



VILLAGE OF PLAINFIELD  
POLICE DEPARTMENT  
2015  
ANNUAL REPORT



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# VILLAGE LEADERSHIP

## THE VILLAGE BOARD

Michael P. Collins, President

Margie Bonuchi, Trustee

Bill Lamb, Trustee

Brian Wojowski, Trustee

Ed O' Rourke, Trustee

Garrett Peck, Trustee

Jim Racich, Trustee

## THE VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR

Brian Murphy

## THE CHIEF OF POLICE

John J. Konopek, Jr.

# DEPARTMENT VALUES

Integrity

Compassion

Dedication

Accountability

Professionalism

Respect



Equality

# MISSION STATEMENT

*In Partnership with the Community,*

*We Are Committed to Serve and Protect,*

*Promote Safety and Enhance Quality of Life.*

# LETTER FROM THE CHIEF

In 2015 the members of the Plainfield Police Department continued to work on enhancing its' relationship with the Community and our stakeholders by creating new interactive initiatives, and enhancing ones that have been successful for years. Some of these initiatives included Chat with the Chiefs, Community Picnics, DARE, and National Nights Out, and involvement in many of the other special events occurring annually within the Village.

Because of the dedication and efforts of our departmental personnel, and the continued support and cooperation from the Community we were able to maintain our overall low Crime Rate Index, and also received recognition for both our traffic safety and policing techniques. Unfortunately during the year we did experience some serious incidents involving domestic violence, drug activity, and other events that impacted the Village; however our personnel always rose to the occasion to work and bring resolution to each of these situations as quickly and professionally as possible.

Aside from Village events Police and Emergency Management personnel also assisted other communities outside Plainfield with critical incidents they were experiencing, such as the Coal City Tornado, a large protest in Oak Brook, and other situations that required the additional manpower and expertise. Throughout the year members of the Department also went beyond their normal duties and responsibilities while volunteering for a variety of worthwhile causes such as Shop with a Cop, charity sporting events, and special recognitions for adults and children in the community.

The residents of our Village have continued to provide exceptional support to us every year in a variety of ways. Every time law enforcement has been highlighted throughout the Country and faced a low point because of either their own actions or things outside their control our residents have stepped forward to show their support for our personnel

We provide this annual report as a way for our community to see many of the things we have been able to accomplish in 2015, and to also say Thank You for all the support and encouragement the community continues to provide to us every year.



Sincerely,  
John Konopek  
Chief of Police

# SUPERVISOR OF THE YEAR 2015

PRESENTED TO....

**Sergeant Michael Fisher**

Michael Fisher was hired as a Police Officer with the Village of Plainfield on June 27<sup>th</sup>, 1994. During his twenty-two years of service with the Village of Plainfield, Sergeant Fisher has worked in several different capacities. Although most of his supervisory tenure has been spent as a Patrol Sergeant, Sergeant Fisher has also been assigned as the Sergeant overseeing the School Resource and DARE officers.

Currently, Sergeant Fisher has several collateral responsibilities within the police department, which include: Public Information Officer, Juvenile Officer, and Evidence Technician. Sergeant Fisher has also been the police department's Range Master and possesses an exuberant amount of knowledge pertaining to firearms. He also spent several years as a Gang Resistance Education and Training (GREAT) Instructor for the police department.

During his career, Sergeant Fisher has received several department awards, including a life-saving award in 2005. Sergeant Fisher has also received several letters of recognition for the level of work he has performed, a few of which were handwritten letters of appreciation from different citizens.

In 2015, Sergeant Fisher was assigned as the dayshift Patrol Sergeant. During 2015, Sergeant Fisher responded to several critical incidents and took immediate control of the scene and made several instant and effective decisions, which resulted in favorable outcomes. A few of the most notable incidents were the Suicidal Subject with a Firearm at 15418 South James Street (15-5875) and an Armed Robbery assignment at 11820 South Route 59 (15-6928).

Sergeant Fisher is described by his peers as a very knowledgeable and professional officer who always leads by example. Sergeant Fisher is a very productive and dedicated officer, who is oftentimes the first person to fill a vacancy with little or no notice.

His efforts have resulted in the issuance of numerous citations and arrests. Sergeant Fisher has a reputation for sound judgment and decision making skills and is often called upon to be the acting Patrol Commander.

Lastly, Sergeant Fisher promotes teamwork within his shift and treats everyone fairly.

Congratulations on a job well done!

Chief John Konopek

# AWARD



# CIVILIAN OF THE YEAR 2015

PRESENTED TO....

**Executive Assistant Vanessa Hutchins**

Since joining our Police Department in August of 2011, Vanessa Hutchins has served as a part-time Courts Technician, before being promoted to Executive Assistant to the Community Service Division.

No matter the position, Vanessa has always shown tremendous care, exemplary diligence and a kind heart. Vanessa never misses an opportunity to ask how someone is doing, and about their family, dogs, babies, grandkids, boyfriends, girlfriends or parents. She always shows interest in the welfare of the individual before attending to the business at hand.

Vanessa brings this same sense of care and individual attention to her interaction with the public. Whether on the phone, or face-to-face, she is attentive to the person's needs, considerate of their feelings, and committed to assisting them with their problems.

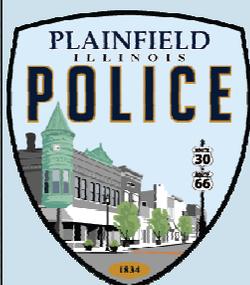
Vanessa also helps with Department projects such as D.A.R.E. graduations, pool parties, dances, PEMA Awards Banquets, and National Night Out. No matter the event, she has ideas to make each a special occasion for those involved. Vanessa possesses that quality of seeing the best in people, and works hard to make us see it in ourselves. Greeting her fellow employees with a smile and a "Hello angel"; she brightens our workplace and spirits.

Vanessa is also one of the most diligent and thoughtful people when it comes to her work. Her organizational skills, integrity and self-motivation have been relied on by Investigations, Code Enforcement, Vehicle Maintenance, Emergency Management, Community Service Officers, D.A.R.E., Courts, Records, Police Officers and the citizens we serve.

Vanessa Hutchins, for all your grace, care and sacrifice, we take great pride in honoring you as Plainfield Police Department's 2015 Civilian Employee of the Year.

**Congratulations on a job well done!**

**Chief John Konopek**



# AWARD

# DEPARTMENT MEMBERS BY TENURE

## 20+ YEARS OF SERVICE

1989—Kevin Greco, Commander  
1992—Jason Kopek, Detective/School Resource Officer  
1994—Ken Ruggles, Commander  
1994—John J. Konopek, Chief of Police  
1996—Grant Anderson, Patrol Sergeant

1991—Rob Plutz, Police Officer  
1994—Mike Fisher, Patrol Sergeant  
1994—Mike Friddle, Police Officer  
1994—John Prieboy, Police Officer  
1996—Tracy Caliendo, K9 Officer

## 15–19 YEARS OF SERVICE

1998—Linda Hagar, Records Specialist  
1999—Mark Siegel, Police Officer  
1999—Jeff Cook, Detective/School Resource Officer  
1999—Chris Allen, Detective  
2000—Erin Cook, Community Resource/D.A.R.E. Officer  
2000—Steve Shervino, Community Resource/D.A.R.E. Officer

1998—Steve Kaus, Police Officer  
1999—Carianne Siegel, Detective  
1999—Eric Munson, Traffic Sergeant  
1999—Chris Marshall, Detective  
2000—Colin Mulacek, Community Service Sergeant

## 10–14 YEARS OF SERVICE

2002—Ron Mikos, Patrol Sergeant  
2002—Marty VanHeeswijk, Police Officer  
2002—Sue Choi, Records Technician  
2002—Kevin McQuaid, Detective Sergeant  
2003—Brian Wagner, Police Officer  
2003—Jennifer Myers, Sergeant/Records Supervisor  
2003—Shane Housh, Police Officer  
2004—Claudine Paler, Community Service Officer  
2004—Steve Lopic, Detective/School Resource Officer  
2005—Mike Boling, Police Officer  
2005—Elliot Pedersen, Police Officer  
2005—Rebecca Marzetta, Executive Assistant  
2005—Brad Malcolm, Police Officer  
2005—Cheri Pistilli, Accounts Specialist  
2005—Casey Sester, Police Officer  
2006—Ryan Sester, Police Officer  
2006—Adam Kalar, Police Officer

2002—Rich Meszaros, Detective  
2002—Troy Miller, Police Officer  
2002—Matt Lehmann, Police Officer  
2003—Anthony Novak Jr., Commander  
2003—Sarah Hamilton, Court Technician  
2003—Carol Sommerfeld, Executive Supervisor  
2003—Mario Marzetta, Police Officer  
2004—Zach Zigterman, Patrol Sergeant  
2004—Dino Dabezic, Detective  
2005—Mireya Sandoval, Crossing Guard  
2005—Mindy Murphy, Records Technician  
2005—Jill Weyer, Code Enforcement Officer  
2005—Joan Meyers, Village Attorney  
2005—Chris Salinas, Custodian  
2006—Brett Keag, Detective/School Resource Officer  
2006—Ron Snell, Crossing Guard

## 5-9 YEARS OF SERVICE

2007—Patrick Sheehan, Police Officer  
2007—Luke Ostreko, Police Officer  
2008—Mary McGregor, Records Technician  
2008—Chad Newcomer, Community Service Officer  
2008—Amanda Felgenhauer, Property/Evidence Technician  
2010—Maureen McGrail, Crossing Guard  
2011—Jeff Kaminski, Detective  
2011—Brian Heath, Police Officer

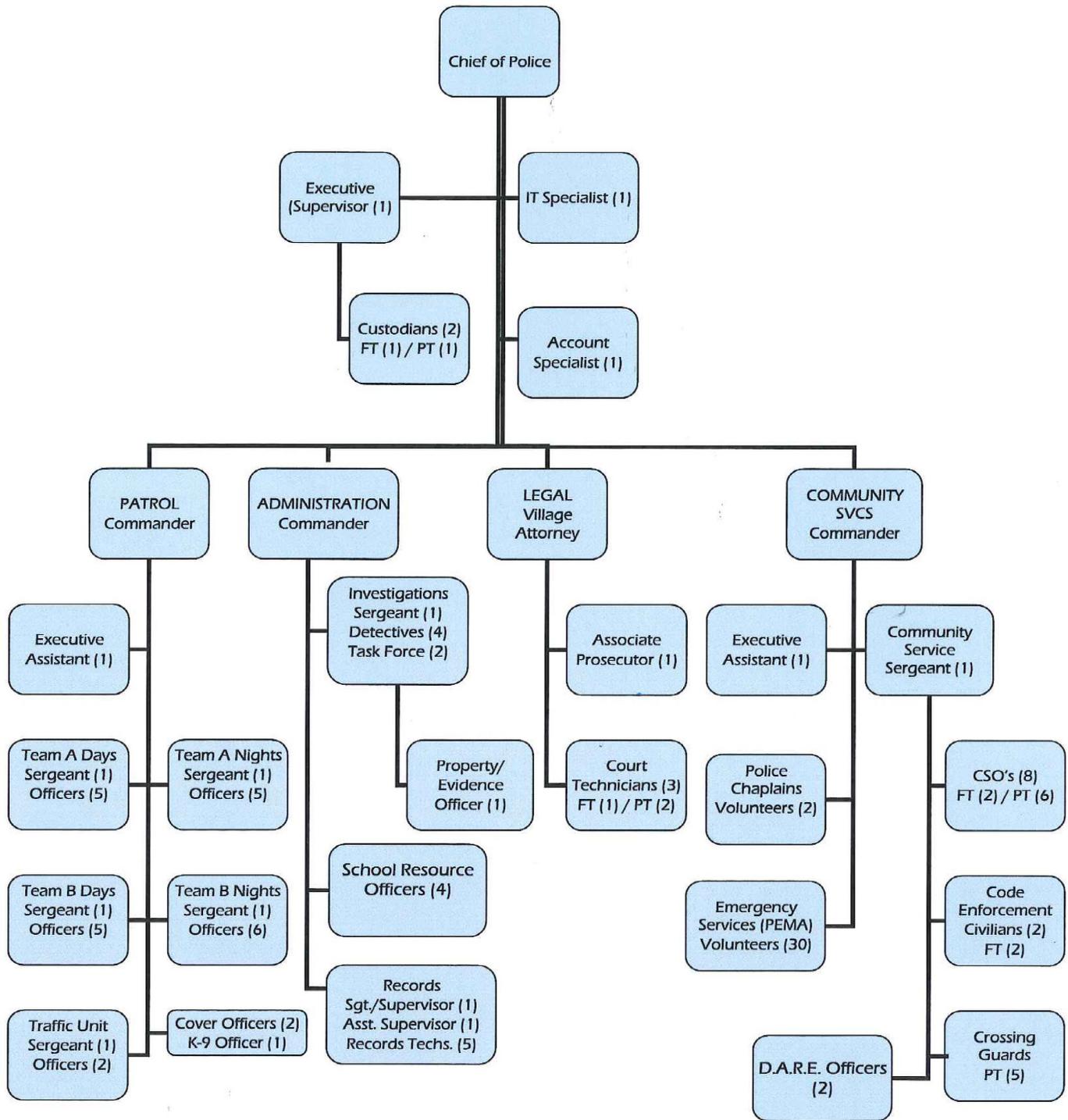
2007—Debra Abbott, Associate Prosecutor  
2007—Melanie Derby, Fleet Coordinator  
2008—Keith Nebel, Police Officer  
2008—Shelley Riggs, Court Technician  
2008—Russ Pruchnicki, Police Officer  
2010—John Lederer, Crossing Guard  
2011—Paul Eley, Custodian  
2011—Vanessa Hutchins, Executive Assistant

## 0-4 YEARS OF SERVICE

2012—Michael Doornbosch, Police Officer  
2012—Brenda Case, Crossing Guard  
2013—Yvonne Zambrano, Police Commission Secretary  
2014—Tori Buonamici, Assistant Records Supervisor  
2014—Ronald O'Connell, Community Service Officer  
2014—Anna Marie Flood, Records Technician  
2015—Tom Goral, IT Specialist  
2015—Pete Piazza, Community Service Officer

2012—Kim McKinney, Court Technician  
2013—Jason Rogers, Police Officer  
2013—Jeremiah Ledford, Community Service Officer  
2014—Sean Kozak, Police Officer  
2014—Kelly McCann, Community Service Officer  
2014—Heather Lemke, Community Service Officer  
2015—Nick Gregory, Code Enforcement Officer

# DEPARTMENT ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



# GRANTS AWARDED



Illinois Liquor Commission - \$2,750 for Tobacco Compliance Checks

Traffic Safety/Click It or Ticket/DUI Enforcement - \$35,063 for Manpower



Approximately \$1,000 from IDOT and/or Traffic Safety Challenge for Equipment

\$8,550.96 - Reimbursement for Bulletproof Vest Purchases [at 50%]



\$1,000 from Target for the D.A.R.E. Program

\$2,450.00 for Community Events



\$98,000 from the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity (DCEO) for Property Room renovations.

# TRAFFIC AWARDS

Traffic safety within the Village of Plainfield is one of the top priorities of its Police Department. The Plainfield Police Department utilizes education, engineering, and enforcement to make the roadways safer for its residents, and for the general motoring public as a whole. Over the years, the Plainfield Police Department has won several awards at both the State and National level by competing in the Illinois Traffic Safety Challenge and the National Traffic Safety Challenge.

Traffic Sergeant Eric Munson spearheads numerous educational campaigns that included a Village wide rail safety week, taught numerous Operation Lifesaver classes, and he was one of four members of the Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police Traffic Safety Committee who organized the first ever statewide rail safety week; more than 200 agencies statewide participated.

For his dedication and efforts during 2015, Sergeant Munson helped our Department receive the following awards:

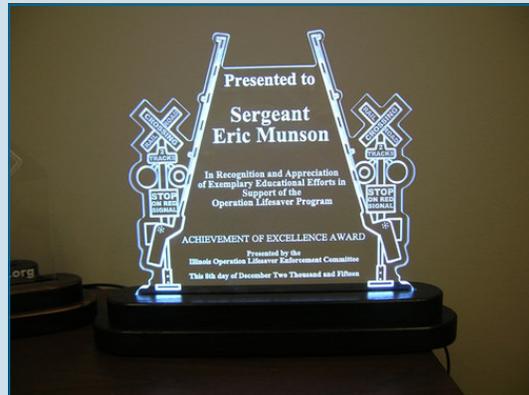
**3<sup>rd</sup> Place in Championship Class – Illinois Traffic Safety Challenge**

**Won the specialty category award for Rail Safety – Illinois Traffic Safety Challenge**

In addition, individual awards achieved in 2015 for Sgt. Munson include:

**Achievement of Excellence award – Illinois Operation Lifesaver**

**Distinguished Service award – Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police**



# COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES/PROJECTS

Besides serving the community on duty, Department personnel have supported community fundraising and enrichment activities such as Special Olympics of Illinois, the American Cancer Society, St. Baldrick's Childhood Cancer Project, Shop With A Cop, Operation Welcome You Home [military program in escorting those who have served] and the United Way.

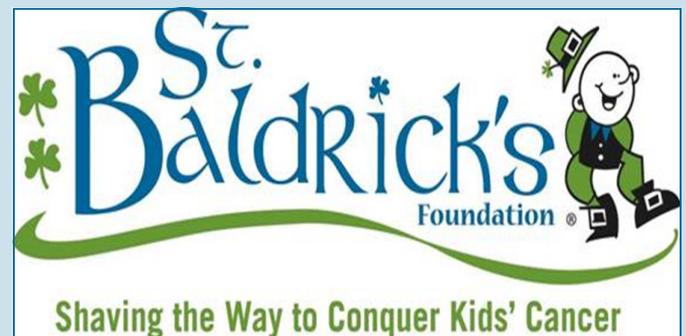
The majority of these events are done on their own time, and volunteer efforts show the dedication of our employees to the good of the Village.

**LIVE UNITED**

**United  
Way**



**Special Olympics**



**RELAY  
FOR**



# COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES/PROJECTS

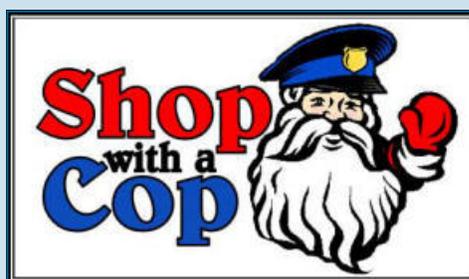
## Shop with a Cop



Local families experiencing economic hardships can't always provide their children with their own celebration at Christmas.

The SHOP WITH A COP program joins these less fortunate children with local Police Officers, providing them with donated money to shop for Christmas presents for their families and themselves. Participating Officers helped children at the Plainfield Target Store with their shopping experience and gave them a brighter Christmas that may not have been possible otherwise.

The children were given an allowance to shop for their family as well as themselves, and Target also provided the children with gift bags and wrapping paper for their presents.



# COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES/PROJECTS

Throughout 2015, the Plainfield Police Department provided a number of programs to local businesses, organizations, schools and residents within the Village. Crime prevention is not just a Police practice; crime affects all citizens. Plainfield Police Department feels strongly about community partnerships, and the following are crime prevention efforts that were provided in 2015:

- Vacation House Checks
- Police Department Tours
- Child I.D. Kits
- Sex Offender Checks
- Click It or Ticket Campaign
- Alcohol/Tobacco Compliance Checks
- Citizens Police/Fire Academy
- Bicycle Patrol
- Community Presentations
- Police Explorers Program
- Identity Theft Prevention
- Covert and Overt Surveillance
- D.A.R.E. Dance and Pool Party
- D.A.R.E. Haunted House
- National Night Out
- Home Owners Association Meetings
- BASSET [Beverage Alcohol Sellers and Servers Education and Training]
- TRIAD Senior Services



# EXECUTIVE DIVISION, OFFICE OF THE CHIEF

The Office of the Chief, or Executive Division, handles several overall functions for the Department. The Chief of Police leads the Chain of Command for the entire Department; ultimately ensuring tasks are executed by policy, within budget [to the best of the Department's ability], and to the satisfaction of the Village Board. In addition to the multitude of Chief of Police duties, Chief Konopek communicates with surrounding agency heads at least monthly to 'compare notes' on any cross-jurisdictional activities. Besides Chief of Police duties, Chief Konopek is one of the Arson Investigators for the Department and Team Commander of ILEAS Region 3 Central Mobile Field Force.

Executive Supervisor for the Department and Chief of Police is Carol Sommerfeld who handles administrative assistance to the Chief and oversees Custodians Chris Salinas and Paul Eley, who are tasked with keeping our 71,000 square foot facility clean. Carol is also responsible for compiling the Department budget, maintaining Personnel files, taking Command and Staff meeting minutes, coordinating Department presentations/newsletters/Annual Report, facility maintenance issues/contracts and functions, internal affairs administration, training reimbursements for Mobile Field Force/SRT, preparation and coordination of Annual Awards Events/Annual Meetings, participating in Strategic Planning Committee and handling projects as necessary for the Department.

Account Specialist Cheri Pistilli processes all department invoices and receivables, ensuring accuracy and timeliness; analyzes monthly department budget and accounting reports to maintain expenditure controls; coordinates drug forfeiture funds and reporting requirements. She also processes bi-weekly payroll, and coordinates scheduling [including related paperwork and rental payments] for the multi-purpose room; plus provides support on facility issues as needed.

Keeping up to date with the latest software and hardware is essential for law enforcement. The role of maintaining the network infrastructure in association with in-car computer and camera systems, electronic ticketing, evidence collection, and server maintenance are some of the critical components handled by full-time IT Specialist Thomas Goral. Tom is employed by the Village of Plainfield under the direction of Village of Plainfield IT Director Rick Kaczanko. Assigned to the Police Department, Tom monitors and maintains the technology that allows the work force to increase productivity, collaborate effectively, and improve daily operations.

# SPECIAL OPERATIONS

## Fire / Arson Investigation

In 2015 the number of fires investigated by the Plainfield Fire Investigation Team fell back to yearly average rates after an unusually busy previous year. The year was highlighted by several large and expensive fires to a variety of structures, and while no people were injured in these fires several animals were casualties.

The Plainfield Fire Investigation Team is comprised of personnel from both the Plainfield Police Department and Plainfield Fire Protection District. Together the members work to identify the cause of all fires within the Village, and if a fire is determined to be criminal in nature, to identify and arrest the offender(s).

Personnel on the Team include Plainfield Fire Protection District Deputy Fire Chief Jon Stratton and his canine partner Blasé, Plainfield Fire District Investigators Jaime Bickerton, Bryan Gallup, Eric Jensen, George Lindemulder, Scott Moore, Brandon Vainowski, Chris Hinchliffe and Matt Muehlbauer; and Plainfield Police Investigators Matt Lehmann, Rich Meszaros and Chief John Konopek.

All members of the Plainfield Fire Investigation Team are active on the MABAS (Mutual Aid Box Alarm System) Division 15 Fire Investigation Team, where Stratton and Konopek served as President and Vice-President respectively until stepping back from those duties in the beginning of 2016. As needed, Team members also respond to call-outs with the Will, Cook, and Grundy Fire Investigation ask Force.

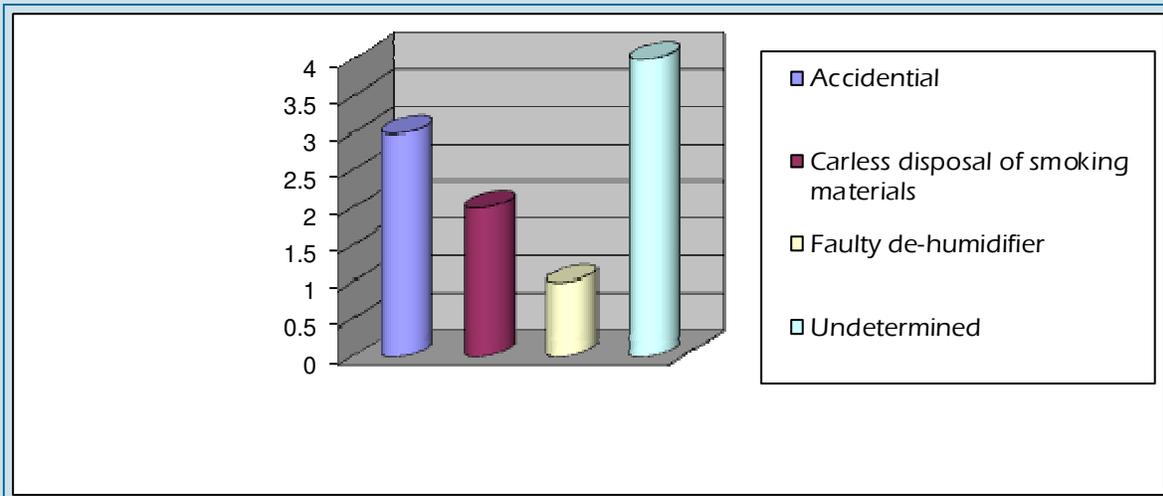
During the course of a call-out the Team is accompanied by a support vehicle, courtesy of the Plainfield Fire Protection District. This vehicle has a dual purpose as a Command Post for the Investigators and equipment response unit to the scene of fire investigations.



# SPECIAL OPERATIONS

The Team investigated a total of seven (7) fires within the Village in 2015, a decrease of almost 200% from the previous year. Five (5) of the fires were in residential structures with one (1) being an attached garages. One (1) of the fires occurred in a 3-unit apartment building and one (1) occurred in a large carpeting warehouse/store.

Three (3) fires were caused by *Accidental* means; two (2) careless disposal of smoking materials and one (1) faulty dehumidifier; and four (4) causes remained *Undetermined* at year's end.



The dollar loss from all the fires investigated amounted to \$2,700,000.00.

Highlights of some of the 2015 fires investigated in Plainfield include:



# SPECIAL OPERATIONS

April 30, 2015

Fire in a three (3) unit apartment building  
Originated in 2<sup>nd</sup> floor unit  
\$400,000.00 loss  
Cause – *Undetermined*



June 12, 2015

Fire in carpeting store/warehouse  
\$1,000,000.00 loss  
Cause – *Undetermined*



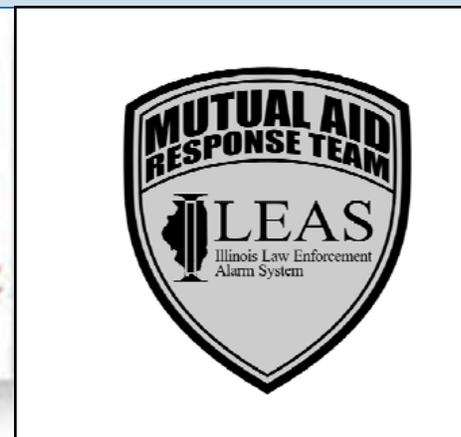
# SPECIAL OPERATIONS

July 22, 2015

Fire in single-family, two-story residential  
Fire originated in 1<sup>st</sup> floor living room  
Several dogs and reptiles perished  
\$250,000.00 loss  
Cause – *Undetermined*

October 5, 2015

Fire originated on rear patio of single-family, two-story residence  
Fire progressed into attic space  
\$300,000.00 loss  
Cause – *Accidental (Careless disposal of smoking materials)*



## ILEAS Mutual Aid Response Team “Mobile Field Force”

2015 brought forth a busy year and new opportunities for the members of the ILEAS (Illinois Law Enforcement Alarm System) Region 3 Central Mutual Aid Response Team, also known as the Mobile Field Force. These opportunities allowed the Team to utilize many of the skills and techniques they have been taught over the last several years and to also broaden the capabilities of the Team and its' members.

The Mobile Field Force Team's mission is to supplement or assist any law enforcement agency in need, during a crisis, emergency, or in certain circumstances, when an additional influx of law enforcement personnel are needed. The Team can be called upon to respond to a variety of incidents at the local, State, and National level, to include disasters, civil disturbances, pre-planned or spontaneous protests or any other event that may tax a law enforcement agency's resources.

The Team is comprised of sixty-three (63) sworn officers/deputies and three (3) tactical paramedics/EMTs representing twenty (20) different police agencies and fire departments.

Chief John Konopek is the Team Commander and oversees all aspects of the team. He is joined by Plainfield Commander Ken Ruggles and Officers Mike Friddle, Shane Housh, Matt Lehmann, Troy Miller, Mark Siegel, Zach Zigterman, and Brian Wagner.

# SPECIAL OPERATIONS

The Team operates a mobile command unit/equipment truck, an Excursion able to transport personnel, and also an equipment utility trailer. All units are housed in Plainfield.



The Team has been issued several pieces of specialized equipment through ILEAS to effectively respond to a variety of different situations. Some of these pieces of equipment include;

Message Board



LRAD (Long Range Acoustic Device)



Powermoon Light Tower



# SPECIAL OPERATIONS

Although the focus of the Team remained rooted in crowd control, and civil disorders, the Team continued on the dual path of expanding its' capabilities into areas of special event planning and operation, and also ground search and rescue (GSAR). These areas of training have allowed the Team to increase its' effectiveness during disaster response events. This training proved to be very beneficial during the year as the Team responded to several events involving these type of incidents.

In 2015 the Team, or members thereof, was activated for four (4) events. These incidents/events were both spontaneous and pre-planned in nature. Team Command staff met with the pre-planned event organizers several times before the actual event dates to ensure that all contingencies and considerations were covered and accounted for. The pre-planned events included;

## Oak Brook/McDonalds Fight for \$15 March-Protest May 20 & 21, 2015

The Oak Brook Police Department contacted command officers of the Team in mid-April and requested assistance with a pre-planned march and protest rally at the World and U.S. Headquarters of the McDonald's Corporation related to the "Fight for \$15" minimum wage. In a matter of a couple days, and with the assistance of members from the Region 2, 3 North, and 4 South teams over fifty (50) MFF personnel deployed on both May 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>.

Over the two (2) days marches and protests included over a couple thousand people bussed in from around the Country. MFF personnel worked the front lines of the protest along with members of Illinois State Police and NIPAS to ensure for the safety of all protestors and personnel assigned to the event, and also to ensure for the safety of the locations and property involved.

As a result of ILEAS' participation and expertise, no arrest, injuries, or property damage occurred during the two (2) day event..



# SPECIAL OPERATIONS



# SPECIAL OPERATIONS

## Marseilles Freedom Run June 20, 2015

The Team was contacted by the Marseilles Police Department to assist with the annual Freedom Motorcycle Run due to an anticipated heavy presence from several rival outlaw motorcycle gangs. Planning commenced and was in the final stages when the event was cancelled due to heavy rainfall and flooding in the area just prior to the event taking place.

## Coal City Tornado June 22 – 25, 2015

The Village of Coal City was struck by a strong tornado late in the evening on June 22<sup>nd</sup> resulting in massive damage and devastation, but thankfully only a few injuries. ILEAS was contacted almost immediately and began working alongside local officials and members of the Illinois State Police. Site security and traffic checkpoint plans were developed. Through the use of the Car Plan system, and Mobile Field Force personnel from several teams we were able to provide coverage over a four (4) day period.



# SPECIAL OPERATIONS

The second half of the year included two (2) special events in Naperville, whereby MFF personnel were requested to assist with supplemental manpower.

## Naperville RibFest July 3-5, 2015

MFF personnel conducted foot patrols alongside Naperville personnel during their annual food festival.

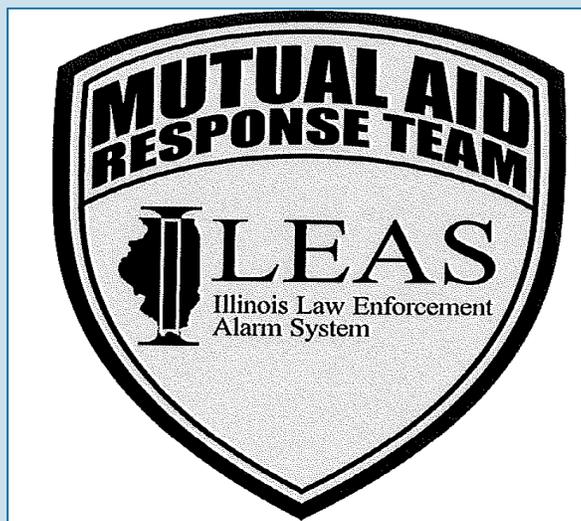
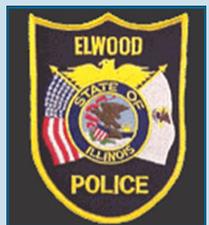
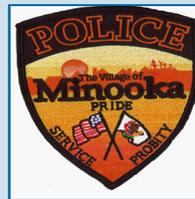
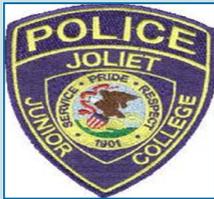
## Naperville Marathon November 8, 2015

MFF personnel filled two (2) Rapid Response Strike Teams, and additional posts along the marathon route.



# SPECIAL OPERATIONS

In 2016, there is a strong possibility that members of the ILEAS Mobile Field Force Teams may be detailed to Cleveland, Ohio in July for the Republican National Convention. This will result in a great emphasis being placed on ensuring our skills are at their peak, and our team members are at a state of readiness. This level of preparedness will also allow the Team to be deployable should any critical incident occur within our Region. We continue to train and educate our members about the mission of the Team, that being our readiness to assist any agency in need.



# LEGAL DIVISION



The Legal Division is responsible for all local prosecutions on behalf of the Village as well as management of the Village's Administrative Adjudication process. The Legal Division employs three full-time staff members, including Legal Counsel/Prosecutor Joan Meyers, Associate Prosecutor Debra Abbott and Court Technician Shelley Riggs; and two part-time staff members, Court Technicians Sarah Hamilton and Kim McKinney.

## BRANCH COURT AND MISDEMEANOR/AGGRAVATED TRAFFIC COURT

The Village continues to prosecute numerous cases at both the Village's Branch Court, located at the Plainfield Law Enforcement Center, and at the Will County Courthouse. In 2015, Ms. Meyers and Ms. Abbott prosecuted approximately 700 cases monthly on behalf of the Village. With respect to the four monthly court calls heard at the Village's Branch Court, approximately 110 cases were prosecuted on each court call. Although on certain Branch Court calls in 2015, there were as many as 150 cases prosecuted. Each court call includes matters set for arraignment, pre-trial/status, hearing on a pending motion, or bench trial. The cases heard at the Village's Branch Court are generally petty traffic offenses, as well as other violations of the Village's Code of Ordinances, including charges for disorderly conduct, battery, assault, possession of cannabis under ten grams, possession of drug paraphernalia, underage consumption, criminal trespass to property, criminal damage to property and damage to Village property.

The Village's misdemeanor traffic offenses, such as driving while license suspended, driving while license revoked, aggravated speeding and reckless driving are heard at the Will County Courthouse. In 2015 the Village's Prosecutor and Associate Prosecutor had five regular court calls per month for misdemeanor traffic violations, during which they prosecuted approximately 50 cases on each court call, including matters set for arraignment, pretrial/status, bench trial, jury trial and post-sentence status.

The Legal Division also prepares all court files, coordinates the schedules of Officers for court appearances, prepares notification to witnesses for court appearances, processes subpoenas and other requests for information, and processes citations, complaints and bond to the Will County Circuit Court Clerk's Office or the Kendall County Circuit Court Clerk's Office, as well as other Court-related duties. To assist the Officers in their day-to-day duties, the Legal Division also keeps Officers informed of new laws and provides related training for Officers.

# LEGAL DIVISION

## ADMINISTRATIVE ADJUDICATION

The Legal Division also manages the Village's Administrative Adjudication hearings, including hearings related to vehicle impoundment and the Village's red-light camera automated enforcement program. In 2015 the Village continued with vehicle impoundment for public safety violations as set forth in the Village's impound ordinance. The impound fees/storage fees collected for calendar year 2015 were approximately \$95,500.00.

The Village's Red Light Camera Automated Enforcement program continues to be part of the Village's traffic safety program. This program records certain red-light violations through an automated red-light camera system. Specifically, it records red-light violations for a left turn or straight through on red when the traffic signal turns red prior to the front tires of the vehicle crossing the applicable stop line. The automated red-light cameras capture video and still photography of vehicles that fail to stop for red lights at certain intersections in the Village. Video and photographs taken of the red-light violation are utilized by the Legal Division in the administrative adjudication of these violations. The Notice of Violation includes photographs and information regarding the date, time and place of the violation. In the adjudication process, video of the violation, vehicle speed and the amount of time that elapsed from when the light turned red to when the front tires of the vehicle crossed the stop line at the intersection, are available for review.

The [Insurance Institute for Highway Safety](#) represents that 22% of all traffic accidents in the U.S. are caused by drivers running red lights. These accidents kill over 800 people each year, and result in an estimated 7 billion dollars in property damage, medical bills, lost productivity and increased insurance costs. The Village continues to utilize this program to further improve the safety of its roadways.

In calendar year 2015, fines paid as a result of enforcement of red light camera safety program was \$201,800, while expenses for the program were \$130,258, resulting in revenue of \$71,542. The automated red-light cameras located in the Village have been successful in increasing traffic safety in the Village, by reducing red-light running violations and crash incidents. This program continues to be monitored for effectiveness.



# PATROL DIVISION

Commander Anthony Novak leads the Patrol Division; the most recognizable unit of the Police Department. The Patrol Division is the largest component of the Police Department and provides the community with professional police service 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year.



The Patrol Sergeants include: Sergeants Grant Anderson, Mike Fisher, Ron Mikos and Jeremiah Zigterman, who each oversee a patrol shift.

Patrol Officers are first responders who provide proactive patrol, enforce State and local statutes, conduct the enforcement of traffic laws, and take reports for a variety of reasons. In addition, Patrol Officers deter and investigate criminal activity, and solve problems in a collaborative effort with the community.

Patrol Officers are assigned to geographical areas of responsibility, referred to as "zones". This helps preserve and protect the security and safety of persons and property by reducing the response times of Officers and allows Officers to become familiar with all facets of his/her assigned "zone".

In order to provide assistance to the Patrol Division, Executive Assistant Rebecca Marzetta handles all administrative functions for Commander Novak, which includes the maintenance of Patrol schedules, training records, enters Department statistics, orders equipment and uniforms, processes Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) grant reimbursements, distributes Department Press Releases, and handles other administrative functions as necessary.



Our Police Department strives to provide Officers with the highest level of training. We have many Officers trained as: Evidence Technicians, Juvenile Officers, Rapid Deployment Training Instructors, Defensive Tactics Training Instructors, Field Training Officers, Firearms Instructors, Motorcycle Officers, Arson Investigators, Bicycle Officers, Police Honor/Color Guard Officers, Public Information Officers.

The Department continues to implement new in-house training programs to ensure our Officers are up to date on all tactical skills, and also utilizes internal and online resources to maintain all necessary certifications in order to stay current on law updates.

# PATROL DIVISION



Sergeant Munson heads up the Traffic Unit; which is a subsection of the Patrol Division. Traffic concerns are routinely in the forefront of the community, and thus traffic safety is a priority of the police department. In order to create an effective traffic safety program, the department continually monitors factors related to the three "E's" of traffic safety: Engineering, Education, and Enforcement.

The two main goals of the traffic unit are to reduce traffic crashes, and to improve the quality of life of its citizens by addressing fears that arise from unsafe driving within residential neighborhoods and within the community as a whole. To achieve these goals, the traffic unit is data driven in terms of its approach; crash data is analyzed, traffic studies are conducted, and citizen complaints are addressed. By following this data driven approach, the traffic unit is able to focus its resources on stretches of roadways where crashes are occurring and complaints received in order to address the aforementioned issues in an effective and efficient manner.

Although the traffic officers address an array of enforcement issues, the main focus of the enforcement falls within the following categories:

- Speeding vehicles
- Occupant restraint
- Impaired drivers
- Railroad safety
- Truck enforcement



# PATROL DIVISION

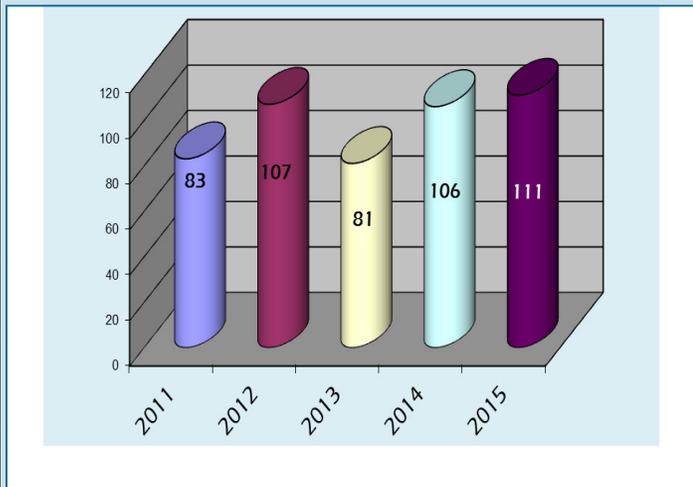


Traffic unit officers attend a multitude of community events throughout the year in order to educate the motoring public about traffic safety. In addition, press releases, posters, water bills, banners, signs, bill boards, social media, etc. are used to spread safety messages.

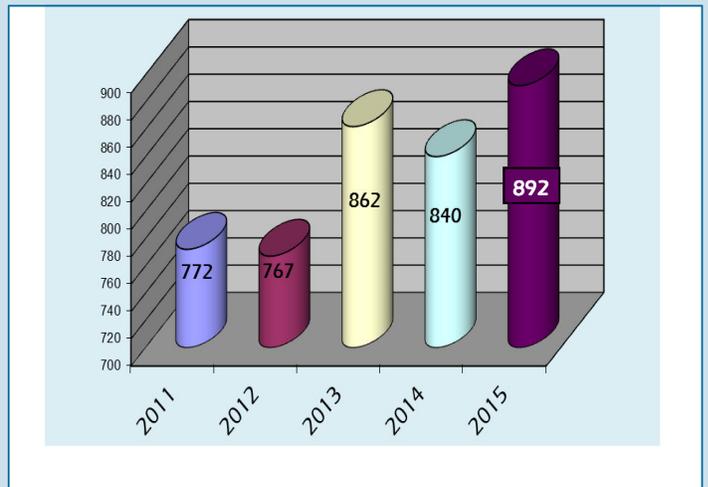
Sergeant Munson works continuously with the Public Works Department to address issues that arise such as traffic signage, roadway design, subdivision layout, traffic patterns, and more. The Village follows its Traffic Control Signage Policy (which adheres to the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices) in order to be consistent and follow established standards and practices. In addition to working directly with Public Works, Sergeant Munson chairs the Traffic Safety Committee, which is comprised of representatives from the Village, fire departments (Oswego and Plainfield), school districts (Oswego and Plainfield), and the Village's engineering firm. The Traffic Safety Committee meets monthly to address traffic related issues and makes recommendations to Village department heads for consideration of any potential changes needed.

In 2015, the Plainfield Police Department investigated 1,272 motor vehicle crashes—a 4% increase from 2014. The Department also investigated two (2) traffic crashes involving a fatality. Other crash data is included below:

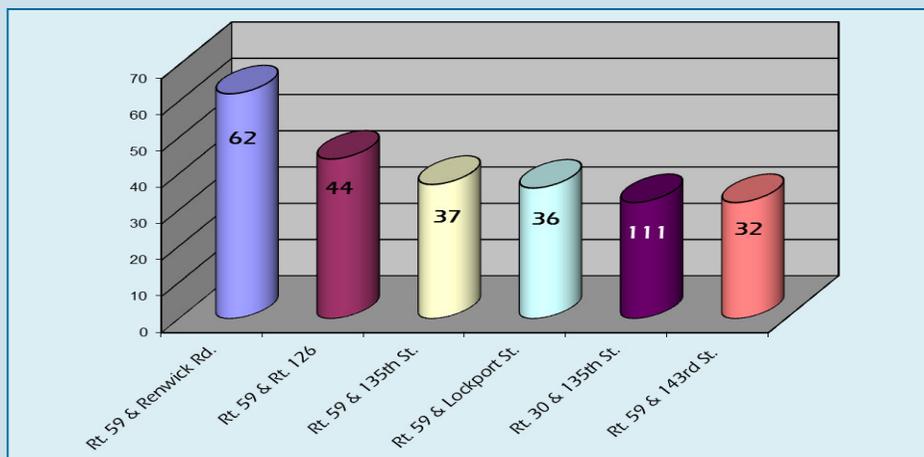
VEHICLE TRAFFIC CRASHES—Personal Injury



VEHICLE TRAFFIC CRASHES—Property Damage



AREAS IN PLAINFIELD WITH THE MOST TRAFFIC CRASHES



# PATROL DIVISION



The K-9 unit is part of the Patrol Division and along with general calls for service, is also responsible for providing canine support during general patrol operations and special criminal investigations which include narcotics, several other types of search warrants, and assisting outside agencies if requested. K-9 Kody is a 4-year old German Shepherd, and has been on the streets of Plainfield since May of 2013.

In 2015, the K-9 unit logged over 390 hours of training which included a trip to Douglasville, Georgia for the North American Police Work Dog Association. In Georgia, K-9 Kody retained his Police Utility Dog title and was certified in obedience, article searches, area searches, tracking, building searches, aggression control, and narcotic detection (Marijuana, Cocaine, Heroin and Methamphetamines).



## Notable 2015 statistics for Officer Caliendo & K-9 Kody

Agency assists—42
Warrant assists—8
USC seized—\$186,719
Vehicle sniffs—41
School sniffs—10
Building searches—5
Residential sniffs—16
Demonstrations—19
Tracks performed—6
Other deployments—4
Marijuana seized—6642
Paraphernalia items seized—19
Heroin seized—4.5 pounds
Ecstasy tablets seized—59

Other activities in 2015 include: tracked and located an offender wanted for fleeing/eluding, assisted with a track to locate a special needs teenager, assisted on a home invasion, assisted the U.S. Postal Service by alerting to a parked vehicle with 3 pounds of Marijuana inside, assisted in removing offenders from an armed robbery, assisted with a fleeing offender from an armed robbery, assisted with a track of a fleeing offender from a traffic stop, assisted the Coast Guard with an interdiction on the barges, assisted the U.S. Postal Service in Search Warrants on 2 occasions recovering 11 pounds of Marijuana, and assisted the DEA on Search Warrants which resulted in 4.5 pounds of Heroin, 2 grams of Cocaine and a total of \$179,819 in USC seized.

# PATROL DIVISION

The Plainfield Police Department continued to offer qualified college students the opportunity to participate in our semester long Law Enforcement Internship Program. During the 2015 calendar year, two college students were able to participate in our internship program.



The goal of our internship program is to offer a meaningful learning experience to students interested in a career in law enforcement. The hands on approach allows the students to see how the concepts they have learned in the classroom, are applied in the real world.

In order to provide our interns with a comprehensive experience, the program is designed to allow them to spend time working and learning from personnel in each area of the Department. Beginning the experience in the Patrol Division, interns are exposed to dayshift and nightshift patrol, the Traffic Unit, and the K-9 unit. Interns are scheduled to ride with as many different officers as possible, so they have the opportunity to learn from each officer individually. After spending their initial phase in the Patrol Division, interns are then able to spend time with officers assigned to the Administration Division which includes the Investigations Unit, School Resource Officer Unit, Records Unit, and the Property Custodian/Evidence Technician. The interns will then spend time with the Community Service Division which includes the Code Enforcement Unit, and D.A.R.E. officers. Interns also spend time with our Courts Division and learn about the judicial system of Will and Kendall Counties.

Through a cooperative effort with our dispatch center, Western Will County Communications Center (WESCOM), interns are able to spend time with the dispatchers during their daily shift and observe first-hand how a dispatch center operates.

Throughout the program, efforts are made to allow the student to observe routine department trainings which include K-9 training, Mobile Field Force Team training Defensive Tactics training, Rapid Deployment training and Firearms training.

Upon completion of the internship program, interns will have received exposure to the exciting and complex field of local law enforcement. This overall experience will expose interns into a true and realistic career as a police officer with the Plainfield Police Department, and how the police department operates.



# PATROL DIVISION

The Plainfield Police Explorer Program is a great opportunity for those intending to pursue a career in Law Enforcement. The training provides insight into the day-to-day activities of a Police Officer, strengthens leadership skills and helps prepare for a future in law enforcement. This program is for men and women between the ages of 14 and 20 and run by Officer Amanda Felgenhauer, Officer Marty Vanheeswijk and Officer Mark Siegel. In 2015, the Explorer program took on 16 kids and 6 of the kids went to the State Explorer competition in July of 2015 and took 1st place in Evidence Tech, 2nd in Hostage Negotiation and 3rd in the Volleyball competition. Officer Jason Kopek joined the team in 2015 as an Advisor and 2 Explorers who graduated from the Program stayed on as Advisors.

Some of their activities in 2015 were:

- Team Building
- Handcuffing
- ASP Training
- Room Clearing
- First-Aid
- Evidence Collection
- Weapons Safety
- Ride-Alongs
- Traffic Stops and Accident Investigations
- Interview Skills
- Hostage Negotiations
- Police Testing Procedures
- Developing Leadership Skills



# PATROL DIVISION

Lastly, as we move forward, the Department is very cognizant of ethical and unbiased service; treating any citizen complaint very seriously. We pride ourselves on fully investigating any issues to a conclusion, and recognize Officers for “a job well done.”



Statistics from 2015 are shown here.

EXTERNAL	2013	2014	2015
Citizen Complaint	2	0	0
Sustained	1	0	0
Not Sustained	1	1	0
Unfounded	0	0	0
Exonerated	0	1	0
INTERNAL	2103	2014	2015
Directed Complaint	2	0	0
Sustained	1	0	0
Not Sustained	0	0	0
Unfounded	1	1	1
Exonerated	0	0	0

	2013	2014	2015
Suspension	0	0	0
Demotion	0	0	0
Resign in Lieu of Termination	2	0	0
Termination	0	0	0
Total	2	0	0
Commendations/Honorable Mentions	47	42	54

# CRIME STATS/TRENDS

Plainfield Police reports statistics to the State on a monthly basis in accordance with Illinois Uniform Crime Reporting [I-UCR] Chapter 20 of the Illinois Compiled Statutes, 2630/8, consistent with national regulations governed by the FBI. The UCR summary system is a nationwide law enforcement program that allows the compilation of crime statistics as provided by local agencies. The Crime Index consists of:

**Violent Crimes:** • Murder/Manslaughter • Forcible Rape • Robbery • Aggravated Assault

**Property Crimes:** • Burglary • Theft • Motor Vehicle Theft • Arson

The UCR program's primary objective is to provide a reliable set of criminal justice statistics for law enforcement administration, operation and management.

UCR data is limited, in that it measures only those crimes reported to the Police. It is estimated that 1/3 to 1/2 of the crimes that occur, never get reported. Although this data is evaluated over a period of time, it assists the Police in recognizing consistent fluctuations, trends and patterns in the levels of crime.

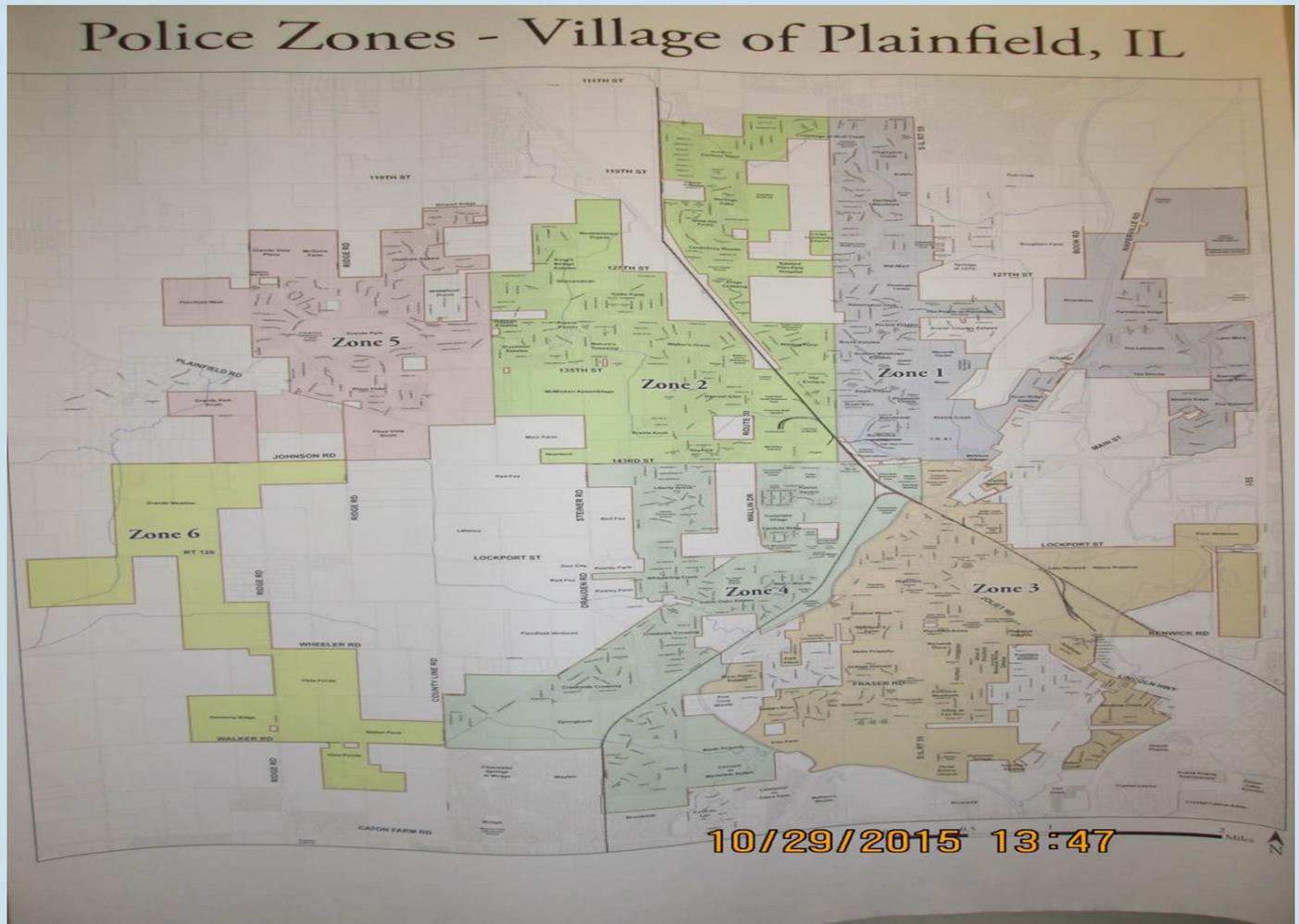
Historically, the causes and origins of crime have been the subjects of analysis by many disciplines. Some factors that are known to affect the volume and type of crime occurring from place to place are: population density and degree of urbanization, variations in composition of the population [particularly youth concentration], stability of the population [with respect to residents' mobility], commuting patterns and transient factors, economic conditions [including median income, poverty level, and job availability], cultural, educational, recreational and religious characteristics, family conditions [with respect to divorce and family cohesiveness], climate, effective strength of law enforcement agencies, administrative and investigative emphasis of law enforcement, policies of other components of the criminal justice system [i.e., prosecutorial, judicial, correctional, and probational], citizens' attitudes toward crime and crime reporting practices of the citizenry.



# CRIME STATS/TRENDS

Yearly Zone Incident Comparison Report				
Zone *	2012	2013	2014	2015
PCW	802	630	757	1063
Z1	9,234	8,484	8,136	8,524
Z2	6,583	6,136	6,090	6,458
Z3	11,760	10,619	9,920	10,050
Z4	7,539	7,233	6,888	6,732
Z5	999	933	1,006	1,144
Z6	52	48	80	55
<b>TOTAL**</b>	<b>36,969</b>	<b>34,083</b>	<b>32,877</b>	<b>34,026</b>

\*\* Total incidents included in all CAD created incidents, including all Service Calls, Traffic Stops, Information Only Calls, etc.



# CRIME STATS/TRENDS

NOTE: UCR stats for years prior are subject to change with offenses reported to the Police Department in subsequent years.

CRIME INDEX		
Population	Crime Index (Per 1,000 Residents)	Year
39,581	13.34	2011
40,422	13.53	2012
41,784	10.91	2013
42,138	8.64	2014
42,138	9.16	2015

## PART I OFFENSES REPORTED THROUGH UCR

Year	Criminal Homicide	Rape	Robbery	Aggravated Assault	Burglary	Theft	Motor Vehicle Theft	Arson	Totals
2011	0	1	5	16	91	399	11	5	528
2012	0	6	13	18	60	430	15	5	547
2013	1	1	5	17	54	370	5	3	456
2014	0	6	9	16	37	276	12	8	364
2015	1	10	7	21	44	291	10	2	386

# MAJOR CASES/EVENTS

## Case # 15-0771 Criminal Sexual Assault

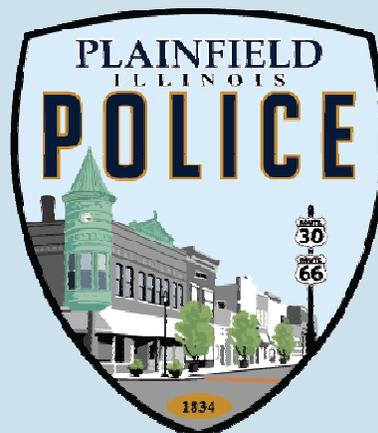
In February 2015, the Plainfield Police Investigations and School Resource Officer Units conducted an investigation into alleged sexual assaults of two juveniles by their biological father over a long period of time. After the victim sensitive interviews were conducted with the juveniles, in regards to the assaults, Detectives conducted an interview of the offender. During the interview, the offender admitted to committing the numerous assaults and was charged with multiple felonies.

## Case # 15-0994 Criminal Sexual Assault

In February 2015, a Plainfield Police School Resource Officer was notified of an alleged inappropriate sexual relationship between a juvenile and a teacher. A victim sensitive interview was conducted with the victim in which details of the incident were provided. The teacher was questioned by Detectives and admitted to the relationship. Detectives were also able to obtain information from the teacher's cell phone corroborating the relationship. The teacher was charged with multiple felonies. It was later determined that the teacher was involved in a previous unreported similar incident with a juvenile in another town.

## Case # 15-7069 Homicide

In October 2015, Plainfield Police Patrol Officers responded to a residence in town to conduct a welfare check on a subject. Upon entering the residence to conduct the check, a female victim with multiple stab wounds was located. The victim was transported to the hospital and later pronounced dead. The alleged offender ended up taking his own life shortly thereafter. The Plainfield Police Investigations Unit conducted a full homicide investigation and during that investigation, it was determined the alleged offender had committed the homicide, which was domestic related.



# ADMINISTRATION

Commander Kevin Greco leads the Administration Division; which includes Investigations and Records. Commander Greco also heads up the Strategic Plan Committee, oversees Internal Affairs and is the Department liaison for Northwestern University School of Police Staff and Command which holds their classes at our facility each year.

## What is a detective?

A detective is a specially trained police officer who investigates crimes of all types, from homicide to larceny.



Detective Sergeant Kevin McQuaid is in charge of the Investigations Unit consisting of: four Detectives, four School Resource Officers [SRO's], one Property Custodian, one Drug Enforcement Administration [DEA] Task Force Officer and one Will County Cooperative Police Assistance Team [CPAT] Officer. DEA and CPAT cases fall under Federal and State Police jurisdictions, respectively, and our agency is awarded a portion of all seized funds comparable to our participation.

In 2015, our Department investigated 565 cases. Regardless of the degree of the crime, all cases are handled with attention to detail in order to resolve the incident. The Investigations Unit balances case loads among detectives utilizing Case Management software; which assists in tracking and recording time requirements, responses to victims, trends and much more.

The Criminal Investigations Unit is tasked with a variety of responsibilities; the primary function being to provide investigative support to the Patrol Division. Reported incidents are carefully screened to determine those cases that require additional follow-up which would typically over task the Patrol Division's resources. This would often include cases requiring multiple interviews, out-of-town follow-ups, crime scene work and surveillance activities to name a few. In 2015, Detectives worked cases which involved: executing Search Warrants, Grand Jury, Subpoenas, Grand Jury appearances for investigative support/documents/information, criminal indictments, sexual assault and/or abuse, death investigations and armed robberies.

Investigations are also initiated if the Unit receives information on suspected criminal activity. Investigators develop crime trends, identify sources of information and act as liaisons between the schools and Police Department.

# ADMINISTRATION



The Plainfield Police Department, in a proactive prevention effort, conducts tobacco and alcohol compliance checks at businesses in the Village that sell alcohol and tobacco products. A compliance check involves sending a person under the age of 21 for alcohol products, or under the age of 18 for tobacco products [both under the observation of an under cover Officer], to see if the business asks the underage person for their identification.

If the business does illegally sell the products to the underage person, the business employee that made the sale is criminally charged or issued a local ordinance violation ticket. The Village of Plainfield will take administrative action against the business owner for repeat offenses, up to the suspension and possible revocation of their license to sell alcohol or tobacco.



## ILLINOIS BASSET TRAINING



While alcohol/tobacco checks are important and measure overall compliance, we feel that educating our business community is equally as important. That is why each alcohol vendor is required to attend training in the BASSET [Beverage Alcohol Sellers and Servers Education and Training] Program offered at the Police Department. This program is an important educational tool to sellers/servers of alcoholic beverages to serve responsibly and stay within the law. The BASSET program teaches preventive measures to: discourage over-consumption, learn how alcohol affects people, recognize the effects of alcohol, manage the sales of alcohol and keep drunk drivers off the roads.

# ADMINISTRATION



The Plainfield Police Department continues to provide in-house specialty Evidence Technicians to complement Patrol activities. Property and evidence processing requires high level training; received from internal training programs as well as other reputable training organizations.

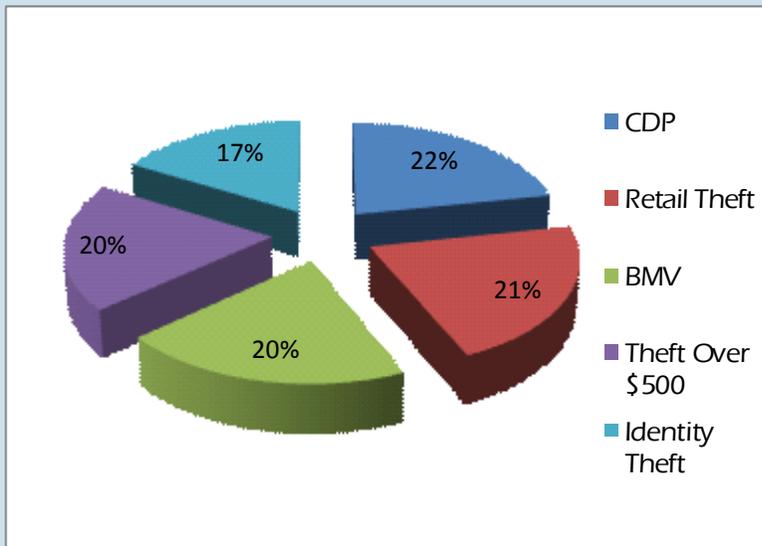
The Property Custodian is responsible for all evidence and property that is held at the Plainfield Police Department. All evidence is governed by strict accreditation policies and procedures that protect the integrity of all property held by this agency. Property that is brought to the Department includes evidence from crime scenes, property confiscated by Police Officers and found property. Utilizing a small crime laboratory with specialized equipment, we are able to process many different types of submitted evidence. A single case with 20 pieces of evidence entails numerous man-hours of dedicated work efforts and recordkeeping that regularly occurs out of the public's view.

The Plainfield Police Department utilizes the Porter Lee Corporation Crime Fighter BEAST Evidence Management System, which is the leading Police evidence management system in the United States. BEAST is a mature, full-featured evidence handling solution with more than 10 years of evolutionary enhancements behind it. This system allows: chain-of-custody tracking from collection through disposition, the ability to incorporate our existing system's barcodes, a mobile crime scene collection interface with an integral image vault, the ability to incorporate signatures or other biometric authentication, fully integrated pull-requests and pull-lists, complete inventory management including remote inventory using handheld computers.

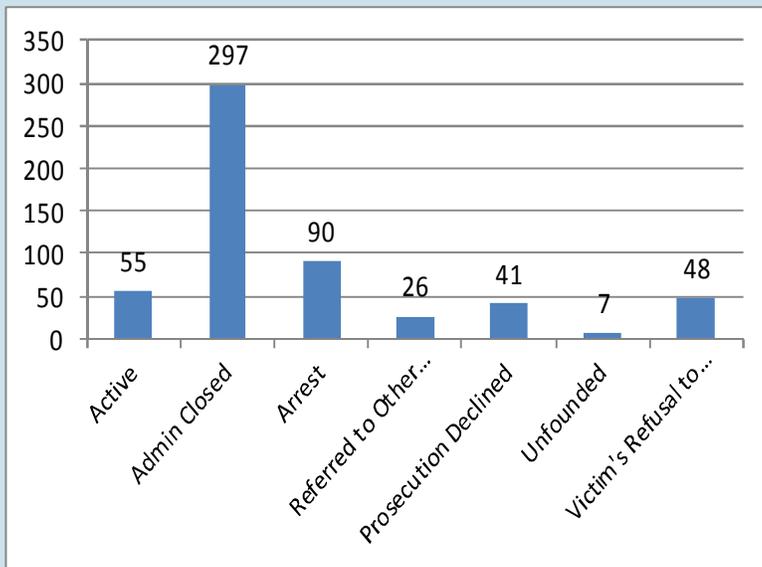
In 2015, the Plainfield Police Department took into evidence approximately 1,936 pieces of property related to a crime or violation. Evidence and property control is a critical function; ensuring the chain-of-custody for evidentiary items which are crucial to the success of a criminal case. Evidence must be securely maintained at all times, and any movement of items must be documented. The Property Custodian is also responsible for inventorying impounded vehicles, providing court materials when requested, processing crime scenes, handling all asset forfeiture (seizures), and disposing of property.

# ADMINISTRATION

The 2015 categories are as follows:



2015 Case Stats	
Robbery/Theft/Burglary	170
Homicide	1
Burglary to Motor Vehicle	51
Criminal Damage to Property	55
Financial Crimes	109
Assault/Battery	27
Sex Crimes	28
Arson	8
Armed Robbery	2
Death Investigations	11
Other	103
<b>Total</b>	<b>565</b>



Active	55
Administratively Closed	297
Arrest	90
Referred to Other Jurisdiction	26
Prosecution Declined to Prosecute	41
Unfounded	7
Victim's Refusal to Cooperate	48

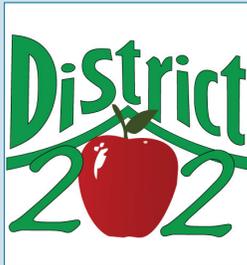
Top Five Cases - 2015	
Criminal Damage to Property	55
Retail Theft	54
Burglary to Motor Vehicle	51
Theft Over \$500.00	49
Identity Theft	42

DEA STATISTICS FOR 2015
Cannabis Seized—4,104 Grams
Cocaine Seized—37,578 Grams
Heroin Seized—6,000 Grams
Methamphetamine Seized—4,082 Grams
Pills Seized—58
LSD Seized—2.7 Grams
CBD Oil Seized—128 ML
USC/Other Assets Seized—\$444,956
Vehicle Seized—9
Firearms Seized—3
Arrests Made—12

WCPAT STATISTICS FOR 2015
Cannabis Seized—2,183 Grams
Heroin Seized—10 Grams
LSD Seized—355 Grams
Cocaine Seized—8.4 Grams
Pills Seized—30
Total Street Value of Drugs Seized—\$35,000
Firearms Seized—1
Search Warrants Executed—3
USC Seized—\$71,015
Other Assets Seized—\$4,709
Arrests Made—13

# ADMINISTRATION

District 202 is the 4<sup>th</sup> largest school district in Illinois with seven elementary schools, four middle schools and three high schools; plus the Administration Building, Bonnie McBeth Learning Center and the Plainfield Academy in the Village limits. SRO's handled the following activities during the 2015 school year:



The School Resource Officer [SRO] Program is a school-based community policing program comprised of specially trained Officers, and designed to create positive relationships between Officers and students, staff and parents. These Officers are self-motivated individuals who have several years Police experience, and have demonstrated the ability to effectively engage the public and work with youth.

INCIDENTS IN 2015	PLAINFIELD	PLAINFIELD	PLAINFIELD	PLAINFIELD	TOTAL
	CENTRAL HS	NORTH HS	EAST HS	ACADEMY HS	ALL SCHOOLS
CRIMINAL INCIDENTS	61	110	47	41	259
SCHOOL DRILLS	27	22	19	26	94
CITATIONS	62	8	87	27	184
ASSIST OTHER AGENCIES/ SCHOOLS	14	31	16	27	88
ARRESTS	36	24	19	17	96

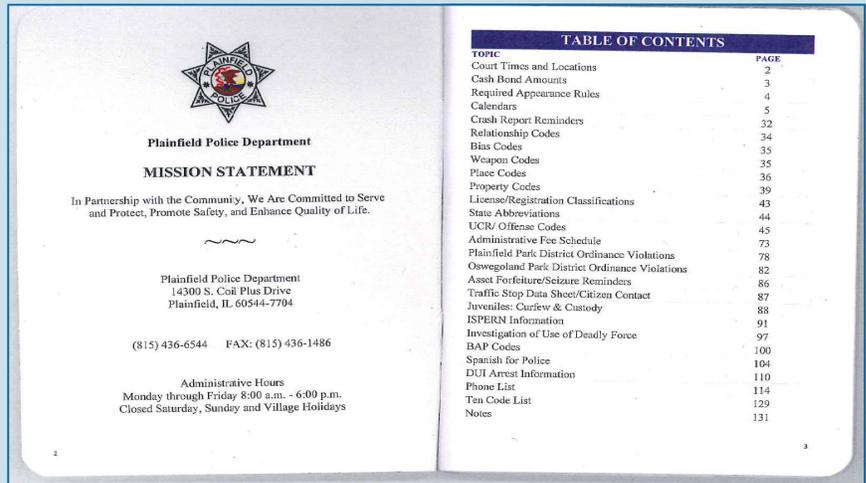
This is a long-standing program in the Village, and each SRO is actively involved in school and organization activities. SRO's are assigned full-time to the high schools, and work closely with school administration to ensure a safe and secure learning environment. SRO's assist the school administration with the investigation of criminal activity within the school, and support the Investigations Unit with crime-related duties that occur outside of school settings. SRO's also mentor students, and assist teachers by speaking on a variety of law enforcement topics.

Officers assigned full-time to the high schools are also assigned to their zone's middle schools for any necessary coverage, while D.A.R.E. Officers cover the elementary schools. During the summer months and if not covering summer school, SRO's assist Investigations, the Traffic Unit, or work special assignments.

School Resource Officers continue to be a valuable resource for students, faculty and parents.

# ADMINISTRATION

## Field Directory 2015



The Records Unit consists of Sergeant Jennifer Myers, Assistant Records Supervisor Tori Buonamici, Records Specialist Linda Hagar and full-time Records Technicians Mindy Murphy, Mary McGregor, Sue Choi and Anna Marie Flood.

Records Unit personnel: maintain the Sex Offender Registration database, post any updates and ensure compliance with other procedures, process court-ordered Expungements, comply with Freedom of Information Act [FOIA] requests, provide service to "walk-in's", enter case information into the data management system, answer phone calls, log and maintain all case reports, process local criminal checks for governmental agencies, check and issue Solicitor Permits, provide report copies for insurance companies and attorneys' offices, train and certify personnel in LEADS Access, provide statistical reports for IDOT, ensure the safekeeping of Police documents, quality check Police reports and perform data entry in a timely and accurate fashion for thousands of accidents and tickets each year.

The Records Department and Field Directory Committee are also responsible for the creation and distribution of the Department's Field Directory for Officers which contains each month's color-coded court schedule; and clarifications, instructions and guidance on report writing and status code definitions and when to use them. The Directory has an updated UCR Offense list that includes: statutes, Asset Forfeiture guidelines, the current Administrative Fee Schedule, the current BAP alarm code list and license plate registration codes.

# ADMINISTRATION

Some of the Records Unit accomplishments in 2015 were:



PERFORMANCE MEASURES	2014	2015
DCFS Requests	94	94
Traffic Citations Entered	6,242	5,876
Admin Tickets Entered	4,665	3,430
Warnings Entered	789	2,483
Crash Reports Entered	1,109	1,225
Local Records Checks	528	437
Freedom of Information Requests	384	358
Solicitor Permits Processed	31	59
Parking Ticket Appeals	175	107
Insurance Company Requests	787	957

# ADMINISTRATION



The Plainfield Police Department is an accredited agency thanks to the hard work of Sergeant Jennifer Myers, who worked diligently to bring the Department into compliance with all required CALEA Standards.

The Law Enforcement Accreditation Program was the first credentialing program established by CALEA after its founding. It was originally developed to address what was seen as a need to enhance law enforcement as a profession and to improve law enforcement service delivery. That mission continues today through a tiered law enforcement accreditation program. Agencies may participate in either CALEA Law Enforcement Accreditation (Tier 1) or CALEA Advanced Law Enforcement Accreditation (Tier 2), without regard to agency size.

Since the first CALEA Accreditation Award was granted in 1984, the program has become the primary method for an agency to voluntarily demonstrate their commitment to excellence in law enforcement. The standards upon which the Law Enforcement Accreditation Program is based reflect the current thinking and experience of law enforcement practitioners and researchers. Major law enforcement associations, leading educational and training institutions, governmental agencies, as well as law enforcement executives internationally, acknowledge CALEA's *Standards for Law Enforcement Agencies*<sup>®</sup> and its Accreditation Programs as benchmarks for professional law enforcement agencies.



# COMMUNITY SERVICE DIVISION



The Community Service Division is currently organized under Commander Ken Ruggles who oversees all aspects of the Division, and is responsible for policy-level direction. Executive Assistant Vanessa Hutchins handles administrative functions for Commander Ruggles and is responsible for researching and applying for Grants for the Department, providing assistance to Community Service Officers, PEMA and Code Enforcement with the processing of invoices and property Liens/Releases, as well as maintaining fleet records. Vanessa also takes the minutes for the Code Enforcement and the Traffic Committee meetings, and provides support with several other Department-wide duties.

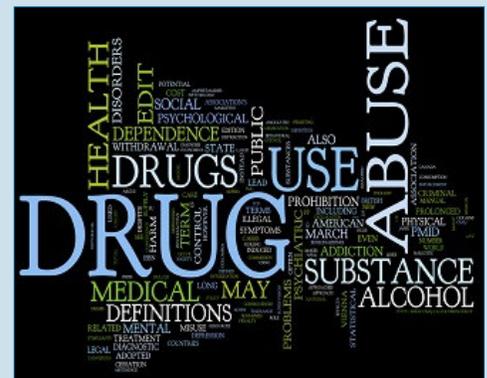
The Division is broken down into various functions which include: D.A.R.E., Community Service Officers [CSO's], Crossing Guards, Code Enforcement, Volunteer Personnel/Plainfield Emergency Management Agency [PEMA], Special Event Planning and the Chaplain Program.

Commander Ken Ruggles oversees the daily operation of Plainfield EMA, the Chaplain Program, Special Events Planning, Department Radio Communications and the Community Services Sergeant. The Community Services Sergeant directly supervises Community Service Officers, Code Enforcement Officers, the Drug Abuse Resistance Education {D.A.R.E.} Program, Community Outreach programs and Vehicle Maintenance.

# COMMUNITY SERVICE DIVISION

The D.A.R.E. Program is led by Officers Erin Cook and Steve Shervino and covers an array of duties; the greatest of which is teaching D.A.R.E. to Plainfield School District 202 5th Grade classes. Topics covered include: Internet Safety, Prescription Drug Abuse and Bullying Prevention. The kids learn a great deal and enjoy the D.A.R.E. Walk Fundraiser, and graduation at the end of the 17-week session. 2015 was another very successful year for the D.A.R.E. Haunted House, which entertained over 4,000 visitors.

When Officers E. Cook and Shervino are not busy teaching or preparing for D.A.R.E. classes, they provide education to the public through a variety of safety/security topics and programs such as: Citizen's Police and Fire Academy, TRIAD Senior Services, Police Department tours, BASSET Alcohol Server Training and safety talks.

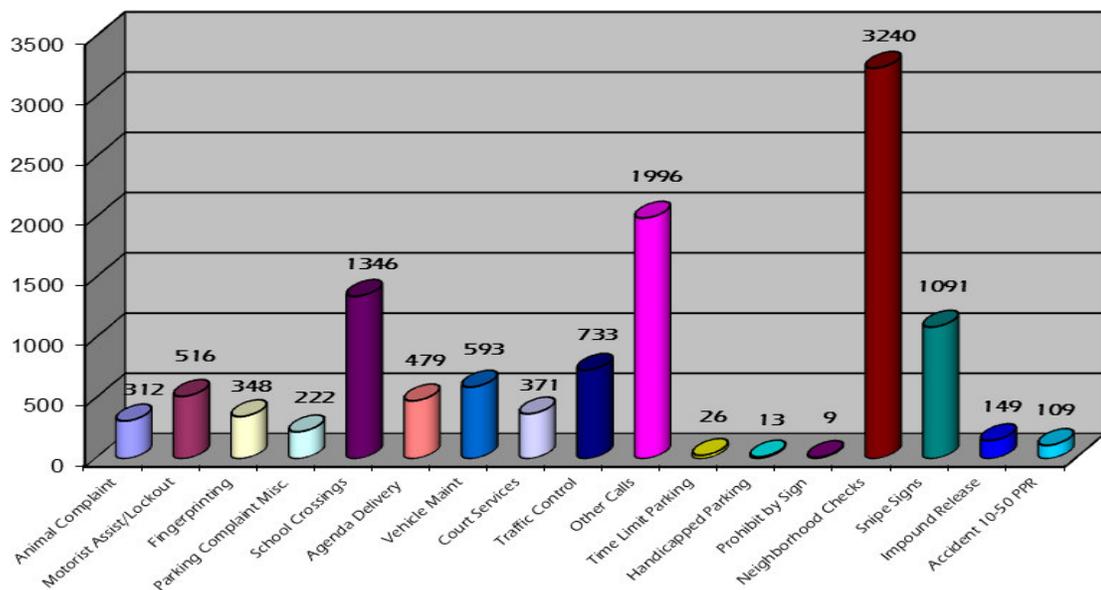


# COMMUNITY SERVICE DIVISION

Community Service Officer's are uniformed, unarmed, civilian members of the Department that engage in a variety of Police/community-related services including: code enforcement, parking complaints, traffic control, private property accidents, school crossings, motorist assists, animal complaints, assuring snipe sign compliance, delivering Village Board materials and doing fingerprints. In 2015, CSO's handled over 11,000 calls for service and logged over 7,784 work hours.

CSO's usually handle non-criminal, lower priority calls which do not require an armed Police Officer with arrest powers; essentially freeing Sworn Officers to concentrate on those incidents requiring their specific skill sets. CSO's are considered a blessing for both the Department and community they serve. The CSO program is a very successful, cost effective program that allows the Plainfield Police Department to continue providing several quality services to the citizens in the community.

The breakdown of some of their activities for 2015 is shown here.



Our CSO's are:

Claudine Paler, Kelly McCann, Jeremiah Ledford, Chad Newcomer, Heather Lemke, Ronald O'Connell, Pete Piazza, and Melanie Derby



# COMMUNITY SERVICE DIVISION

With over 25 different school crossings per day, the Community Service Officers, with support from the School Crossing Guards, ensure the safety of children remains the top priority for this Division and Department. Crossing Guards work, regardless of weather conditions, to safely cross over 200 children per day. School crossings and traffic control covers schools on all levels: Elementary, Middle and High School.

School Crossing Guards John Lederer, Mireya Sandoval, Maureen McGrail, Ron Snell and Brenda Case work alongside CSO's to coordinate efforts at the following schools:

- Ira Jones Middle School
- Lincoln Elementary School
- Eagle Pointe Elementary School
- Walker's Grove Elementary School
- Freedom Elementary School
- Plainfield East High School
- Plainfield North High School
- Plainfield Central High School



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Patrol Operations are the basis for the Department, but without vehicle maintenance, Officers would be relegated to respond to calls on foot. Work done by CSO/Vehicle Maintenance Coordinator Melanie Derby ensures the continued success of our well-maintained fleet. Melanie is responsible for all vehicle maintenance issues within the Department, and ensures all existing vehicles are maintained and available for use. She coordinates the outfitting of new vehicles added to the fleet, and is also responsible for having vehicles stripped down of equipment if they are retired to auction; this process allows the Department to save money by re-using equipment in good working order.



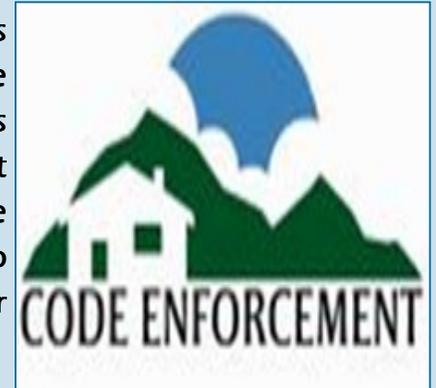
CSO Derby ensures vehicles receive preventative maintenance, which significantly reduces the amount of time a vehicle may be out of service. When new vehicles are added to the fleet, CSO Derby ensures the equipment installation is done correctly so Officers can begin utilizing them to their full potential.

The graph below shows some of the vehicle maintenance costs and mileage driven by fleet vehicles in 2015.

2015 VEHICLE SUMMARY			
MAINTENANCE	MILES DRIVEN	GALLONS OF GASOLINE USED	AVERAGE MILES PER GALLON
\$ 107,324.28	478,862	47,094.20	10

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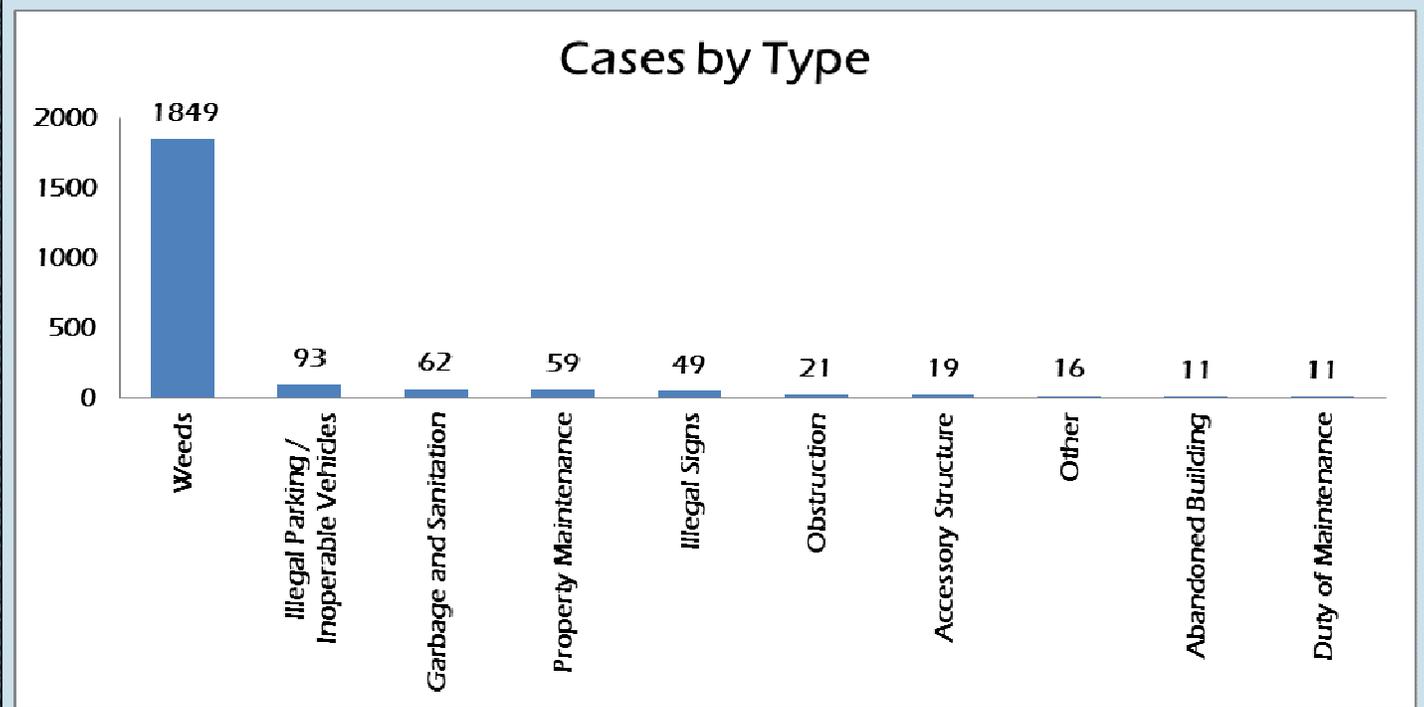
The Code Enforcement unit of the Plainfield Police Department is primarily responsible for enforcing exterior property maintenance violations within the Village. The Code Enforcement Unit has changed from being comprised of one full-time Code Enforcement Officer and one part-time Code Enforcement Officer to two full time Code Enforcement Officers. Jill Weyer and Nicholas Gregory, who was hired in October of 2015, are the Code Enforcement Officers for the Village of Plainfield.



In 2015 Code Enforcement handled 2,259 cases. 83% of these cases handled in 2015 were self-initiated by the two officers. The remaining 17% of cases were received via phone calls, email, online (public portal complaints), or from other village employees. The majority of Code Enforcement Cases were related to tall grass/weeds.

Other high volume cases handled by Code Enforcement include:

- Garbage and Sanitation
- Property Maintenance
- Sign Violations
- Inoperable vehicles / Illegal parking
- Obstructions



# COMMUNITY SERVICE DIVISION

## Community Outreach Programs

The D.A.R.E. (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) Program is taught by Officer Steve Shervino and Officer Erin Cook. The program teaches Plainfield School District 202 5<sup>th</sup> graders topics that including Internet Safety, Prescription Drug Abuse and Bullying Prevention. Students helped fundraise for the program through the DARE Dance-A-Thon which was very successful; raising over \$16,000 for the D.A.R.E. program.

Officer Shervino and Officer E. Cook also conduct a number of community outreach programs which include programs such as – TRIAD Senior Services, Police Department Tours, Safety Talks and the SNAP (Special Needs Assistance Program) Program which is a collaborative effort between the Plainfield Police Department and the Plainfield Fire Protection District. The program is designed to provide first responders with pertinent information regarding persons with special needs that reside at a location they are responding to a call for service at. The program is available to anyone with special needs in the Plainfield Police or Plainfield Fire Service area.

Officer Shervino and Officer E. Cook also organize and run multiple community outreach events during the year. The events include:

- The D.A.R.E. pool party every summer which kicks off the school year for the D.A.R.E. Students;
- National Night Out which is an annual community-building event that promotes police-community relationships. Last year National Night Out was held at the Village Green on August 4, 2015 and included members from the Plainfield Police Department, Plainfield Fire Department, PEMA, CERT, Plainfield Park District, Plainfield Library and Local businesses. The event had games, food, and raffle prizes for attendees;
- Hot Dog Days is another community-police relationship building program that was brought back to the Village of Plainfield. During Hot Dog Days Officer E. Cook and Officer Shervino will go to neighborhoods and grill hot dogs, play games, and talk with local residents about their concerns within their respective neighborhoods; and
- The Foundation of Excellence Haunted House. Officer Shervino and Officer E. Cook work very closely with the School District's Foundation of Excellence to help the Foundation put on a successful Haunted House at the Plainfield Police Department every October that raises money for the foundations scholarship program. Last year the foundation had over 4,000 people come through their haunted house .

# COMMUNITY SERVICE DIVISION

2015 was an extremely active year for the Plainfield Emergency Management Agency. Last year, PEMA stepped up once again volunteering almost 6,000 hours, ensuring all severe weather incidents, large-scale emergency calls, and all other emergency components were handled efficiently and effectively. Plainfield EMA also assisted in several "Welcome Home" events for military personnel returning from active duty.

To increase their knowledge and ability to provide assistance to the community, PEMA members have received specialized training and certifications in areas that include: Severe Weather Spotting, Search and Rescue, First Aid/AED/CPR, Accountability, Bloodborne Pathogens, Mutual Aid, Gang Awareness, Traffic Control Class, Cribbing, Lifts and Backboards, Map Training, Rehab Operations and Crime Scene Awareness .

The members of the Plainfield Emergency Management Agency continue to provide first-class Emergency Preparedness resources to the Village; many times sacrificing personal time with their families to ensure quick and efficient responses to emergencies.



# COMMUNITY SERVICE DIVISION

Some of the 2015 PEMA highlights include:

## JANUARY:

**Volunteer hours by members: 228**

**Training topics:** Blood borne pathogens/back boarding/lifting & evidence awareness.

**Incident Activity & Special Details:** Incidents included assisting Illinois State Police with a crash investigation on Frontage Road north of Lockport St. There were no special details this month.

## FEBRUARY:

**Volunteer hours by members: 292.96**

**Training topics:** Office and storage maintenance at the PD & web EOC training with Will County EMA.

**Incident Activity & Special Details:** Incidents included winter storm Linus and traffic control for low hanging wires. There were no special details this month.



## MARCH:

**Volunteer hours by members: 553.15**

**Training topics:** Basic storm spotter training, cribbing and building markings and DuPage County advanced severe weather seminar.

**Incident Activity & Special Details:** Incidents included traffic control for a concrete spill on Route 30 at 135<sup>th</sup> St., and assisting the FD with a brush fire at Renwick and Indian Boundary. Special details included assisting Manhattan EMA with their Irish Parade and assisting with the Plainfield Irish Parade.



## APRIL:

**Volunteer hours by members: 507.98**

**Training topics:** 2-day Hazmat Awareness Training.

**Incident Activity & Special Details:** Incidents included weather spotting, search and rescue assist to Will County for a missing autistic youth, traffic control for fatal crash on Rt. 59 at Lockport St., and traffic control and rehab from a structure fire at Fox River and Ottawa. Special details included the Fast Cat 5K/10K Run, "Road to Reality" presentation at Plainfield North High School, and assisting Mokena with a 5K & the Plainfield Eikon 5K run.



## MAY:

**Volunteer hours by members: 507.7**

**Training topics:** CPR training, light tower training & WEB EOC with Will County EMA.

**Incident Activity & Special Details:** There were no incidents this month. Special details included assisting Lemont EMA with the Quarryman Challenge, St. Mary Immaculate 5K, Wounded Warrior 5K, and the Memorial Day Parade. There was 1 military escort in May for Marine Aaron Skonieczny.



# COMMUNITY SERVICE DIVISION

Some of the 2015 PEMA highlights include:

## JUNE:

**Volunteer hours by members: 713.49**

**Training topics:** Search and rescue training.

**Incident Activity & Special Details:** Incidents included weather spotting and assisting the FD with traffic control from the Reardon carpet fire. Special details included cruise nights, Mark Batinick's child safety expo, the weather radio sale program and the Community 5K. There was 1 military escort in June for the escort of Corporal Sarah Medina to the airport.



## JULY:

**Volunteer hours by members: 587.77**

**Training topics:** Basic storm spotter training, cribbing/building markings and DuPage County advanced severe weather seminar.

**Incident Activity & Special Details:** Incidents included callouts for vehicle crash, storm spotting and a residential house fire. Special details included the Patriotic Picnic/fireworks show, cruise nights, Plainfield Fest, and the weather radio sale program.



## August:

**Volunteer hours by members: 381.29**

**Training topics:** Rope throw bags, pumps/generators, chainsaws/hand tools & search/rescue training.

**Incident Activity & Special Details:** Incident activity included weather spotting. Special details included cruise nights, the Chicagoland emergency vehicle show, assisting Lockport with the Vietnam wall memorial, the weather radio sale program and the 25th anniversary of the Plainfield F5 tornado. There was 1 military escort in August for USMC Ron Manuel.



## September:

**Volunteer hours by members: 547.55**

**Training topics:** CERT, basic vehicle maintenance, electrical safety with ComEd and a tour of the National Weather Service facility.

**Incident Activity & Special Details:** Incidents included a search and rescue callout, traffic control, assisting the Fox Lake PD with an officer funeral, assisting the Plano PD with an evidence search, assisting McHenry County with an officer funeral, the Plainfield Homecoming Parade and the Harvest 5K run. Special details included cruise nights and the Walkers Grove touch-a-truck event.



## October:

**Volunteer hours by members: 334.83**

**Training topics:** Search and rescue, CERT, vehicle familiarization and radio communications.

**Incident Activity & Special Details:** Incidents included assisting Oswego FD with a barn fire. Special details included the Plainfield FD open house, Plainfield United Methodist Church crop walk, the haunted house at the PD and Halloween patrol.



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Some of the 2015 PEMA highlights include:

## November:

**Volunteer hours by members: 227.85**

**Training topics:** Village familiarization and map books, GSAR FTO class and ISARC SARM class.

**Incident Activity & Special Details:** Incidents include GSAR assisting Oswego PD with a missing autistic child and weather spotting. There were no special details in November. NOTE: In November PEMA's new truck (P63) arrived and was wrapped with a new PEMA design. Congratulations PEMA on a new logo!



## December:

**Volunteer hours by members: 229.9**

**Training topics:** GSAR FTO class and river gauges and flooding.

**Incident Activity & Special Details:** The only incident in December was assisting Norridge PD in a search/rescue for an elderly male, and the only special detail was the PEMA Christmas party and awards presentation.

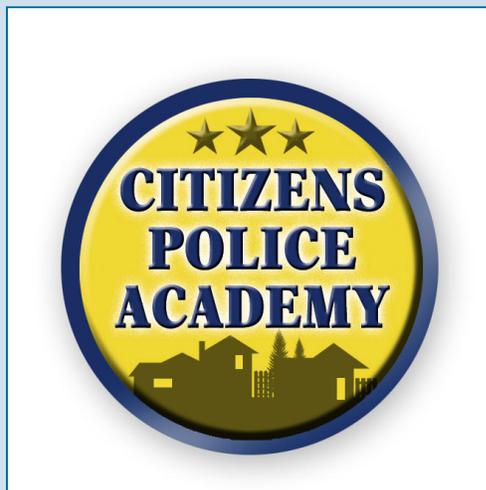


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The Plainfield Citizens Police and Fire Academy conducted its 14th session in 2015! If you are interested in learning more about crime scene processing or how the Fire Department gets people out of a vehicle after a crash...this is the place to be! If you are interested in learning more about Homeland Security or emergency preparedness in the community...this is the class for you!

Through the efforts of the Plainfield Police Chief John Konopek and Plainfield Fire Chief Dave Riddle, residents living in and around the Village of Plainfield and the Plainfield Fire Protection District will have the opportunity to explore these topics and others by attending the Plainfield Citizen's Police and Fire Academy,



Citizens are invited to attend this 10-week program held on consecutive Thursday nights from 7-9pm. The classes are free-of-charge and conducted at various locations in the Village of Plainfield. Classes are taught by personnel from the Plainfield Police, Fire and Ambulance Departments and the curriculum has been designed to be informative as well as beneficial for those attending. Sessions include both lecture and hands-on instruction.

Applications are available at the Plainfield Police Department, 14300 S. Coil Plus Dr. for pick up during normal business hours, Monday through Friday from 8am. to 6pm., or online at [www.plainfield-il.org/police/documents/CITIZENSPOLICEANDFIREACADEMYAPP.PDF](http://www.plainfield-il.org/police/documents/CITIZENSPOLICEANDFIREACADEMYAPP.PDF).

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Below is information about the program:

## Plainfield CERT Program—275 Volunteer Hours in 2015

The Plainfield Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Program had another great year in 2015 and continues within our community training residents of Plainfield in disaster preparedness. Our mission is to harness the power of every individual through education, training, and volunteer service to make our Plainfield community safer, stronger, and better prepared to respond to disasters of all kinds.

Our Plainfield CERT program is about neighbors helping neighbors. It educates residents to believe in their capabilities, provides the basic training and tools to safely take action and then take a step forward and help yourself, your family and your community immediately after a disaster strikes.

Plainfield Emergency Management Agency (PEMA) conducted the first Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) class in 2005. Plainfield EMA conducts one CERT class each year. The goal of the Plainfield Community Emergency Response Team is to provide the Village of Plainfield with several hundred trained civilian volunteers that can be self activated or called upon in times of disaster. The Plainfield CERT program has successfully trained about 185 citizens who live or work near Plainfield.

Over the last eleven years, our CERT program has been activated to support the Village of Plainfield five times. Our team is structured under Plainfield EMA and the Plainfield Police Department. The types of past emergency activations include floods, a missing person search, and winter storms.

Another goal for Plainfield CERT is to be a voice for disaster preparedness and promote various types of emergency preparedness within the Village of Plainfield. Our CERT program plays a vital role for the Village of Plainfield as the program manager and team of volunteers help with events throughout the year to provide important support services to Plainfield's public safety mission.

During 2015, Plainfield CERT provided preparedness education and demonstration along with volunteer outreach at the Plainfield's Business Expo, Basic Weather Spotter Seminar, State Rep Mark Batinick's Children's Safety Expo, National Night Out, and the Plainfield Fire Protection District Open House event.

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The following is a breakdown of the year's key activities for 2015:

In March, our CERT program attended and manned a table display to promote awareness of severe weather and promote community involvement at both the Plainfield Business Expo and a Basic Weather Spotting seminar. At both events, our CERT program manager talked about and passed out information on disaster preparedness, displayed a home emergency disaster kit and promoted a weather radio event our village held.

Plainfield CERT members participated in June at State Rep Mark Batinick's Children's Safety Expo. Here we set up a table with safety information, literature regarding our next CERT class and some giveaways for the children. Members had fun and discussed with the kids various topics of weather science, how to build a disaster prepared household, and selecting a place outside the home to meet.

National Night Out was held in August. Plainfield CERT's program manager attended this annual community-building campaign which promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie to make our neighborhoods safer, better places to live. A table was setup with disaster preparedness information, safety information, literature regarding our next CERT class and some giveaways for families who attended.

In September and October, our primary focus for 2015 was the awareness and training of area residents to better prepare themselves, family members, co-workers and neighbors should an emergency happen to them. If a disastrous event overwhelms or delays the community's professional first responders, residents who are CERT trained can better protect themselves by applying the skills that they learned during training. These skills can help save and sustain lives following a disaster until help arrives. Plainfield CERT training attempts to maximize awareness and encourage participation in disaster preparedness activities to affect change at the community level. CERT skills are also able to apply to everyday emergencies.

Plainfield Community Emergency Response Team welcomed our newest CERT members who graduated last Fall from their 8 week disaster preparedness training program taught by the Plainfield EMA. The year's residents were part of our 11<sup>th</sup> Annual CERT Training course which concluded in October. The 11<sup>th</sup> CERT class graduated with a mock explosion impacting a business as their disaster exercise. It was held at the Plainfield Public Works Department Building and grounds. Plainfield CERT graduated 10 residents into our CERT program as new members.

These residents who take the CERT course receive classroom and hands-on practical training in several disciplines including Disaster Preparedness, Fire Safety, Utility Control, Light Search and Rescue, Disaster Medical Operations, Medical Treatments, Disaster Psychology, CERT Organization and Terrorism and CERT. In order to graduate, the CERT students must participate in and successfully complete a graduation exercise involving a mock disaster where they utilize all of their newly learned skills. Safety is a priority for all CERT activities.

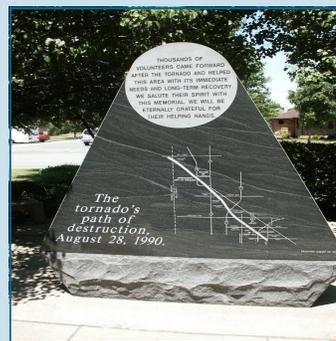
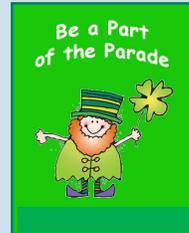
After our 11<sup>th</sup> class, Plainfield CERT has a membership roster of 131 trained CERT members. The program has trained around 185 citizens overall through the years. The program remains committed to provide our community support and to assist our Police, EMA and Fire Departments when called upon.



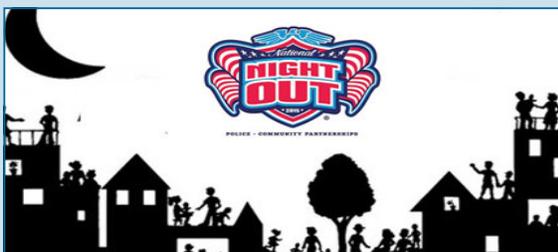
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The Plainfield Police Department works closely with organizers of special events to plan safe and successful festivals, parades, runs and walks throughout the Village. Special Event coordination is a year-round task, and staff coordinate manpower and contingency plans for many special events. Each year, the number of special events increases, and staff does a tremendous job in providing safety and security at each and every one. The following shows some of the Special Events that took place in 2015:

- Memorial Day Parade
- Community 5K
- Plainfield Irish Parade
- Fast Cat 5K—10K
- Eikon 5K Run/Walk
- Wounded Warrior 5K
- Cruise Nights
- Patriotic Picnic
- Plainfield Fest
- Plainfield 25-Year Tornado Memorial
- National Night Out
- D.A.R.E. Pool Party
- Midwest Brewers Fest
- Crop Walk
- Harvest 5K Run/Walk
- Plainfield Community Homecoming Parade
- Candlelight Christmas



- Spooktacular Downtown Plainfield



# COMMUNITY SERVICE DIVISION

The Police Chaplain Program is in its 14<sup>th</sup> year of service to the Plainfield Police Department. The program has excelled and offered support in a variety of situations.

Chaplain Charlotte "Chere" Bates is one of the founding members of the program and is aided by Chaplain William "Bill" Beagle, who joined the program in 2009.

Police Chaplains attend various classes during the course of a year to enhance their skills and provide services such as: assistance to victims of trauma and crisis, make death notifications, assist at suicide incidents, serve as liaison with other clergy in the community, counsel Police Officers and other members of the Department, counsel the families of Police Officers, visit sick and injured Officers and Departmental personnel at home or in the hospital, go on ride-a-longs with Police Officers and offer prayers when requested at times of need and on special occasions.



Chaplain Bates is an active member with the International Conference of Police Chaplains, serving as Secretary for Region 4 Midwest. The Chaplains also provide refreshments to members of the Police Department during National Police Week in May.

Chaplain Bates serves as Chair of Spiritual Oversight and sits on the Board of Directors of the ICPC.