

Sterling Police Department



2015

Year End Report



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Mayor Skip Lee
City Council Members
City Manager Scott Shumard

I am pleased to submit to you for review the Sterling Police Department 2015 Annual Report.

Notable increases/decreases:

1. 14% decrease in traffic stops (2799 to 2364)
2. 23% decrease in DUI arrests (56 to 43)
3. 6% increase in traffic accidents (600 to 645)
4. 25% decrease in city ordinance tickets (1458 to 1090)

In my opinion the statistics point directly to the fact the department operated at between a 13 and 20 percent reduction in work force. The decrease in proactive activities such as traffic stops, DUI arrests and city ordinance tickets reflect the diminished time officers have of non-obligated time, which is the measurement of an officer's time they have to conduct such work related activities. Another result of the lack of non-obligated time is the affect it has on the agency's ability to participate in community relationship building activities, which is of the highest priority in the department.

Looking to the future, it is the department's goal to hire and train several officers this year in order to rebuild the rank and files. This in turn will allow the officers to focus on several community policing initiatives I have laid out for the department.

In closing, you will notice on the next page a new Mission Statement I set forth, based on the acronym P.R.I.D.E., in doing so it is my desire to cultivate an environment within the department of Professionalism, Respect, Integrity, Dedication and Excellence. I am extremely proud of all of the employees in the Sterling Police Department and by promoting and fostering a sense of dedication to duty among its members it will permeate into the community.

Thank you once again to Support Services Supervisor Claudia Garcia and her staff who pulled this report together. Additionally, I would like to thank all the city workers, community members and city officials for making Sterling a great community to live and work.

Sincerely,

Tim L. Morgan
Chief of Police

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SPD Mission Statement

P.R.I.D.E.

Professionalism:

We are proud of our profession and will ensure that our members are dedicated, highly trained and capable of handling the daily demands of the law enforcement profession. We promote a collaborative environment for sharing information, resources, assistance and expertise.

Respect:

We will treat all people with compassion, tolerance and dignity by providing professional law enforcement services through highly trained personnel accountable to our community.

Integrity:

We adhere to the highest moral and ethical standards. Honesty and sincerity serve as the foundation in dealing with each other and the community. In all we do, we have the courage and commitment to uphold these values.

Dedication:

We are dedicated to protecting life, property and maintaining order while assuring fair and equal treatment to everyone.

Excellence:

We strive to maintain the highest standards of training and technology to create a safe environment for our citizens and ensure that the residents and visitors of this community receive the best care when we are called upon to perform our duties.

Timothy L. Morgan
Chief of Police
February 1, 2016

Enjoy your retirement Chief Potthoff



To find someone that has been with the same employer for 42 years is rare, to find someone as dedicated as Chief Potthoff is even rarer. Chief Potthoff started in November of 1973 (insert jokes here about how you weren't even born yet), in 1981 he moved up to Sergeant, 1990 saw him moving to the position of Lieutenant and then in 1996 he was promoted to the rank of Chief where he would stay for 19 years. With 42 years on the job he saw many changes. Besides changes in equipment, technique and procedures he has worked under 7 Mayors, all 5 of the City Managers and countless aldermen. Chief Potthoff sites his greatest achievement as being "...the command position, and letting other people achieve; not being overly restrictive. I didn't have any big accomplishments."

This isn't the type of retirement that will be spent on a beach with a drink in his hand, he plans on joining the Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police Linebacker Program, which provides a temporary or interim police chief to towns in need when a vacancy is created. Beyond that, he'll manage to keep busy. His retirement will be a reluctant change, he said, but he'll manage to keep busy. His wife is opening a tax and accounting business, and needs a secretary. With his retirement the police department will be short six officers.



(Above) Taking one for the team at the Police Department Bicycle Rodeo



(Above) Mayor Lee presenting Chief Potthoff with a plaque at the January 18th City Council meeting.



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2015
ANNUAL YEAR END REPORT**



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STERLING POLICE DEPARTMENT 2015 EMPLOYEE LIST



ADMINISTRATION

CHIEF OF POLICE

Ronald Potthoff

OPERATIONS LIEUTENANT

Tim Morgan

SUPPORT SERVICES LIEUTENANT

Jeff Mohr (Promoted 11/25/15)

ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARY

Sara Young

SERGEANTS

I.T. Sgt. Ken Wright
Patrol Sgt. Todd Messer
Patrol Sgt. Sarah Schmidt
Det. Sgt. Alex Chavira
Patrol Sgt. JD Sanders
Patrol Sgt. Brian Schmidt (Promoted 11/25/15)

SUPPORT SERVICES SUPERVISOR

Claudia Garcia

SWORN PERSONNEL



PATROL ASSIGNMENTS

Officer Pat Bartel
Officer Jason Bielema
Officer Jake Reul
Officer Shane Bland
Officer Brad Johnson
Officer Adrienne Martinez
Officer Michael Migliorisi

Officer Ben Tuttle (Resigned 10/15/15)
Officer Edward Deets
Officer Clay Hadley
Officer Joseph Angarone (Resigned 03/08/15)
Officer Jason Boehm (Start Date 03/23/15)
Officer Kyle Wyckstandt (Start Date 06/24/15)
Officer Andrew Haack (Employed 06/25/15 – 12/14/15)
K9 Marco

DETECTIVE ASSIGNMENTS

Detective Mike Henry
Task Force Officer Niki Diehl
Detective Brad Barron
Youth Officer Maggie Ellmaker (Re-assigned 01/19/15)

D.A.R.E. OFFICER

Officer Josh Weber
Officer Ryan Potthoff (Re-assigned 08/20/15)

SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER

Frank Hopes

RETIRED PERSONNEL

Support Services Lt. Steve Hubbard
Retired - November 20, 2015

NON-SWORN PERSONNEL



PUBLIC SERVICE OFFICERS

Maureen Frankfother

TELECOMMUNICATIONS OFFICERS

Matt Reglin
Jessica Knipple

Tara Baumgartner
Ashleigh Klopping
Ashley Jones

Amanda Sobottka
Tekla Martin

RECORDS/VIOLATIONS DIVISION

Melinda McCarter – Violations Clerk
Roxanne Glazier – Records Clerk/FOIA Officer

Lisa Trujillo – Records Clerk
Courtney Tate – Parking Enforcement/Records Clerk

IT TECHNICIAN

Dennis Fellows

CROSSING GUARDS

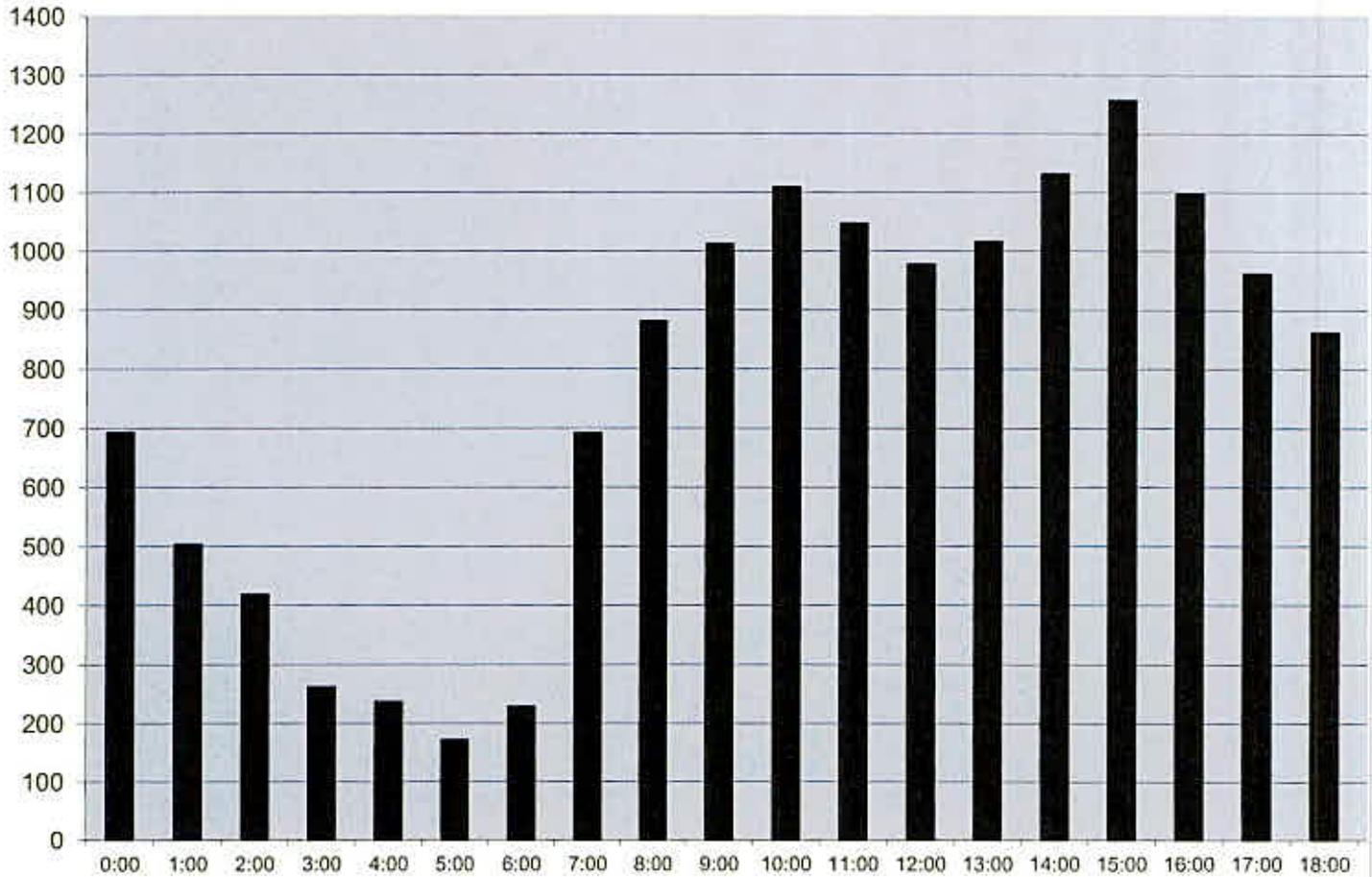
Mary Anderson – Jefferson School
Colonel Crider – Challand Jr. High

STERLING POLICE DEPARTMENT 2015 YEAR END REPORT

TYPE OF ACTIVITY	2015	2014	2013	DIFFERENCE 2015/2014	% CHANGE 2015/2014
CALLS FOR SERVICE	18311	19667	19437	-756	-3%
TRAFFIC STOPS	2364	2779	2800	-412	-14%
TRAFFIC TICKETS ISSUED*	1559	1943	1589	-384	-19%
WRITTEN WARNINGS*	1088	1141	1162	-53	-4%
DUI ARRESTS*	43	56	53	-13	-23%
ACCIDENTS*	645	600	665	45	6%
HOMICIDE	0	0	0	SAME	SAME
ATTEMPTED HOMICIDE	0	0	0	SAME	SAME
CRIMINAL SEXUAL ASSAULT	21	12	10	9	42%
ROBBERY	7	3	2	4	57%
AGGRAVATED BATTERY	10	17	12	-7	-41%
DOMESTIC BATTERY	121	86	30	35	28%
BATTERY (ALL OTHER)	48	54	66	-6	-11%
ASSAULT	5	9	2	-4	-44%
BURGLARY TO RESIDENCE	44	53	48	-9	-16%
BURGLARY TO VEHICLE	66	64	52	2	3%
BURGLARY (ALL OTHER)	26	36	37	-10	-27%
THEFT OVER \$300	42	51	54	-9	-17%
THEFT UNDER \$300	209	235	275	-26	-11%
RETAIL THEFT	135	95	134	40	29%
STOLEN VEHICLES	10	13	14	-3	-23%
ARSON	2	5	2	-3	-60%
DECEPTION	217	182	224	35	16%
CRIMINAL DEFACEMENT	22	26	61	-4	-15%
CRIMINAL DAMAGE TO PROPERTY	191	232	291	-41	-17%
CRIMINAL TRESPASS	172	172	115	SAME	SAME
DEADLY WEAPONS	6	6	12	SAME	SAME
SEX OFFENSES	27	29	22	-2	-6%
OFFENSES INVOLVING CHILDREN	155	211	201	-56	-26%
CANNABIS CONTROL ACT*	42	51	42	-9	-17%
CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE ACT*	35	32	34	3	8%
LIQUOR CONTROL ACT*	12	13	16	-1	-7%
DISORDERLY CONDUCT	1056	1145	1281	-89	-7%
WARRANT ARRESTS*	379	289	267	90	23%
ADULT ARRESTS	2225	2600	2130	-375	-14%
JUVENILE ARRESTS	157	170	103	-13	-7%
ASSIST OTHER POLICE DEPTS	339	302	272	37	10%
ALARMS (RESIDENTIAL/BUSINESS)	257	232	214	25	9%
ANIMAL COMPLAINTS	568	598	618	-30	-5%
ESCORTS	78	89	56	-11	-12%
CITY ORDINANCE CALLS	900	1186	1239	-286	-24%
CITY ORDINANCE TICKETS*	1090	1458	1425	-368	-25%
COMMUNITY POLICING	533	843	919	-310	-36%

• See attached Tables & Graphs

Sterling Police Department
Total Calls for Service by Hour of the Day
2015



INCIDENT/ARREST BY GEOGRAPHIC AREA

TYPE OF ACTIVITY	WARD 1		WARD 2		WARD 3	
	# INCIDENTS	# ARRESTS	# INCIDENTS	# ARRESTS	# INCIDENTS	# ARRESTS
Residential Burglary	11	0	10	0	6	0
Burglary <i>(includes shoplifting with prior intent to steal)</i>	16	5	18	1	14	3
Assault & Aggravated Assault	1	1	0	1	3	5
Motor Vehicle Theft MVT w/Keys in Vehicle <i>(all 7 vehicles were recovered)</i>	0 } 2 }	0	0 } 2 }	0	3 } 0 }	0
ACCIDENTS	# ACCIDENTS		# ACCIDENTS		# ACCIDENTS	
Accidents I/Injury Accident N/Non-Injury Accident <i>(5 accidents were out of city limits)</i>	I/109 N/183		I/64 N/74		I/166 N/211	

**Sterling Police Department
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Accident Stats

STERLING POLICE DEPARTMENT 2015 ACCIDENTS (YEAR TO YEAR COMPARISON)

TYPE OF ACCIDENT	2015	2014	2013	DIFFERENCE 2015/2014	% CHANGE 2015/2014
FATALITY	0	0	3	SAME	SAME
INJURY ACCIDENT	70	52	60	18	25%
PROPERTY DAMAGE ACCIDENT	342	343	385	-1	0%
DESTRUCTION OF PROPERTY	6	2	3	4	66%
TRAIN ACCIDENT	1	0	1	1	100%
PEDESTRIAN ACCIDENT	I/4	I/2	I/0	I/2	I/50%
INJURY OR PROPERTY DAMAGE	N/0	N/0	N/2	N/SAME	N/SAME
BICYCLIST ACCIDENT	I/3	I/1	I/1	I/2	I/66
INJURY OR PROPERTY DAMAGE	N/0	N/0	N/1	N/SAME	N/SAME
HIT & RUN ACCIDENT	168	174	182	-6	-3%
PRIVATE PROPERTY ACCIDENT	50	21	25	29	58%
ALL OTHER ACCIDENTS	1	5	1	-4	-80%

2015 TOTAL NUMBER OF ACCIDENTS.....645
2014 TOTAL NUMBER OF ACCIDENTS.....600
2013 TOTAL NUMBER OF ACCIDENTS.....664

*I = Injury
 *N = Non-Injury

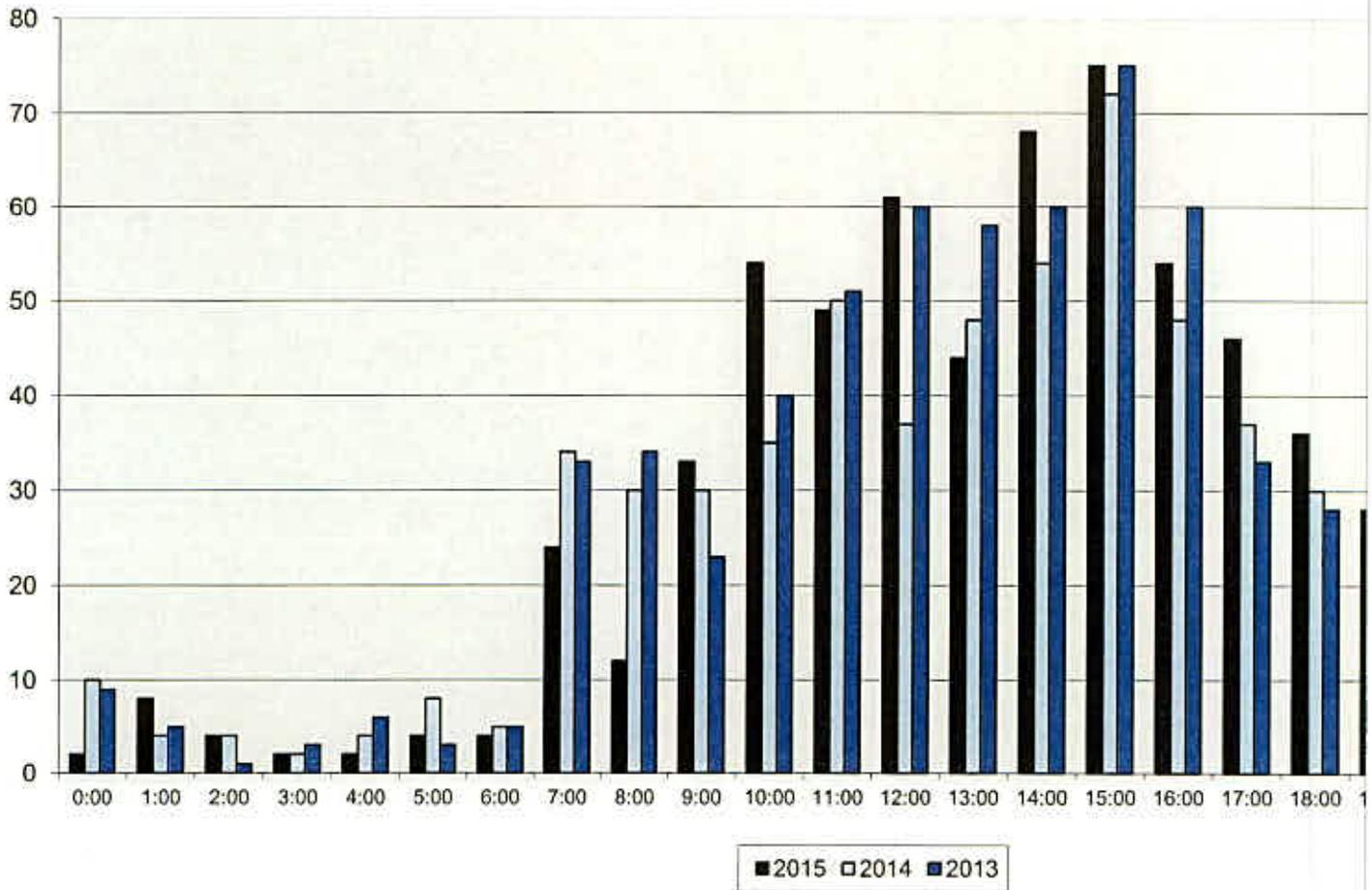
2015 ACCIDENTS BREAKDOWN BY MONTH

January	59
February	56
March	53
April	48
May	44
June	51
July	55
August	59
September	56
October	56
November	59
December	50

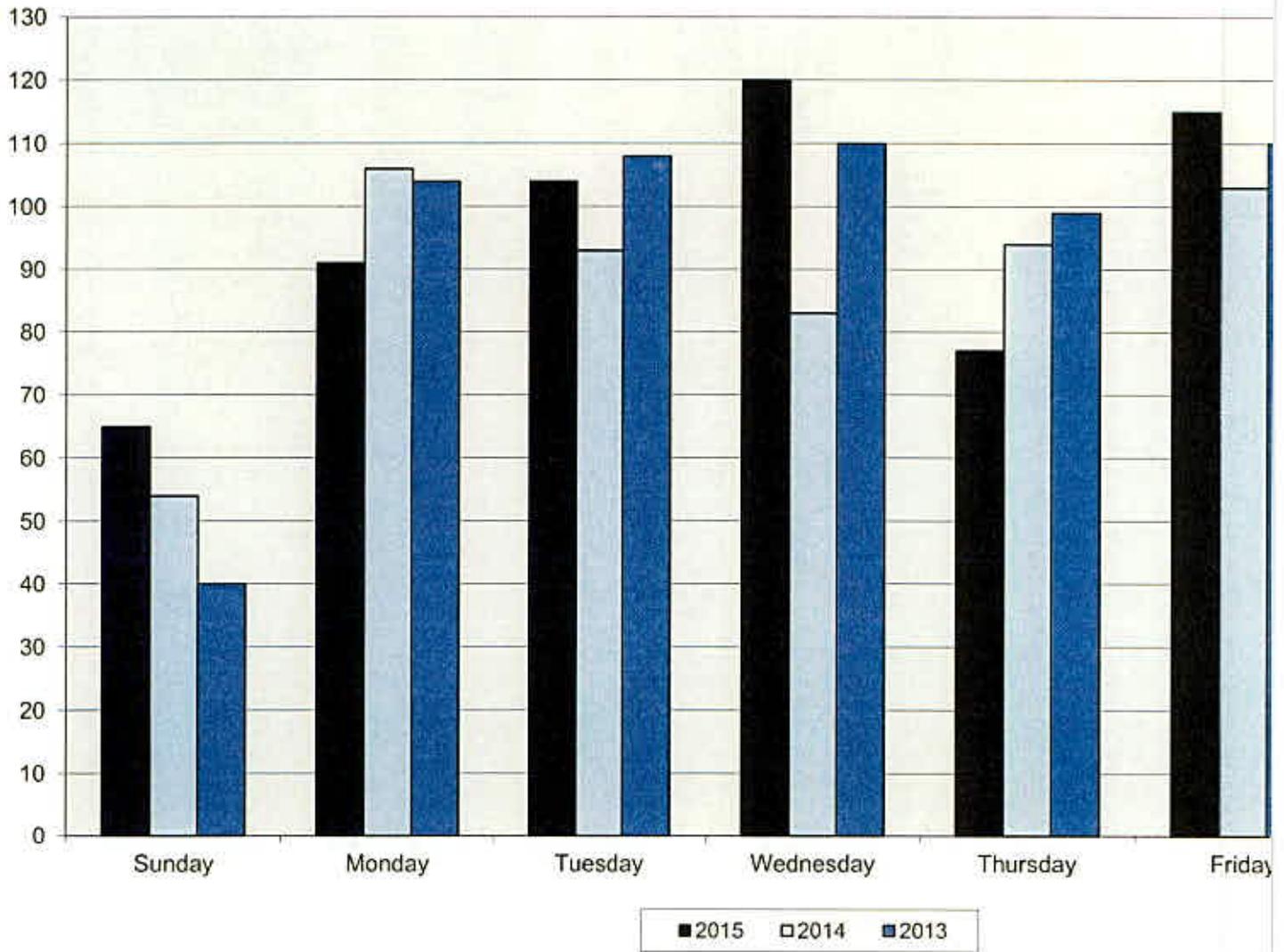
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Accidents Handled by Hour of Day

2015 Totals: 645 2014 Totals: 600 2013 Totals: 664



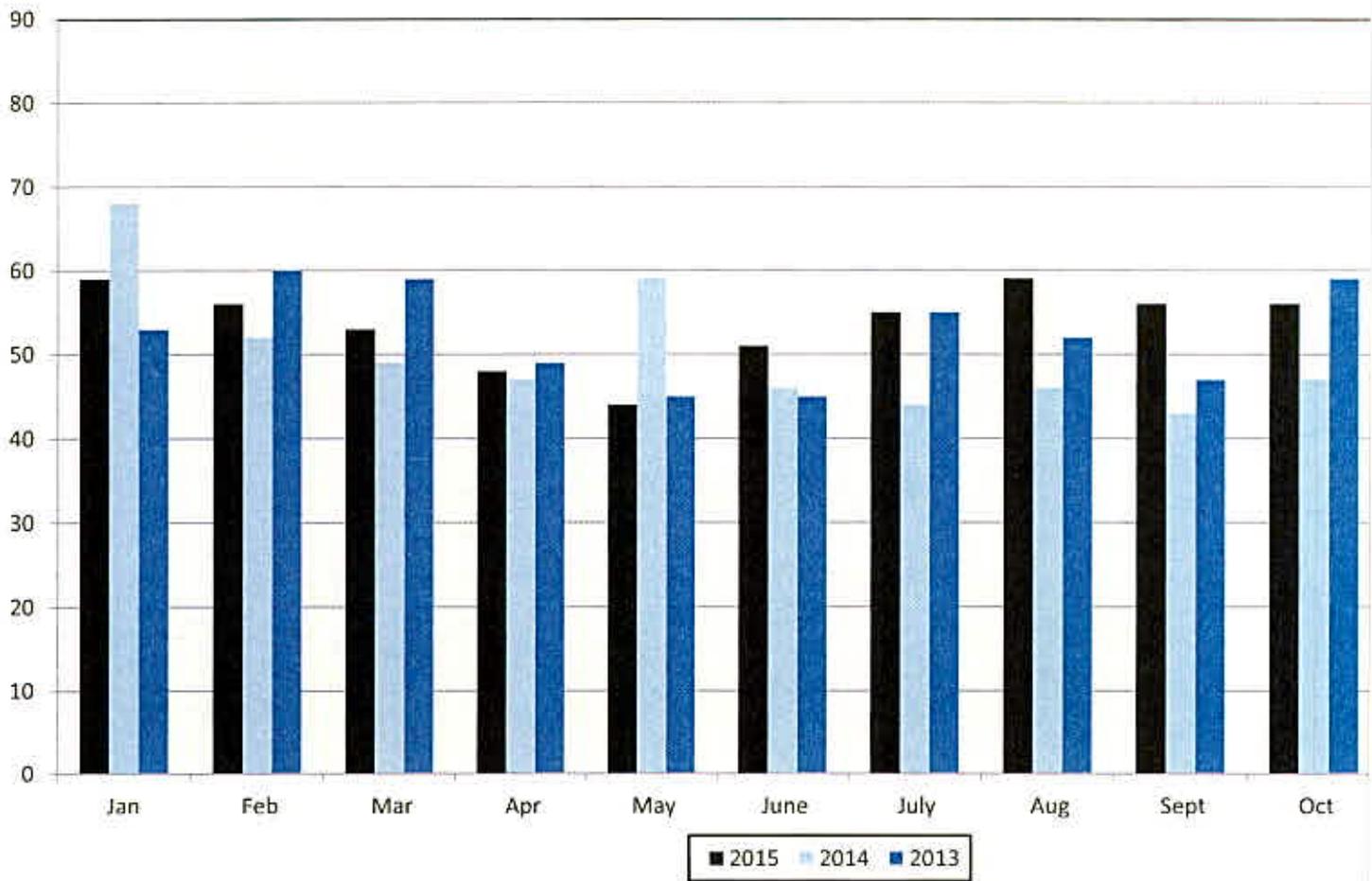
Sterling Police Department Accidents by Day of the Week



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Accidents by Month

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2015 – TOP ACCIDENT LOCATIONS

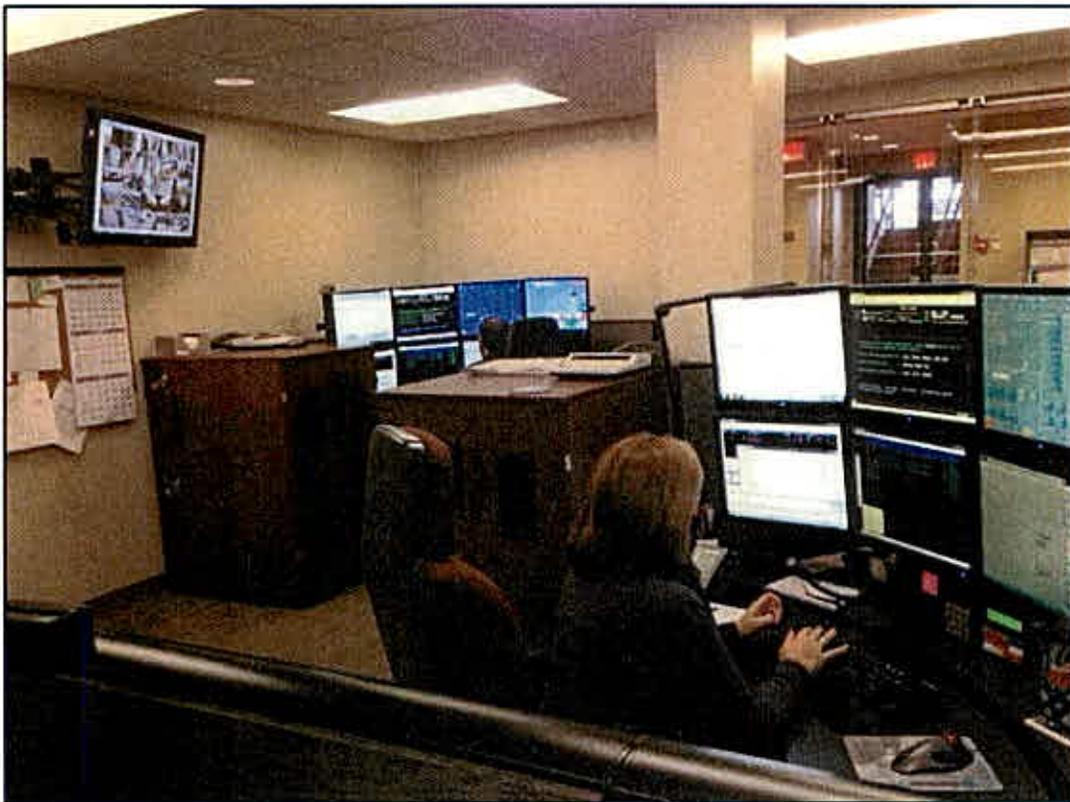
2015						2014		
LOCATION	TOTAL	PD ACCIDENT	PI ACCIDENT	BICYCLIST	PEDESTRIAN	LOCATION	TOTAL	PD ACCIDENT
E 3 RD ST/1 ST AVE	11	6	5	0	0	E LINCOLNWAY/LYNN BLVD	10	8
E LYNN BLVD/E LINCOLNWAY	8	7	1	0	0	E LINCOLNWAY/POLO RD	7	6
E LINCOLNWAY/POLO RD	8	6	2	0	0	WALLACE ST/1 ST AVE	7	5
WALLACE ST/1 ST AVE	7	5	2	0	0	E 3 RD ST/1 ST AVE	6	6
W 3 RD ST/AVENUE G	7	7	0	0	0	W 3 RD ST/AVENUE G	6	6
W 4 TH ST/AVENUE G	6	4	2	0	0	E LINCOLNWAY/35 TH AVE	5	5
E 2 ND ST/1 ST AVE	6	5	1	0	0	LOCUST/LYNN BLVD	5	4
E LYNN BLVD/6 TH AVE	6	5	1	0	0	E LINCOLNWAY/43 RD ST	5	4
LOCUST/E 3 RD ST	5	4	1	0	0	LOCUST/LEFEVRE	5	4
E LINCOLNWAY/FREEPORT RD	4	1	3	0	0	FREEPORT/LYNN BLVD	5	4

2013						2012		
LOCATION	TOTAL	PD ACCIDENT	PI ACCIDENT	BICYCLIST	PEDESTRIAN	LOCATION	TOTAL	PD ACCIDENT
E LINCOLNWAY/LYNN BLVD	14	14	0	0	0	E 3 RD ST/LOCUST	10	9
WALLACE ST/1 ST AVE	13	13	0	0	0	W 3 RD ST/AVENUE G	8	7
E LINCOLNWAY/POLO RD	10	7	3	0	0	E LINCOLNWAY/LYNN BLVD	7	6
FREEPORT/LYNN BLVD	9	4	5	0	0	W LEFEVRE/LYNN BLVD	7	5
LOCUST/LYNN BLVD	9	8	1	0	0	4 TH ST/LOCUST	6	6
E 3 RD ST/1 ST AVE	8	8	0	0	0	E LINCOLNWAY/POLO RD	6	4
E LINCOLNWAY/FREEPORT RD	8	7	1	0	0	LOCUST/LYNN BLVD	6	6
E LINCOLNWAY/WOODLAWN RD	7	6	1	0	0	5 TH ST/LOCUST	6	6
W 3 RD ST/AVENUE G	7	5	2	0	0	E 4 TH ST/1 ST AVE	5	4
LOCUST/LEFEVRE	6	5	1	0	0	LOCUST/MILLER RD	5	5

Sterling Police Department 2015



Dispatch & 911 Stats



STERLING POLICE DEPARTMENT 2015 DISPATCH STATISTICS

NAME	CALLS HANDLED		
	2015	2014	2013
Support Service Supervisor Claudia Garcia	578	643	638
Telecommunications Operator I Matt Reglin	792	837	779
Telecommunications Operator I Jesica Knipple	824	792	710
Telecommunications Operator I Tara Baumgartner	601	736	650
Telecommunications Operator I Ashleigh Kloepping	381	527	463
Telecommunications Operator I Ashley Jones	729	695	794
Telecommunications Operator I Amanda Sobottka	788	45	N/A
Telecommunications Operator I Tekla Martin	1005	213	N/A
Public Service Officer Maureen Frankfother	112	739	75
Violations Clerk Melinda McCarter	13	93	27

E911

The Whiteside County 911 System is an Enhanced 911 or E911 system. This means that the caller location and call back number are provided to the dispatcher at the time the call is placed.

There are three 911 Public Safety Answering Points or PSAP's in Whiteside County. Depending on the location of the caller, 911 calls are answered at the Whiteside County Sheriff's Office, the Sterling Police or Rock Falls Police Departments. From there the appropriate Police, Fire or EMS agency is dispatched to handle the call. The CGH Dispatch Center is considered a secondary PSAP, as 911 calls are not answered there directly, however any of the three PSAP's can transfer 911 calls to them requiring Sterling Fire, Rock Falls Fire or CGH EMS services.

Our 911 system has the ability to plot the incoming call by location on a GIS based map to further help in locating the emergency and determining what agencies should be dispatched to handle the call. Landline calls are plotted on the map based on the address associated with the phone service. Cellular calls use different technologies to provide latitude/longitude coordinates with the caller information and that is then used to plot the location on the map.

New technologies like VoIP – voice over internet protocol or cable phone service, should provide caller information during a 911 call, but this may depend on the service provider. Also, some of these services are not required to support 911.

Newer technologies that may be able to contact 911 in the future are text messaging, picture messaging or any other new services that may be created.

STERLING POLICE DEPARTMENT E9-1-1 STATS

MONTH	2015 CALLS RECEIVED	2014 CALLS RECEIVED	2013 CALLS RECEIVED	DIFFERENCE 2015/2014
JANUARY	491	646	589	-155
FEBRUARY	454	527	498	-73
MARCH	522	605	549	-83
APRIL	535	662	613	-127
MAY	586	598	641	-12
JUNE	696	609	650	87
JULY	665	570	666	95
AUGUST	680	749	648	-69
SEPTEMBER	521	651	643	-130
OCTOBER	547	640	594	-93
NOVEMBER	540	515	571	25
DECEMBER	479	601	566	-122
TOTAL CALLS	6,716	7,373	7,228	-657

THE TABLE REFLECTS E9-1-1 CALLS THAT WERE RECEIVED BY THE STERLING POLICE DEPARTMENT FROM 2013-2015.

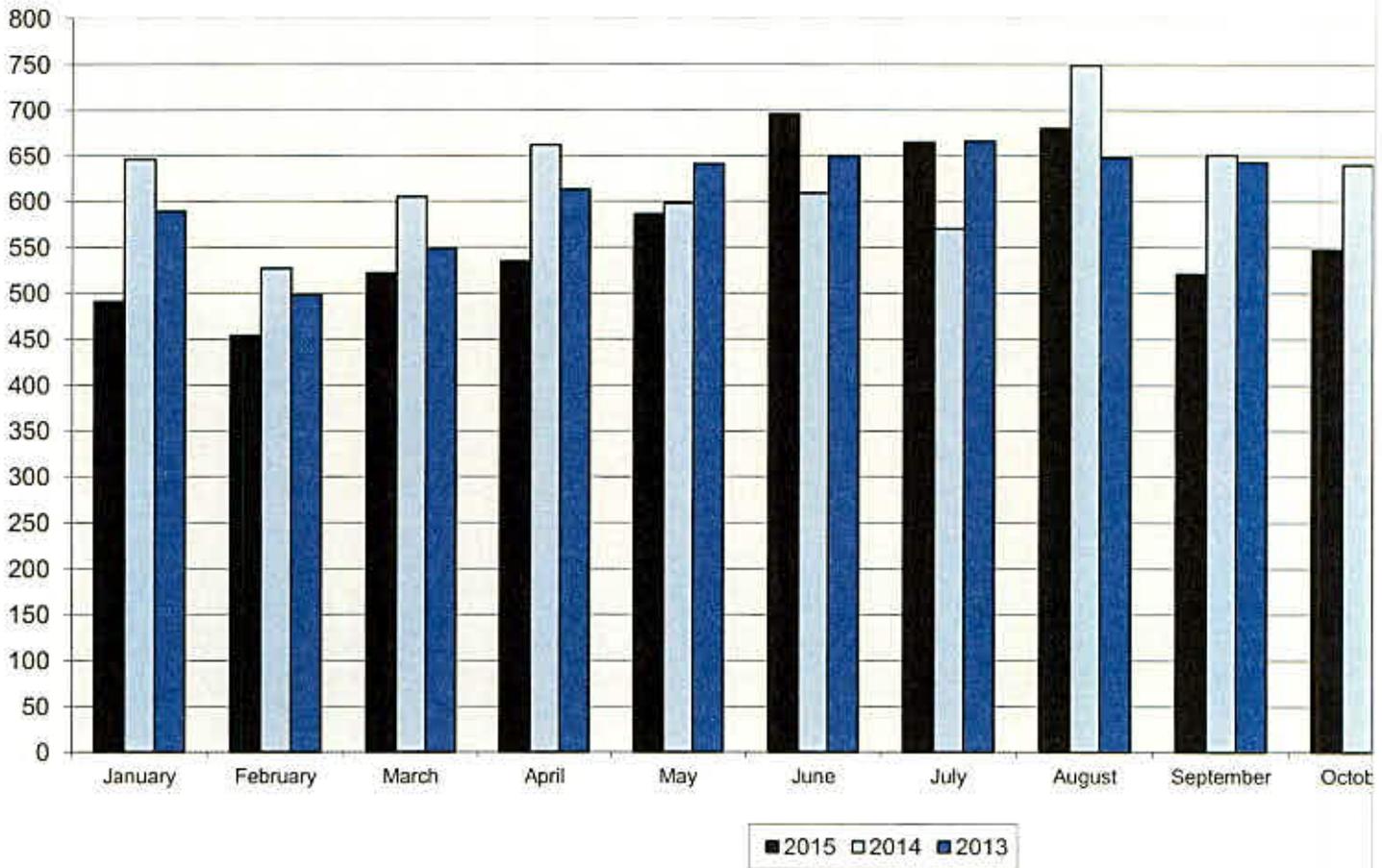
IN 2015, POLICE PERSONNEL RECEIVED 6,716 EMERGENCY 9-1-1 CALLS; DOWN 657 CALLS OVER 2014. CALLS NOT HANDLED BY POLICE PERSONNEL WERE "QUICK TRANSFERRED" TO ANOTHER POLICE AGENCY, FIRE OR AMBULANCE SERVICE OR WERE MULTIPLE REPORTS OF INCIDENTS VIA 9-1-1.

2015 CALLS TRANSFERRED	
WHITESIDE COUNTY SHERIFFS DEPT.	145
ROCK FALLS POLICE DEPT.	95
TWIN-COMM (STERLING FIRE DEPT.)	264
TWIN-COMM (AMBULANCE)	1933
OTHER AGENCIES	101

THE TABLE INDICATES THE MOST ACTIVE MONTH FOR 2015 WAS JUNE; 696 CALLS; FEBRUARY WAS THE LEAST ACTIVE WITH 454 CALLS HANDLED.

Sterling Police Department 9-1-1 Calls by Month

2015 Totals: 6,716 2014 Totals: 7,373 2013 Totals: 7,228



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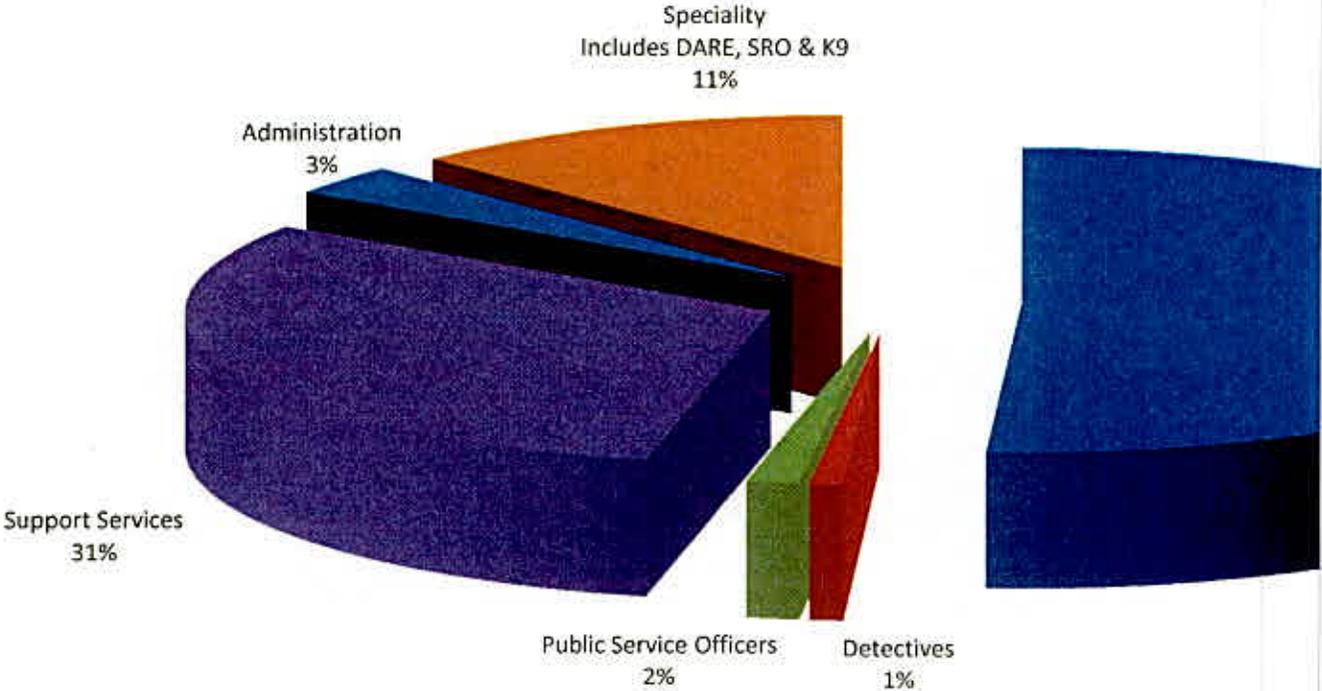
Officer Activity Report

STERLING POLICE DEPARTMENT 2015 OFFICER ACTIVITY REPORT

OFFICER	TOTAL CFS	ADULT ARREST	JUVENILE ARREST	WARRANT ARREST	TRAFFIC STOPS	IVC'S ISSUED
CHIEF POTTHOFF	13	-	-	-	-	-
LT. MORGAN	9	-	-	-	1	-
LT. HUBBARD	18	1	-	1	1	-
LT. MOHR	569	78	2	6	160	85
SGT. MESSER	428	50	2	11	118	58
SGT. S. SCHMIDT	506	58	2	12	143	72
DET. SGT. CHAVIRA	22	2	-	-	-	-
SGT. SANDERS	536	52	2	10	124	55
SGT. B. SCHMIDT	895	89	8	18	173	99
DET. BARRON	59	8	-	1	-	-
K9 BARTEL	404	26	1	5	34	32
SRO HOPES	773	106	26	5	152	110
OFF. BIELEMA	510	44	6	11	72	29
OFF. REUL	761	89	3	21	54	85
OFF. DIEHL	2	1	1	-	-	-
DET. HENRY	44	14	-	5	1	-
OFF. BLAND	595	75	5	9	92	67
OFF. JOHNSON	422	3	4	10	34	15
YOUTH OFF. ELLMAKER	49	4	-	-	-	-
DARE OFF. WEBER	627	81	4	14	108	83
OFF. MARTINEZ	870	185	16	44	192	171
DARE OFF. POTTHOFF	534	36	3	6	30	30
OFF. MIGLIORISI	744	153	6	26	221	147
OFF. TUTTLE	651	103	3	9	106	103
OFF. DEETS	881	158	10	25	191	158
OFF. HADLEY	896	82	7	16	198	70
OFF. ANGARONE	116	9	-	1	16	8
OFF. BOEHM	443	53	5	6	72	41
OFF. WYCKSTANDT	211	37	6	3	54	32
OFF. HAACK	174	15	3	4	20	11
PARKING ENF. OFF. TATE	165	-	-	-	-	-
SUPPORT STAFF	5870	-	-	-	-	-
PSO FRANKFOTHER	112	-	-	-	-	-
ANIMAL CONTROL	-	-	-	-	-	-
CODE ENFORCEMENT	-	-	-	-	-	-

Sterling Police Department Calls for Service

Sorted by Division



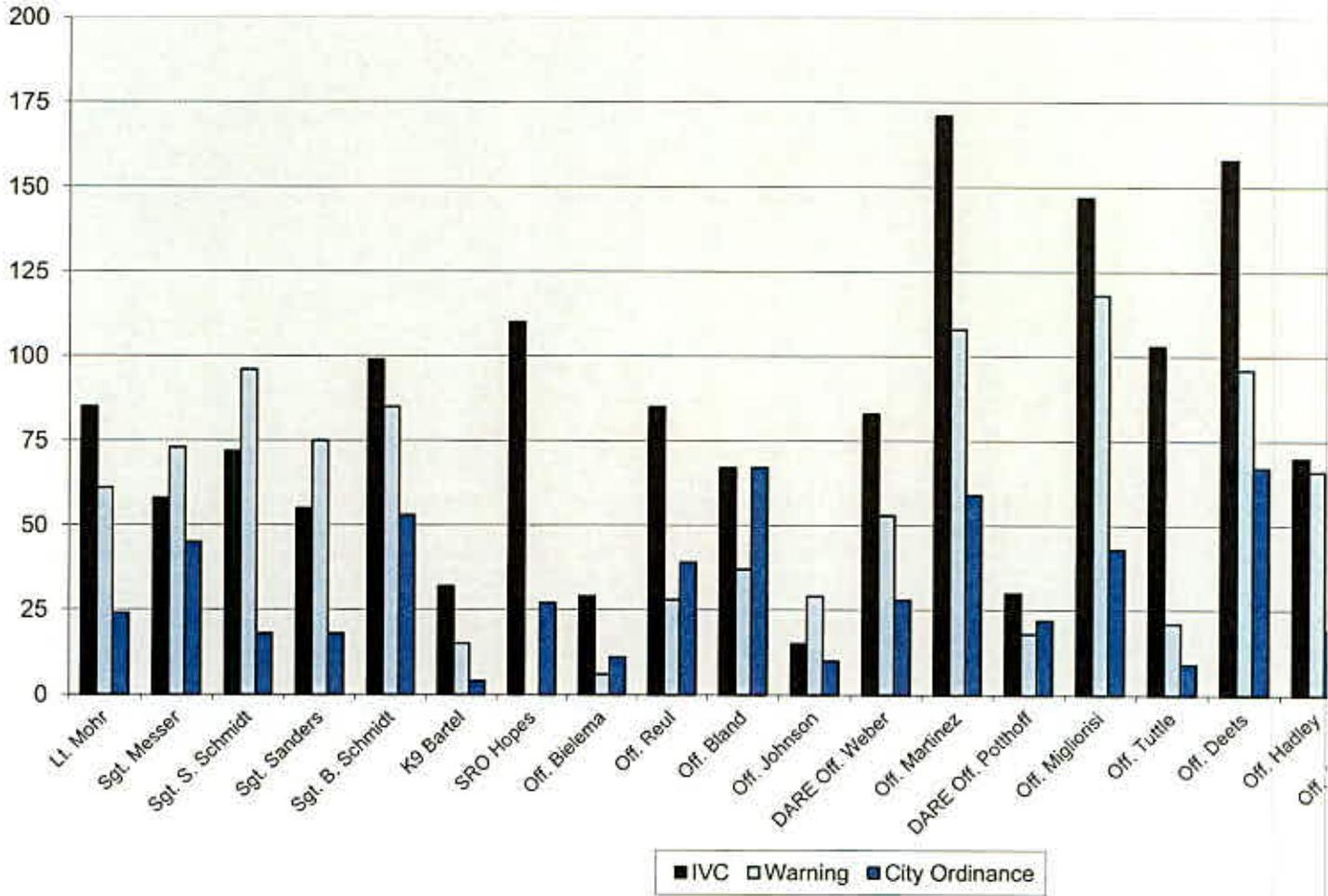
STERLING POLICE DEPARTMENT 2015 TRAFFIC CITATION REPORT

OFFICER	NO VALID REGISTRATION	UNINSURED MOTOR VEHICLE	NO VALID DRIVERS LICENSE	SUSPENDED/ REVOKED D.L.	SEATBELT VIOLATION	CHILD RESTRAINT
LT. MOHR	-	21	3	5	-	3
SGT. MESSER	1	17	-	2	-	-
SGT. S. SCHMIDT	-	13	1	2	2	2
SGT. SANDERS	-	8	3	5	2	-
SGT. B. SCHMIDT	1	30	10	5	2	-
K9 OFF. BARTEL	1	6	3	4	-	-
SRO HOPES	1	1	2	3	10	4
OFF. BIELEMA	-	3	1	-	2	-
OFF. REUL	-	8	4	7	3	-
OFF. BLAND	-	11	2	-	5	-
OFF. JOHNSON	-	3	-	2	-	-
DARE OFF. WEBER	-	16	3	7	1	1
OFF. MARTINEZ	2	51	9	13	5	8
DARE OFF. POTTHOFF	-	3	-	2	1	-
OFF. MIGLIORISI	1	46	7	8	12	-
OFF. TUTTLE	2	13	4	7	7	3
OFF. DEETS	-	37	12	7	3	1
OFF. HADLEY	-	18	3	4	1	-
OFF. ANGARONE	-	5	-	-	-	-
OFF. BOEHM	-	4	-	4	-	1
OFF. WYCKSTANDT	-	14	1	1	-	-
OFF. HAACK	-	2	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	9	330	68	88	56	23

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Tickets Issued by Officer

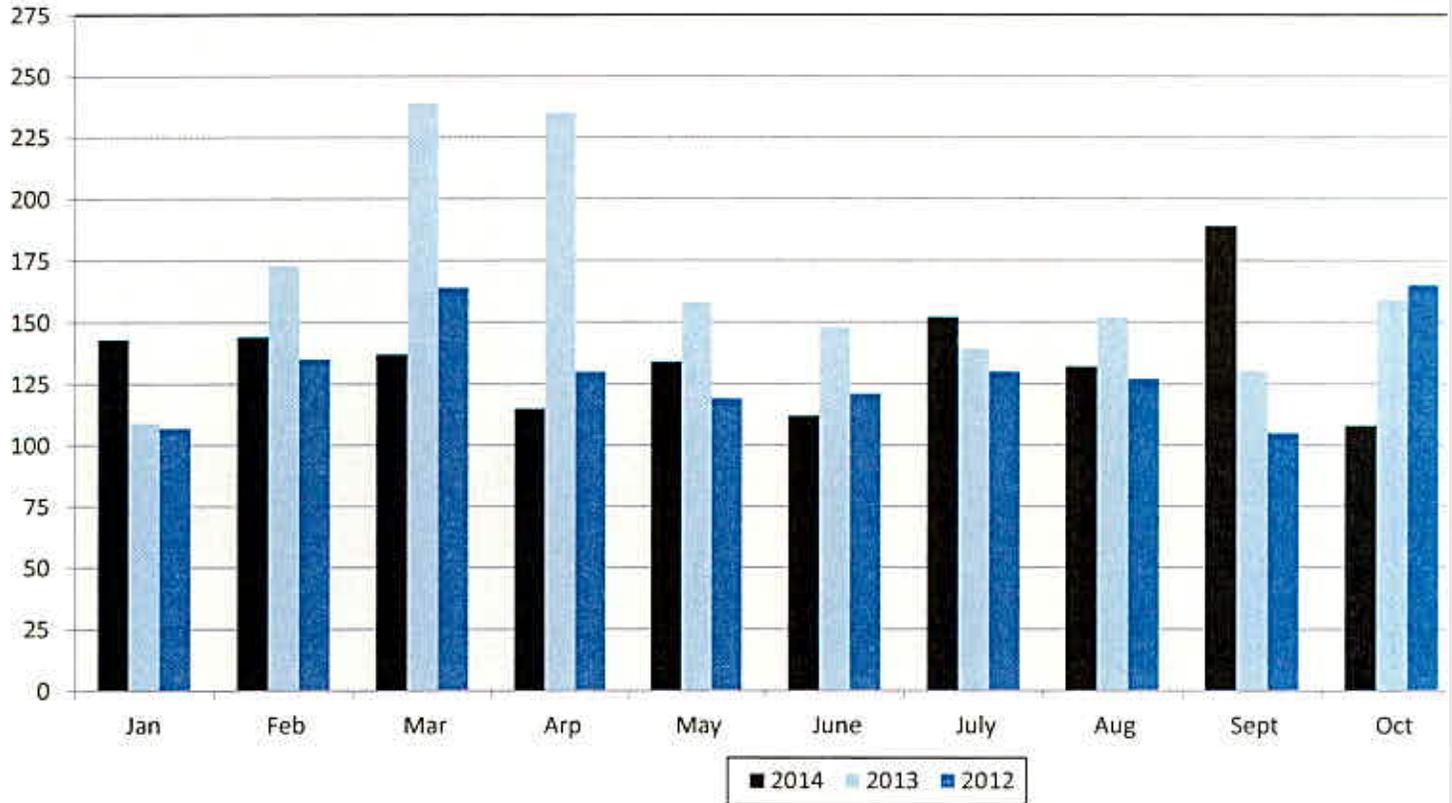
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State Citations by Month

2015 Totals: 1559 2014 Totals: 1943 2013 Totals: 1583



STERLING POLICE DEPARTMENT 2015 ADULT ARRESTS

OFFENSE	ADULT ARREST		
	2015	2014	2013
ATTEMPTED MURDER	0	0	0
CRIMINAL SEXUAL ASSAULT	4	1	0
ROBBERY	5	1	1
BATTERY	53	56	48
ASSAULT	8	6	7
BURGLARY	5	23	22
BURGLARY/THEFT FROM MOTOR VEHICLE	0	0	0
THEFT	72	67	43
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	1	0	0
ARSON	0	1	1
DECEPTION	6	20	23
CRIMINAL DAMAGE/TRESPASS TO PROPERTY	29	19	24
DEADLY WEAPONS	9	11	14
SEX OFFENSES	7	9	4
OFFENSES INVOLVING CHILDREN	13	6	11
CANNABIS CONTROL ACT	45	40	38
CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE ACT	51	36	34
DRUG PARAPHERNALIA ACT	23	25	12
LIQUOR CONTROL ACT	10	12	20
MOTOR VEHICLE OFFENSES	1507	1863	1513
DISORDERLY CONDUCT	16	18	7
INTERFERENCE WITH PUBLIC OFFICER	19	42	34
KIDNAPPING/INTIMIDATION	0	0	0
OTHER OFFENSES	19	12	8
WARRANT ARRESTS	325	332	263

In 2015, 1636 adults were arrested, 908 male and 728 female. Many were charged with multiple offenses giving us 2316 arrests. Listed above is the breakdown by offense.

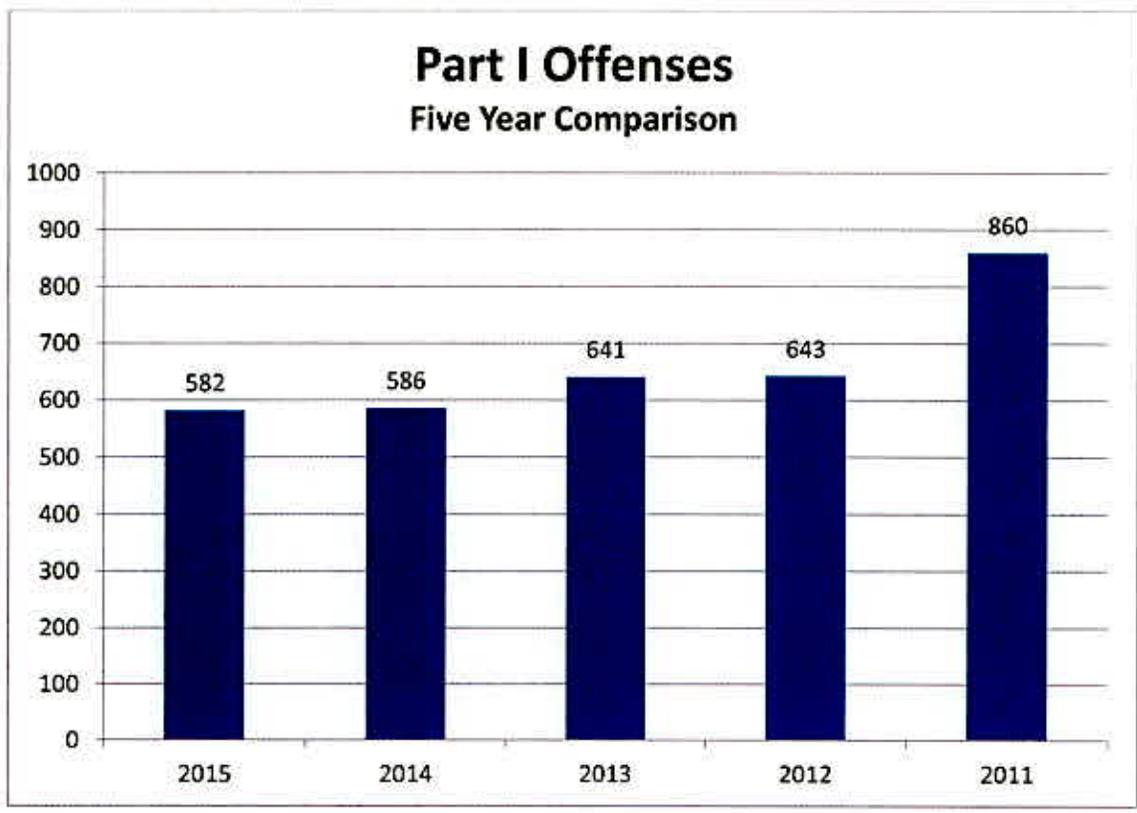
2015 TOTAL NUMBER OF ADULT ARREST.....2316
 2014 TOTAL NUMBER OF ADULT ARREST.....2640
 2013 TOTAL NUMBER OF ADULT ARREST.....2161

TWENTY YEAR COMPARISON PART I OFFENSES

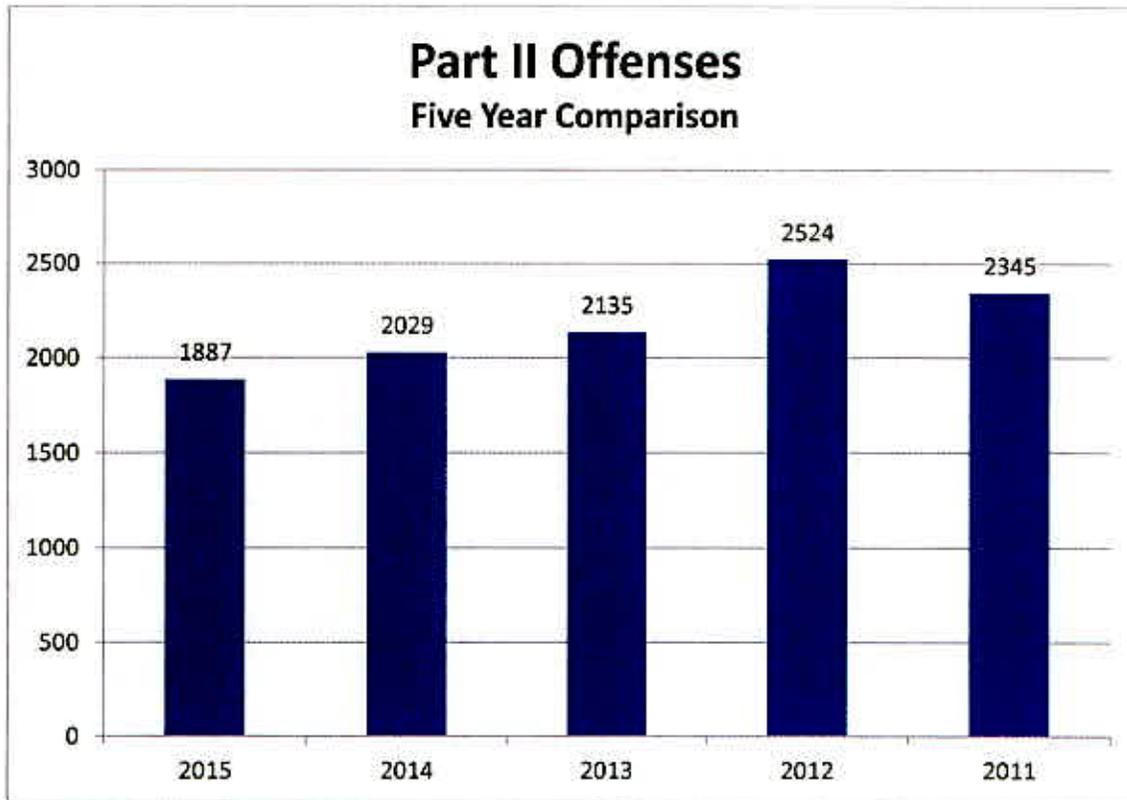
OFFENSES	2015	2010	2005	2000	1995
Homicide	0	0	1	2	0
Criminal Sexual Assault	21	19	30	16	14
Robbery	7	2	5	3	8
Aggravated Battery	10	23	37	38	25
Aggravated Assault	3	4	6	8	10
Burglary	69	122	177	149	162
Burglary to Motor Vehicle	66	99	173	164	138
Theft	387	416	431	536	540
Motor Vehicle Theft	17	18	37	39	41
Arson	2	3	3	1	0
TOTAL	582	706	900	956	938

TWENTY YEAR COMPARISON PART II OFFENSES

OFFENSES	2015	2010	2005	2000	1995
Simple Battery	169	150	268	299	258
Simple Assault	2	0	5	4	0
Deception	217	167	233	132	75
Criminal Damage/Vandalism	213	379	527	414	554
Weapons Offenses	6	23	27	11	10
Sex Offenses	27	17	27	27	13
Offenses Involving Children	155	190	315	326	244
Cannabis Violations	42	25	52	27	39
Disorderly Conduct	1056	1208	1048	1164	919
TOTAL	1887	2159	2502	2404	2112



Part I Offenses as defined by the FBI include: Homicide, Criminal Sexual Assault, Armed Robbery, Robbery, Aggravated Battery, Aggravated Assault, Burglary, Burglary to Motor Vehicle, Theft, Motor Vehicle Theft and Arson.



The FBI considers Part II Offenses to be less serious than Part I Offenses. Part II Offenses, as defined by the FBI, include: Simple Battery, Simple Assault, Theft of Services, Criminal Trespass/Vandalism, Unlawful Use of a Weapon, Offenses Involving Children (i.e.: Minor in Possession of Alcohol, Runaways), Serious Motor Vehicle Traffic Violations (i.e.: Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol), Disorderly Conduct and several other miscellaneous criminal offenses.

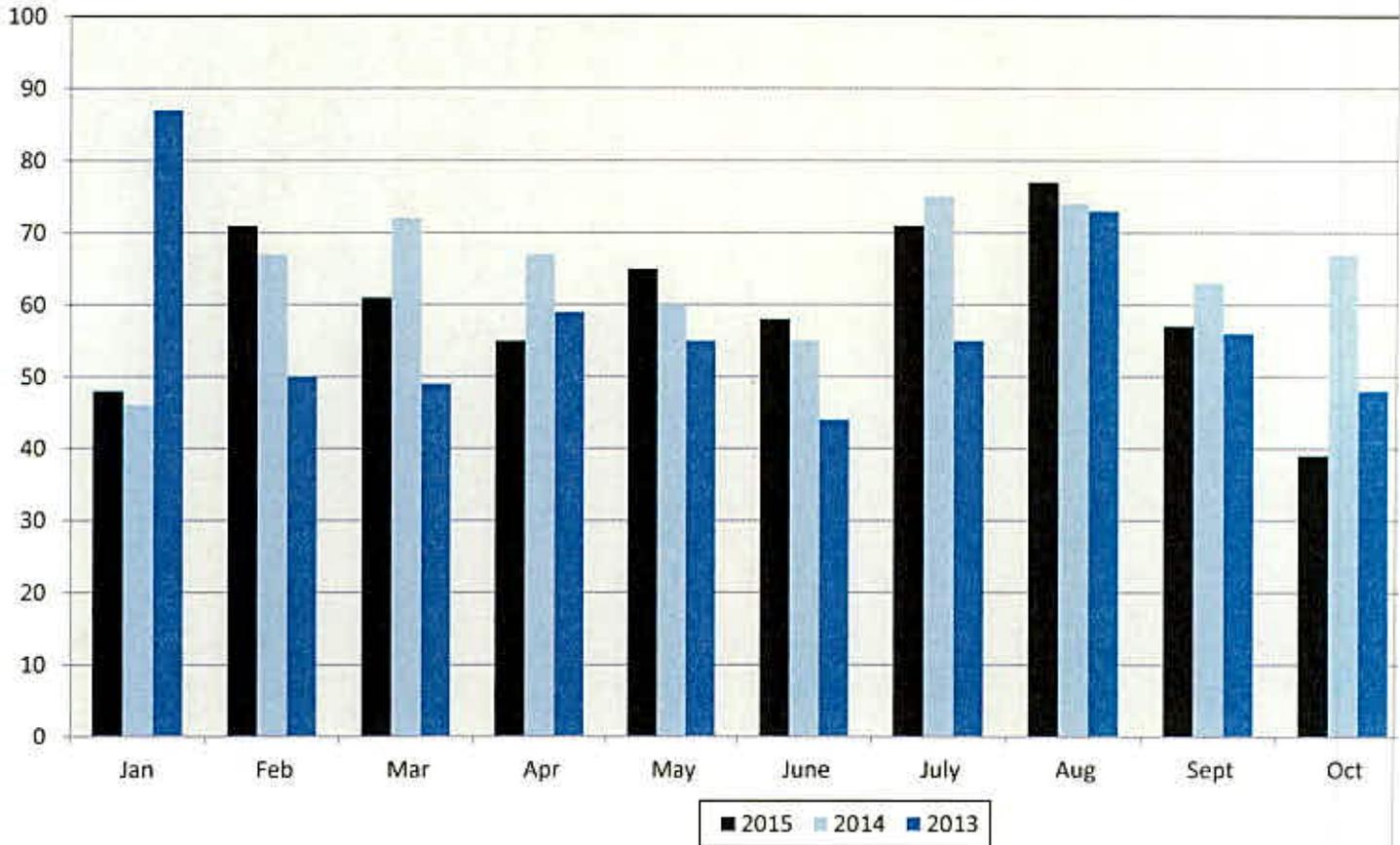
STERLING POLICE DEPARTMENT 2015 DRUG/ALCOHOL ARRESTS

OFFICER	DUI ARRESTS	ILLEGAL TRANSPORTATION OF ALCOHOL	ILLEGAL POSSESSION OF ALCOHOL	UNLAWFUL CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOL	CANNABIS ARRESTS
LT. MOHR	3	2	-	1	1
SGT. MESSER	2	-	-	2	1
SGT. S. SCHMIDT	2	-	-	-	-
SGT. SANDERS	2	-	-	-	2
SGT. B. SCHMIDT	1	-	-	1	-
DET. BARRON	-	-	-	-	5
SRO HOPES	1	-	-	-	3
OFF. BIELEMA	2	-	-	1	2
OFF. REUL	7	1	-	-	-
DET. HENRY	-	-	-	-	3
OFF. BLAND	-	1	1	3	1
OFF. JOHNSON	-	-	-	-	-
DARE OFF. WEBER	4	-	1	2	2
OFF. MARTINEZ	6	1	-	-	-
DARE OFF. POTTHOFF	-	-	-	1	1
OFF. TUTTLE	3	-	-	3	2
OFF. MIGLIORISI	2	1	-	-	2
OFF. DEETS	4	-	-	-	5
OFF. HADLEY	1	1	-	-	2
OFF. BOEHM	2	1	1	1	1
OFF. WYCKSTADT	1	-	-	-	5
TOTAL	43	8	3	15	38

Sterling Police Department

Criminal Arrest by Month

2015 Totals: 696 2014 Totals: 771 2013 Totals: 713



SEIZURE & FORFEITURES

THE FOLLOWING FIGURES REFLECT A COMBINED EFFORT OF INVESTIGATIONS AND PATROL. THESE FIGURES DO NOT REFLECT AREA TASK FORCE EFFORTS.

2015

DRUG ARREST 75
 DRUG CHARGES 135

SEIZED	WEIGHT	STREET VALUE
COCAINE/CRACK	117.2 grms	\$ 11,720.00
MARIJUANA	1948.9 grms	\$ 19,489.00
HEROIN	.3 grms	\$ 30.00
HYDROCODONE	18 tablets	\$ 270.00
MAB-CHMINACA	67.6 grms	\$ 338.00
OXYCODONE	3 tablets	\$ 45.00
METHADONE	1.2 grms	\$ 24.00
AMPHETAMINE	4.1 grms	\$ 410.00

VEHICLE/PROPERTY/CURRENCY SEIZED:

Vehicles (1) \$ 3,765.00
 Currency \$ 13,217.13

DRUG ARRESTS		
OFFENSE	2015 ADULT CHARGES	2015 JUVENILE CHARGES
CANNABIS CONTROL ACT	45	7
CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE ACT	51	3
POSSESSION DRUG PARAPHERNALIA	24	5

THE DRUG AND INVESTIGATION FUND EXPENDITURES REFLECT CASE RELATED PURCHASE OF DRUGS AND PROPERTY ONLY.

DRUG FUND..... \$5,540.00
 INVESTIGATIONS FUND \$ 103.00

STERLING POLICE CHAPLAINS

The Sterling Police Chaplain's Program celebrated its 17th year in August 2015. We now have a staff of eight dedicated to the ministry and the care of our Community. These eight volunteers are committed to serving the needs of the men and women who protect and serve, and the citizens of the Sterling/Rock Falls area. They are here to provide encouragement, comfort, and guidance.

Chaplains rotate on call on a weekly basis and are available to be called out to assist in delivering death notices and respond to the scene of suicide and other tragic events.

In 2015, Chaplains were "called out" on 8 occasions. Beyond this, Chaplains often take the opportunity to ride along with the Officers on patrol and respond with them to all manner of situations.



2015 CHAPLAINS

Left to Right: Rev. Mark Oehlert, Rev. Kenneth Zuithoff,
Rev. Les Funderberg, Rev. Jeffrey Coester, and Rev. Larry Jones
(Not Pictured) Rev. William Cherry

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Investigations Report

INVESTIGATIONS

2015 YEAR END REPORT

The Duties Of The Investigators Include:

PRELIMINARY AND FOLLOW-UP INVESTIGATIONS OF ALL SERIOUS FELONIES AND MISDEMEANORS (MOST OFTEN INITIATED BY PATROL)

IDENTIFICATION AND APPREHENSION OF CRIMINALS WANTED ON WARRANTS

PREPARATION OF CRIMINAL CASES FOR COURT

INVESTIGATION OF UNATTENDED DEATHS

COLLECTION AND SAFEKEEPING OF EVIDENCE AND FOUND PROPERTY

ENSURING AT LEAST ONE INVESTIGATOR IS AVAILABLE 24 HOURS A DAY, EVERY DAY OF THE YEAR

CULTIVATE AND USE CONFIDENTIAL SOURCES TO OBTAIN INFORMATION NOT READILY AVAILABLE BY OTHER MEANS AND FOR DRUG INVESTIGATIONS

BACKGROUND INVESTIGATIONS OF POLICE/FIRE DEPARTMENT APPLICANTS AND CITY LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICANTS

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS INCLUDING BANK ROBBERY SAFETY, SHOPLIFTING SEMINARS, NEIGHBOR WATCH PROGRAMS, IDENTITY THEFT, ILLICIT DRUGS AND IN HOUSE TRAINING FOR OFFICERS

JUVENILE RECORDS AND PROCEEDINGS

FOLLOW-UP OF CITIZEN REPORTS OF SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY WITH A KNOCK & TALK PROGRAM

PEER JURY PROGRAM FOR JUVENILE OFFENDERS

TOBACCO COMPLIANCE CHECKS FOR TOBACCO SALES

EXECUTION OF SEARCH WARRANTS

DEA PERScription DRUG TAKE BACK PROGRAM

SEX OFFENDER REGISTRATION COMPLIANCE CHECKS

ASSIST AND NETWORK WITH OTHER POLICE AGENCIES INVOLVING CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS AND MAJOR CASES

DETECTIVE DIVISION 2015 YEAR END STATS

NATURE OF COMPLAINT	DET. SGT. CHAVIRA		DETECTIVE HENRY		DET BA
	CFS	ARREST	CFS	ARREST	CFS
CRIMINAL SEXUAL ASSAULT	-	-	-	-	-
Battery <i>(Battery, Aggravated Battery, Reckless Conduct)</i>	-	2	-	-	-
THEFT <i>(Theft Over \$300, Theft Under \$300, Retail Theft)</i>	2	1	1	-	1
DECEPTION <i>(Deceptive Practice, Forgery, Fraud)</i>	-	-	3	1	3
CRIMINAL DAMAGE/TRESPASS TO PROPERTY	-	-	-	-	1
DEADLY WEAPONS <i>(Unlawful Use of Weapons, Possession, Sale, No FOID Card)</i>	-	-	-	3	-
SEX OFFENSES <i>(Criminal Sexual Abuse)</i>	-	-	-	-	-
OFFENSES INVOLVING CHILDREN <i>(Child Abuse, Neglect)</i>	1	1	-	1	-
CANNABIS CONTROL ACT	1	-	4	6	6
CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE ACT	-	-	11	21	7
MOTOR VEHICLE OFFENSES	-	-	1	-	-
DISORDERLY CONDUCT	1	-	2	-	-
WARRANTS	-	-	-	5	-
ASSIST OTHER AGENCY	5	-	3	-	9
NOP CONTACTS	1	-	2	-	5
DRUG HOUSE INFORMATION	1	-	2	-	5
BACKGROUND INVESTIGATIONS/INTERNAL INV/LIQUOR LICENSE VIOLATIONS	8	-	3	-	12
CI INFORMATION	-	-	5	-	5
SOR REGISTRATION	-	-	-	-	1
OTHER OFFENSES	3	-	6	-	4
TOTALS	23	4	43	37	59

- *Please note that the above statistics do not reflect all calls handled by the Investigators.*
- *Initial calls are handled by the Patrol Division and later followed up by the Investigators*
- *Unless the Investigator is notified at the time of the initial report, a computer entry for Investigations follow-up is not made.*

DEA PRESCRIPTION DRUG TAKE-BACK PROGRAM

The Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) has held seven National Prescription Drug Take-Back events since starting the program in 2010. This is a great way for people to safely dispose of unwanted unused prescription drugs that they have accumulated.

In the previous Take-Back events, DEA in conjunction with the state, local, and tribal law enforcement partners collected more than 2.8 million pounds (1,409 tons) of medication from circulation.

The National Prescription Drug Take-Back Day aims to provide a safe, convenient, and responsible means of disposal, while also educating the general public about the potential for abuse of these medications and the potential harm to our water source if disposed of irresponsibly.

The Sterling Police Department has participated in all seven of the events in cooperation with the DEA. In 2015, the Sterling Police Department collected over 322 pounds of prescription medication.



In cooperation with **Illinois American Water Company**, the Sterling Police provides a medication disposal drop box in the lobby of the Police Department. Prescription medication may be dropped off here at any time of the day or night for safe disposal. We accept all kinds of drugs; not just pills. This includes liquids, animal medication, pain patches, OTC pain medication and vials of inhaler medication.

We are grateful to Illinois American Water for their concern for our water quality and the potential for abuse of these stockpiled medications.

Tobacco Compliance Checks

The average age we begin smoking is 14.5 years. In Illinois alone, kids will purchase or smoke 129,863 packs of cigarettes each day. Over 70% of the teens that smoke in high school will continue to smoke 5 years later. The state and federal tax burden to Illinois residents from smoking-caused government expenditures is \$679 per household. In addition, 29.2% of Illinois' high school students smoke yet only 19.9% of adults smoke?

The City of Sterling is committed to reducing youth access to tobacco products in the retail environment. To ensure our local businesses are complying with state and local laws, the Sterling Police Department participates in the State of Illinois' Tobacco Enforcement Program through the Illinois Liquor Control Commission. The program is funded through grants which have been made possible through a \$9.1 billion dollar settlement to the State from tobacco manufacturers in the late 90's.

Each year, the Sterling Police Department conducts a minimum of three (3) rounds of compliance checks at each tobacco retailer registered with the City. In 2015, there were 20 tobacco retailers registered with the City of Sterling. To check compliance, police officers certified in conducting the checks will utilize a local student to attempt to purchase cigarettes from each retailer. The student is given a strict set of guidelines and is kept under constant supervision by officers both for their safety and to ensure they are adhering to the rules. The student must dress appropriately for their age and not wear excess makeup. The student is not allowed to lie and must produce their actual state-issued identification card or give their age verbally upon request. These checks are not a means to trick retailers into breaking the law; they are done to ensure the retailers and their employees are adequately trained to distribute tobacco products.

If a tobacco product is sold to the minor, it is immediately transferred to a supervising police officer and later logged into evidence. The officer will notify the clerk as well as a manager of the violation. Additionally, the officer will attempt to educate them on how to properly check for ID and what to do when a suspected minor is attempting to purchase tobacco or alcohol. Retailers who sell tobacco to minors are subject to penalties ranging from written warnings to fines to possible revocation of their tobacco sales license.

In 2015, 60 individual checks were completed. Of these, 1 resulted in unlawful delivery of tobacco to a minor. The clerk was issued a city ordinance violation, resulting in a total of \$300.00 in fines collected by the city.

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Juvenile Report

STERLING POLICE DEPARTMENT 2015 JUVENILE ARRESTS

IN 2015, 124 JUVENILES WENT THROUGH THE JUVENILE DETENTION PROCESS; 80 MALES AND 44 FEMALES. LISTED BELOW IS A BREAKDOWN BY OFFENSE. MANY OF THESE JUVENILES WERE CHARGED WITH MULTIPLE OFFENSES GIVING US A TOTAL OF 163 ARRESTS.

OFFENSE	JUVENILE ARRESTS		
	2015	2014	2013
CRIMINAL SEXUAL ASSAULT	0	0	0
ARMED ROBBERY	0	0	0
BATTERY/AGG BATTERY/RELESS CONDUCT/DOMESTIC BATTERY	17	30	14
ASSAULT	1	1	0
BURGLARY	0	8	1
BURGLARY/THEFT FROM MOTOR VEHICLE	1	0	0
THEFT/RETAIL THEFT	27	17	17
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	0	0	0
ARSON	1	0	0
DECEPTION	0	4	3
CRIMINAL DAMAGE/TRESPASS	15	14	9
DEADLY WEAPONS	4	4	1
SEX OFFENSES	1	0	1
OFFENSES INVOLVING CHILDREN	54	36	25
CANNABIS CONTROL ACT	7	18	4
CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE ACT	3	0	0
DRUG PARAPHERNALIA ACT	5	12	6
LIQUOR ACT VIOLATIONS	8	10	8
MOTOR VEHICLE OFFENSES	2	6	0
DISORDERLY CONDUCT	2	2	6
INTERFERENCE W/PUBLIC OFFICER/WARRANTS	3	5	4
WARRANTS	5	3	4
OTHER OFFENSES	1	0	0

2015 TOTAL NUMBER OF JUVENILE ARREST	163
2014 TOTAL NUMBER OF JUVENILE ARREST	170
2013 TOTAL NUMBER OF JUVENILE ARREST	103

**STERLING POLICE DEPARTMENT
2015 STATION ADJUSTMENT /
PEER JURY REFERRALS**

OFFENSES	2015
SIMPLE BATTERY	1
RETAIL THEFT	9
POSSESSION OF STOLEN PROPERTY	1
STATION ADJUSTMENT STATISTICS	2015
STATION ADJUSTMENTS	1
PEER JURY	16
MALE	7
FEMALE	9
CONTRACTS REVOKED	0
NON-COMPLETED HOURS/REVOKED CONTRACTS	1
CRIMINAL OFFENSES	16
STATUS OFFENSES	5
WORK SITES	2
PUBLIC SERVICE HOURS COMPLETED	373

IN 2015, 16 JUVENILES WERE DIVERTED FROM COURT SERVICES AND JUVENILE COURT BY GOING THROUGH OUR STATION ADJUSTMENT PROCESS OR PEER JURY.

ONE JUVENILE WAS STATION ADJUSTED AND 15 JUVENILES WERE REFERRED TO THE PEER JURY PROGRAM. THE PEER JURY REFERRALS/STATION ADJUSTMENTS CONSISTED OF 9 FEMALES AND 7 MALES.

VIOLATIONS OF THE PEER JURY PROGRAM & STATION ADJUSTMENT CONTRACTS ARE REFERRED TO THE WHITESIDE COUNTY COURT SERVICES AND THEN TO THE WHITESIDE COUNTY STATES ATTORNEY. WHITESIDE COUNTY COURT SERVICES HAS BEEN TREATING THE VIOLATION OF THE ACT AS A VIOLATION OF PROBATION.

THE CHARGES INCLUDED 11 CRIMINAL OFFENSES AND 5 STATUS OFFENSES. RUNAWAY, TRUANCY, CURFEW, TOBACCO, UNLAWFUL POSSESSION OF ALCOHOL AND UNLAWFUL CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOL ARE CONSIDERED STATUS OFFENSES.

NO CONTRACTS WERE REVOKED FOR NON-COMPLIANCE OF THE AGREEMENT.

A BREAKDOWN OF THE OFFENSES COMMITTED, A COPY OF THE STATION ADJUSTMENT AGREEMENT, A COPY OF A PEER JURY WORK ASSIGNMENT AND PLACEMENT FORM, A LISTING OF THE LOCATIONS RECEIVING PUBLIC SERVICE WORK, AND CONDITIONS SET FOR STATION ADJUSTMENT CONTRACT AND PEER JURY SENTENCES ARE INCLUDED.

STERLING POLICE DEPARTMENT CURFEW/TRUANCY/TOBACCO REPORT 2015

5 CITATIONS WERE ISSUED FOR CURFEW VIOLATIONS, 4 CITATIONS FOR TRUANCY VIOLATIONS AND 6 CITATIONS FOR TOBACCO ORDINANCE VIOLATIONS. OF THE 6 CITATIONS ISSUED FOR TOBACCO VIOLATIONS, 2 WERE FOR PROHIBITED SALE OF TOBACCO TO A MINOR. LISTED BELOW IS A BREAKDOWN OF THE NUMBER OF CITATIONS ISSUED.

DIVISION	CURFEW	TRUANCY	TOBACCO
SERGEANTS	0	0	0
YOUTH OFFICER	0	0	2
SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER	0	4	2
PATROL	5	0	2

REVENUE: * \$ 425.00 WAS THE TOTAL AMOUNT LEVIED FOR CURFEW VIOLATIONS.

 \$ 450.00 WAS THE TOTAL AMOUNT LEVIED FOR TRUANCY CITATIONS.

 \$ 600.00 WAS THE TOTAL AMOUNT LEVIED FOR TOBACCO ORDINANCE VIOLATIONS.

STATION ADJUSTMENT WORK SITES

HAPPY TAILS
STERLING HIGH SCHOOL

CONDITIONS SET FOR STATION ADJUSTMENT CONTRACTS AND PEER JURY SENTENCES

APOLOGIZING TO VICTIMS OF THEFT OR CRIMINAL DAMAGE TO PROPERTY IN PERSON, I.E. RETAIL STORE

LETTER ON THE EFFECTS OF ALCOHOL

LETTER ON THE EFFECTS OF THEFT (RETAIL) ON THE ECONOMY

APOLOGIZING TO GRANDPARENT

SET HOURS FOR TUTORING ON SCHOOL SUBJECTS

LETTER OF APOLOGY TO PARENTS

PARTICIPATION IN PEER MEDIATION AT CHALLAND MIDDLE SCHOOL

WRITE LETTERS OF APOLOGY TO VICTIMS

PARTICIPATION IN SCHOOL ACTIVITIES OR CLUBS

CURFEW OF 9:00 P.M. SEVEN DAYS A WEEK FOR DURATION OF AGREEMENT

AGREEMENT ALLOWING YOUTH OFFICER TO SEARCH THEM AT ANY TIME THEY ARE OBSERVED BY THE YOUTH OFFICER

AGREEMENT FOR JUVENILE NOT TO POSSESS ANY SIMULATED GUNS OR CAP GUNS

APOLOGY TO SCHOOL FOR POSSESSION ANY ILLEGAL ITEMS ON SCHOOL PROPERTY

LIMITATIONS ON WHO THEY ASSOCIATE WITH

INITIATE A BUSINESS UNDERTAKING BY MOWING AT LEAST ONE YARD FOR HIRE ON A STEADY BASIS

Sterling Police Department 2015



K-9 Report



STERLING POLICE DEPARTMENT 2015 K9 REPORT/MARCO

MONTH	CASE #	AGENCY	ARREST	ON DUTY	SEARCH TYPE	RESULTS/ACTIV
January	15-305	RFPD	Y	ON	TR	K9 track of suspect from stolen vehicle. Track t
	15-531	SPD	N	ON	FA	Free air search on stop. No alerts/finds.
	15-549	SPD	N	ON	TRNG	K9 training with area K9 teams.
	15-686	SPD	N	OFF	DEMO	K9 demo for SPD Explorers.
	15-763	SPD	N	ON	FA	Free air search on stop. No alerts/finds.
	15-805	RFPD	N	ON	FA	Free air search for RFPD on stop. No alerts/finc
	15-1172	SPD	N	ON	TRNG	K9 training with area K9 teams.
	15-1262	RPD	Y	OFF	FA	Assist Rockford PD with school search. 1 find ir
	February	15-1521	SPD	N	ON	TRNG
15-1868		US DOP	N	ON	FA	K9 sweep/intro at Federal Prison in Thompson
15-2280		SPD	Y	ON	TR	K9 track of burglary suspect. Located and take
15-2480		SPD	N	ON	TRNG	K9 training with area K9 teams.
15-2679		SPD	Y	ON	FA	School searches at SHS, Challand, and WACC.
March	15-2940	SPD	Y	ON	FA	Free air search on stop. -1g in center console.
	15-3149	SPD	N	ON	TRNG	K9 training with area K9 teams.
	15-3246	SPD	N	ON	DEMO	K9 demo/instructor for WACC Criminal Justice
	15-3373	SPD	Y	ON	FA	Driver game R/O smoking bowl and cannabis v
	15-3460	SPD	N	ON	FA	Free air search on stop. No alerts/finds.
	15-4099	ISP	N	ON	FA	Free air search on stop for ISP. NO alerts/finds
April	15-4274	SPD	Y	ON	TR	Track from stolen vehicle to residence 8 blocks
	15-4513	SPD	N	ON	TRNG	K9 training with area K9 teams.
	15-4739	RFPD	N	ON	FA	Called by RFPD for stop. Cancelled prior to arri
	15-5041	SPD	N	ON	FA	Free air search on stop. No alerts/finds.
	15-5250	SPD	Y	ON	FA	Search of SHS boys locker room. Cannabis roac
	15-5253	SPD	N	ON	TRNG	K9 training with area K9 teams.
	15-5267	SPD	N	ON	DEMO	K9 demo for Challand 8 th grade.
	15-5412	DPD	Y	ON	FA	K9 search at Dixon High School and Regan Mid
	15-5460	SPD	N	ON	DEMO	K9 demo/presentation at Sauk Valley Commur
	15-5615	MPD	N	ON	FA	Assist Mendota PD with school search at Mendota H

STERLING POLICE DEPARTMENT 2015 K9 REPORT/MARCO

MONTH	CASE #	AGENCY	ARREST	ON DUTY	SEARCH TYPE	RESULTS/ACTIV	
April	15-5704	SPD	Y	ON	FA	Free air search on stop. Crack pipe with residue	
	15-5744	RFPD	Y	ON	FA	Free air search on RFPD stop. Grinder with cannabis,	
May	15-5986	SPD	N	ON	TRNG	K9 training with area K9 teams.	
	15-7345	SPD	N	ON	FA	Free air search on stop. No alerts/finds.	
	15-7350	SPD	Y	ON	FA	Free air search on stop. 1.3g cannabis found.	
June	15-7584	SPD	N	ON	TRNG	K9 training with area K9 teams.	
	15-7814	SPD	Y	ON	FA	Free air search on stop. 1g cocaine found in glo	
	15-8111	SPD	N	ON	FA	Free air search on stop. No alerts/finds.	
	15-8152	SPD	Y	ON	FA	Free air search on stop. -1g cannabis found.	
	15-8390	SPD	N	ON	TRNG	K9 training with area K9 teams.	
	15-8920	SPD	N	ON	FA	Free air search on stop. No alerts/finds.	
	15-8924	SPD	N	ON	FA	Free air search on stop. No alerts/finds.	
	15-9243	SPD	N	ON	TRNG	K9 training with area K9 teams.	
	July	15-9552	ISP	Y	ON	FA	Free air search on ISP stop. After alert, driver a
		15-9597	SPD	N	ON	FA	Free air search on stop. No alerts/finds.
15-9749		SPD	N	ON	FA	Free air search on stop. No alerts/finds.	
15-10043		SPD	N	ON	FA/AREA	Free air/area search for possible cannabis. Not	
15-10066		SPD	N	ON	TRNG	K9 training with area K9 teams.	
15-10592		RFPD	N	ON	FA	Free air search on RFPD stop. No alerts/finds.	
15-10594		WCSCO	Y	ON	FA	Free air search on WCSCO stop. 2g cannabis and	
15-10895		SPD	N	ON	TRNG	K9 training with area K9 teams.	
August		15-11151	SPD	N	ON	FA	Free air search on stop. No alerts/finds.
		15-11192	RFPD	N	ON	FA	Cancelled as R/O arrived.
	15-11317	SPD	N	OFF	DEMO	K9 demos for National Night Out.	
	15-11390	SPD	N	ON	FA	Free air search on stop. No alerts/finds.	
	15-11391	RFPD	N	ON	FA	Free air search on RFPD stop. No alerts/finds.	

STERLING POLICE DEPARTMENT 2015 K9 REPORT/MARCO

MONTH	CASE #	AGENCY	ARREST	ON DUTY	SEARCH TYPE	RESULTS/ACTIV
August	15-11639	SPD	N	ON	FA	Free air search on stop. Driver saw K9 and con
	15-11870	RFPD	N	ON	FA	Free air search on RFPD stop. After alerts, both to just smoking cannabis.
	15-11898	SPD	N	ON	DEMO	K9 demo for child party.
	15-12270	SPD	N	OFF	DEMO	K9 demo for SPD bike rodeo.
	15-12434	SPD	N	ON	FA	Free air search on stop. No alerts/finds.
	15-12436	SPD	N	ON	FA	Free air search on stop. No alerts/finds.
	15-12441	SPD	N	ON	TRNG	K9 training with area K9 teams.
September	15-12988	BCSO	N	OFF	AREA/TR	Assist Bureau County Sheriff's s Office with esc
	15-13248	SPD	N	ON	FA	Free air search on stop. No alerts/finds.
	15-13256	SPD	N	ON	TRNG	K9 training with area K9 teams.
	15-14044	SPD	N	ON	TRNG	K9 training with area K9 teams.
October	15-14550	RFPD	N	ON	FA	Free air search for RFPD stop. No alerts/finds.
	15-14594	SPD	N	ON	FA	Free air search on stop. No alerts/finds.
	15-14783	SPD	Y	ON	FA	Free air search on stop. Cannabis residue foun
	15-15105	WCSCO	N	ON	FA	Free air search on WCSCO stop. No alerts/finds.
	15-15106	RFPD	N	ON	FA	Free air search on RFPD stop. No alerts/finds.
	15-15170	CCSO	N	ON	FA	Assist Carroll County S/O with school searches
	15-15290	CCSO	Y	OFF	FA	Assist Carroll County S/O with School search at
	15-15317	RFPD	N	ON	FA	Free air search on RFPD stop. Cannabis residue
	15-15526	SPD	N	ON	TRNG	K9 training with area K9 teams.
	15-15950	SPD	N	ON	FA	Free air search on stop. No alerts/finds.
	15-15996	WCSCO	N	OFF	FA	School search at Prophetstown High School.
November	15-16199	SPD	N	ON	TRNG	K9 training with area K9 teams.
	15-16202	OCSO	Y	ON	FA	Assist Ogle County S/O with school searches at
	15-16555	OCSO	N	ON	FA	Assist Ogle County S/O with school searches at
December	15-17344	SPD	N	ON	TRNG	K9 training with area K9 teams.
	15-18082	WCSCO	Y	OFF	FA	Assist WCSCO with school search at Morrison Hi

AGENCY CODES:

BCSO	Bureau County Sheriff's Office
CCSO	Carroll County Sheriff's Office
DPD	Dixon Police Department
ISP	Illinois State Police
MPD	Mendota Police Department
OCSO	Ogle County Sheriff's Office
RFPD	Rock Falls Police Department
RPD	Rockford Police Department
SPD	Sterling Police Department
US DOP	US Department of Prisons
WCSO	Whiteside County Sheriff's Office

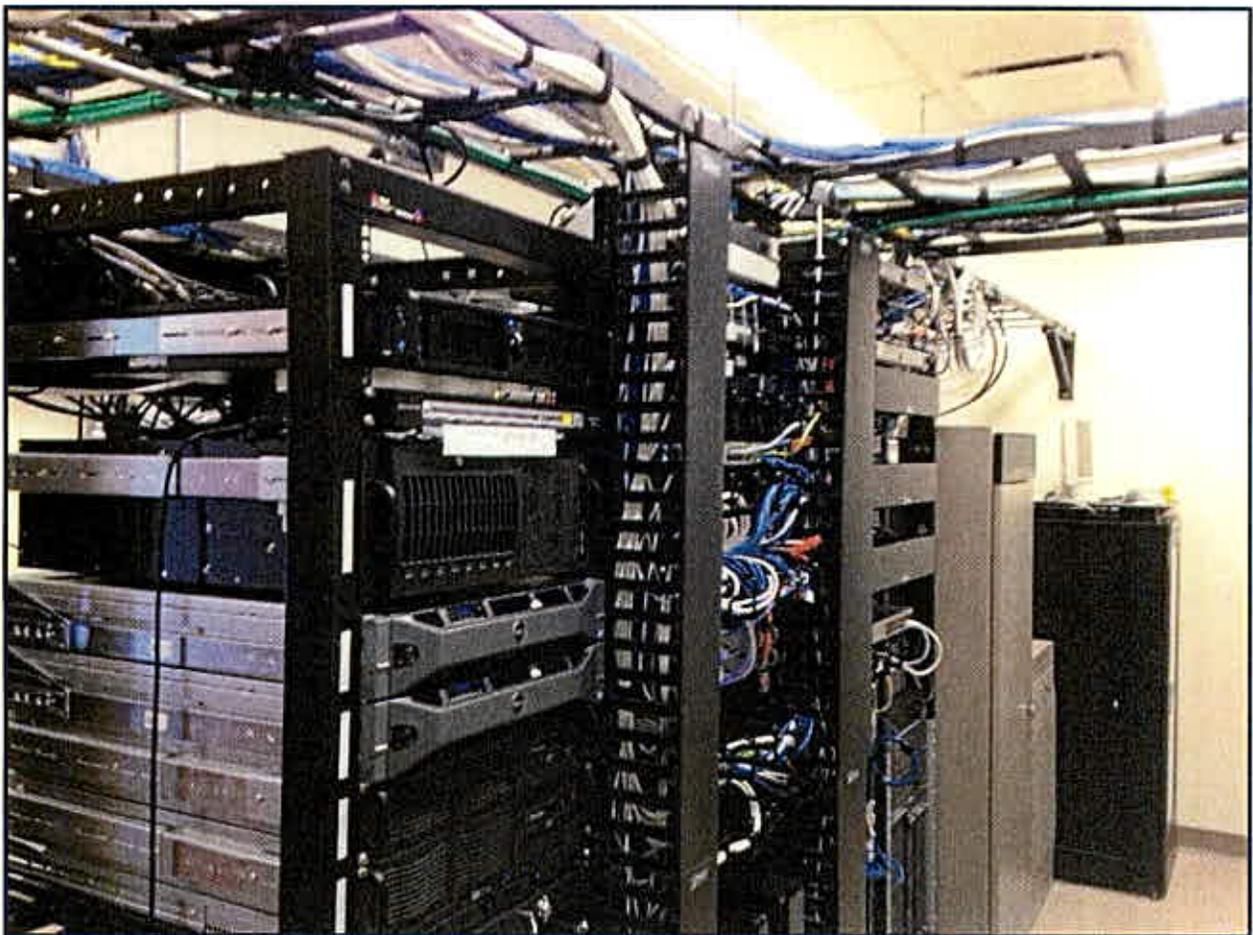
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TRNG	Train

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Information Technology



City of Sterling Information Technology

The information technology staff at the Sterling Police Department consists of Sgt. Ken Wright and I.T. Technician Dennis Fellows.

I.T. staff provides technical support and maintenance for all of the City of Sterling's information technology equipment for all departments as well acting as technical contacts for software and hardware vendors used by the city.

The City's current wide area network (W.A.N.) is comprised of five local area networks (L.A.N.s) located at the Coliseum building, the main Fire Station, the Fire Sub-station, the Public Works facility, and the Waste Water Treatment plant. The local area networks are all interconnected via fiber optic connectivity provided through the IFiber network.

The Coliseum L.A.N. hosts all of the City's main technology systems which are housed in a server room located in the I.T. Department within the Coliseum building. The Coliseum L.A.N. acts as the central hub for these services which are distributed throughout the W.A.N. to all city departments and facilities.

Some of the main distributed services are:

- Voice over Internet Protocol telephone service and voice mail service.
- Internet Access
- Microsoft Exchange 2010 email service
- Microsoft Active Directory Domain Service to include primary and secondary DNS
- Primary and Redundant Firewall Service to include Anti-virus, content filtering, WiFi private and guest service and user access control.
- Finance and Human Resource systems on New World Systems software

I.T. staff maintains and services numerous virtual and physical servers located within the Coliseum Server room.

Some of those servers are:

- Mitel 3300 V.O.I.P. system server
- Porter Lee "BEAST" Evidence Collection Server
- Sterling #2 Host VM server – Hosting:
 - G.I.S. server
 - New World Systems Logos Finance Server
 - Sterling SQL database server
 - VeraSmart Phone Accounting Server
- Sterling #3 Host VM server – Hosting:
 - New World Systems Logos eSuite Server
 - New World Systems Logos Test Server
 - Sterling1 Exchange Server
- Inside.Sterling Intranet Server
- Linux Files 3 Samba Server

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- Windows Server 2003 NAS backup server
- WebCTRL Coliseum HVAC system Server
- Hirsch Velocity Coliseum Building access controls server
- ExacqVision Coliseum Building Video Surveillance Server
- Eventide Police Communications Recorder server
- Eventide Police Recorder NAS server
- Digitalally Police Squad Car Camera server
- Fortimail Network Anti-spam and Antivirus appliance
- Viewpoint Firewall Activity Analysis server

I.T. staff maintains connectivity and support of hosted applications off site to include:

- Sungard Public Sector CRIMES Police records management systems hosted on W.C.E.T.S.B. 911 servers located at the Whiteside County Sheriff's Office facility in Morrison.
- Sungard Public Sector FIRES Fire records management systems hosted on W.C.E.T.S.B. 911 servers located at the Whiteside County Sheriff's Office facility in Morrison.
- Sungard Public Sector CAD 400 Police Fire and EMS dispatching systems hosted on W.C.E.T.S.B. 911 servers located at the Whiteside County Sheriff's Office facility in Morrison.
- Sungard Public Sector Mobile Data Browser (MDB) systems hosted on W.C.E.T.S.B. 911 servers located at the Whiteside County Sheriff's Office facility in Morrison.
- Sungard Public Sector CAD 400 Police Fire and EMS dispatching systems hosted on W.C.E.T.S.B. 911 servers located at the Whiteside County Sheriff's Office facility in Morrison.
- Geographic Technologies Group (GTG) Vantage Points Police, Fire, and EMS Dispatch G.I.S. mapping software.
- Geographic Technologies Group (GTG) Vantage Points Mobile Police, and Fire, Mobile unit G.I.S. mapping software.
- Sungard Public Sector Automatic Vehicle Locations and tracking software (AVL) for Police and Fire dispatching systems hosted on W.C.E.T.S.B. 911 servers located at the Whiteside County Sheriff's Office facility in Morrison.
- Municipal Systems Inc. Municipal Offense System (MOS) Parking ticket enforcement software hosted in Palos Heights Illinois
- Municipal Systems Inc. Municipal Ordinance Violation Enforcement (MOVE) Local Ordinance enforcement software hosted in Palos Heights Illinois
- Municipal Systems Inc. Administrative Building Code (ABC) software hosted in Palos Heights Illinois
- Sterling-il.gov public web site hosted by NewTek Technology Services, Phoenix Arizona

I.T. staff maintains and supports within the Police Department a Digital Imaging Finger printing System (Identix), a booking and mug shot system (C.I.M.I.S.), nine Mobile Data Computers and eight Digital Ally video recording systems in police vehicles.

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I.T. staff maintains and supports within the Community Services Department two Mobile Data computers for Code Enforcement Officer Inspections

I.T. staff maintains and supports approximately 85 network connected computer workstations and Laptop computers on the City's network, 18 network switches, nine routers, and two firewall systems.

I.T. staff maintains and supports the City's network wiring, cable TV wiring, telephones, analog telephone circuits and audio visual equipment for conference rooms and the council chambers.

I.T. staff maintains and supports a WiFi network with thirteen wireless access points that supports secure VPN connections for city employee access and guest access.

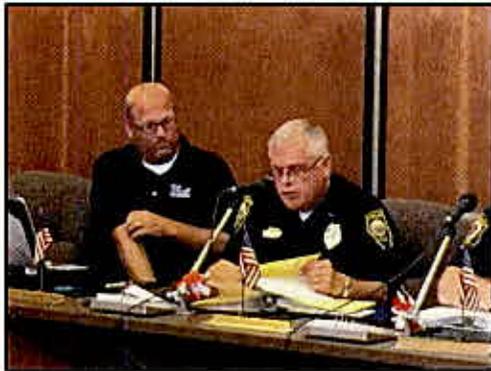
I.T. staff assists in maintaining and monitoring connections to external networks to include:

- Fiber optic connection to the Internet via N.I.U. net in Dekalb IL.
- Fiber optic connection to C.G.H. medical Center (EMS)
- Fiber optic connection to Whiteside County WCETSB in Morrison
- Fiber optic connection to the State of Illinois Century Network
- T-1 connection to AT&T for Telephone voice service to the City's V.O.I.P. system

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Revenue Report



*Administrative Court Hearing
Code Enforcement Officer Brad Alexander
Lt. Steve Hubbard*



*Administrative Court Hearing
Support Services Supervisor Claudia Garcia*



*Administrative Court Hearing
Records Clerk Lisa Trujillo
Violations Clerk Melinda McCarter*

STERLING POLICE DEPARTMENT CIRCUIT COURT FINES

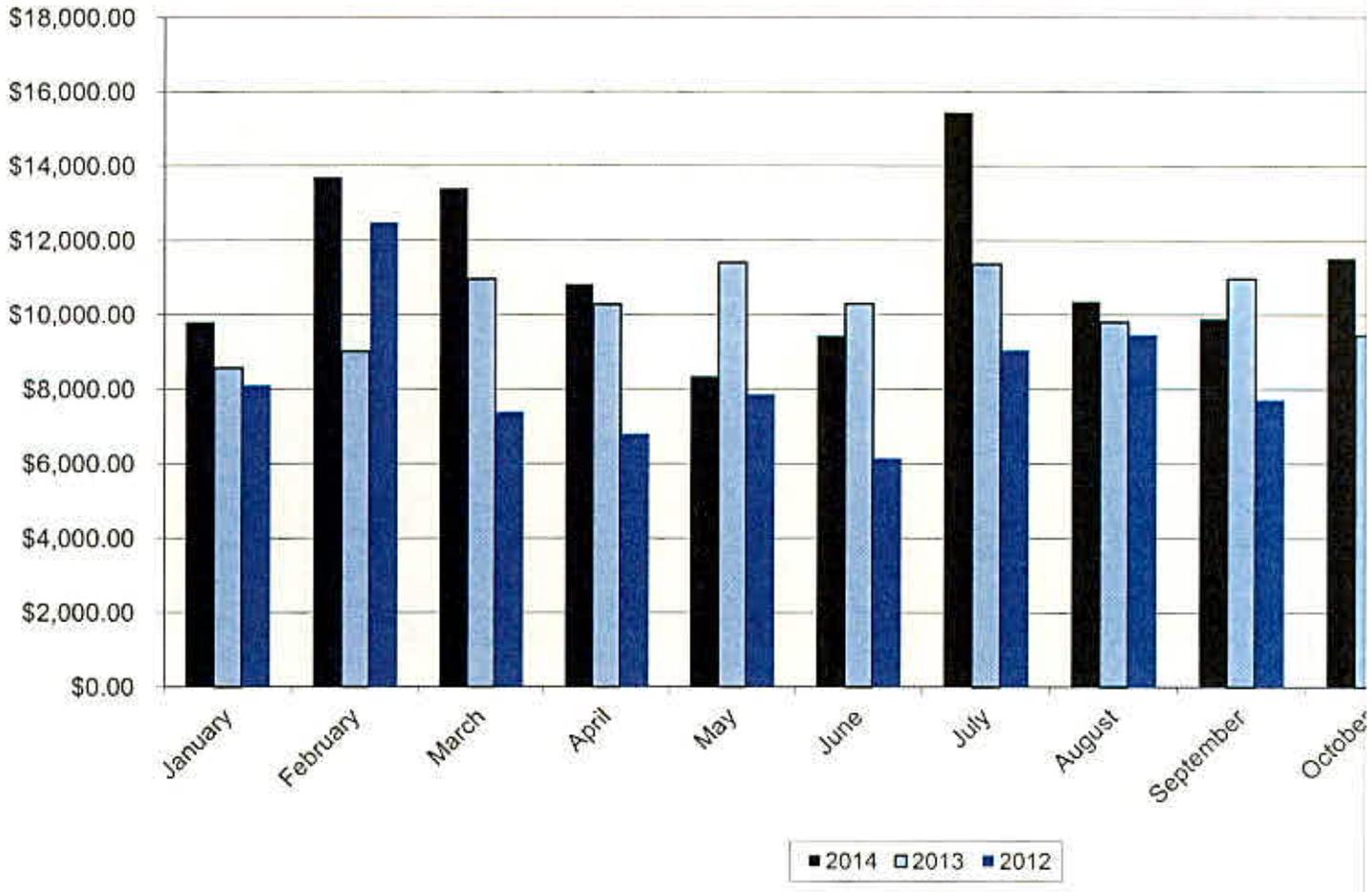
MONTH	2015	2014	2013	2012
JANUARY	\$9,808.36	\$8,571.79	\$8,106.09	\$11,595.81
FEBRUARY	\$13,687.44	\$9,022.98	\$12,489.08	\$15,340.93
MARCH	\$13,398.17	\$10,967.52	\$7,396.11	\$ 8,781.50
APRIL	\$10,822.92	\$10,277.23	\$6,809.22	\$11,159.49
MAY	\$8,354.58	\$11,402.00	\$7,860.05	\$ 9,877.09
JUNE	\$9,440.65	\$10,298.19	\$6,143.76	\$ 9,585.91
JULY	\$15,443.39	\$11,364.03	\$9,053.88	\$ 8,122.30
AUGUST	\$10,365.54	\$9,809.90	\$9,466.39	\$ 8,602.88
SEPTEMBER	\$9,900.33	\$10,969.93	\$7,717.49	\$ 9,080.95
OCTOBER	\$11,517.64	\$9,450.32	\$7,025.43	\$ 6,881.07
NOVEMBER	\$9,452.42	\$9,747.02	\$5,812.38	\$10,427.28
DECEMBER	\$10,637.19	\$10,534.97	\$7,639.46	\$ 6,261.52
TOTALS	\$132,828.63	\$122,415.88	\$95,519.34	\$115,716.63

STERLING POLICE DEPARTMENT CITY ORDINANCE TICKET FINES

MONTH	2015	2014	2013	2012
JANUARY	\$3,764.50	\$6,527.50	\$3,845.00	\$3,517.50
FEBRUARY	\$4,538.25	\$6,382.50	\$3,546.60	\$5,657.50
MARCH	\$3,343.91	\$6,139.00	\$4,327.50	\$4,144.05
APRIL	\$2,441.57	\$4,360.00	\$4,825.50	\$3,119.55
MAY	\$19,313.33	\$3,641.00	\$3,902.00	\$2,241.25
JUNE	\$4,843.01	\$4,005.00	\$3,824.66	\$2,885.00
JULY	\$2,552.82	\$3,360.00	\$3,385.00	\$3,715.00
AUGUST	\$2,148.84	\$2,590.00	\$3,951.00	\$3,294.00
SEPTEMBER	\$2,680.07	\$1,520.00	\$2,695.00	\$3,220.00
OCTOBER	\$2,127.33	\$4,350.00	\$3,303.00	\$2,465.00
NOVEMBER	\$2,650.99	\$4,505.89	\$3,390.00	\$3,010.00
DECEMBER	\$1,658.23	\$2,447.42	\$4157.50	\$2,410.00
TOTALS	\$52,062.85	\$49,828.31	\$45,152.76	\$39,678.85

Circuit Court Fines

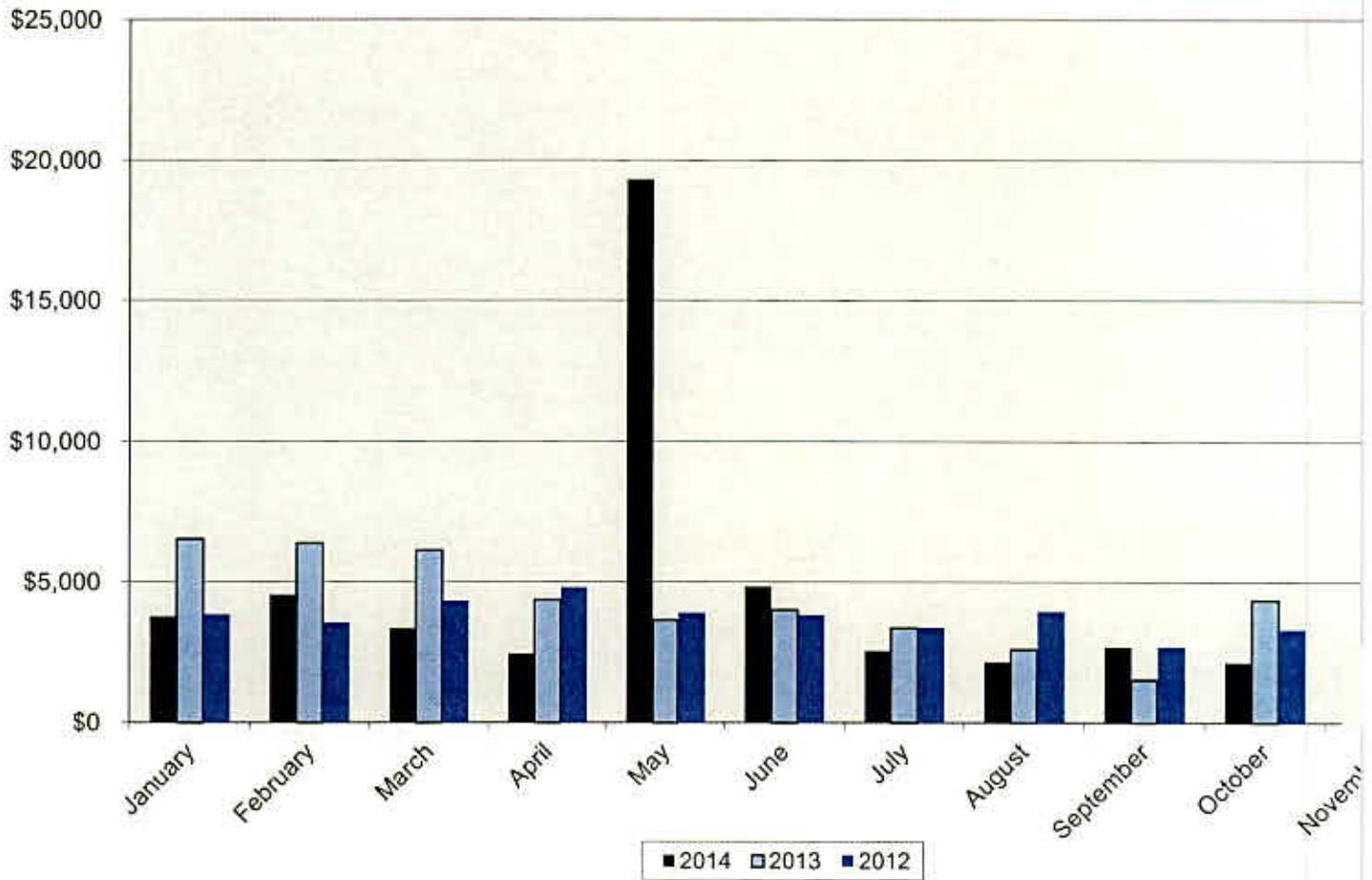
2015 - \$132,828.63
2014 - \$122,415.88 2013 - \$95,519.34



City Ordinance Ticket Fines

2015 - \$52,062.85

2014 - \$45,828.31 2013 - \$45,152.76



STERLING POLICE DEPARTMENT REVENUE

2015 Grants and In-Kind Contributions

We are very proud of our community for the contributions to our policing efforts. In 2015 over \$ 11,000 was donated to various programs involving our area youth. Some of these donations/grants are listed below. This does not include the thousands of dollars in man-hour donations from various businesses and agencies who allowed their employees to participate in our Summer Youth Programs and Citizens Academy as speakers or Activity Directors, our Moose Club Members who donate time to our *Middle School Dances* and those who help out at *Teen Time*. Enforcement related grants are also listed.

2015 Grant Money/In-Kind Contributions

Alco-Sensor FST	\$ 525.00
Bicycle Rodeo	\$ 1,550.00
Anonymous DARE Grant Money	\$ 3,000.00
DARE Fundraiser & Gum Ball Machine	\$ 2,230.95
LED Stop Sign and LED Vest	\$ 200.00
Tobacco Grant	\$ 2,310.00
Stalker Hand Held Cordless Radar Unit	\$ 1,400.00

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\$ 11,215.95

Seizure & Forfeiture - \$ 13,572.00
 Controlled Substance Fine Revenue - \$ 5,986.00
 DUI Fine Revenue - \$ 9,904.00
 Police Report Copies - \$ 1,587.00
 Fingerprints - \$ 450.00
 Subpoena/FOIA Fees - \$ 82.75
 Vehicle Fund Revenue - \$ 3,421.00
 Sex Offender Registration - \$ 2,785.00
 Administration & Storage Fees - \$ 3,900.00
 Municipal Bail Bond - \$ 2,960.00
 Warrant FTA Fee - \$ 2,035.00
 Solicitor Fee - \$ 575.00

2014 RECORDS REQUEST

	2015	2014	2013
Subpoena Request	7	17	11
Military Records Check	29	28	38
Probation Records Check	10	6	12
Freedom of Information Act	340	332	348
Other Request (US Office of Personnel Management/Attorney General Office)	156	129	139
TOTAL	542	512	548



Training Report



Taser – Spark Test



Officer Boehm
Taser Training



Officer Hadley
Taser Training



Active Shooter Training
Officer Martinez - Officer Migliorisi - Officer Johnson

STERLING POLICE DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL TRAINING INFORMATION 2015

ADMINISTRATION

Chief Ron Potthoff	Total Training Hours:	78.00
Lieutenant Tim Morgan	Total Training Hours:	57.00
Lieutenant Steve Hubbard	Total Training Hours:	38.00
Lieutenant Jeff Mohr	Total Training Hours:	44.00
Administrative Secretary Sara Young	Total Training Hours:	4.00

PATROL SERGEANTS

Sergeant Todd Messer	Total Training Hours:	107.00
Sergeant Sarah Schmidt	Total Training Hours:	32.00
Sergeant JD Sanders	Total Training Hours:	287.00
Sergeant Brian Schmidt	Total Training Hours:	116.00

PATROL DIVISION

Officer Jason Bielema	Total Training Hours:	24.00
Officer Jake Reul	Total Training Hours:	39.00
Officer Shane Bland	Total Training Hours:	114.00
Officer Brad Johnson	Total Training Hours:	30.00
Officer Adrienne Martinez	Total Training Hours:	147.00
Officer Mike Migliorisi	Total Training Hours:	127.00
Officer Edward Deets	Total Training Hours:	103.00
Officer Clay Hadley	Total Training Hours:	88.00
Officer Jason Boehm	Total Training Hours:	504.00
Officer Kyle Wyckstandt	Total Training Hours:	502.00
Officer Andrew Haack	Total Training Hours:	501.00

DETECTIVE SECTION

Detective Sergeant Alex Chavira	Total Training Hours:	110.00
Detective Mike Henry	Total Training Hours:	75.00
Task Force Officer Niki Diehl	Total Training Hours:	10.00
Detective Brad Barron	Total Training Hours:	43.00
Youth Officer Maggie Ellmaker	Total Training Hours:	117.00

SPECIALTIES

K9 Officer Pat Bartel	Total Training Hours:	78.00
SRO Frank Hopes	Total Training Hours:	75.00
DARE Officer Josh Weber	Total Training Hours:	56.75
DARE Officer Ryan Potthoff	Total Training Hours:	156.75

SUPPORT DIVISION

Support Services Supervisor Claudia Garcia	Total Training Hours:	44.50
Public Service Officer Maureen Frankfother	Total Training Hours:	16.00
TC Matt Reglin	Total Training Hours:	9.00
TC Jesica Knipple	Total Training Hours:	21.00
TC Tara Baumgartner	Total Training Hours:	11.00
TC Ashleigh Kloepping	Total Training Hours:	14.00
TC Ashley Jones	Total Training Hours:	25.00
TC Amanda Sobottka	Total Training Hours:	57.00
TC Tekla Martin	Total Training Hours:	81.50
Violations Clerk Melinda McCarter	Total Training Hours:	7.00
Records Clerk Roxanne Glazier	Total Training Hours:	28.00
Records Clerk Lisa Trujillo	Total Training Hours:	4.00
Parking Enforcement Officer Courtney Tate	Total Training Hours:	4.00

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Sex Offender Registration

SEX OFFENDER REGISTRATION

The State of Illinois requires convicted sex offenders to register with the Police Department of the jurisdiction in which they live. Based on the status of the offender, they are required to register for a minimum of 10 years to a maximum of life. Most offenders must register on an annual basis, while some may have to register every 90 days and homeless offenders must register every 7 days.

They are required to notify Police if they move into, within or out of a jurisdiction, change employment/school or obtain new vehicle information. These changes must be reported within 3 days.

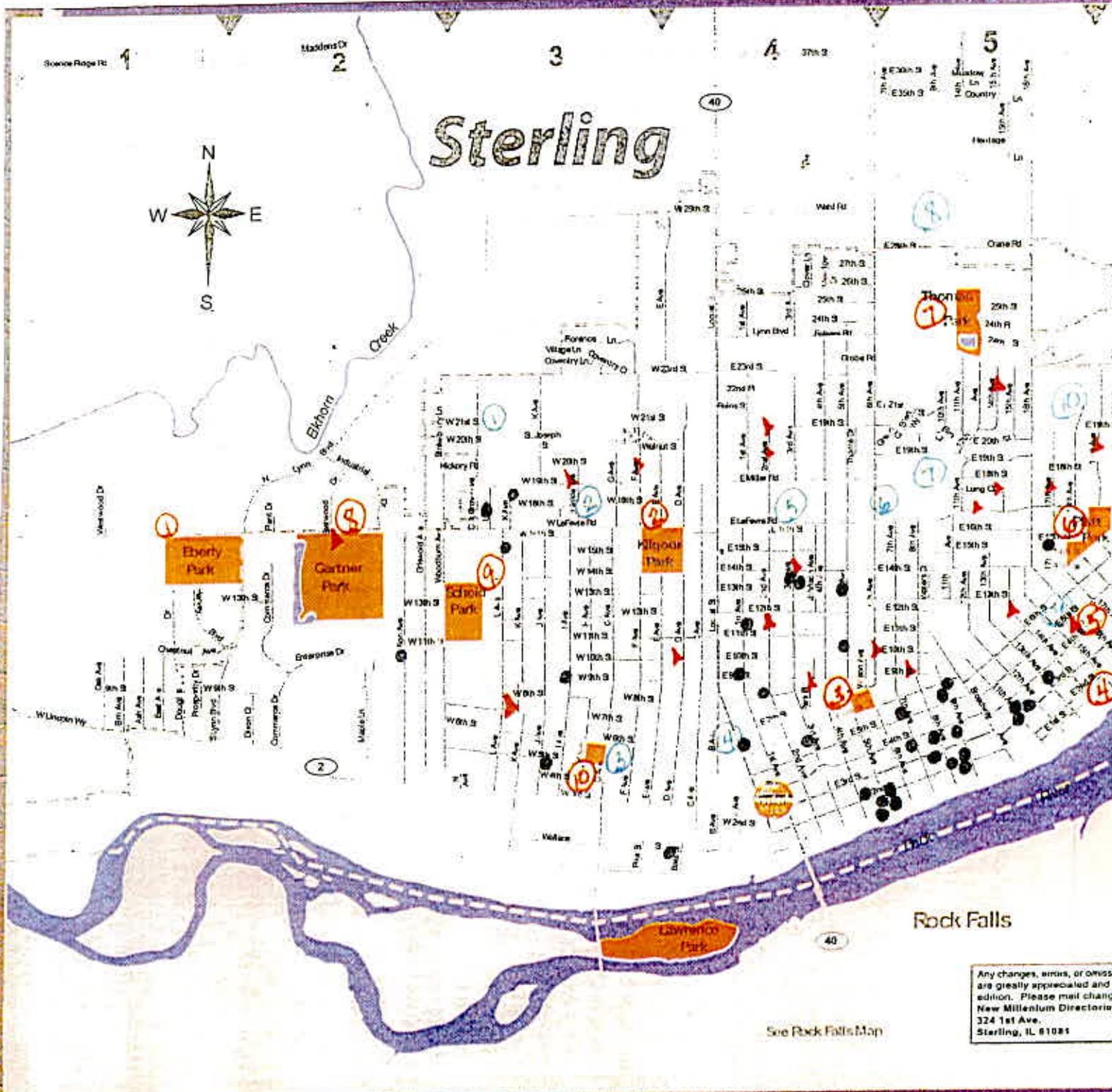
It is unlawful for a child sex offender or a child sexual predator to knowingly reside (or loiter) within 500 feet of a school building or the real property comprising any school that persons under the age of 18 attend. *(unless the property was purchased before the effective date of July 7, 2000).*

It is unlawful for a child sex offender or a child sexual predator to knowingly reside (or loiter) within 500 feet of a child day care facility, park/playground equipment or any other facility specifically designated for children under the age of 18. It is also unlawful for a child sex offender or a child sexual predator to knowingly be present in any public park building or on real property comprising any public park.

The Department will provide a list of sex offenders within the City of Sterling for a fee of \$5.00; or you can obtain the information free at the Illinois State Police website: www.isp.state.il.us

** the attached map indicates registered sex offenders living in the city limits*

Sterling



Rock Falls

Any changes, errors, or omissions are greatly appreciated and edition. Please mail changes to New Millennium Directories, 324 1st Ave, Sterling, IL 61081

See Rock Falls Map

Sex Offender Mapping

- Registered Sex Offender
- ▲ Day Car Facility

Schools

- #1 Newman High School
- #2 Washington Elementary School
- #3 Wallace School
- #4 St. Mary's School
- #5 Sterling High School
- #6 Challand Jr. High School
- #7 Jefferson Elementary School
- #8 Franklin Elementary School
- #9 Lincoln Elementary School
- #10 Christ Lutheran School

Parks

- #1 Eberly Park
- #2 Kilgour Park
- #3 Propheter Park
- #4 14th Avenue Park
- #5 Lincoln Park
- #6 Platt Park
- #7 Thomas Park
- #8 Gartner Park
- #9 Sheid Park
- #10 Wallace Park

SEX OFFENDER COMPLIANCE CHECKS

Every year the Sterling Police Department completes several rounds of compliance checks to ensure that all registered sex offenders living in the city are in compliance with state and local laws. Some of these checks are done cooperatively with other local agencies, including the Rock Falls Police Department, Whiteside County Sheriff's Office and the Illinois State Police. During these checks, officers attempt to make contact with each offender at his or her respective residence to ensure they are actually living there. If no one is found to be home, a door hanger is left stating the purpose for the visit with a note to contact the police department. Officers will continue to follow up with each residence until contact is made or it is determined the offender is no longer living at that address. Sexual offenders who locate to a new address without notifying local law enforcement in the required time period may be charged with a Class 3 Felony, punishable by up to 2-5 years in prison.

All registered sex offenders in the State of Illinois are now required to have their DNA on file with the state. To maintain compliance with this law, the Sterling Police Department located three registered sex offenders whose DNA was not on file. DNA samples were collected from each of them and were submitted to the Illinois State Police Sex Offender DNA Registry.

NEW LAW IN 2013 – Sex Offenders prohibited from participating in certain holiday events

As of January 1st, 2013, it is illegal for any child sex offender to participate in a holiday event involving children under 18 years of age. Examples include (but are not limited to) distributing candy on Halloween, dressing as Santa Claus and dressing as the Easter Bunny. A violation of this statute constitutes a Class 4 felony, punishable by up to 1-3 years in prison. Violations may also extend the subject's period of required registration, possibly up to lifetime required registration.

A round of compliance checks was scheduled shortly before Halloween to ensure all sex offenders were aware of the new law. Additionally, patrol officers working on Halloween night patrolled near residences of known sex offenders to ensure there were no violations.

BY THE NUMBERS

The Sterling Police Department has a total of **51** sexual or violent offenders currently registered with the agency. Below is a breakdown by type of offender:

- *Child Sex Offenders* 10
- *Child Sexual Predators* 29
- *Sexual Predators* 2
- *Juvenile Sex Offenders* 5
- *Violent Offenders Against Youth* 5

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**Past, Present & Ongoing Community
Partnerships & Youth Programs**

D.A.R.E. PROGRAM



D.A.R.E. Officer Josh Weber

The Sterling Police D.A.R.E. program is funded by the Sterling Police Department and Community fundraising. The program has been presented in Sterling schools since 1986. Nationally, criticism of the D.A.R.E. Program has been publicized. Locally in Sterling, all schools indicate that the program makes a difference.

Responding to critical studies, D.A.R.E. in Sterling is offered at various grade levels. DARE teaches kids about drugs, friendships, peer pressure, bullying, gangs and decision making processes. Sterling students therefore have character building educational contact with uniformed officers throughout their school years.

EXPLORERS

The Sterling Police Department Explorers Post 613 was chartered in 1994. The Law Enforcement Explorers program is a branch of the Boy Scouts of America for young men and women ages 14 to 20. Explorers learn the fundamentals of law enforcement through interaction with department personnel.



SHOP WITH A COP

The Sterling Police Department through partnership with a local business and the local PB & PA Unit #37 join forces each Christmas season to allow 20 needy children the opportunity to purchase Christmas presents for themselves and family members. Police Officers and Non-Sworn Personnel enjoy a few hours helping the children with their shopping spree and enjoy breakfast with Santa. In 2015, the funding for the program came from a Wal-Mart Foundation grant, community donations, Illinois Police Benevolent and Association Sterling Unit #37, and Sterling Police Department Officer's "No Shave November" Donations.



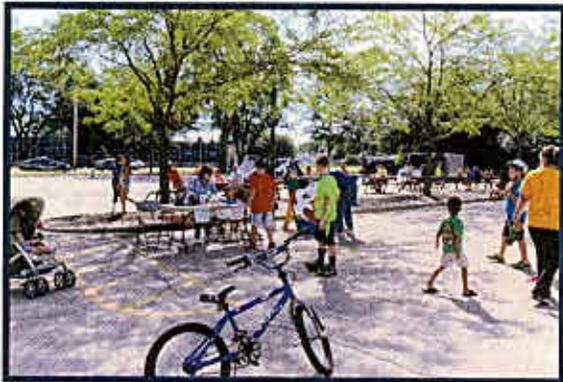
PEER JURY

The Police Department Peer Jury program began in October of 1996. The Peer Jury program is an innovative alternative used to divert non-violent first time offenders from formal court action. Offenders who agree to participate are judged by a jury of their peers and may be sentenced to public service. Failure to comply with the sentence violates the agreement and brings the offender into contact with Whiteside County Court Services.

BICYCLE RODEO

The Bicycle Rodeo is a yearly event that places emphasis on the importance of bicycle safety and everyday issues. The event encourages family participation; bringing mothers, fathers, aunts, uncles and grandparents together for a fun, educational proactive event.

Bicycle safety courses are offered to educate community members of all ages on Rules of the Road. The first 300 participants receive a bicycle helmet. Sterling Firefighters bring their fire safety house and CGH Medical Center paramedics display their ambulance equipment.



COFFEE WITH A COP



On March 21, 2015, officers from the Sterling Police Department and community members came together in an informal, neutral space to discuss community issues, build relationships, and drink coffee.

All community members were invited to attend. The event took place at the Sterling McDonalds, from 8:00 a.m. until 10:00 a.m.

Coffee with a Cop provided a unique opportunity for community members to ask questions and learn more about the department's work in Sterling's neighborhoods.

The majority of contacts law enforcement has with the public happen during emergencies, or emotional situations. Those situations are not always the most effective times for relationship building with the community and some community members may feel that officers are unapproachable on the street. *Coffee with a Cop* breaks down barriers and allows for a relaxed one-on-one interaction.

"We hope that community members will feel comfortable to ask questions, bring concerns, or simply get to know our officers," said Sterling Police Lieutenant Tim Morgan. "These interactions are the foundation of community partnerships."

Coffee with a Cop is a national initiative supported by The United States Department of Justice, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services. Similar events were being held across the county, as local police departments strive to make lasting connections with the communities they serve.

The program aims to advance the practice of community policing through improving relationships between police officers and community members one cup of coffee at a time.

CHAPLAINS PROGRAM

The Police Chaplain program is staffed by volunteer pastors who rotate in a weekly on call status and ride along with officers to better serve the needs of the community. Their purpose is to provide care, comfort, guidance and encouragement.

Chaplains counsel domestic violence victims, respond on-call when needed for traumatic events, and deliver death messages. They often provide a calming influence in a tense situation.



NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

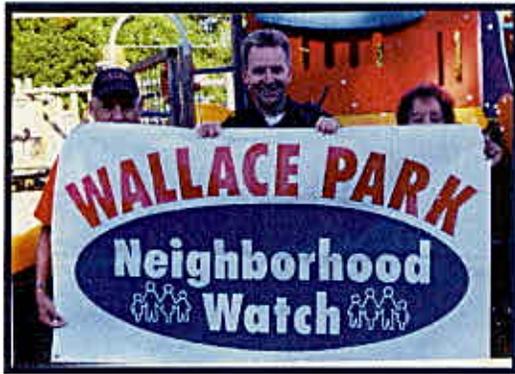
“National Night Out” is a nation wide crime, drug and violence awareness program that provides the opportunity for Sterling to join with communities nation wide to promote cooperative, police-community crime and drug prevention efforts. In 1998 the Sterling National Night Out efforts were judged a National Award winner by the National Association of Town Watch.

Sterling and Rock Falls Police along with the Sterling Park District, Whiteside County Crimestoppers and a number of private businesses sponsor the event yearly, which boasts an attendance of 500 to 900 people.



NEIGHBORHOOD GROUPS

Officers working with aldermen have formed a number of neighborhood groups in Sterling wards. These groups have organized to overcome problems within their neighborhoods. Cleanups and park watches are some of the tasks that have been accomplished.



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Special Recognition

STERLING POLICE DEPARTMENT EMPLOYMENT ANNIVERSARIES

We would like to recognize the following employees who celebrated employment anniversaries with the Sterling Police Department during 2015. Thank you for the years you have dedicated to the City of Sterling and for your outstanding commitment to public service.

YEARS OF SERVICE	EMPLOYEE
30 Years (1985)	Public Service Officer Maureen Frankfother
25 Years (1990)	Detective Brad Barron
10 Years (2005)	TC Tara Baumgartner Officer Jake Reul

Department Commendation

Occasionally in the course of their routine duties, Police Department Employees are called upon to reach a higher level of achievement.

They may be nominated for a Department Commendation based upon their initiative, alertness and creativity. Commendations are normally awarded for one or more of the following:

- Outstanding Police Action
- Citizen Praise Or Compliment
- Unusual Bravery
- Acting Beyond The Call Of Duty
- Unusual Attention To Duty
- Other Meritorious Act

There were 25 commendations issued in 2015 to the following:

Detective Brad Barron

K9 Officer Pat Bartel

TC Tara Baumgartner

Officer Jason Bielema

Officer Shane Bland

Officer Jason Boehm

Detective Sgt. Alex Chavira (2)

Youth Officer Maggie Ellmaker

Detective Mike Henry (2)

SRO Frank Hopes (3)

Officer Brad Johnson (2)

TC Ashleigh Kloeping

TC Tekla Martin

Officer Adrienne Martinez

DARE Officer Ryan Potthoff

TC Matt Reglin

Sgt. Sarah Schmidt

Officer Ben Tuttle

DARE Officer Josh Weber (2)

The following Officers received complimentary notes from citizens:

Officer Jason Bielema

Officer Shane Bland

Records Clerk Roxanne Glazier

SRO Frank Hopes

Officer Adrienne Martinez

Sgt. JD Sanders

Sgt. Sarah Schmidt

Records Clerk Lisa Trujillo

DARE Officer Josh Weber

Progressive Discipline

Police work is fraught with obvious and not so obvious sources of moral and ethical conflict. For that reason it is constantly reinforced throughout an officer's career that he or she is held to a higher standard of conduct than the public in general.

The Sterling Police Department operates on a code of conduct that consists of twenty-one simple standards. The code applies to the officer's life on-duty as well as off duty. The standards are not mysterious, arbitrary or unachievable. In reality, they are rules of life that all of us are expected to learn as we grow up.

During 2015 internal investigations were conducted with the following results:

- 2 Violations sustained – Reprimand
- 1 Suspension

Citizens are encouraged to contact the on-duty shift commander or the office of the Chief of Police if any inappropriate behavior by a police officer or other employee is witnessed.

Sterling Police Department 2015



Awards



2015 Optimist Club
"OFFICER OF THE YEAR"
Youth Officer Maggie Ellmaker



2015 – Illinois Chiefs of Police Traffic Safety Challenge
1st Place
DARE Officer Josh Weber



To: Youth Officer Maggie Ellmaker
From: Chief Ron Potthoff
Date: 16 September 2015
Ref: Optimist Officer of the Year

Congratulations on being chosen this year's "Officer of the Year".

You were nominated by Sgt. Messer and Sgt. Sanders and I completely agree with their evaluation of you. Your enthusiasm for your job and the quality of your work are, I believe the deciding factors.

It is my hope that your enthusiasm, interest and dedication will spread throughout the department. I am proud to count you as a co-worker.

Again, Congratulations!

Sincerely,


Ron Potthoff
Chief of Police

"COMMENDATION"

Date: August 24, 2015
To: Ptl. Josh Weber
From: Chief Ron Potthoff
RE: Illinois Traffic Safety Challenge

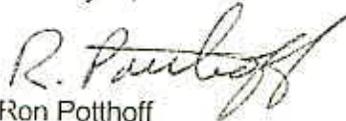
I wish to commend Ptl. Josh Weber for Achievement Beyond Job Description for the following:

Having been notified that we have secured the first place award in the largest division, I would like to congratulate you on your efforts in coordinating our program.

The application you put together for the Illinois Chiefs Traffic Safety Challenge is truly fitting of a reward. This was your first attempt at putting together a program. Your efforts resulted in the department receiving approximately \$1500.00 in enforcement equipment. I look forward to winning the squad car next year!

Our citizens may not quite understand what has been accomplished but the DUI and speed enforcement coupled with seat belt and child restraint efforts of our officers has truly made a difference in our community.

Thank you,



Ron Potthoff

Chief of Police

City of Sterling, Illinois

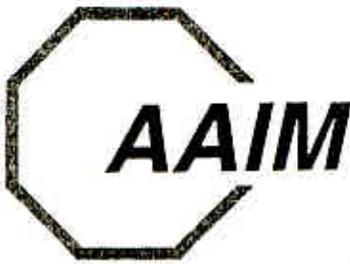
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2014-2015 Illinois Traffic Safety Challenge Winners



Municipal 1-10 Sworn		Sheriff 1-25 Sworn	
1 st – Atwood Police		No Entries	
2 nd – Elwood Police		Sheriff 26-50 Sworn	
3 rd – No Winner		1 st – Tazewell County Sheriff	
Municipal 11-25 Sworn		2 nd – No Entries	
1 st – Pingree Grove Police		3 rd – No Entries	
2 nd – Hinsdale Police		Sheriff 51-100 Sworn	
3 rd – Shorewood Police		1 st – Kendall County Sheriff	
Municipal 26-35 Sworn		Sheriff 101-250 Sworn	
1 st – Sterling Police		1 st – Winnebago County Sheriff	
2 nd – No Winner		2 nd – No Winner	
3 rd – No Winner		3 rd – No Winner	
Municipal 36-50 Sworn		Sheriff 251 +	
1 st – Forest Park Police		No Entries	
2 nd – West Chicago Police			
3 rd – Lake in the Hills Police			
Municipal 51-65 Sworn		State Police Districts	
1 st – Buffalo Grove Police		1 st – District Chicago	
2 nd – Carol Stream Police		2 nd – District 2	
3 rd – Wheeling Police		3 rd – District 5	
		3 rd – District 15	
Municipal 66-100 Sworn		Part-Time Only:	
1 st – Downers Grove Police		No Entries	
2 nd – Crystal Lake Police			
3 rd – No Winner			
Municipal 101 – 250 Sworn		College/Campus Police	
1 st – Arlington Heights Police		1 st – Benedictine University Police	
2 nd – Evanston Police			
3 rd – Springfield Police			
Municipal 251 + Sworn		Other Police – Park Dist/S.O.S. etc.	
1 st – No Winner		No Entries	
2 nd – No Winner			
3 rd – No Winner			
Multi-Jurisdiction Agencies		Championship Class	
No Entries		1 st – ISP District 14	
Bike/Pedestrian Safety:	Grundy Co. Sheriff	2 nd – Grundy County Sheriff	
Commercial Vehicle:	Buffalo Grove Police	3 rd – Plainfield Police	
Distracted Driving:	Buffalo Grove Police		
Impaired Driving:	Carol Stream Police	Looking Beyond The Safety Belt Winners	
Occupant Protection:	Carol Stream/Grundy Co	Municipal – TBA	
Railroad Crossing Safety:	Plainfield Police	County – TBA	
Rookie of the Year:	Rock Island Police	State Police – TBA	
Speed Awareness:	None	Chicago – TBA	
Teen Driving:	Tazewell County	ILACP Judges Award: TBA @ Awards Luncheon	



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Dear Sheriff Potthoff,

On behalf of the Alliance Against Intoxicated Motorists, it is our great pleasure to acknowledge the exceptional DUI enforcement of **K-9 Officer Pat Bartel** by awarding a **Certificate of Appreciation** in recognition of these life-saving efforts.

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Respectfully,

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Dear Sheriff Potthoff,

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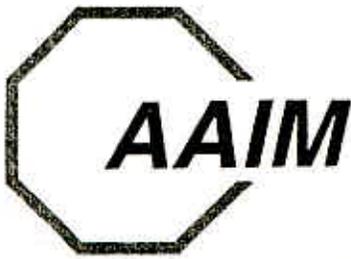
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