

Elmhurst Police Department
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Mr. James Grabowski, City Manager
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Dear City Manager Grabowski:

On behalf of the men and women of the Elmhurst Police Department, I am pleased to present our Annual Report for 2014. This is our third annual report, which was designed to be an informational resource for municipal officials, law enforcement professionals, journalists and the people who live and work in the City of Elmhurst.

This Annual Report contains updated information about the many services we provide to our community and to the City of Elmhurst. The report also contains a current Department organizational chart and a detailed description of each unit within the department, as well as specialized assignments and mutual aid participation. Also included is a statistical section summarizing important data and identifying emerging trends. In 2014, I am pleased to report that overall crime is down in the City of Elmhurst compared to 2013 while the level of service we provide, measured by calls for service, increased by 10.2%.

The members of the Elmhurst Police Department remain committed to service and to providing the best. I would like to extend my personal appreciation to our citizens, Mayor Steven Morley, the members of the Elmhurst City Council, City Manager Grabowski, and the employees of the Elmhurst Police Department for their continued commitment to professional service.

Sincerely,

Michael R. Ruth
Chief of Police
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2014 Elmhurst Police Department Annual Report

Executive Summary

The Police Department is pleased to report that overall crime within the City of Elmhurst fell again by 6.5% in 2014. The 9-1-1 service call workload increased from the previous year by 4.8%, and overall calls for service increased by 10.2% though actual crime was down overall, with some increases in key categories.

It is beneficial to identify and assess the general components of crime trends and calls for service. A closer examination of the statistical analysis provides insight that allows the police department to deploy our staff effectively and to implement programs that address both the short-term and long-term needs of our community.

In 2014, we took a more proactive role in responding to burglary trends, not only locally but county-wide and beyond, by analyzing data and sharing information with other area police agencies, which resulted in identification of offenders and arrests. Our Investigations division and Mission Team in particular were involved in collaborative initiatives resulting in multiple arrests for drugs, retail theft, and catalytic converter thefts that were occurring not only in Elmhurst but throughout the Chicagoland area.

In addition, during the summer of 2014, we focused on creating a more visible police presence in residential neighborhoods through neighborhood foot-patrols, bicycle patrols and our award-winning Neighborhood Roll Call program. This program placed uniformed police officers in different locations throughout the community on a weekly basis, providing residents with an opportunity to meet and speak with officers in a friendly, informal manner. Through these efforts to engage residents and promote a cooperative relationship between the police and the community we serve, we have helped to reduce overall crime in our community to this historic low.

Throughout the year, we continue to review our policies and procedures to ensure that we are providing the highest level of service to our community while limiting departmental liability.

CALLS FOR SERVICE

Our 2014 9-1-1 calls for service increased slightly to 16,396, from 15,645 in 2013. This represents an increase of 4.8% in calls compared to 2013. We will continue to monitor the calls for service in 2015 to determine if there are any emerging trends and respond accordingly.

The significant crime trends that we noticed last year were a decrease in Thefts by 14.8%, Motor Vehicle Thefts by 77%, Forgery/Fraud by 18.6%, and Assault/Battery by 6.0%. The reported incidents of overall Burglary held steady at 63 but included a significant increase in Residential Burglaries reported compared to 2013. Sex offenses doubled, but actual reported incidents numbered 13 total. Additionally, partially through extra patrols and safety checks over holiday weekends, DUI Alcohol arrests increased by 51% from 2013; DUI Drug arrests decreased by 33%.

In 2014, we also experienced a tragic event where a longtime resident shot and killed his ailing elderly wife and his two severely handicapped adult children before turning the gun on himself. This incident marked the first homicide in Elmhurst since March of 2008, and the first multiple-victim homicide in 22 years.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

I am proud of the accomplishments of our staff in 2014. Throughout the year, we have received many letters from residents and other law enforcement agencies expressing their appreciation of the quality and level of service we have provided. Our employees have also received letters of commendation, letters of appreciation, and various awards.





The Elmhurst Police Department in Action . . .



LOOKING FORWARD

Here are some of the things we are working on for 2015:

- *Continue the Community Based Policing model*
- *Improve communications via Facebook and the Department web page*
- *Expand communication and interaction with our schools*
- *Continue directed foot-patrols for our parks and residential neighborhoods*
- *Continue bicycle patrols with an emphasis on residential neighborhoods*
- *Expand the Neighborhood Roll Calls where officers receive shift briefing, assignments and inspection out in the community*
- *Host two sessions of Citizen's Police Academy*
- *Host two Community-Based Policing presentations at Police headquarters and within the community*
- *Implement a Neighborhood Watch Program*
- *Implement a Business Watch Program*
- *Continue professional development training*
- *Expand and improve the Bike Patrol program*
- *Evaluate current department policies and procedures to improve service and efficiency*
- *Improve data collection, analysis, and reporting*
- *Analyze crime trends and calls for service to establish an action plan ensuring the highest level of service for the City and its residents*



The men and women of the Elmhurst Police Department are committed to their mission of protecting the residents of Elmhurst and ***“Providing the Best”*** while enforcing the law. We look forward to improving the quality of our department through training, evaluation of current procedures and consideration of future programs. We look forward to working with the City Manager, Mayor and members of the City Council, along with residents of the community to address specific needs of our residents and to maintain that Elmhurst is a great place to live, work, shop and stay.

Mission Statement

The primary mission of the Elmhurst Police Department is to provide effective and efficient delivery of law enforcement service to the community. The Police Department achieves this mission by a simple motto, ***“Providing the Best.”*** The mission and motto are the guiding principles in the delivery of service to the community.

- **We believe** the public must have confidence, trust and faith in the ability of every Elmhurst police officer to efficiently and reliably perform their duties.
- **Therefore, our mission** is to create a feeling of safety and security in all of our citizens by *providing the best* law enforcement service.
- **We will do our best** to safeguard all people in the City of Elmhurst and insure the quality of life for all through effective and efficient delivery of law enforcement.
- **We believe that human resources** represent our community's single largest and most important investment. Therefore, we are committed to excellence in our profession and will do our best to fine tune all of our job skills. We recognize that good interpersonal communication skills are absolutely necessary to perform our duties in an efficient manner.
- **We will provide the best** by continually being sensitive to the authority which we are entrusted and to ensure that it is consistent with our responsibility to protect the public with fairness and equality.
- **We will provide the best** quality of work by our professional and personal commitment to devote to the community and all its people the highest level of law enforcement services in response to ever changing needs by promoting justice, equality, fairness, honesty, integrity, legality and dedication; both for the police department and to the public we serve.

VALUES

INTEGRITY ★ COURAGE ★ EXCELLENCE ★ DEDICATION ★ COMPASSION ★ RESPECT





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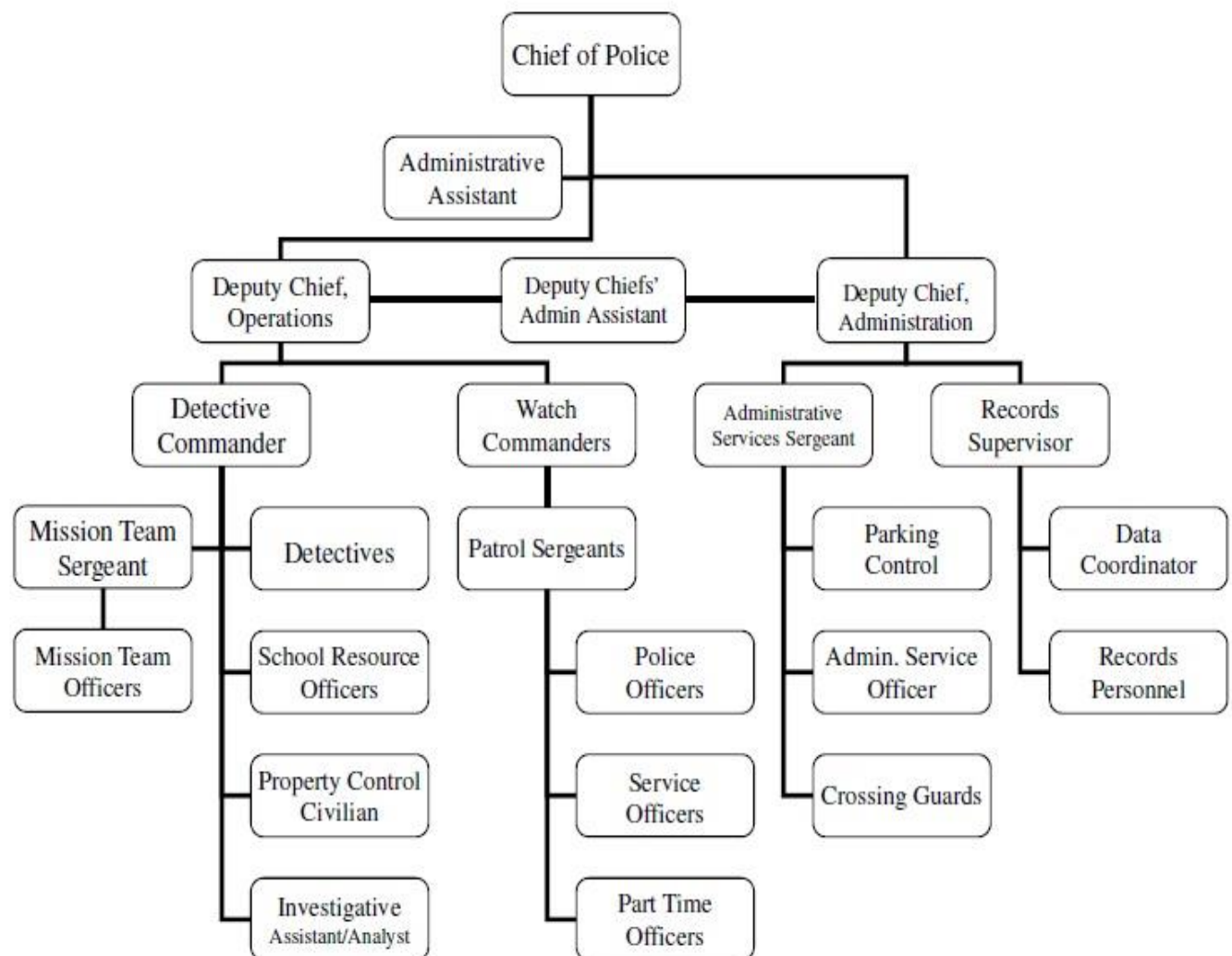
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2014 ORGANIZATIONAL
COMPONENT SUMMARIES

Office of the Chief

The Office of the Chief consists of the Chief of Police, senior management team, and support staff. The role of this office is to provide leadership, direction and vision to the Department in the fulfillment of its overall mission. The Department is led by **Chief Michael R. Ruth**, who has served as Elmhurst Police Chief since 2012. Chief Ruth brings 36 years of progressive law enforcement experience to our agency. Police Administration is led by **Deputy Chief Dominic Panico**, who has served since 1981; Police Operations is led by **Deputy Chief James Kveton**, who has served since 1985. Providing critical support services are the Administrative Assistant to the Deputy Chiefs, Jennifer McKeown, and Administrative Assistant to the Chief of Police, Jami Carrington.

Elmhurst Police Department – Organization Chart



Police Operations

Patrol Division

The Patrol Division is the largest component of the Elmhurst Police Department and is responsible for responding to both emergency and non-emergency calls for service from the public, handling special assignments, and proactively addressing community concerns. Patrol Officers are responsible for protecting life and property, helping to maintain peace, order and safety for all, conducting preliminary investigations, and enforcing the Illinois Criminal Code, traffic laws, and City ordinances. During 2014, Patrol Officers responded to 46,498 total calls for service concerning criminal offenses, traffic crashes, alarm activations, disturbances, traffic complaints, and other miscellaneous events.

The Patrol Division is divided into three shifts in order to provide continuous, 24-hour police services. Each shift is supervised by a Watch Commander, Sergeant or Officer in Charge. The Department supplements traditional patrol units with Officers trained to perform specialized functions such as Evidence Technician, Field Training Officer, and Canine Officer.

Community Engagement

The Elmhurst Police Department encourages Patrol Officers to take a proactive approach to interaction with residents. We believe community engagement is vital to ensure our mission of protecting the community.

In order to build and improve the partnership between the community and the police department, we have focused on various initiatives that sometimes change due to the shift, the time of year, and/or current events. As ideas were developed to expand this community partnership, a recurring theme came to light; we need to get out on foot to engage the community. An officer in the squad is generally seen as an enforcer, but an officer who stops and talks with residents promotes goodwill and a feeling of community partnership. We are therefore making an effort to stop, get out, and interact with our citizens to build better community relations. This plan also allows officers an opportunity to see the better side of our residents and to understand local concerns. Officers are making an effort to interact with both adults and children in the downtown area, at the library, at local businesses, on the prairie path and trails, at parks, at schools, and in residential neighborhoods by passing out informational pamphlets to adult residents and badge stickers and mini flashlights to children.



In addition, department members conducted 21 community presentations in 2014 on theft prevention, residential burglary prevention, crimes against seniors, terrorism, police operations, and investigative analysis.



Investigations Division

The Investigations Division is supervised by Detective Commander Robert J. Nicholas and is made up of six Investigators, one Narcotics Officer assigned to the Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA), two School Resource Officers, one Crime Analysis Assistant, and an Evidence Custodian. Investigators are trained, experienced detectives who specialize in the investigation of deaths and crimes such as burglary, robbery, assault and battery, auto theft, identity theft, and document crime. During the course of an investigation, Detectives may be called upon to interview witnesses and victims, to interrogate suspects and offenders, and to examine crime scenes for physical evidence with which to identify suspects.

Investigators are assigned to follow up on crimes that were initially reported to the uniformed patrol division. A case might be assigned to a particular investigator due to on-call status or because it involves his/her area of expertise. Investigators are subject to call-in 24 hours/day, 7 days/week, and members of the division are also sometimes called upon to work with other local, state, or federal agencies to assist with more serious or complex cases. Detectives also conduct background checks for City firefighter positions, police department employment, and applicants for liquor licenses, solicitor permits, charitable games permits, and Jaycee Carnival employees. The total number of background checks performed in 2014 was 135.

In 2014, there were 630 Unified Crime Reports reviewed. Of those reports, 247 were assigned for investigation as follows:

Criminal Incidents	2014
Homicide	1
Death Investigations	13
Sex Crimes	13
Assault/Battery	5
Burglary	21
Theft*	91
Narcotics	7
Financial Crimes**	21
Property Damage	10
Other	65

(*) Theft assignments include all Burglary to Motor Vehicle reports.

(**) Identity Thefts are included in the "Other" category rather than "Financial Crimes."



Crime Analysis Assistant

The Crime Analysis assistant is proficient in the use of computers and statistical programs that strategically map-out possible criminal activity. The information retrieved from these databases is used to create visual presentations such as crime bulletins, maps, and graphs that provide detectives, patrol officers or outside law enforcement agencies with crime patterns and suspect information. The Crime Analysis Assistant plays an important role in apprehending criminals and closing cases by obtaining critical intelligence for investigators.

School Resource Officers

The Elmhurst Police Department currently has two plain clothes detectives assigned to liaison with local schools. The primary goal of the School Resource Officers is to develop a safe and secure environment within the schools, and they work collaboratively with administrators, educators, staff and parents to achieve this goal. School Resource Officers are in contact with administrators from three high schools, three middle schools and the local elementary schools. The roles and responsibilities of a School Resource Officer are similar to those of an Investigator; they have the ability to conduct criminal investigations. They respond to calls for service within the schools and document information that is collected during the normal course of their duties. They are also responsible for planning courses of instruction pertaining to current youth-related issues. By playing the role of coach, teacher and mentor, School Resource Officers not only have a significant impact on our students' lives but also help to foster better community relations between the police department and the residents of Elmhurst.

Major Crimes Task Force

The Elmhurst Police Department currently has 4 Investigators assigned to the Major Crimes Task Force: the Detective Commander and 3 Detectives. In 2014, the Detectives went on one call-out to assist the requesting agency in tracking down leads on a murder case, which ultimately led to arrests in the case.

Mission Team (formerly the COPP Unit)

The Mission Team is currently made up of three officers and a Sergeant who work in plain clothes and target criminal activity that a uniformed officer would be unable to investigate. During the year, the Mission Team conducted numerous narcotic investigations, developed confidential informants that led to narcotic delivery cases, and assisted other police departments by sharing gathered information. The team also assisted Patrol and Detectives when needed and took an active role in residential burglary patrols.

Mission Team Highlights from 2014:

- Received grant money from the State of Illinois for alcohol/tobacco compliance checks; conducted five alcohol/compliance checks in 2014.
- Conducted numerous narcotics investigations leading to the arrest of drug dealers selling narcotics to customers in town.



- Conducted numerous surveillances related to retail thefts and motor vehicle burglaries.
- Presented several community talks ranging from internet safety to the function of the Mission Team in dealing with problems in the community.
- Provided Elmhurst College Resident Assistants with training in drug recognition and signs of alcohol and drug use.
- Assisted other police agencies with drug investigations and arrests.
- On January 23, 2014, the Mission Team executed a search warrant at a residence in Elmhurst and recovered 27 grams of cocaine, 3 ounces of a cutting agent, 68 pills of a controlled substance, and an amount of cannabis. \$1,848 USC was seized as a result of this investigation.
- In February of 2014, the Mission Team was trained by the DuPage County Health Department in the administration of Naloxone (Narcan). Mission Team members subsequently trained members of the Elmhurst Police Department in the administration of Narcan.
- On March 19, 2014, the Mission Team gave a community presentation at Emerson School on drug and alcohol use among teenagers
- On March 28, 2014, the Mission Team received information of two York High School students selling cannabis and cocaine to youths in Elmhurst. A traffic stop was conducted and two occupants of a vehicle were arrested after 13 grams of cannabis, 4 grams of cocaine, and 5.5 pills of a controlled substance were located.
- On April 5, 2014, the Mission Team assisted the D.E.A. with a lengthy drug investigation resulting in the recovery of 1,000 grams of cocaine.
- In May of 2014, the Mission Team assisted the Oak Brook Police Department with a mass demonstration that was part of a multi-agency police response.
- On May 23, 2014, the Mission Team received information regarding a threat to the President of the United States. Mission Team members worked closely with members of the United States Secret Service and assisted with identifying and interviewing suspects.
- On May 30, 2014, the Mission Team was monitoring web sites where illegal prostitution is often advertised on. After discovering two separate posts with Elmhurst connections, members of the Mission Team performed undercover duties. Two subjects were arrested at a hotel in Elmhurst in connection with the prostitution investigation.
- In July of 2014, the Mission Team conducted extensive surveillance in the residential areas in response to recent residential burglary complaints.
- On August 19, 2014, the Mission Team conducted a drug investigation into the sale of controlled substances by an Elmhurst resident, an amount of heroin and controlled substance pills were recovered.
- In November/December of 2014, members of the Mission Team conducted several investigations regarding the sale of cannabis and controlled substances at Elmhurst College. Undercover buys were conducted and arrests made from the investigation.



Recovery and Arrest Statistics:

- Confiscated 7 motor vehicles for forfeiture.
- 43 vehicles administratively towed between January and August of 2014.
- Nearly \$440,662 seized for forfeiture (Including assets to DEA).
- Recovered 2412.97 grams of Cannabis.
- Recovered 56.62 grams of Heroin.
- Recovered 1041.11 grams of Cocaine.
- Recovered 638 pills of Controlled Substances.
- Recovered 14 grams of Psilocybin Mushrooms.
- Recovered numerous items of drug paraphernalia including syringes.
- 124 arrests for misdemeanor drugs.
- 56 arrests for criminal misdemeanors.
- 10 arrests for criminal felonies.
- 78 arrests for drug felonies.
- 16 misdemeanor warrants.
- 149 Traffic arrests.
- 6 DUI arrests.
- 151 City Ordinance arrests, including:
 - Liquor Violations
 - Cannabis arrests
 - Drug Paraphernalia
 - Other Ordinance Violation arrests

Goals

- Continue to conduct alcohol/tobacco compliance checks.
- Continue to conduct narcotic enforcement with a focus on local drug dealers.
- Continue to develop confidential informants to further our investigations.
- Assist the Detective and Patrol Divisions.
- Develop patrol officers for future assignments in Mission Team and Investigations.
- Conduct Roll Call training for managing informants.
- Continue to conduct tactical training with ERT.
- Continue to monitor internet websites for prostitution activity in Elmhurst.
- Conduct prostitution investigations at area hotels and establishments.
- Continue to develop a close relationship with patrol and investigations.
- Conduct Heroin Highway Interdiction to combat heroin use.
- Continue to develop close relationships with staff at area hotels and establishments to combat illegal activity at those locations.



Administrative Services/Records

The Records Division is a critical support function of the Elmhurst Police Department. The Records Division coordinates the Department's records retention program and is responsible for compiling, maintaining and disseminating copies of Department records concerning crimes, arrests, and traffic accidents to law enforcement agencies, authorized outside agencies, and citizens. In 2014, the Records Division was staffed by Supervisor Jodi Sennett and three full-time Records clerks, Jean Nelson, David Kochick, Christine Burg; one Temp, Loretta Franz; and one part-time clerk, Elizabeth Nowick-Ignatius.

In addition to providing assistance to the public, the Records Division is also responsible for a variety of complex and confidential administrative duties for the Police Department, some of which include:

- Maintaining and processing all citations, offense/incident reports, and accident reports in the Department's records management system
- Fulfilling Freedom of Information requests
- Processing petitions, seals, and orders of expungement
- Preparing statistical reports
- Conducting background checks on concealed carry applicants
- Registering sex offenders and monitoring sex offender registrations
- Recording and invoicing alarm activations
- Processing warrants
- Processing subpoenas
- Providing incident reports to the Press.

2014 Accomplishments:

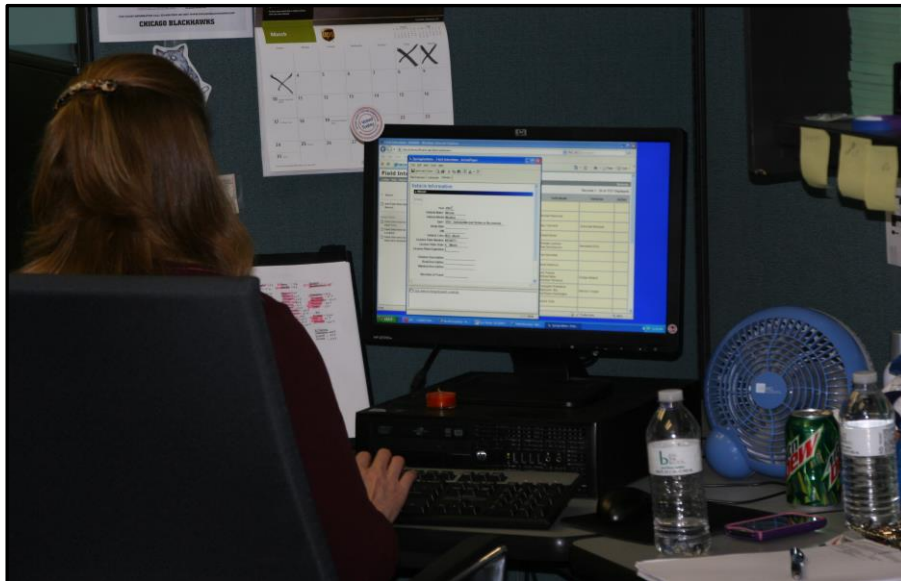
- Police Department handled 46,498 calls
- Traffic tickets issued – 8,705
- Warning tickets issued – 5,416
 - Combined total – 14,121



- Parking tickets issued – 15,982
- In 2014, 182 drivers were arrested for DUI Alcohol, resulting in a total of 320 counts for DUI Alcohol.
- In addition 21 drivers were arrested for DUI Drugs, resulting in a total of 22 counts for DUI Drugs, and 4 drivers were arrested for DUI Zero Tolerance (Underage drinking and driving violation).
- City Prosecution of DUI cases: the city continues with DUI prosecution for first time offenders. This program continues to be very successful with consistent professional prosecutors who can locally work with our officers.

Vehicle-related Citizen Assists included:

- 647 Lock Outs
- 136 Motorist Assists



Training

The Elmhurst Police Department conducts a variety of training throughout the year. Training is presented through printed materials, videos, online, driving school, and department communications. Officers also attend offsite classes and seminars. Topics cover policy and procedures, criminal law, local ordinances and traffic laws. Additionally, many of our officers hold specific certifications.

The majority of the training comes from North East Multi-Regional Training, Inc. (NEMRT) and Suburban Law Enforcement Academy (SLEA). The Intergovernmental Risk Management Agency (IRMA) provides training videos and nationally accredited driving courses. These courses focus on helping drivers to understand the safety and performance aspects of vehicle operation.

NEMRT provides a wide variety of courses to our officers. Some of the courses that we completed this year:

- Crimes Against The Elderly
- Gypsy Crime Investigations
- Domestic Violence/Crisis Intervention
- Advanced DUI Training

In 2014, Elmhurst Police Department continued to serve as a host agency for NEMRT, hosting various training classes, varying in length from 1 day to 1 week, including a Leadership seminar hosted in conjunction with the Suburban Law Enforcement Academy entitled Ethics-Based Leadership: Leading for a Change. This 4-hour presentation by James T. Reese, Ph.D., took place on 12/2/14 at Elmhurst City Hall and discussed ethical behavior and personal integrity as the essential components of successful leadership. 40+ supervisors from various local agencies took advantage of this Ethics-Based Leadership training seminar.

2014 Training Accomplishments and Highlights:

- Members of the Police Department completed over 6,000 hours of training in 2014, including but not limited to training in firearms, legal updates, defensive tactics, first aid, and annual certifications.
- All officers were trained on “Naloxone” use to reverse drug overdoses. The Department used this life-saving drug successfully on four subjects, successfully reversing their overdoses.
- Commander Michael Burroughs completed the 120-hour Northwestern Center for Public Safety Executive Management Program.



- Sergeant Len Kolpak attended a 2-week Supervision of Police Personnel program hosted by Northwestern University Center for Public Safety at Triton College.
- Officer Daniel Bishop completed three Instructor courses, including a 40-hour Police Firearms Instructor course and a 40-hour Tactical Firearms Instructor Course.
- Three newly hired police officers attended the 440-hour Basic Police Officer Training at the Police Academy and were subsequently assigned to the uniformed patrol division.
- The Police Department hosted one intern from Western Illinois University during the spring semester. The 600-hour internship exposed the student to all divisions within the department.
- Several Rapid Response instructional drills were held in 2014. These special training days allow officers the opportunity to practice emergency response tactics in local settings, including the old Elmhurst Hospital building.



Internal Affairs

To maintain the highest level of public confidence, the Elmhurst Police Department investigates all complaints thoroughly and impartially. Internal Affairs investigations also address instances of employee behavior that could discredit the Department or violate a Department policy, procedure or practice. Complaints are presented to the Office of the Chief of Police for a fair review and appropriate action and/or sanction, with consideration given to the complainant, the Department, the individual employee and the public trust.



In 2014, the Elmhurst Police Department investigated 13 formal complaints against its members.

Source of Complaint

Citizen Complaints

Police Agency Complaints

Disposition of Complaint

Unfounded – Allegation is not factual; did not happen.

Exonerated – The act of the department or officer was consistent with the agency procedures.

Sustained – The allegation is supported by sufficient evidence.

Not sustained – There was insufficient evidence to prove or disprove the allegation.



DEPARTMENT VALUES

INTEGRITY ★ COURAGE ★ EXCELLENCE ★ DEDICATION ★ COMPASSION ★ RESPECT



2014 PROGRAMS AND SPECIAL **ASSIGNMENT SUMMARY**



Citizen's Police Academy (CPA)

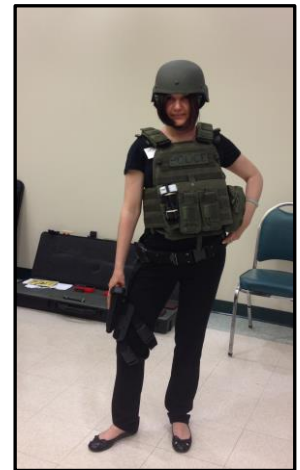
This 12-week program provides citizens with an opportunity to view firsthand how the Elmhurst Police Department serves the Elmhurst community. The program is open to anyone who works or resides in the City of Elmhurst, and the curriculum includes information about crime prevention, investigations, evidence, gangs and drugs, use of force, traffic stops, criminal and civil law, juvenile law, scams and confidence games, 911 telecommunications, and the K-9 (canine) unit.



The CPA enhances communication between the police department and residents, creating a greater understanding of both the department itself and the role of police officers within the community. By forming a partnership between the police department and citizens, this program allows the community to work together with police in the ongoing effort to reduce crime.

The Citizen's Police Academy Alumni Association (CPAAA)

continues to grow with each graduating class of the CPA. The CPAAA provides assistance to the police department at community events such as the annual Dan Gibbons Turkey Trot and the St. Patrick's Day Parade.



The Citizen's Police Academy continues to be one of the most popular and successful programs within our community.



DARE

The Elmhurst Police Department's Drug Abuse Resistance Education Program (DARE) began in 1987; in 2014, the curriculum was taught by officers in 12 Elmhurst grade schools. The program challenges students to make good choices using the DARE decision making model and covers topics such as alcohol and drug abuse, peer pressure, choosing good friends, and self-confidence. The current program, titled "Keepin' it REAL," is based on preventing drug use by developing children's basic skills to make safe and responsible choices.

DARE



The Elmhurst Police Department had 6 officers serving as our 2014 DARE instructors: Officers Mike Reiman, Matt McCollum, Brendan Bruckner, Josh Duffy, Nick Waldenmeyer, and Alex Kefaloukos.

The academic school year culminates with a DARE graduation ceremony. In 2014, the Elmhurst community had approximately 837 students graduate. This is a special event that is attended by family, friends and community members. The DARE program is a valuable tool to connect with children in the community and provides them with the education necessary to keep them safe, make better decisions and help them to succeed.



Neighborhood Roll Calls



The Neighborhood Roll Call concept, bringing police officers out into different neighborhoods in the city to interact with residents, won the Best Innovation award for 2014 at the DuPage Mayors and Managers Conference. The first Neighborhood Roll Call was held at McKinley and Swain on June 16 & 17, 2014. The public was invited to meet their patrol officers and discuss local issues and matters of concern with the police officers who are protecting their neighborhoods; 47 residents attended. The outdoor Neighborhood Roll Calls continued throughout the summer months, moving strategically through the city and visiting every Ward at least once. A total of 753 residents attended. The program continues to receive praise in conjunction with other community outreach and engagement programs, including residential foot patrols and bicycle patrols.

Comfort Dog Program

A comfort dog interacts with people at churches, schools, nursing homes, hospitals, events, and in disaster response situations. Officer Dave Gryczewski is shown here with Lydia, a comfort dog, who was trained at the Police Department to become familiar with the sights and sounds of police cars. This training will enable Lydia to adapt to the surroundings she will encounter when she is brought in to assist in a situation where she might be needed.



OPERATION LIFE SAVER: 2014 RAILROAD SAFETY PROGRAM

- The Elmhurst Police Department and its members continue to be very active in Illinois Operation Lifesaver with 5 presenters, one presenter trainer, and Deputy Chief Jim Kveton as the State Board President. Many Operation Lifesaver events and meetings are held either at the Elmhurst Police Department or at Elmhurst City Hall.
- The City of Elmhurst has achieved 20 years with only one fatal railroad collision and 16 years without any fatal collisions.
- Deputy Chief Kveton gave presentations on the Elmhurst Railroad Safety Program and its successes at the University of Wisconsin, Madison and at the Texas A&M annual conference in Fort Worth, Texas.
- Members of the Elmhurst Police Department conducted Railroad Safety classes, “safety blitzes” at the Elmhurst train station, and enforcement related to crossing and trespass violations under a \$5,000 “UP Cares” grant provided by the Union Pacific Railroad.
- Deputy Chief Kveton coordinated the updated railroad crossing inventory for the entire CN Railroad throughout DuPage County for the DuPage Mayors and Managers Conference.
- Deputy Chief Jim Kveton was selected as a member of the planning committee for the Global Level Crossing Symposium, which was held at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. Attendees of the conference traveled to Elmhurst for the final day of the conference and participated in a presentation describing the details and successes of the Elmhurst Railroad Safety and Enforcement Program at the Elmhurst Historical Museum. The Elmhurst Railroad Safety and Enforcement Program has been in existence for the last 20 years.
- Members of the Elmhurst Police Department continue to stay active with the DuPage Railroad Safety Council, attending meetings and participating in events.
- Additional grant applications were prepared and submitted to both the Union Pacific Railroad (\$10,000.00) and the CN Railroad (\$5,000.00). Both applications have been approved and funds are pending for the purchase of a UTV Police Vehicle and a presentation of the Elmhurst Public Service Video on all 10 screens at the York Theater.
- Elmhurst Police Department Operation Lifesaver presenters Lynn Howell, Matt McCollum, Dan Torza, and Trisha Vascik conducted safety presentations at the grade school and pre-school levels as well as at Elmhurst Park District events.
- Four Elmhurst Officers attended the Global Level Crossing Symposium.
- Members of the Elmhurst Police Department participated at the Train Fest Safety Fair in Union, Illinois. Service Officer Lynn Howell coordinated and scheduled this event.
- Members of the Elmhurst Police Department participated in the Illinois Operation Lifesaver awareness event at the Windy City Thunderbolts minor league baseball game.



Elmhurst Police Department Bicycle Unit

In May, 2014, an increased emphasis was placed on the Bicycle Patrol Unit. The unit consists of 16 Officers who ride in areas with high pedestrian and bicycle traffic to increase the safety of the community. Along with community patrols, the Bicycle Patrol Unit also participated in the Memorial Day parade, Safety Town, Park-a-Palooza, the Jaycee's Carnival Bike Parade, Touch a Truck, the Elmhurst Cycling Classic, the Spring Road Pet Parade and the Child's Safety Fair. The Bicycle Patrol Unit totaled approximately 300 hours of activity through September of 2014.



Fleet Watch Program

The Fleet Watch program is designed to utilize public works employees as reporters of suspicious persons, vehicles, and or activities as they carry out their daily duties in the community. Through this program, Public Works employees become "force multipliers" for the Police Department, serving as extra sets of eyes and ears for law enforcement when they are supplied with information about missing persons and/or criminal activity that might be occurring in our community. The Fleet Watch program reinforces the Police Department's belief that the best crime prevention strategies involve a collaborative effort between law enforcement and other community stakeholders.



Police Explorer Scouts

The Elmhurst Police Explorer post is currently comprised of 20 police explorers, both males and females, ranging in age from 14-22. The Explorer program instills integrity, leadership, and confidence in the youths while providing them with an opportunity to explore careers in law enforcement. This year the Police Explorers assisted the Police Department at the Pet Parade, Bike Parade, Memorial Day Parade, 5K Talkie Trot Race, Jaycees Carnival, 4 on the 4th Run, and the bike race. Several Explorers also assisted the Mission Team with underage alcohol and tobacco enforcement at local businesses.



Peer Jury

The Peer Jury program is an innovative, alternative tool used to divert non-violent, first-time juvenile offenders from formal court action. Operating on the philosophy that it is better to prevent crime than to punish it, police youth officers have several options in juvenile cases to hold offenders accountable for their actions. Peer Jury is a positive approach to juvenile crime that often has a greater impact on the juvenile offender than court. Communities with established peer juries have a 95% success rate in completion of the program by teen offenders. The Elmhurst Police Department Peer Jury program began in 2005.



In 2014, there were 43 peer jury hearings held, allowing teen offenders to resolve their crimes by completing community service hours, restitution, and apology letters, in addition to discussing the matter with their parents at the hearings.

Elmhurst senior Peer Jurors were recognized for their service to the community.



FIELD TRAINING PROGRAM

The Field Training Program is made up of nine Field Training Officers (FTOs) and three FTO supervisors, each of whom has attended a 40-hour FTO program to learn how to document the performance of a recruit and help new officers get acclimated to the Department. The new officers are assigned time with different FTOs to learn their duties as an officer, the application of City, State, and Federal laws, and how best to apply their knowledge from the police academy.



The 22-week Field Training Program includes 14 weeks of shift work, rotating through day, afternoon, and midnight shifts, followed by 3 weeks of shadowing an FTO in plain clothes for observation. The new officer then has 4 weeks of solo patrol to apply what was learned from the FTOs before serving a final week back in shadow to see if he/she has gained the experience and confidence necessary to be out alone; a 15-month probationary period then runs, starting from the date of hire.

In the past year, six new officers were hired and sent to the Suburban Law Enforcement Academy (SLEA) at the College of DuPage for 12 weeks. Upon graduation, they began the Elmhurst Police Field Training Program.

Accomplishments

- Bringing new officers in early to learn more about the police department before they attend the academy
- Successful training of three new officers and one service officer
- Implementation of new training techniques to assist new officers in successfully completing the field training process
- Continued use of Microsoft tablets to aid in the documentation of new officers.



Goals

- To continue to provide high quality training to new officers
- To continue to provide up to date training for our FTOs and new officers

2014 FTOs

- OFC. TIM WESTERING
- OFC. TONY CUZZONE
- OFC. BRENDAN BRUCKNER
- OFC. MATT HIMPELMANN
- OFC. DAN BISHOP
- OFC. MARGARET HOPKINS
- OFC. JASON KRUEGER
- OFC. ALEX KEFALOUKOS
- S/O JUSTIN GONZALEZ

FTO Supervisors

- COMMANDER BOB TANNEHILL
- COMMANDER MICHAEL BURROUGHS
- SERGEANT STEVE WRIGHT



Alive at 25 Program

Alive at 25 is a National Safety Council class taught by Elmhurst Police Sergeants Mike McLean and Steve Wright, and Officer Tim Westering. The class is available to all residents and students in Elmhurst, age 16-24. The program teaches decision-making skills for young drivers beyond the scope of traditional driver's education training. The City Prosecutor has also been using Alive at 25 as a diversionary program for young traffic violators to educate them to be safer drivers in the future. In 2014, there were 94 participants in the program.



PRESCRIPTION DROP BOX AT THE ELMHURST POLICE DEPARTMENT



In July of 2014, the City of Elmhurst placed a prescription pill and medication drop box in the police department lobby in an effort to provide residents with an easy, secure and safe way to dispose of prescription drugs. In the first 10 weeks, 287.74 pounds of prescription medication and over the counter drugs were dropped off, and a total of 532 lbs. total over the course of the year.

This service is provided to assist in keeping unwanted, expired or unused medications out of the hands of individuals who might otherwise abuse prescription drugs. The safe and easy drop off location allows residents to be eco-friendly while helping to safeguard our youth, the community and our natural environment.

S.A.L.T. (Seniors And Lawmen Together)

Seniors and Lawmen Together, S.A.L.T, is a monthly program offered to seniors in and around the Elmhurst Area. At the meetings, members receive compiled statistics for the calls handled by the Police Department and the crimes that were investigated that month. The seniors interact with Police Department personnel and discuss measures they can take to keep themselves and their property safe. Presenters are brought in to speak to the seniors on various topics, with a specific topic for each meeting; members are encouraged to propose topics they feel would be beneficial to their needs. On occasion, meetings are held offsite at locations throughout DuPage County. Offsite meetings include facilities tours and presentations by the staff.



S.A.L.T. members attend a history/water conservation presentation by the DuPage Water Commission (DWC) and Water Conservation and Protection Program (WCAPP), presented by Terry McGhee, Manager of Operations



Elmhurst Police Honor Guard

The Honor Guard unit is responsible for representing the Elmhurst Police Department and the City of Elmhurst by leading City sponsored parades by carrying the flags of the United States and the State of Illinois. The unit also honors our countries veterans on Memorial Day and Veteran's Day by firing a three round volley for our Armed Forces past and present. The Honor Guard has also performed at police functions that require posting of colors (US and State flags) and have also marched in the Springfield, Illinois Police Memorial week parade in honor of our fallen law enforcement brothers and sisters. The Honor Guard most importantly represents the Elmhurst Police Department when one of our own officers has passed; whether it is a retired Elmhurst Police Officer or active member. This includes standing guard at the casket and carrying our fallen brother or sister to their final place of rest. The Honor Guard is an important part of our Department in that it is a group that can be depended upon in difficult times and express a sense of pride in what law enforcement represents.

Elmhurst Honor Guard Members are:

Detective Ken Lafin
Officer Tim Westering
Officer Matt Himpelmann
Officer Victor Almaguer

Officer Scott Lange
Officer Chris Horner
Officer Tim Jorgensen
Officer Brett Kaczorowski

Officer Joan Velez
Honor Guard Supervisor:
Sergeant Len Kolpak



Crisis Negotiators

Crisis negotiation is a set of communication skills designed to reduce the risks of a critical incident and increase the options available to resolve a situation peacefully. The Elmhurst Crisis Negotiation Team consists of six members of the department, trained and dedicated to the safe and successful resolution when responding to a variety of crisis incidents.

Commander Dan Terry, Sergeant Jim Gandy, Detectives Ken Lafin and Dan Corrigan, and Officers Tony Cuzzone and Brendan Bruckner attended the Illinois Crisis Negotiation Association's annual conference held in April 2014 in Naperville. The training consisted of several negotiator scenarios for the participants.



Crisis Negotiator Supervisor

Commander Dan Terry

Crisis Negotiator Members

Sergeant Jim Gandy

Detective Ken Lafin

School Resource Officer Dan Corrigan

Officer Brendan Bruckner

Officer Anthony Cuzzone



Firearms Training

The Elmhurst Police Department currently has four state-certified Range Masters holding certification as Master Firearms Instructors. Range Masters conduct Department-wide training for officers on a monthly basis to maintain proficiency in the use of handguns and rifles. This training improves officers' firearms skills as well as decision-making that might be required as part of their duties. In addition to training, the Range Masters are licensed armorers and perform scheduled maintenance on Department firearms, resulting in both a significant cost-saving to the Department as well as helping to maintain a high rate of response readiness.

All Elmhurst Range Masters completed a Glock Firearm Armorer's Certification course in 2014.

Range Masters:

Officer Dan Bishop

Officer Tom Cronin

Officer Matt Himpelmann

Officer Scott Lange

Range Supervisor:

Commander Michael Burroughs



ERT Team (ERT)

The Emergency Response Team (ERT) team is a designated unit of law enforcement officers that is specifically trained and equipped to work as a coordinated team to resolve critical incidents that are so hazardous, complex or unusual that they may exceed the capabilities of first responders or investigative units including, but not limited to, hostage taking, barricaded suspects, snipers, terrorist acts and other high-risk incidents. As a matter of department policy, such a unit may also be used to serve high-risk warrants, both search and arrest, where public and officer safety issues warrant the use of such a unit. Throughout the year, the ERT Team trained once a month with emphasis on hand gun and rifle shooting, covert entries, search warrants, hostage rescue, barricaded subjects, officer survival, rapid response and critical incident management.



Highlights this year included training conducted on March 26, 2014, at the old Elmhurst Hospital building. Officer rescue, medical care and first aid, and evacuating persons to safety were topics that were covered.



K9 Unit

During 2014, the Elmhurst Police Department's K9 Unit, comprised of Officer Tony Poli and his canine partner, Diesel, was busy with the following:

- 101 total K9 deployments
- 99 Arrests (Felony, misdemeanor, and local ordinance)
- 151 total Narcotic/Vehicle/Currency searches

Total Quantity of Narcotics Located:

- 407.21 grams of Cannabis (0.89 lbs.)
- 75.43 grams of Cocaine (0.16 lbs.)
- 1,045.41 grams of Heroin (1 Kilo found in vehicle trap = 2.30 lbs.)
- 20.01 grams other controlled substances
- 23 items of Drug Paraphernalia
- \$430,208.00 of United States Currency seized.

Searches and Assists:

- 36 Canine assists conducted for outside agencies
- 7 School narcotic searches conducted
- 3 Area Searches with Suicidal subject located
- 4 Article searches
- 6 Building searches
- 7 School searches
- 17 Canine tracking deployments locating:
 - 1 Offender who fled on foot from a traffic stop
 - 1 suicidal subject
 - 2 residential burglars.

In addition to the above assignments, the K9 Unit performed various demos and community presentations at Citizen's Police Academy, DARE, block parties and Neighborhood Role Calls.



MUTUAL AID ASSIGNMENTS

The Elmhurst Police Department participates in the following mutual aid groups.

DuPage Major Crime Task Force (MCTF)

The DuPage Major Crime Task Force (MCTF) was first formed in late 1998 to promote County safety and enhance the ability of all law enforcement agencies in DuPage County to solve major crime through resource sharing, partnership and joint cooperation, consistent training, and application of investigative and enforcement methodology. The purpose of the MCTF is to provide member agencies with highly competent and comprehensive investigative, crime scene, evidence collection, analysis, and technical assistance to incidents of major crimes.



Today, MCTF consists of 20 law enforcement agencies from federal, state, and local police agencies, and the DuPage County States Attorneys' Office. MCTF allows all of the member agencies to share equipment, personnel, and resources as needed for major investigations or significant events. The Elmhurst Police Department has members assigned to leadership roles in every aspect of the task force, including support, investigations, and forensics.

Illinois Law Enforcement Alarm System (ILEAS)

The Elmhurst Police Department is a member of the Illinois Law Enforcement Alarm System (ILEAS). This group is based in Urbana, Illinois, and is the largest mutual aid organization in the United States. ILEAS is responsible for coordinating statewide mutual aid responses as needed. Fortunately, during 2012, the Elmhurst Police did not request ILEAS assistance for any incident or receive any mutual aid requests.



THE ILEAS MISSION

**We strive to meet the needs of law enforcement throughout the State of Illinois
in matters of mutual aid, emergency response and the combining of resources
for public safety.**

"STRENGTH THROUGH COOPERATION"

Northern Illinois Police Alarm System (NIPAS)



The Northern Illinois Police Alarm System (NIPAS) consists of over 90 communities and offers two programs – a special tactical squad known as the Emergency Services Team and, a crowd control team known as the Mobile Field Force. Officer Marcin Scislowicz serves on the NIPAS SWAT team and Officers Victor Almaguer and Art Ciszewski served on the NIPAS Mobile Field Force.



COMMUNITY RELATIONS EVENTS

Police Explorer Ski Trip

On January 11-12, 2014, Officers Brett Kaczorowski and Mike Hamblin traveled to the Wisconsin Dells with the Elmhurst Police Explorer Post for their yearly field trip. They traveled to the Kalahari Resort with 9 police Explorers to enjoy the waterpark and indoor arcades. The following day, the Explorers enjoyed skiing at Cascade Mountain. This trip is a great opportunity to reward the members for their help throughout the year at City events and parades where they volunteer to assist the Police Department in traffic direction and blocking of streets.



Character Counts!

On January 30, 2014, members of the Elmhurst "Character Counts!" spoke at 3 different grade schools about the program. Hawthorne School had 100 children in attendance, Edison School had 60 children and Immaculate Conception Grade School had 500 children. The event was attended by



2013 Miss Illinois, Brittany Smith. The police department provided Character Counts! posters for the schools, and all children who attended received a Character Counts! T-shirt.



Tackle the Tower

On Sunday, February 08, 2014, members of the Police Department and City Manager Jim Grabowski participated in the “Fight for Air Climb” for the American Lung Association at the Oakbrook Terrace Tower. The Elmhurst Police Department took first place for the third year in a row, with an average time of 4:23.



Left to Right – Jennifer & Dan Torza, Dave Rivkin, Jake Beltran, Colleen Cooney, Trisha Vascik, Marykate Monahan, Jim Grabowski and Jim Kveton



St. Patrick's Day Parade

The annual Elmhurst St. Patrick's Day Parade took place on Saturday, March 8, 2014, and was well-attended by the community.



Prescription Drug Take Back Program

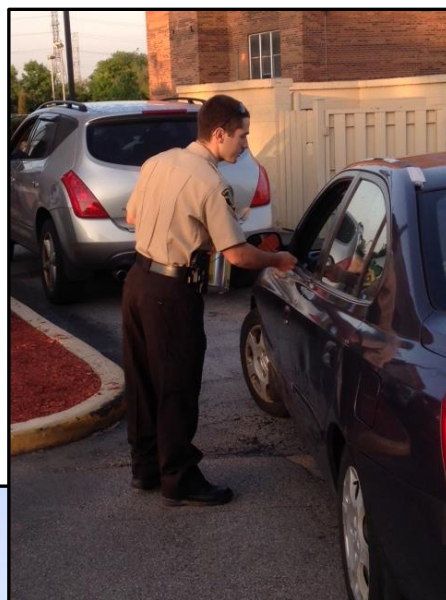
Unused or expired prescription medications are a public safety issue, leading to accidental poisoning, overdose and abuse. The non-medical use of prescription drugs is one of the most common forms of drug abuse in America, with the majority of abusers being teenagers, who obtain prescription drugs from the medicine cabinets of family and friends. Unused drugs are also an environmental hazard when flushed into toilets or thrown into the garbage as they then contaminate the water supply.

The Elmhurst Police Department, in partnership with the Drug Enforcement Administration, collected 461 pounds of leftover prescription drugs on Prescription Drug Take Back Day, April 26, 2014.



Cop on Top

On Friday, May 30, 2014, members of the Elmhurst Police Department partnered with Dunkin' Donuts for the Illinois Special Olympics "Cop on Top" event. Illinois Special Olympics provides sports training for children and adults with intellectual disabilities and sponsors competitive Olympic-type sporting events to provide opportunities for them to increase their physical fitness, demonstrate courage, and experience the fun and camaraderie of competitive sports. This year's "Cop on Top" raised a total of \$3,160.21 in donations at the York & Diversey Dunkin' Donuts store—over \$500 more than our 2013 total.



Illinois Torch Run

On Sunday, June 08, 2014, members of the Elmhurst Police Department participated in the Illinois Law Enforcement Torch Run. The Torch Run is an intrastate relay with the goal of raising money and awareness for the athletes who participate in Special Olympics. The runners from the Elmhurst Police ran a one-mile stretch, from the area of York Road and St. Charles Road to the Elmhurst City Hall.



Participants included Commander Tannehill, Sergeant Weatherford, and Officers Bruckner, Hamblin, Jarrette, Jorgensen, Mandat, and McCollum.



EPBAA Fall Clean-Up

On November 2, 2014, members of the Elmhurst Police Benevolent Athletic Association participated in the annual Senior and Disabled Persons Clean-Up Day. Department members who attended were Detectives Rivkin, Coughlin and Vascik, and Officer Bruckner. They cut lawns, raked leaves, and performed fall clean-up and chores that senior or disabled Elmhurst residents were unable to do for themselves.



Turkey Trot

On Thanksgiving Day, with 8,075 registered runners, countless unregistered ones, and thirsty pets running along, the Elmhurst Police Benevolent Athletic Association's (EPBAA) watering hole group was kept busy handing out water along Palmer Drive at the police station in the 28 degree weather.



Special Kids Day

Members of the Elmhurst Police Department, in conjunction with the Elmhurst Children's Assistance Foundation, participated in the Special Kids Day event held at Wilder Mansion on Wednesday, December 3, 2014. Special Kids Day began in 1990 as a holiday event for special-needs children to visit Santa Claus without obstacle; it has since evolved into a not-for-profit organization dedicated to providing celebratory events for children with disabilities and their families.



Shop with a Cop

On Saturday, December 6, 2014, ten Elmhurst police officers took local children shopping at the annual “Shop with a Cop” event. Participants met at the police station at 7:00 a.m. to be matched with Elmhurst officers before joining children and police officers from other municipalities at Ackerman Park in Glen Ellyn for breakfast. The entire group then proceeded via squad car caravan, complete with lights and sirens, to the Meijer’s store in Bloomingdale for Christmas shopping. This event was made possible by a generous donation of funds from the Elmhurst Police Benevolent Athletic Association (EPBAA).



2014 STATISTICAL SUMMARY

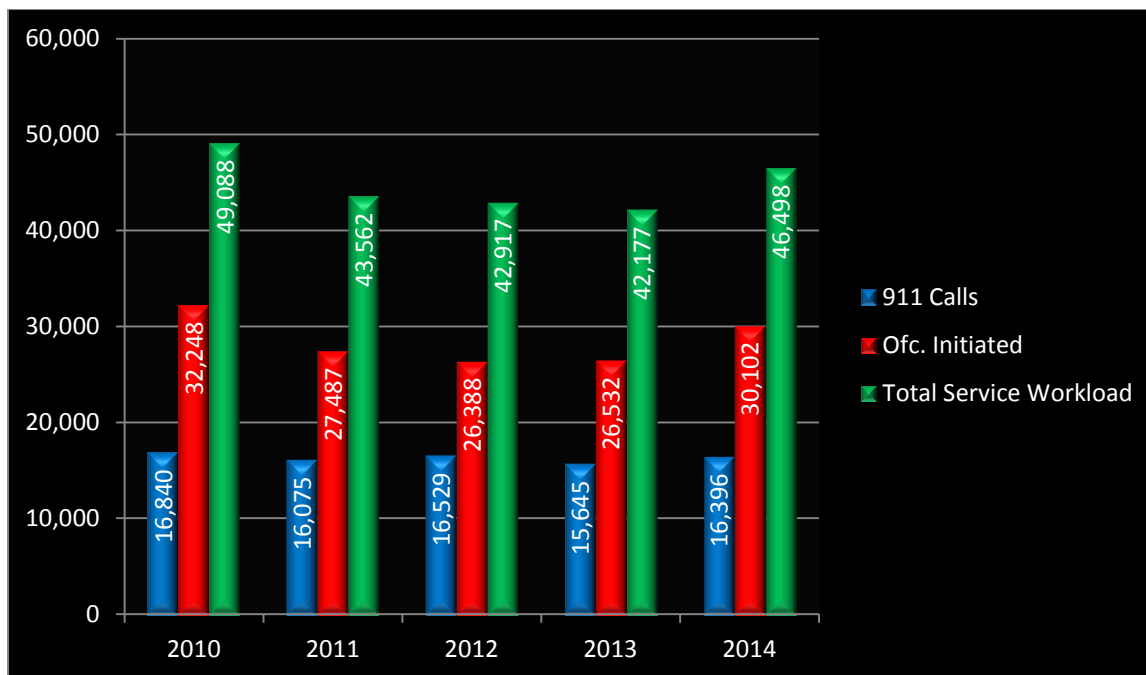


CRIMINAL INCIDENTS

Summary Highlights

Criminal Incidents	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010
Homicide	3	0	0	0	0
Rape	8	2	5	0	5
Robbery	6	4	17	5	7
Aggravated Assault/Battery	3	6	10	9	10
Burglary	63	57	113	100	85
Theft	438	474	452	498	545
Theft of Motor Vehicle	5	22	24	27	25
Arson	3	1	2	3	0

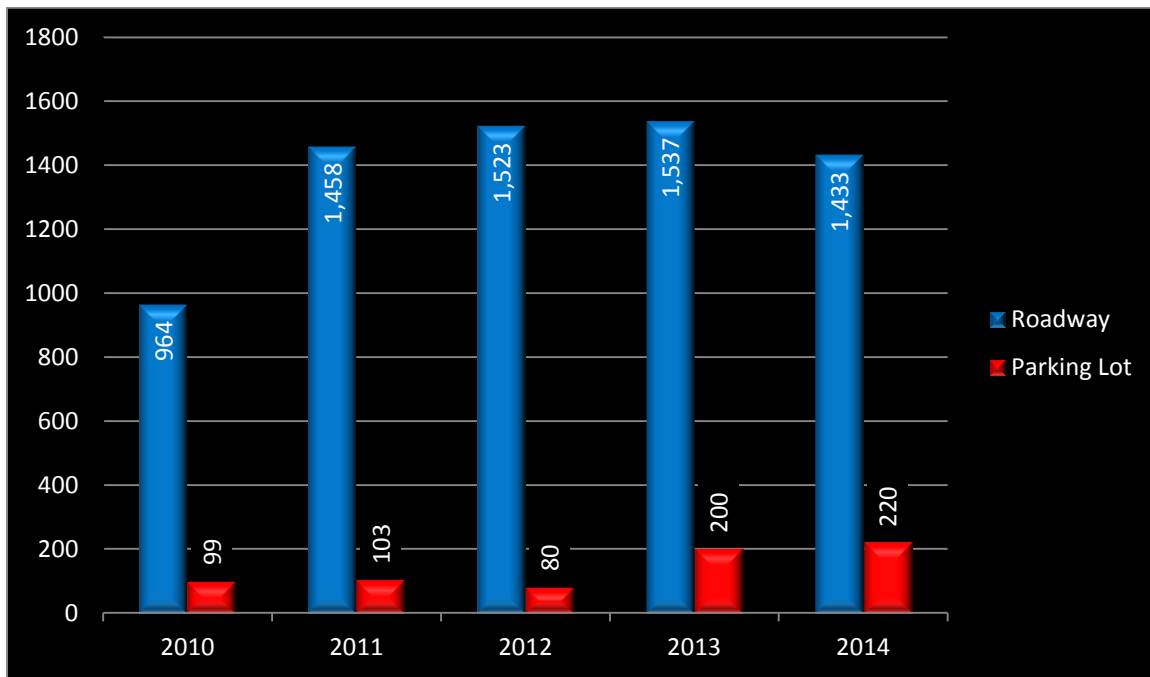
Service Workload



In 2014, total service workload increased by 10.24% compared to 2013. 911 calls for service increased by 4.80%, and Officer initiated activity increased by 13.45% compared to 2013.

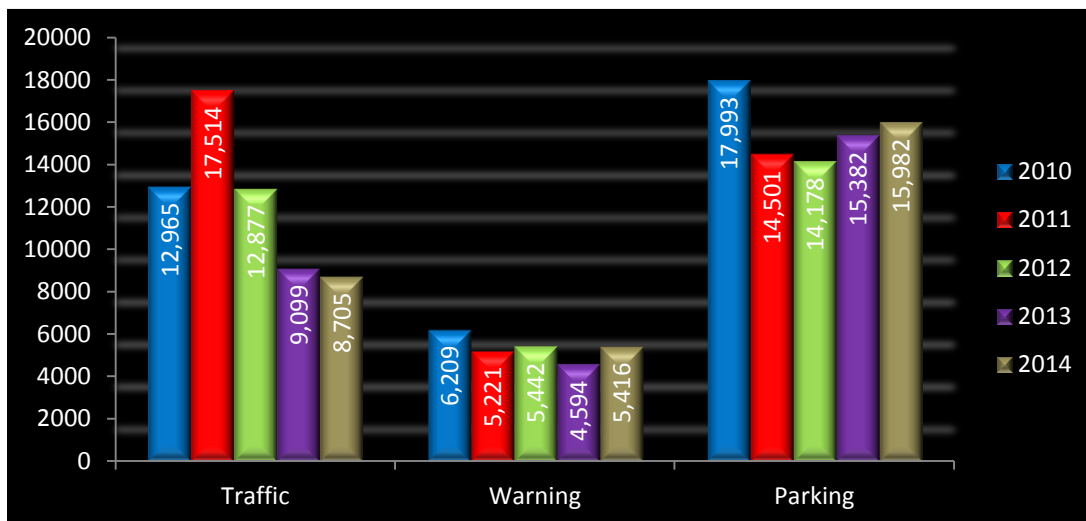


MOTOR VEHICLE CRASHES



In 2014, the total number of motor vehicle crashes has decreased 4.83% compared to 2013. There was a decrease of 104 reported crashes occurring in the roadway and an increase of 20 reported crashes in a parking lot compared to 2013.

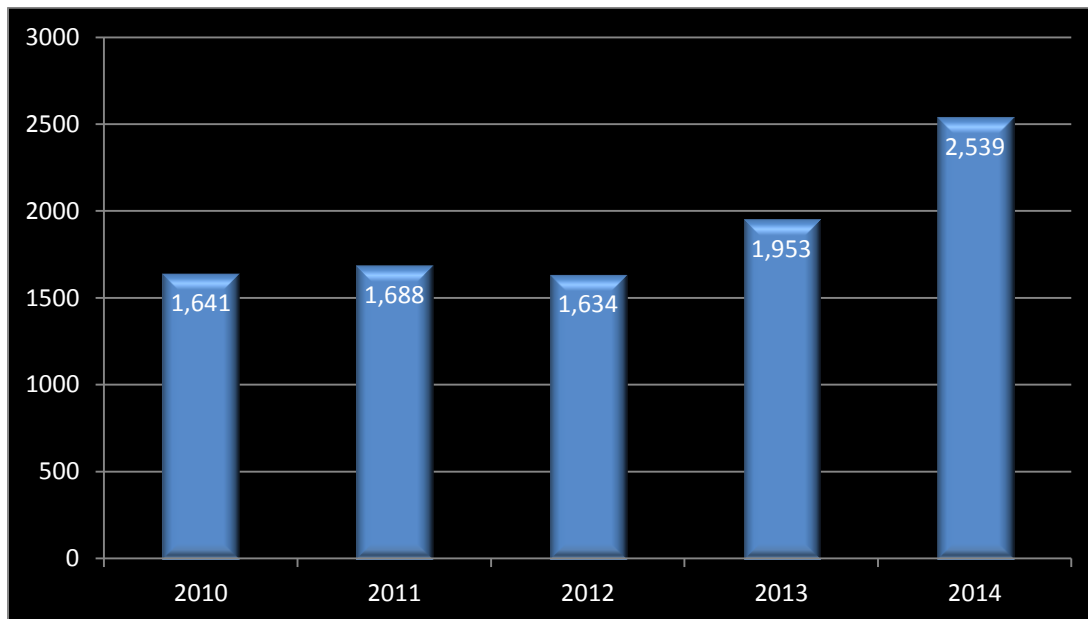
CITATIONS



In 2014, the number of traffic citations issued has decreased 4.33% compared to 2013. In 2014, the number of warning tickets issued has increased 17.89% compared to 2013. In 2014, the number of parking tickets issued has increased 3.90% compared to 2013.

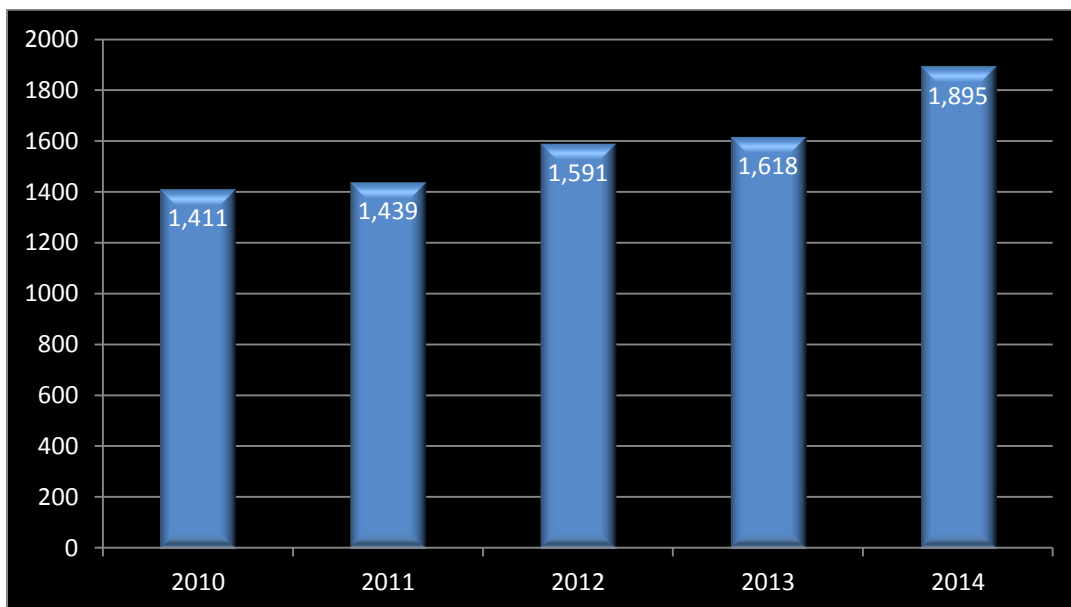


Assist Other Agencies



In 2014, there was an increase of 586 (30%) calls to assist compared to 2013.

Alarm Calls



In 2014, there was an increase of 277 (17.12%) alarm calls compared to 2013.



4 Year Comparison Summary

	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>
	<u>Offense</u>	<u>Offense</u>	<u>Offense</u>	<u>Offense</u>	<u>Arrest</u>	<u>Arrest</u>	<u>Arrest</u>	<u>Arrest</u>
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<u>Deaths</u>								
Homicide	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0
Attempt Homicide	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Totals	1	0	0	3	1	0	0	0
<u>Sex Offenses</u>								
Predatory Criminal Sexual Assault	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Criminal Sexual Assault	1	4	2	8	0	2	0	1
Aggravated Criminal Sexual Assault	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Attempted Sexual Assault	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Prostitution	6	1	2	3	8	1	3	4
Public Indecency	3	2	1	2	1	1	2	1
All Other Sex Offenses	0	2	1	0	0	2	0	0
Totals	11	11	6	13	9	7	5	6
<u>Robbery</u>								
Armed Robbery - Bank	0	4	0	1	0	0	0	0
Armed Robbery - Other	2	6	2	4	2	3	0	0
Robbery - Bank	0	1	1	1	0	2	0	0
Robbery - Other	2	4	0	0	0	2	0	0
Attempted Robbery	1	2	1	0	0	0	0	0
Total	5	17	4	6	2	7	0	0
<u>Simple Assault - Battery</u>								
Assault	5	4	4	14	4	3	4	9
Battery	59	70	65	59	40	50	42	43
Domestic	52	43	81	68	46	34	49	46
Total	116	117	150	141	90	87	95	98
<u>Aggravated Assault - Battery</u>								
Aggravated Battery	5	5	1	2	9	3	2	1
Aggravated Assault	8	5	5	1	11	4	5	1
Total	13	10	6	3	20	7	7	2
<u>Burglary</u>								
Burglary Residential	32	55	22	48	6	6	3	1
Burglary Other	64	28	24	9	4	5	5	2
Attempted Burglary	4	30	11	6	0	0	0	0
Total	100	113	57	63	10	11	8	3



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<u>Burglary/Theft from Motor Vehicle</u>								
Burglary/Theft from Motor Vehicle	97	97	97	89	3	10	15	4
Burglary/Theft of MV Parts/Access.	24	28	16	34	1	0	0	2
Attempted Burglary/Theft from MV	8	9	10	4	0	0	0	0
Total	129	134	123	127	4	10	15	6
<u>Thefts</u>								
Theft Over	126	98	89	82	21	27	14	5
Theft Under	200	132	122	93	51	37	45	20
Retail Theft	108	124	139	128	100	125	137	137
Attempted Theft	15	8	14	7	0	0	0	0
Total	449	362	364	310	172	189	196	162
<u>Motor Vehicle Theft</u>								
Theft of Motor Vehicle	26	23	20	5	5	1	4	0
Attempted Theft of Motor Vehicle	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0
Total	27	24	22	5	5	1	4	0
<u>Deception</u>								
Forgery/Deceptive Practice/Fraud	46	44	54	29	17	10	22	0
Credit Card Fraud	54	46	36	14	13	3	10	1
Identity Theft	55	78	39	56	2	6	4	0
Possession of Stolen Property	8	4	8	2	1	6	8	1
Theft of Lost Property	27	19	19	26	2	8	2	1
Total	190	191	156	127	35	33	46	3
<u>Criminal Damage To Property</u>								
Vehicle	84	59	47	45	8	1	2	3
Property Damage	113	74	74	75	22	16	16	14
Attempted Criminal Damage	5	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Total	202	133	121	121	30	17	18	17
<u>Trespass</u>								
Crim. Trespass to Property/Residence	18	25	20	24	12	15	12	24
Crim. Trespass to State Supported Land	0	3	1	1	1	2	1	0
Total	18	28	21	25	13	17	13	24

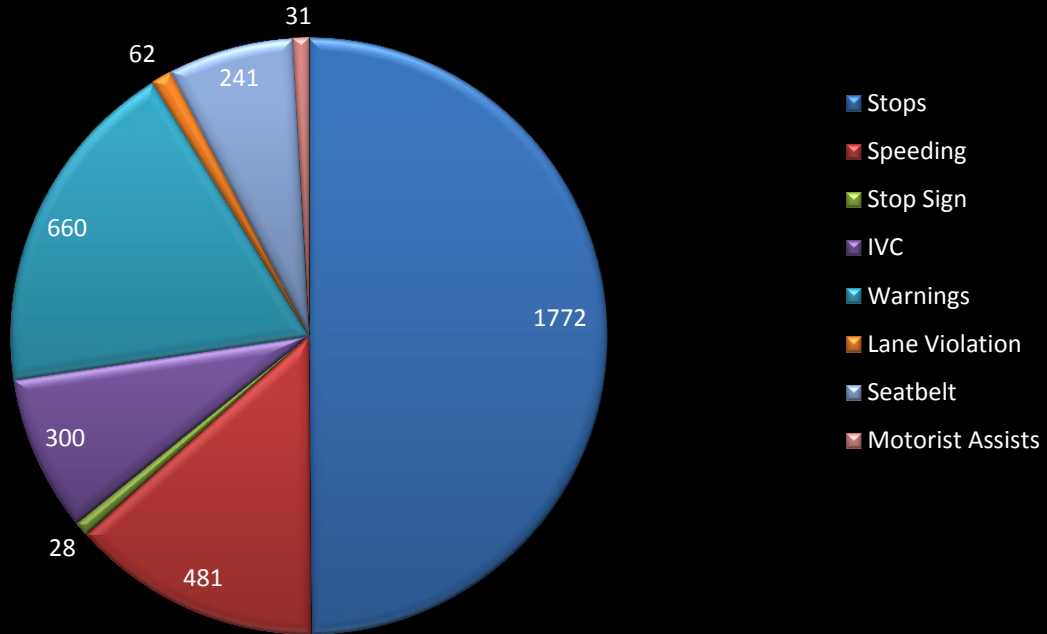


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<u>Arson</u>	3	2	1	3	0	0	0	0
<u>Deadly Weapons</u>								
Unlawful Use of Weapon	18	8	8	6	15	9	11	7
Unlaw. Use or Poss. of Weapon by Felon	1	2	0	0	1	2	0	0
No FOID Card	4	5	0	1	4	7	0	1
Total	23	15	8	7	20	18	11	8
<u>Truancy</u>	13	17	14	5	24	26	18	7
<u>Hate Crimes</u>	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
<u>Drug Offenses</u>								
Possession Cannabis 30 gm & under	178	160	180	230	296	244	266	335
Possession Cannabis over 30 gm	1	0	2	2	2	0	2	3
Delivery Cannabis 30 gm & under	16	5	11	17	30	7	17	17
Delivery Cannabis over 30 gm	7	8	5	4	9	9	9	6
Cannabis Plant	1	1	1	0	5	1	0	0
Possession of Methamphetamine	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
Manufacture & Delivery Cont'l Substance	13	6	12	4	12	6	16	3
Possession Controlled Substance	66	77	62	79	88	120	85	105
Delivery or Poss. w/Intent to Deliver	2	11	16	5	3	15	19	6
Sale or Poss. Hypo Syringes/Needles	7	11	5	8	9	14	8	13
Possession Drug Equipment	160	173	161	213	282	257	239	298
Total	451	453	455	562	736	674	661	786

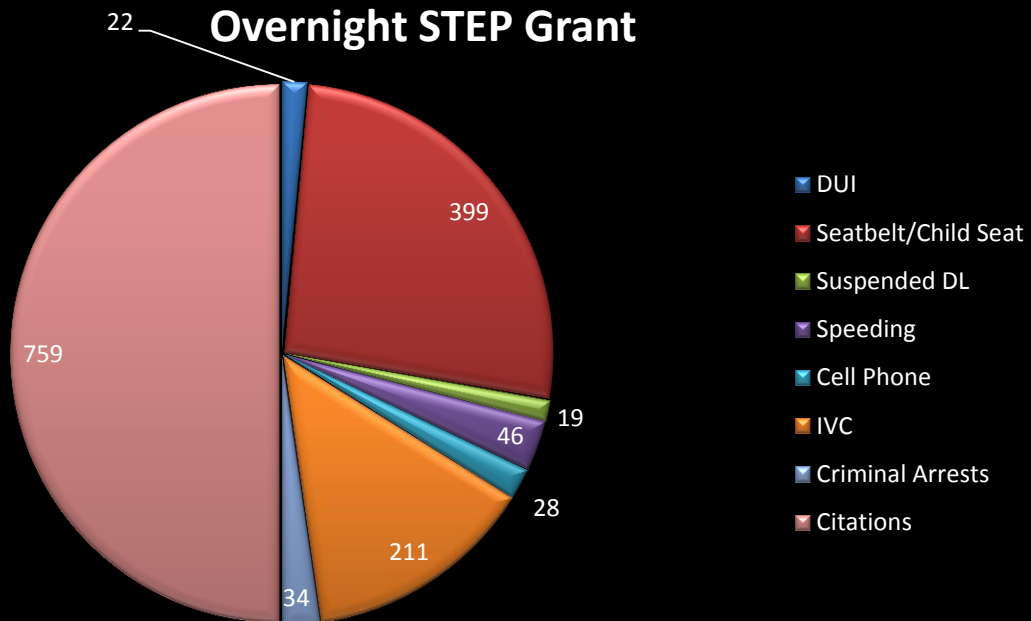


TRAFFIC UNIT DATA

Non-Grant Day Shift



Overnight STEP Grant



Traffic Unit Responsibilities

The traffic unit underwent a major change in 2014 with the assignment of a full-time officer to daytime traffic enforcement during the week, a project undertaken this year by Officer Thomas Cronin. A group of approximately 30 officers provided traffic enforcement during the overnight hours through STEP grant patrols. STEP (Sustained Traffic Enforcement Program) is a traffic enforcement grant from the Illinois Department of Transportation, Division of Traffic Safety, in which officers work overtime details during the overnight hours to enforce laws related to impaired/intoxicated drivers and unsecured motorist violations. The combination of both these traffic unit programs ensured a comprehensive approach to traffic safety in the community throughout the year.

Residential Streets	School Zones	DUI Enforcement	Truck Enforcement	Nighttime Seatbelt Enforcement
Public Education	Speeding Enforcement on Major/Primary Streets	Deployment of SMART Trailers and speed signs	Coordination with PW/Engineering	Problem solving with residents

The day shift traffic officer's primary duties were speeding and other moving violations along Elmhurst's heavily traveled major roadways. These streets included North Ave., York St., IL Route 83, St. Charles Rd., Lake St., and Butterfield Rd. In addition, the intersections of North Ave./Route 83 and St. Charles/Route 83 were addressed by enforcing lane usage and traffic signal violations since these roadways have the highest occurrences of traffic crashes. The traffic officer also focused on secondary roadways in the City, including Spring Rd. and West Ave., with speeding and Stop Sign violation enforcement.

The traffic unit also maintained a visible presence at local schools during morning arrival and afternoon dismissal times, ensuring traffic safety for students. A review of activity this year from the day traffic unit showed 1,772 traffic stops made with 1,090 resulting in citations and 660 resulting in driver warnings (see Chart 1 on p.44). These traffic enforcement measures resulted in numerous arrests of drivers who were either driving without licenses or were wanted on warrants. Patrol Officers and supervisors also dealt with individual neighborhood traffic concerns and coordinated enforcement assignments with the City Engineering Department to rectify potential traffic problems. This combination of attention from both the traffic unit officer and beat patrol officers proved effective in addressing traffic violations and issues in the community.



2014 HOLIDAY GRANT PERIODS

EACH HOLIDAY PERIOD CONSISTED OF A 1-2 WEEK BLOCK

SUPERBOWL	ST. PATRICK'S DAY	MEMORIAL DAY	4 TH OF JULY
LABOR DAY	HALLOWEEN	THANKSGIVING	CHRISTMAS

Recognizing that seatbelt usage and impaired driver enforcement are the most effective ways to reduce traffic injuries and fatalities on our roadways, the Elmhurst Police Department also continued to participate in the IDOT STEP grant program in 2014. The department applied for, and was granted, federal grant funds through the Illinois Department of Transportation in order to perform extra patrols for DUI and seatbelt violations during eight holiday campaign periods throughout the year. The patrols were scheduled overnight, between 9 PM and 3 AM, the hours identified by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration as the most dangerous time on roadways. These patrols resulted in 22 drunken driving arrests and 399 seatbelt and child safety seat citations being issued (see Chart 2, p. 44). DUI saturation patrols, seatbelt enforcement zones, and roving patrols were conducted in 2014 in an effort to make the roads safer in Elmhurst and to educate the public on the dangers of impaired driving. The Elmhurst Police Department is committed to traffic safety, and department members made a total of 203 arrests for Driving Under the Influence in 2014.

Other Highlights from the 2014 Traffic Unit include:

- Several high visibility speed enforcement campaigns along Route 83 and North Ave.
- Train enforcement of both pedestrian and vehicle violations on/near railroad crossings.
- Truck enforcement, including details prohibiting truck traffic on St. Charles Rd.
- Educational presentations—Alive at 25, Defensive Driving classes.
- Increased enforcement of anti-cell phone use laws in school and construction zones.
- Increased enforcement of anti-texting laws.
- Additional officer training in DUI enforcement.
- Recognition for the Elmhurst Police Department as being 6th in the State of Illinois for DUI arrests per sworn officer, with 300 total DUI arrests last year.
- Elmhurst was once again awarded an IDOT grant for 2015 with funding of \$69,000.

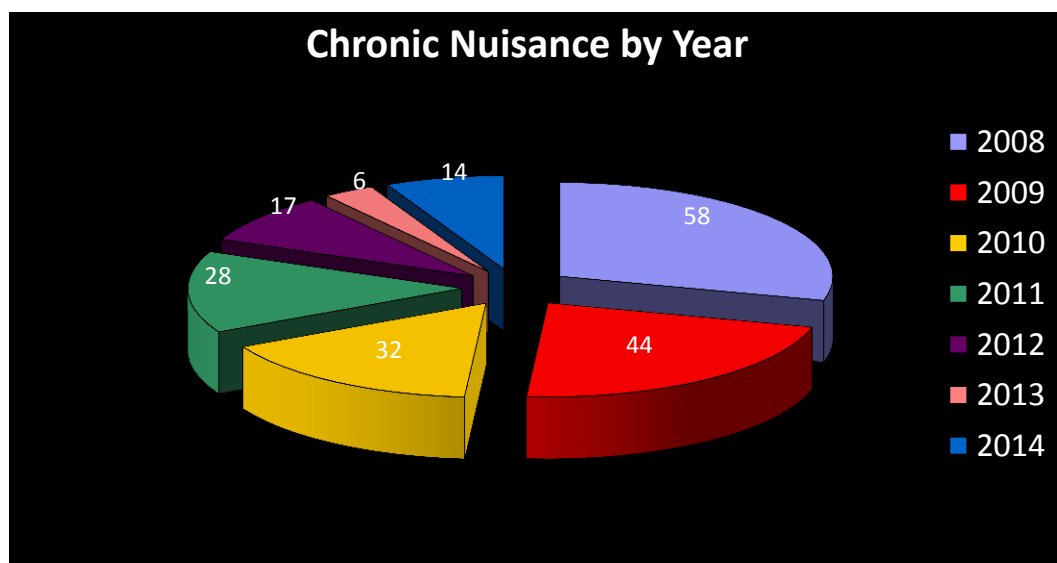


Goals

- To apply for and receive an IDOT grant for 2016.
- To receive additional, specialized DUI training for officers, including “drugged” driver detection.
- To enhance truck enforcement.
- To increase speed enforcement on major roadways while maintaining enforcement levels in residential areas and school zones.
- To continue extra enforcement/details enforcing “Scott’s Law” violations.
- To purchase replacement RADAR units for patrol vehicles.

Chronic Nuisance Program

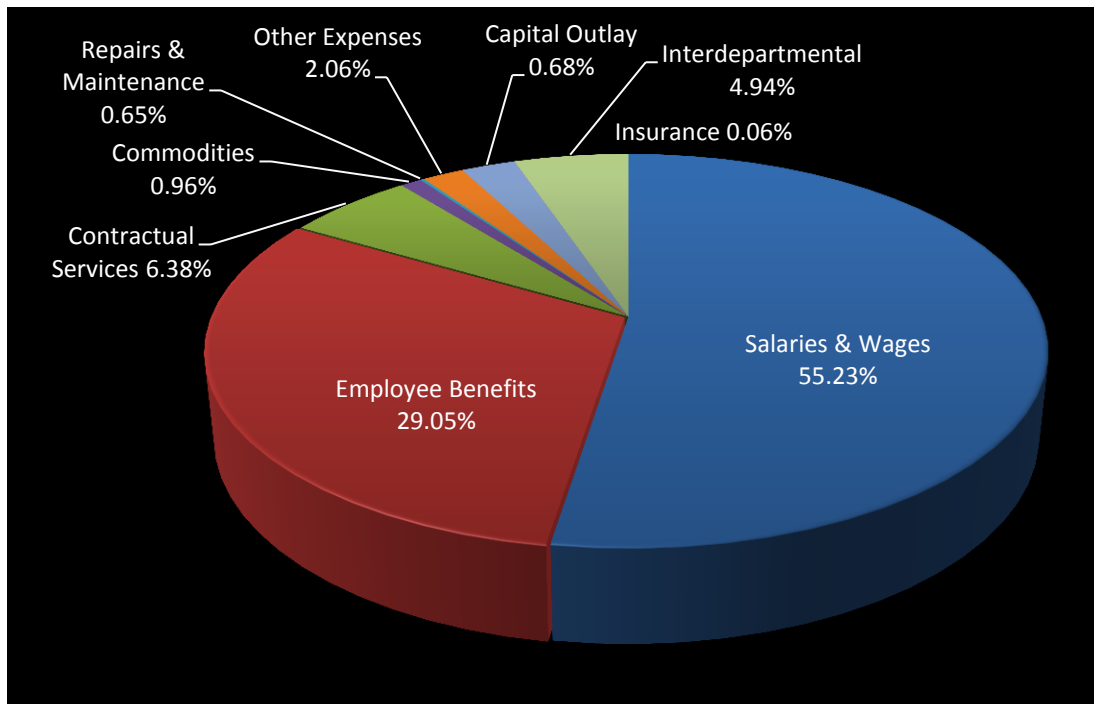
- Chronic Nuisance Ordinance - The police department had 14 Chronic Nuisance cases in 2014. 194 cases have been successfully resolved since 2008, and 5 cases are still active. Only 18 chronic nuisance cases re-offended with a second violation in 180 days, and only 2 went to a third violation. This program continues to be successful in improving quality of life issues for residents and businesses. The chart below shows the success of the program.
- The police Department continues to work with the Building Department to enforce quality of life concerns such as:
 - After hours construction.
 - Excessive mud/debris left on street due to construction traffic.
 - Construction vehicle parking.



2014 BUDGET ANALYSIS



Elmhurst Police Department 2014 Expenditures



EXPENDITURE	AMOUNT
Salaries & Wages	\$8,197,139.00
Employee Benefits	\$4,311,656.73
Contractual Services	\$946,403.53
Commodities	\$142,209.68
Repairs & Maintenance	\$96,288.67
Other Expenses	\$305,774.93
Capital Outlay	\$100,999.24
Insurance	\$9,149.76
Interdepartmental	\$732,990.74
TOTAL:	\$14,842,612.28



2014
DEPARTMENT
RECOGNITION



New Employees

Six new full-time officers were sworn in this year: Zach Carney, Justin Isaac, Alexander Krupnik, Jason Litton, Victoria Sargis, and Victor Valdez, along with part-time officer Melissa Flores. Other new additions to the Elmhurst Police Department team were Service Officer Mary Miceli and Administrative Assistant Jami Carrington.



Officer Zach Carney being sworn in by Mayor Morley



New Elmhurst Officers Justin Isaac and Victor Valdez



Part-time Officer Melissa Flores takes the oath



New Officers Jason Litton, Tori Sargis and Alex Krupnik after their swearing in



Service Anniversaries

5 Years



Officer
Mike Hamblin

10 Years



Officer
Brett Kaczorowski

15 Years



Officer
Tom Cronin



Officer
Dontae Hickenbottom



Records Clerk
David Kochick



Detective
Jeff Kucera



Records Supervisor
Jodi Sennett



Service Officer
Angela Spanroff



Detective
John Tarpey, Sr.



Detective
Trisha Vascik

20 Years



Commander
Robert Tannehill



Commander
Daniel Terry

25 Years



Crimes & Intelligence Analyst
Diane Schmidt

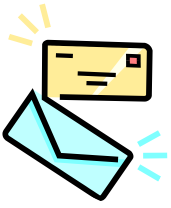


Promotions

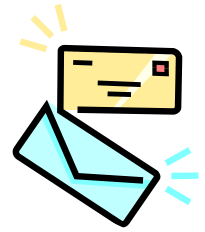
On March 17, 2014, Stephen Wright was promoted to Police Sergeant at the City Council meeting. Steve was sworn in by Mayor Morley while his wife, Christine, and children looked on. Steve's two sons, Nick and Andrew, both Aurora Police Officers, had the honor of pinning on Steve's new Sergeant badge.

Sergeant Steve Wright and son, Aurora Officer Nick Wright. Below, right is Steve's son Andrew.





LETTERS FROM THE COMMUNITY



These are excerpts from a few of the letters we received in 2014:

Officer C. Hawkins: “I had made a request for an officer to stop by my home on Saturday when we were having a party for our 15 year-old daughter, who is mentally handicapped and autistic. My daughter has an obsession for emergency vehicles and greeted Officer Hawkins with an extremely excited bear hug. Officer Hawkins then took her for a lengthy ride in his cruiser. After the ride and many photos, he stayed at the party and let Cayla get her fill of sitting in all of the seats. His demeanor, attitude and interest seemed genuine and caring. My wife and I wanted you to know how much it meant to us and Cayla. Officer Hawkins did an incredible job and left a lasting imprint on our lives that day.”

Officers M. Reiman and T. Westering: Following a residential burglary—“Both officers conducted their investigation in a thorough, professional and competent manner. Perhaps just as important to us, in our understandably wrought condition, was their compassion and solicitude during their investigation. As life-long residents of Elmhurst, we were aware of the high quality of your department, but this was (happily) our first contact of any depth. We are extremely grateful for the thoughtfulness of both officers.”

Officer J. Velez : “I am writing to express my thanks and commendations for [Officer Velez] of the Elmhurst Police Department . . . who came to my home within a few short minutes when one of my guests suddenly became ill and passed out at a holiday dinner party. [Officer Velez] was very courteous, professional, and a calm voice in a very stressful situation. My guests all commented on what a great job the police officer and EMTs did. They are a credit to their departments and the community. I am proud to be part of this community and feel safe knowing that such high quality emergency services are a call away.”

“I wanted to send our sincere thanks to the officers [**Officer J. Knebel, Officer M. Scislowicz, Detective S. Mandat, Officer T. Westering, Officer M. Reiman, Officer T. Cronin, Commander R. Tannehill, Service Officer B. Muellers**] who went into action so fast yesterday to help us with our son. We are very grateful for your quick response and your concern. Your department is the reason why Elmhurst is such a great and caring community!”



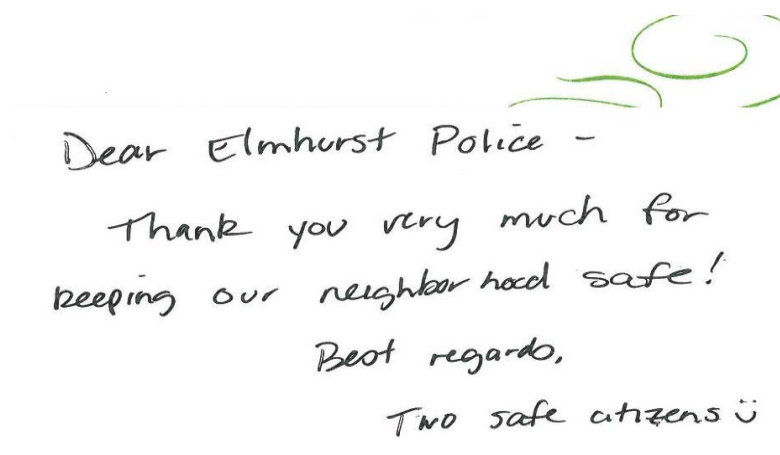
"My family would like to let you know we deeply appreciate the professionalism of **Commander R. Tannehill, Officer M. Reiman, Detective T. Vascik**, and all the police officers of the Elmhurst Police Department who were involved in the investigation of the death of our cousin . . . who lived in Elmhurst for over fifty years and was very supportive of the Elmhurst Police Department."

"Thank you! Thank you! Thank you! For all of your service—it is much appreciated. Thank you for your protection and keeping me and my family safe. You are such a strong force, and I wanted to let you know you are cared for by our family. We appreciate all of your hard work. Thanks for always going above and beyond the call of duty."

Letters regarding Neighborhood Roll Calls:

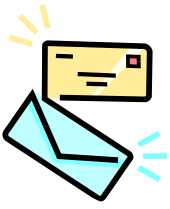
"Thank you for bringing your officers out to meet our neighborhood (Grantley & Walnut) last week. Diesel in particular was a big hit with my son. This 'Role Call' initiative . . . is appreciated. All is well in the neighborhood, keep up the good work."

"Please accept my thanks for the splendid "Roll Call" for the neighbors close to 3rd Street and Elm Avenue. The number of folks who turned out (62!) was a great show of both concern and interest in the neighborhood. Of special note was the presentation of Sergeant Wright, Chief Ruth, and the assistance of Deputy Chief Kveton and the accompanying officers. Come over any time!"

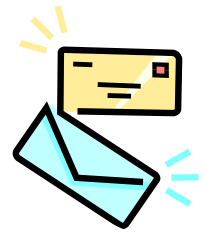


Dear Elmhurst Police -
Thank you very much for
keeping our neighborhood safe!
Best regards,
Two safe citizens ☺





LETTERS FROM OTHER AGENCIES



These are excerpts from letters we received from other Agencies in 2014:

Officer M. Scislowicz: “Members of the NIPAS EST team were requested to respond on June 15, 2014 to a home in our town for a suicidal subject who was searching the residence for his gun to kill himself while his family was present. Incident command put a plan of action in place to resolve the situation, and NIPAS personnel worked in a professional and effective manner that led to the safe removal of the subject’s 7 year-old son, as well as the suicidal subject. Thanks to the efforts of Officer Scislowicz and the NIPAS team members on scene, this potentially deadly incident was resolved in a safe, successful manner.”

Michael E. Hish, Chief of Police, Hoffman Estates

Officer T. Poli: “I would like to thank Officer Poli for his efforts in our recent canine search. His professionalism and attention to detail were greatly appreciated. His handling of the dog and the direction given to the school personnel was critical to a successful search. The result of Officer Poli’s effort has a ripple effect throughout our community by providing a unique service that supports safe schools. Officer Poli and his trusted partner made a difference at our school this week [for] which we are extremely grateful.”

Alex Bitto, Director of Deans, Hinsdale South High School

“On behalf of the Alliance Against Intoxicated Motorists, it is our great pleasure to acknowledge the exceptional DUI enforcement of **Officers D. Bishop, C. Horner, M. McCollum, and N. Waldenmeyer** [for their] life-saving efforts. AAIM conducts its Annual DUI Survey of over 700 Illinois police agencies with funding from the Illinois Department of Transportation, wherein we request your department’s top DUI officers. In response, we ask that you pay tribute to these fine officers as AAIM’s Top Cops, with our congratulations and the presentation of the enclosed award. You have our sincere appreciation and heartfelt thanks for exceptional public service.”

Rita Kreslin, Executive Director – Alliance Against Intoxicated Motorists (AAIM)



Officer B. Kaczorowski: Thank you for your participation in the Fenton High School Career Internship Program . . . the perfect example of the community and school working together to educate students. Thank you for your commitment to our program.”

Virginia Oelslager, Fenton Community High School District 100

Chief Ruth: “On behalf of the Suburban Law Enforcement Academy, I would like to extend our thanks and extreme gratitude for attending our 20th Anniversary celebration . . . and for volunteering to take time out of your busy schedule to help us in the planning for this special event. Your input was invaluable to the success of this celebration. In addition, a much needed thanks for the use of the Elmhurst Police Department Honor Guard. Their professional appearance and decorum was commented on by all who attended. I would also like to thank you from a personal standpoint for your continued support of SLEA as a member of our Advisory Council. Your input as to the direction of SLEA is vital to our success and your advice is greatly appreciated. I look forward to continuing working with you to keep the Suburban Law Enforcement Academy as the premier police training facility. God bless and stay safe.”

Michael G. Casey, Director of College of DuPage SLEA

“I would like to extend my sincere appreciation for the assistance rendered by your officers . . . at the site of an extrication on Spring Road. This was a long and complicated extrication, and we appreciate the professionalism, cooperation and teamwork that was necessary in an incident of this caliber.”

Jeffery Bacidore, Fire Chief, Elmhurst Fire Department



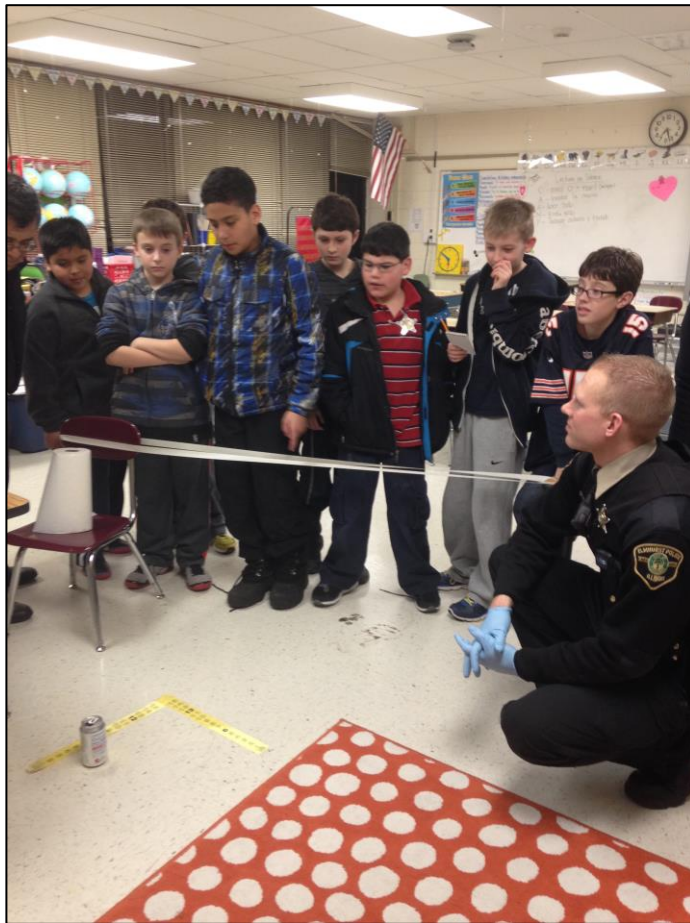
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PHOTO GALLERY



DARE Students Outdoor Education Day at Lowden State Park

On January 17, 2014, Elmhurst DARE students traveled to Lowden State Park in Oregon, IL for a winter outdoor education day with DARE Officer Mike Reiman.



Science Olympiad

A Science Olympiad was held at Conrad Fischer School on Thursday, February 20th, with approximately 40 fourth- and fifth- grade students attending the event. Participating students worked in teams to assess a mock crime scene in a classroom. Students were asked to identify four potential crime scene clues, which included a fingerprint, a footwear impression, hair/trace evidence, and a spilled liquid. Once the students identified the clues, Evidence Technician (ET) Officer Matt McCollum showed them how Police Evidence Technicians collect each type of evidence for submission to the Crime Lab. The students were then given a mock report from the Crime Lab along with a list of suspects from which they attempted to identify the offender.



Elmhurst Police attend the Illinois Police Memorial Services in May 1, 2014



From April 30 to May 01, 2014, members of the Elmhurst Police Department attended the IL Police Memorial services in Springfield, Illinois, which honors law enforcement officers who have given their lives in the performance of their duties. Those attending the services included Deputy Chief Jim Kveton, Officers Tim Jorgensen, John Pacewic, Victor Almaguer and Josh Duffy.



Northern Illinois Police Alarm System (NIPAS) Medal of Valor



On May 21, 2014, Officer Marcin Scislowicz received the Medal of Valor from NIPAS Executive Board Members. This award came from an incident in Arlington Heights the previous December where an Arlington Heights police officer was shot and a woman was held hostage.



Memorial Day Parade and Services

The Elmhurst Police Department Honor Guard was one of the lead units in this year's Memorial Day Parade, held on May 26, 2014. They also presented the 21-gun salute during the service at the Veterans' Memorial in Wilder Park.



Elmhurst Police Explorer Color Guard

The Elmhurst Police Explorers were on hand to present the Color Guard at the Relay for Life in Berens Park on June 6th.



Officer Tim Jorgensen with the 2014 Police Explorers

Industrial Accident on Spring Road



On June 17, 2014, Elmhurst Police responded and assisted the Elmhurst Fire Department with an industrial accident involving a dump truck on the 400 block of south Spring Road. The victim was air lifted to Good Samaritan Hospital.



Elmhurst Railroad Safety and Enforcement Program

In August of 2014, almost 50 Railroad, Government, Law Enforcement, and Media representatives from around the world spent August 8th in Elmhurst to learn about the Elmhurst Railroad Safety and Enforcement Program that is celebrating its 20th year. After suffering 3 fatal railroad-involved collisions in a 12- month period in the early 1990s, Elmhurst has now gone 20 years with only one railroad collision fatality. Participants from China, Brazil, England, Canada, France, Romania, India, Australia, and the U.S. learned the details of the Elmhurst Program and why it has been so successful. They also toured the Union Pacific Railroad Yard and the Elmhurst Train Station. During lunch, our international guests were able to tour the Elmhurst Historical Museum and the Chicago White Sox and Cubs Baseball Exhibit.



CSX Training

Deputy Chief Jim Kveton and Fire Chief Jeffrey Bacidore attended a training class in August in Riverdale, IL at the CSX Transportation-Barr Yard. This unique class was equipped with rolling classrooms and specialized equipment to provide expanded, hands-on safety training to first responders, local fire fighters, and emergency management personnel. It taught how rail cars operate and how to deal with rail way incidents.



Suburban Law Enforcement Academy (SLEA) 20th Anniversary

In October 2014, the Suburban Law Enforcement Academy (SLEA) celebrated its 20th anniversary. Chief Ruth, Deputy Chief Kveton, and other members of the Department attended this celebration. The Elmhurst Police Honor Guard was honored to post and retrieve the colors. Several Elmhurst officers currently teach portions of the police academy's curriculum to new recruits at SLEA.



Officer Colleen Cooney visits with Elmhurst Trick-or-Treaters

Halloween Events

On Saturday, October 25th, the Elmhurst Police Department participated in the City Centre's "Bootiful Saturday" and Emmanuel Lutheran School's "Trunk or Treat." In the City Centre, Officers McCollum and Carney handed out department magnets, pencils and stickers, while the Front Desk personnel greeted children trick or treating with candy. At "Trunk or Treat," Officer Jorgensen met with over 200 children and also handed out department magnets, pencils and stickers. Officers were well received at both events.



Citizen's Police Academy Graduation—November 21, 2014



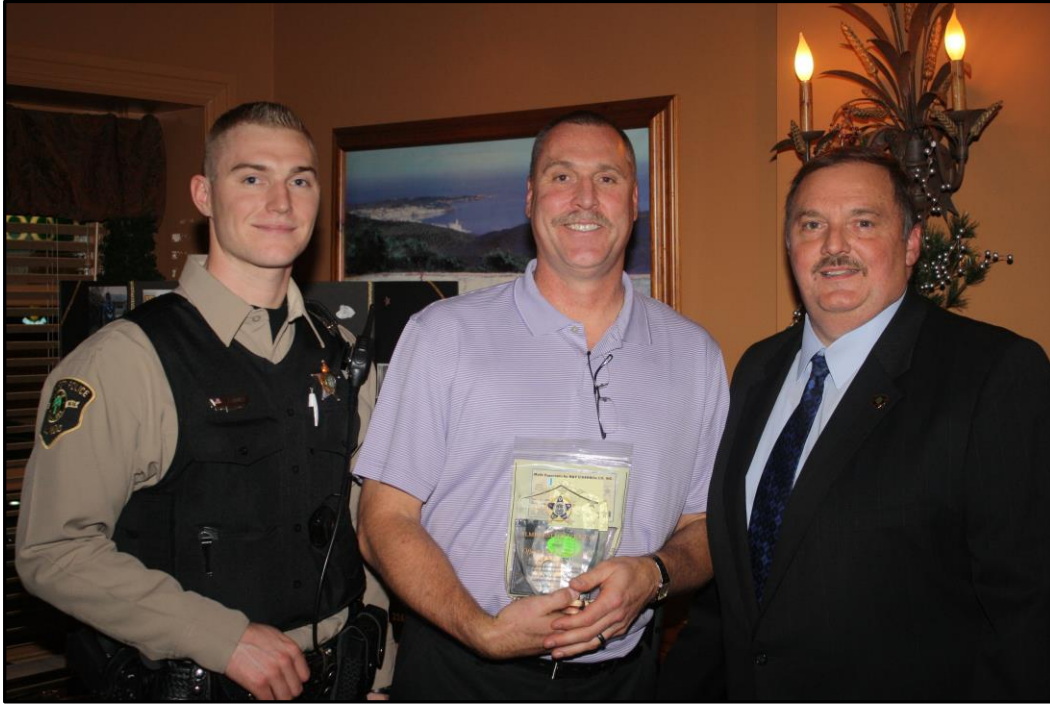
Graduates of the 17th session of the Elmhurst Police Department Citizen's Police Academy.

K-9 UNIT ATTENDS D.A.R.E.

The K-9 Unit of the Elmhurst Police Department, Officer Tony Poli and his partner, Diesel, visited the D.A.R.E. class at Jefferson school on December 5, 2014 for a demonstration.



**Retirement Party for Detective Paul Carney and
Officers Rick Moulis and Brad Wilcoxon
November 13, 2014**



Detective Paul Carney, with son, Officer Zach Carney, accepting his retirement award from Chief Ruth.



Officer Rick Moulis accepts his retirement award from Officer Tony Poli



TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY

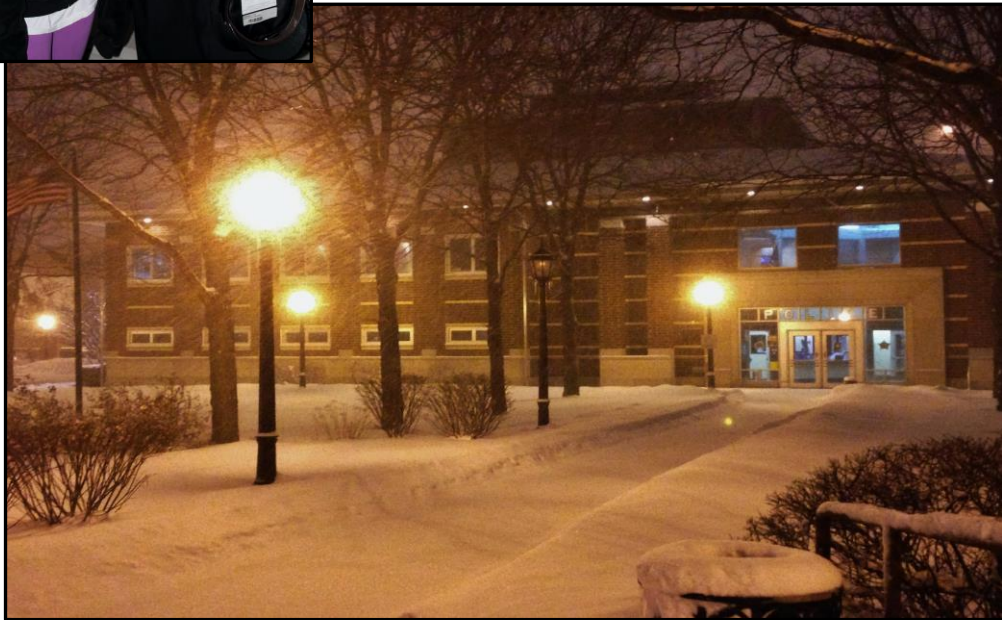
Members of the Elmhurst Police Department joined Santa and Mrs. Claus at the annual Tree Lightings, Friday, November 28th at Spring Rd. and Saturday, November 29th in downtown Elmhurst.



A Final Look...







In Memoriam

We said goodbye in 2014 to retired Police Chief William Payne, who served as the Elmhurst Chief of Police from 1968 to 1978 after 30 years of service with the Chicago Police Department. Chief Payne was 103 years old at the time of his death on June 18th.



A letter from the family

"Chief Ruth, Dad did outlive his peers, but he did not outlive the "brotherhood." For that we wish to thank you. Providing support for a person after death is an honorable thing to do, but you and your Deputy Chiefs provided support while dad was still alive; that takes special types of people in a special organization. We will all be on the receiving end of a funeral ceremony someday, but we will not all be provided the dignity the Elmhurst Police Honor Guard provided to Dad."

Tom Payne, son of Chief William Payne

