

POLICE

W H E E L I N G



2018 ANNUAL REPORT



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James J. Dunne, Chief of Police

Todd W. Wolff, Deputy Chief of Police



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CHIEF'S MESSAGE



It is my honor to represent the officers and staff, the men and women, of the Wheeling Police Department in presenting this annual report for 2018. This report not only serves as a summary of our achievements over the past year but also stands as an example of our principles, our commitment to customer service, our mission, and moreover our sense of duty.

In 2018, our organization experienced a number of milestones. First, we've implemented an online reporting system

allowing a convenient way for citizens to file minor reports over the internet from the comfort of home or work. We've also partnered with the State of Illinois, which has found the Wheeling Police Department involved in a pilot program of standardized Liquor Inspections for all Wheeling liquor license holders on behalf of the State. This program, known as LC-13, allows the police department to inspect areas of mutual concern in regards to health and sanitation, licensing, dram shop insurance verification, and potential fraudulent practices. In the past year we've also upgraded our community outreach efforts, particularly in the area of positive youth interactions, by sponsoring a well-attended Youth Police Academy. The academy promotes a positive interactive experience with the intent of enhancing relations, reducing crime, and improving the overall quality of life for the people of Wheeling and perhaps, maybe, even planting the seed of service in a future police officer.

On other positive notes, our Citizen's Patrol volunteers, along with Wheeling officers and staff, participated in "McCare Night" at our local McDonalds an event which saw us serving food to members of the community while raising \$1500 for the American Cancer Society. This function was preceded by the great "Shop with a Cop" holiday program that pairs Wheeling Police officers with kids in a shopping spree at Walmart in an effort to provide a holiday experience the likes of which probably will never be forgotten. These examples are just a couple of the countless ways our officers and staff interact and contribute to the overall benefit of the Village of Wheeling and its residents demonstrating the department's commitment and willingness to serve a greater good.

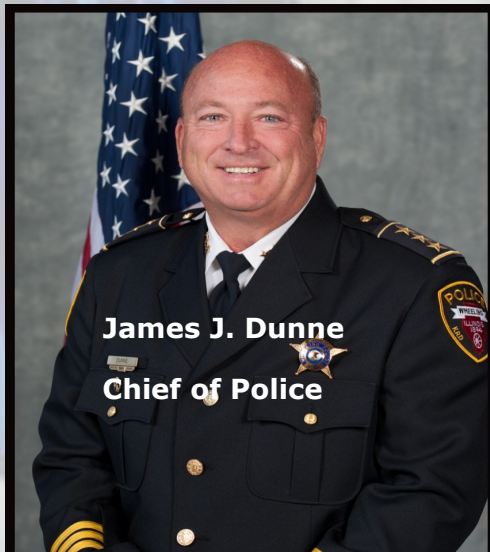
The future is bright for the Wheeling Police Department, during the course of the year we've continued to guide the department as one generation hands off the baton to the next wave of law enforcement professionals. New officers have been hired and sent off to the Suburban Law Enforcement Academy (SLEA) in Glen Ellyn for advanced training while accompanied by a senior Wheeling Police officer to guide them during their travails. Appointments have been made to the positions of Corporal, Sergeant and Commander reflecting the cream of the crop rising to prominence, while at all times maintaining our core mission and dedication to quality service.

I would also like to acknowledge and extend my gratitude to our residents, elected officials, and especially the men and women of the Wheeling Police Department for your continued support. Our department remains committed to excellence in all aspects of policing in order to provide the highest level of service our residents expect and deserve.

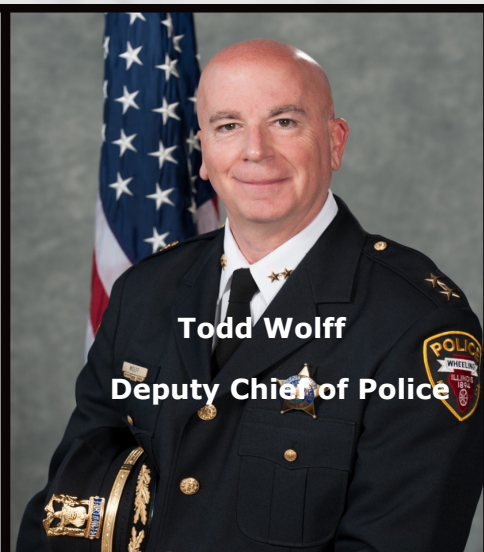




COMMAND STAFF



James J. Dunne
Chief of Police



Todd Wolff
Deputy Chief of Police



Joseph Kopecky
Investigations Commander



Joseph Licari
Support Services Commander



Michael Conway
Patrol Commander



Rocella Rodgers
911 Center Manager

2018 Command Staff





THE VILLAGE BOARD



The Wheeling Board of Trustees is the legislative branch of Government which creates all Village policy administered by the Village Manager. The Board of Trustees, along with the Village President, serve as the corporate authorities for the village.

from left to right:

DAVID VOGEL, TRUSTEE

MARY PAPANTOS, TRUSTEE

JOE VITO, TRUSTEE

ELAINE SIMPSON, VILLAGE CLERK

PATRICK HORCHER, VILLAGE PRESIDENT

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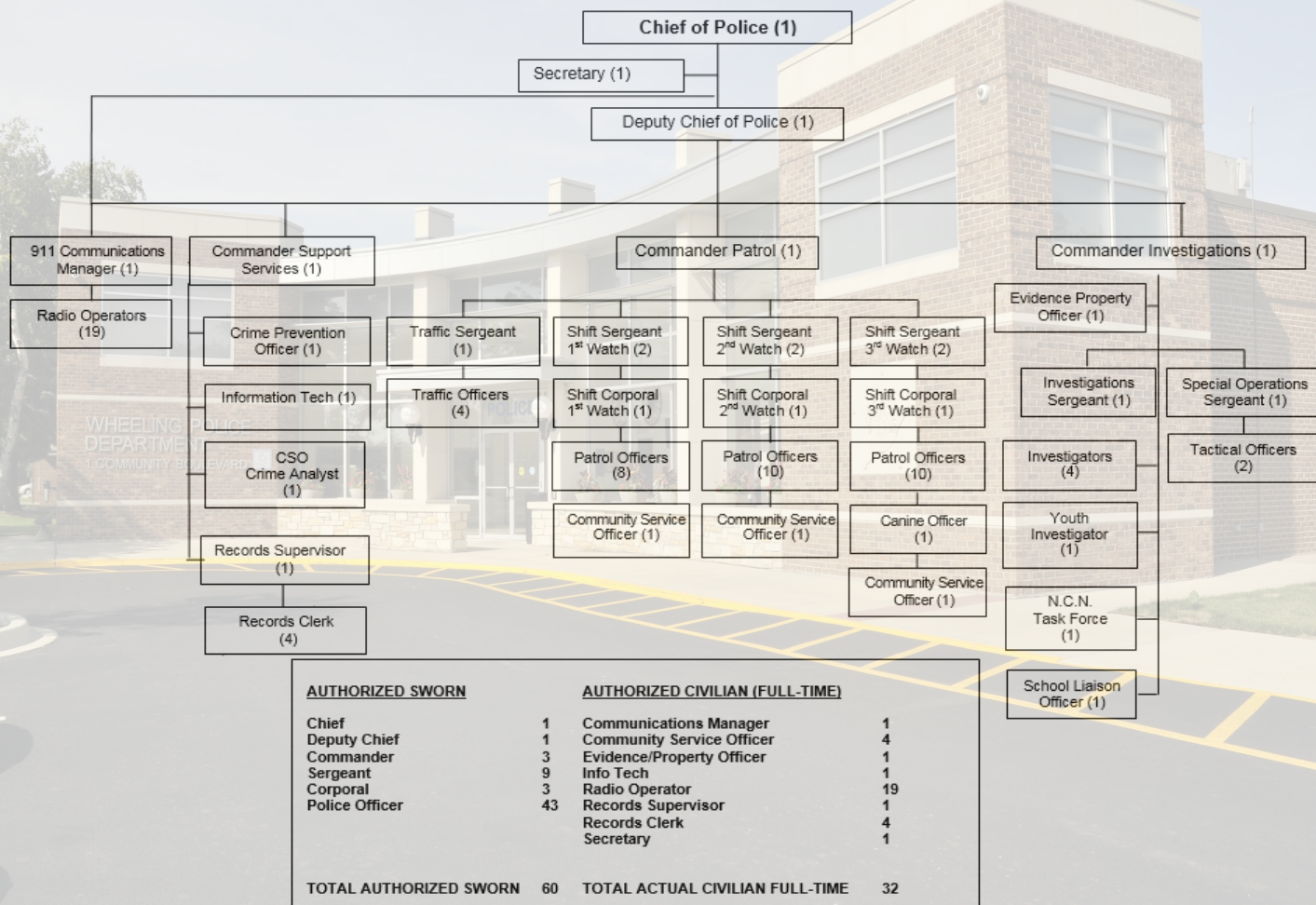
MARY KRUEGER, TRUSTEE

KEN BRADY, TRUSTEE





ORGANIZATIONAL CHART





PERSONNEL

COMMAND STAFF

James J. Dunne, *Chief of Police*
Todd Wolff, *Deputy Chief of Police*
Michael Conway, *Commander, Patrol Division*
Joseph Kopecky, *Commander, Investigations Division*
Joseph Licari, *Commander, Support Services Division*
Steve Parkinson, *Administrative Assistant/Administrative Service Officer*
Rocella Rodgers, *Communications Manager*

SERGEANTS

John Abbio, *Patrol Sergeant*
Michael Bieschke, *Patrol Sergeant*
James Borchardt, *Patrol Sergeant*
James Elwart, *Traffic Sergeant*
Paul Hardt, *Patrol Sergeant*
Christopher Higham, *Patrol Sergeant*
Troy Musolf, *Investigations Sergeant*
Christopher Rogers, *Patrol Sergeant*

CORPORALS

Dennis Bulanda, *Corporal*
Jeremy Hoffman, *Corporal*
Richard Giltner, *Corporal*

OFFICERS

Derrick Bernabei, *Patrol Officer*
Steven Camporese, *Patrol Officer*
Bernie Conboy, *Detective*
Tyler Courtney, *Patrol Officer*
Lukasz Czapla, *Patrol Officer*
Joseph Dawson, *Patrol Officer*
Dane Eimer, *Patrol Officer*
Ian Frey, *Patrol Officer*
Ignacio Garcia, *Patrol Officer*
Conor Hanley, *Patrol Officer*
Jordan Hudak, *Patrol Officer*
Angela Kaehler, *Patrol Officer*
Douglas Kaiser, *Patrol Officer*
Christopher Kanches, *Canine Officer*
Phil Kim, *Patrol Officer*
Steve Komin, *Patrol Officer*
Devin Ladesic, *Patrol Officer*
Scott Laverd, *Crime Prevention Officer*
Matthew Lee, *Patrol Officer*
Shane Mauer, *Patrol Officer*
Michael Munoz, *Patrol Officer*
Ignacio Oropeza, *Patrol Officer*
Thomas Pinedo, *Detective*
Bret Potter, *Patrol Officer*
Rick Richardson, *Traffic Officer*
Preston Robertson, *S.R.O.*
Michael Rossi, *Traffic Officer*
Joseph Rundo, *Patrol Officer*
Adam Sherman, *Patrol Officer*
Katrina Smolarczyk, *Patrol Officer*
Dorann Swanson, *Patrol Officer*
Andrew Teichen, *Patrol Officer*
James Theberge, *Patrol Officer*
Brittany Vore, *Detective*
Joseph Werderitch, *Patrol Officer*





PERSONNEL

RECORDS/VOLUNTEERS

Margaret Cooper, *Records Clerk*
Christina Lascola, *Records Clerk*
Carole Lanciloti, *Citizen Volunteer*
Kristina Maldonado, *Records Clerk*
Patricia Maziarka, *Citizen Volunteer*
Shirlee Surges, *Records Clerk*
Jacek Trzebunia, *Information Technology*
Veronica Salazar, *Crime Analyst*
Katherine Whitehead, *Records Supervisor*

COMMUNITY SERVICES OFFICERS

Michael Burns
Andrew Merrill
Anthony Reyes
Peter Rodgers

COMMUNICATIONS

Javier Alanis
Andrew Calin
Matthew Diamond
Eugene Gamez
Marcia Gerould
Charles Hasselmann
Katelyn Hernandez
Tina Hoffman
Dawn Hyken
Michael Kelly

Meghan Marren
Megan Mayfield
Debra Mette
Nadine Mogan
Sandro Palomares
Marco Ramirez
Tina Shufflebarger
Maria Vasquez
James Vonesh

RETIREMENTS

Commander Richard Benbow, 28 years of service
Sergeant Joseph Schaff, 28 years of service
Sergeant John Connolly, 27 years of service
Sergeant Victor Chirio, 23 years of service
Officer Matthew Jahnke, 26 years of service
Records Clerk Maria Soto, 15 years of service





PROMOTIONS & APPOINTMENTS

Promotions & Appointments

Commander Joe Kopecky
Sergeant Jim Borchardt



Sergeant John Abbio
Sergeant Chris Rogers

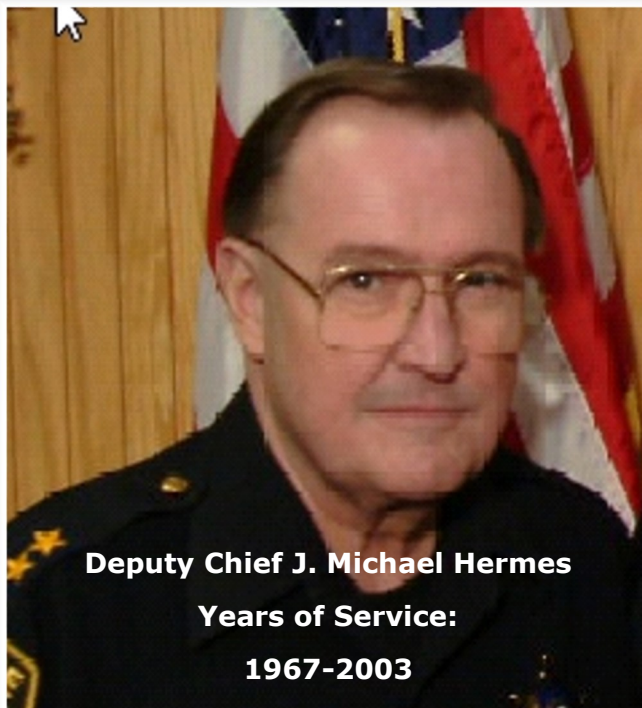


Corporal Jeremy Hoffman
Corporal Dennis Bulanda





IN MEMORIAM



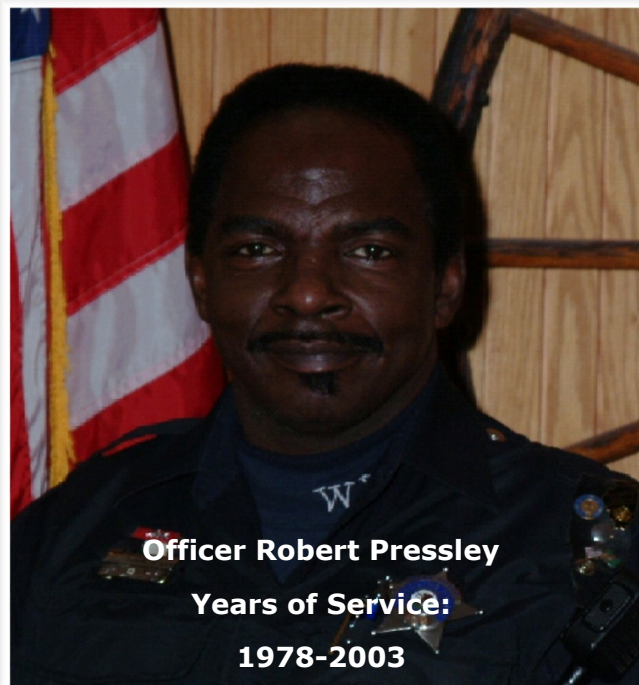
Deputy Chief J. Michael Hermes
Years of Service:
1967-2003



Officer Christina Parr
Years of Service:
1986-2016



Sergeant Richard Poppenga
Years of Service:
1977-2004



Officer Robert Pressley
Years of Service:
1978-2003





MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Wheeling Police Department is to improve the quality of life for the citizens of the Village of Wheeling by the provision of the highest quality of police services.

The department will maintain respect for human rights; will promote mutual respect and courtesy, and work to build strong, effective, mutually beneficial police/community partnerships.

ORGANIZATIONAL VALUES

Partnership - We are committed to working on partnerships with the community and with each other to identify and resolve issues which impact public safety.

Encouragement - We encourage participation and input from all levels of our organization and all individuals and groups in the Village.

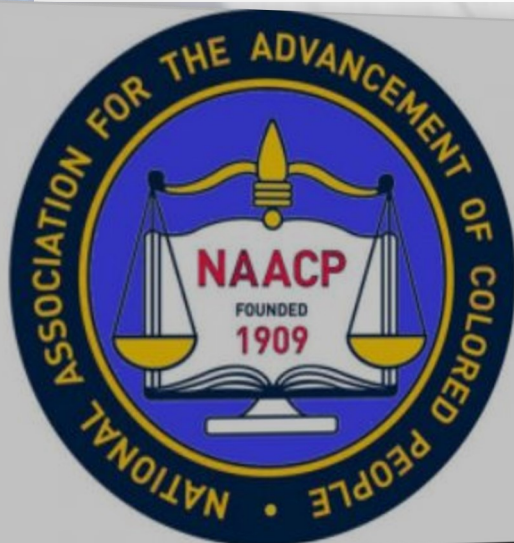
Integrity - We are committed to nurturing the public trust by holding ourselves accountable to the highest standards of professionalism and ethics.

Dedication - We dedicate ourselves to professional law enforcement service through open systems of communication, community partnerships, improved department management, enhanced operational procedures, and the utilization of problem solving methods and strategies.





AFFIRMATION OF SHARED PRINCIPALS



In July, the Wheeling Police Department in conjunction with the Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police (ILACP) and the Illinois NAACP, adopted the Affirmation of Shared Principles. The 10 Shared Principles were the result of three years of conversations between ILACP and NAACP leaders to build trust between law enforcement and communities of color.

The two statewide associations vowed "by mutual affirmation to work together and stand together in our communities and at the state level to implement these values and principles, and to replace mistrust with mutual trust wherever, whenever, and however we can". Wheeling is one of 82 law enforcement agencies state wide to adopt the principals.



Illinois Association
of Chiefs of Police



AFFIRMATION OF SHARED PRINCIPALS



Adoption of Shared Principles by Wheeling Police Department

WHEREAS, on March 22, 2018, the NAACP Illinois State Conference and the Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police agreed to 10 Shared Principles designed to build trust between law enforcement and communities of color, and

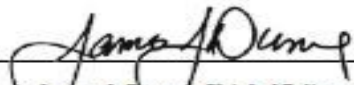
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NOW BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Wheeling, Illinois, Police Department adopts these same Ten Shared Principles as their own, and thereby adds its name to the historic agreement between the Illinois NAACP and the ILACP. These are the Ten Shared Principles:

1. We value the life of every person and consider life to be the highest value.
2. All persons should be treated with dignity and respect. This is another foundational value.
3. We reject discrimination toward any person that is based on race, ethnicity, religion, color, nationality, immigrant status, sexual orientation, gender, disability, or familial status.
4. We endorse the six pillars in the report of the President's Task Force on 21st Century Policing. The first pillar is to build and rebuild trust through procedural justice, transparency, accountability, and honest recognition of past and present obstacles.
5. We endorse the four pillars of procedural justice, which are fairness, voice (i.e., an opportunity for citizens and police to believe they are heard), transparency, and impartiality.
6. We endorse the values inherent in community policing, which includes community partnerships involving law enforcement, engagement of police officers with residents outside of interaction specific to enforcement of laws, and problem-solving that is collaborative, not one-sided.
7. We believe that developing strong ongoing relationships between law enforcement and communities of color at the leadership level and street level will be the keys to diminishing and eliminating racial tension.
8. We believe that law enforcement and community leaders have a mutual responsibility to encourage all citizens to gain a better understanding and knowledge of the law to assist them in their interactions with law enforcement officers.
9. We support diversity in police departments and in the law enforcement profession. Law enforcement and communities have a mutual responsibility and should work together to make a concerted effort to recruit diverse police departments.
10. We believe de-escalation training should be required to ensure the safety of community members and officers. We endorse using de-escalation tactics to reduce the potential for confrontations that endanger law enforcement officers and community members; and the principle that human life should be taken only as a last resort.

06/06/2018

Date


James J. Dunn, Chief of Police





DEPARTMENT GOALS & ACCOMPLISHMENTS

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

STATED GOAL: Foster effective and cooperative relationships with community stakeholders

Implemented an internet based online police report platform that has allowed citizens to conveniently file police reports from home, work, or anywhere with Internet access.

Partnered with the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children and became one of only 18 State of Illinois Police Communications Centers to meet the criteria to be certified in the Missing Kids Readiness Program.

Participated in the International Association of Chiefs of Police "One Mind Campaign" by training over 25% of our officers as State of Illinois certified Crisis Intervention Officers.

Entered into an agreement with the State of Illinois to allow detectives to conduct alcoholic retail inspections and enforcement in accordance with the Illinois Liquor Control Act. Detectives were trained and are now certified Inspectors. Detectives will conduct annual inspections to ensure compliance at 51 establishments in the Village.

2019 OBJECTIVE/GOALS

IDENTIFIED GOAL: Seek to increase neighborhood engagement, awareness and pride

Reduce crime, improve the overall quality of life for the citizens of the Village of Wheeling, and enhance community relations creating a stronger, transparent, trusting relationship by addressing quality of life concerns and providing interactive crime prevention programs.

Reorganization of the police department command staff with the addition of a second Deputy Police Chief. Thus creating two main overall divisions within the agency.

Continue our partnership with the citizens of our community, creating a stronger, transparent, trusting relationship by addressing quality of life concerns and providing interactive crime prevention programs.

Recruit and retain the best possible police officers. To build on the foundation of knowledge given through the basic police academy during the 12-week Field Training Program, thereby creating an environment in which the probationary police officer may develop new skills as well as increase proficiency in those acquired in the academic setting.

Implement a Computerized Automated Dispatch (CAD) system upgrade to provide the Communications Center with an efficient CAD system that will enhance our dispatching capabilities and is capable of being networked with other Communication Centers.

IDENTIFIED GOAL: Transportation and Infrastructure

Increase traffic safety through enforcement and education. The expansion and restructuring of the Traffic Unit will allow personnel to focus on reducing traffic crashes and increasing traffic enforcement with an emphasis on impaired, distracted and intoxicated drivers.

IDENTIFIED GOAL: Explore alternate revenue sources and cost-sharing opportunities with other government bodies/agencies.

Solicit grant funding for various Police Department programs, including but not limited to staffing, vehicles and equipment.





MENTAL HEALTH

One Mind Campaign

Improving Police Response to Persons Affected by Mental Illnesses

The One Mind Campaign seeks to ensure successful interactions between police officers and persons affected by mental illness. The initiative focuses on uniting local communities, public safety organizations, and mental health organizations so that the three become "of one mind." To join the campaign, law enforcement agencies must pledge to implement four promising practices over a 12-36 month time frame.

In 2018, the Wheeling Police Department took "One Mind Campaign" pledge. These practices include: establishing a clearly defined and sustainable partnership with a community mental health organization, developing a model policy to implement police response to persons affected by mental illness, training and certifying sworn officers and selected non-sworn staff in mental health first aid training or other equivalent mental health awareness course, and providing crisis intervention team training.





RECRUITMENT



Sergeant Bieschke, Officer Laverd, Officer Bernabei, and Detective Vore presenting at the Illinois Law Enforcement Hiring Expo at the Salvation Army Ray & Joan Kroc center located on the far south side of Chicago





NEW HIRES



After just reciting their oath of office, Recruit Officers Joseph Rundo, Dane Eimer, Steven Camporese and Jordan Hudak start their career at the Wheeling Police Department



Recruit Officer Dane Eimer received the overall "Top Physical Fitness Award" while attending the police academy.



Recruit Officer Conor Hanley is sworn in by Village Clerk Elaine Simpson.





EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION



At the department annual meeting, employees were presented with various awards. Additionally, Wheeling resident Ela Stoklosa and her Mother Ellen gave an inspirational speech regarding Special Olympics.





COMMUNITY RELATIONS



- ⇒ **Walt Whitman School Fun Run**
- ⇒ **Wheeling Weekend of Caring**
- ⇒ **Wheeling 5K Run the Runway**
- ⇒ **Coffee with a Cop**
- ⇒ **Wheeling Park District Touch a Truck**
- ⇒ **National Night Out**
- ⇒ **Youth Police Academy**





Children are provided with bicycle safety tips and had a chance to improve their overall bicycle skills during the bike rodeo.





RIDE TO SCHOOL IN A WHEELING POLICE CAR! FREE!



Thank you for supporting the Helping Hands Committee of Wheeling!

Certificate holder is entitled to one (1) FREE ride to school in a Wheeling Police Car. Wheeling Police will arrive at your home and personally chauffeur you to school, in style!

Please call the Crime Prevention Unit at 847-459-2645 to schedule your ride!



Officer Laverd stands with "Win a Ride to School in a Police Car" winner Leah Fair with her father and friend.





National Walk & Bike to school with the officers has become an annual tradition every October for the students at Booth Tarkington School.





Officer Laverd and Commander Licari meet with representatives of Carniceria Jimenez to collect food donations gathered in an annual food drive organized by both organizations.



Officers Komin & Bernabei, both former United States Marines, collect toys for the USMC annual Toys for Tots campaign.





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McDonalds "Arresting Cancer"



Giving back...WPD & McDonald's





Special Olympics "Cop on Top"



Officers collected thousands of dollars by standing on top of Dunkin' Donuts rooftop and selling merchandise to benefit Special Olympics Illinois.



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Special Olympics Polar Plunge & the Plane Pull



Officers joined about 350 people who plunged and raised more than \$100,000. They also pulled a plane to raise additional funds which will allow athletes to participate in the Illinois Special Olympics.





HONOR FLIGHT



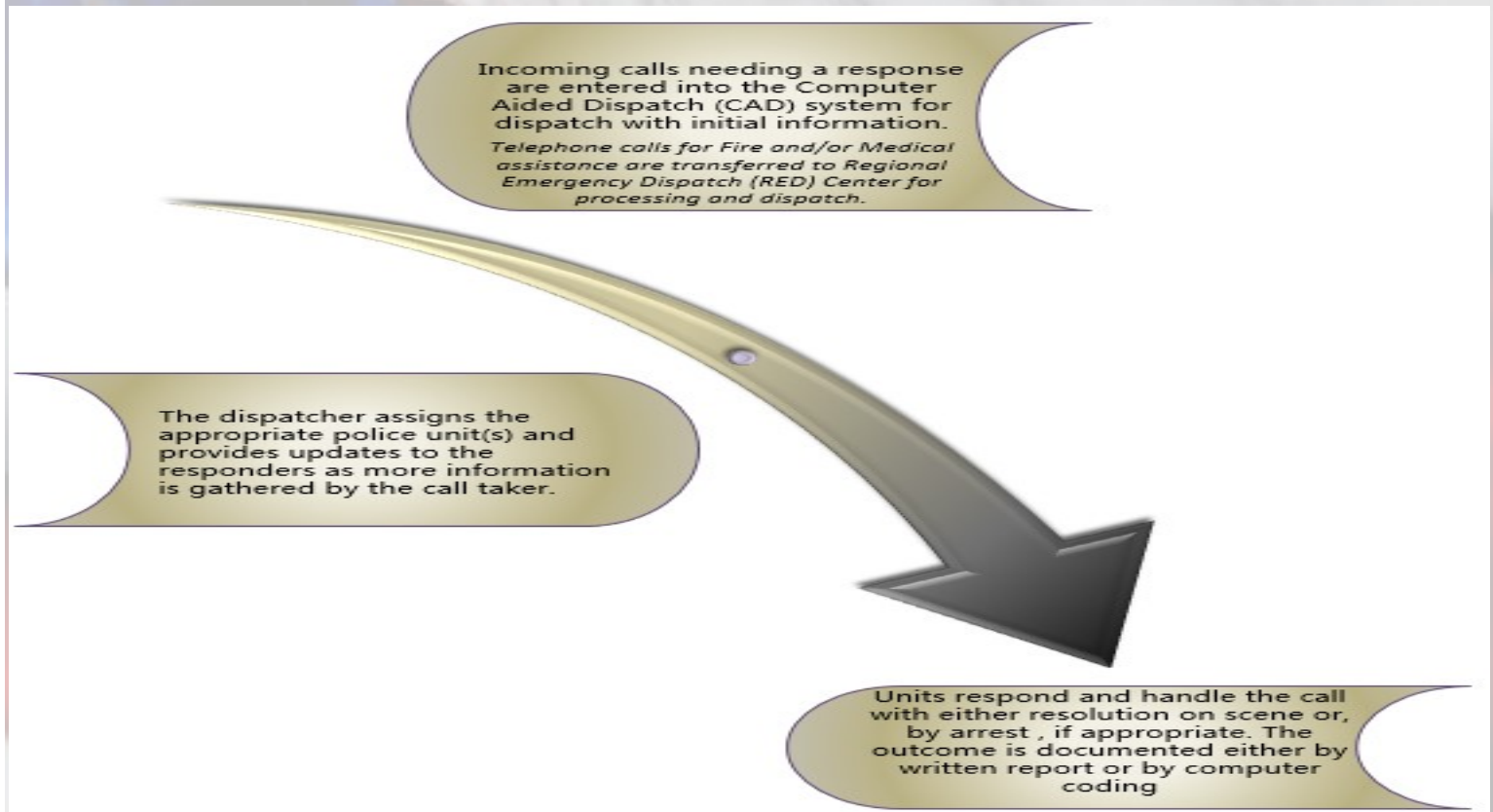
The Lake County Honor Flight transports America's veterans to Washington, D.C. to visit the monuments and memorials dedicated to honor their service and sacrifices. Honor Flight works diligently to raise funds so that trips are available to veterans at no cost. The Wheeling Police Department proudly participates in the celebration and police escort.





9-1-1 COMMUNICATIONS CENTER

At the Wheeling 9-1-1 Center, where all emergency calls are answered for Des Plaines and Wheeling, both call takers & police dispatchers answer phones including 9-1-1, 10-digit emergency, non-emergency, administrative lines and Text to 9-1-1.



Efficiency:

NENA Standard for 9-1-1 Call Answering is that 90% of all calls (during busiest hour) should be answered within 10 seconds, 95% of all calls should be answered within 20 seconds. The Center increased its efficiency by .72% from 2017 and exceeded the standard with a 98.22% average.

An initiative launched to reduce "call received to officer dispatch time" for high priority calls was launched in 2018. In 2017 our average process time for Des Plaines calls was 2.9 minutes decreasing in 2018 to 2.1 minutes. The process time for Wheeling calls was 3.0 minutes decreasing to 1.9 minutes in 2018. This is a marked improvement in the center's performance level.

Infrastructure improvement:

Uninterruptible Power Supply (UPS) was replaced and moved into an electrical room. Next Generation 9-1-1 Regional phone system agreement made with The Village of Northbrook and Regional Emergency Dispatch Center. To be installed in 2019, the solution will be a multi-site environment. It will be scalable with the flexibility and capacity to handle community growth, consolidation, strategies, and disaster recovery situations.





SUPPORT SERVICES DIVISION

Support Services is staffed by nine full-time employees who perform five different functions: Law Enforcement Accreditation, Records, Training, Crime Prevention, and Information Technology.

Law Enforcement Accreditation - The Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA) was formed in 1979 to establish a body of standards designed to:

- Increase agency capabilities to prevent/control crime.
- Increase agency effectiveness and efficiency in the delivery of law enforcement services.
- Increase cooperation and coordination with other law enforcement agencies and with other agencies of the criminal justice system.
- Increase citizen and employee confidence in the goals, objectives, policies, and practices of the agency.



The Wheeling Police Department first achieved accreditation in November of 1990. The department was last reaccredited by the Commission in November of 2015. CALEA provides a blueprint to success, ensuring that an agency has a comprehensive set of uniform directives, designed to reach administrative and operational goals. The department is scheduled for it's annual web-based review in January of 2019 and then an on-site final review in August of 2019.

Records - The Records Unit is responsible for performing a variety of detailed report preparation, record keeping, distribution, and public contact duties. The Records Unit is tasked with the administration and maintenance of all department records. All criminal histories, arrest records, police reports, traffic citations, and statistical data are maintained within this division.

Recruiting- The Village of Wheeling is an equal opportunity employer and does not discriminate in the hiring of its employees. The police department strives to recruit qualified applicants and candidates who represent the diversity of our community. The department's objectives continue to be the recruitment of well-qualified applicants while focusing on female and minority applicants who are under-represented and actively recruit the most highly qualified applicants. In 2018, our recruiting efforts consisted of an entry level police officer testing process in August of 2018 as well as participation in law-enforcement related job fairs. In addition, on July 31, 2018 a recruitment team attended the Illinois Law Enforcement Hiring Expo at the Salvation Army Ray & Joan Kroc center located on the far south side of Chicago. This event is held in the Chicago neighborhood of West Pullman where historically African-Americans composed more than 90% of the population.

Crime Prevention- No citizen is unaffected by Crime. Our personal safety is at risk, as well as the ever-present risk of crime affecting public and private property. Quality of life suffers as the fear of crime increases.

The Wheeling Police Department Crime Prevention Unit's main task is to create partnerships within the Community in an effort to reduce the fear of crime, and thus improve each Wheeling resident's quality of life. Through many of these partnerships, the public is educated on the latest crime trends, and provided information on how to prevent these crimes. By breaking down the barriers that separate law enforcement from the public, we hope to open the lines of communication that are critical to keeping the crime rate as low as possible.





ACTIVITY

CONTACTS:

During 2018, officers interacted with the community by conducting 18,483 traffic stops and issuing 26,048 total citations.

FIELD/ARREST REPORTS:

In 2018, officers completed 5,782 reports and made a total of 1,164 arrests.

FOIA/SUBPOENA/EXPUNGEMENTS:

In 2018, Support Services personnel processed 542 FOIA requests, 736 subpoenas and 32 expungements.

CALLS FOR SERVICE:

The calls for service in previous years were represented as being much higher (39,854 in 2017). This discrepancy is now attributed to the removal of traffic stops, general service calls, and 911 CAD center events which total 32,252.

YEAR	CALLS FOR SERVICE	ANNUAL CHANGE
2014	36,507	+6.78%
2015	41,453	+13.54 %
2016	35,550	-16.6 %
2017	39,854	+12. %
2018	17,421	-56%*





CRIME STATISTICS

In 2018, the department responded to a myriad calls for service involving criminal offenses, traffic accidents, disturbances, traffic complaints, extra watches and other types of incidents. The shifts are the first responders for the majority of the calls for service.

The Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program divides offenses into two groups, Part I and Part II crimes. Each month, the police department submits information on the number of Part I and Part II offenses. To the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the State of Illinois.

Part I offenses are considered the more serious crimes and are divided between violent and property crimes. Part II offenses are all other criminal offenses that are not classified as Part I crimes.

Between 2014 and 2018, the total number of Part I & II crimes decreased by 36.3%. Part I offenses dropped by 23.4% while Part II offenses dropped by 12.9%. In 2018 there was an increase of Part II crimes. This was based on an increase of traffic related crimes as also indicated in the overall increase of 42.1% for total arrests in 2018.

Part I & II Crimes & Arrests





TRAINING

As with 2017, this year continued with unfunded training mandates brought on by new state legislation and the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board. The mandates include mandatory training on Legal Updates, Constitution Law and Proper Use of Law Enforcement Authority, Procedural Justice, Civil Rights, Human Rights, and Cultural Competency. Even though these mandates strained our yearly training budget, the department successfully met all training mandates well before imposed deadlines. The department complied with all mandated Federal, State, and CALEA requirements.

Numerous department members have received advanced specialized training in a wide variety of programs, enabling the department to conduct in-house training in the most cost effective means. These training officers have voluntarily taken on additional roles and responsibilities to make our department the best it can be. In addition, in 2018 the department successfully created and subsequently received approval to teach two additional state mandated courses, Standardized Field Sobriety and Defensive Tactics, in-house. Formerly, these classes were often times completed through attendance at classes offered through compensated vendors.

Officers continue to receive training throughout their careers, keeping up with the latest trends and technological advancements in law enforcement. The department is a member of the North East Multi-Regional Training (NEMRT) which provides access to specialized training. Advanced training includes; bike patrol, breath analysis operator, evidence technician classes, investigator classes, juvenile officer, law updates, traffic enforcement, passenger restraint systems, and officer wellness. In 2018, the department extended it's partnership with the Suburban Law Enforcement Academy (SLEA) and hosted training in the Robert J. Miller Homeland Security Education Center (HEC). The Homeland Security Education Center (HEC) houses the Criminal Justice program as well as SLEA. The HEC includes forensics and cybercrime labs, an Internet crime investigation lab, an ambulance simulator, a mock courtroom/auditorium, a simulation hazmat/smoke room and the first non-military municipal 4-D immersive training lab. The HEC features a life-size street scene with fire truck bays, ambulance simulator and working fire hydrants— and it's the only one of its kind in the entire nation. This next-level immersive training allows the department to train under conditions not easily replicated outside this environment and absent this technology. Training classes hosted by WPD in 2018 include:

Tri-Tech RMS workshop to upgrade the current field based reporting (FBR) software.

Officer Wellness. Sexual assault and domestic violence.

LinX training for Detectives.

Student behavior threat assessment.

Ethnic & Cultural Awareness.

Sex Crime Investigations.

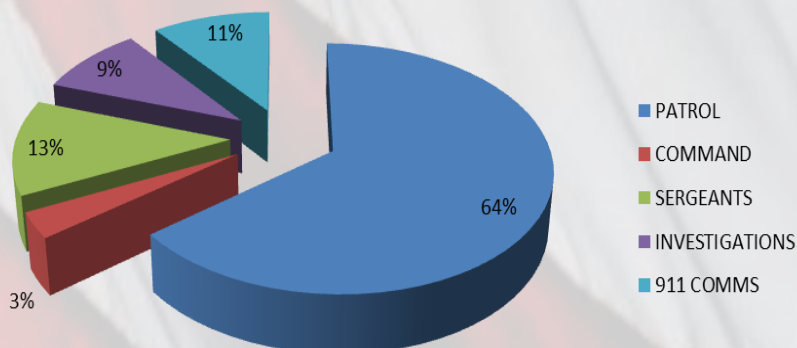
Domestic Violence/Crisis Intervention.

LC-13 liquor code enforcement training for Detectives.

Sexual assault and domestic violence.

Police Supervisor Liability.

TRAINING





**Wear Your Belt.
Wear Your Vest.
Watch Your Speed.
WIN - What's Important Now?
Remember: Complacency Kills!**

Officer Bulanda presenting Below 100 information to officers at the annual department meeting. The Below 100 program is an initiative designed to influence law enforcement culture by providing innovative training and awareness, through presentations, social media, and webinars on identifying the leading causes and current trends in preventable line of duty deaths and injuries.

Sergeant Elwart and Officer Laverd deliver a safe driving presentation to FedEx drivers.





ACTIVE SHOOTER TRAINING



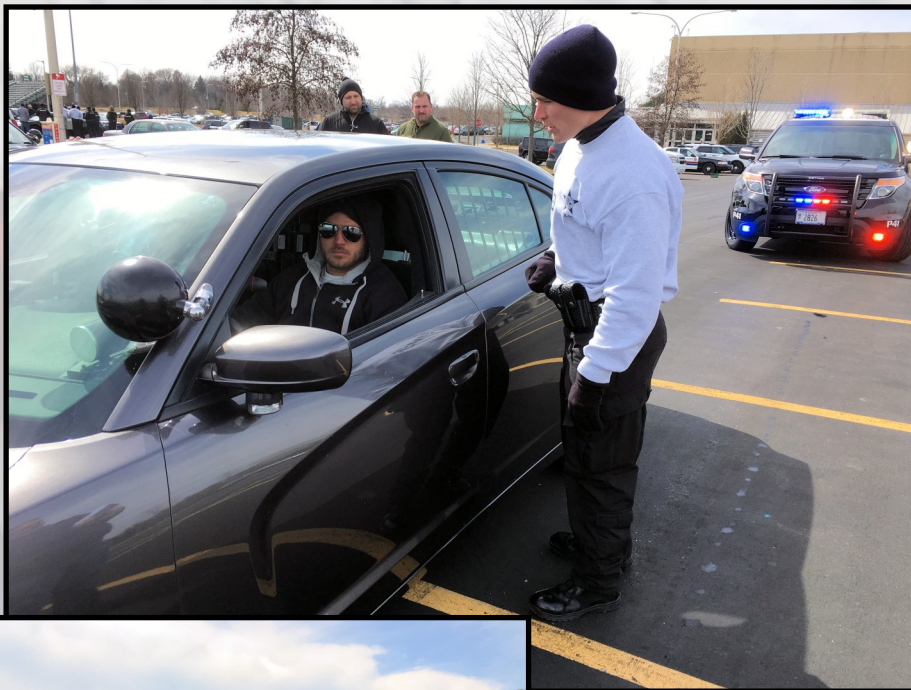


Officers Lee, Smolarczyk, Frey, & Werderitch participating in Active Shooter Training at Hawthorne Elementary School.





Field Training Officers Frey and Hoffman watch Officer Eimer perform a traffic stop while at the Suburban Law Enforcement Academy (SLEA)



Officer Eimer participates in traffic stop training while attending the Suburban Law Enforcement Academy (SLEA)

Sergeant Elwart and Sergeant Higham present active shooter survival training to the Chamber of Commerce at Village Hall.





PATROL DIVISION

The Patrol Division is the largest division of the Wheeling Police Department and is a 24/7 operation. The Patrol Division is responsible for responding to both emergency and non-emergency calls for service within the jurisdictional limits of the Village of Wheeling.

Consistent with the Department's mission statement, Patrol Officers are responsible for the protection of life and property, maintaining peace, order and safety for all, conducting preliminary investigations, and enforcing the Illinois Criminal Code, Traffic Laws and Village Ordinances. The Wheeling Police Department encourages Patrol Officers to act as problem solvers, and to take a proactive approach rather than reactive approach to interaction with the community.

The Patrol Division consists of three shifts:

Midnight Shift

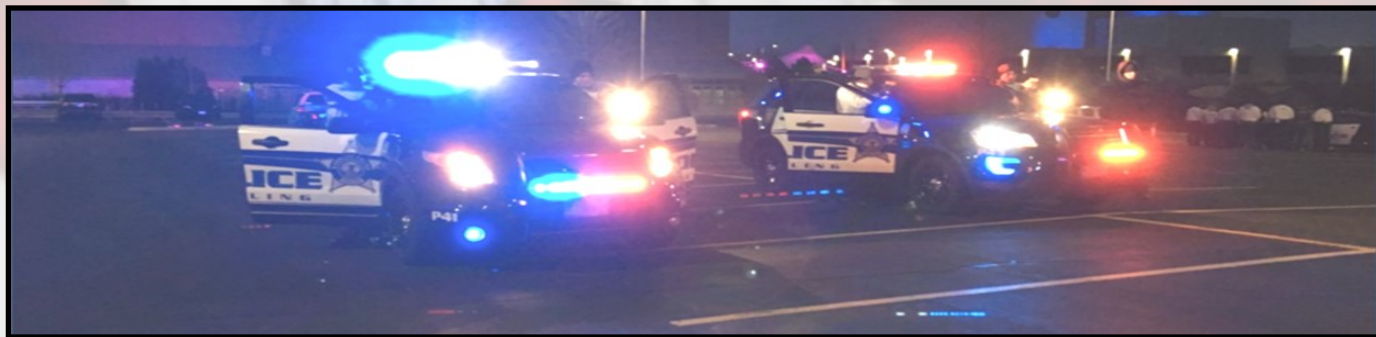
11:00 p.m. to 7:30 a.m.

Day Shift

7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Afternoon Shift

3:00 p.m. to 11:30 p.m.



COMMUNITY SERVICE OFFICERS

The Patrol Division is supplemented by three full-time Community Service Officers (CSO's): Michael Burns, Anthony Reyes, and Andy Merrill. CSO's are tasked with parking enforcement, ordinance enforcement, traffic direction, and animal calls.

Additionally, all three CSO's have been cross trained to fulfill the duties of Evidence Technician. CSO Burns has also been assigned as the court officer and assists with the Evidence Property Room.





K-9 RIGGS & OFFICER KANCHES

The Wheeling Police Department Canine Unit is designed to support officers in the field in the search for felony, misdemeanor suspects, lost, missing persons and the recovery of evidence. The Canine Unit is compliant with the Statutory requirements of the State of Illinois, as established by the Illinois Law Enforcement Training Board. The Canine Unit responded to 92 calls for service during the calendar year of 2018.



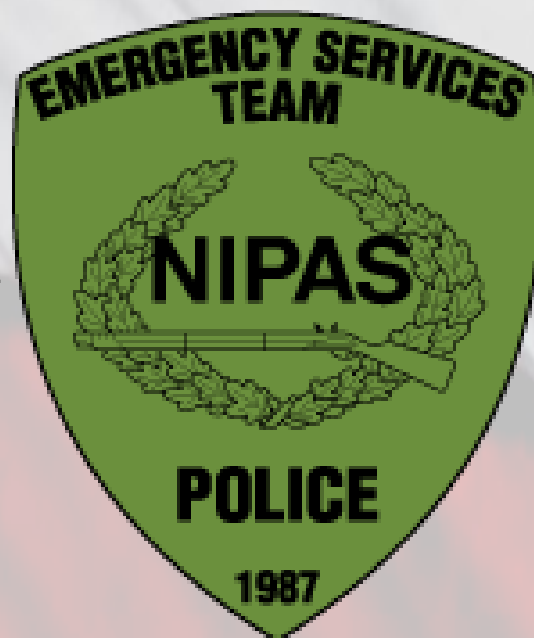
Canine Related Deployments 2018	
Vehicle Related	60
Public Demonstrations	9
Public Education	4
Assist to other Agencies	2
Assist to the Task Force	1
Assist to the DEA	1
Parcel Sniff	1
Article Search	3
School Related	2
Assist to Patrol	5
Fleeing Criminal	2
Missing Persons	2





REGIONAL COLLABORATION

The Wheeling Police Department is a member of the Northern Illinois Police Alarm Service (N.I.P.A.S.) Emergency Services Team (SWAT), N.I.P.A.S. Mobile Field Force (MFF), and the Cook County Major Case Team (M.C.A.T.). M.C.A.T. is subdivided into the Major Case Assistance Team and S.T.A.R. (Serious Traffic Accident Reconstruction). MCAT has a broader purview, and provides investigative, forensic, surveil-



Mutual aid, in organizational theory, is a voluntary reciprocal exchange of resources and services for mutual benefit of those involved. Wheeling is fortunate to house within its geographical boundaries two prongs of the Mutual Aid spear: MABAS and Cook County Homeland Security and Emergency Management (DHSEM).





HONOR GUARD

The Wheeling Police Department Honor Guard- Every 57 hours, a law enforcement officer is killed in the line of duty and on average 150 Law Enforcement Officers are killed each year.

The Wheeling Police Department Honor Guard was established in 2007 to represent the Wheeling Police Department and it's officers and families at community events, award ceremonies, the Illinois State Police Officers Memorial ceremony, and to attend funerals for officers killed in the line of duty.

While all police officers have a dress uniform, the Wheeling Police Honor Guard has a distinctive uniform that sets it apart from other department members. This is by design to signify the commitment that it's members make to fulfill the honor guard's mission.



The Wheeling Police Honor Guard stands ready at the Illinois Peace Officers Memorial in Springfield, Illinois in May of 2018.





TRAFFIC SAFETY

The Traffic Unit is putting all the pieces together with investigating complicated collisions that typically involve personal injuries. Our traffic unit personnel are highly trained specialized members of our department. The Traffic Unit is designed to supplement the Patrol Division by dedicating these officers to full time Traffic Enforcement.



Officers investigate a traffic crash on Elmhurst Rd in which a pedestrian was struck by a vehicle.



By using crash statistics and citizen complaints this unit is blending their experience and interpreting this data into real results.



Officers participate in an occupant restraint enforcement zone at the intersection of Dundee Rd and Milwaukee Av.





TRAFFIC SAFETY

MCAT/STAR, with 25 member agencies, is able to bring to the table a myriad of personnel, technology, and equipment. In 2018, members of the Wheeling Police Department responded to nine STAR unit callouts for serious or fatal traffic crashes.



Officers investigate a traffic crash in which a vehicle struck a stationary object.

The Traffic Unit conducted selective traffic enforcement in the Village of Wheeling and also identified areas for the Patrol Division to concentrate traffic enforcement efforts toward. These areas of enforcement are based on data compiled from crash statistics, IDOT, citizen complaints, and traffic studies that identify times and days when traffic activity is increased.

The Traffic unit also coordinated and utilized Sustained Traffic Enforcement Program (STEP) Grants, Occupant Restraint/Safety Belt Compliance Zones, Speed Enforcement Zones, School Zone Enforcement, Rail Crossing Enforcement, DUI Interdiction and public education to target traffic safety problems. The Traffic Unit's goal of reducing crashes on public roadways in the Village of Wheeling contributed to lowering the number of traffic crashes to 1,146. This is a decrease of 31 traffic crashes from 2017 in which crashes were at 1,177. The Traffic Unit has also initiated the deployment of three speed monitoring displays, known as speed shields, in the Village to remind drivers of their speed and to slow down.

As stated above the Traffic Unit participated in the STEP campaign which is sponsored by the Illinois Department of Transportation. The campaigns were conducted during Halloween, Thanksgiving, Christmas/New Year's, St. Patrick's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, and Labor Day.

The STEP Grant focuses on impaired driving, distracted driving, and seat belt compliance. The STEP Grant awarded to the Village of Wheeling was in the amount of \$68,256.00 plus an additional \$8,064.00 for distracted driving enforcement.

The Traffic Unit is also responsible for traffic safety education in numerous areas where presentations are given to both adult and student audiences. The Officers of the Traffic Unit conducted Pre-Prom DUI Awareness classes at Wheeling High School, Traffic and DUI Education for the Citizens Police Academy, in addition to conducting numerous Child Passenger Safety Seat inspections.



School Resource Officer (SRO) Vore, assisted by Sergeant Elwart, participate in pre-prom activities including demonstrating Fatal Vision goggles at Wheeling High School.





TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITY

The Wheeling Police Department made 18,483 traffic enforcement related contacts during 2018 which is an increase of 30% from the previous year. The officers issued citations, written warnings, and verbal warnings on the traffic stops. The chart below illustrates the breakdown of citations issued during the 2018 calendar year.

During 2018 the Wheeling Police Department issued 5,827 Traffic Citations, 5,204 Compliance Citations, 9,826 Written Warnings, 4,419 Parking Citations, and 354 Verbal Warnings for a total of 25,630 Citations. This represents an increase of 5216 citations being issued or an increase of more than 24%. The department made additionally made 105 DUI Arrests.

Grant money from the Federal Selective Enforcement Grant Program (S.T.E.P.) in 2018 paid for traffic enforcement during seven periods around major holidays. The amount awarded to the Wheeling Police Department in 2018 was \$68,256.00.

ACTIVITY	2017	2018	DIFFERENCE	% CHANGE
DUI ARRESTS	73	105	+32	+44%
TRAFFIC ARRESTS	318	485	+167	+31%
TRAFFIC STOPS	14,243	18,483	+4,240	+30%
TRAFFIC CITATIONS	4,863	5,827	+964	+20%
COMPLIANCE CITATIONS	3,910	5,204	+1,294	+33%
WRITTEN WARNINGS	7,507	9,826	+2,319	+31%
PARKING CITATIONS	3,866	4,419	+553	+14%
VERBAL WARNINGS	268	354	+86	+32%
TOTALS	20,414	25,630	5,216	+26%





EVALUATION OF SELECTIVE TRAFFIC ACTIVITIES

Throughout the year, the Traffic Division will conduct selective traffic enforcement in the Village and will also identify "hot spots" for the Patrol Division to concentrate on. These areas of enforcement are identified from data compiled from crash statistics, IDOT, citizen complaints and traffic studies that identify times and days when traffic activity is increased. Those hot spots are located in the mobile folder and updated each month.

The Traffic Division will also coordinate and utilize STEP Grants, Occupant Restraint / Safety Belt Compliance, Speed Zone Enforcement, School Zone Enforcement, DUI interdiction, and public education to target areas identified as traffic problems. The Traffic Unit conducts a monthly in depth crash analysis that identifies the high crash locations and the violations causing traffic crashes at those locations. That information is distributed to the

TRAFFIC CRASHES	2017	2018	DIFFERENCE	% CHANGE
FATAL TRAFFIC CRASHES	1	3	+2	+200
PERSONAL INJURY CRASHES	188	207	+19	+10
PROPERTY DAMAGE CRASHES	988	936	-52	-5 %
MUNICIPAL VEHICLE CRASHES	12	11	-1	-8%
HIT AND RUN CRASHES	195	152	-43	-22%
TOTAL CRASHES	1,177	1,146	-31	-3%

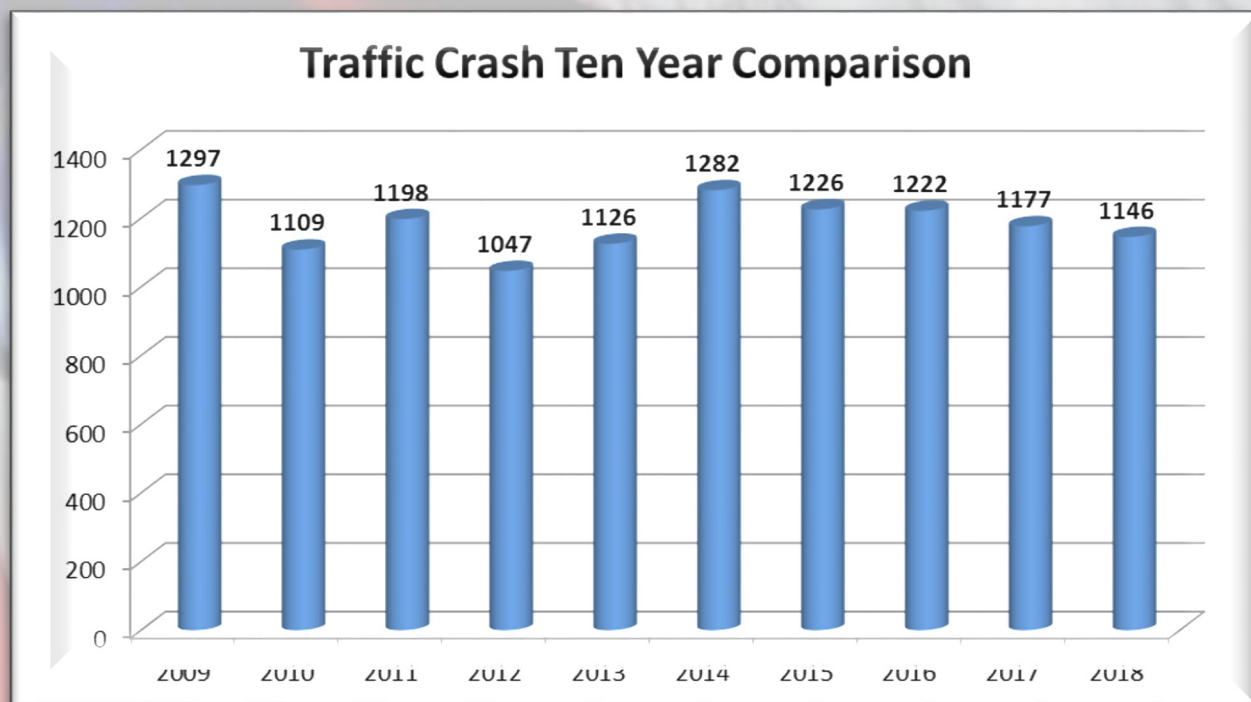
The Traffic Unit identifies the causative factors in traffic crashes and then develop and implement strategies to decrease the number of crashes and the injuries sustained due to those crashes. Overall crashes decreased in 2018 by 3%.

Routine Traffic Enforcement is the shared responsibility of the Patrol Division and the Traffic Unit. The Traffic Unit officers receive additional training in traffic crash investigation through Northwestern University's Center for Public Safety (NUCPS).





The chart below displays the traffic crash totals during the last 10 years. It is recommended the traffic programs and public education continue both at the Patrol and Traffic Unit levels. This is reinforced by the fact that the number of total crashes in Wheeling in 2018 is still extremely low when viewed as part of the historical crash record as indicated in bar graph below.



The Traffic Unit's ultimate goal is to reduce traffic crashes and related injuries and to educate the public on pertinent traffic issues. When assessing the success or failure of the Department as a whole in meeting its traffic goals, the combination of education and enforcement has allowed the Traffic Unit and the Police Department to meet those goals in keeping the number of traffic crashes at low levels, and improving the public's awareness of our programs.





TRAFFIC AWARDS

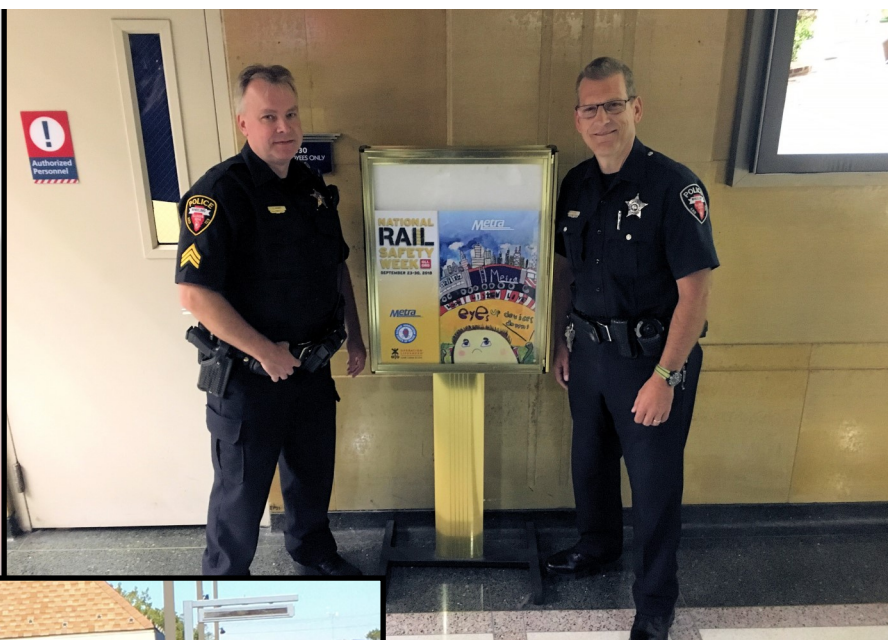
OFFICER	AWARD
Officer Richardson *130	Traffic Officer of the Year
OFFICER	QUARTERLY TRAFFIC OFFICER AWARDS
Officer Rossi *145	1 st Quarter – Traffic Enforcement
Corporal Bulanda *131	2 nd Quarter – Traffic Enforcement
Officer Dawson *146	3 rd Quarter – Traffic Enforcement
Officer Courtney *117	4 th Quarter – Traffic Enforcement
OFFICER	AWARD
Officer Richardson *130	Speed Enforcement Officer of the Year
Corporal Bulanda *131	Speed Enforcement Officer
OFFICER	AWARD
Officer Richardson*130	D.U.I. Enforcement Officer
OFFICER	AWARD
Officer Dawson*146	Occupant Restraint Officer
OFFICER	AWARD
Officer Rossi *145	Distracted Driving Officer
OFFICER	AWARD
Officer Richardson *130	AAIM DUI Enforcement (27)
Officer Dawson *146	AAIM DUI Enforcement (8)





RAIL SAFETY

Officer Laverd and Sergeant Elwart partnered with Metra officials during Rail Safety Week to promote safety in and around trains.





INVESTIGATIONS DIVISION

The Wheeling Police Department Investigations Division serves in various roles. Its primary function is to provide investigative support to the Patrol Division. Reported incidents are reviewed by the Detective Sergeant to identify those cases that require additional follow-up that would exceed the Patrol Divisions resources or training, such as the seriousness of the criminal offense. Solvability factors such as potential suspects, evidence, crime patterns, etc. are also evaluated when determining when to assign a case for additional follow-up work. These investigations can vary in duration before a case is successfully investigated or closed. Detectives also perform background investigations of all civilian and police applicants who are being considered for employment in the Village.

During 2018, the Wheeling Police Department Criminal Investigations Division consisted of ten employees. There were five Detectives, one School Resource Officer, one Detective assigned to the North Central Narcotics Task Force, and one civilian Evidence Custodian.

The Detectives work on a Monday through Friday schedule. Detectives are scheduled to work the day shift and the afternoon shift. A Detective is scheduled to be on-call overnight during the midnight-shift and during the weekend, providing twenty-four hour coverage seven days a week.

In 2018, the division investigated 618 incidents and cleared 123 cases by arrest.

Of that:

- (14%) **Suspended:** When all leads have been thoroughly investigated but the case has not yet been closed it will remain open/suspended pending new leads.
- (52%) **Closed:** Often time cases are closed when no investigation is required or all investigative efforts have come to a logical conclusion.
- (20%) **Arrest:** An adult has been arrested (or a juvenile petitioned, cited, or station adjusted), charged or has been released without charges for the offense reported.
- (9%) **Closed Exceptionally:** Exceptional clearances are reports in which an offender has been identified and the elements of a crime have been met to charge the person; however, the offender will not be prosecuted by the Wheeling Police Department.
- (5%) **Unfounded:** Your investigation determines the case to be false or baseless, in that, there are no facts to substantiate the allegation in the report.

In 2018, the following additions were made to the Investigations Division:

Trained and now has access to the LInX Program (Law Enforcement Information Exchange). It is a database which incorporates information sharing between law enforcement agencies from across the country. Wheeling PD Detectives have access to other participating department's incident/accident reports, phone numbers, field interviews, vehicle registrations, mug shots, addresses, warrants, etc.

The Investigations Division now conducts Liquor Compliance Checks (LC-13) in the Village. The Village of Wheeling has contracted with the State of Illinois to have Wheeling PD Detectives conduct alcoholic retail inspections and enforcement in accordance with the Illinois Liquor Control Act. Detectives were trained in September and are now certified Inspectors. Inspections include areas of local concern including health and sanitation, license and insurance verifications, and deceptive practices. Detectives conduct annual inspections to ensure compliance at establishments within the Village.





North Central Narcotics Task Force (NCNTF) - The North Central Narcotics Task Force (NCNTF) is a multi-jurisdictional law enforcement task force dedicated to serving our communities & member agencies through the investigation of illicit drug trafficking and distribution, gang activity, and weapon offenses.

Major Case Assistance Team (MCAT)- Major Case Assistance Team (MCAT) is a multi-jurisdictional organization that provides investigative, forensic, surveillance, and accident reconstruction assistance to member agencies during investigations of homicides, attempted homicides, serial sexual assault investigations, officer involved deaths, serious/fatal accidents, and other major crimes. MCAT is presently composed of 25 police agencies from the northwest suburbs of Chicago. The team itself is composed of seasoned investigators, forensic technicians, surveillance officers, and accident re-constructionists assigned from the member departments. In 2018, MCAT had 29 total activations.

School Resource Officer Program– One officer is assigned to Wheeling High School as the School Resource Officer. Since it's inception, the program has been very beneficial to both law enforcement and district educators to work in a cooperative effort to maintain a safe educational environment. Officer Robertson provides classroom presentations as well as safeguarding the halls during the school day and at the various sporting events, school dances, and other functions. Officer Robertson is responsible for most criminal investigations and complaints that take place within the school. In 2018, 98 incident reports were filed at the high school.

Evidence/Property - One civilian (Evidence / Property Officer), staffs the Evidence Room. The position of Evidence / Property Officer is a specialized position appointed by the Chief of Police. The Evidence / Property Officer is responsible for the receipt, recording, custody, security and disposition of all lost property, evidence and contraband coming within the custody of the Wheeling Police Department. It is the policy of the Wheeling Police Department to strictly inventory all property which comes into the department's control to protect the integrity of the Wheeling Police Department.

In 2018, 2,242 different pieces of property were submitted into evidence under 854 different cases.

Additionally, items submitted to the Northern Illinois Regional Crime Laboratory (N.I.R.C.L.) totaled 262, items transferred to other agencies totaled 45, items destroyed by a destruction order totaled 1682, and items returned to the owner totaled 207.

Evidence Technicians- The Wheeling Police Department has 30 Police Officers and 3 civilian Community Service Officers who are specially trained as Evidence Technicians. Evidence Technicians (E.T.) are specially trained to respond to crime scenes in order to identify, document, collect and preserve physical evidence. The technicians must record by means of photography, videotape, or diagrams, the conditions of crime scenes and any evidence found therein. Crime scene processing is very technical and must be done properly to ensure the successful investigation and prosecution of the offender. Physical evidence is often crucial to the successful apprehension and prosecution of persons responsible for criminal acts. As science progresses, fingerprint processing, microscopic analysis, and DNA testing are areas of evidence collection concerns which have created the need for more specific knowledge and training for police officers conducting investigations. E.T.'s are not only responsible for collecting evidence but also ensuring that it is packaged correctly so that when it is sent to the Northeastern Illinois Regional Crime Laboratory for further analysis, it has been preserved properly and safely.





New E.T.'s are required to complete comprehensive formal training to become state certified in this position. The rapid advancement in scientific methods of evidence detection at crime scenes requires continuous training for evidence technicians to remain current. Some of this is accomplished by having an E.T. Coordinator conduct "in house" training at Wheeling PD. Detective Bernard Conboy has served in this role for several years and remains consistent in his diligence and attention to detail. Evidence Technicians are also sent to advance training at Northwestern University Center for Public Safety.

Total E.T. jobs: 176

Crime Scenes: 62

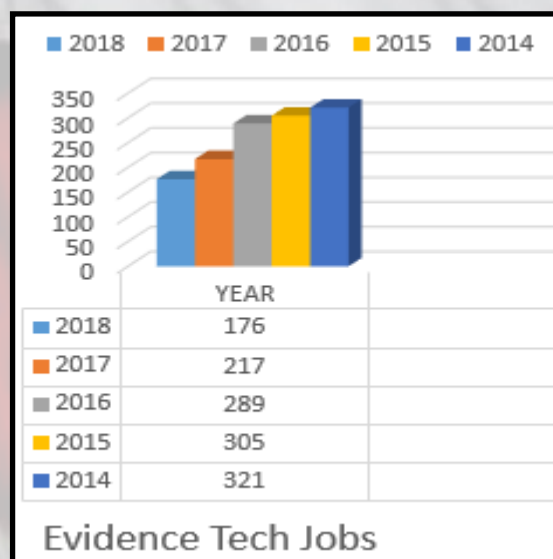
Scenes w/fingerprints: 27

Suitable for comparison: 53

Photos only: 80

Latent fingerprints recovered: 92

AFIS quality: 11



Crime Analyst - The Investigations Unit Crime Analyst is responsible for the dissemination of daily, weekly and monthly crime bulletins. The Crime Analyst compiles intelligence information based on crime trends and patterns and disburses this information to different units within the Wheeling Police Department to combat crime more effectively and efficiently.

The Crime Analyst uses the following databases and sources to compile the information sent out to officers:

Incident and Arrest reports, TRITECH INFORM 4-5 reports, CAD Logs, Property Crime Microsoft Excel spread sheets, Intelligence reports as submitted by Wheeling Police Department or received from other agencies, L.E.A.D.S., N.C.I.C. and those reports as available from M.O.C.I.C. as they apply. The purpose of this analysis is to detect and report any Methods of Operation (M.O.) and recognized patterns of activity to anticipate trends of selected crimes identified as follows

In 2018, the Crime Analyst would periodically work out of the Crime Prevention and Information Center (CPIC) in Chicago. CPIC enables local, state, and tribal governments to gather, process, analyze, and share information and intelligence relating to all crimes and hazards while protecting civil liberties and privacy interests of persons throughout the intelligence process. CPIC is under the command of the Chicago Police Department's Deployment Operations section, located in the Public Safety Headquarters building. The CPD, FBI, US Department of Homeland Security, and the Illinois State Police staff CPIC at all times. Personnel from numerous other law enforcement agencies, including suburban police departments, work in the CPIC on a rotational basis.





ANALYSIS OF ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEWS



MEMORANDUM

To: Chief James J. Dunne

From: Deputy Chief Todd Wolff 

Date: January 08, 2019

Subject: Analysis of Administrative Reviews for 2018

Number	Complainant	Date	Disposition	Action
18-01	Failure to Report for Duty	05/17/2018	Sustained	10 Day Suspension
18-02	Unsatisfactory Performance	07/03/2018	Sustained	Letter of Direction
18-03	Unsatisfactory Performance	07/11/2018	Sustained	Formal Reprimand
18-04	Failure to Report for Duty	09/11/2018	Sustained	Formal Reprimand
18-05	Racial Profiling	09/06/2018	Unfounded	N/A
18-06	Improper Conduct/Use of Vehicle	11/30/2018	Sustained	5 Day Suspension Abeyance

Above is the annual statistical summary of internal affairs investigations conducted in 2018 pursuant to Standard Operating Procedure A-8 and CALEA Standard 52.1.5. The report is included on the Village of Wheeling Website at www.wheelingil.gov which is available to the public and all department employees.

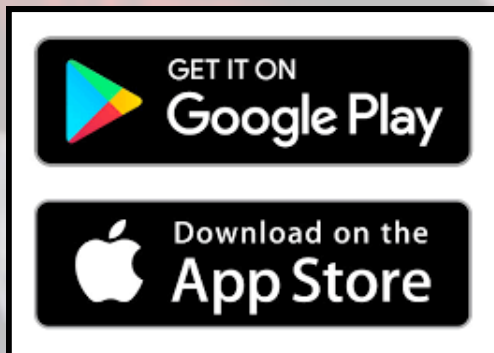
The Police are the Public and the Public are the Police.

- Sir Robert Peel, The father of modern policing.





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What Are Policemen Made Of ?

by Paul Harvey

Don't credit me with the mongrel prose: it has many parents-at least 420,000 of them: Policemen.

A Policeman is a composite of what all men are, mingling of a saint and sinner, dust and deity.

Gulled statistics wave the fan over the stinkers, underscore instances of dishonesty and brutality because they are "new". What they really mean is that they are exceptional, unusual, not common place.

Buried under the frost is the fact: Less than one-half of one percent of policemen misfit the uniform. That's a better average than you'd find among clergy!

What is a policeman made of? He, of all men, is once the most needed and the most unwanted. He's a strangely nameless creature who is "sir" to his face and "fuzz" to his back

He must be such a diplomat that he can settle differences between individuals so that each will think he won. But...If the policeman is neat, he's conceited; if he's careless, he's a bum. If he's pleasant, he's flirting; if not, he's a grouch.

He must make an instant decision which would require months for a lawyer to make.

But...If he hurries, he's careless; if he's deliberate, he's lazy. He must be first to an accident and infallible with his diagnosis. He must be able to start breathing, stop bleeding, tie splints and, above all, be sure the victim goes home without a limp. Or expect to be sued.

The police officer must know every gun, draw on the run, and hit where it doesn't hurt. He must be able to whip two men twice his size and half his age without damaging his uniform and without being "brutal". If you hit him, he's a coward. If he hits you, he's a bully.

A policeman must know everything-and not tell. He must know where all the sin is and not partake.

A policeman must, from a single strand of hair, be able to describe the crime, the weapon and the criminal- and tell you where the criminal is hiding.

But...If he catches the criminal, he's lucky; if he doesn't, he's a dunce. If he gets promoted, he has political pull; if he doesn't, he's a dullard. The policeman must chase a bum lead to a dead-end, stake out ten nights to tag one witness who saw it happen-but refused to remember.

The policeman must be a minister, a social worker, a diplomat, a tough guy and a gentleman.

And, of course, he'd have to be genius....For he will have to feed a family on a policeman's salary.

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