

# LA GRANGE POLICE DEPARTMENT

## Memorandum



To: Andrianna Peterson, Village Manager

From: Robert Wardlaw, Deputy Chief of Police

Date: March 25, 2021

Re: Monthly Report for February 2021

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The statistics for the activities that occurred on each shift are attached for February 2021. The Police Department continued to work on the hiring process for three new officers, working on preparations for the 2021-2022 budget, and the preparations for the forthcoming Sergeants promotional process.

Casey Gomorzak successfully completed the Shadow Phase of the Field Training Officer Program with Officer Ryan Nemecek on February 17<sup>th</sup>. Ofc. Gomorzak is officially on solo patrol.

On February 8<sup>th</sup>, Village President Mark Kuchler presented Acting Chief Dave Rohlicek with a Village Proclamation for his 28 years of service to the residents of the Village of La Grange.



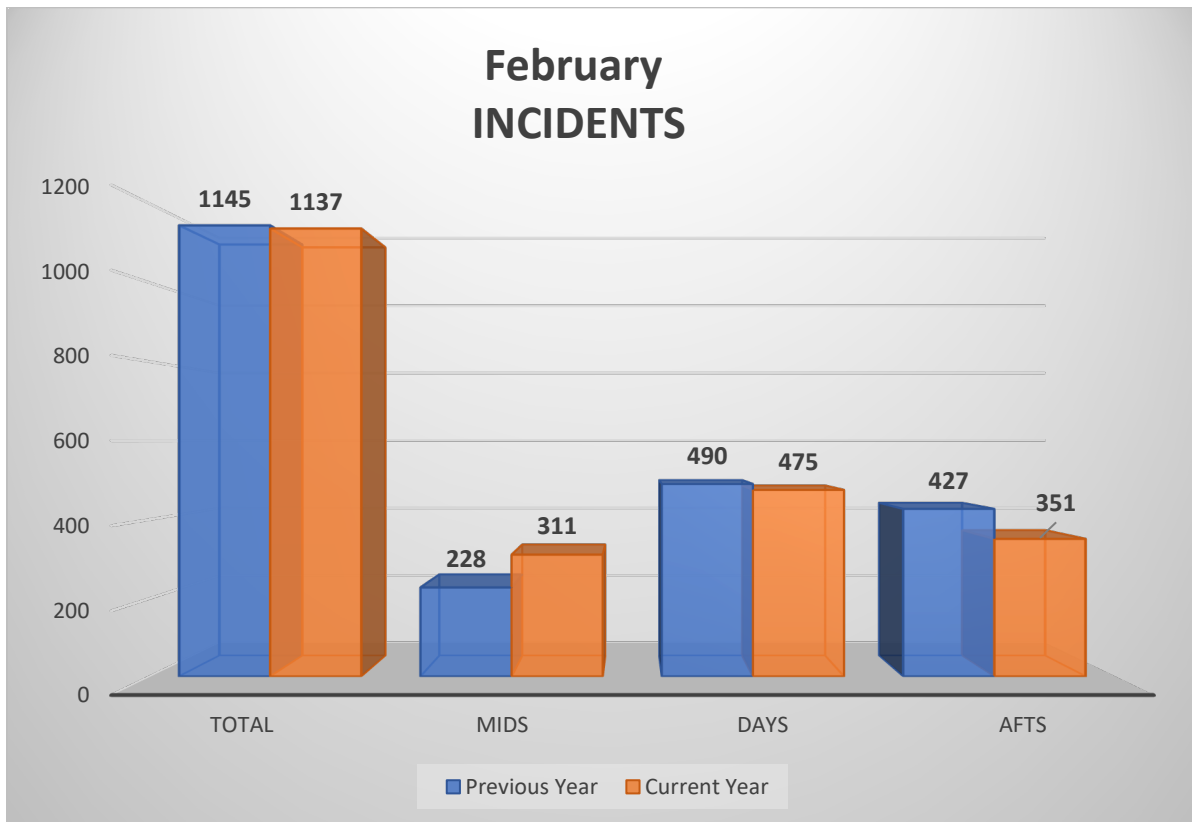
Friday, January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2021 Acting Chief Dave Rohlicek retired from the La Grange Police Department after 28 plus years of dedicated and loyal service to the Village of La Grange. A Coffee and Donuts farewell event was held in the fire department bay with the doors open. Many people stopped by to wish A.C. Rohlicek the best in retirement. A.C. Rohlicek was presented with a plaque and a speech was tendered by Deputy Chief Wardlaw. Additionally, A.C. Rohlicek was given a plaque from Commander Dave DeLeshe of the Major Case Assistance Team for his years of service on the team while an Investigator.

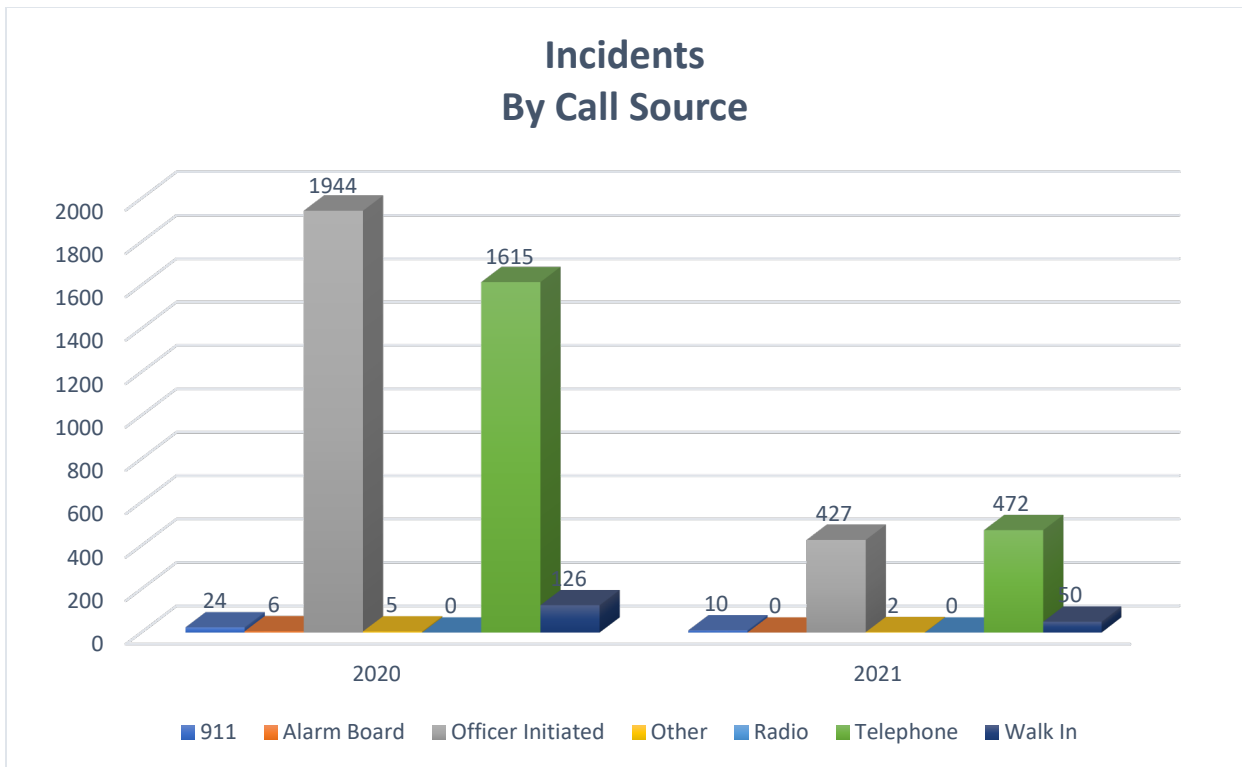
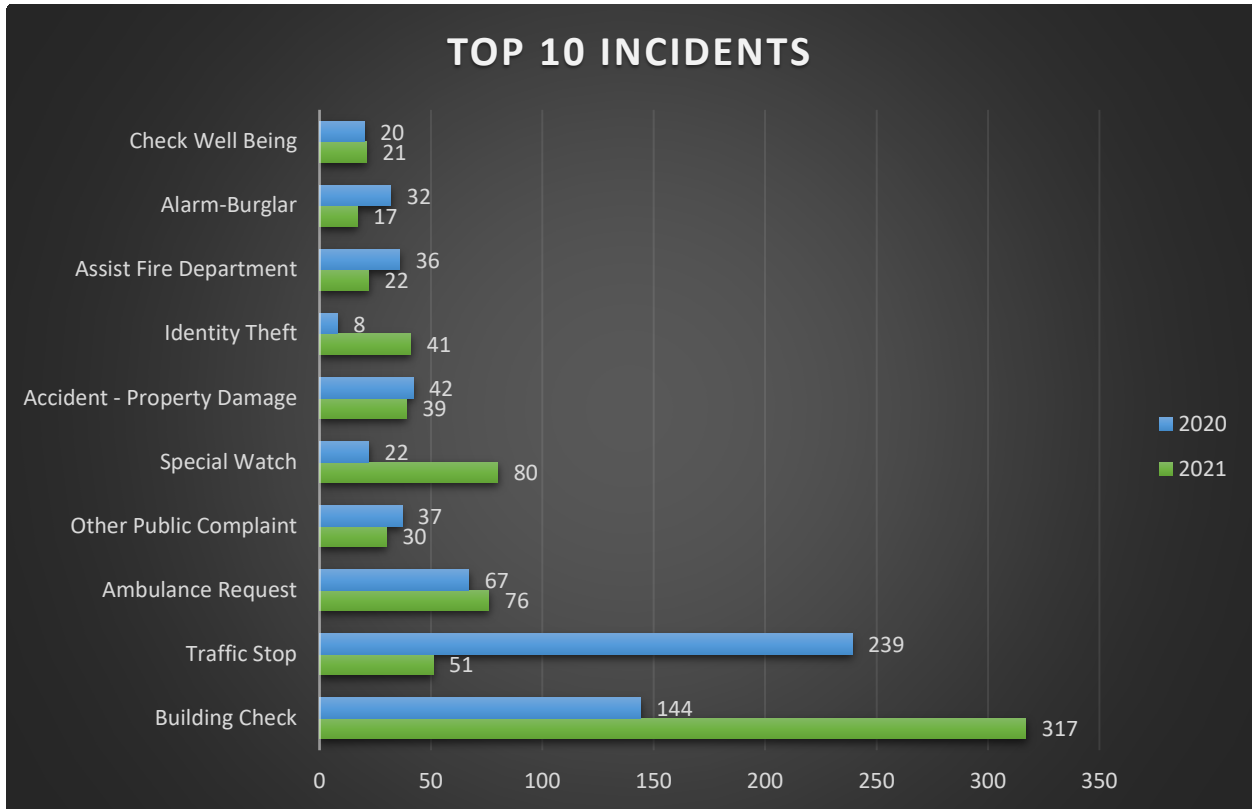
On February 26<sup>th</sup> Tom West graduated from South Suburban Law Enforcement Academy. Tom West entered into the Field Training Program with Ofc. Mike Kaiser on the Afternoon Shift.

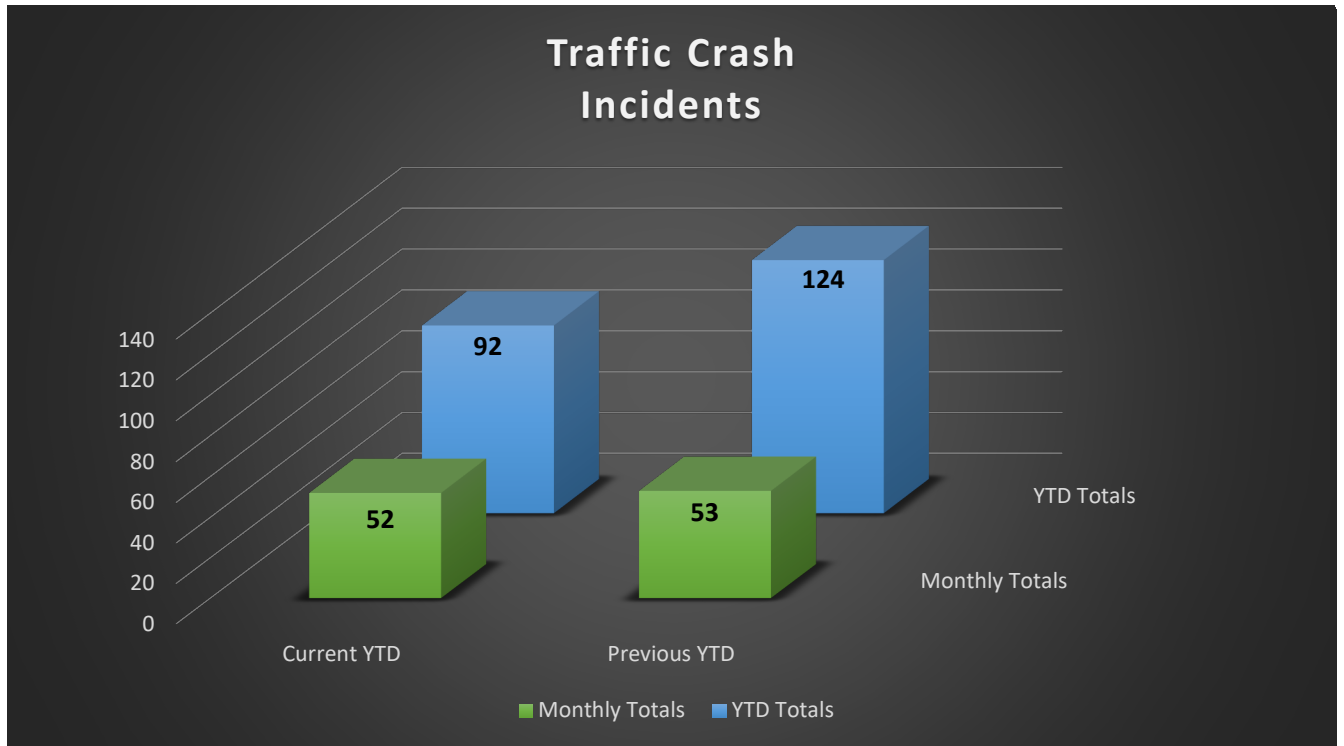
In May of 2020, the Village Board approved the purchasing of new squad cars and the equipment. Currently, two squads have been fully outfitted and placed into service. The changeover was started for the third squad and will take approximately two weeks.

Shaun O'Connor and Jane Coleman continue to receive training on NIBRS prior to the transition to the mandated federal crime index reporting system by the end of the year. The department is close to starting the transition which will also change police narrative reporting from 3<sup>rd</sup> person to 1<sup>st</sup> person along with capturing of modus operandi.

Investigations assisted by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms (ATF), U.S. Marshall's, and the Metra Police Department used a drone and K-9's to search targeted areas for evidence related to an earlier Armed Robbery this month.







**February Case Table**

<u>Case Date</u>	<u>Case Type</u>	<u>Case Ofc</u>	<u>Status</u>
<u>02/01/2021 10:20:33</u>	<u>Identity Theft</u>	<u>250 - Nemecek</u>	<u>Closed - Report Purposes Only</u>
<u>02/01/2021 12:15:59</u>	<u>Suspicious Activity</u>	<u>235 - Rogers</u>	<u>Closed - Report Purposes Only</u>
<u>02/01/2021 13:50:45</u>	<u>Disturbance - Domestic</u>	<u>230 - Burrell</u>	<u>Closed - Report Purposes Only</u>
<u>02/01/2021 16:57:59</u>	<u>Identity Theft</u>	<u>256 - Gomorczak</u>	<u>Closed - Report Purposes Only</u>
<u>02/01/2021 17:16:30</u>	<u>Identity Theft</u>	<u>245 - Irizarry</u>	<u>Closed - Report Purposes Only</u>
<u>02/01/2021 17:27:34</u>	<u>Disturbance - Domestic</u>	<u>242 - Comstock</u>	<u>Closed - Report Purposes Only</u>
<u>02/01/2021 19:24:18</u>	<u>Disturbance - Domestic</u>	<u>256 - Gomorczak</u>	<u>Closed - Report Purposes Only</u>
<u>02/02/2021 09:30:00</u>	<u>Deceptive Practice</u>	<u>250 - Nemecek</u>	<u>Closed - Report Purposes Only</u>
<u>02/02/2021 11:52:08</u>	<u>Theft</u>	<u>252 - Falls</u>	<u>Closed - Low Solvability</u>
<u>02/02/2021 16:24:57</u>	<u>Disorderly Conduct</u>	<u>256 - Gomorczak</u>	<u>Closed - Report Purposes Only</u>
<u>02/03/2021 08:27:50</u>	<u>Identity Theft</u>	<u>230 - Burrell</u>	<u>Closed - Report Purposes Only</u>
<u>02/03/2021 14:25:43</u>	<u>Identity Theft</u>	<u>230 - Burrell</u>	<u>Closed - Report Purposes Only</u>
<u>02/03/2021 14:41:19</u>	<u>Identity Theft</u>	<u>242 - Comstock</u>	<u>Closed - Report Purposes Only</u>
<u>02/03/2021 17:14:48</u>	<u>Identity Theft</u>	<u>242 - Comstock</u>	<u>Closed - Report Purposes Only</u>
<u>02/04/2021 09:29:00</u>	<u>Identity Theft</u>	<u>235 - Rogers</u>	<u>Closed - Report Purposes Only</u>
<u>02/04/2021 16:00:38</u>	<u>Identity Theft</u>	<u>248 - McDermott</u>	<u>Closed - Low Solvability</u>
<u>02/05/2021 09:23:18</u>	<u>Identity Theft</u>	<u>250 - Nemecek</u>	<u>Closed - Report Purposes Only</u>

<u>02/05/2021 16:10:58</u>	<u>Identity Theft</u>	<u>245 - Irizarry</u>	<u>Closed - Report Purposes Only</u>
<u>02/05/2021 16:17:16</u>	<u>Identity Theft</u>	<u>252 - Falls</u>	<u>Closed - Low Solvability</u>
<u>02/05/2021 17:52:15</u>	<u>Identity Theft</u>	<u>245 - Irizarry</u>	<u>Closed - Report Purposes Only</u>
<u>02/07/2021 09:44:32</u>	<u>Identity Theft</u>	<u>243 - Andries</u>	<u>Closed - Low Solvability</u>
<u>02/07/2021 13:54:48</u>	<u>Disturbance - Domestic</u>	<u>252 - Falls</u>	<u>Closed - Report Purposes Only</u>
<u>02/07/2021 17:22:10</u>	<u>DUI</u>	<u>253 - Kaiser</u>	<u>Closed By Arrest</u>
<u>02/07/2021 17:59:43</u>	<u>Theft</u>	<u>245 - Irizarry</u>	<u>Pending</u>
<u>02/08/2021 12:38:38</u>	<u>Identity Theft</u>	<u>256 - Gomorzczak</u>	<u>Closed - Report Purposes Only</u>
<u>02/08/2021 12:42:04</u>	<u>Identity Theft</u>	<u>243 - Andries</u>	<u>Closed - Low Solvability</u>
<u>02/08/2021 13:08:26</u>	<u>Identity Theft</u>	<u>256 - Gomorzczak</u>	<u>Closed - Report Purposes Only</u>
<u>02/08/2021 15:39:31</u>	<u>Domestic Battery</u>	<u>245 - Irizarry</u>	<u>Closed By Arrest</u>
<u>02/09/2021 10:26:11</u>	<u>Identity Theft</u>	<u>230 - Burrell</u>	<u>Closed - Report Purposes Only</u>
<u>02/09/2021 14:17:48</u>	<u>Identity Theft</u>	<u>243 - Andries</u>	<u>Closed - Low Solvability</u>
<u>02/09/2021 15:36:58</u>	<u>Battery</u>	<u>248 - McDermott</u>	<u>Closed - Report Purposes Only</u>
<u>02/10/2021 07:53:50</u>	<u>Criminal Damage</u>	<u>256 - Gomorzczak</u>	<u>Closed - Low Solvability</u>
<u>02/10/2021 20:24:41</u>	<u>Suspicious Activity</u>	<u>253 - Kaiser</u>	<u>Closed - Report Purposes Only</u>
<u>02/12/2021 13:17:54</u>	<u>Identity Theft</u>	<u>235 - Rogers</u>	<u>Closed - Report Purposes Only</u>
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<u>02/13/2021 02:51:41</u>	<u>Disturbance - Domestic</u>	<u>254 - Cassiberry</u>	<u>Closed - Report Purposes Only</u>
<u>02/13/2021 15:47:00</u>	<u>Suspicious Activity</u>	<u>242 - Comstock</u>	<u>Closed - Report Purposes Only</u>
<u>02/13/2021 16:48:23</u>	<u>Information Report</u>	<u>245 - Irizarry</u>	<u>Pending</u>
<u>02/14/2021 22:08:13</u>	<u>Disorderly Conduct</u>	<u>242 - Comstock</u>	<u>Closed - Low Solvability</u>
<u>02/15/2021 01:21:39</u>	<u>Check Well Being</u>	<u>239 - Wolf</u>	<u>Closed - Report Purposes Only</u>
<u>02/15/2021 08:54:46</u>	<u>Suspicious Activity</u>	<u>235 - Rogers</u>	<u>Closed - Report Purposes Only</u>
<u>02/15/2021 09:47:30</u>	<u>Check Well Being</u>	<u>252 - Falls</u>	<u>TOT Other Agency</u>
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<u>02/17/2021 09:40:18</u>	<u>Identity Theft</u>	<u>230 - Burrell</u>	<u>Closed - Report Purposes Only</u>
<u>02/17/2021 14:19:02</u>	<u>Death Investigation</u>	<u>256 - Gomorzczak</u>	<u>TOT Other Agency</u>
<u>02/18/2021 10:25:02</u>	<u>Identity Theft</u>	<u>250 - Nemecek</u>	<u>Closed - Report Purposes Only</u>
<u>02/18/2021 12:13:04</u>	<u>Burglary</u>	<u>243 - Andries</u>	<u>Closed - Low Solvability</u>
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<u>02/23/2021 06:53:00</u>	<u>Assist Other Agency</u>	<u>243 - Andries</u>	<u>Closed - Report Purposes Only</u>
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<u>02/25/2021 13:29:23</u>	<u>Deceptive Practice</u>	<u>250 - Nemecek</u>	<u>Closed - Report Purposes Only</u>
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### DAYSHIFT ACTIVITIES

#### ARRESTS:

Ofc. Andries arrested a 31-year-old male subject from Plano, IL, who had an active Warrant out of LaGrange for Driving While License Suspended/Revoked. The subject was processed and transported to the Cook County Courthouse at 26<sup>th</sup> & California for a bond hearing.

#### OTHER POLICE ACTIVITY:

The Day shift completed 28 traffic contacts, which included 1 Traffic Arrest for Driving While License Suspended/Revoked/No Valid D/L and investigated 19 property damage traffic accidents, 2 personal injury traffic accidents, and 3 hit & run accidents. Shift Officers issued 18 parking

citations and 12 compliance citations. Shift Officers conducted 103 Building/Business/Special Watch Premise Checks, Foot Patrols and Community Contacts. Shift Officers also investigated, completed 41 case reports on various incidents to include Burglary, Theft, Assault, Domestic Disturbance, Death Investigation, Deceptive Practice, Identity Theft, Criminal Damage, Criminal Defacement, and Suspicious Incidents. In addition, Ofc. /SRO Andries continued to maintain a liaison with LTHS-North campus while they conduct classes in a “hybrid” mode, due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.

### **TRAINING:**

The shift continued completing the monthly Police Law Institute online training lessons, along with the monthly Lexipol Daily Training Bulletins. In addition, P.O. Gomorzak successfully completed his two-week “Shadow” Step/Phase of the Field Training Program on the Day Watch with FTO Nemecek. P.O. Gomorzak now moves on to solo patrol duties on the Afternoon Watch.

## **AFTERNOON SHIFT ACTIVITIES**

### **INVESTIGATIONS:**

Afternoon Shift members conducted several Investigations into Identity Thefts involving the Illinois Department of Employment Security. No suspects have been identified at this time. The cases were closed.

Ofc. Irizarry investigated a violation of an Order of Protection. The petitioner had a language barrier and a qualified translator had to be sought out to assist. It was learned the petitioner had applied for but an Order of Protection, however, there was no record of it in LEADS. Investigations Division followed up with the Bridgeview Court House and learned there was an error resulting in the Order of Protection not being entered. The investigation is still ongoing.

Ofc. Irizarry investigated a retail theft at Walgreens. The offenders are also suspected to have committed a retail theft at the Western Springs Walgreens. That investigation has been turned over to the Investigations Division.

Ofc. Piraino investigated a separate retail theft from Walgreens. That investigation is closed due to a lack of evidence/suspects.

### **ARREST / CITATIONS:**

S/L McDermott, Ofc. Irizarry and Ofc. Kaiser investigated a domestic battery/child abuse incident. The involved children were taken into protective custody, DCFS was contacted and the children were placed with a family member. After further investigation, the mother of the children/offender was charged with Aggravated Domestic Battery (2 counts), Aggravated Battery to Child/Great Bodily Harm (1 count), and interfering with the reporting of Domestic Violence.

Ofc. Kaiser made two arrests for DUI, both resulting from crashes. One crash occurred on the Ogden Avenue Bridge and the other crash occurred near East Avenue / Elm Avenue. In both cases, the offenders were hospitalized from injuries sustained during the crash. One driver has been charged with DUI and other traffic offenses. The other driver is under further investigation.

### **OTHER POLICE ACTIVITY:**

Afternoon Shift Officers responded to 660 calls for service, completed 88 building checks, 29 special watches, 40 initial case reports, 12 supplement reports, and 1 arrest report.

### **TRAINING:**

S/L McDermott attended Use of Force: Train the Trainer training. Afternoon shift members completed GETAC refresher in-house training.

Probationary Officer Thomas West began his Field Training with FTO Michael Kaiser.

## **MIDNIGHT SHIFT ACTIVITIES**

### **ARRESTS:**

-NONE-

### **OTHER POLICE ACTIVITY:**

The MIDNIGHT shift completed 15 traffic contacts during February of 2021. Shift Officers completed 1 Illinois Traffic Crash report. The shift Officers issued 159 parking/compliance citations for equipment and other parking violations. The shift Officers conducted 146 Building/Business Premise Checks and Foot Patrols.

### **TRAINING:**

All shift officers completed GETAC update in-house training  
Lexipol DTB's and Illinois Police Law completed  
Officer Niewold attended NIPAS Training

## **INVESTIGATIONS DIVISION ACTIVITIES**

### **INVESTIGATIONS:**

Inv. Kang and Inv. Fulla attended forensic interviews of three juvenile victims in a Domestic Battery investigation.

Inv. Fulla conducted a follow-up in reference to a retail theft investigation at Walgreen's Store.



Inv. Fulla conducted a follow-up in reference to a possible violation of an order of protection.

Inv. Kang, Inv. Fulla, along with other law enforcement agencies (ATF, U.S. Marshalls Office, and Metra P.D.) checked the area of Burlington and Ogden Ave for a missing firearm used in an armed robbery. Additional Search to be completed in the future.

### **ARREST / CITATIONS:**

Inv. Fulla and Inv. Kang arrested a subject for committing a domestic battery. The subject Eftekhar, Sarah being 46 years of age of La Grange, IL was charged with two Class 2 Felony counts of Aggravated Domestic Battery, One Class 3 Felony count of Aggravated Battery, and one Class A Misdemeanor of Unlawful Interference with the Reporting of Domestic Violence. Eftekhar was transported to Cook County District 5 Courthouse for a bond hearing.

### **OTHER POLICE ACTIVITY:**

Inv. Kang had a Grand Jury hearing for last month's armed robbery arrest and received a true bill.

Inv. Kang and Inv. Fulla attended the monthly MCAT meeting.

Inv. Fulla completed police applicant background investigation.

Inv. Kang attended DuPage County Nar-Can training via Zoom.

Inv. Kang and Inv. Fulla completed monthly Police Law Institute and Lexipol Training.

Inv. Kang and Inv. Fulla completed Mental Health Awareness Online Training through Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board.

Inv. Fulla completed an annual sex offender registration.

### **AUXILIARY AND PART-TIME POLICE UNITS**

The Auxiliary Unit was inactive during the month of February due to the COVID-19 pandemic so the Police Department does not have anything to report related to their activities.

The part-time officers responded to 30 calls for service in the community and worked a combined 67 hours. The part-time officers' activity is lower than usual because they were assigned to the parking deck and downtown area for patrol duties.

### **PARKING DIVISION**

The parking division registered \$11,090 in parking fines through conventional payments, online payments, or collection efforts.

**SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES**

PATROL ACTIVITIES	February		2021	2020
	2021	2020	YTD	YTD
NUMBER OF CALLS TAKEN	1,136	1,144	2,398	2,513
ACCIDENT REPORTS TAKEN	44	43	76	104
FELONY ARRESTS	1	3	3	3
MISDEMEANOR ARRESTS	0	4	3	7
DUI ARRESTS	1	4	1	5
WARRANT ARRESTS	1	2	3	7
TRAFFIC VERBAL WARNINGS	30	144	107	448
COMPLIANCE CITATIONS ISSUED	16	94	32	189
TRAFFIC CITATIONS ISSUED	13	43	44	111
PARKING TICKETS - by Officers	179	316	212	829
PARKING TICKETS - by Parking Div.	137		605	
JUVENILE ARRESTS	0	4	0	4
PRISONERS HELD IN LOCK-UP	4	16	12	27

Some activity was down this month due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Officers have increased some self-initiated activity but are still practicing social distancing when possible and are minimizing contact/interaction with the general public.

76 are Identity Theft

INDEX CRIMES (UCR)	36
INDEX CLEARED # (3 THRU 8)	1
NON-INDEX CRIMES	11
NON-INDEX CLEARED # (3 THRU 8) Non-index report. Arrest, refusal, death of the offender	1