

LA GRANGE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Memorandum

To: Andrianna Peterson, Village Manager
From: Robert Wardlaw, Deputy Chief of Police
Date: October 22, 2021
Re: Monthly Report for September 2021



General News:

“Trick-or-Treat” hours within the Village of La Grange will be 3 PM to 8 PM (it’s likely those will be the hours for all LTACC communities).

The Police Department started to conduct Tactical Enforcement Details (TED) activities. TED Reports will be posted on our Facebook page with new enforcement detail locations and their results. Thank you to everyone that participated. Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/LGPD.IL/>

Sgt. Uher and Sgt. Nemecek conducted a Truck Enforcement Detail on September 21, 2021. The detail, focused on truck traffic travelling *through* the Village on La Grange Rd. between 47th St. and Ogden Ave.

Updates:

Alternative Certified Eligibility Register – Lateral Hire Program. Fourteen (14) applications have been received. The application deadline is October 1st at 4PM.

Uncertified entry level applicant testing occurred on Saturday, September 25th. Thirty-six (36) applicants completed the written exam – twenty (20) passed. The Initial Eligibility Register was reviewed and approved by the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners on September 29th. We are anticipating approval of the Final “uncertified” Eligibility Register on October 12th.

The application process for Investigator was announced on September 30th. All Memorandums of Interest must be received by October 20, 2021 at 0800 hours.



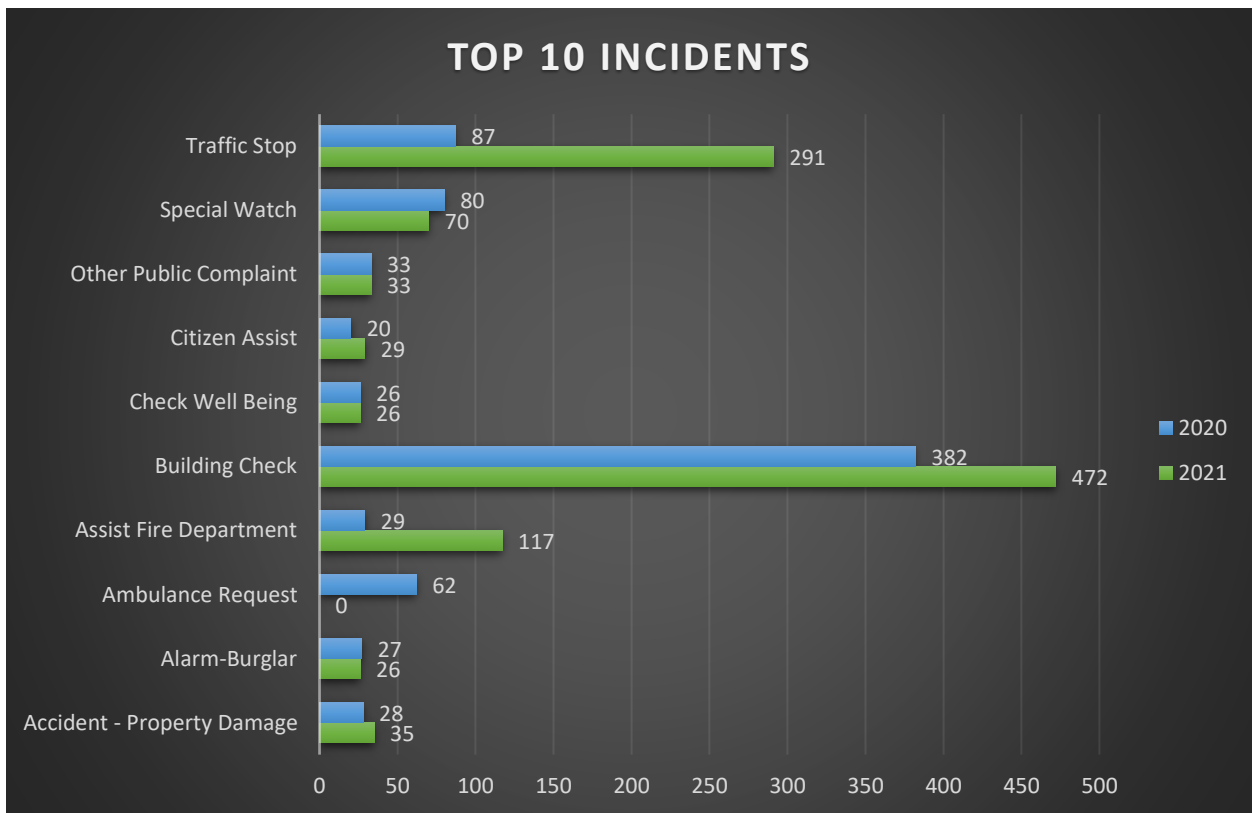
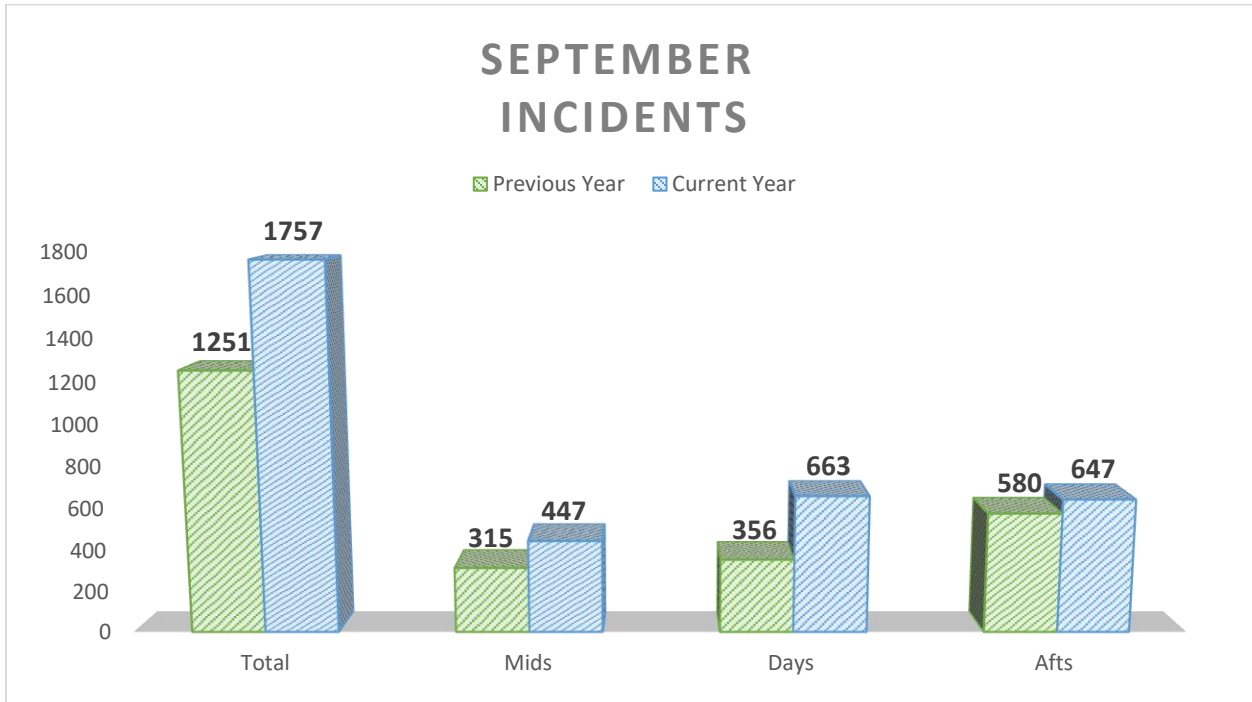
On September 14th, LT student Leslie Mendoza invited several police departments to participate in a Cops vs. Kids Game Day at Memorial Park. Those departments included: Brookfield, Countryside, La Grange, La Grange Park, and Oak Brook. Thank you to Ofc. Andries & Ofc. Wolf for representing the La Grange Police Department.

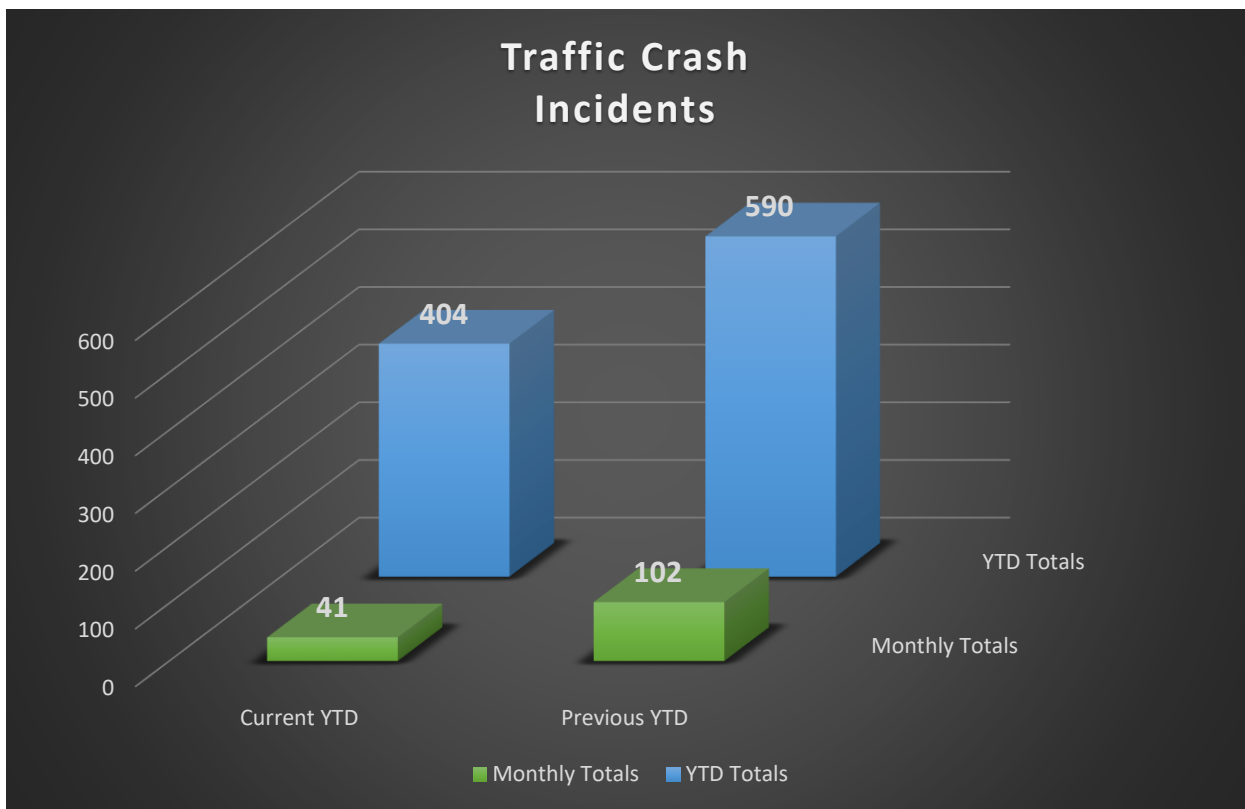
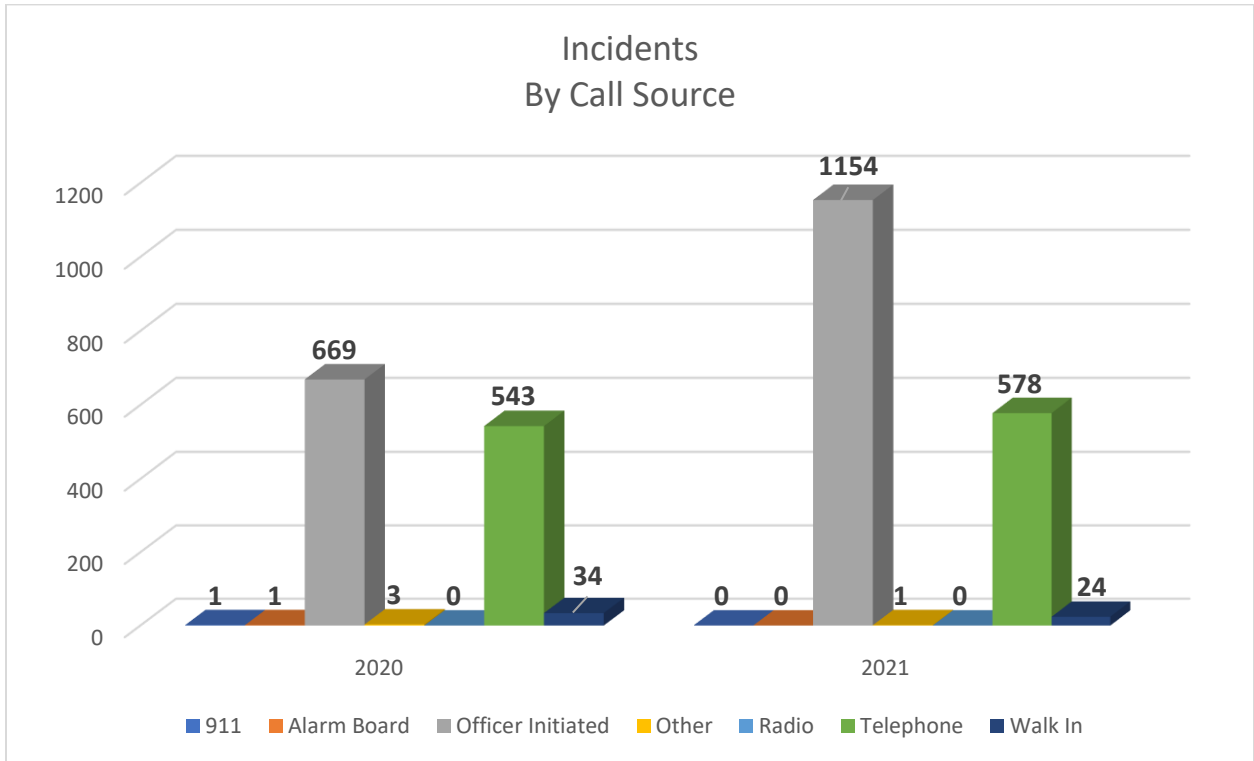


The Department continues to update Training and Enforcement Bulletins for officers in accordance to any State and Federal Law changes. Additionally, this month all personnel will begin a twelve (12) part video series on cultural competency. The series, created for police officers, includes but is not limited to: Sikh, Muslim, Judaism, Buddhism, Hinduism, East Asian, South Asian, Mexican, Central & South American, Eastern Orthodox, Puerto Rican and Cuban.

All full-time sworn personnel have been scheduled to take the ILETSB Cultural Competency Training. The training is web based and takes approximately 1-hour to complete. Mandates met: Civil Rights, Cultural Competency,

Attached you will find the statistics for September as well as the activity reports for each unit within the department.





SEPTEMBER CASE TABLE

<u>Case Date</u>	<u>Case Ofc</u>	<u>Case Type</u>	<u>Status</u>
9/1/2021 11:01	Falls, Taylor,	Identity Theft	Closed
9/1/2021 11:50	Falls, Taylor,	Identity Theft	Closed
9/1/2021 11:57	Andries, Tim,	Sex Offenses	Closed
9/2/2021 11:04	Falls, Taylor,	Disorderly Conduct	Failed To Prosecute
9/2/2021 15:04	Andries, Tim,	Sex Offenses	Closed
9/2/2021 15:40	Falls, Taylor,	Aggravated Assault / Battery	Closed
9/2/2021 17:11	Bugaj, Alec,	Retail Theft	Closed
9/3/2021 11:12	Reyes, Bianca,	Identity Theft	Closed
9/4/2021 1:56	Gomorczak, Casey,	DUI	Closed
9/4/2021 17:13	Coleman, Adam,	Burglary	Closed
9/4/2021 21:54	McDermott, Laura,	Disturbance - Domestic	Closed
9/6/2021 10:01	Nemecek, Ryan,	Theft	Closed
9/7/2021 8:12	Andries, Tim,	Sex Offenses	Closed
9/7/2021 9:30	Moncivais, Jerry,	Theft	Closed
9/7/2021 11:32	Falls, Taylor,	Identity Theft	Closed
9/7/2021 13:12	Fulla, Patrick,	Property - Lost Articles	Closed
9/8/2021 8:43	Nemecek, Ryan,	Disturbance - Domestic	Closed
9/8/2021 9:43	Reyes, Bianca,	Battery	Closed
9/8/2021 10:28	Rogers, Steve,	Identity Theft	Closed
9/8/2021 10:33	Rogers, Steve,	Suspicious Activity	Closed
9/8/2021 11:56	Reyes, Bianca,	Theft	Closed
9/8/2021 21:26	Comstock, Kevin,	Suspicious Person	Closed
9/8/2021 22:02	Coleman, Adam,	Criminal Defacement	Closed
9/9/2021 10:48	Falls, Taylor,	Burglary	Closed
9/9/2021 15:05	Kaiser, Michael,	Burglary	Closed
9/9/2021 17:26	Piraino, Rocco,	Retail Theft	Closed
9/9/2021 23:24	McDermott, Laura,	DUI	Closed
9/10/2021 14:04	Nemecek, Ryan,	Theft	Closed
9/10/2021 15:47	Reyes, Bianca,	Disturbance - Domestic	Closed
9/10/2021 19:06	Bugaj, Alec,	Disorderly Conduct	TOT Investigations
9/11/2021 13:55	Falls, Taylor,	Suspicious Activity	Closed
9/13/2021 13:27	Falls, Taylor,	Theft	Closed
9/14/2021 9:50	Reyes, Bianca,	Suspicious Activity	Closed
9/15/2021 0:03	Cassiberry, Candice,	Criminal Trespass	Open
9/15/2021 8:06	Falls, Taylor,	Committal - Voluntary	Closed
9/15/2021 10:09	Reyes, Bianca,	Motor Vehicle Theft	Closed
9/15/2021 10:23	Andries, Tim,	Sex Offenses	Open
9/15/2021 12:54	Kaiser, Michael,	Robbery	TOT Investigations
9/16/2021 14:03	Andries, Tim,	Information Report	Closed

9/19/2021 7:36	Reyes, Bianca,	Traffic Stop	Closed
9/19/2021 17:00	Kaiser, Michael,	Criminal Damage	Closed
9/20/2021 13:23	Reyes, Bianca,	Theft	Closed
9/20/2021 14:17	Falls, Taylor,	Theft	Closed
9/21/2021 9:19	Reyes, Bianca,	Identity Theft	Closed
9/21/2021 17:07	McDermott, Laura,	Citizen Assist	Closed
9/22/2021 2:19	Gomorzczak, Casey,	DUI	Closed
9/22/2021 14:39	Rogers, Steve,	Theft	Closed
9/23/2021 7:01	Andries, Tim,	Sex Offenses	Closed
9/25/2021 13:01	Falls, Taylor,	Check Well Being	Closed
9/25/2021 17:17	Comstock, Kevin,	Identity Theft	Closed
9/26/2021 8:25	Falls, Taylor,	Criminal Defacement	Closed
9/27/2021 16:32	Kaiser, Michael,	Disturbance - Domestic	Open

DAYSHIFT ACTIVITIES

Ofc. Falls arrested a 48-year-old male subject from Lyons for Retail Theft. The subject was processed and released on bond with a return court date.

Ofc. Falls and Ofc. Reyes arrested a 56-year-old female subject from LaGrange Park for Retail Theft. The subject was processed and released on bond with a return court date.

The Day shift completed 121 traffic contacts, including 1 Traffic Arrest for Driving While License Suspended/Revoked/No Valid D/L and Investigated 15 property damage traffic accidents, 4 personal injury traffic accidents, and 6 hit & run accidents. Shift Officers issued 35 parking citations and 33 compliance citations. Shift Officers conducted 213 Building/Business/Special Watch Premise Checks, Foot Patrols and Community Contacts. Shift Officers also Investigated, completed 38 case reports on various incidents to include: Burglary, Theft, Retail Theft, Identity Theft, Motor Vehicle Theft, Battery, Sex Offense, Domestic Disturbance, Criminal Defacement to Property, Check Well Being, Death Investigation, Disorderly Conduct, Traffic Stop/Offenses, Suspicious Activity, and Voluntary Committal.

In addition, Shift Officers conducted traffic control and other operations supporting the 75th Annual LaGrange Pet Parade. The Shift provided a Ride-Along experience for a Lateral Police Officer Applicant/Candidate. S/L Moncivais provided traffic control and escort for a funeral procession at St. Francis Xavier Church. Shift Officers participated in Rail Safety Week in conjunction with the Cook County Sheriff's PD, Metra PD by passing out brochures and informing the public about train/rail safety at the LaGrange Rd. and Stone Ave. Depots. Shift Officers continued to conduct patrols around the various Elementary Schools and High School as the new school year began.

The shift continued completing the monthly Police Law Institute online training lessons, along with the monthly Lexipol Daily Training Bulletins and the monthly Court Smart Legal Review lesson and exam. In addition, Shift Officers completed the online Cultural Competency training course and the in-house Resiliency Training class. S/L Moncivais and Ofc. Falls completed the

rifle and pistol firearms training exercise at the Lemont outdoor range. Sgt. Ljubenko attended the 3-day IPPFA Public Pension Trustee Training Conference in Oak Brook.

AFTERNOON SHIFT ACTIVITIES

Due to vacancies on other Shifts, Afternoon Shift personnel worked 259 hours of overtime, with Shift personnel working on average 37 hours of overtime in the month.

Ofc Bugaj joined the Afternoon Shift for his first rotation as a solo patrol officer. Ofc Bugaj led the shift in activity categories such as total incidents, traffic stops, case reports, and supplemental reports.

Afternoon Shift personnel 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.

Afternoon Shift members investigated an in-progress burglary to an opened, detached residential garage. Afternoon Shift members completed an ISPERN broadcast and an APBNet Trak Flier, the Investigation was ultimately closed due to low solvability.

Afternoon Shift members investigated an in-progress burglary to an opened, detached residential garage. The witness described the offending vehicle that matched a vehicle S/L McDermott observed in the area. After conducting a traffic stop on this vehicle, it was determined the vehicle was uninvolved in the burglary, however, the driver was found to be driving without a valid license. The driver was subsequently arrested and released on an I-Bond.

Afternoon Shift Officers responded to 647 calls for service, 89 traffic stops, completed 219 building/business checks, 36 special watches. Afternoon shift Officers completed 22 initial case reports and 14 supplement reports, and 2 arrest reports.

Afternoon Shift members participated in the Cossitt School Bicycle Rodeo. Afternoon Shift members participated in 13 block parties and also in the Inaugural Cops vs Kids Sports Tournament in La Grange Park.

Sgt. Irizarry, S/L Comstock, S/L McDermott, and Ofc Kaiser, are members of the Recruiting Committee, whose members are tasked with getting a larger, more diversified pool of applicants. Thanks to the efforts of the recruiting team, 36 applicants took the initial eligibility exam on 9/25/21.

Sgt. Irizarry and Ofc Kaiser completed outdoor rifle range training led by S/L Comstock. The entire Afternoon Shift completed Resiliency Training geared toward improving Officers' mental health awareness and overall mental wellness. S/L Comstock qualified Ofc Bugaj on the Department Patrol Rifles.

MIDNIGHT SHIFT ACTIVITIES

Francisco O. Ochoa, 34 YOA, of Chicago was charged with DUI, DUI over .08, Driving without Headlights, DWLS, and No Valid Proof of Insurance following a traffic stop

Andrea Ponton, 33 YOA, of Countryside was charged with No Valid DL and Speeding following a traffic stop.

Felipe Alonzo, 61 YOA, of Chicago was charged with DWLS, No Valid Insurance, Failure to Signal, and Expired Registration following a traffic stop.

Eduardo Padilla, 37 YOA, of Chicago was charged with DUI, Improper Lane Usage, and Possession of a Firearm while DUI following a traffic stop.

Emanuel Gutierrez, 26 YOA, of Chicago was charged with DUI, Illegal Transportation of Alcohol, Operation of Uninsured Motor Vehicle, Driving on Sidewalk, and Possession of Adult-Use Cannabis outside of a container, following a traffic crash.

The MIDNIGHT shift completed 70 traffic contacts during September of 2021. Shift Officers completed 2 Illinois Traffic Crash reports. The shift Officers issued 230 parking/compliance citations for equipment and other parking violations. The shift Officers conducted 187 Building/Business Premise Checks and Foot Patrols.

On 09/21/21, Officers (Sgt. Uher, Officer Gomorzak, SL Niewold, and Sgt. Nemecek) conducted a Truck Enforcement Detail. This detail focused on commercial motor vehicle drivers traveling on LaGrange Rd. The drivers received information on alternative routes to use instead of LaGrange Rd between 47th and Cermack Rd. 24 Stops were made with 21 citations and 9 warnings being issued.

Lexipol DTB's, CourtSmart, and Illinois Police Law completed.

Officers completed Resiliency Training.

Ofc Niewold attended monthly NIPAS Training.

Officers completed Cultural Competency Training.

INVESTIGATIONS DIVISION ACTIVITIES & SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER

Inv. Kang and Sgt. Fulla assisted patrol by participating in the TED Enforcement for the area of Ashland Ave. to Kensington Ave between 47th St. and Elm Ave. Four written warnings were given.

Sgt. Fulla and Inv. Kang conducted follow-up investigations related to an Aggravated Stalking/Violation of Order of Protection.

Inv. Kang and Sgt. Fulla conducted a follow-up investigation in regards to an Aggravated Robbery at the 7-11 located at Ogden Ave and East Ave. The case is pending a follow-up interview with the victim.

SRO Andries conducted an investigation into possible grooming which was turned over to a neighboring jurisdiction.

Inv. Kang continued coordinating a possible sexual assault investigation, which occurred at a local business, with DCFS for additional follow-up.

Inv. Kang contacted the parents of a juvenile who hosted an underage drinking party. The call came in through the tip line.

SRO Andries conducted two sexual assault investigations which were turned over to neighboring jurisdictions.

Inv. Kang conducted additional follow-up on a bicycle theft in which the offender was arrested in another jurisdiction.

SRO received a sexual assault complaint but the matter was closed due to a lack of cooperation.

SRO Andries assisted patrol by locating a suicidal subject.

Sgt. Fulla conducted a follow-up investigation for a grooming/child pornography case.

Sgt. Fulla is following up on an Investigation into a computer tampering matter.

SRO Andries issued three local ordinance citations and four compliance tickets in response to his activity as an SRO.

SRO Andries, Inv. Kang and Sgt. Fulla assisted with Pet Parade.

SRO Andries spoke with LTHS classes regarding his Military Experience and served as a celebrity judge for an MRE taste test contest.

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

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

Sgt. Fulla and Inv. Kang completed administrative duties including fingerprinting, evidence transfer to ISP Crime Lab, Department equipment/vehicle sales, maintenance of vehicles/equipment, review of line-up policy and procedure, and NARCAN use reporting to DuPage County Health Department.

Inv. Kang participated in webinars on the Vital Role of Preservation Letters and Using Call Detail Records and Geolocation.

SRO Andries, Sgt. Fulla and Inv. Kang completed mandatory Cultural Competency Training.

Inv. Kang attended the two-day Prevail training course.

AUXILIARY AND PART-TIME POLICE UNITS

The Auxiliary Unit worked during the 75th Anniversary Pet Parade. They assisted with the detail for the event. They are still on abbreviated duty due to the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic.

The part-time officers responded to 27 calls for service in the community and worked a combined 42.75 hours. The part-time officers' activity is lower than usual because they patrol the parking deck and downtown area as part of their patrol duties.

PARKING DIVISION

The parking division registered \$14,965 in parking fines through conventional payments, online payments, or collection efforts.

SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES

PATROL ACTIVITIES	September		2021	2020
	2021	2020	YTD	YTD
NUMBER OF CALLS TAKEN	1,756	1,251	12,400	10,041
ACCIDENT REPORTS TAKEN	42	31	412	345
FELONY ARRESTS	0	0	4	5
MISDEMEANOR ARRESTS	2	8	24	26
DUI ARRESTS	3	0	11	9
WARRANT ARRESTS	0	0	8	11
JUVENILE ARRESTS	0	2	2	9
TRAFFIC WARNINGS (verbal/written)	254	43	969	666
COMPLIANCE CITATIONS ISSUED	81	27	486	342
TRAFFIC CITATIONS ISSUED	55	17	311	236
PARKING TICKETS - by Officers	242	505	178	433
PARKING TICKETS - by Parking Div.	263		255	
PRISONERS HELD IN LOCK-UP	8	6	68	61

INDEX CRIMES (UCR)	12
INDEX CLEARED # (3 THRU 8)	2
NON-INDEX CRIMES	8
NON-INDEX CLEARED # (3 THRU 8) Non-index report. Arrest, refusal, death of the offender	0

Activity is starting to return to pre-pandemic levels but is still lower in some areas due to the Delta Variant. Officers have increased some self-initiated activity but are still practicing social distancing when possible and are minimizing contact/interaction with the general public.