

St. Charles Police Department

2023 Annual Report





Chief's Letter of Introduction

Thank you for taking the time to review the St. Charles Police Department's Annual Report for calendar year 2023. This information outlines the activities conducted by members of the St. Charles Police Department to inform you of the great work done on a daily basis by our employees. Our mission is to provide quality service with respect and a commitment to excellence. Included in this report is an overview of our services, crime rates, enforcement statistics, and other associated activities.

Accomplishments of this past calendar year include, but most certainly are not limited to the following: the additional hiring of new personnel; receiving over \$1.5 million in grant-funding to support the Department's new tactical training center, land improvements for the property north of our facility, body-worn cameras, and social worker funding; implementation of the provisions for the Safe-T-Act and Pre-trial Fairness Act with all internal policies and procedures; and work towards replacing and rotating several key command team members after several retirements – which included adding a new Detective Sergeant position to the organizational chart. In addition, the Department made great strides in securing a Narcan grant with the State of Illinois – which we now offer for free in our lobby, as well as becoming an authorized sharps collection facility.

As this remarkable progress proves, we, as an organization, remain committed to our citizens and the quality of the services we provide. Through quality training and organizational preparedness, we consider ourselves forever vigilant to respond to whatever emergency situation arises using the four tenets of our core values; *Service, Professionalism, Courage, and Dedication* (SCPD).

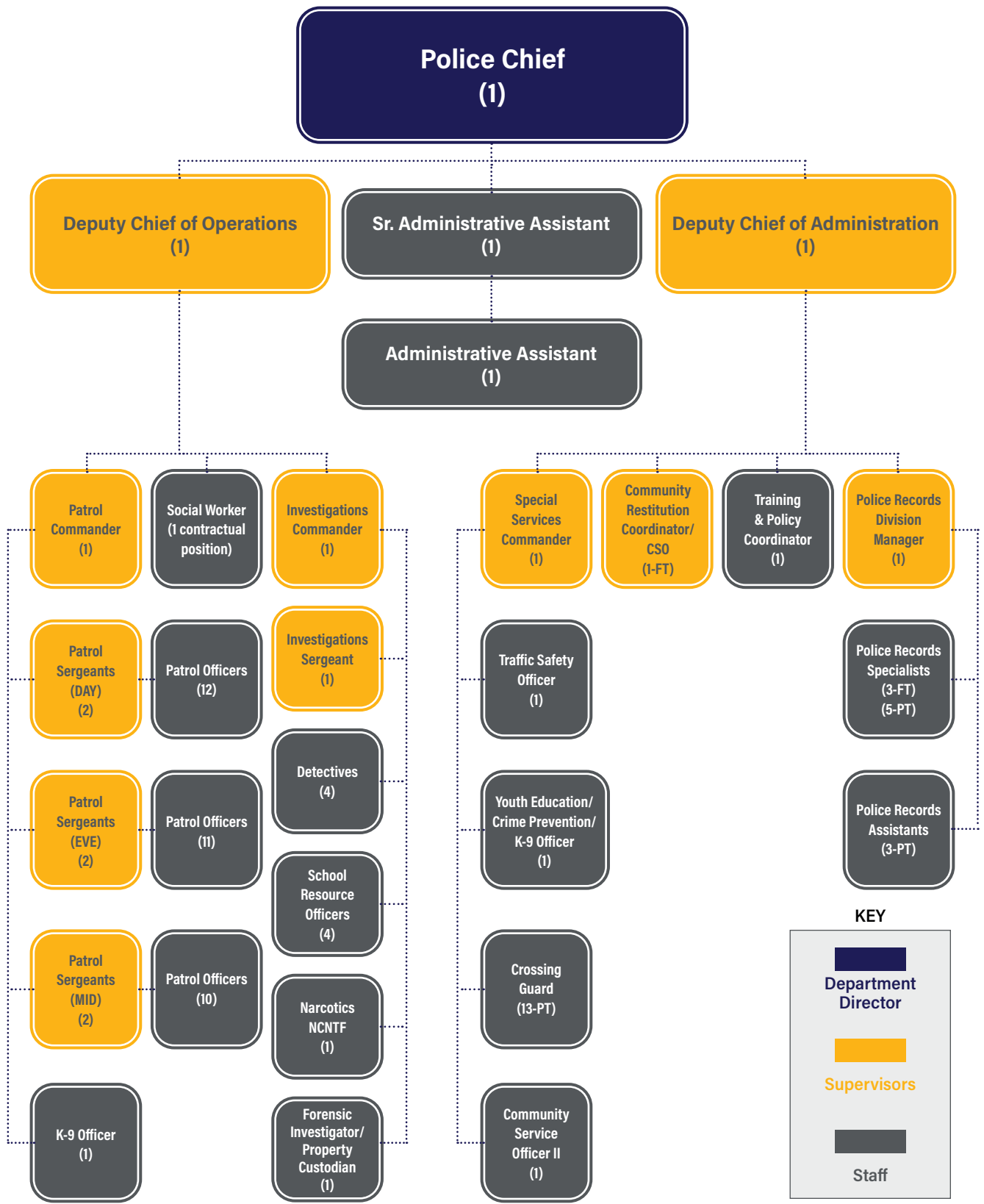
James Keegan
Chief of Police

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Organizational Chart





Department Roster



SWORN PERSONNEL

Chief James Keegan	2014	Officer Chuck Crumlett	2005	Officer Tom Fawkes	2018
Deputy Chief Erik Mahan	1996	Detective Nic Anson	2005	Officer Joe Bonifas	2019
Deputy Chief Eric Majewski	2000	Officer Melinda Anyon	2006	Officer Steve Mattas	2019
Commander Rich Clark	2000	Officer Janis Schuessler	2006	Detective Noelle Wold	2019
Commander Mike McCowan*	1997	Officer Steve Woloszyk	2010	Officer Daniel Godinho	2020
Commander Drew Lamela	1995	Detective Russell Haywood	2012	Officer Sean Nicholson	2020
Commander Tim Ocasek	2012	Detective Rick Murawski	2014	Officer Othello Rosal	2020
Sergeant Dan Kuttner	2007	Detective Jose Jacobo	2015	Officer Blake Powers	2020
Sergeant Cory Krupke	2005	Detective Jennifer Larsen	2015	Officer Dominic Monaco	2020
Sergeant Brett Runkle	2005	Officer Mike Redmann	2016	Officer Luke Hohman	2021
Sergeant Rob Vicicondi	2012	Officer Meghan Kramer	2016	Officer Kyle Popp	2021
Sergeant Johnathon Losurdo	2010	Officer Mike Karnath	2016	Officer Ryan Carrigan	2021
Sergeant Joe Dony	2015	Officer Matt Phillips	2016	Officer Kyle Witt	2021
Sergeant Brad Schumacher	2019	Officer Anthony Squillo	2017	Officer Marco Farfan	2022
Officer David Ketelsen*	1997	Officer Justin Bennett	2017	Officer Ryan Ledebuhr	2022
Officer Steve Heike	1999	Officer Josh Rowoldt	2017	Officer Dalton Servatius	2022
Officer Jerry Schomer*	2000	Officer Niki Garcia	2018	Officer Parker Henderson	2023
Officer Ben Devol	2001	Officer Joe Gaske	2018	Officer TJ Coffield	2023
Officer Eric Bauwens	2001	Officer Rick Jackson	2018	Officer Dhaval Patel	2023
Officer Bill Tynan	2003	Officer Jason Wessendorf	2018	Officer Raymond Garcia	2023
Officer Brooks Boyce	2004	Detective Bryce Rentschler	2018		

CIVILIAN PERSONNEL

Senior Administrative Assistant

Sara Cass 2004

Administrative Assistant

France Cevallos 2012

Forensic Investigator/Property Custodian

Adam Catt 2022

Community Restitution Coordinator & Community Service Officer

Francisco Fregoso 2017

Training & Policy Coordinator

Guy Hoffrage* 2007

Community Service Officer

Ryan Beeter 2007

K-9

Saint 2021

Charlie 2022

Records Division Manager

Kim Schult* 2002

Lisa Lullo 2023

Records Personnel

Elizabeth Mendoza 2011

Kathy Young 2014

Nancy Ricotta 2014

Liliana Pompeo 2016

Adrienne Casanas Ramos 2017

Krystal Reiser 2018

Talia Cassara* 2022

Jamie Veyette 2022

Courtney Alexander 2022

Anahi Silva 2022

Crossing Guards

Gina King 1996

Gloria Helm* 1997

Heidi Scaletta 2000

Nicole Kotsy 2005

Tania Williams 2015

Lisa Newell* 2019

Alex Lee* 2021

Tedd Laszkiewicz (S) 2022

Steve Arrambide (S) 2022

Beth Maura 2023

Elizabeth Rogal 2023

Ruth Hart 2023

Erica Nicholson 2023

Donna Dennison 2023

Sarah Bowen (S) 2023

*Denotes individual left the Department in 2023

(S) Substitute Crossing Guard



2023 Summary Of Arrests/ Offenses



Part I Crimes	Total
Homicide	1
Criminal Sexual Assault	17
Robbery	2
Aggravated Battery	15
Aggravated Assault	10
Burglary	44
Burglary from Motor Vehicle	51
Theft	301
Motor Vehicle Theft	21
Arson	1
Total Part I Offenses	462

Part II Crimes	Total
Reckless Homicide	0
Battery and Domestic Battery	256
Assault (Simple)	229
Deception	164
Criminal Damage and Trespass	223
Deadly Weapons (incl. FOID card violations)	25
Sex Offenses	13
Offenses Involving Children	34
Cannabis Control Act Violations	41
Methamphetamine Offenses	0
Controlled Substance Act Violations	15
Hypodermic Needle	0
Drug Paraphernalia Act	10
Liquor Control Act Violations	2
Intoxicating Compounds	2
Motor Vehicle Offenses (incl. DUI)	457
Disorderly Conduct	50
Interference w/ Peace Officers	14
Intimidation	21
Kidnapping (incl. visitation violations)	4
Violation of Criminal Registry Laws	1
Other Offenses	355
Total Part II Offenses	1,916

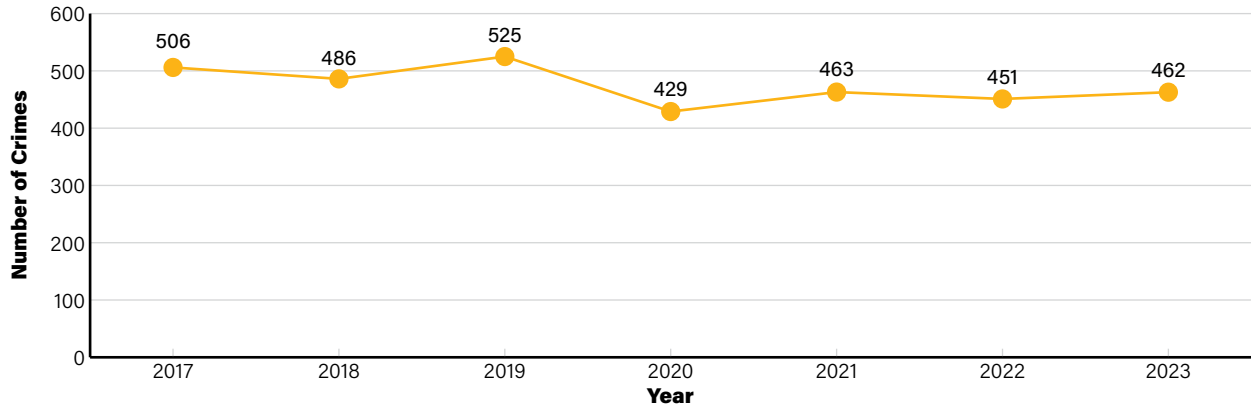
Services / Complaints	Total
Warrant Service (Failure to Appear Warrants)	132
Animal Complaints	483
Driving Complaints	709
Noise Complaints	273
Parking Complaints	581
Public Complaints (Miscellaneous)	629
Total Services / Complaints	2,807



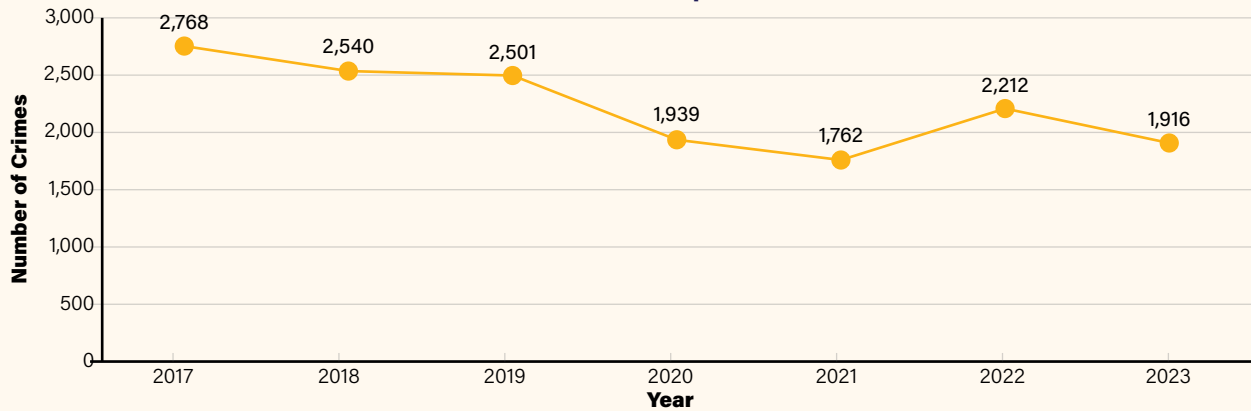
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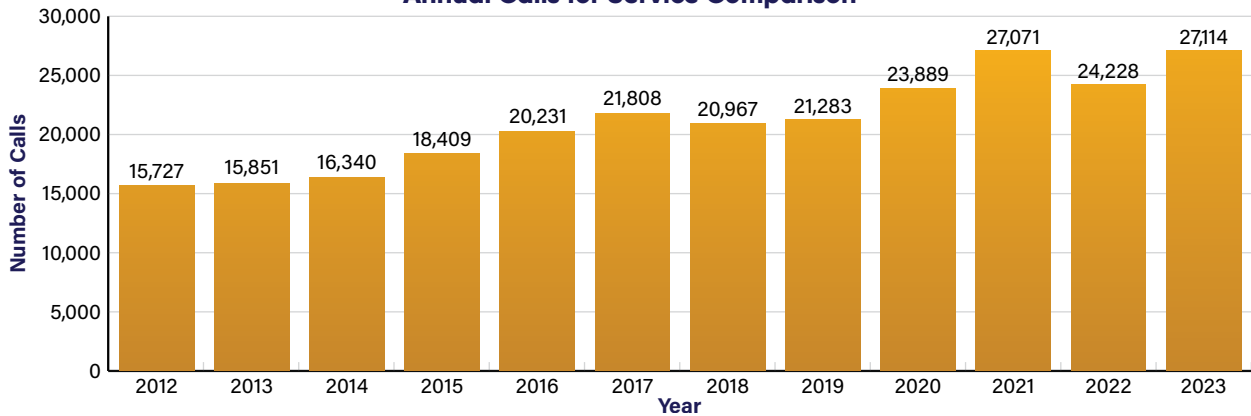
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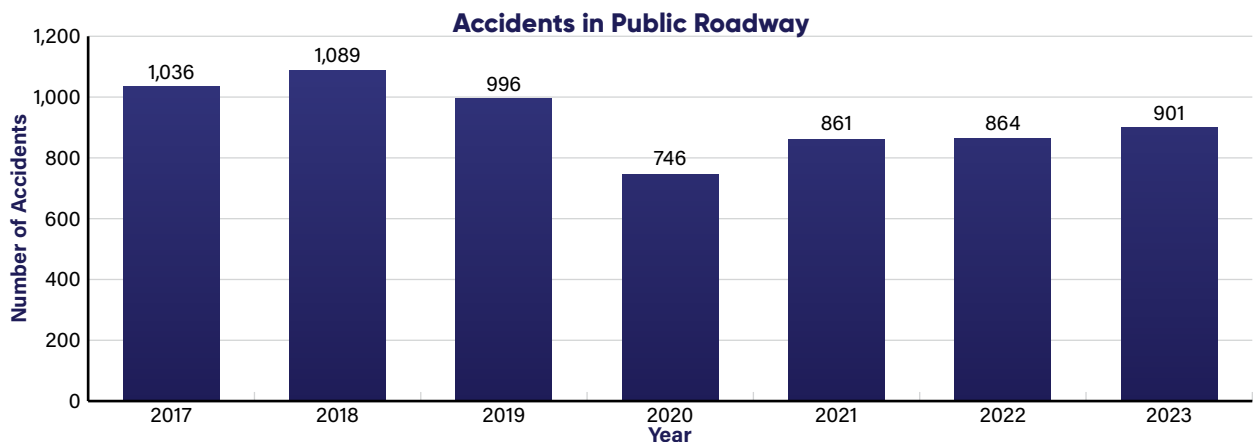
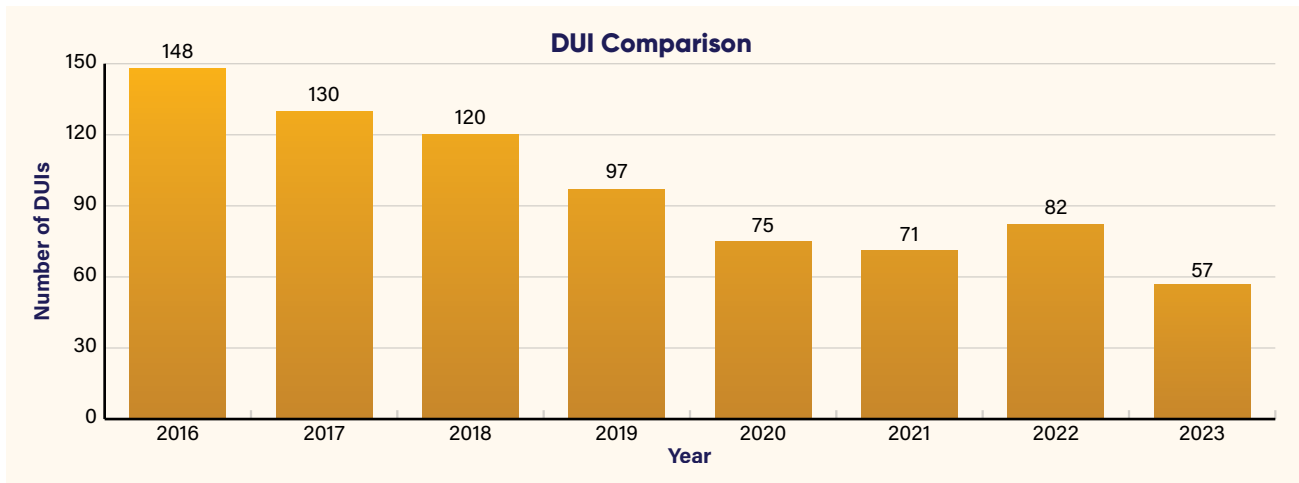
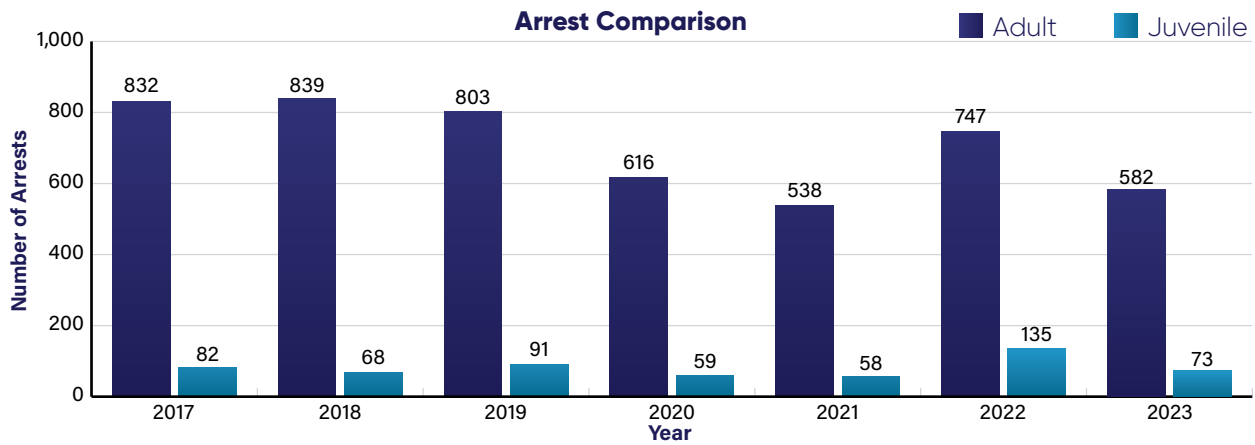


Part II Crime Comparison



Annual Calls for Service Comparison







Records Division



By Lisa Lullo, Records Division Manager

The Police Records Unit is responsible for the collection, maintenance, and retention of information held by the St. Charles Police Department. Records Division staff members diligently follow state mandates, Illinois criminal and vehicle code statutes, local ordinances, and best practice protocols to

ensure the integrity of all records maintained by the department. Specialized tasks performed by the unit include, statistical reporting, FOIA processing, report dissemination, expungements, crime reporting to state and national information systems, and records database management.

St. Charles Police Records Division - By the Numbers - 2023

1,156	Accident Report Processing	Manual data entry and state submissions - Transitioned to electronic reporting on 8/2023
1,412	Administrative Adjudication	Manual ticket entry, hearing correspondence
843	Alarm Processing	Entry, false alarm correspondence, invoicing
657	Arrests	Review and prepare arrest paperwork for clerk transmittal
3,427	Case Reports	Review and download into records management system
32	City Call Outs	After hours Public Works emergency call outs
396	Court Activity	Monitor court correspondence and subpoena processing
3,522	Demographic Profiling	Manual data entry/ compile and review for state submission
33	Expunge/Seal Arrests	Process court ordered expungements and sealing of arrest records
398	Booking Fee Billing	Track and invoice booking fees - Ordinance repealed 9/2023
1,210	Cash Receipts	Collection and reconciliation of fees (solicitor, FOIA, etc.)
118	Administrative Tow Payments	Collection and reconciliation
657	Fingerprints	Review and correction submissions to ISP
814	Freedom Of Information	Review and process police records requests
138	Impounded Vehicles	Manual entry, adjudication, correspondence
91	Report Requests - Insurance	Accident and theft report requests
450	Report Requests	Report requests from SAO and other criminal justice agencies
32	Parking Ticket Review Requests	Entry, process and respond
192	Records Checks	Military, Law Enforcement and US Government
58.5 ft ³	Records Disposal	Identify records for disposal, process and submit disposal requests
260	Records Requests - Sao	Prepare and disseminate records, upload to SAO website
5,460 +	Scanned Documents	Scan and upload to case reports
29	Solicitor Applications	Process to include fees, criminal history and photo
37	Tickets - Overweight Vehicle	Manual data entry
1,268	Tickets - Parking/Local Ord	Manual data entry
2,092	Tickets - State/Local Utc	Manual data entry
4,442	Tickets - Warning	Manual data entry
67	Vacation Watch	Manual data entry
242	Warrant Entry	Manual data entry, process, cancellation
227	Warrant Recall	Cancel, process and return of court ordered recalls

The Records Unit is staffed Monday - Thursday, 24 Hours; Friday, Saturday, Sunday 8:00 am - 12:00 am.

The Police Records Unit is staffed by: 1 Police Records Unit Manager, 3 F/T Police Records Specialists, 3 P/T Police Records Specialists, and 2 P/T Police Records Assistants.



Special Services Unit (SSU)



By Tim Ocasek, Special Services Unit Commander

The Special Services Unit is under the direction of Commander Tim Ocasek. The unit is responsible for overseeing all city-wide special events, traffic safety issues, crime prevention, school crossing guards, and the department's comfort dog. The unit falls under the direct supervision of the Deputy Chief of Administration.

The Special Services Unit (SSU) consists of the following members: 1- Commander, 1- Traffic Safety Officer, 1- Crime Prevention Officer, 1- Community Service Officer, 1-Community Restitution Coordinator/ Part-Time Community Service Officer, 12 Crossing Guards (both full and part-time), and 1- Facility/ Comfort Dog. The SSU works to enhance the quality of life for residents and visitors through the safe and efficient movement of traffic in the City. The SSU works in support of the Patrol Division by providing traffic studies and analyses, solving neighborhood traffic and parking problems, and working closely with organizers to plan safe and successful special events. In 2023, the unit assisted from beginning to end in dozens of events to include parades, festivals, fireworks, charity walks and runs, amongst other various special events.

Special Services Unit (SSU) Specialties

Commander Tim Ocasek, has been with the department for 11 years. He was promoted to the role of Commander in June of 2023 and has been running the Special Services Unit since. Before this, he served as a Patrol Sergeant for three years. Preceding his promotion to Sergeant, he was assigned to the Investigations Division for three years. In his career, Commander Ocasek was previously a member of the ILEAS Mobile Field Force team and has served as a Field Training Officer. Commander Ocasek also holds instructor positions for a variety of specialized trainings.

Traffic Safety Officer

Traffic Safety Officer Kyle Popp, has been a member of the department for over 2.5 years. Prior to being a St. Charles Police Officer, Officer Popp worked as an Evanston Police Officer for over 7 years. Over the course of Officer Popp's career, he has served as a Patrol Officer, Special Operations Group Detective, North Regional Major Crimes Burglary Task Force Investigator, Evidence Technician, EVOC instructor, and High-Risk Traffic Stop Instructor, amongst other specialties. Officer Popp became the department's Traffic Safety Officer in June of 2023.

The Traffic Safety Officer (TSO) is a sworn Police Officer specially trained in areas such as:

- Solving Neighborhood Traffic Problems
- Community Education
- Problem Oriented Policing

TSO Kyle Popp is assigned as a member of the City's Special Events Committee yet dedicates a large amount of his time to specific neighborhood concerns. In 2023, the following areas are just some of those where Ofc. Popp was assigned to analyze and address traffic and/or parking concerns:

- Pleasant Plains speed concerns
- Prairie St. safety concerns
- Fox Chase speed concerns
- Stonehedge speed concerns
- S. 7th Ave. and Division multi-way stop sign study
- S. 6th St. and Mosedale intersection concerns
- S. 5th St. and Cutler intersection concerns
- Persimmon and Stonehedge intersection concerns
- Fox Chase and Stonehedge safety concerns
- Adams Ave. speed concerns



- Gray St. speed concerns
- Foxfield Dr. safety concerns
- Foxhill Ct. parking concerns
- Lucylle Ct. parking concerns
- S. 19th St. speed/traffic concerns
- IL Rte 25 and Division intersection concerns
- Lucylle Ave. and Pleasant Ave. intersection concerns
- Numerous traffic issues as a result of IL Rte 25 closure
- Traffic/speed on Dunham Rd. and Kirk Rd.
- Moore Ave. traffic/speed concerns
- Yearly officer statistics
- 2023 monthly and annual crash statistics
- Lincoln School crosswalk concerns
- Deployment of the department's speed boxes throughout the City.

Crime Prevention Officer

Crime Prevention Officer Meghan Kramer has been with the department for over eight years and has been the Crime Prevention Officer for the past two and a half years.

The Crime Prevention Officer (CPO) is a sworn Police Officer specially trained in a variety of educational areas and teaching for our youth. In addition, Officer Meghan Kramer is assigned the duties of crime prevention and crime analysis and facilitates the instruction for the ***Too Good for Drugs Program*** in our local schools. She coordinates the annual Citizens Police Academy (CPA), the Youth Academy, Spanish CPA, Elder Watch Program, St. Charles Youth Commission, Kane County Senior Services (Central Kane County-TRIAD), and the Kane County Hoarding Task Force. In addition, Officer Kramer produces publications both quarterly and annually with safety tips and other current event topics. Officer Kramer is also the primary handler for the department's facility/comfort dog, Charlie, and was instrumental in helping the department acquire and train him. This year, Ofc. Kramer also started to implement new Crime Free Housing initiatives in the City of St. Charles.

The following two charts contain the top ten roadway and intersection crash locations for 2023. The third chart compares the difference between crash data from 2023 and 2022 as well as our overall enforcement efforts.

2023 Top Ten Roadway Crash Locations

Rank	Location	Total Crashes
1	800 Blk S. Randall Rd	14
2	500 Blk S. Randall Rd	10
3	200 Blk S. Randall Rd	9
4	600 Blk S. Randall Rd	8
5	1000 Blk S. Kirk Rd	7
6	1600 Blk E. Main St	7
7	300 Blk W. Main St	6
8	3800 Blk E. Main St	6
9	3900 Blk E. Main St	6
10	0-99 Blk S. Randall Rd	6

2023 Top Ten Intersection Crash Locations

Rank	Location	Total Crashes
1	S. Randall Rd/ Prairie St	16
2	W. Main St/ N. 2nd St	16
3	S. Randall Rd/ Lincoln Hwy	15
4	W. Main St/ N. Randall Rd	13
5	E. Main St/ Dunham Rd	12
6	Prairie St/ S. 3rd St	12
7	Dean St/ N. Randall Rd	9
8	W. Main St/ S. Randall Rd	9
9	Red Gate Rd/ N. 5th Ave	8
10	S. Randall Rd/ Oak St	8

2023 Summary

Crashes	2023	2022	% Change
Total Number of Crashes on Public Roadways	903	907	0%
Fatal Crashes (F)	2	0	200%
Injury Crashes (PI)	143	105	36%
Property Damage Only Crashes (PDO)	968	1,148	-16%
Hit and Run Crashes*	117	136	-14%
Pedestrian Crashes*	10	1	900%
Private Property Crashes	253	332	-24%
Traffic Enforcement	2023	2022	% Change
Total Citations Issued	2,057	2,129	-3%
Speed Related	666	755	-12%
Other Moving Violations	430	542	-21%
Non-moving Violations	587	809	-27%
Seat Belt Violations	6	9	-33%
Child Safety Seat Violations	4	8	-50%
Overweight Citations	39	6	550%
Written Warning Notices Issued	4,673	4,543	3%
Total Traffic Arrests	259	367	-29%
DUI Arrests	53	86	-38%
Suspended/Revoked DL	136	196	-31%
Reckless Driving Excessive Speed	1	12	-92%
No Valid DL	69	73	-5%
Zero Tolerance	0	0	0%
Vehicle Impounds	137	234	-41%
Traffic Enforcement Index (TEI)**	8.42	14.29	-41%

*These are also included in totals above under the appropriate classification (F,PI,PDO)

**The TEI represents the number of citations written for moving violations, in relation to the number of injury and fatal crashes. A TEI of twenty (20) is considered to be the minimum effective enforcement to crash ratio.

Community Service Officer

The St. Charles Police Department has one full-time Community Service Officer (CSO) and one part-time CSO. The CSO is a non-sworn member of the Department who performs a variety of tasks in support of all divisions of the Police Department. Those tasks include but are not limited to:

- Animal complaints
- Motorist assists
- Traffic control
- Parking enforcement
- Minor traffic trashes on private property
- Ordinance violations
- Assists with booking/processing of arrestees
- Responding to other non-criminal calls for service

- Daily transfer of documents between the department and agencies such as, the Kane County Circuit Clerk, the Kane County State's Attorney, and Tri Com Central Dispatch
- Child car seat checks
- Delivery of vehicles for maintenance and repair
- Transfer of evidence to and from state crime labs
- Evidence processing and property control.

Community Service Officer Ryan Beeter is in his 16th year of service to the City and continues to actively assist with evidentiary duties. He is also an active member of the Kane County Major Crimes Task Force Evidentiary Unit. CSO Beeter leads the department's Child Passenger Safety Seat Technicians group and works closely alongside our Patrol Division with day-to-day, non-criminal calls for service.

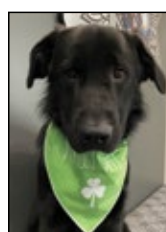


Community Service Officer Francisco Fregoso is in his seventh year of service to the City. Prior to 2023, CSO Fregoso's primary responsibility was managing the Community Restitution program. He continues to hold this position and, in the summer of 2023, took on additional duties as a part-time CSO.

School Crossing Guards

The Crossing Guards work each school day to safely cross children at nine different locations. There are nine primary guards assigned to the ten positions and there are an additional three substitute guards who fill in as needed throughout the year. An additional seven crossing locations are staffed by Community Unit School District #303. The Special Services Unit works closely with the school district to train crossing guards and plan safe routes to school. The Crossing Guards also help with pedestrian crossing locations during special events. All Crossing Guards attend an annual

training session and are outfitted with safety equipment provided by the Police Department.



Facility/Comfort Dog - Charlie

In 2021, the St. Charles Police Department, led by Officer Kramer, acquired and began training extensively with the department's first facility/comfort dog, Charlie. He is a German Shepherd and Golden Retriever mix who was donated

by a local family to an organization called Canines 4 Comfort. Following his initial extensive training, he was certified as the department's first facility/comfort dog. He is deployed routinely for a variety of events both public and in private situations where he assists families or those in need. In 2023, Charlie was deployed or utilized 82 times within the community and at outside events.



Criminal Investigations



By Drew Lamela, Commander of Investigations

The Criminal Investigations Division serves in many roles with its primary responsibility to provide investigative support to the Patrol Division. Reported incidents are reviewed to identify cases which require additional follow-up efforts that would exceed the patrol division resources, are complex in nature, or have leads that expand beyond our jurisdiction. Solvability factors such as potential suspects, evidence, crime patterns, etc., are considered when determining when a case is assigned to a detective for additional follow-up work. These assignments include cases requiring multiple interviews, extensive crime scene work, or ongoing surveillance activities. These investigations can vary in duration before a case is successfully investigated or closed. A case is closed after all potential leads have been exhausted which may or may not result in an arrest.

The Criminal Investigations Division staffing consisted of the following personnel during 2023:

- Investigations Division Commander
- Detective Sergeant
- 4- General Assignment Detectives
- 2- High School Resource Officers; 1 each at St. Charles East and North High Schools
- 2- Middle School Resource Officers; 1 each at Wredling and Thompson Middle Schools
- Narcotics Inspector assigned to the North Central Narcotics Task Force/Illinois State Police
- Forensic Investigator/Property Custodian
- Civilian Administrative Assistant

General Assignment Detectives and School Resource Officers worked 436 cases in 2023, compared to the 386 cases in 2022. Of those, 279 cases were criminal in nature and solved, resulting in 103 arrests - 37% clearance rate. The overall criminal case clearance rate for 2022 was 35% with 87 arrests. Of those investigations, 27 cases assigned during 2022 remained in a "pending additional investigation" status at the end of the year and were followed up on in 2023. There

were 28 cases assigned in 2023 left pending and will carry over into 2024 for further follow up investigation.

Attempted Homicide / Home Invasion Investigation

On January 14, 2023, at approximately 1937 hours, St. Charles officers were dispatched to the area of 135 Walnut Drive for reports of shots fired. Several callers to Tri-Com Central Dispatch reported hearing 5-8 shots coming from that location.

Upon officers' arrival to the scene, several people were reporting a person had been shot. As officers approached the rear door, they observed a male suspect holding an unconscious male just inside the apartment rear door. Officers observed an AK-style pistol in between the suspect and the unconscious male who he was dragging out of the apartment. Verbal commands were given to the suspect armed with the AK-style pistol and he was quickly taken into custody.

It was later learned that the suspect, along with two additional suspects, had entered the apartment through an unlocked patio door, wearing masks and armed with handguns. The suspects zip tied several victims inside the apartment and demanded money and drugs. During the incident, a male subject, who had received an open-line call from one of the victims, arrived and confronted the suspects. The suspects began to fire rounds at the male subject, who also returned fire, striking one of the suspects. The male subject was also struck in the abdomen and was taken to Delnor Hospital by his brother where he was treated. The suspect who was shot was pronounced dead. It was also learned that the third suspect had jumped out of a second story window and fled the scene.

Several officers and investigators, with the assistance of the North Central Narcotics Task Force, assisted in this investigation with processing the scene, conducting interviews, and identifying the third suspect. Charges were later filed against the suspect who was taken into custody on scene for Attempt Murder-1st Degree, Home Invasion with a Firearm/Great Bodily Harm, and Aggravated Unlawful Restraint. An arrest warrant was



obtained for the suspect that had escaped and fled the scene. In November of 2023, that subject was located and taken into custody.

The successful resolution of a homicide case requires exceptional investigative skills, relentless determination, and the ability to handle immense pressure. All of the officers involved in this investigation demonstrated all of these qualities throughout the investigation. Their dedication, professionalism, and tireless efforts played a pivotal role in ensuring the swift resolution of this heinous crime. Given the set of circumstances, the teamwork displayed by all officers was not only impressive, it helped bring this incident to a successful conclusion.

Human Sex Trafficking Investigation

On February 22, 2023, the St. Charles Police Department's Investigations Unit was informed through an anonymous source of a possible human trafficking/sex trafficking operation being run out of a residence in the 100 block of N. 15th St., St. Charles, IL. This anonymous source provided investigators with text messages and advertisements of women being offered for sex. The females observed in the photos appeared to be between 25-35 years of age and all of Hispanic descent. The anonymous source advised that the organization behind this operation utilizes Ring doorbell cameras at both entrances to the apartment mentioned above.

A joint investigation was initiated with Homeland Security Investigations (HSI). During the course of this investigation, there were countless hours of surveillance conducted and over 25 search warrants issued for several utility companies. This investigation resulted in locating brothels in St. Charles, Aurora, South Elgin, Elgin, and Palatine. Furthermore, this resulted in identifying five suspects that were involved in running the sex trafficking organization.

On July 19, 2023, a joint police operation was conducted with the assistance of Homeland Security Investigations, Elgin Police Department, Aurora Police Department, Cook County Sheriff, South Elgin Police Department, Attorney General's Office, Kane County State's Attorney's Office, and the Cook County State's Attorney's Office.

A total of nine search warrants were executed by law enforcement agencies on residences of five separate brothels and suspect residences. This resulted in eight women being rescued from this sex trafficking organization and five suspects were arrested. All five offenders were charged with a total of 23 felony counts related to human/sex trafficking.

The lead Investigator was nominated for the Kane County Officer of the Year Award as a result of his hard work on this case. The arrests made not only rescued victims from a life of unimaginable suffering, but also assisted Homeland Security Investigators with identifying over 45 sex trafficking locations across the nation.





The following are other highlights of cases worked and related job functions performed by investigators in 2023:

- Execution of numerous search warrants and Grand Jury subpoenas for evidence property recovery and investigative case support, three of which were related to a reckless discharge of a firearm and an armed robbery.
- (16) Sexual assault and /or abuse investigations, compared to (9) in 2022.
- Ongoing compliance checks with home visits of registered sex offenders which resulted in three compliance violations.
- (2) Online sexual predator investigations; compared to (5) in 2022.
- (13) Death investigations – non-criminal.
- (3) Armed robbery investigations; compared to (5) in 2022.
- (8) Motor vehicle thefts; the same as (8) in 2022.
- (25) Burglary from motor vehicles.
- (2) Residential burglary investigations; compared to (3) in 2022.
- (9) Burglary / Attempted burglary to commercial establishments; compared to (20) in 2022.
- (1) Attempted Homicide / Home Invasion; compared to (0) in 2022.
- Numerous City employment background investigations for probationary police officers, firefighter / paramedics, and dispatcher candidates.
- Liquor license, massage license, and business renewal applications; liquor/massage establishment site inspections and licensing background investigations.
- Numerous assists to outside agency investigations.
- Tobacco/alcohol establishment compliance checks were ongoing throughout the year. There were (3) citations issued for underage tobacco sales compared to (5) in 2022. (4) Businesses were cited for sale of alcohol to a minor compared to (7) in 2022. The St. Charles Police Department works closely with vendors to provide educational information and ensure continued compliance.
- Numerous investigations involving thefts, retail thefts, deceptive practices, credit card, identity thefts, and other assorted fraud- based offenses. (24%) of the cases investigated by detectives in 2023 were based on some form of theft, fraud or deceptive practice, compared to (32%) in 2022.

Investigations Assignment and Duties

Commander Drew Lamela is the current supervisor of the Investigations Unit. Prior to this role, Commander Lamela was a Patrol Sergeant for seven years. Commander Lamela spent 14 years as a general assignment detective and was a liaison with ICAC and a member of the Kane County Major Crimes Task Force. The Commander of Investigations is responsible for coordinating major incident response and investigation, liaison with agencies county-wide, and the supervision of the Investigations Unit detectives and their training.

Sergeant Rob Vicicondi was recently assigned as the new Detective Sergeant for the Investigations Unit. Detective Sergeant Vicicondi has been with the department for 11 years. Prior to being promoted to Patrol Sergeant in 2019, he was assigned as a general assignment detective for three years. Detective Sergeant Vicicondi assists with the supervision of general assignment detectives, as well as the Inspector assigned to the North Central Narcotics Task Force. Some of his duties include reviewing and assigning cases, assisting with FOID Card revocations, assisting with liquor and employment backgrounds, and acting as the on-call supervisor during his designated weekends.

Detective Ryan Carrigan and Detective Jose Jacobo are the two newest detectives assigned to the Investigations Unit. Detectives Ryan Carrigan and Jose Jacobo have been assigned to Investigations since the beginning of 2023. Detective Carrigan is certified in digital forensics analysis and serves as a representative for the Illinois Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force. Detective Jacobo serves on the Kane County Accident Reconstruction Team.

Detective Rick Murawski has been assigned to Investigations since the summer of 2020 and he oversees the sex offender registry database and compliance program. Detective Russ Haywood joined the Investigations unit at the beginning of 2021. All four detectives serve as members of the Kane County Major Crimes Task Force.

Members of the Criminal Investigations Division are assigned to the Kane County Major Crimes Task Force in both an investigative and evidence team capacity. The unit also participates in ongoing monthly intelligence and case briefings with several area Investigators Associations. St. Charles has led the Fox Valley Investigators Association monthly meetings for more than 20 years. Investigators from Kane County, as well as surrounding counties, municipalities and Chicago-based federal agencies, routinely attend these meetings at the St. Charles Police Department. The level of cooperation, collaboration, and resources generated by this partnership has provided tremendous benefits to this agency, as well as all involved in this partnership.



School Resource Officers

The D303 School District and St. Charles Police Department have had a partnership for several years and have School Resource Officers (SROs) in both middle schools and both high schools.



Detective Larsen has been the SRO for St. Charles East High School since 2020. During her tenure, Detective Larsen has become an essential figure amongst the student body and staff. Detective Larsen's work within the Student Support Services section of the school allows her to act as a

law enforcement liaison, counselor, mentor, and teacher. Detective Larsen's presence and activity continues to credit the efforts of the St. Charles East High School liaison program.



Detective Bryce Rentschler currently serves as the St. Charles North High School SRO since August of 2022. Detective Rentschler has spent time building relationships with students and staff, and updating safety procedures and policies. Detective Rentschler has made it his goal to

modernize juvenile operations within the department and become a subject matter expert within the juvenile field. Detective Rentschler helped revamp the Informal/Formal Station Adjustment Program by implementing the new Juvenile Justice Online program, which is shared among all Kane County agencies.



Detective Anson has been the SRO for Wredling Middle School since 2019. During his tenure, Detective Anson has developed excellent working relationships with teachers and support staff. He continues to build on these relationships and continues to promote open and honest

communication regarding the role of law enforcement at

Wredling Middle School. Detective Anson has fostered an environment that continues to make students more comfortable in speaking with law enforcement.



Detective Wold is the newest SRO at Thompson Middle School and began her tenure in the fall of 2023. Since becoming the Thompson Middle School's SRO, Detective Wold has fostered positive relationships with students, faculty, and staff. Detective Wold has demonstrated

approachability and willingness to engage with the school community.

The School Resource Officers oversee juvenile-based initiatives for the department to include referrals to the Juvenile Justice System and alternative programs, such as community restitution opportunities.

North Central Narcotics Task Force (NCNTF)

The department continues to staff a full-time investigator with the North Central Narcotics Task Force. The unit was involved in numerous narcotics-related investigations throughout the region. These efforts resulted in (17) narcotics investigations, the execution of (4) search warrants, a total of (16) arrests, and the seizure of assorted narcotics, related drug equipment/paraphernalia, weapons, vehicles, and U.S. currency.

Drug and Crime Tip Line

The St. Charles Police Department maintains a telephone line which allows callers wanting to remain anonymous the ability to leave information regarding drug or criminal activity. The tip line rings directly into a voicemail where the caller can leave a message. An online submission form can also be filled out. These tips are reviewed upon receipt and assigned accordingly. Anyone can access the Tip Line on the City of St. Charles website, on the Police Department main page, under the Investigations Division link, or by simply calling 1-866-378-4267.





Kane County Special Weapons & Tactics (SWAT)



By Officer Chuck Crumlett

The Multi-Jurisdictional Kane County SWAT (Special Weapons and Tactics) team completed another successful year in 2023. The Kane County SWAT team is comprised of nine different police agencies, two fire departments, and one independent physician.

St. Charles Police Officers Joe Gaske and Steve Mattas are assigned as members of the entry team. Officer Chuck Crumlett serves as an Assistant Team Leader.

The SWAT team was activated for service on multiple high-risk search warrants and arrest warrants in 2023.

The Kane County SWAT team continues to push itself during our bi-monthly training. This year the team trained on firearms proficiency, close quarters battle (CQB), hostage rescue, vehicle assaults, armored vehicle operation, rappelling, fire suppression, and tactical medicine. All Operators are required to pass a physical agility test twice a year. The SWAT team also conducted an aggressive week-long training course at Fort McCoy in Tomah, Wisconsin.



ILEAS Mobile Field Force (3N) Activity 2023

By Officer Mike Karnath

The ILEAS Mobile Field Force Region 3 North team is comprised of officers/deputies from the Kane and McHenry County areas. Fortunately, 2023 was a calm year and allowed the members of ILEAS 3N to focus on training and recertification.

ILEAS conducted six training events focusing on civil disturbance/ riot control, crowd control, search and rescue, and dignitary protection.

ILEAS officials from Springfield and FEMA oversaw

the ILEAS 3N's recertification that ensured ILEAS 3N members were trained and certified to handle any activity throughout the United States.

The only activation for the team in 2023 was to assist with crowd control for the Nightmare on Chicago Street event in Elgin.

Looking ahead to 2024, the ILEAS MFF (3N) will begin tailoring its monthly trainings in preparation for the 2024 Democratic National Convention being held in Chicago.



Evidence Submission and Storage



By Adam Catt, Property Custodian

After evidence is collected by an Officer, it is packaged and information about the items are entered into a computer system and a barcode is generated. These barcodes stay with the evidence package throughout its lifetime and help keep track of its location. Once an item is packaged and barcoded, it gets locked into a "one way" evidence locker by the Officer (pictured above). The items stay secured in the locker until a property custodian checks them into the evidence vault and assigns a permanent storage location within the vault, keeping a chain of custody or "life history" for each item of evidence.



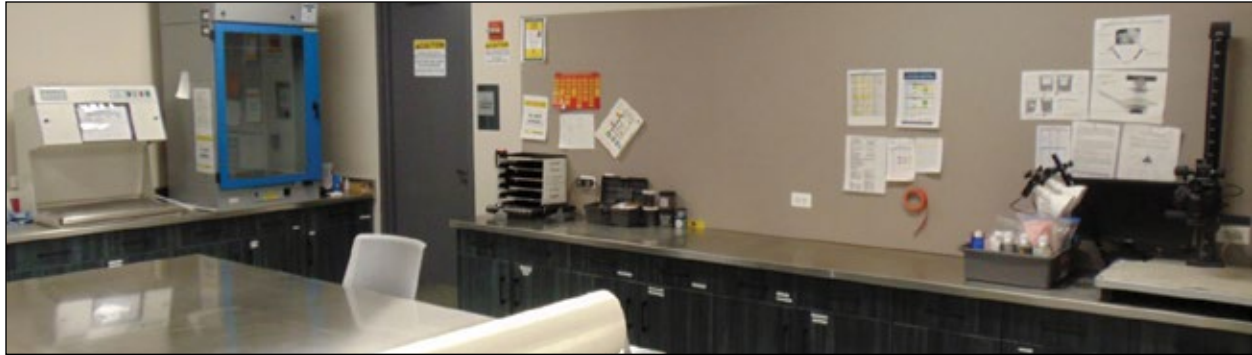
The property custodian maintains the integrity of all found items and submitted evidence and coordinates future investigative, crime lab submission or court related needs. A single fingerprint can be one of dozens or more items recovered during a case investigation. Using this as an example, this one recovered print will be handled by on-scene police personnel, an evidence custodian, a courier for transportation to a crime lab, processing by one or more lab personnel, and upon return, another courier, evidence custodian, etc. This all happens before it is to be handled by the States Attorney, possibly viewed by a defense attorney and accepted during trial by the court clerk. This one item has now been handled at least nine times and chain of custody documentation must be completed for each of these individual instances. A single case with 20 pieces of evidence now entails numerous man-hours of dedicated work and recordkeeping that regularly occurs out of the public's view.



Evidence storage requires high levels of organization, effective storage management and maximization of available space while considering health, safety and long-term preservation concerns. Our new evidence storage facility utilizes moveable high-density shelving units, large rack shelving for oversized items, refrigerators, freezers and a vault room in order to accomplish these goals.

An often-overlooked aspect of evidence storage involves our compliance with laws requiring items be maintained for long periods of time, potentially for dozens of years or forever. Quarterly audits insure that the integrity of our stored evidence is continuously maintained. Audit results are subject to not only internal command staff review but also that of outside agency inspectors via our on-going CALEA certification process. In 2023 we were able to legally purge 2,226 items of evidence from our storage facilities, while we accepted 2,300 new items during this same period.





Evidence Processing

Our police facility includes a spacious evidence processing area. This area is used by evidence technicians to employ more advanced processing techniques than what is often available at a crime scene. The processing area includes a cyanoacrylate (superglue) fuming chamber which can be used to reveal fingerprints which are not visible to the naked eye, a fingerprinting down draft table and a macro photography stand for taking close-up photos of developed latent evidence and trace evidence. The processing room also features bright LED task lighting and houses several alternate light sources (ALS) for revealing and photographing unseen evidence such as fingerprints or biological stains. The processing area is equipped with chemicals and dye stains which can be used in conjunction with the forensic ALS to aid in the recovery of evidence.

Casting materials, static electrical charges and gelatins are available for the recovery and/or enhancement of dust prints or other footwear impression evidence. Chemicals which provide presumptive confirmation testing of drugs and/or suspected blood evidence are also at our disposal.

Digital Evidence

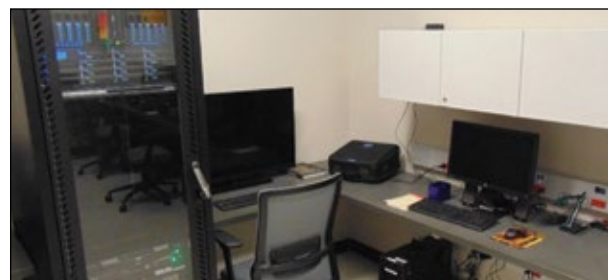
No area in forensics is growing faster than digital forensics. Electronic devices are becoming more and more a part of our every day life. New devices are released and changes or updates happen at a whirlwind pace. Storage sizes on our devices continue to increase rapidly. Cell phones have storage capacities of hundreds of gigabytes up to one terabyte!

To help the Saint Charles Police Department cope with the ever-increasing demand to recover evidence in the digital age, our new facility is equipped with a dedicated digital forensics lab.

The digital lab has workstations to process information from cell phones, computers and vehicles. Security and privacy are key for this recovered digital data as it is treated the same as any other type of physical evidence. The digital lab contains a forensic server which holds all of the recovered data. The forensic server and its data are completely isolated from the Internet and even the City and Police Department networks.

Major Crimes Task Force

Our department continues to actively participate as members of the Kane County Major Crimes Task Force. Police agencies county-wide jointly share specialized/technical resources in order to maximize response to what can be complex criminal investigations. Task force participation is reciprocal in that should our community ever need additional manpower and/or specialized resources then these are only a phone call away. St. Charles PD assisted in 6 major task force calls for assistance in 2023.



Prescription Drug Disposal

In 2023 we were able to safely dispose of approximately 210 pounds of prescription drugs. Of this, 63 pounds were collected in partnership with Northwestern Medicine from the DEA's national prescription drug take back day. Our efforts continue to be a great feat, if one stops and considers where these drugs could

have gone otherwise if this program were not in place. We continue to promote this environmentally safe and controlled disposal of unwanted or unneeded drugs in order to reduce or eliminate any related drug-based catastrophes.



Training & Accreditation



By Deputy Chief Erik Mahan

Overview

The St. Charles Police Department recognizes the importance of training and is continually striving to ensure sworn officers and civilian staff are provided with the knowledge and education to perform their service to the community in a professional and safe manner.

In 2023, St. Charles Police Department personnel received 14,120 hours of job-related training.

St. Charles police officers work a 10-hour workday. The 10-hour day allows for an overlap day once a week in which all officers are scheduled to work. This offers the flexibility to either augment the patrol shift or allow time for in-house training on each Thursday. All officers receive a minimum of one 10-hour training day each month of the year. This well exceeds our goal of providing each officer with at least 40 hours of in-service training per year.

Our annual training program addresses a variety of topics most of which are driven and required through the Illinois Police Training Act as well as our standards of accreditation through CALEA.

These topics include but are not limited to:

- De-Escalation
- Emergency Vehicle Operations
- Law Review
- Immediate Trauma Care
- Active Threat Response
- Use of Force
- Firearms training and qualification
- Less than Lethal Weapons
- Control Tactics
- Bias-Free Policing
- CPR
- Mental Health Awareness
- Trauma Informed Response to Sexual Assault/ Abuse

- Constitutional and proper use of law enforcement authority
- Cultural Competency
- Civil Rights
- Human Rights
- Procedural justice
- Crisis Intervention training
- Officer Wellness and Mental Health
- Firearms Restraining Order Act
- Reporting Child Abuse and Neglect

Notable Training Courses Attended in 2023

- Sergeant Runkle attended Staff & Command sponsored by Northwestern Illinois University.
- A few of the trainings Chief Keegan, Deputy Chief Mahan, and Deputy Chief Majewski attended included **DISC Leadership Training, IPELRA Law Seminar, and the Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police (ILACP) Conference.**
- Chief Keegan, Deputy Chief Mahan and Deputy Chief Majewski attended the Interest-Based Bargaining Training with members from both unions to prepare for the 2024 contract negotiations.
- Sergeant Kuttner; Officers Bennett, Kramer, and Godinho; and Detectives Carrigan, Larsen, and Haywood all attended a 40-hour Instructor Development course.
- Newly appointed as Master Firearms Instructor, Officer Mike Redmann attended several 40-hour courses to prepare him for this role.
- Commander Majewski attended the Illinois Homicide Investigators Conference.
- Sergeant Dony attended a 40-hour **Vehicle System Forensics** course.
- Detective Wold attended a **40-hour SRO** (School Resource Officer) to prepare her for this new role at Thompson Middle School.



School Resource Officers (SRO)

All four officers assigned to work as SRO's in School District 303, Detective Anson (Wredling Middle School), Detective Wold (Thompson Middle School), Detective Larsen (St. Charles East High School), and Detective Rentschler (St. Charles North High School), attended training as certified School Resource Officers. To maintain this certification, each officer must attend at least one State-approved course in each of the following areas: Juvenile Law, Officer and Youth Interaction, and Active Threat Response.

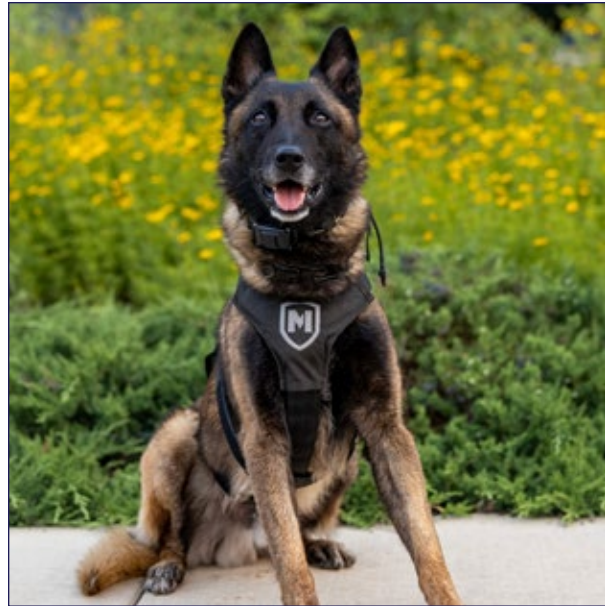
Accreditation

Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA)

St. Charles Police Department has been an Accredited agency through CALEA since 1989. Accreditation is awarded to police agencies that voluntarily demonstrate their commitment to excellence in law enforcement and continually improve their organization through self-evaluation and outside review.

Accredited agencies are required to continually meet over 400 standards set forth by major law enforcement associations, leading educational and training institutions, government agencies, and law enforcement executives internationally; all of which acknowledge CALEA's standards as the benchmark for today's law enforcement agency.

In 2023, SCPD was again found to be operating in compliance with CALEA standards. During that annual review an outside Professional Compliance Service Manager selected 100 of the 400 applicable standards. The Compliance Service Manager then reviewed Department policies, reports, and practices to ensure standards were met.





Community Restitution Program



By Francisco Fregoso, Community Restitution Coordinator

The Community Restitution Program is a non-profit work site which operates under the St. Charles Police Department. It works closely with the local court systems in Kane County and surrounding areas to coordinate community work for defendants referred to the program. The program has been in existence since 2012. The Restitution Program has shown to be an important contributing asset to the Police Department, the City of St. Charles, and its residents. Those assigned to the program are expected to complete specific hours of labor as restitution to the community.

Participants In The Program

Participants are assigned to work a number of hours by court order. The program accepts adults and juveniles who are charged with non-violent offenses. During 2023, 87 defendants participated in the program of which 50 have graduated, and the remainder continue to work towards completion. Defendants completed more than 2,000 hours in labor, resulting in a total monetary savings of nearly \$48,000. This figure is calculated using the average of the state minimum wage and an entry-level laborer for the City. The program continues to be a place of learning and growing, as well as a place where defendants are aided in finding counseling and other rehabilitation needs.

Work And Responsibilities

Rules and regulations are explained to each defendant prior to being accepted into the program. Each defendant is required to sign a contract stating that they agree to comply to the program's rules and regulations. Defendants are assigned to many different tasks including, but not limited to:

- Pressure washing sidewalks and buildings.
- Collecting trash from over 53 roadways and emptying trash bins throughout the downtown area.
- Assisting with general maintenance of police department facilities.
- Removing snow from downtown area and public spaces.
- Washing, disinfecting, and detailing vehicles for the police department and public works.
- Assisting residents in need.
- Painting and removal of graffiti where needed.
- Mowing and general landscaping of City property as well as abandoned/foreclosed properties.
- Assisting with county recycling events.





Social Services



By Wendy Stanton, MSW, A.I.D. Victim Services Case Manager

The St. Charles Police Department continues to partner with A.I.D. (Association for Individual Development). There are currently several different case managers employed by A.I.D. and they have office hours at the Police Department five days a week. They work closely with officers on a multitude of different social services cases. The case managers have training and degrees in human services and are able to utilize their training in crisis intervention and de-escalation to work with members of the community experiencing hardships or trauma.

In fiscal year 2023, the case managers worked with 369 clients; 328 were St. Charles residents. The case managers take a sense of pride in working collaboratively with community agencies and the clients to help them reach goals and stabilize their situation.

The role of a police social worker is to liaison with the Police Department, the community, and the various social service agencies that serve our residents. A police social worker does not provide long-term

counseling, but rather assesses the quality of life issues brought to the attention of the Police Department, attempts to stabilize those issues, and provides the proper referrals necessary to bring the situation at hand to a successful conclusion or at least a manageable situation moving forward.

Examples of issues/situations in which a police social worker would be utilized:

- Mental health issues
- Chemical and/or substance abuse
- Victim advocacy
- Neighbor mediation/conflict resolution
- Hoarding
- Elderly services
- Youth services
- Domestic Violence/Orders of Protection
- City liaison with area social service agencies

Crisis Intervention

The St. Charles Police Department realizes that mental illness is an enormous challenge in our society today and consists of a broad spectrum of illnesses. It is vital that all sworn personnel are trained in CIT (Crisis Intervention Team) matters to effectively address the individuals suffering from these illnesses. The Department is working towards training all sworn officers in this essential training.

Currently, the Department has 46 sworn personnel who make up the Crisis Intervention Team. They are:

Nic Anson
 Melinda Anyon
 Eric Bauwens
 Joseph Bonifas
 Brooks Boyce
 Ryan Carrigan
 Rich Clark
 Charles Crumlett
 Ben Devol
 Joseph Dony
 Thomas Fawkes
 Nicole Garcia

Joe Gaske
 Paul Godinho
 Russ Haywood
 Steve Heike
 Jose Jacobo
 Michael Karnath
 Meghan Kramer
 Cory Krupke
 Dan Kuttner
 Drew Lamela
 Jennifer Larsen
 John Losurdo

Erik Mahan
 Eric Majewski
 Dominic Monaco
 Rick Murawski
 Sean Nicholson
 Tim Ocasek
 Matt Phillips
 Kyle Popp
 Blake Powers
 Michael Redmann
 Bryce Rentschler
 Othello Rosal

Joshua Rowoldt
 Brett Runkle
 Janis Schuessler
 Brad Schumacher
 Dalton Servatius
 Bill Tynan
 Rob Vicicondi
 Jason Wessendorf
 Karl Witt
 Noelle Wold



Special Olympics



By Detective Jen Larsen

The St. Charles Police Department once again participated in the Polar Plunge on Saturday, March 5, 2023 in St. Charles Municipal Center parking lot. Our team, St. Charles Police, Fire, & Friends, raised a grand total of \$23,500.00 – our highest plunge earnings yet! Thank you to the 2023 athletes, plungers, and supportive family and friends for such a successful event. And an enormous thank-you to Steve Mayer from Flagship & Duke's for their incredible support and participation.

Increasing to 10 teams from 8 our first year, the department hosted the Battle of the Badges, team softball tournament which consisted of: St. Charles Police, Addison Police, Geneva Police, Kane County Police, West Chicago Police, Aurora Police, Batavia Police, Illinois State Police, Elgin Police, and Yorkville Police. This one event alone raised over \$2,000.00 for Special Olympics of Illinois (SOILL). Thank you to our team and all of the teams and businesses who participated. We hope to make this event bigger and better each year!

Cop on a Rooftop was another success! On May 19, 2023, St. Charles Police participated at two locations: 1711 W. Main St and 1566 E. Main St. This year's event raised just over \$5,000.00.

For the second year in a row, we were honored to host the Kane County Leg 13 Law Enforcement Torch Run in June. Law Enforcement agencies from around the county had the privilege of running the streets of St. Charles with the flame of hope. We were joined by Special Olympic Athletes: Amanda Prohete, John Remitz, and Benjamin Bluemond.

Officer Steve Mattas assisted at the Spring Games at Marmion and for the first time, the St. Charles Police Department was represented at the annual Summer Games in Bloomington! We so appreciate Officer Mattas' dedication to this cause and hope to have more officers join him for the 2024 game.

New for 2023, we participated in the annual Plane Pull for SOILL! Our team consisted of members from

the St. Charles Police and Fire Departments, Batavia Police and Fire Departments; the Sugar Grove Fire Department, and family. We hope to participate in this exciting event again next year.

The grand total for the St. Charles Police Department for 2023 was \$31,170.97. Be sure to check out the 2024 campaign t-shirts as this phenomenal total earned us placement on the back of them for the second year in a row – look for #24!

As always, we are grateful for the support of such a caring community. Without your support, our department would not be able to back such an incredible organization. The support SOILL gives families of athletes is incredible and we are proud to do all we can to continue to fundraise for these athletes and their families.

If you're interested in supporting our efforts in 2024, please reach out to Detective Jen Larsen at jlarsen@stcharlesil.gov, Officer Steve Mattas at smattas@stcharlesil.gov, or Administrative Assistant Sara Cass at scass@stcharlesil.gov to learn how you can help or if you would like to purchase a t-shirt, hat, or Harley raffle ticket.

Hope to see you at our next event!





Tri-Com Central Dispatch



By Joe Schelstreet, Tri-Com Director

During 2023, Tri-Com processed 145,228 inbound and outbound telephone calls; which resulted in 114,279 calls for service dispatched. Out of the total calls, 49,505 were calls received via the 9-1-1 emergency number. It should be noted that 80% of Tri-Com's 9-1-1 calls were received from wireless devices. Only 65 text to 911 messages were received with 31 of those being either test calls or accidental contacts.

Calls for service by community and contract agency in 2023 were:

- St. Charles – 27.92%
- Batavia – 16.64%
- Geneva – 17.34%
- Tri-City Ambulance – 8.35%
- Elburn and Elburn FPD – 6.55%
- Sugar Grove and Sugar Grove FPD – 7.24%
- North Aurora FPD – 2.38%
- Waubensee Campus Police – 0.12%
- South Elgin Police – 13.45%

Staffing

Tri-Com is authorized to maintain 18 full-time dispatchers, 3 supervisors, and one part-time QA/QI employee. We have two immediate openings in the full-time telecommunicator ranks. We continue to advertise and test prospective candidates as they apply. While hiring and retention continue to be a challenge in this industry, we have been successful due to revisions made to our testing and training programs.

Non-Union Compensation

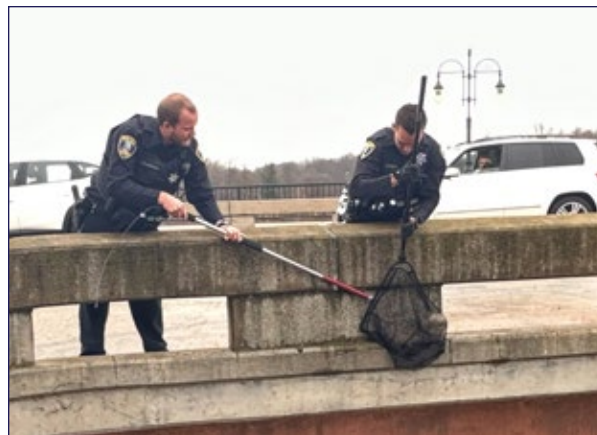
This year, we participated in a non-union compensation study contracted for by the City of Geneva. The data received led to changes in job classifications, job descriptions and pay ranges. The Board of Directors adopted a revised compensation plan and approved salary adjustments according to the plan. This process was highly collaborative and was very much appreciated by all of the non-union staff here.

Budget

We were fortunate to receive an additional supplementary surcharge check this year. The State NG 9-1-1 project expenses were lower than expected and the remaining monies were refunded to the ETSB's within the State. This money will be put to good use on several upcoming capital projects. As has been our previously adopted practice, we continued to apply for reimbursement of expenses for headsets, training and CAD maintenance. This year, we have greatly enhanced our cyber-security defences, made repairs to our microwave system and rewired our connections to our internal network.

Fiscal Year 23/24 Projects

Several significant capital projects were completed during this fiscal year. The most noteworthy of these was the expansion and repaving of the parking lot. This completion of this project now allows for proper drainage of the surface and no longer do our member agencies need to park in the snow and mud when we have meetings. Adequate space is available for all. We have undertaken the build out of our own fiber network, started the process for an automated fire station alerting system, updated the property lease, installed a geo-diverse connection to the ESiNET from Kane Com and much much more! We remain committed to continuous improvement and our progress has been exceptional!





2023 Department Awards & Updates



Thank You For Your Dedicated Service!

5 YEARS

Tom Fawkes
Niki Garcia
Joe Gaske
Rick Jackson

5 YEARS (continued)

Krystal Reiser
Bryce Rentschler
Jason Wessendorf

10 YEARS

Tim Ocasek
Rob Vicicondi

15 YEARS

Ryan Beeter

20 YEARS

Bill Tynan

Department Awards

Commendation Award

Rick Jackson

Medal of Valor

Brett Runkle
Karl Witt

Officer of the Year

Jose Jacobo

Letters of Appreciation

Anson (2)
Bauwens (5)
Beeter
Bennett (4)
Bonifas
Boyce
Carrigan (5)
Catt (2)
Cevallos
Clark (2)

Crumlett (2)
Devol
Dony (3)
Farfan (3)
Fawkes (2)
Gaske
Godinho (2)
Haywood (3)
Henderson
Jackson (2)
Jacobo
Karnath

Krupke
Kuttner (4)
Lamela
Larsen
Ledebuhr
Losurdo (2)
Mattas (3)
Mendoza
Murawski (3)
Ocasek
Popp (2)
Powers

Redmann
Rentschler
Rosal (2)
Rowoldt (3)
Schuessler (2)
Schumacher
Servatius (2)
Squillo (2)
Tynan
Vicicondi (2)
Wessendorf
Witt

Employee Updates

Those who joined us



Officer TJ Coffield



Officer Ray Garcia



Officer Parker Henderson



Lisa Lullo
Police Records
Division Manager



Officer Dhaval Patel

...and best wishes to those who left.



Talia Cassara
Police Records
Assistant



Guy Hoffrage
Training &
Accreditation
Coordinator



Officer Dave
Ketelsen



SSU Commander
Mike McCowan



Officer Jerry
Schomer



Kim Schult
Police Records
Division Manager



Community Kudos

“ Thank you for all your hard work and caring service.

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Thank you for responding to our call. You were gentle and kind and thoughtful. You took “care” in all you needed to do. You were polite and explained everything perfectly as you gathered information – you are all a credit to your department.

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“ Thank you so much for helping me fix my tire so unexpectedly! I’m really grateful for your help.

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Thanks for helping keep school a safer place. It’s much appreciated and I’m really grateful!

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Officer Meghan Kramer and K-9 Charlie’s dedication and commitment to making the event a success was evident in every aspect.

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“ On behalf of the Hoffman Estates Police Department, I want to express our great appreciation for your efforts and those on your staff, especially Officer Meghan Kramer and Charlie. Your help is greatly appreciated and reflects in our community.

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Chief Keegan – thank you for coordination with local law enforcement agencies to create the Kane County Child Exploitation Unit.

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“ Thank you for your time and commitment to our school and for helping us have a great homecoming this year. We appreciate your hard work during our events throughout the week and admire everything you do for our City.

– St. Charles East High School Student Council

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“ Thank you all for your fine service. God bless each and every one of you.

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Chief Keegan...I cannot express the gratitude I have for humans like yourself – thank you!

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Thank you for keeping our community safe and for all that you do! We appreciate every one of you.

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“ On behalf of the West Dundee Police Department, please extend my sincere thanks and appreciation for the professionalism, dedication, and expertise provided by St. Charles Police Department’s Officer Wessendorf.

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Thank you for keeping our town safe!

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“ **NOTE:**

This is just a sampling of the multitude of thank-you notes, well wishes, and treats the community provided our Department in 2023!

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