



ANNUAL REPORT 2024

PARK RIDGE POLICE DEPARTMENT

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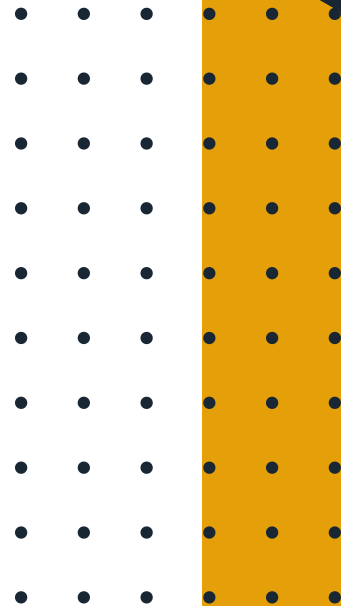




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Mission and Value Statement

The Park Ridge Police Department serving by honoring our oath to the community through professionalism, respect, pride, and dedication.



CHIEF'S MESSAGE



To the City Council and City Residents,

The Park Ridge Police Department is comprised of a group of dedicated, qualified, and enthusiastic, women and men. I have served the City of Park Ridge for almost 31 years, and I consider it an honor to be the Chief of Police and have the opportunity to work with this team every day. During this past year our staff has done a tremendous job with our recruitment efforts for all positions within the department. We hired nine police officers, two were lateral transfer officers, and the other seven were new hire police officers. The amount of time and effort that has gone into recruitment, the hiring process, and training of all these new officers shows the desire of our staff to improve our workforce and make it a great place to work. Throughout the year other positions have had vacancies that have since been filled. The culture in the police department is one of teamwork and training for our young workforce. Each one of our employees gives every effort to improve the way that we provide service to our community. We will continue to focus on our employees and showing our appreciation to them for the outstanding work that they do. In turn we ask our employees to focus their knowledge, skills, and abilities, to help improve the way that they perform their job and service to the community.

The department continues to be committed to collaborating with other departments within the City of Park Ridge. The Police and Fire Department bond and relationship is as strong as I have seen it. Chief Sorensen and his staff have worked hard to bring our departments closer than ever, and our cooperative training and meetings are a welcome change to our team culture. We have improved our work efficiency with Public Works and collaborate with them to provide a safer environment out on the streets and at special events. We have also worked closely with and become more involved in matters with our Human Resources and Administration Department, Finance Department, Community Preservation and Development Department, and the Park Ridge Library. I am pleased that our relationships are getting stronger by the day, and this is all part of our commitment to all in the City of Park Ridge.

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Our teamwork focus extends beyond just the City departments. We continue to work hard with community partners in our schools. District 207 staff at both Maine East and Maine South, District 64 staff, and our private school staff all work together with our members and are part of our daily efforts to provide a safe and healthy environment for all our students, and families. Advocate Lutheran General Hospital's Public Safety Department works closely with us and includes us in training and safety meetings. We continue to advance our partnerships with other Local, Federal, and State, agencies including the FBI, Chicago Police Department, Cook County Sheriff's Police, ILEAS, Illinois State Police, and the Metra Police, just to name a few. Through these partnerships we strengthen our knowledge and experience with combating the criminal element in the community. Our teams look at crime trends and patterns and we try to focus our attention to certain areas of town. We have included extra patrols, directed activity, selective traffic enforcements, IDOT traffic grant enforcements, and worked with the Park District to focus on these issues throughout the city.

Throughout the year you have seen our Police Officers and other staff at many public events. We have been committed to community engagement and continue focusing on special events and providing safety at these events. We host events such as Senior Breakfast, Coffee with the Cops, National Night Out, Drug Take Back, Toy's for Tots, Holiday Drive by at Advocate Lutheran General Hospital, Citizen Police Academy, and Police Department Tours for groups of youths. We also participate in many other public events hosted by the Park District, the Park Ridge Chamber of Commerce, District 64 and District 207, Park Ridge Stroll, and many other community groups.

We look forward to continued success and growth within the community with the members of our Police Department. We plan on continuous training and looking into technology advances to prepare our officers to provide the best possible service to all that live, work, and visit the City of Park Ridge. The Park Ridge Police Department serves by honoring our oath to the community through, Professionalism, Respect, Pride, and Dedication.

Respectfully,

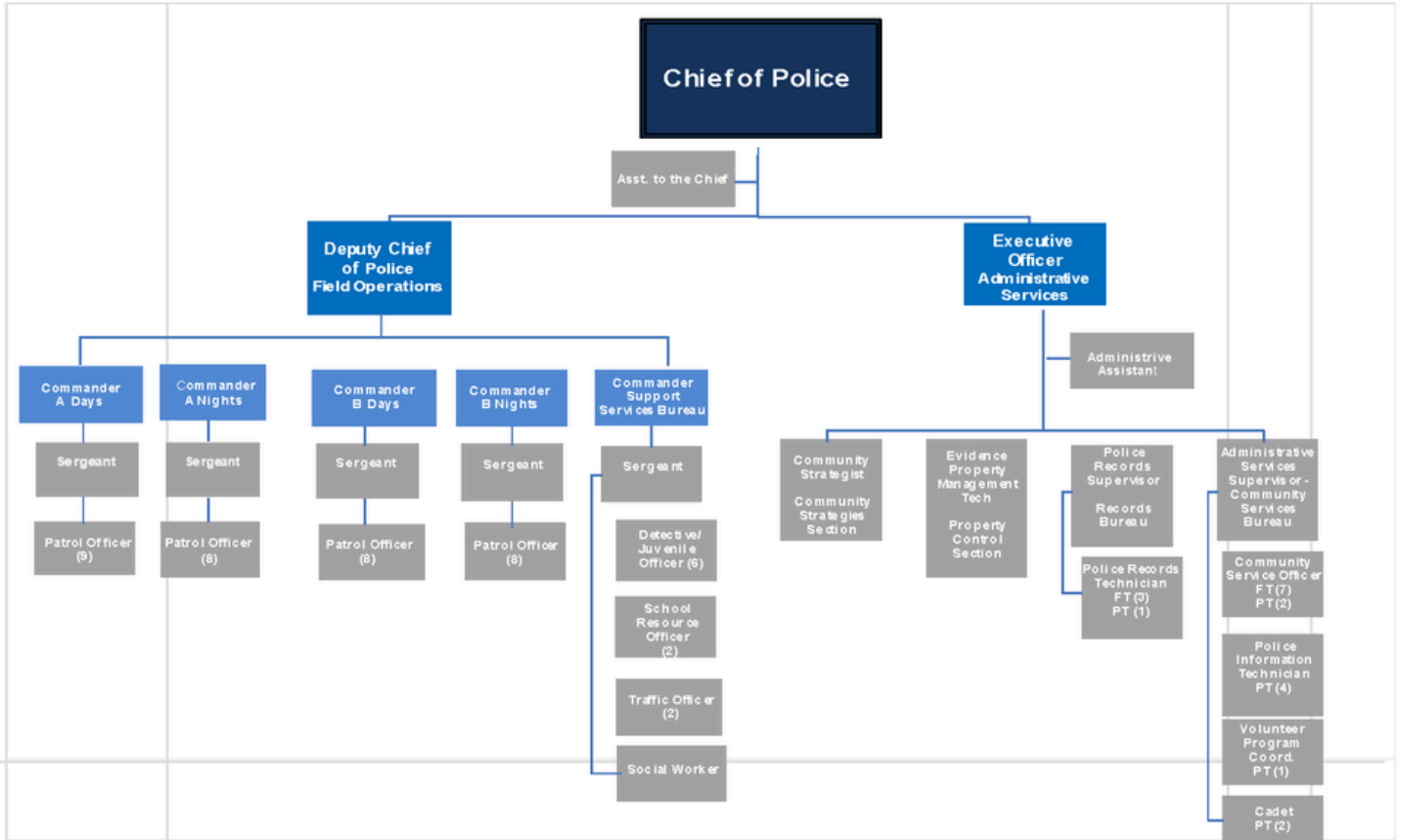
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Police Chief Bob Kampwirth



POLICE OPERATIONS

Organizational Chart





2024 DEPARTMENT RETIREES



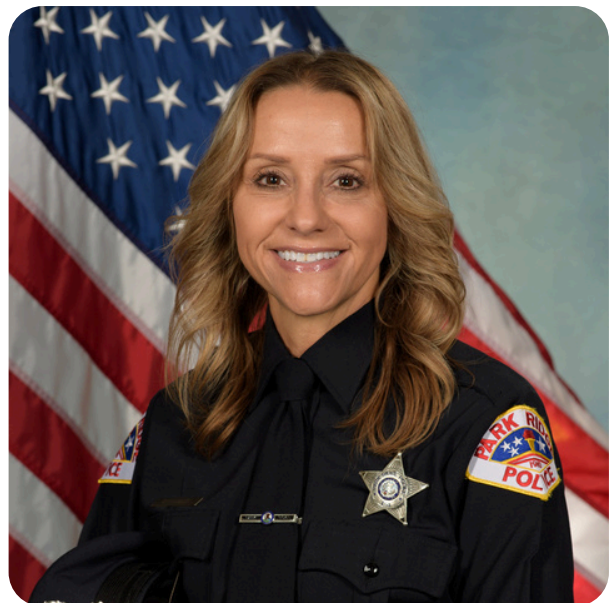
Officer Jeff Koller



Officer Jason Doucet



Commander Mike Luehr



Officer Julie Genualdi



Sergeant Eric Hilderbrant



Officer Lenny Garcia



WELCOME NEW PARK RIDGE OFFICERS



Officer Jaime Cajigas



Officer Jace Koerner



OFC. MULLANY, HASAN, DOROZ, ZYGULA



OFC. URSINO, CAPUTO, KERNAN



DEPARTMENT RECOGNITION

Certificates of Recognition

A total of 12 letters of Recognition and Department Commendations were awarded in 2024 from the Chief of Police to staff.

Complimentary Letters and Certificates

In 2024, the Department received approximately 56 complimentary letters and certificates of appreciation for their hard work and professional efforts. These included personal letters from residents, letters from other agencies, certificates of appreciation from the Alliance Against Intoxicated Motorist, (AAIM) for DUI enforcement and the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) for the Public Safety Enforcement Grant.

Volunteer Appreciation Dinner

This annual event took place on February 8, 2024. Volunteers were honored for their dedication to volunteer service for the City. In 2024, 1,128 hours of service were provided to the City by our volunteers. Thank you for your service and dedication to the City!





Beat Team Leader Program (BTL)

In 2024 Beat Team Leader assignments included a wide range of responsibilities, ensuring that all areas of concern were addressed. BTLs worked with local schools to ensure traffic safety, supported school lockdown drills, and played a critical role in community outreach programs. Their involvement at events such as National Night Out and Taste of Park Ridge allowed for positive interactions between law enforcement and the community, strengthening trust and building relationships. Through their efforts in locating suspects, addressing community concerns, and preventing criminal activity, BTLs proved to be essential in maintaining a strong and responsive police presence in their designated areas. Their collaboration with Community Strategies, Investigations, Management, and Patrol not only helped address youth-related issues but also ensured that the department was prepared to respond swiftly and effectively to any ongoing concerns in the community. The positive results of these collaborative efforts are a testament to the strength of teamwork and the dedication of the BTLs to serving their community.

A notable addition to the program in 2024 was the creation and implementation of the BTL Action Plan Reports. This new form was designed to enhance the effectiveness of Beat Team Leaders (BTLs) in addressing community complaints and ensuring a more coordinated, consistent police response across all four patrol shifts. The report provided an organized and detailed method for BTLs to communicate and establish a clear framework for addressing ongoing issues and complaints within the community.

The BTL Action Plan Report allowed BTLs to document specific complaints, assess the situation, and develop a strategic response plan. By utilizing this form, the BTLs ensured that all personnel involved in addressing the complaint were on the same page and could respond effectively, regardless of their shift. This system improved consistency, streamlined communication, and helped the department respond to community concerns more efficiently.

With this new initiative, the department not only improved internal coordination but also strengthened its commitment to addressing community issues in a proactive and organized manner. The implementation of these reports helped ensure that the BTLs could manage complaints effectively and in a way that maximized the department's overall impact.

Beat Assignments Included:

- Assisting schools with traffic safety issues
- Assisting with elementary school lock down drills
- Appearances at school events
- Assisting LGH with their new changes in Public Safety
- Assisting the businesses in Uptown with Juvenile Problems
- Assisting Community Strategies with Senior Breakfast when requested
- Addressing ongoing juvenile problems with residences such as eggings, ding dong ditching, etc.
- Ongoing neighbor disputes
- Juvenile Issues at the community parks



Kiwanis Public Safety Awards

On May 15, 2024 officers, staff, volunteers, family, and friends gathered to honor members of the Park Ridge Police Department during the annual Park Ridge Kiwanis Public Safety Awards.

The Kiwanis Public Safety Awards celebrates officers, staff, and volunteers that have gone above and beyond the call of duty for the Park Ridge community.



The following staff were recognized:

2023 Volunteer of the year - **Elizabeth Ryles**

2023 Employee of the year - **Richard Schipp**

2023 Officers of the year - **Micheal FitzGerald & Leonardo Garcia**





DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS

SOCIAL MEDIA

The Park Ridge Police Department leverages social media to connect with the community, share important updates, and promote public safety initiatives. From crime prevention tips to showcasing community engagement events, their platforms keep residents informed and engaged.

Over the past year, the department has seen a significant increase in followers and engagement, reflecting the growing trust and interest of the community in staying connected through digital channels.

Content included:

- End of Watch honoring fallen officers
- Difference between Weather Watch & Warnings
- Student Ride Alongs
- Scout Troop Tours PD Station
- Press Releases
- State Grant Information
- 9:00 PM Routine
- Lost Dogs
- Traffic Alerts
- Scam preventions/warnings
- Now Hiring/recruitment
- Holiday Posts
- Community Donations
- Citizen Police Academy
- Welcoming New Officers
- Community Event promotion

FOLLOWERS

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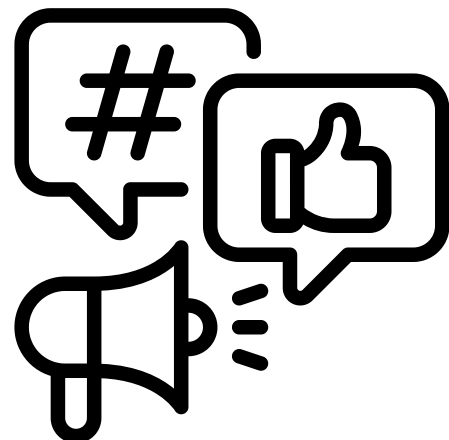
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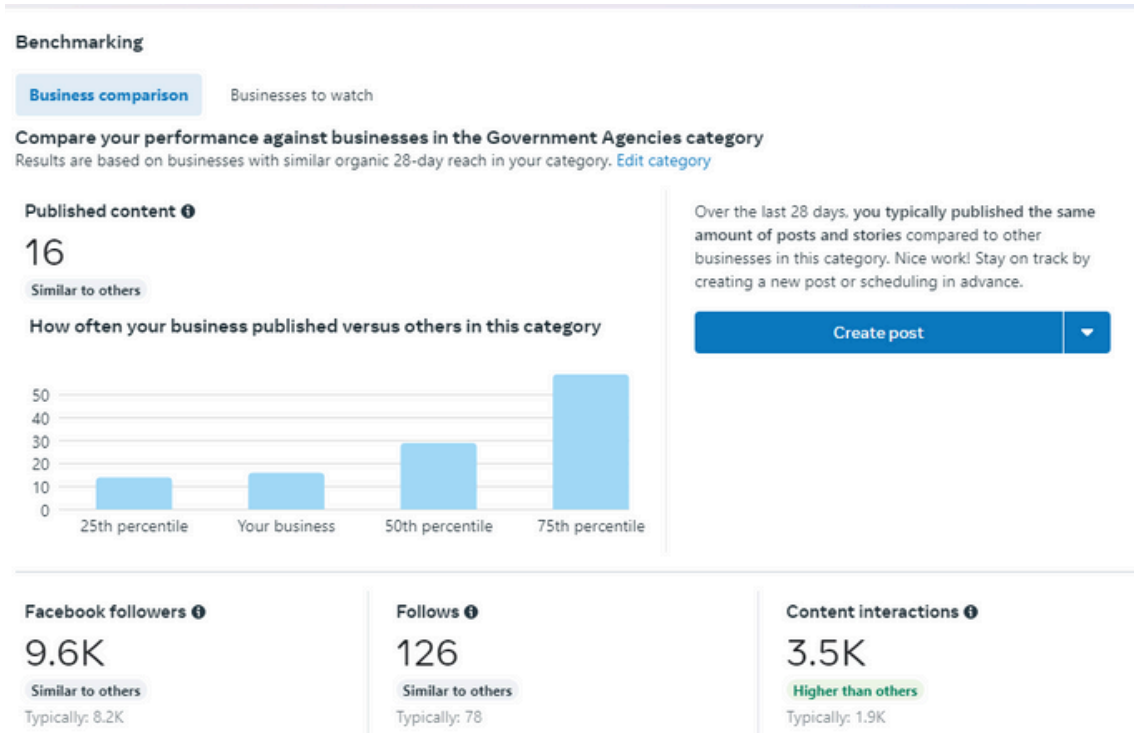
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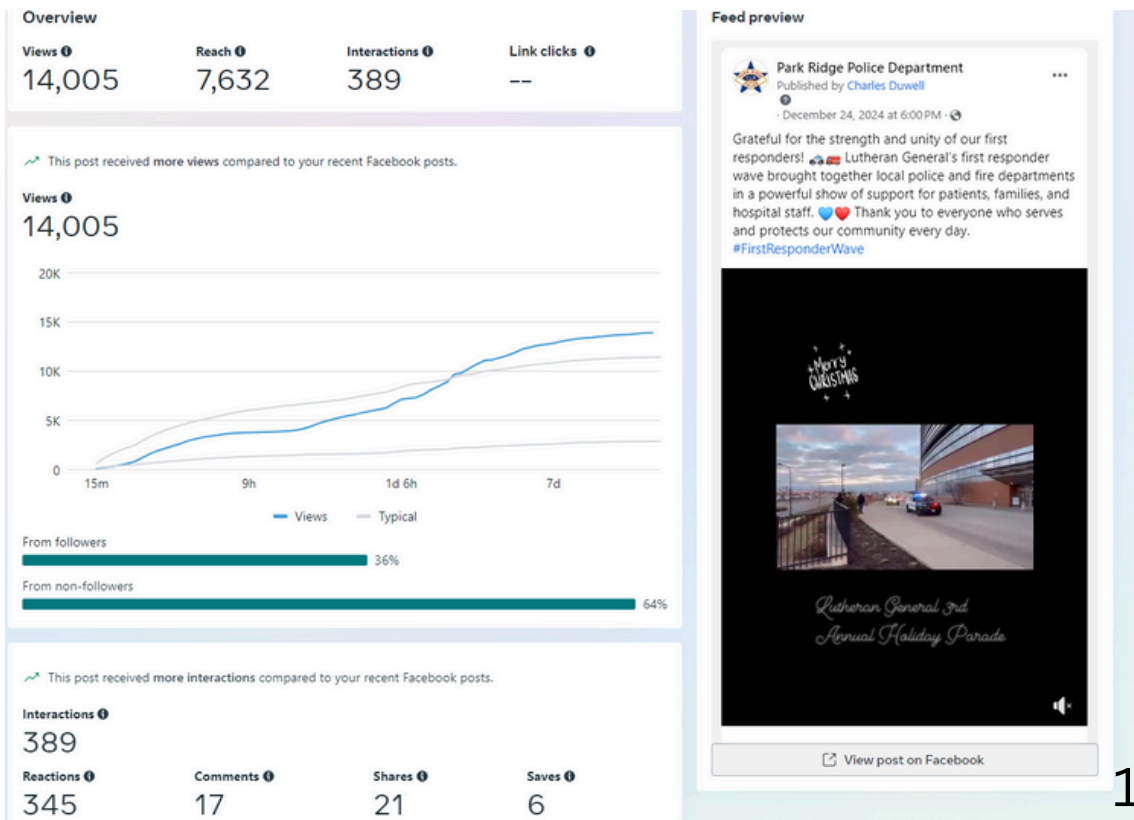


ANALYTICS

Facebook Benchmarking: Comparing our performance against other government agencies.



Most interacted post of 2024: Holiday Wave at LGH on Christmas Eve.





COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

The Park Ridge Police Department takes pride in hosting community events that strengthen the bond between officers and residents. From Coffee with a Cop to Citizen Police Academy, to seasonal outreach programs, these events foster trust, promote open communication, and create a shared sense of community.

2024 Community Events included:

- Advocate Lutheran General Hospital Parade and Wave for Children's Hospital
- Toys for Tots Toy Drive and Collection
- Winterfest
- Student Ride to Schools
- Scout Troop Tours PD Station
- Citizen Police Academy
- Stuff the Squad
- Red Ribbon Week
- DEA Prescription Drug Take Back
- Trunk or Treat Events
- Cop on a Rooftop
- Torch Run for Special Olympics
- Maine South Special Olympics Banner Raising Ceremony
- 9/11 Memorial Ceremony
- Monthly Senior Breakfast
- National Night Out
- Police Memorial Event
- Car Shows
- Taste of Park Ridge
- Health Commision Fair
- Senior Health Fair
- Honor Flight to Washington D.C
- Volunteer Appreciation Dinner
- Community BEAT Team Meetings





COMMUNITY EVENTS

SPECIAL OLYMPICS ILLINOIS

The Park Ridge Police Department is proud to support Special Olympics Illinois through various events and fundraisers throughout the year.

In 2024, our officers participated in the Banner Raising Ceremony at Maine South High School, celebrating the school's commitment to inclusion and Special Olympics athletes. We also took part in the Cop on a Rooftop event at Dunkin Donuts, where officers engaged with the community while collecting over \$4,000 in donations.

Additionally, our team joined the Law Enforcement Torch Run, carrying the Flame of Hope to support inclusion and opportunities for Special Olympics athletes. These events not only help raise crucial funds but also strengthen the bond between our department and the community we serve.

Thank you to everyone who contributed and made these efforts a success!





RETURN OF CITIZEN POLICE ACADEMY

The Citizens Police Academy was an eight (8) week program designed to give participants an understanding of the operation of the Park Ridge Police Department and a working knowledge of what law enforcement does on the job.

The academy classes were held Tuesday evenings and were approximately 2 hours in duration. Classes were limited to 20 students.

Topics covered included:

- Investigation Strategies
- Traffic Stops/Scenarios
- Simulator Situation at Oakton Community College
- Specialized Equipment
- Cook County Dispatch Tour
- Drone Demonstration





TOYS FOR TOTS

This past holiday season, the Park Ridge Police Department was honored to spread cheer through several initiatives. We proudly participated in the Toys for Tots program, collecting donations from our generous community to ensure every child could experience the joy of the season.

Our annual Toy Drive further supported local families, providing gifts to those in need.

Additionally, our officers and surrounding departments took part in the Holiday Wave at Lutheran General Hospital on Christmas Eve, first responders joined forces to bring smiles to young patients and their families.

These efforts reflect our commitment to giving back and making the holidays a little brighter for those who need it most.





HONOR GUARD

A goal of the Park Ridge Honor Guard is to present the colors at a sports team event at least once a year. The hope is to represent our police department in a good light and build camaraderie amongst our department members.

In 2024, the honor guard participated in these activities:

- Police Memorial
- Unified Champion School National Banner Ceremony at Maine South High School
- Norwegian Day Parade
- Memorial Day Parade
- September 11th Memorial





SOCIAL WORKER - GERI SILIC, LCSW, CCTP

For the year 2024, the social worker provided services to residents on approximately 410 case referrals, assisting over 325 residents and their families. Cases were referred to the social worker by the Police Department, Fire Department, other city departments, outside agencies and self-initiated walk-in residents seeking assistance. The social worker received approximately 140 referrals to assist residents in need of services related to domestic related crimes and concerns such as domestic violence disturbances, domestic battery, harassment and violating orders of protection. The social worker received approximately 40 cases related to the needs of juveniles such as those struggling with mental health needs, child abuse/neglect concerns, family issues, delinquency, or substance abuse. She assisted approximately 78 residents identified as elderly and in need of assistance. The social worker received approximately 74 referrals to assist residents with mental health and or substance abuse calls for service. She assisted with referrals related to residents or victims of violent crime such as battery, criminal damage to property, sex crimes, Stalking No Contact Orders, and other violent crimes approximately 24 times. Additionally, the social worker assisted with over 54 client referrals for miscellaneous non-violent calls such as landlord/tenant disputes, neighbor disputes, citizen assist, sudden loss, indigent and other community referrals that were not crime related.

The social worker, who is also a Illinois Violent Crime advocate, provided victim witness advocacy services to all victims of violent crime, including domestic violence, and acted as an advocate and supported for individuals/survivors and their families by providing assistance with the criminal justice system process, orders of protection education, safety planning, transportation assistance and all other advocate responsibilities as identified and required by the Illinois Attorney General’s office. Services also included crisis response, information and referrals; follow up calls, death notification, office visits and home visits, as needed.



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In 2024, the police social worker continued to lead the Opioid Advisory Group (soon to be named the Park Ridge Police Department Opioid Awareness Team). The group met approximately 4 times this year and consists of local agencies providing behavioral health and substance misuse treatment to the community. The goal of the group is to share information and education regarding opioid addiction and to build a trusting relationship between persons struggling with addiction and law enforcement. Coordinated annual events include: the National DEA Prescription Drug Take Back event (bi yearly), Park Ridge Health Fair and National Night Out. In 2024, the social worker began researching, locating and working with police supervisors in regards to Opioid Settlement funds.

She continues to collaborate with local agencies, hospitals, and service providers by networking and attending professional development events such as : Park Ridge Ministerial Association meetings, Cook County Skokie Court Operations Meetings, Multi-Police and Community Human Service meetings. She maintains the Park Ridge Police Church funds and oversees the distribution of emergency assistance along with the administrative and financial responsibilities of managing the account. She continues to complete an annual Crisis Intervention Training review and is available to offer department trainings on topics related to CIT, domestic violence, and the role of social services in the police department. She is included in the police training program and spends a day with each new officer to provide them education and training on police social services to help acclimate them to the role of the social worker. She is available 24/7 for crisis response and consultation with law enforcement and participates as a member of the Peer Support Team. She helps coordinate trainings offered to law enforcement officers related to Police wellness.

As the President of Association of Police Social Services, she continues to lead over 90 surrounding police social workers from Kane, Will, Cook, Dupage, McHenry, Montgomery and Cook County. In the year 2024, she was instrumental in organizing a community event for over 120 surrounding professionals offering mandated CEU's needed for licensure renewal. The event was a fiscal accomplishment for the APSS as it was the first ever held event helping secure funds needed for future professional development and visibility. She will continue to represent Park Ridge with professionalism and leadership through 2025.

In 2024, she was invited as a returning counselor to participate in the National C.O.P./KID program hosted in Washington D.C during National Police week. Of the 20 counselors who participate in this role, only 4 social workers from Illinois police departments are invited. Being available to offer consistent attendance year after year has maximized her role for this national program by allowing her the ability support the children of fallen officers and providing them with emotional support, group activities and encouragement to make new friends from across the country who are also in the blue line family. In addition to her dependability in the KIDS program, in 2024 she was invited to begin working with the parents of fallen officers by attending a COPS adult retreat where she provided clinical assistance on their weekend retreat. She will continue to represent Park Ridge social services with integrity and dedication in the upcoming years.



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VOLUNTEER SUPPORT

The Park Ridge Citizen Corps Council is a collaboration of City departments and community stakeholders. In 2024, the Citizen Corps Council operated with 26 volunteers for 1,135 service hours volunteered to the City of Park Ridge. The Park Ridge Citizen Corp Council includes the Park Ridge Citizen Patrol and the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT).

An estimated savings related to City salaries calculated is as follows: Total year to date hours of 1,135 X Volunteer Hourly rate 28.50 = Total annual salaries saved by the city \$32,347.50.

The Park Ridge Citizens Patrol is a not-for-profit, community-based volunteer organization that consists of 15 active members. Started in 1979, the original goal of the group was to aid in crime prevention by patrolling the community for the purpose of observing and reporting suspicious activity and potentially dangerous situations. This goal was expanded over the years and the group now also helps to maintain the safety and security of our city by supporting other city organizations with their events, as needed, in the form of crowd control. Members of the Citizens Patrol donate their time by patrolling the community during evening hours. In addition, the Citizens Patrol continues to assist and support the Park Ridge Police Department and the City with activities and events. In 2024, Citizens Patrol provided a total of 894 hours of service.

The Park Ridge Community Emergency Response Team (PRCERT) program consists of 11 volunteers with specialized training in traffic control, severe weather assessment, disaster response and assessment skills, fire safety, light search and rescue, team organization, and disaster medical operations. PRCERT participates in specialized groups/units including: the Com Ed Joint Operations Center (Com Ed JOC), an Illinois Search and Rescue Council (ISARC), certified Search and Rescue (SAR) unit, and a Trailer Deployment Group. In 2024, PRCERT provided a total of 241 hours of service.



CRIME DATA

2023 Transition to NIBRS from UCR

The UCR Program utilized by Illinois law enforcement agencies to report crime data to the Illinois State Police transitioned January 1, 2021, to the Federal National Incident Based Reporting System, commonly referred to as NIBRS. NIBRS entails the collection of 58 data elements for each of 52 Offense classifications as opposed to the summary of only 10 Part I offenses collected by the UCR program in 2022. The Park Ridge Police Department assisted Clarity, our RMS provider, and achieved certification from NIBRS to start reporting January 1, 2023.

How does this affect our crime numbers? There will be a perception of an increase in crime, as all crime offenses (up to 10) in a single incident will be counted, however it will mostly be a result of a more detailed breakdown of all crimes, rather than the most serious offense. For example, if we have a home invasion, where the homeowner receives an aggravated battery and their vehicle is taken, under the former UCR system, there was a hierarchy rule in place wherein we would report only one crime, the most serious which is the Home Invasion, as a Burglary. Under the NIBRS system, we would report three crimes to include a Burglary, an Aggravated Battery and a Motor Vehicle Theft. It is important to understand that increases to crime numbers are largely in part due to the reporting method rather than an actual change in crime or failing police strategies.

The FBI performed an analysis of the effects of the removal of the Hierarchy Rule under UCR summary reporting and found the following:

- Rape: No effect
- Robbery: Increased 0.6 percent
- Aggravated Assault: Increased 0.6 percent
- Burglary: Increased 1.0 percent
- Larceny: Increased 2.6 percent
- Motor Vehicle Theft: Increased 2.7 percent
- Total SRS Offenses: Increased 2.1 percent
- Incidents that involved multiple offenses: 10.6 percent of all reported incidents

NIBRS implementation provides more meaningful national crime data that will enhance law enforcement’s ability to recognize the resources needed to deter crime and allow for the most efficient and effective response to important issues in society today.



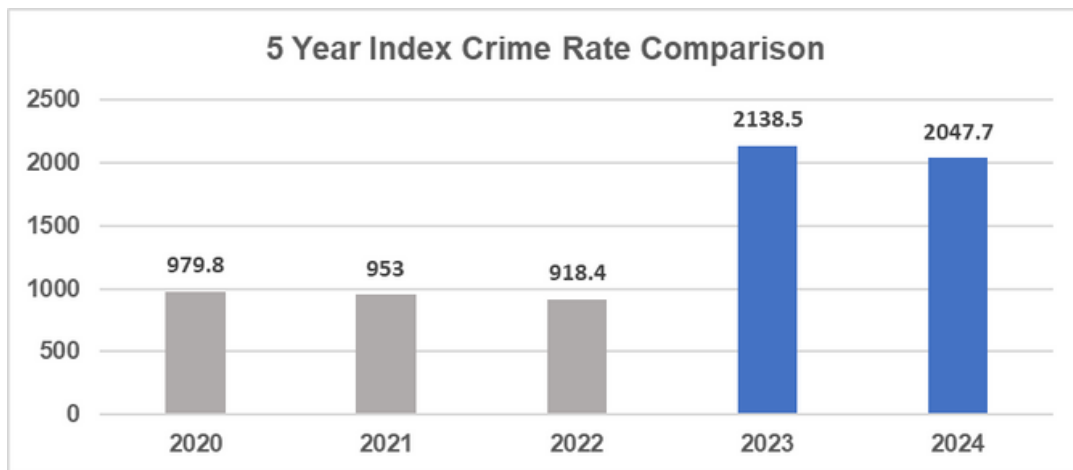
INDEX CRIME OFFENSE RATE

The Index Crime Rate indicates the prevalence of crime occurring across a given population. It is generally defined as the total number of index crimes per 100,000 inhabitants and is calculated as follows:

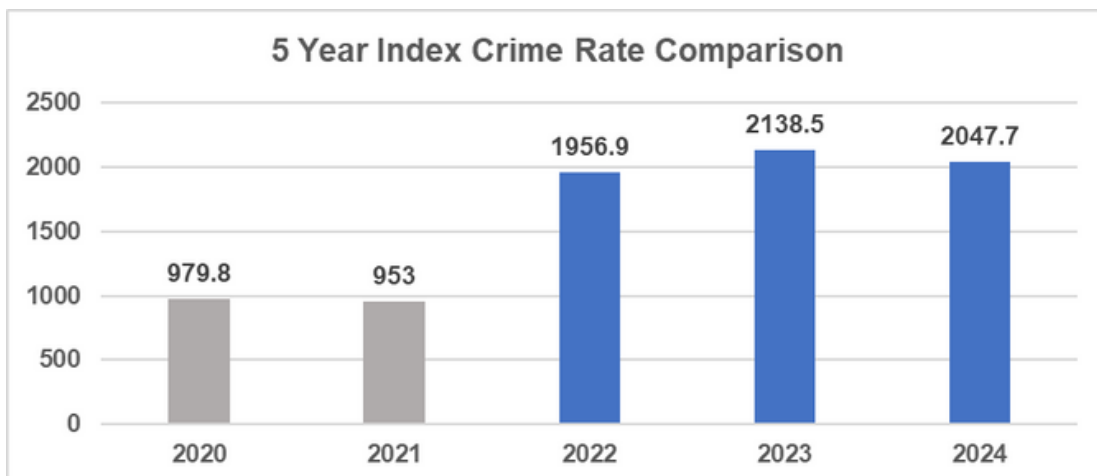
$$\frac{\text{Crime Index Count} \times 100,000}{\text{Jurisdictional Population}} = \text{Crime Rate}$$

The Percent Change indicates the increase or decrease of the volume of data represented

$$\frac{\text{Current Figure} - \text{Previous Figure}}{\text{Previous Figure}} \times 100 = \text{Percent Change}$$

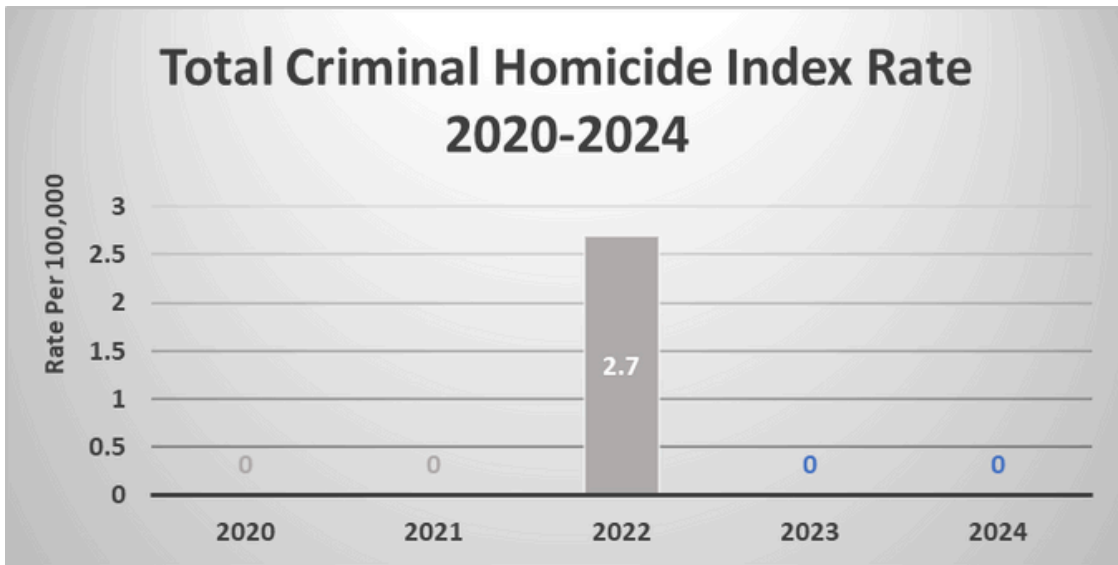


The above comparison appears that the 2023 Index Crime Rate is significantly higher than the 2022 Index Crime Rate. In previous years, Index Crimes were categorized into Violent Crimes and Property Crimes and used the hierarchy rule, reporting only one crime per incident. In 2023, to be NIBRS compliant, Park Ridge reported Group A Offenses, which included all offenses for each incident involving Crimes Against Persons, Crimes Against Property, and Crimes Against Society. The chart below shows a comparison if 2022 crimes were converted to NIBRS guidelines. The total Group A offenses decreased in 2024 by 4.24% from 2023.

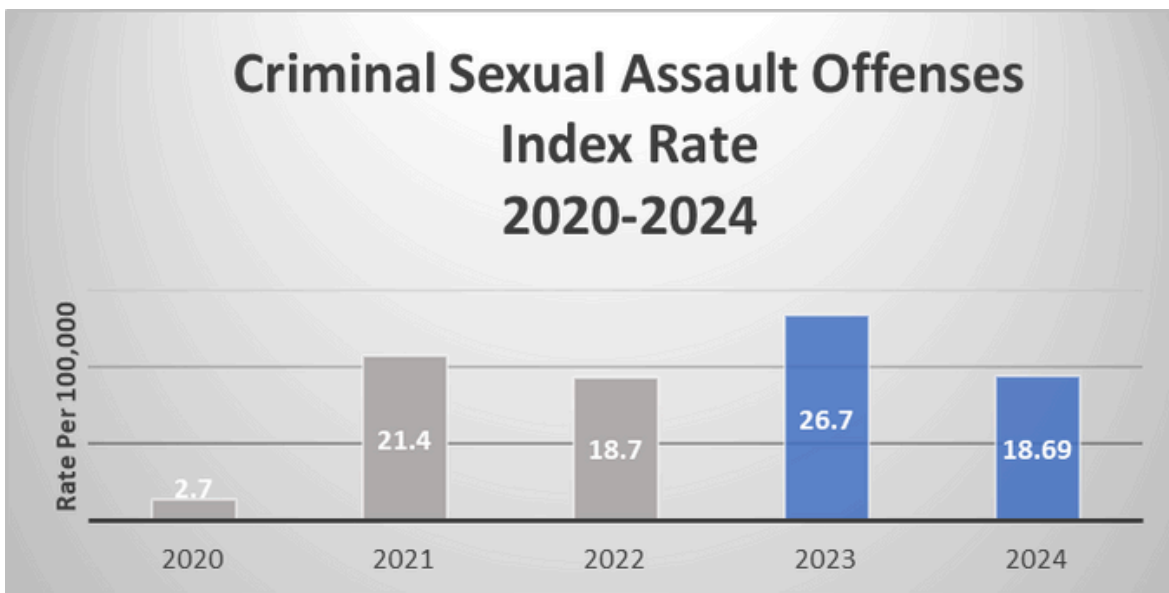


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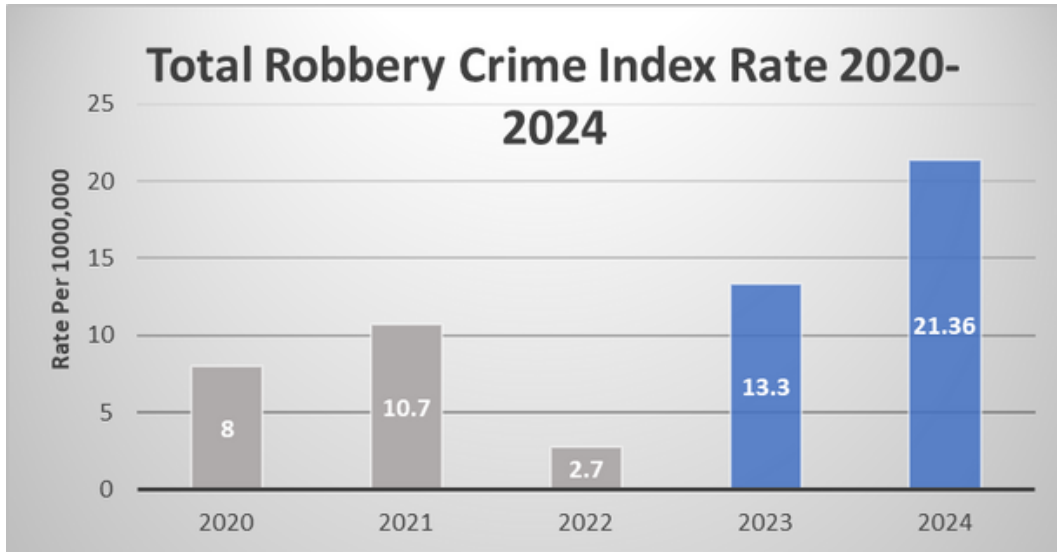
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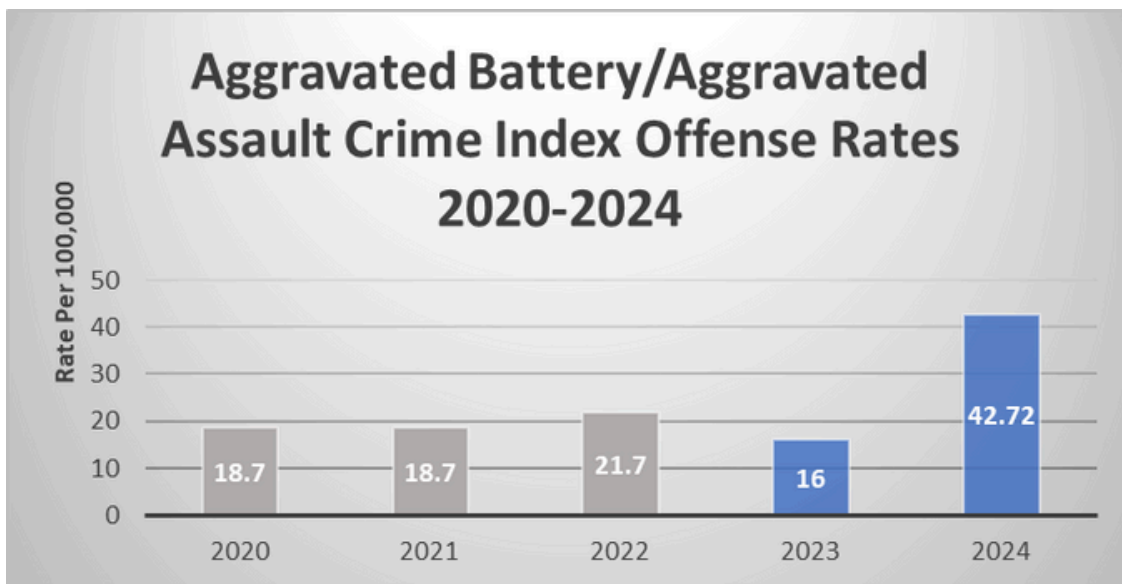
The Criminal Homicide Index Crime Rate remained unchanged in 2024 from 2023. There were no Homicides in 2024.



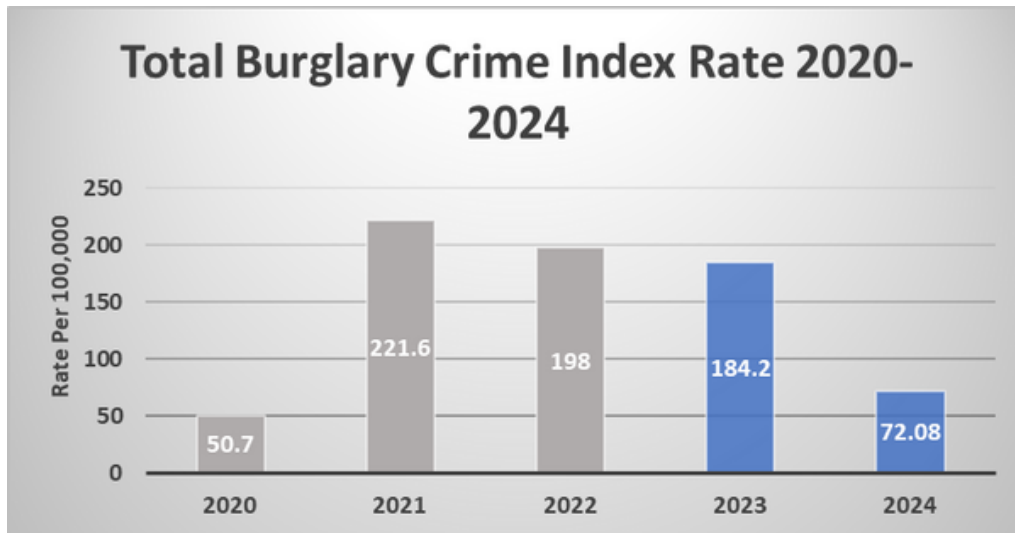
The Index Crime Offense Rate for Criminal Sexual Assault Crimes decreased by 30 % in 2024 compared to 2023 and included thirteen offenses. Three cases were classified as suspended pending new leads. One case was exceptionally cleared and closed as the victim refused to cooperate with the investigation. Three other cases were investigated but, due to the lack of corroborating evidence, were classified as unfounded. In addition, six reports were prepared documenting incidents that didn't occur in Park Ridge.



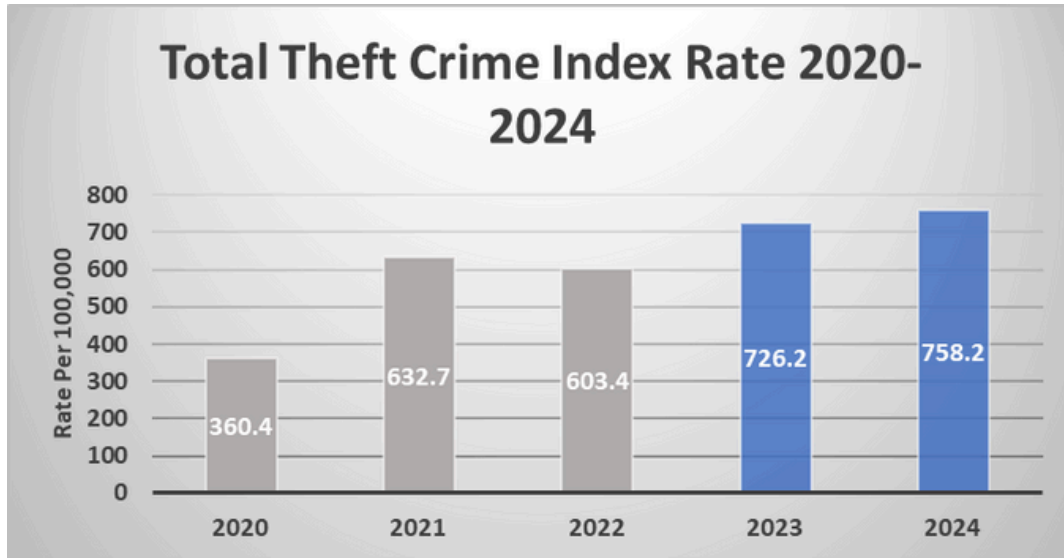
The Robbery Index Crime Rate increased by 60.6% in 2024 from 2023. There were eight offenses in 2024 compared to five in 2023. Of those Robberies, six were armed, and two involved vehicular hijackings. The clearance rate for Robbery Crimes was 25% in 2024. Two were cleared by arrest, including a bank Robbery which was turned over to the FBI.



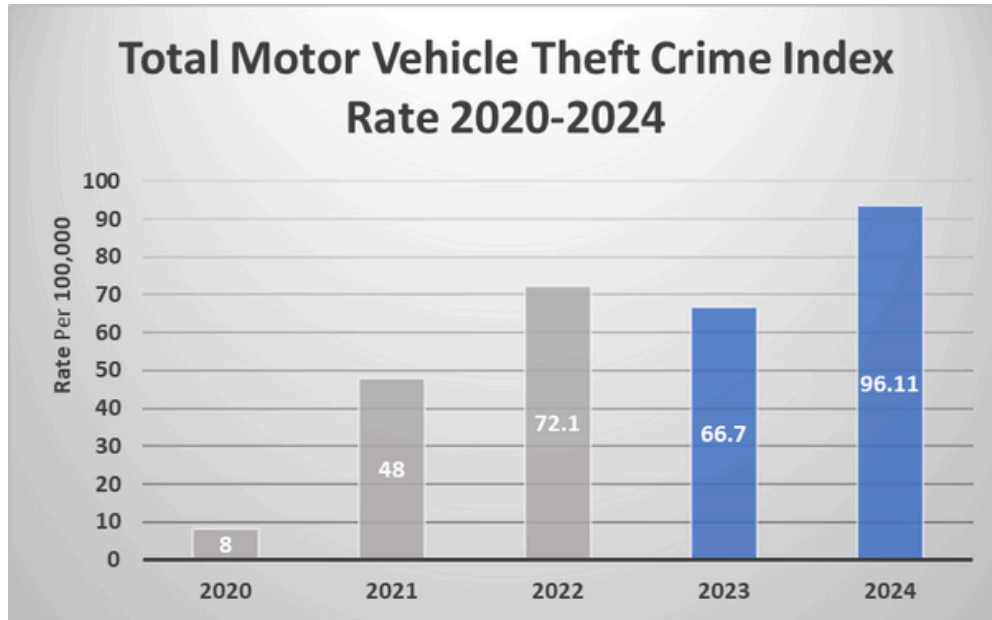
The Aggravated Battery/Aggravated Assault Crime Index Rate increased by 166.67% in 2024 from 2023. There were sixteen offenses in 2024 compared to six in 2023. There was an 87.5% clearance rate for Aggravated Battery/Aggravated Assault Crimes in 2024. Of the sixteen offenses, 13 were cleared by arrest, one was cleared due to the victim refusing to cooperate, and two are suspended pending further leads.



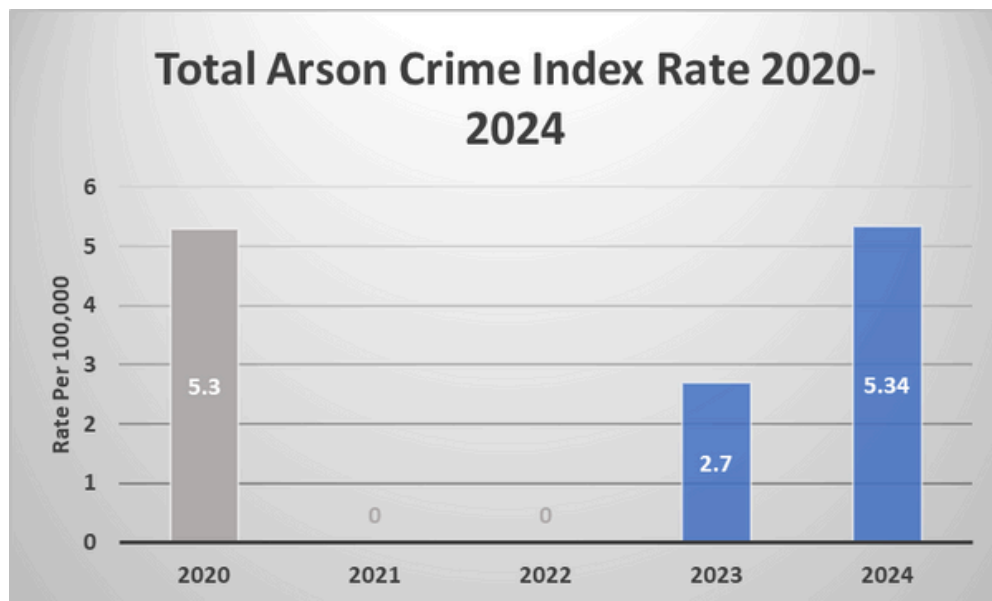
The Burglary Crime Index Rate decreased by 60.87% in 2024 with 27 Burglaries compared to 69 Burglaries in 2023. Of the 27 Burglaries, 15 were residential and 12 were businesses.



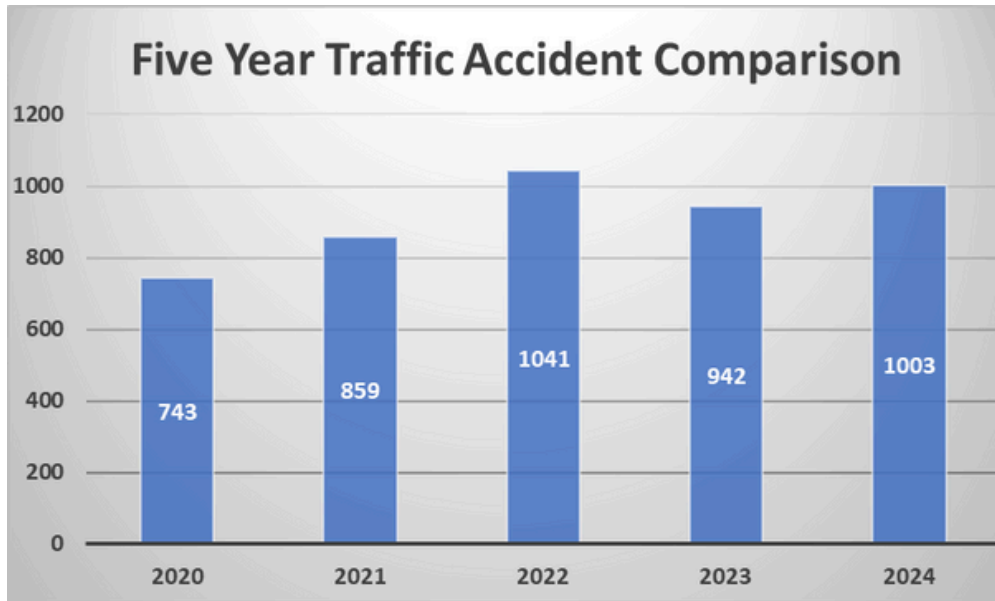
The Theft Crime Offense Rate has increased by 4.41% in 2024 from 2023. There were 284 Theft Crimes reported in 2024 compared to 272 in 2023. The most significant increases were 126 offenses from Burglary to Motor Vehicles and Theft from Motor Vehicles. There were also 49 Retail Theft offenses.



The Motor Vehicle Theft Index Crime Offense increased by 44% in 2024 with 36 Motor Vehicle Thefts from 25 Motor Vehicle Thefts in 2023. Of the 36 Motor Vehicles stolen, all were recovered. 28 of the vehicles were recovered in Chicago, which represents 77.78% of the total.



The Arson Crime Index Rate increased by 97.78 % in 2024 with two total Arsons occurring. The incidents occurred at Brickton Park and Southwest Park. Both incidents were similar in nature, which involved fully engulfed Port-A-Potties and their surrounding wooden structures. Surveillance footage of the Brickton Park incident was obtained, and the case is currently classified as suspended. Efforts to obtain surveillance footage from the Southwest Park incident produced negative results.



Traffic Accidents increased in 2024 by 6.48% compared to 2023 but remained 3.79% lower than in 2022.

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<u>GROUP A OFFENSES</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u># Difference</u>	<u>% Change</u>
Homicide	0	0	0	0%
Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	0	0%
Justifiable Homicide	0	0	0	0%
Non-consensual Sex Offenses:				
Rape	8	7	-1	-11.11%
Sodomy	0	0	0	0%
Sexual Assault with Object	0	0	0	0%
Fondling	1	1	0	0%
Aggravated Assault/Battery	6	16	10	166.67%
Simple Assault	120	107	-13	-11.45%
Intimidation	27	24	-3	-11.11%
Kidnapping/Abduction/Unlawful Restraint	1	0	-1	-100%
Consensual Sex Offenses:				
Incest	0	0	0	0%
Statutory Rape	0	0	0	0%
Human Trafficking, Commercial Sex Acts	0	0	0	0%
Human Trafficking, Involuntary Servitude	0	0	0	0%
Crimes Against Persons Total	163	155	-8	-4.91%
<u>Property Crime Offenses</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>#Difference</u>	<u>%Change</u>
Robbery	5	8	3	60%
Burglary	89	27	-42	-81%
Larceny/Theft	272	284	12	4.41%
Motor Vehicle Theft	25	38	11	44%
Arson	1	2	1	100%
Destruction of Property	149	147	-2	-1.34%
Counterfeiting/Forgery	2	4	2	100%
Fraud	105	82	-23	-21.90%
Embezzlement	0	0	0	0%
Extortion/Blackmail	1	2	1	100%
Bribery	0	0	0	0%
Stolen Property Offenses	1	0	-1	-100%
Crimes Against Property Total	630	592	-38	-6.03%
	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u># Difference</u>	<u>% Change</u>
Drug/Narcotic Violations	4	11	7	175%
Drug Equipment Violations	2	2	0	0%
Gambling Offenses	0	0	0	0%
Pornography/Obscene Material	0	3	3	300%
Prostitution	0	0	0	0%
Weapons Law Violation	1	4	3	300%
Animal Cruelty	1	0	-1	-100%
Crimes Against Society Totals	8	20	12	150%
	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u># Difference</u>	<u>% Change</u>
Total Group A Offenses	801	767	-34	-4.24%

Index Crime Rate

*Based on 2020 census data = 37,457

2023

2138.5

2024

2047.7



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ANNUAL TRAFFIC REPORTS

In 2024, the Traffic Unit was temporarily disbanded due to staffing limitations.

2024 Traffic Highlights

- New Intoximeter was purchased and put into service.
- A new dry gas cylinder was ordered and received for portable breath analyzer calibration.
- A new radar was placed in squad PD206.
- The truck scale at Public Works was certified by the State of IL.
- Both speed measuring signs were placed on Luther Lane adjacent to Lutheran General H so motorists can pay attention to their speeds when in high pedestrian traffic areas.
- Pedestrian crossing flags were replenished at Prospect and Summit.
- LED flashing red lights were installed on the stop signs at East and Lahon.
- The speed trailer was deployed to multiple locations throughout the year.

Overweight Truck Information

- 65 permits were issued, with \$7,995.00 in permit fees generated.
- \$10,110.00 in overweight fines were generated

RedSpeed

- 4, 658 violations were approved, 612 violations were rejected, for a total of 5,270 for review.
- The approval rate was 88%.



IDOT FY24 GRANT TOTAL CITATIONS

10/1/2023 - 9/30/2024

Funds received from IDOT \$160,545.00

HOLIDAY	SEAT BELT	SPEED	CELL	MISC	ARREST
THANKSGIVING	72	25	39	69	3
CHRISTMAS/NEW YEARS	121	53	53	100	7
ST PATRICKS DAY	74	32	23	57	2
DISTRACTED DRIVING	23	7	328	67	9
MEMORIAL DAY	227	15	69	64	6
INDEPENDENCE DAY	304	22	85	62	4
ADDITIONAL ENFORCEMENT	105	69	100	113	4
LABOR DAY	176	13	89	50	6
ADDITIONAL ENFORCEMENT -2ND	45	103	124	59	2
TOTALS	1147	339	910	641	43

OVERALL: 3,037 CITATIONS



PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS

In 2024 training commenced with the continuation of Crisis Intervention Training (C.I.T.) and concluded with evidence technician-based training. In-between, staff attended an array of training classes and the department also conducted an in-service training that fulfilled a state mandate for sworn personnel.

The continual education of Crisis Intervention Training (C.I.T.) ensures that officers arriving first on scene to a person in crisis or experiencing a mental health crisis will have the skills and tools to effectively and safely interact with that person. It is the departments' continuous goal that all officers are certified in this training within the first two years of their employment. All current and eligible sworn staff have completed this training.

Officers trained in evidence gathering and processing or 'Evidence Technicians' (E.T.) are assigned to attend related training as often as possible. Members requesting to be in this program can also request to attend related training.

The 'Illinois Law Enforcement Standards and Board' (ILETSB) requires that all sworn officers meet and maintain certain mandates throughout their career. Officers now have the ability and are required to view their individual profiles regularly to ensure compliance. While some mandates can be fulfilled using ILETsBs online training portal, others require in-person training. In November, certified instructors from the department conducted in-house training for all sworn personnel so that a tri-annual mandate could be fulfilled. The training was approved through our Mobile Training Unit (MTU) and the mandate was satisfied.





The following is a synopsis of the training attended by sworn staff:

- 16hr Sexual Assault Investigator Training
- 40hr Field Training Officer (FTO)
- 40hr Firearms Instructor Course
- 40hr Instructor Development Course
- 40hr Law and Order Lead Homicide Investigator
- Active Shooter Incident Management (ASIM)
- Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement (ARIDE)
- Breath Analysis for Alcohol Training
- Child Death Investigations
- Crime Scene Investigator
- Decision Making for Critical Incident Response
- Detective Bootcamp
- D.O.A. Death Investigation
- Drone
- Illinois Use of Force Guidelines
- Immediate Trauma Care – End User
- Incident Command for Improved Patrol Response
- Laws of Arrest, Search and Seizure
- Lead Homicide Investigator Course
- Patrol Response to Internet Crimes
- Peer Support
- Police Suicide Prevention and Officer Wellness
- Serious and Fatal Accident Investigations for Evidence Technicians
- Red Dot Pistol
- School Safety and Violent Event Incident Management
- Use of Force – Train the Trainer
- Vehicle Operations and Rescue Tactics (VORTEX)
- Women in Criminal Justice Conference

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The following is a synopsis of training attended by sworn supervisors:

- Active Shooter Incident Management (ASIM)
- Command Leadership Institute
- Extreme Ownership – Leadership in Action
- Illinois Advanced Search and Seizure for Law Enforcement Supervisors
- Illinois Association of Chief's of Police Annual Conference
- Illinois Case Law that all Cops Need to Know
- International Association Chiefs of Police Annual Conference
- Recruiting and Retaining the Next Generation of Law Enforcement
- School Safety and Violent Event Incident Management
- Suicide in Law Enforcement: A Proactive Approach to Recognizing Signs and Symptoms
- Supervision of Police Personnel

The following is a synopsis of training attended by non-sworn staff:

- B.E.A.S.T. (Barcoded Evidence Analysis Statistics and Tracking) Administrators Group
- Community Service Officer Training
- Maine Township Agency Day
- National Incident Based Reporting System (NIBRS)
- Peer Support
- Personal Finance
- Strangulation: The Last Warning Shot

In addition, staff also attended annual training for specific specialty assignments in Cook County Regional Organized Crime Task Force (CCROC), Illinois Homicide Investigators Association (ILHIA), Illinois Association of Technical Accident Investigators (IATAI), Illinois Tactical Officers Association (ITOA), Major Case Assistance Team (MCAT), Major Crash Unit (MCU), National Association of School Resource Officers (NASRO) and Northern Illinois Police Alarm System (NIPAS).

In total, staff completed over four thousand hours of training in 2024, not including training hours completed by new officers attending the police academy. With the departure of many senior officers over the year, the department is looking forward to training new personnel as well as learning from them. All personnel are held to a high standard, and it is with consistent and relevant training that this standard is accomplished.



Formal Citizen Complaints

There were none filed in 2024.

Citizen Inquiries

Citizen inquiries are investigations into an incident requested by a citizen who does not wish to file a formal complaint. These are allegations of a less serious nature. The Department handled 3 of these in 2024. One was not sustained and the other two were unfounded.

Administrative Reviews

There were 25 Administrative Reviews handled in 2024. These investigations relate to issues raised by supervisors or other staff members regarding the conduct of Department members. Examples included tardiness, vehicle accidents and conduct of Department members. Of these 25, 20 were sustained.

Use of Force

An analysis of the Use of Force Reports for the year 2024 is as follows:

Use of Force incidents and techniques were within Department and State guidelines. There were 18 separate incidents involving 27 sworn personnel. Officers totaled 45 different techniques. Please note that multiple officers could be involved in one incident and, multiple techniques may be used by each of the officers. There were no serious injuries to officers or offenders.

Types of Use of Force:

- Compliance /Escort Technique 34
- TASER displayed/pointed 4
- Firearm (Rifle/Duty handgun) displayed 4
- Impact Tools (baton) 0
- Direct Impact Strikes (hands/feet) 1
- Taser Discharge 2
- Firearms Discharge 0
- Ballistic Shield as blocking device 0

TOTAL 45

Police Pursuits

In 2024, there were 2 pursuits.



Formal Inspections

There were 54 formal inspections conducted in 2024.

Grievances

There were no grievances filed in 2024.

Police Accidents

There were 7 accidents; 3 not at fault and 4 where officers were at fault. 6 accidents were minor and 1 was more substantial but not considered to be a major accident.

On the Job Injuries

There were 14 reported injuries. There was 1 medical incident, 3 training incidents, 5 reported incidents were related to an arrest or mental health situations, 4 related to vehicle accidents, and 1 exposure to bodily fluids.

Traffic Study data – 2023*

The following data represents the stops for minority driver in 2023, **Illinois** statewide:

Benchmark for minority drivers - 47%

Actual minority driver stopped - 54%

The percentage of minority drivers stopped in **Park Ridge** is below the established benchmark.

Benchmark for minority drivers - 34%

Actual minority stopped - 31%

* Data is a year behind. 2024 data will not be available until fall of 2025.

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Inspections - 2024

Number	Audit Type
24-1	Annual Driver's License Audit
24-2	Secondary Employment Audit
24-3	Annual Sexual Assault Kit Tracking Report
24-4	Formal Spring Inspection
24-5	2023 Fall Inspection Audit
24-6	Prisoner Lock-up Audit Quarter 1
24-7	Prisoner Lock-up Audit Quarter 2
24-8	Prisoner Lock-up Audit Quarter 3
24-9	Prisoner Lock-up Audit Quarter 4
24-10	Pedestrian Stop Card Audit Quarter 1
24-11	Pedestrian Stop Card Audit Quarter 2
24-12	Pedestrian Stop Card Audit Quarter 3
24-13	Pedestrian Stop Card Audit Quarter 4
24-14	Racial Profiling Audit Quarter 1
24-15	Racial Profiling Audit Quarter 2
24-16	Racial Profiling Audit Quarter 3
24-17	Racial Profiling Audit Quarter 4
24-18	Domestic Violence Report Audit 1 st
24-19	Domestic Violence Report Audit 2 nd
24-20	Taser Audit 1 st
24-21	Taser Audit 2 nd
24-22	CAD Audit Quarter 1
24-23	CAD Audit Quarter 2
24-24	CAD Audit Quarter 3
24-25	CAD Audit Quarter 4
24-26	Court Call Audit Quarter 1
24-27	Court Call Audit Quarter 2
24-28	Court Call Audit Quarter 3
24-29	Court Call Audit Quarter 4
24-30	Confidential Funds Audit Quarter 1
24-31	Confidential Funds Audit Quarter 2
24-32	Confidential Funds Audit Quarter 3

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24-33	Confidential Funds Audit Quarter 4
24-34	2023 Church Fund Audit
24-35	Sick List - Court
24-36	Seizure / Forfeiture Audit 1 st
24-37	Seizure / Forfeiture Audit 2 nd
24-38	CIT Audit
24-39	Investigations Case Screening
24-40	Court Performance
24-41	Organizational Chart
24-42	Sex Offender Audit
24-43	Annual Training Records Audit
24-44	Training Program Evaluation
24-45	In car / BWC Video Audits Quarter 1
24-46	In car / BWC Video Audits Quarter 2
24-47	In car / BWC Video Audits Quarter 3
24-48	In car / BWC Video Audits Quarter 4
24-49	Annual Property Audit
24-50	2023 Emergency Operations Plan
24-51	Court Subpoena Audit
24-52	Pursuit Audit
24-53	Victim's Rights Form Audit
24-54	Vendor Complaints



2025 GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

- Increase entry level police officer recruitment process to achieve placement of new officers in the January 2025 police academy.
- Evaluate the current Police Social Worker Program and need for additional programs and initiatives by the end of the 2nd quarter, 2025.
- Evaluate the police department's need to purchase a utility terrain vehicle (UTV) to increase police services by the beginning of 2nd quarter, 2025.

