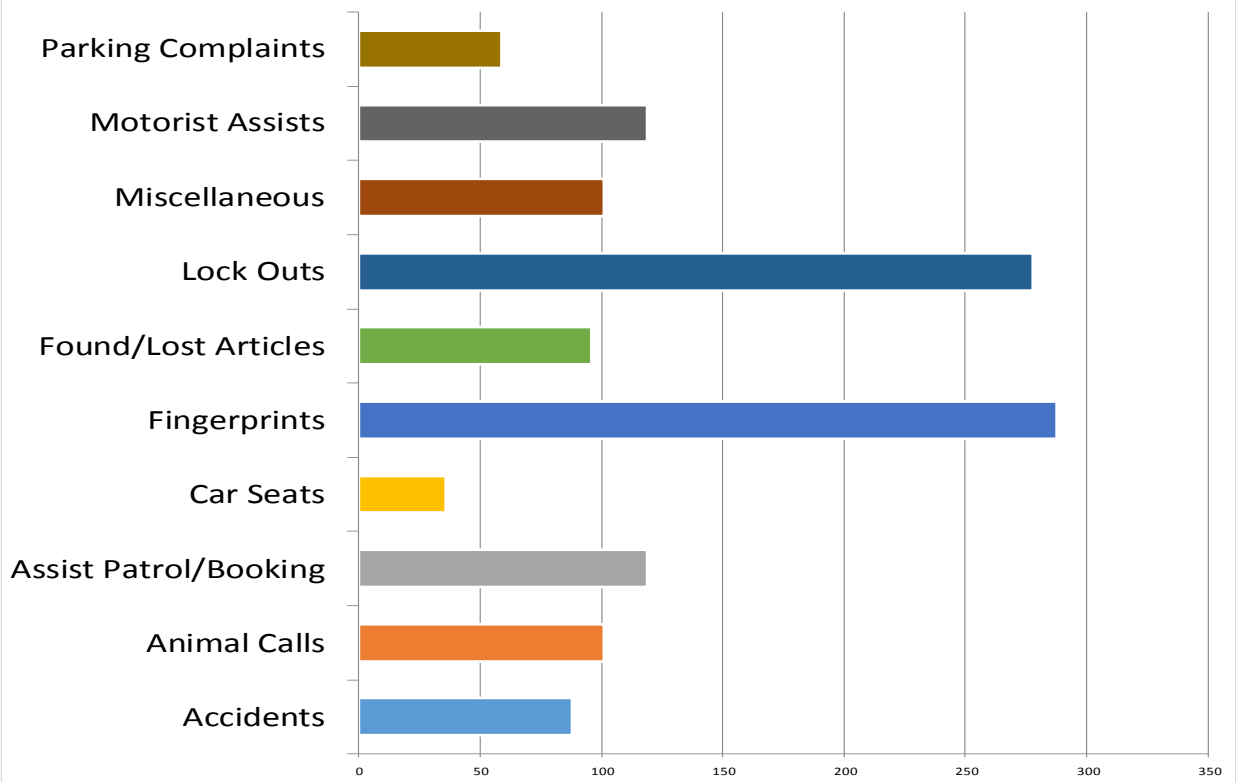
- ***Downed Power Line Safety***
- ***Distracted Driving***
- ***Lightning Safety When Working Outdoors***
- ***Proper Use of Drug Field Testing Kits***
- ***Drowsy Driving***
- ***Tick Awareness***
- ***Preventing Heat Exhaustion***
- ***The Benefits of Stretching***
- ***Bee and Wasp Stings***
- ***Winter Driving***
- ***Stress Management***
- ***Preventing Back Problems***
- ***Slips and Falls on Ice***

Community Service Officers

The Department currently employs four Community Service Officers (CSOs), one of which is the Department's Evidence Custodian. They are civilian employees assigned to the Patrol Unit. While they are not sworn officers and do not have authority to effect an arrest, they are vital and contribute greatly to the organization. CSOs routinely assist the Patrol Unit with a variety of calls which would otherwise require an officer's attention. These calls include: private property traffic crash reports, animal complaints, vehicle lockouts, commuter parking enforcement, pay-stall collections and banking. Additionally, they inspect child safety seats for proper installation, conduct fingerprinting services for fee applicants (liquor license holders, taxi cab drivers, etc...) and assist officers with prisoner processing duties. CSOs fill a critical role by assisting patrol officers in the field, directing traffic at roadway crash scenes.

In addition to assisting the Patrol Unit, one CSO is assigned as Department's Evidence Custodian. The primary responsibility of the Evidence Custodian is managing all of the Department's evidence. This includes logging and storing all evidence, destroying evidence when applicable, and releasing evidence.

During 2018, our CSOs handled 1,285 calls for service and assisted on many more. They also issued 1,467 parking citations.



Accreditation

Benefits of CALEA

- Comprehensive, well thought-out written directives

- Reports and analyses to make informed management decisions

- Preparedness program in place

- Improved relationship with the community

- Strengthen agency's accountability

- Limit liability and risk exposure

- Assists in agency's pursuit of excellence

CALEA serves as the premier credentialing association for public safety agencies and provides accreditation services for law enforcement organizations, public safety communication centers, public safety training academies, and campus security agencies. The standards are promulgated by a board of 21 commissioners, representing a full spectrum of public safety leadership.

After being the recipient of Law Enforcement Accreditation for the second time, the Crystal Lake Police Department transitioned from a three year assessment cycle to the required 4-year assessment cycle. A required change in this transition involved the construction of CALEA standardized files. Instead of paper files, the Department manages the accreditation process utilizing the web based CALEA PowerDMS assessment tool.

From April 13, through April 21, a CALEA Compliance Service Member (CSM) conducted the Department's second remote assessment. This annual file review consisted of a representative sample of CALEA standards to verify continued compliance.

Property and Evidence Unit

The Department's Evidence and Property Unit is an integral part of the overall agency operations. The Evidence Unit is staffed with one full time CSO whose primary responsibility is as the Department's Evidence Custodian. A second CSO serves as the back-up. The property control officer is responsible for managing the Department's evidence room where all evidence seized, received, or found by officers is properly labeled, packaged, and kept in evidence until it is released or disposed of in accordance with State and Federal Laws and Department policies.

The property control officer also collaborates with the States Attorney's Office, Alcohol Tobacco and Firearms, Rockford Laboratory, and many other outside vendors. In 2018, there was a 9% decrease in number of items collected and a 4% decrease in the number of items purged. In addition to managing the evidence room, the property control officer also handles hundreds of requests from officers, submitting reports, and assisting the Records Unit in fulfilling subpoena requests.

Community Relations



The Police Community Relations Officer (PCRO) continued to play a supportive role in the Police Department's Mission Statement and Core Values. During 2018, the Police Community Relations Officer maintained an active role interacting and communicating with residents, businesses, and schools. The Police Community Relations Officer focused on topics that aided in enhancing the professional services and quality of life to those we serve.

Among the projects the PCRO is responsible for are the Volunteers In Police Services (VIPs) program and the Care Trak system. The PCRO also provides station tours and safety talks for local groups or schools. In late 2018, the PCRO continued the Read a Book initiative where the PCRO met with several 3rd grade classes from School District 47 to read a book, selected by the school's faculty staff, to the students.

Our PCRO continues to be an active member of the McHenry County Substance Abuse Coalition, McHenry County Safe Kids Coalition, McHenry County Police Charities, Safe Home Coalition of McHenry County, McHenry County Suicide Prevention Task Force, and The Task Force on Aging. The PCRO is the primary liaison between the Crystal Lake Crime Stoppers Board and the Police Department.





Some of the events/programs involved or facilitated by our PCRO during the 2018 calendar year were:

- Child Passenger Seat Events
- National Night Out
- Western Illinois' Law Enforcement Career Fair
- Lewis University Career Fair
- University of Illinois-Chicago Career Fair
- University of Wisconsin-Platteville Career Fair
- Texas Roadhouse Torch Run Benefit
- Holiday Meal Deliveries
- Cop on Rooftop
- Protect Yourself Against Gift Card Scams
- Drug Take-Back Event
- Bicycle Safety and Laws presentation
- Johnny Appleseed
- Law Enforcement Torch Run

Special Events



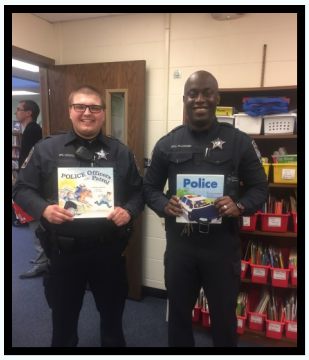
Back to School Backpack Program- On August 9th, the Department hosted its 3rd annual Back-to-School Backpack event. The event was designed to assist parents or caregivers with relieving the financial stress and burden associated with purchasing backpacks and school supplies. The Department, in partnership with School District 47 and Crystal Lake Target, was able to provide the basic school necessities, including backpacks, to the families that were identified by District 47's Lunch program.



Shop with a Cop- Eleven Crystal Lake Police Officers participated in the annual McHenry County Police Charities Shop With A Cop event at the Crystal Lake Wal-Mart. During the event officers were paired with a child in need of assistance for the holiday season. Each child is provided with $150 to spend. They also receive a winter coat, boots, a hat, and gloves.


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Special Events



Read a Book-The PCRO visited Woods Creek Elementary School and read Christmas themed books to a group of 3rd graders during the month of December.

Family Night of Reading- On March 15th, Officers Kendall and Pluviose took part in Family Night of Reading hosted at West Elementary School. The event brought in guest readers of various professions/careers in the community.

Crystal Lake Plaza Family Fun Event- On October 27th, Officer Pluviose attended the annual event held at Crystal Lake Plaza. The event provides a safer alternative for Halloween Trick or Treating. A marked squad was put on display for the kids and parents as the PCRO distributed bags of Halloween treats to the children.



Citizen Police Academy- From September 6th through November 15th, the Department hosted Citizen Police Academy Class 18-01. During the eleven week program, which met once a week for three hours, the class participants learned various functions of the Department while gaining basic knowledge in the area of Criminal Justice. The series of classes taught in the program included: Arrest, Search and Seizure; Vehicle Code; Criminal Code; Patrol Operations; and DUI.








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Special Events

Public Education - Public education is an important component of public safety. We have employed multiple avenues in which to provide the education to arm our citizens against becoming a victim as well as keeping themselves and their families safe. As summer drew to a close and back-to-school season was in full swing, signs were posted around the City reminding citizens to safely share the road with school buses, pedestrians and bicyclists.

During the year twelve articles submitted by the Department were published in the City newsletter for the purpose of raising awareness and educating the public on the following:

January: Happy New Year Message from Chief Black. February: International Stand up to Bullying Day, Traffic Safety, and IRS Scams. March: Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED). April: Bicycle Safety. May: Mental Health Awareness Month. June: Phone Scam. July: Upcoming Events- Texas Roadhouse Benefit Lunch, Citizen Police Academy, Independence Day, and Coffee with the Chief. August: National Night Out and Back-to-School Safety. September: National Suicide Prevention Awareness Month. October: Domestic Violence Awareness Month. November: Honoring All Who Served and Thanksgiving Safety. December: National Impaired Driving Prevention Month.



Department Awards

***Department Commendation**- Awarded to any member of the Crystal Lake Police Department for duties performed in an exceptional manner which brings credit on the employee and the Police Department.*

Burglary to Motor Vehicle/Theft:

Department Commendation presented to Officers Kris Krol, Dave Emrich, Adam Danowski, Jeremy Beasley.

Officers conducted a Terry Stop on three subjects who were out on bicycles in a residential area after 02:00 hours. Two of the subjects were found to be minors in the company of a deceptive 19 year old adult. The adult was arrested and charged with two counts of Contributing to the Delinquency of a Minor. During subsequent searches, electronic items were located which were connected to an unreported burglary and the bicycles in their possession were also stolen resulting in Burglary and Theft charges.

Burglary to Motor Vehicle:

Department Commendation presented to Officers Phil Lloyd-Mietus, Jeremy Beasley, Kris Krol, Dennis Meyer, Dave Emrich.

Officers were dispatched to a vehicle burglary in progress. Upon arriving, they set up a perimeter and observed fresh footprints in the snow leading away from the scene. Officers were able to follow the footprints away from the scene and to an address in Lake in the Hills. They also backtracked the footprints from the scene to the same location in Lake in the Hills while also locating other burglaries that had not yet been reported. At the residence, they observed a pair of wet gym shoes inside the rear sliding glass door where the trail ended. A suspect was identified, a confession was obtained and the subject was charged with several counts of Burglary to Motor Vehicle.

Burglary to Motor Vehicle:

Department Commendation presented to Officers Adam Danowski, Kris Krol, Dennis Meyer, Kimberley Shipbaugh.

Officers were dispatched to a vehicle burglary in progress. Upon arriving, a suspect was seen fleeing the area on a bicycle and another was seen fleeing on foot. The subject on the bicycle was stopped and an officer obtained information from a witness where the suspects were seen stashing proceeds. Upon further investigation, the residence belonged to one of the suspects and proceeds were able to be connected to the burglary. Both suspects were charged accordingly.

Department Awards

Department Medal of Valor *- Awarded to any member of the Crystal Lake Police Department for an act of exceptional bravery or heroism, performed above and beyond the call of duty and characterized by the voluntary risk of the employee's safety, knowing that the act could result in death or great bodily harm to the employee and which has demonstrated to a great degree the characteristics of selflessness, personal courage, and devotion to duty.*

Residential Structure Fire:

Department Medal of Valor presented to Officers Delmar Dade and Matthew Smith.

Crystal Lake Police Department officers were dispatched to a residential structure fire that was discovered by the Crystal Lake Park District Police Department. Upon arrival on scene, Officer Dade and Officer Smith observed flames on the exterior of the single story residence and smoke filling up the interior of the residence. While awaiting the arrival of Crystal Lake Fire Rescue, a woman arrived on scene hysterical stating her husband, who had difficulty walking, was still inside the residence.

Officer Dade and Officer Smith made the decision to enter the residence to try and locate the victim. The smoke had filled the residence from the ceiling almost down to the floor. Officer Dade and Officer Smith low-crawled on their hands and knees and made entry into the residence. Upon making entry, they observed the victim’s body approximately 10 feet inside the residence. Officers crawled to the male, grabbed him by the legs, and dragged him while still on their hands and knees out of the front door.

Crystal Lake Fire Rescue arrived on scene at that time and began rendering aid to the male who was unconscious, not breathing, and had suffered extensive burns to his body. The male was transported to a local hospital where he was later declared deceased. Officer Dade and Officer Smith were treated on scene for smoke inhalation and cuts sustained from crawling through broken glass.

Officer Dade and Officer Smith’s immediate actions and efforts showed exceptional bravery, self-sacrifice, valor, and devotion to duty. Both of them risked their lives entering a burning residence that was filled with smoke to search for, locate, and drag out an unconscious subject. Even though the victim did not survive, it should not take away from their actions in risking their lives in attempting to save the life of another.

Department Awards

The officers noted below received a Department Commendation for their quick actions, in separate events, after determining a non-responsive subject was succumbing to an opiate overdose. The officers used Narcan to revive the victims.

- **Officer Bill Kitsis (2 separate events)**
- **Officer Ryan Schack**
- **Officer Tyler Kendall**
- **Officer Alex Laub (3 separate events)**
- **Officer Matt Smith**
- **Officer Dominika Wawrzyniak**
- **Officer Dennis Meyer**

Chief's Distinguished Service Award- *Awarded to any member of the Crystal Lake Police Department for outstanding police-related accomplishments distinguished by the individual's performance of his or her duties above and beyond normal or routine, and resulting in improved Department administration, operation, or savings in operational costs, thereby contributing to a more efficient and effective police service.*

Driving Under the Influence Enforcement:

Chief's Distinguished Service Award presented to Officer Phil Lloyd-Mietus for leading the Department in DUI arrests.

Speed Enforcement:

Chief's Distinguished Service Award presented to Officer Russ Ford for leading the Department in the issuance of speeding citations.

Distracted Driving Enforcement:

Chief's Distinguished Service Award presented to Officer Eric Stopka for leading the Department in the issuance of distracted driving citations.

Occupant Restraint Enforcement:

Chief's Distinguished Service Award presented to Officer Eric Stopka for leading the Department in the issuance of occupant restraint citations.

Department Awards

Overall Performance in 2018:

Chief's Distinguished Service Award presented to Officer Delmar Dade.

Officer Delmar Dade has exceeded job performance expectations throughout the past year. Officer Dade's written work was noted to be well above average compared to other officers on the shift with all the relevant information, well organized, and contained no errors. The size of the report, or the complexity of the case, had no negative influence on the quality of his work. The best example of Officer Dade's performance was recently demonstrated when he responded to a DUI traffic crash involving nine vehicles. His report was long, extremely detailed, and very thorough.

Officer Dade's self-initiated activity has been consistently the highest on the shift by a substantial margin. Officer Dade excelled in the area of traffic contacts and community policing. Officer Dade substantially exceeded his minimum standards for each month.

Officer Dade's investigative abilities were well above average. Officer Dade was noted to take all the necessary steps during his investigations. As an example, while investigating a report of forgery, he viewed video footage at each location, conducted multiple interviews with bank employees and victims. He administered multiple photo line ups and reviewed all of the bank transaction logs. Officer Dade successfully identified two offenders and developed probable cause, which resulted in four warrants for the two suspects for Forgery.

Officer Dade understands the importance of presenting a positive and professional image when dealing with the citizens of Crystal Lake. Officer Dade has demonstrated an ability to deal with the public in a professional manner, regardless of the circumstances. He is a role model to other officers in the area of Community Policing and has demonstrated this throughout the year by volunteering for many community events outside of his normal shift.

Officer Delmar Dade is awarded the Chief's Distinguished Service Award for excellence with his proficient application of investigations, traffic enforcement, quality of his assignments and efforts in representing the Department in Community Policing. The performance demonstrated by Officer Dade, as well as his ongoing dedication to achieving the goals of this Department, reflects credit upon himself individually, the community at large and the highest traditions of the Crystal Lake Police Department.

Department Awards

Lifesaving Award- *Awarded to any member of the Crystal Lake Police Department whose actions and direct intervention are instrumental in saving or preserving human life.*

Department Lifesaving Award presented to Officers Brian Burr and Russ Ford.

Both officers were dispatched to a person not breathing and in cardiac arrest. Recognizing the strong possibility of a drug overdose, Officer Ford administered Narcan while Officer Burr began CPR and both officers assisted CLFR upon their arrival. Ultimately, the victim survived due to the officers' life saving efforts.

Department Lifesaving Award presented to Officers Dave Emrich, Jeremy Beasley and Kimberley Shipbaugh.

Officers were dispatched to a local restaurant for a person reported to be unconscious and not breathing suffering from a reported drug overdose. All three officers responded and administered Narcan and began performing CPR. As a result of the officers' efforts, the victim regained consciousness and was transported to the hospital.

Department Lifesaving Award presented to Officer Eric Stopka.

Officer Stopka was dispatched to a drug overdose. Upon arrival, Officer Stopka found the victim unresponsive, not breathing, and turning blue without a pulse. Officer Stopka began CPR and then administered Narcan at which time he felt a pulse. As a result of the officer's efforts, the victim regained consciousness and was transported to the hospital.

Department Lifesaving Award presented to Officers Josh Garcia and Joey Spino.

Both officers were dispatched to a subject who collapsed in his front yard and was reported to be unconscious, not breathing. Officer Garcia arrived and began performing CPR. Officer Spino arrived to assist and attached the AED, which delivered one shock. As they continued life saving measures, CLFR arrived and took over. Once the subject was inside the ambulance, paramedics advised the victim had regained consciousness and was now alert.

Department Awards

Citizen's Life Saving Award- *Awarded by the Chief of Police to any member of the community for actions which resulted in the preservation of another life.*

Citizen's Life Saving Award presented to Alexander Engler

Alexander Engler was at Chuck E Cheese with family members when he observed an infant choking on food. Mr Alexander performed a series of back-thrusts which caused the obstruction to dislodge, once again allowing the infant to breath.

Citizen's Letter of Appreciation- *Awarded to any citizen or organization that has assisted the Crystal Lake Police Department or contributed to the furtherance of the Department's goals.*

Citizen's Letter of Appreciation presented to Sean Zimmerman.

Sean Zimmerman was at the gas pumps at Sam's Club when he observed several subjects leaving the store with shopping carts full of merchandise. Suspecting a Retail Theft, Mr Zimmerman took photos of the suspects and their vehicle, which lead to their identification, and charges of Felony Retail Theft.

2017/2018 Comparison

RECORDS UNIT		
Operating Indicators By Function	**2017**	**2018**
Incident Reports Processed	5185	5542
Crash Reports Processed	1725	1826
Supplemental Reports Processed	1991	1823
Temporary Detention Reports	821	811
Subpoenas Processed	151	146
Freedom of Information Act Requests	483	536
Expungements	20	39
CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS UNIT		
Operating Indicators By Function	**2017**	**2018**
% Cases Cleared	51%	50%
Total Cases Cleared	152	159
Total Cases Assigned	298	315
-Missing Juveniles	5	2
-Burglary - Residence	19	15
-Burglary - Vehicle	32	30
-Burglary - Commercial	13	16
-Criminal Damage Property	2	14
-Armed Robbery / Robbery	7	8
-Criminal Sexual Abuse/Assault Cases	19	15
-Death Investigations	27	14
-Homicide (incl. Drug Induced)/Attempted Murder	2	1
-Stolen Vehicles	4	4
-Theft Cases	40	54
-Financial Crimes	81	81

2017/2018 Comparison

EVIDENCE UNIT		
Operating Indicators By Function	**2017**	**2018**
Number of End-of-year items in Evidence	13182	15515
Items of Property Received	3588	3283
Items of Property Purged	1360	1303
- Items Destroyed	804	705
- Items Returned to Owner	268	374
- Items Auctioned	86	37
- Items Retained by Police (photos/documents)	149	101
- Items Turned Over to Another Agency	18	82
- Items Turned Over to Finance	35	4
PATROL UNIT		
Operating Indicators By Function	**2017**	**2018**
Warrants Served	60	52
Calls for Service	26332	26510
Online Reports	21	10
Arrests of Suspended/Revoked Driver's	116	131
Arrests of Driver's with No Valid Driver's License	57	36
Traffic Citations Issued	4801	4098
Warning Citations Issued	6109	5839
Traffic Stops	8141	7813
Arrests (Adult total)	722	765
Arrests (Juvenile total)	116	89
DUI Arrests	105	97
Drug Offenses	314	252
Vehicles Impounded (Administrative)	139	115
Police Directed Tows	625	636
Ordinance Citations Issued	488	597
Parking Citations Issued	3310	2339

2017/2018 Comparison

TRAFFIC CRASHES REPORTED - INVESTIGATED		
Operating Indicators By Function	**2017**	**2018**
Total Crash Reports Taken	1725	1826
Property Damage Only	1486	1591
Personal Injury Crashes	238	234
Private Property Crashes	463	499
Hit and Run Crashes	208	262
Fatalities	1	1
A-I Crashes Investigation	1	1
COMMUNITY RELATIONS		
Operating Indicators By Function	**2017**	**2018**
Community Presentations	40	42
Expos Attended	4	6
Car Seat Installations	87	88
Car Seat Check Events Hosted	4	4
TRAINING UNIT		
Operating Indicators By Function	**2017**	**2018**
Total Training Hours	4452	13105
Patrol Officer Recruits Trained	6	8
Internships	5	3
Hosted Outside Training	11	20
Ride Alongs	27	28