



Evanston Police Department

2015

Annual Report

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Enclosed within this document are the annual statistics and progress achieved by the Evanston Police Department for the year 2015. Transparency and cooperative effort with the citizens of Evanston, whom we serve, are paramount for a successful municipal law enforcement organization.

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LAW ENFORCEMENT CODE OF ETHICS

As a law enforcement officer, my fundamental duty is to serve mankind, to safeguard lives and property, to protect the innocent against deception, the weak against oppression or intimidation, and the peaceful against violence or disorder, and to respect the constitutional rights of all men to liberty, equality and justice.

I will keep my private life unsullied as an example to all; maintain courageous calm in the face of danger, scorn, or ridicule; develop self-restraint; and be constantly mindful of the welfare of others.

Honest in thought and deed in both my personal and official life, I will be exemplary in obeying the laws of the land and the regulations of my department.

Whatever I see or hear of a confidential nature, or that is confided to me in my official capacity, will be kept ever secret unless revelation is necessary in the performance of my duty.

I will never act officiously or permit personal feelings, prejudices, animosities, or friendships to influence my decisions.

With no compromise for crime and with relentless prosecution of criminals, I will enforce the law courteously and appropriately without fear or favor, malice or ill will, never employing unnecessary force or violence, and never accepting gratuities.

I recognize the badge of my office as a symbol of public faith, and I accept it as a public trust to be held so long as I am true to the ethics of the police service.

I will constantly strive to achieve these objectives and ideals, dedicating myself before God to my chosen profession – law enforcement.

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Dear Evanston Residents:

Attached please find the Evanston Police Department 2015 Annual Report highlighting exemplary service provided to the community by the men and women of the Evanston Police Department.

2015 was a tumultuous period for U.S. law enforcement. In the Chicago metro area incidents of officer-involved shootings exacerbated police-community relations. However, Evanston and its police department enjoyed a relatively tranquil period, based upon long-established bonds of trust and transparency.

Deployment—the department’s primary crime-reduction strategy—resulted in a five percent (5%) decrease in Part I crimes during 2015. I am especially pleased to report a significant decrease in each of two Part I crimes particularly corrosive to the community’s perception of wellbeing and safety: Aggravated battery decreased 17.2% and Burglary decreased 6.3%.

Please take time to review this report outlining the range of services the department offers Evanston’s residents and visitors.

Should you have any questions, feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

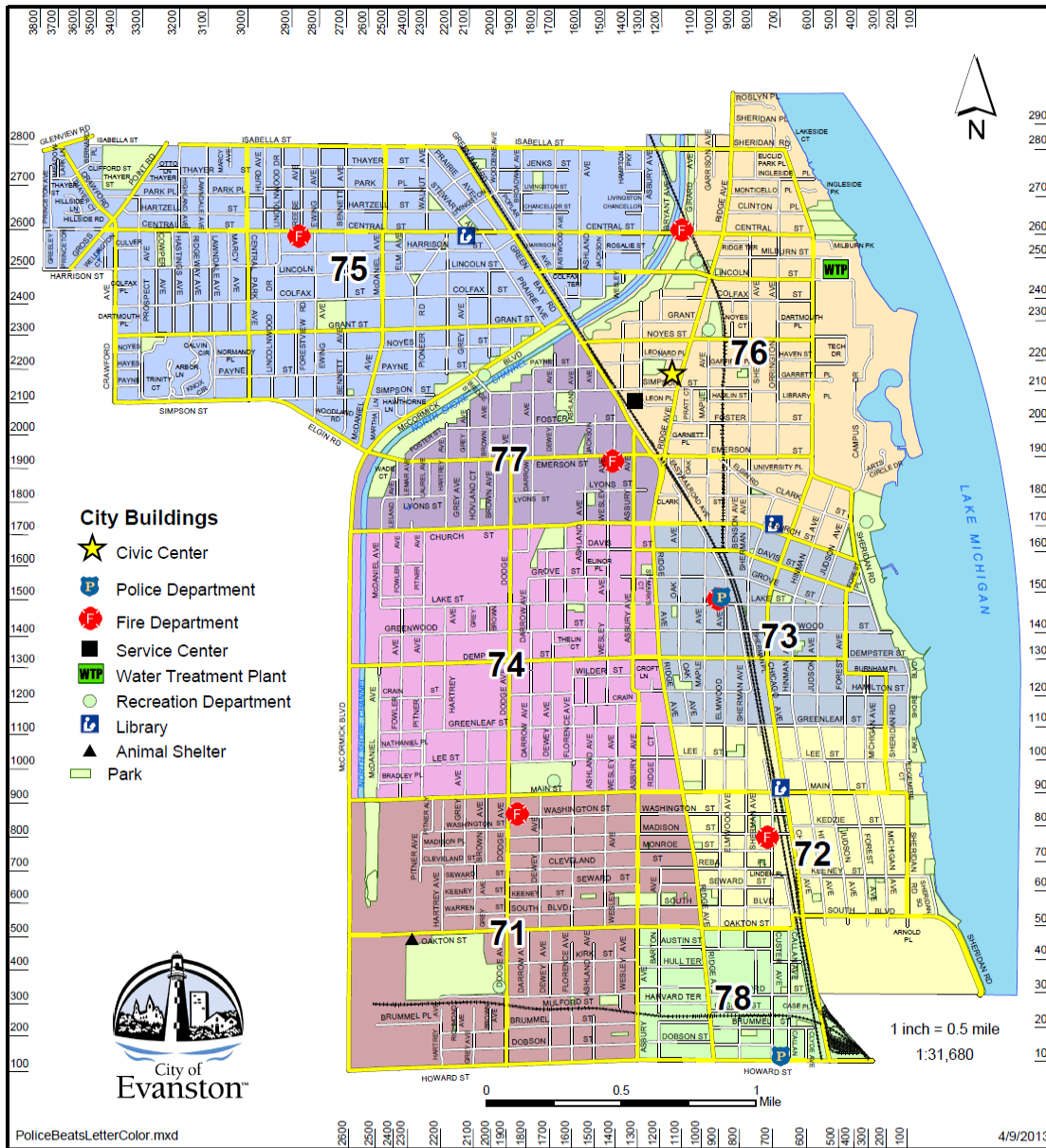
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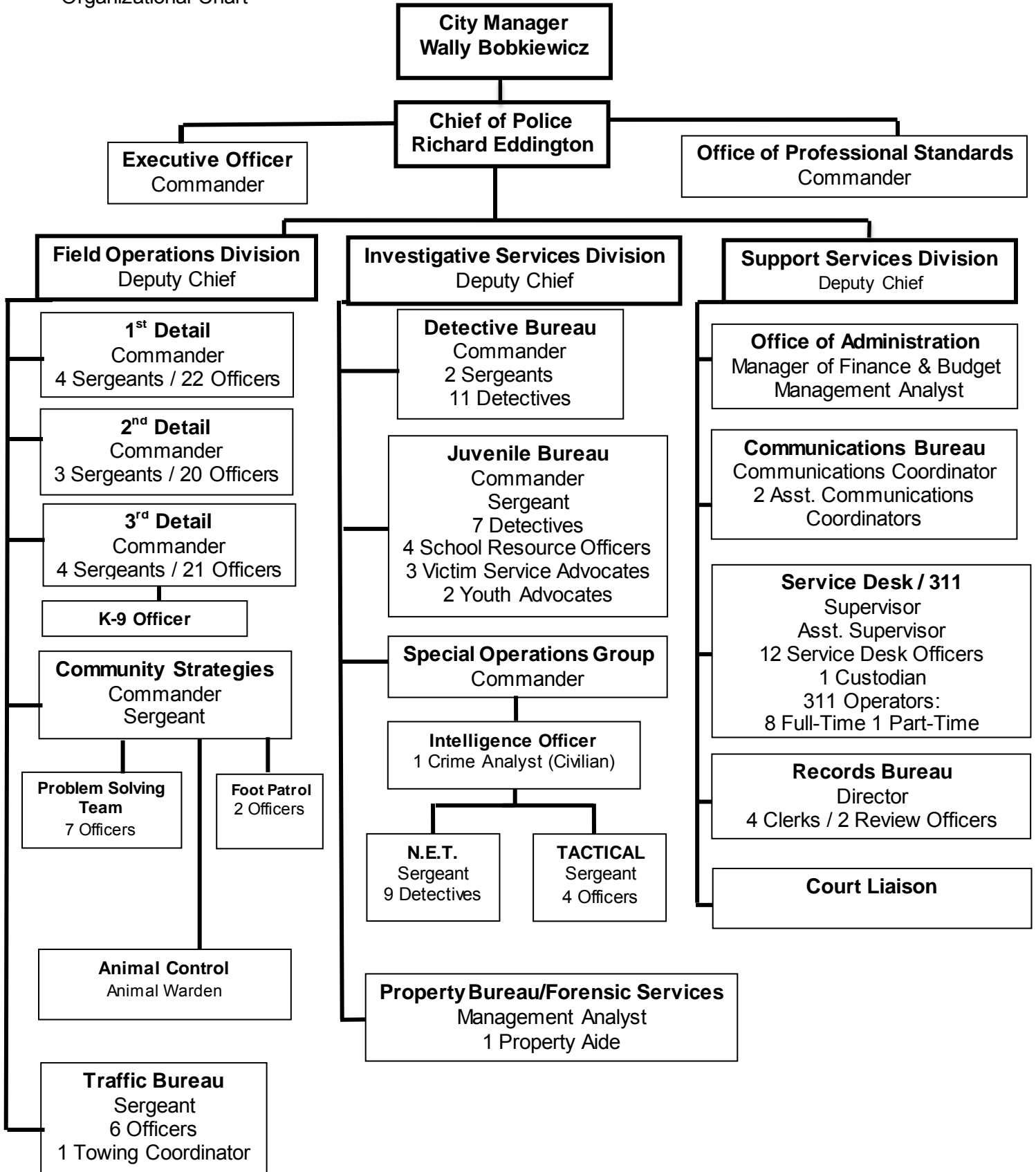
DEPARTMENT PROFILE

City of Evanston Police Patrol Beats



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Evanston Police Department
Organizational Chart



Office of Professional Standards

Complaint Register (CR)

The Office of Professional Standards (OPS) is responsible for investigating allegations of misconduct against the department or any of its members. These investigations are called Complaint Registers. Misconduct by department personnel must be detected, thoroughly investigated, and properly adjudicated in order to maintain public confidence and departmental integrity.

Personnel in OPS register and investigate all allegations. The results then are reviewed by supervisors, who submit recommendations to the Chief of Police regarding case dispositions and/or disciplinary actions. The Chief makes the final determination of each case, based on review of all recommendations. OPS forwards a letter of disposition to each complainant regarding the case outcome.

Of the **38,662** calls for service received by the department during 2015, OPS investigated **4** complaint registers involving 4 allegations.

Departmental Inquiry (DI)

In 2015, the Evanston Police Department continued a system of tracking and recording all complaints. Complaints that are minor in nature are classified as Departmental Inquiries and are handled by first line supervisors. The results and recommendations of the immediate supervisor are submitted to the Chief of Police through the chain of command. The Chief makes the final determination of each case based on review of all recommendations. In 2015, there were **18** Departmental Inquiries recorded.

Administrative Reviews (AR)

OPS members also investigate allegations of misconduct made by an employee against the police department or any of its members. These internally initiated investigations are called Administrative Reviews. In 2015, there were **50** Administrative Reviews recorded.

Use of Force

Use of Force and Resisting Arrest are two other types of incidents routinely investigated by OPS members. Police officers are permitted to use force at a level they deem reasonable and necessary to protect others and/or themselves from bodily harm or to affect the arrest of a person who physically resists. However, physical force is to be used as a last resort and only after other reasonable alternatives have been exhausted or clearly would be ineffective. Judgment in these matters is not arbitrary, but is governed by state law, departmental policy and procedure, national law enforcement standards and police training.

Whenever physical force beyond mere restraint is used, each officer involved must file a report for review. The department investigates all Use of Force reports. During 2015, there were **39** Use of Force incidents reported.

Resisting Arrest and Obstructing a Police Officer

Last year (2015) the Department reviewed **17** cases of resisting and obstructing.

CITIZEN COMPLAINTS AGAINST POLICE OFFICERS

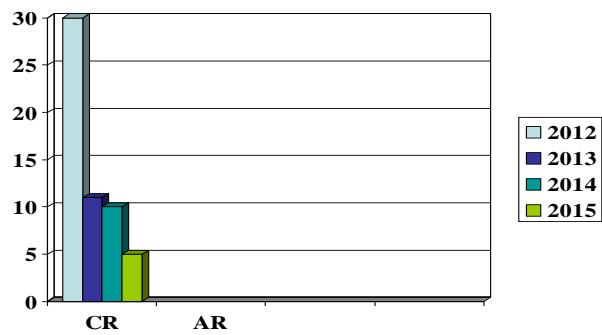
01-01-15 THROUGH 12-31-15

Number/ Type of Complaint		Pending	Withdrawn	SOL (Unresolved)	Not Sustained	Unfounded	Exonerated	Sustained	Not City Related
3	Unprof. Conduct					3			
	False Arrest								
	Improper Service								
1	Excessive force			1					
	misc								
4	Total Allegations			1		3			

Disposition Classifications

Pending	Still under investigation or administrative review`
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SOL (Unresolved)	The complainant failed to cooperate further
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Sustained	The allegation was supported by sufficient evidence to justify a reasonable conclusion of guilt
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Complaint Register



<u>Year</u>	<u>Complaints</u>
2012	30
2013	11
2014	10
2015	4

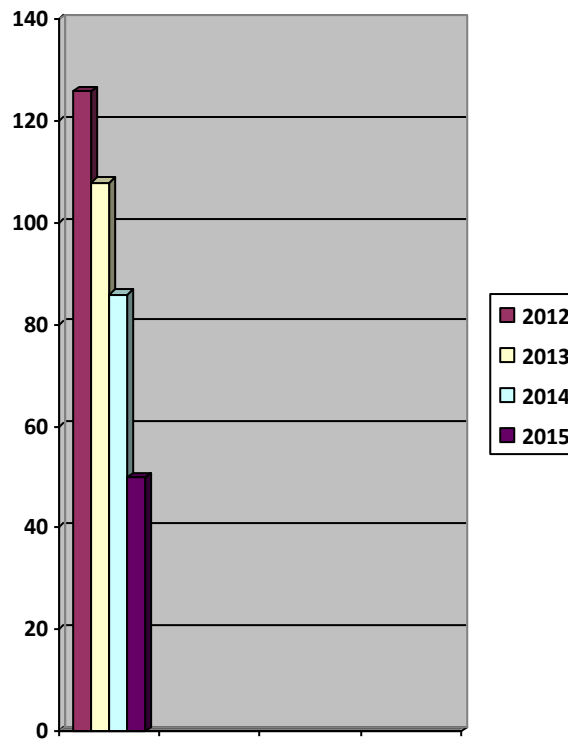
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4	Biased based harass.					3	1		
	Improper conduct								
8	Disrespect Behavior				5	2	1		
6	policy violation	1			2	3			
18	Total Allegations								

OPS investigated 18 incidents involving 18 charges. Complaints that are minor in nature are classified as Departmental Inquiries and are handled by the members' supervisors and OPS investigators. In 2015, there were 18 Departmental Inquiries recorded.

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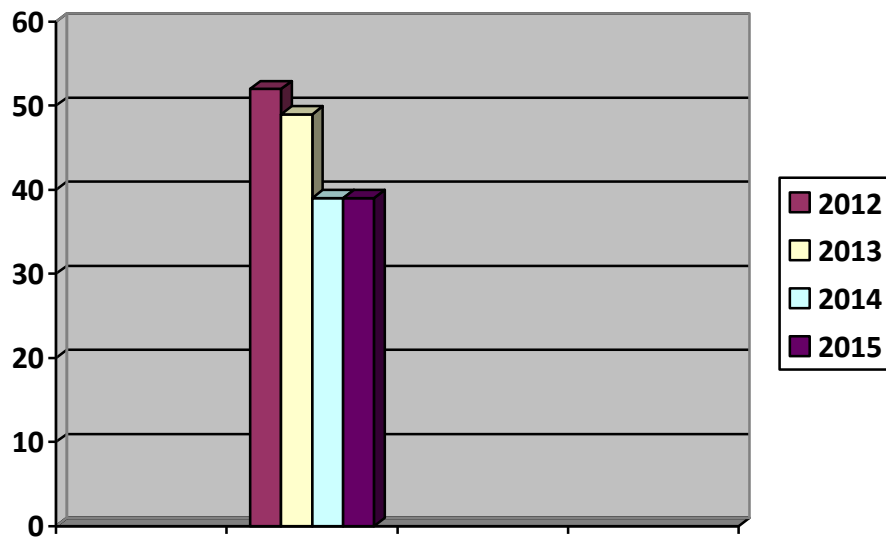
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Administrative Reviews



<u>Year</u>	<u>Administrative Reviews</u>
2012	126
2013	108
2014	86
2015	50

2015 USE OF FORCE GRID



	Weaponless Impact Technique	Non-Impact Control Technique	Allegations of Injury	Chemical Weapons	Impact Weapons	Deadly Force	Taser Deployments	Total Use of Force Investigations
2012	31	14	31	12	0	1	18	52
2013	12	12	15	9	1	2	7	49
2014	5	21	6	5	1	0	9	39
2105	11	19	8	2	0	1	2	39

**Types of force will NOT equal Total Use of Force (several types of force may be used in one incident).

II.

HIGHLIGHTS OF 2015

Personnel Changes

Retirees

Richard Worshill

29 years of service

Jeffery Jamraz

27 years of service

Angelo Williams

26 years of service

Joseph Wazny

25 years of service

Angela Hearts-Glass

23 years of service

Mark Poya

23 years of service

Larry Davis

18 years of service

Division and Bureau Highlights

Investigative Services

Detective Bureau

1,124	Number of cases investigated	
333	Cases cleared	
95	Criminal arrests	
414	Cases NFA	
22	Cases unfounded	
8	Warrant arrests	
237	Cases of domestic violence investigated	
3	Homicide:	Ray Owens, Dante Blackwell, Cesario Cox
2	Parole compliance with NET	
5	Community meetings attended	
4	Staff meetings	

Juvenile Bureau

806	Cases assigned	
506	Cases cleared	
88	Cases of domestic violence investigated	
22	Sexual abuse cases investigated	
14	Abuse cases investigated	
17	Neglect case investigated	
63	Minor requiring authoritative intervention	
191	Juvenile arrests	
28	Adult arrests	
20	Youth referred to the department's Youth Services Program	
	77 to other agencies	
3	Tobacco compliance checks conducted – 108 establishments	
1	Warrant arrests	
12	Arrests for consumption of alcohol by a minor	

School Resource Officers

116	Initial investigations and Field General reports
214	Follow-up investigations
86	Cases Cleared
28	Criminal arrests
150	School related meetings
150	School related incidents
51	After school events
1	Field Trips
765	Student counseling sessions
9	Special assignments

Criminal Intelligence Unit

<u>Intelligence Officer</u>	
87	Tips / Investigations
18	Bulletins Issued
16	Special Projects
9	Arrests

<u>Crime Analyst</u>	
50	Deployment Meetings
68	Bulletins Issued
120	Special Projects
56	Research & Review Hours
16	Training Sessions

Police Social Services Bureau - Youth Services Program

Evanston Police Department Youth Services are designed to enhance the police department's response to juvenile crime and families experiencing non-criminal youth-related crises. Youth Services include family case assessments and counseling, in order to identify and address the underlying causes of youth misconduct and then provide a more meaningful and effective response. Youth Services also provides alternatives-to-court programming, such as Community Service and Restorative Justice. Youth Services collaborates with the Juvenile Court System, Juvenile Probation, school staff and other community agencies, in order to coordinate the often multiple and complex issues and services that youth and their families are facing.

In addition, the Youth Services Bureau, together with the District 65 Restorative Justice Coordinator, obtained a grant to aid Youth Services' partnership with the District in developing The Restorative School Circles Project, which is now in 8 of the district's schools.

Program/Staff Activities:

377	Follow-up with parents/guardians on criminal/non-criminal juvenile-involved incidents
17	Family counseling cases
34	Family counseling and community service cases
10	Family counseling and restorative justice cases
391	Family counseling meetings
426	Family counseling hours spent
406	Number of youth and/or family Advocacy contacts

Victim Services Program

The Victim Services Program provides comprehensive services to victims and witnesses of crime, as well as to individuals seeking social service assistance in non-crime related situations. Services include 24-hour in-person crisis intervention and counseling, court advocacy, and information and referral for additional services. Crisis intervention and critical incident debriefing assistance are available for schools and businesses within the community when needed.

Program Activities:

1367	Follow-up on new crime cases
1008	Follow-up on new non-crime cases
274	Instances of court advocacy
2821	Referrals to other agencies
35	Forensic interviews attended
62	Crisis call outs
66	Orders of protection prepared for criminal cases
476	Civil order of protection referrals
35	Community meetings attended
329	Hours spent at court
73	Referrals for crime victims compensation

Special Operations Group

Neighborhood Enforcement Team – NET

50	Gang members arrested
38	Drug-related arrests
10	Search warrants executed
2550.4	Grams of cocaine seized
8878.6	Grams of cannabis seized
78.9	Grams of heroin seized
110.5	Grams of meth/MDMA seized
16	Grams of shatter seized
68	Hydrocodone seized (tablets)
32	Alprazolam seized (tablets)
27	Firearms seized
114	Arrests effected – 37 felonies/77 misdemeanors
23	Warrant arrests executed
22	Tips of illegal sales of narcotics investigated
3	Training sessions conducted within the community

Tactical Team – TAC

33	Felony arrests
43	Misdemeanor arrests
18	Warrant arrests
4	Search warrants executed
13	Firearms seized
101	Investigative stops
81	Surveillance operations

NET Notable Events for 2015

January

On 1/22/15 at approx. 2230 hours, NET assisted CPD with a search warrant for a subject at 2037 Oakton. A firearm was located in the residence but multiple residents had FOID cards so there were no charges related to the firearm. It was, however, confiscated and seized by CPD. The subject was charged with a small amount of cannabis and possession of drug paraphernalia. 15-1854

February

On 2/6/15, NET detectives assisted TAC Bureau and Juvenile Investigations with an arrest of a suspected burglary offender. An undercover operation was executed at 1937 Dewey. A juvenile was arrested and charged with burglary, possession of stolen property and unlawful use of a credit card. 15-2405

On 2/9/15 Detectives Tortorello and Carter recovered a shotgun at 2110 Wesley, based on an anonymous tip. Recovered was a Savage Arms 12 gauge shotgun and (9) 12 gauge shotgun shells. 15-4017

On 2/13/15 NET detectives, along with IDOC, conducted a parole compliance check for a subject at 1824 Grey. Recovered during the check were several rounds of ammunition. The subject was charged with felony UJW. 15-4324

On 2/20/15 NET detectives were contacted by a United States Postal Inspector in reference to a package suspected of containing a large amount of cannabis, with a destination address of 1862 Sherman. Subsequent to a positive sniff of the package, detectives, along with USPS, conducted a controlled delivery of the package to 1862 Sherman where it was accepted and signed for by a subject. Due to technical and logistical difficulties, the subject was taken into custody shortly after accepting it, prior to returning to his apartment. The subject was uncooperative, but after a search warrant was secured the package was opened and 6543 grams of cannabis were recovered. The subject was charged with felony counts of possession of cannabis and possession of cannabis with intent to deliver. 15-5013

On 2/21/15 members of the Special Operations Group executed a search warrant for cannabis at 1222 Lee, targeting a juvenile. The juvenile had been the source of several drug complaints. Additionally, prior to executing the warrant, NET detectives had information that the juvenile was in possession of two firearms prior to executing the warrant. Upon execution, a small amount of cannabis was found, along with the two firearms. Recovered was a Sig Sauer pistol and a .45 caliber, two shot Derringer pistol which had been reported stolen in a Highland Park burglary. The juvenile was charged with several firearms-related felonies and misdemeanors, as well as with possession of cannabis. 15-5077

March

On 3/9/15 members of the Special Operations Group executed a search warrant at 2733 Hurd. NET detectives had been made aware of a resident at the address, who legally possessed several firearms and was purported to be selling prescription Xanax and cannabis. The resident fled from a traffic crash in Skokie and was tracked back to the residence by NET and TAC detectives. Upon investigation, detectives were able to obtain enough information and evidence to write a search warrant for the residence. Cannabis, Xanax and four firearms were recovered and the target was charged with felony possession of a controlled substance, felony possession of cannabis and possession of drug paraphernalia, also. FOID was revoked. 15-6508

April

On 4/1/15 NET detectives responded to the area of Custer and Hull to assist Patrol with a shooting investigation. In the course of their investigation and canvas, NET detectives located a witness who directed them to a piece of clothing discarded by one of the shooters, as well as to one of the handguns used in the shooting. These items led to the arrest of an active 4CH gang member. 15-8628

On 4/8/15 NET detectives observed a well-known and violent subject, who is also a Black P-Stone gang member, driving in the area of Mulford and Callan. Detectives were aware that the subject did not possess a valid license and that he was on parole for driving-related offenses. Detectives attempted to conduct a traffic stop, but the subject fled in his vehicle. The detectives observed the subject's reckless driving without pursuit. They later learned that the subject had fled from CPD the day before. On 4/10/15 Detectives were able to locate and apprehend the subject without incident, charging him with several felony traffic offenses related to aggravated fleeing and eluding. 15-9365

May

On 5/5/15 detectives conducted a well-being check at 617 Sheridan Rd., an address which has been the source of numerous complaints to the NET unit. Detectives recovered USC, 16 grams of "wax" concentrated cannabis, and prescription drugs. A juvenile was arrested. 15-12081

On 5/20/15 NET detectives responded, along with Patrol, to an interrupted burglary in beat 75. Patrol units initiated foot pursuit of a suspected burglar. NET detectives located one of the offenders (juvenile), who was turned over to the Juvenile Bureau and charged with violation of a local city ordinance. 15-13729

On 5/22/15 NET detectives received information from Wilmette about a suspect in a Wilmette theft. Detectives made contact with the suspect and, upon initial interview, were able to locate proceeds from the theft. He was turned over to Wilmette PD. As a result of this assist to outside agency, the suspect was connected to thefts in Skokie and Winnetka. 15-13939

On 5/28/15 NET detectives assisted Tactical Bureau officers with the writing and execution of a John Doe search warrant for a firearm at 4657 Main St., Apt. 2, Skokie. No firearm was located. Target subject was charged with one felony count of possession of controlled substance after detectives recovered an amount of illegal substance (Hydrocodone). 15-14381

June

On 6/12 NET members assisted West Suburban Directed Gang Enforcement (WEDGE) with a narcotics search warrant at 1420 Chicago Ave. The target was arrested for felony PCS and possession of cannabis with intent to deliver after investigators recovered approximately 65 grams of cannabis and 10 grams of MDMA.

On 6/16 NET detectives were investigating an ongoing drug tip when they observed a drug transaction occur near 1029 Asbury and arrested several subjects, one for felony delivery of cannabis.

July

On 7/9/15 NET detectives arrested a D-block GD member, charging him with Unlawful Contact with a Street Gang Member; the first time NET has used this charge to suppress gang-activity by a parolee. The case was continued in court. 15-19782

On 7/22/15 NET detectives assisted TAC investigators with a controlled take-down and exchange of a stolen cell phone, utilizing an undercover officer. 15-21244

On 7/23/15 NET Gun Team detectives conducted a FOID follow up at 1803 Hartrey, recovering 4 shotguns/rifles. 15-21389

On 7/29/15 NET detectives responded with Patrol to the report of a person shot, assisting with the investigation and later with the recovery of a .380 semi-automatic handgun found in the shooter's possession. 15-22079

August

On August 4,5,11 and 12, EPD Special Operations Group members partnered with the Cook County Sheriff's Police Department on a saturation patrol-mission targeting "hot spots" within the City of Evanston. EPD members were involved in a total of 17 arrests, 26 contact cards, and the seizure of 34.2 grams of cannabis, 13.7 grams of cocaine, 1 pill of ecstasy, and 7 pills of Xanax. A long-time Evanston criminal was arrested for possession of 13.7 grams of cocaine. 15-23052

On 8/14/15, Special Operations Group members executed a NET search warrant for narcotics at 312 Florence. 1203.1 grams of cannabis were seized from an arrestee who was charged with unlawful possession of cannabis, unlawful possession of cannabis with the intent to deliver, and resisting arrest. 15-24049

September

On 9/1/15, NET detectives assisted Patrol with a shooting investigation at 1914 Darrow. In the course of the investigation several D block members were detained. NET Detectives arrested a subject for unlawful contact with street gang member, which is a violation of his parole.

On 9/7/15 NET detectives arrested an O-block, 4CH member for possession of 276 grams of cannabis.

On 9/15/15 NET detectives responded to the area of 1932 Emerson, where a subject had been shot in the head. NET detectives were invaluable to this investigation, securing the first floor of 1932 Emerson, controlling that scene, and securing the scene at 1824 Grey, where all the D block members responsible for the shooting were located and arrested by the NET. The NET detectives then aided NORTAF by writing search warrants, for each residence and a vehicle, then having them approved and turned over to NORTAF. Over the next several days NET detectives continued to assist NORTAF in numerous areas of the investigation.

On 9/22/15, in response to information provided by confidential informants, NET detectives recovered two pistols, a Ruger 9mm semi-automatic and a Ruger .380 semi-automatic. The .380 was stolen in a Tennessee burglary.

October

On 10/6/15, NET detectives assisted with a CPD shooting incident in the area of Hoyne and Howard. NET detectives and Patrol officers located the two vehicles allegedly involved in the shooting, in the area of Darrow and Foster. Detectives recovered crack cocaine from an unoccupied vehicle and assisted Patrol with the interviews of three subjects in custody. There was no follow up by CPD and the subjects in custody were minimally charged. However, detectives were able to facilitate the turnover of three firearms. 15-30104

NET detectives conducted a narcotics investigation at 1225 Harvard Terrace, #3, leading to the execution of a search warrant and recovery of a .22 Beretta handgun.

On 10/24/15 NET detectives worked with CPD in reference to an ongoing investigation. NET Detectives assisted on an interdiction at Union Station based on intelligence provided by NET, leading to an arrest and the recovery of 99 pills of ecstasy, 1 pound of cannabis, 50 grams of heroin and 2.5 kilograms of crack cocaine. Case has been turned over to the Department of Justice and is ongoing. 15-32338

On 10/31/15 NET detectives received confidential information that an ICG affiliate, (Juvenile) was in the area of Howard Street, armed with a handgun. NET detectives were able to locate the subject's vehicle, and conducted a stop leading to the recovery of a revolver and felony charges against the juvenile. 15-32728

November

On 11/2/15 NET detectives assisted with the security for a fundraiser event for Hillary Clinton held at 707 Sheridan. EPD assisted the United States Secret Service with traffic control and exterior security. There were no significant incidents associated with the event.

On 11/3/15 NET detectives assisted Patrol with the arrest, interview and charging of a subject for UUV. Patrol Officers stopped a vehicle and located a loaded firearm. NET detectives helped interview and ultimately charge the offender with the appropriate charges. 15-33087

On 11/11/15, NET detectives were in the area of 1700 Dodge as part of the Gun Violence Reduction Initiative when they heard several gunshots. They responded to where they believed the shots came from and observed two suspects flee into a residence (1802 Lake St.). NET members kept the perimeter along with Patrol and coordinated the scene. Eventually, NET members made entry into the house, securing the premise. NET members then took over the subsequent investigation, locating a firearm inside the second floor apartment. A Juvenile was charged with the shooting and another individual was charged with mob action equivalent charges. 15-33963

December

On 12/24, NET members assisted the Juvenile Bureau with executing a search warrant at 1713 Brown. A resident, not the target of the search warrant, was found to be legally in possession of three firearms, however was not securing the firearms as he should have. NET Detectives arrested the subject for offenses relating to storage of the firearm. 15-36051

TAC Notable Events for 2015

January

TAC located an offender's vehicle and arrested the offender after he shot another individual

TAC Units worked on a prostitution sting at Sherman Spa.

February

TAC conducted parole sweeps with IDOC. A subject was arrested and charged with UUV.

TAC conducted a Prostitution Sting in Wilmette. Seven arrests were made.

TAC Units conducted a sting involving the delivery of live snakes. Two offenders were arrested and charged with two residential burglaries.

March

TAC wrote and executed a search warrant resulting in the recovery of four weapons, cannabis, and Xanax. A subject was arrested and charged with possession of drugs.

April

TAC responded to the report of a man with a gun. A Glock .40 caliber handgun was recovered and a subject was arrested and charged.

TAC worked the deployment areas for burglaries.

May

TAC arrested two individuals believed to be responsible for many auto thefts in Evanston and Rogers Park.

June

TAC worked with a USPS inspector on package thefts occurring throughout the city. TAC arrested three suspects with a Ruger 9mm semi-automatic handgun. One of the suspects was released without charges.

July

TAC worked with a USPS inspector on package thefts occurring throughout the city. Continued efforts resulted in an arrest, (15-21078, 15-21128), and charge of 2 counts of burglary. Additional charges for burglary, theft and trespass to property are being considered.

TAC assisted Patrol and the Detective Bureau in a shots fired call alleging a subject suffered a gunshot wound. This proved to be inaccurate information, 15-20126. TAC's continued supportive services to Patrol's in-progress calls resulted in 1 arrest, and multiple contact cards.

August

Officers responded to the report of a man with a gun at Dodge and Lyons on 8/30/15 at 2123 hours. Two suspects fled the area on foot as officers arrived. Officers searched the area. After receiving additional information via 9-1-1, officers saw a suspect flee into the first floor of 1827 Lyons. TAC Detectives located the suspect hiding in a closet. The resident was arrested for obstructing. A loaded Colt .45, with the hammer cocked, was recovered from the southeast side of the residence. 15-025938

September

During an Investigative stop, Detectives Lang and Velez found a subject to be in possession of 23g Cannabis and 33 pills of Xanax. 15-26522

During an investigative stop at Emerson and Dodge, Detectives Lang and Velez made contact with a subject who was in possession of 30g of Cannabis. 15-27634

October

Detectives Cherrey, Lang, Velez, and O'Brien located and arrested a subject at 325 Custer for an active warrant, EPD #15-18031

At approximately 1924 hours, Detectives Lang and Velez stopped a vehicle for a traffic violation at 300 Callan. A subject was found to be in possession of 7 grams of a grey/black rock like substance believed to be heroin.

Detectives made contact with a subject in a vehicle in front of 1713 Payne. The vehicle smelled of cannabis and the subject was taken out of the vehicle and searched. 27 grams of suspect cannabis were found under the driver's seat. The subject admitted it was his.

November

Detectives Cherrey and Velez responded to the area of Howard and Asbury on a report of shots fired on Chicago's side of Howard St. and later made an arrest of a subject for UUW possession of firearm without FOID and possession of ammunition without FOID. 15-33122

December

Responding to a call of shots fired in the 1200 block of Darrow, Detectives Cherrey and Hicks arrested a subject for possession of Cannabis (28g) with intent to deliver, 15-36010.

Detectives Cherrey, O'Brien and Velez conducted a street stop at 807 Howard after observing a hand to hand drug transaction. The stop resulted in an arrest for Possession of Cannabis (34g) with intent to deliver. 15-36568

Detectives Yates, O'Brien and Velez observed a subject exit a garage in the rear of 910 Noyes. The subject was later identified. Upon making contact with the subject, detectives discovered him to be in possession of a crack pipe, flashlight, wrench, two television remotes, and a Garmin vivo-fit watch. 15-37792

2015 Annual Report - Forensic Services Bureau

The Forensic Services Bureau oversees the Property Bureau and the Evidence Technician program.

Evidence Technician Program

During 2015, the following members served as Evidence Technicians:

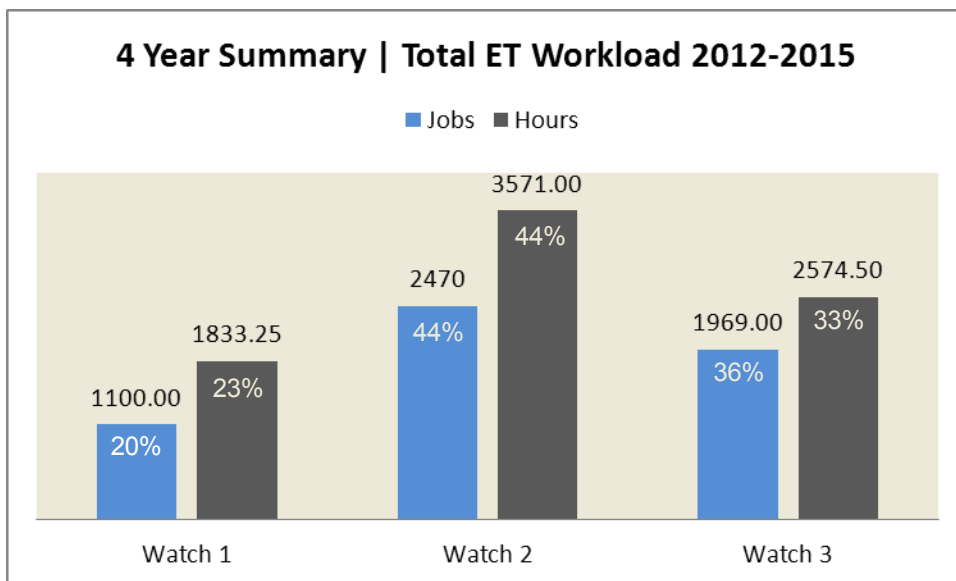
Heidi Bernhardt	Jason Kleinpaste	Ted Schienbein
Ewa Bonislawski	Dagmara Koste	Chris Seebacher
Ryan Carrigan	Tim Messing	Tim Sullivan
Cathy de Franceschi	Mario Miller	Sophia Syed
Ervin de Leon	Larry Miller	Richard Tyson
Marla Dukler	Susan Morgan	Amin Virani
Willie Hunt	Michael Scheck	Alice Ward
		Ric Worshill

Officers Dagmara Koste, Mario Miller, Richard Tyson, Amin Virani and Alice Ward were added to the Evidence Technician program during 2015. Officer Ric Worshill retired from the department at the end of the year.

During 2015, the evidence technicians responded to 1545 calls for service involving approximately 2300 hours of evidence work.

Evidence Technician 4 Year Workload Summary

With the switch to the Mobile One reporting system in 2012, the tracking of the number of evidence technician responses as well as the approximate time spent on evidence work was begun. The table below shows the distribution of evidence workload across all three watches.



The percentage of workload by watch has been consistent on an annual basis since 2012.

NORTAF Participation

The following evidence personnel are assigned to the Forensic Specialist Unit of the North Regional Major Crimes Task Force (NORTAF):

Michael Wasowicz¹ – Forensic Services Manager (Forensic Operations Supervisor)
 Ervin de Leon (Assistant Forensic Operations Supervisor)
 Heidi Bernhardt (Forensic Specialist)
 Timothy Sullivan (Forensic Specialist)
 Jason Kleinpaste (Forensic Specialist)

Northeastern Illinois Regional Crime Lab (NIRCL)

The City became a member of the Northeastern Illinois Regional Crime Lab in September of 2014, moving away from the use of the Illinois State Police Crime Lab. This move was prompted by slow evidence turnaround times from the state and the refusal of the state lab to complete certain types of evidence processing that were deemed critical to the mission of the EPD.

Since joining NIRCL, evidence turnaround times have increased markedly and can be measured in weeks rather than years. This change has resulted in better case investigations, better courtroom presentations and a faster clearance/closure rate for investigations.

During 2015, the average turnaround time for the most common types of evidence submitted to NIRCL was as follows.

- DNA 35 Days
- Drugs 20 Days
- DUI Kits 13 Days
- Fingerprints 37 Days
- IBIS 64 Days
- Sex Assault Kits 18 Days

Larry Miller / Latent Print Identifications

During 2015 Sergeant Larry Miller made 4 fingerprint identifications.

- 3 Burglary
- 1 Criminal Trespass

During the same time period, three fingerprint identifications were received from the Northeastern Illinois Regional Crime Lab making a total of 7 fingerprint "hits".

Evidence technicians also collected DNA from six scenes² that were matched to suspects through the CODIS automated DNA database.

¹ Management Analyst – Forensic Services Bureau

² Does not include sexual assault kits analyzed.

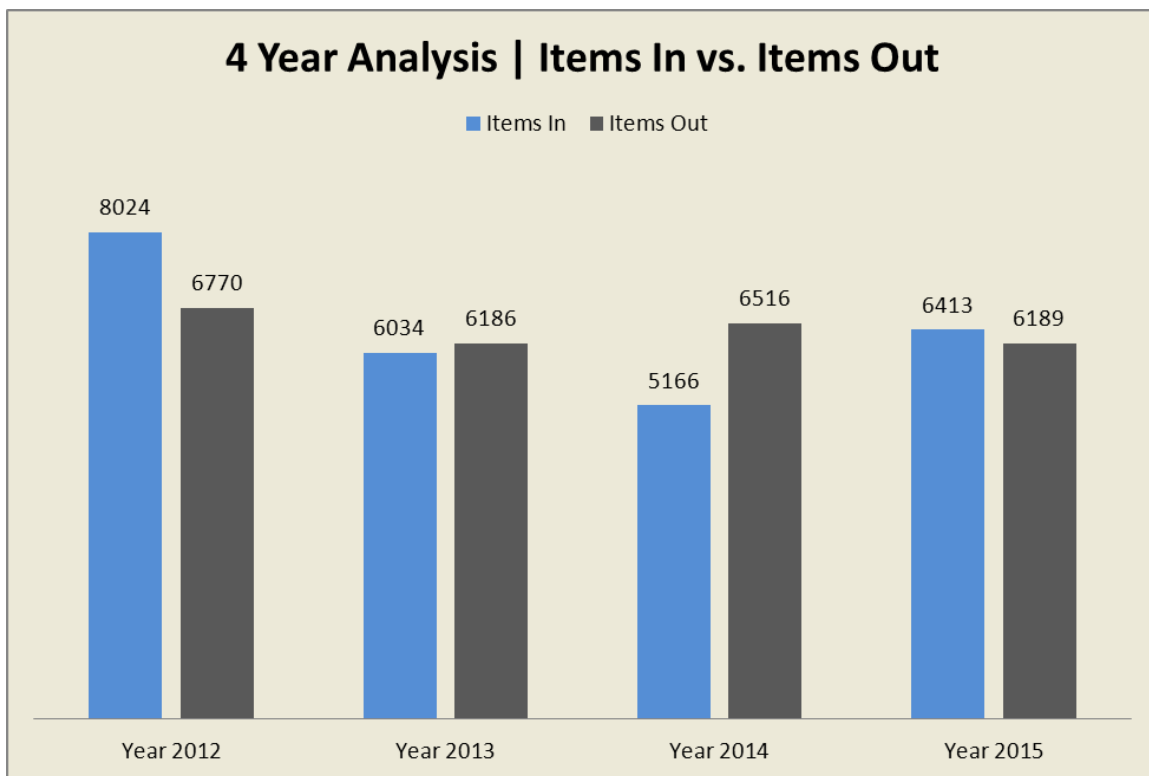
Property Bureau

During 2015, the Property Bureau took in 6413 items of property and disposed/purged 6189 items (12,602 transactions)³. The items that were removed from storage broke down as follows:

Destroyed – Non-Beast Items/ Non-Firearms	3048
Destroyed Beast Items – Non-Firearms	1824
Destroyed by Lab	14
Destroyed Firearms	0
Sent to ISP Seizure Unit	0
Returned to Owner	754
Money Items to City Clerk	56
Released to Attorneys	81
Released to Other Police Agencies	16
Retained for Department Use	2
Donation	48
Returned to Finder	2
Auctioned Through PropertyRoom.com	344

Drug Disposals

Significant drug disposal continued in 2015 with drugs transferred to NIRCL.



Ideally, to preserve storage space, annual property disposals should equal or exceed annual intake.

³ These transactions only include items coming in for the first time and going out for final disposition. Items transferred to and received back from the crime lab and others are not included.

2012 – 2015 Overall Property Disposal Performance

For the four years 2012 – 2015, 25,637 items were taken in and 25,885 items were purged, i.e., 248 more items were purged than were taken in.

Property Officer Change

Following the resignation of Mr. James Eveker in October 2014, Ms. Susan Morgan became the Property Officer at the end of 2015. This was an internal transfer, as Ms. Morgan previously was a Service Desk Officer.

Subpoena Fulfillment

The Property Bureau fulfilled 767 subpoena requests in 2015.

Save-A-Star Drug Drop

To prevent drug abuse and unsafe disposal, a Save-A-Star Foundation drop-box located in the police department lobby facilitates public disposal of prescription and non-prescription drugs.

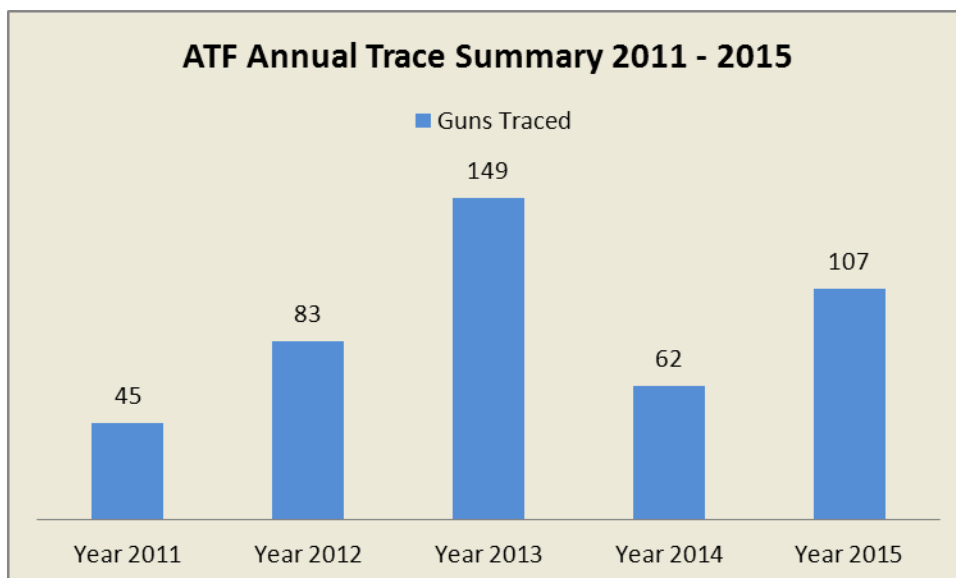
During 2015, the city's health department discontinued its drug-collection program, resulting in a significant impact on drug collection handled by the Property Bureau.

2014 765 Pounds Collected
2015 1489 Pounds Collected (95% increase over 2014 collections)

The collection of drugs from the Save-A-Star drop-box now has changed from a bi-weekly to a weekly and sometimes more frequent collection.

ATF e-Trace Submissions

A total of 123 firearms were taken in by the department in 2015 compared to 88 collected in 2014. EPD members inventorying these weapons are responsible for completing the ATF online e-Trace submissions. Not all firearms are traced, generally due to missing or incomplete serial numbers. The Property Bureau acts as the clearinghouse for traces completed by ATF, disseminating the trace information to the appropriate EPD personnel.



Sex Assault Kit Submission Audit

At the end of 2015, the Forensic Services Bureau conducted an audit of the sex assault kits submitted to the Property Bureau during the year and found 100% compliance with state required lab submission for this type of evidence.

Other Property Bureau Activities

- 64 Trips to Crime Lab / 576 Items Submitted
- 3 Homicide Cases with Inventoried Evidence

- Dissemination of lab reports and ATF traces to officers and investigators
- Downloading of evidence photos to secure storage
- Archiving of lab reports and evidence photos to Laserfiche
- Inventory maintenance and distribution of certain uniform items

Field Operations

Patrol Shifts

38,662	Calls for service (2,900 are traffic c-tickets)
1,147	Arrests – 958 Adults / 189 Juvenile
154	Bicycle Citations (c-tickets for bikes on sidewalks)

Problem Solving Team

214	Neighborhood meetings attended
34	Security surveys conducted
8	Block surveys conducted
749	Officer assists
24	Arrests initiated
20	Tactical missions coordinated
107	C-citations issued
426	School deployments
1,697	Foot patrol hours in business & residential neighborhoods
467	Bicycle patrol hours

Community Strategies

Prevention Programs, Crime Analysis, Crime Prevention Specialist

32	Residential, business and commercial security surveys conducted
49	Speaking engagements
32	Police department tours
26	Citizen Police Academy classes coordinated; 59 graduates
46	Special assignments
14	Special bulletins issued
9	Community groups participated in National Night Out celebrations
12	Chaplain Clergy Team meetings coordinated
31	New members recruited for the Citizen Police Academy Alumni Association
0	New volunteers recruited for the EPD Volunteer Program
1	New community watch group coordinated
54	Miscellaneous meetings attended

Traffic Bureau

3,886	Moving/non-moving violations
2,844	C-tickets issued
1,738	Cell phone violations (1,412C + 326Y)
1,473	Seat belt violations (1,137C + 336Y)
279	Misdemeanor arrests
24	Felony arrests
30	Impaired driving arrests
10	Drug arrests
64	Tickets issued in school zones
37	Tickets issued in crosswalks city-wide (failure to yield to pedestrian)
6	IDOT Step Grant Enforcement Campaigns (fiscal year from Oct. 2014 to Sept. 2015)
735	Parking violations
578	Accident investigations
691	Hit & run follow-ups
2	Major crash investigations (MCAT callouts)
900	Tickets issued in top-ten crash locations
7	Northwestern University football games requiring traffic assistance
3	Funeral escorts and traffic control for funerals
20	Special events requiring traffic control
503	Car seats installed by certified Child Safety Seat Installer
149	Junked vehicles
1	2nd place award – Municipal Division for 2014 IACP Traffic Safety Challenge (awarded 8/2015)
8	Officers certified in 40-Hour mandatory motorcycle training
595	Traffic-related warnings issues

Bicycle, T-3, and ATV

Bicycles, T-3 personal electric vehicles, and all-terrain vehicles are alternative vehicles that make contact with the public possible in a manner not feasible while driving a squad car. As additional neighborhood patrol tools, they facilitate police presence and interaction with the community.

Vehicle	2013 Hours
Bicycle	467
T-3	63
ATV	112

Animal Control

CATEGORY	DOGS	CATS	TOTAL
Impoundments: Strays	76	110	186
Strays Returned to Owner	44	6	50
Adoptions	19	68	87
Returned Adoptions	0	0	0
Animals Euthanized	1	2	3
Bites Reported	33		33
Dispatched Calls	1202		1,202
Misc. Calls for Service			2,353

EVANSTON POLICE CLERGY TEAM



The Police Chaplaincy Program

Police chaplains provide crisis intervention and religious solace to Evanston's citizenry and police officers.

Certified by the International Association of Police Chaplains, the chaplains are available 24/7 to provide assistance on an on-call basis.

In addition to serving as emergency responders, the chaplains coordinated Police Appreciation Month activities, including the "Celebration of Service and Memorial" program, and continued their tradition of providing a Thanksgiving meal for all police department officers and staff.

Support Services

Service Desk

1,179	Prisoners processed
1,005	Prisoners housed
754	Bail bonds processed
679	Reports taken
57,285	Calls received at Service Desk
2,192	Police alarm responses (police dispatched)
2	Civilian Service Desk Officer(s) hired and trained

311 Service Center

139,490	Service calls
35,303	Service requests
2,653	311 live chats
3,114	311text

Records Bureau

622	Citizens fingerprinted
46	Liquor licenses processed
500	Report copies provided
51,724*	Records entered into CRIMES (35,762 incidents; 15,962 traffic tickets/stops)
785	Subpoenas processed
938	Criminal-history checks
206	Expungements and records sealed
408	FOIA requests processed
223	Warrants processed
25	Access & review

Communications Bureau

46,749	Calls received to 9-1-1
45,271	Non-emergency administrative calls answered
26,152	Placed outside calls
38,662	Calls dispatched for police service
65,634	Officer-initiated CAD (Computer Aided Dispatch) calls
9,631	Calls dispatched for fire and ambulance service
175	Text-a-Tip received
97	Text-to-911 received

III.

*TRAFFIC STOP DATA
REPORT*

On July 18, 2003, Governor Blagojevich signed a law creating a four-year study to collect data on traffic stops as a methodology to identify racial bias. The traffic stop data-collection study began January 1, 2004 and has continued. The data is collected and compiled by the Illinois Department of Transportation. Northwestern University Center for Public Safety (NUCPS) conducts the analysis.

The following charts reflect the data for Evanston traffic stops. It shows the likelihood of minority drivers being stopped is equal to their presence in the driving population.

TOTAL STOPS 2015: **12,024**
 CAUCASIAN: 6,144
 MINORITY: 5,880

EVANSTON POLICE DEPARTMENT (EPD) TRAFFIC STOPS - LAST FIVE YEARS

	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>NUCPS</u> <u>BENCHMARK</u>	<u>COOK CO.</u> <u>BENCHMARK</u>
CAUCASIAN	55.8%	54.7%	55.2%	51.4%	51.1%	52.2%	52.2%
MINORITY	44.2%	45.4%	44.8%	48.6%	48.9%	47.8%	47.8%

** The ratio of stops by the Evanston Police Department and the NUCPS Benchmark is 1 to 1. The likelihood of minority drivers being stopped is equal to their presence in the driving population

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<u>REASON FOR STOP</u>			
		<u>Caucasian</u>	<u>Minority</u>
MOVING VIOLATION		71.2%	62.9%
EQUIPMENT		17.0%	23.5%
LICENSE/REGISTRN.		11.0%	11.6%
INVESTIGATION		.8%	2%

<u>OUTCOME OF STOP</u>			
		<u>Caucasian</u>	<u>Minority</u>
CITATION		57.8%	38.9%
WRITTEN WARNING		7%	6.2%
VERBAL WARNING		32.9%	46%
INVESTIGATION		.3%	1%
ARREST		2%	7.9%

<u>CONSENT SEARCHES</u>			
		<u>STOPS</u>	<u>CONSENT</u>
CAUCASIAN		6144	11
			0.002%
MINORITY		5880	29
			0.5%
TOTAL		12,024	40
			0.3%

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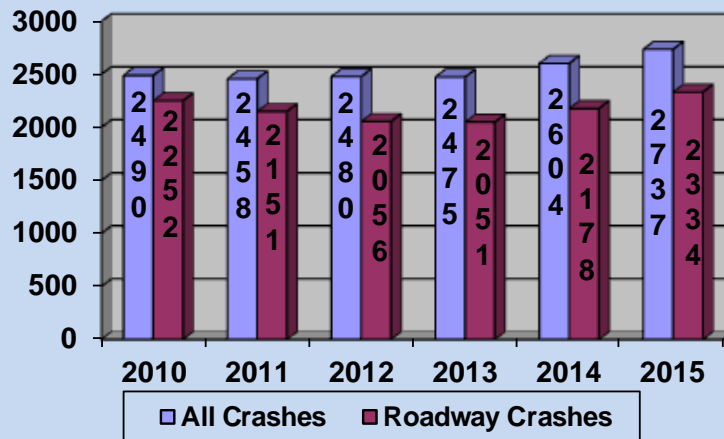
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Yearly Crash Comparison



From January 1st, 2015 through December 31, 2015, the Evanston Police Department investigated 2,737 crashes throughout the City of Evanston. Of the 2,737 crashes reported, 2,334 crashes occurred on Evanston roadways and 403 crashes occurred on private property. Two crashes, which involved fatalities, were investigated by the NORTAF Major Crash Assistance Team.

Types of Crashes

Type of Crash	Total Crashes	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Pedestrian	54	8	4	5	1	3	4	5	4	2	5	6	7
Pedal cyclist	79	3	0	4	3	5	10	11	13	4	13	7	6
Animal	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fixed object	172	19	19	8	12	23	12	16	14	13	7	16	13
Other object	9	0	2	0	0	0	0	3	3	0	1	0	0
Other non-collision	5	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1
Parked vehicle	759	52	83	65	51	46	67	65	83	61	61	64	61
At least 1 vehicle turning	215	18	20	10	14	16	16	22	27	17	17	20	18
Rear end	626	76	62	55	38	50	57	55	52	48	48	47	38
Sideswipe: same direction	358	27	31	22	19	33	34	41	26	27	37	30	31
Sideswipe: opp. direction	40	2	5	2	3	6	8	3	2	0	4	4	1
Head on	14	0	1	2	4	0	1	2	2	0	1	0	1
Angle	405	42	35	35	26	30	29	35	34	36	31	41	31

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2014/2015 Crash Comparison by Quarters

	Jan – Mar	Apr – June	July – Sept	Oct - Dec
2014 Roadway crashes	713	529	457	479
2015 Roadway crashes	602	532	623	577
% Change	-15.5%	+5%	+35%	+20%

2013 – 2015 Seasonal Snowfall

Monthly Total Snowfall for CHICAGO OHARE INTL AP, IL (National Weather Service)													
Year	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Season
2012-2013	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	T	0.9	2.6	16.1	10.4	0.1	0.0	0.0	30.1
2013-2014	0.0	0.0	0.0	T	0.9	14.2	33.7	19.5	12.3	1.4	0.0	0.0	82.0
2014-2015	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.8	Trace	12.6	28.1	7.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	50.7

Roadway Conditions at Time of Crash

	2015	2014	2013
Dry:	1,654	1,375	1,456
Wet:	308	346	309
Snow / Slush:	172	259	119
Ice:	15	56	14
Sand/Mud/Dirt:	5	0	3
Other:	2	3	4
Unknown:	178	136	146

3 Year Comparison

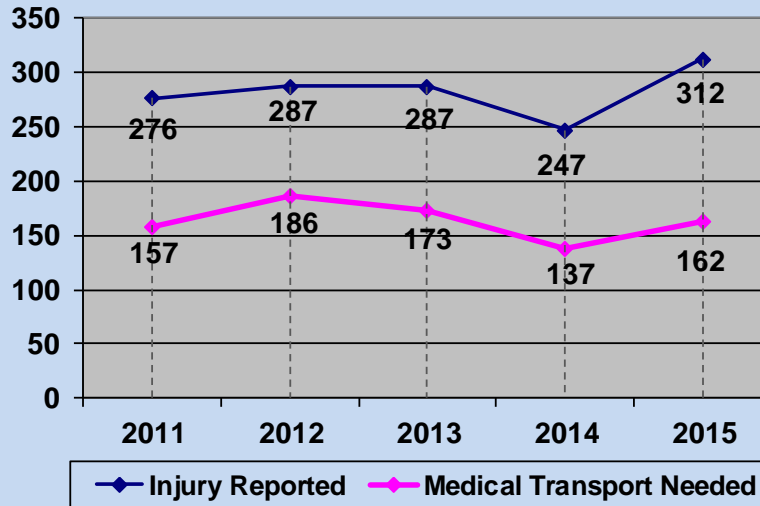
	2015	2014	2013
Pedestrian	54	60	70
Pedal cyclist	79	78	84
At least one vehicle turning	215	198	206
Rear end	626	583	567
Sideswipe - same direction	358	320	319
Sideswipe - opp. direction	40	48	35
Angle collision	405	435	341
Head on	14	14	13
Parked vehicle	759	702	672
Fixed object	172	129	144
Other object	9	15	12
Overtaken	0	1	0
Other non-collision	5	20	9
Animal	1	1	3

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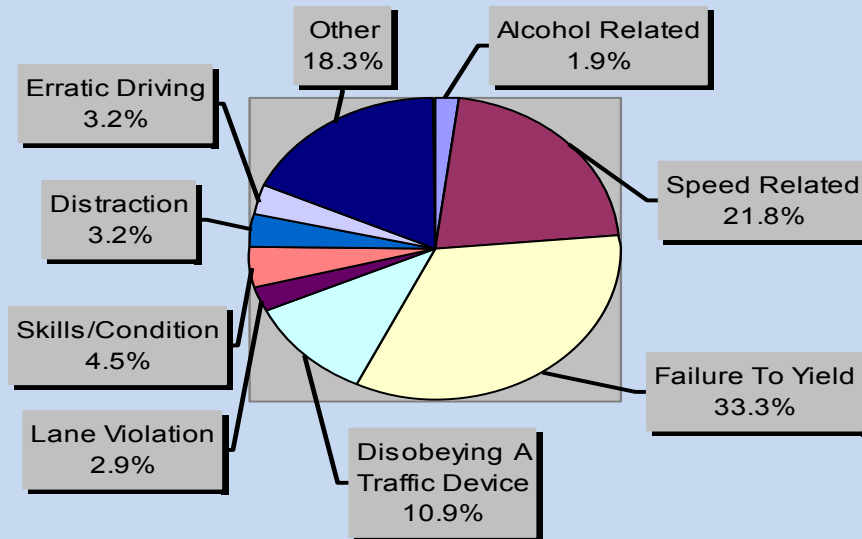


Crashes with an Injury Reported



In 2015, of the 2,334 roadway crashes, 312 involved at least one person who claimed an injury, 11% above the 5-year average. Serious injuries crashes where at least one party required medical transport to the hospital remained at the 5-year average of 162.

Contributory Cause for Injury Crashes



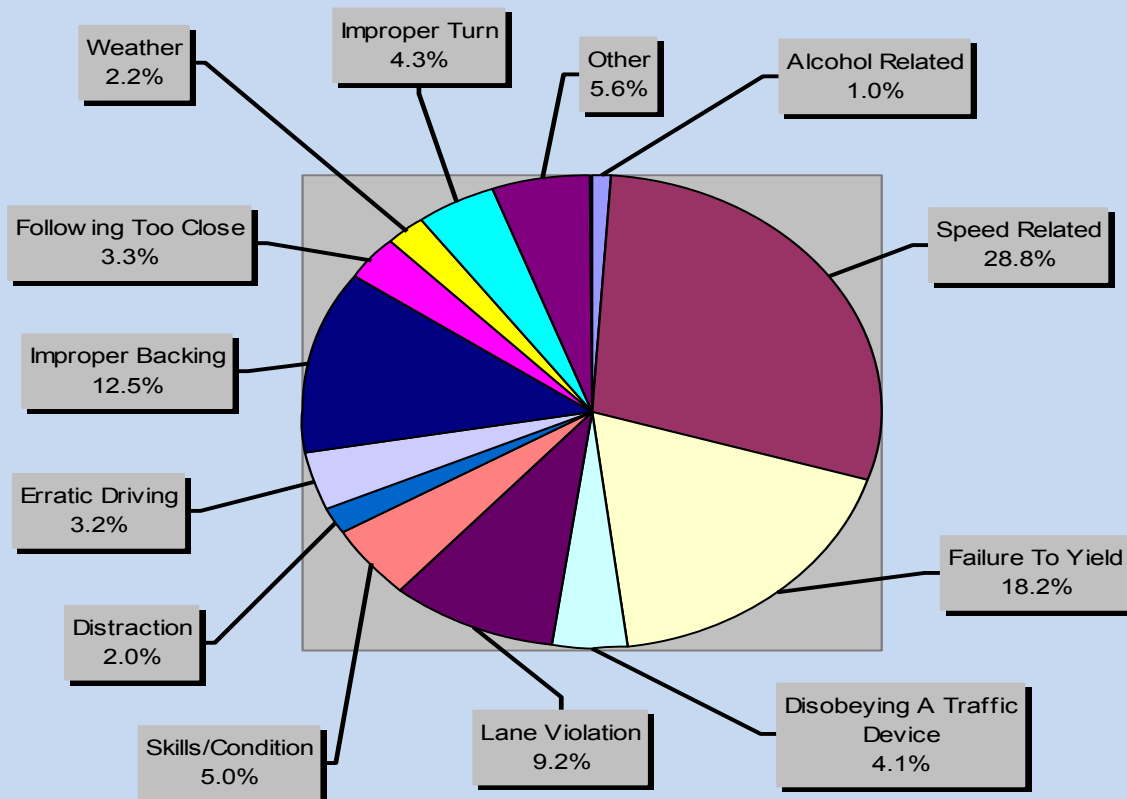
All 312 injury crashes were reviewed. The above chart shows a breakdown of their contributory factors. Failure to yield the right of way and speed were the top two contributory factors, together accounting for 55% of the total injury-crashes. Six of the 312 injury crashes were alcohol related.

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Contributory Causes for all Crashes



The above chart shows a breakdown of the contributory factors leading to 2,316 of the 2,737 Evanston crashes. Again, failure to yield the right of way and speed were the top two contributory factors. 24 of the 2,316 crashes were alcohol related. Contributory factors could not be conclusively determined for 421 of the 2,737 crashes.

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Top Ten Crash Locations

2015		2014		2013		2012	
Ridge / Lake	27	Ridge / Emerson	27	Ridge / Emerson	26	Ridge / Church	27
Ridge / Grove	24	Ridge / Main	23	Ridge / Church	24	Ridge / Lake	24
Dodge / Dempster	23	Ridge / Lake	21	1700 Sherman	22	Ridge / Dempster	20
Howard / Asbury	21	Asbury / Howard	21	Ridge / Lake	21	1700 Sherman	20
Ridge / Emerson	19	Ridge / Grove	20	Dodge / Dempster	21	Green Bay / Central	17
Dodge / Main	19	Green Bay / Central	20	Ridge / Howard	20	Maple / Church	16
Ridge / Greenleaf	17	Ridge / Church	18	Green Bay / Emerson	19	Ridge / Grove	16
Ridge / Church	16	Dodge / Oakton	18	Ridge / Dempster	18	Ridge / Howard	16
Ridge / Howard	15	Dodge / Main	17	Oakton / Dodge	16	Ridge / Emerson	15
1700 Sherman	15	Ridge / Davis	16	Ridge / Grove	14	Ridge / Greenleaf	15

60% of the 2014 top-ten crash locations either had fewer crashes in 2015 or did not make the top-ten crash list for 2015. In an effort to reduce crashes and increase safety, officers from the Traffic Bureau monitored and enforced traffic laws at these crash locations during every tour of duty. A total of 1,002 citations were issued at the top-ten crash locations and in their environs.

Some locations to note:

- Ridge / Main: 23 crashes in 2014, reduced to 13 crashes in 2015. A 40% decline and no longer on the top-ten list.
- Central / Green Bay: 20 crashes in 2014, reduced to 14 crashes in 2015. A 30% decline and no longer on the top-ten list.
- Dodge / Oakton: 18 crashes in 2014, reduced to 13 crashes in 2015. A 28% decline and no longer on the top-ten list.
- Emerson / Ridge: 27 crashes in 2014, reduced to 19 crashes in 2015. A 33% decline.

Pedestrians and Bicyclists:

In 2015, a pedestrian or a bicyclist was involved in 130 of the reported 2,334 roadway crashes, a 6% decrease from the previous year and a 16% decrease from 2013. In 56 of the crashes, the person involved required medical transport to the hospital for treatment, 7% below the 4 year average.

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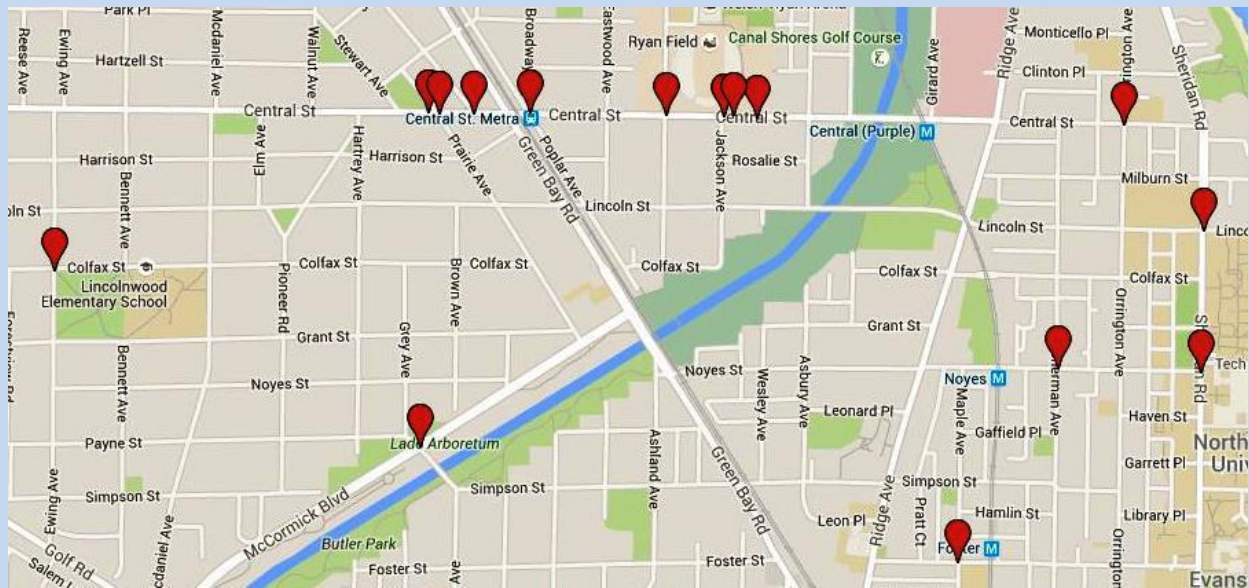
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The data below shows the contributory causes that led to the Pedestrian/Pedal Cyclist crashes and their locations of occurrence,

<i>Contributory Cause to Pedestrian/Pedal Cyclist Roadway Crashes</i>			
Failing to yield right-of-way	57	Driving on the wrong side/wrong way	1
Failing to reduce speed to avoid crash	11	Turning right on red	1
Operating in erratic/careless manner	7	Weather	1
Disregarding a traffic signal	6	Improper lane usage	1
Disregarding a stop sign	3	Disregarded yield sign	1
Vision obscured	3	Disregarded road markings	1
Disregarding other traffic signs	2	Improper backing	1
Improper turning/no signal	2	Evasive action	1
Improper overtaking/passing	2	Distraction – from outside vehicle	1
Driving skills/knowledge/experience	2	Distraction – from inside vehicle	1
Physical condition of the driver	2	Cell phone use – other than texting	1
Road engineering/surface/defect	2	Unable to determine	12
Following too closely	1	Not applicable	7

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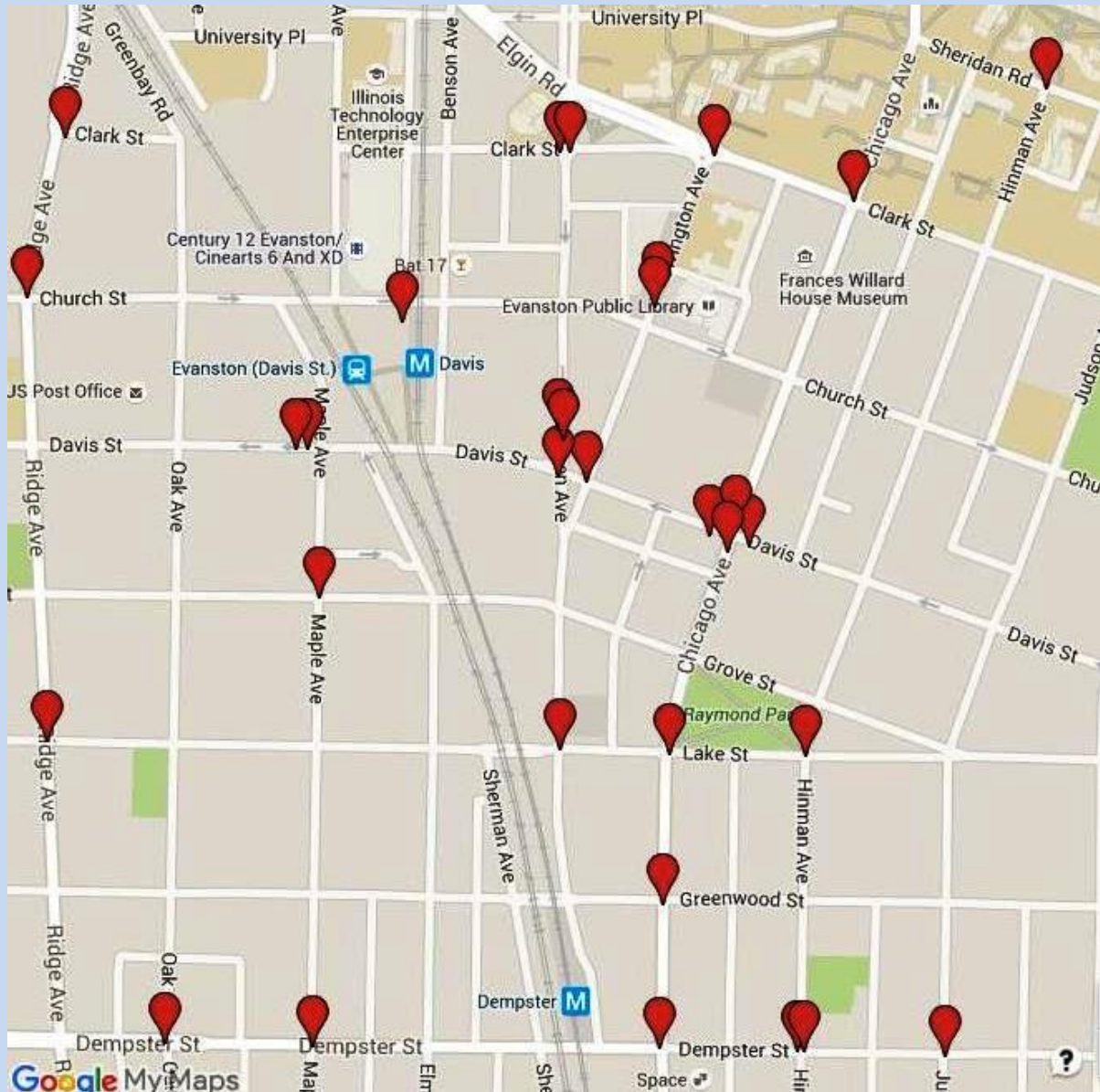


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Evanston Downtown Business District

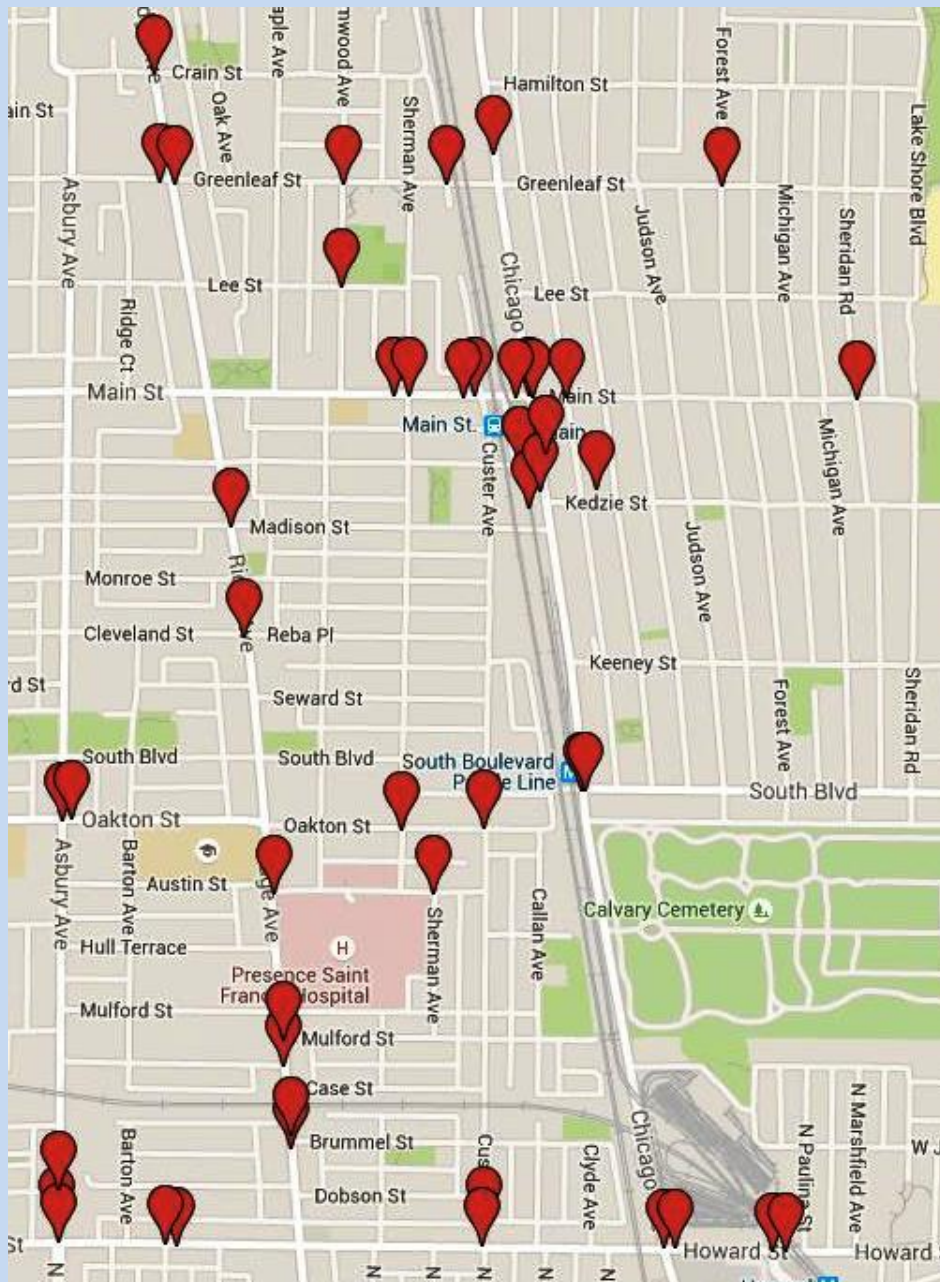


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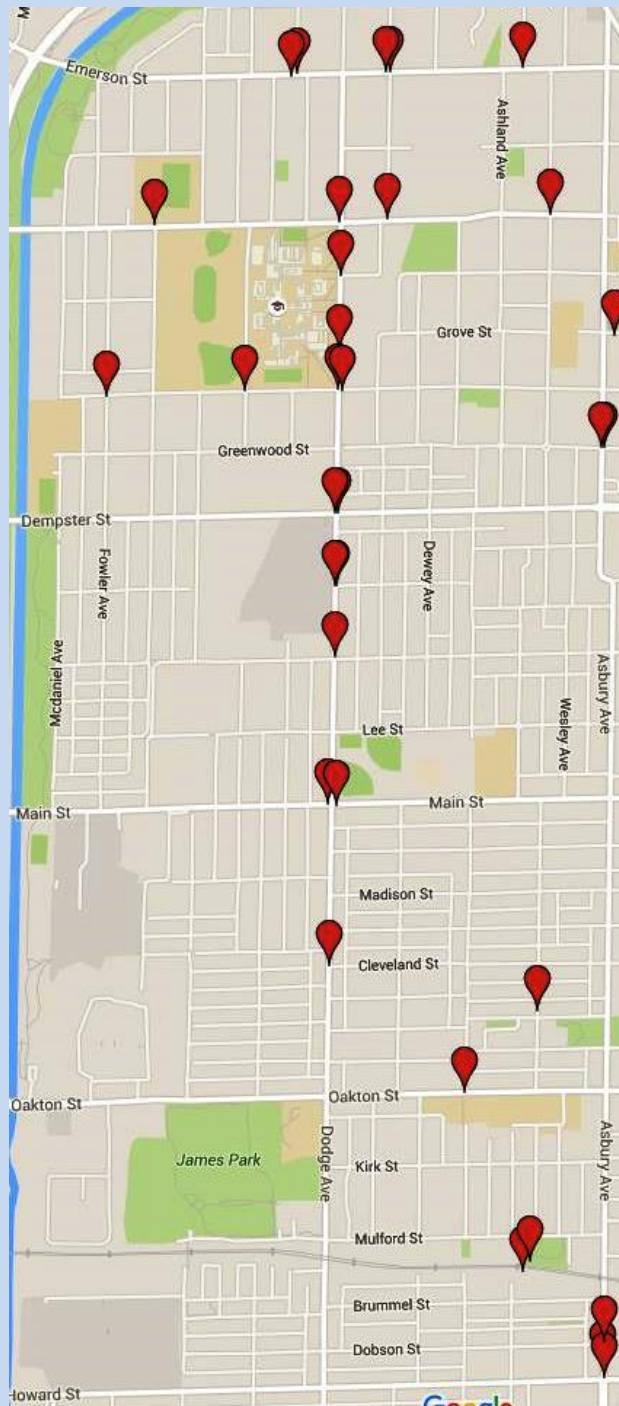


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South & West Evanston



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2015 Pedestrian Involved Crashes

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>
04-Jan-15	Chicago/Howard	02-Jul-15	600 Davis
07-Jan-15	1100 Howard	08-Jul-15	700 Greenleaf
07-Jan-15	Chicago/Davis	28-Jul-15	Jackson/Central
08-Jan-15	Orrington/Davis	30-Jul-15	Chicago/Main
09-Jan-15	Dodge/Davis	31-Jul-15	1600 Sherman
11-Jan-15	Asbury/Dobson	01-Aug-15	500 Dempster
13-Jan-15	Broadway/Central	05-Aug-15	Dodge/Dempster
17-Jan-15	Maple/Dempster	07-Aug-15	700 Ridge
05-Feb-15	Ridge/Harvard	06-Sep-15	Ridge/Brummel
05-Feb-15	2000 Central	19-Sep-15	Ridge/Greenleaf
13-Feb-15	Oak/Dempster	17-Oct-15	Sheridan/Lincoln
27-Feb-15	600 Howard	17-Oct-15	Prairie/Central
12-Mar-15	Custer/Main	17-Oct-15	Forest/Greenleaf
16-Mar-15	Sheridan/Noyes	22-Oct-15	Sherman/Lake
16-Mar-15	3200 Park Place	27-Oct-15	Sherman/Noyes
17-Mar-15	Chicago/Dempster	05-Nov-15	700 Elgin
18-Mar-15	Pitner/Church	09-Nov-15	Ridge/Church
20-Apr-15	Dodge/Main	09-Nov-15	Sherman/Main
06-May-15	1600 Orrington	09-Nov-15	1600 Sherman
20-May-15	Chicago/Washington	17-Nov-15	Ashland/Central
28-May-15	2000 Central	09-Dec-15	Ridge/Greenleaf
05-Jun-15	Ridge/Crain	10-Dec-15	Hinman/Lake
06-Jun-15	800 Dodge	16-Dec-15	Elmwood/Lee
21-Jun-15	1700 Orrington	17-Dec-15	Asbury/Howard
25-Jun-15	Brown/Emerson	21-Dec-15	Jackson/Central
25-Jun-15	1400 Central	31-Dec-15	Chicago/Clark

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2015 Pedal Cyclist Involved Crashes

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>
12-Jan-15	Sherman/Clark	03-Jul-15	Maple/Grove	05-Oct-15	Dodge/Greenleaf
23-Jan-15	600 Davis	08-Jul-15	Chicago/Kedzie	05-Oct-15	1800 Sherman
29-Jan-15	700 Main	10-Jul-15	1700 Darrow	08-Oct-15	Judson/Dempster
12-Mar-15	Dodge/Main	15-Jul-15	1300 Dodge	10-Oct-15	Darrow/Emerson
13-Mar-15	Maple/Foster	17-Jul-15	Chicago/Main	14-Oct-15	800 Davis
25-Mar-15	2400 Lake	23-Jul-15	Dodge/Oakton	17-Oct-15	Jackson/Emerson
30-Mar-15	Chicago/Lake	24-Jul-15	Crawford/Old Glenview	19-Oct-15	800 Chicago
20-Apr-15	600 Wesley	28-Jul-15	McCormick/Bridge	22-Oct-15	Sherman/Austin
21-Apr-15	2000 Emerson	30-Jul-15	Dodge/Lake	27-Oct-15	500 Howard
24-Apr-15	Hinman/Dempster	03-Aug-15	Chicago/South	28-Oct-15	800 Hinman
04-May-15	100 Dempster	04-Aug-15	Ridge/Clark	29-Oct-15	Ridge/Austin
13-May-15	900 Church	04-Aug-15	Maple/Lake	29-Oct-15	Ridge/Lake
19-May-15	Ridge/Reba	04-Aug-15	Ridge/Lincoln	06-Nov-15	Dodge/Cleveland
20-May-15	Ewing/Lincoln	04-Aug-15	1000 Davis	09-Nov-15	1000 Davis
29-May-15	Chicago/Grnwood	11-Aug-15	Marcy/Colfax	09-Nov-15	1500 Dodge
04-Jun-15	Grey/Lake	12-Aug-15	Custer/Howard	13-Nov-15	1400 Asbury
09-Jun-15	Darrow/Emerson	14-Aug-15	1600 Chicago	16-Nov-15	Sheridan/Hinman
13-Jun-15	900 Sheridan	21-Aug-15	Dodge/Lake	25-Nov-15	Chicago/South
16-Jun-15	300 Howard	23-Aug-15	1200 Dodge	26-Nov-15	Gross Pt./Harrison
16-Jun-15	1200 Chicago	24-Aug-15	Orrington/Central	02-Dec-15	2000 Ridge
18-Jun-15	Dodge/Church	29-Aug-15	Asbury/Oakton	03-Dec-15	Chicago/Howard
23-Jun-15	Custer/Oakton	31-Aug-15	Chicago/Washington	10-Dec-15	Sherman/Main
25-Jun-15	Dodge/Crain	07-Sep-15	Asbury/Greenwood	15-Dec-15	Wesley/Church
25-Jun-15	1500 Grove	10-Sep-15	Elmwood/Greenleaf	16-Dec-15	Ridge/Mulford
26-Jun-15	100 Asbury	22-Sep-15	100 Custer Alley	16-Dec-15	Dodge/Main
01-Jul-15	1700 Orrington	26-Sep-15	Sherman/Oakton		
02-Jul-15	900 Chicago	01-Oct-15	Florence/Oakton		

V.

OFFENSE SUMMARY

The Evanston Police Department released the 2015 Part I crime statistics for the City. Part I crime statistics are the focus of public attention when measuring safety within a community.

Part I crimes are murder, criminal sexual assault, robbery, aggravated assault/battery, burglary, theft, motor vehicle theft and arson. Overall, 2015 Part I crimes were down by 104. There were 5.1% fewer victims than in 2014.

Theft continues to be the dominant factor amid Part I crimes, with theft accounting for a total of 1,440 of the 1,952 Part I crimes reported for 2015. However, theft is down 4.0% from 2014, indicating that citizens are taking more preventative measures to secure valuables.

Incidents of violent crime are the most concerning issue for residents, visitors and other stakeholders in the community. Evanston saw a reduction in its overall violent crime numbers in the categories of aggravated battery, aggravated assault, robbery and criminal sexual assault. However, it saw an increase in homicides, up from one in 2014 to three in 2015. Homicides in Evanston generally have been linked to on-going rivalries and disputes between factions of individuals associated with illegal behavior. Individuals who choose this risky lifestyle often procure firearms for protection and for use in committing illegal activity.

A priority of the Evanston Police Department is the targeting of illegal firearms. Reducing the ability to obtain firearms through recovery efforts and aggressive enforcement of illegally-possessed firearms has a direct impact on reducing violence. Aggravated batteries and assaults saw a 17.2% reduction for the year and the recovery of 123 firearms, the latter a sizable increase from 2014, which saw 88 firearms recovered.

Assigning specialized personnel to the proper areas for overall crime reduction is a dynamic process. Weekly deployment meetings assess the reported crime and intelligence received, thereby allowing for extra patrols, the tactical unit's focus on burglary patterns, neighborhood enforcement teams working to reduce illegal drug sales, traffic bureau officers utilizing increased enforcement to reduce pedestrian accidents and problem solving/foot patrol officers augmenting dialogue with community members to make sure the police department is properly serving its diverse population with dignity and respect.

The Evanston Police Department continually critiques its strategies as it strives to reduce Evanston's Part I crime each year, thereby enhancing its quality of life and attaining the goal of making Evanston the "Most Livable City in America"

2015 vs. 2014 Crime Statistics

	Murder	CSA	Robbery	Agg Bat/Aslt	Burglary	Theft	MVT	Arson	Crime Index by Month
Jan 2014	0	0	10	7	23	92	1	0	133
Jan 2015	0	0	4	7	35	125	10	0	181
	0	0	-6	0	12	33	9	0	48
									36.1%
Feb 2014	0	0	4	12	15	68	1	0	100
Feb 2015	0	0	3	5	14	88	3	0	113
	0	0	-1	-7	-1	20	2	0	13
									13.0%
Mar 2014	0	1	3	8	9	83	2	0	106
Mar 2015	0	0	1	10	14	103	2	0	130
	0	-1	-2	2	5	20	0	0	24
									22.6%
Apr 2014	0	1	5	10	21	126	5	0	168
Apr 2015	0	0	3	16	24	125	6	1	175
	0	-1	-2	6	3	-1	1	1	7
									4.2%
May 2014	0	0	3	5	18	161	6	1	194
May 2015	0	0	3	4	26	149	7	1	190
	0	0	0	-1	8	-12	1	0	-4
									-2.1%
Jun 2014	1	0	1	10	37	156	9	1	215
Jun 2015	1	0	5	7	27	150	2	1	193
	0	0	4	-3	-10	-6	-7	0	-22
									-10.2%
Jul 2014	0	0	5	12	33	165	6	1	222
Jul 2015	0	0	8	12	35	179	12	0	246
	0	0	3	0	2	14	6	-1	24
									10.8%
Aug 2014	0	0	7	11	43	157	9	0	227
Aug 2015	1	0	1	2	34	135	4	0	177
	1	0	-6	-9	-9	-22	-5	0	-50
									-22.0%
Sep 2014	0	0	3	2	41	149	4	1	200
Sep 2015	1	0	4	3	14	95	3	0	120
	1	0	1	1	-27	-54	-1	-1	-80
									-40.0%
Oct 2014	0	0	4	10	43	130	8	1	196
Oct 2015	0	0	7	1	18	114	3	0	143
	0	0	3	-9	-25	-16	-5	-1	-53
									-27.0%
Nov 2014	0	0	3	3	38	110	7	0	161
Nov 2015	0	0	9	3	38	91	4	1	146
	0	0	6	0	0	-19	-3	1	-15
									-9.3%
Dec 2014	0	1	6	3	13	103	8	0	134
Dec 2015	0	0	3	7	34	86	6	2	138
	0	-1	-3	4	21	-17	-2	2	4
									3.0%
2014 YTD	1	3	54	93	334	1500	66	5	2056
2015 YTD	3	0	51	77	313	1440	62	6	1952
	2	-3	-3	-16	-21	-60	-4	1	-104
	200.0%	-100.0%	-5.6%	-17.2%	-6.3%	-4.0%	-6.1%	20.0%	-5.1%

Caution: Using percents to express the change between very small numbers is often misleading (such as, from 1 to 2 is +100%).

**** The percent change from zero to a number is not calculable, and a percent change when there is zero difference is not meaningful.

Firearm Statistics*

	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010
Handguns						
Incidents involving handguns	99	106	107	63	77	67
Injury sustained	10	11	4	11	7	7
Death	0	2	4	3	1	6
Murder.....	3	1	4	3	1	5
Confiscated	37	24	28	25	21	24
Turned in	17	11	24	37	10	10
Found	24	3	11	10	10	9
Located through investigation	4	1	4	2	7	3
Stolen	3	0	4	3	3	0
Other Firearms						
Incidents involving other firearms	11	11	16	19	12	17
Other firearms turned in or confiscated	27	17	42	36	11	28
Other firearm found	0	0	0	1	0	0
Located through investigation	2	0	0	2	1	3
Stolen	1	0	5	0	0	0
All Firearms						
Persons arrested	18	39	29	23	26	26
Buy Back						
Turned in	9	10	27	48	N/A	N/A

* Note: Does not include cases handled by, transferred to, or occurring in outside jurisdictions.

Service Calls

2015 Service Calls		2014 Service Calls		2013 Service Calls		2012 Service Calls		2011 Service Calls		2010 Service Calls	
Part I	1963	Part I	2083	Part I	2081	Part I	2269	Part I	2324	Part I	2333
Part II	7368	Part II	9112	Part II	7938	Part II	5014	Part II	4278	Part II	4824
Services	29331	Services	26208	Services	25320	Services	28815	Services	28949	Services	28834
Total	38662	Total	37403	Total	35339	Total	36098	Total	35551	Total	35991

VI.

COFFEE WITH A COP



The Evanston Police Department participated in the national Coffee with a Cop program, which started in 2011 as a way for community members to talk about their concerns and/or questions with police officers. The Coffee with a Cop event builds upon the Evanston Police Department's community policing efforts and provides a casual space for residents, business owners and other interested members of the community to chat with officers, ask questions, share concerns, or simply talk in a casual, friendly environment.

Numerous Coffee with a Cop events took place in Evanston throughout the year. They have been successful, allowing officers to engage residents in a less formal setting and increase the lines of communication between the police and the community.

Coffee with a Cop events will continue in 2016 at locations throughout the city. Dates and locations will be advertised on the Evanston Police Department's twitter account @EvanstonPD.

The Evanston Police Department schedules events throughout the city, allowing all community members to interact positively with it.

VII.

DEPARTMENT BULLETIN

***POLICE RECOGNITION
BY THE COMMUNITY***

DEPARTMENTAL BULLETIN 16-01
Evanston Police Department

SUBJECT: POLICE RECOGNITION BY THE COMMUNITY

The following letters, calls, or e-mails were received in the Chief's office complimenting staff for commendable police service from January 1, 2015 to December 31, 2015.

<u>DATE</u>	<u>EMPLOYEE(S)</u>
1-1-15	EPD
	The Family acknowledges with deep appreciation your kind expression of sympathy. We thank you for your kindness and support.
2-5-15	Sergeant Chelsea Brown
	Caller states he was in the police lobby when Sgt. Brown responded to a call from an elderly woman who was also in the lobby. The woman had a run-in with the bank. Sgt. Brown had an amazing amount of listening skills and was very patient. He thought it had to be commended as it was impressive to watch her, although it seems that's who she is, Sgt. Brown handled the situation like a true professional.
1-1-15	Towing Coordinator Reinaldo Rebollar
	I hope this note of thanks finds you very well. You skillfully installed two car seats so that my twin toddlers could ride in complete safety. That was sometime in summer 2014 and I am so sorry to send such a tardy note of appreciation. Thank you for helping me keep my babies safe, forever grateful!! Have a blessed and Happy New Year, all the best.
3-5-15	Officer Willie Hunt
	This letter is to serve as an acknowledgement for Officer Willie Hunt. I have had the extreme pleasure of having a professional relationship with Willie Hunt for the past six years in which he served three of those years as a playground supervisor and six years coaching one or more of the following; boys' basketball, girls' basketball and flag football. During that time, I had the opportunity on numerous occasions to observe Willie's intellect, character, and interactions with the students attending Beulah Park School. He demonstrated a high level of professional commitment and competency in his work. We at Beulah Park School are grateful to have had such a dedicated and loyal playground supervisor and coach who took an active interest in our entire school community. I am confident that Willie will bring respect, wisdom and compassion as well as dedication to any endeavor he may encounter. Without hesitation, I give my highest recommendation to Willie Hunt. He will be a definite asset to any school in which he serves as a resource officer.
3-7-15	EPD
	Thank you for greeting me yesterday afternoon when Officer Virani introduced us. I was there for a ride-along since I am a candidate for Evanston PD. I have an entry level police exam coming up. Although our meeting was brief, but I wanted to thank you for the opportunity to participate in the ride-along program you provide to citizens. It was an awesome experience and Officer Virani was such a gentleman and very professional about the job. I think he is a fine officer. Thank you once again for the program and to all the kind officers as well as staff at EPD. Have a nice day!

3-9-15 Officer Ron Blumenberg
Caller states she has never met a kinder more caring police officer and states she would like him to always stay in our community. She states he has the respect of the community and the children of the community; and if he goes, we will lose a jewel. She also states Evanston Police Department is doing a wonderful job overall.

3-11-15 EPD
Today EPD personnel responded to a bank robbery in the 1600 block of Maple Ave. the efforts by all working units involved in this call which includes all divisions of the police department, did an outstanding job by being tenacious, observant and patient which led to the apprehension of the offender. Currently, detectives and the FBI are working toward getting charges on the offender. It is also believed that this offender is responsible for a bank robbery in Oak Park from October 2014.

3-11-15 EPD
Regarding the recent bank robbery; what a frightening incident, for all concerned. The EPD's officers should be commended for their handling of the situation and that no one was harmed in the process.

3-13-15 Officer Martin Neal, Officer Ewa Bonislowski
Officers responded to my home regarding someone attempting to gain entry to the hallway of my residence and who was causing a disturbance. Both officers acted in a professional and polite manner, and were able to calm me down from a rather disturbing situation.

3-13-15 EPD
Thank you very much for your help on Friday. I was concerned that the owner of the Galleria on Sherman disappeared in the afternoon. It was my first week on the job and I didn't know what to make of the situation. It turned out she felt dizzy and took a nap. The officers responded quickly to meet me at the store and were great to set my mind at ease. I called on Saturday to let you know she contacted me and was okay. Now I want to note to you all, sincere thanks and appreciation!

3-17-15 Officer Michael Scheck
Caller states she lives in Lincolnwood and was stopped yesterday by Officer Scheck. She states he couldn't have been kinder or nicer; his demeanor was pleasant, kind, and polite.

3-20-15 Detective Brian Bartz and EPD
Caller thanks the Officer who dropped the surveillance vehicle off in front of 1723 Lyons. He states when the vehicle is there, the commotion that goes on in the neighborhood, including the loud music stops. He states he wants to see it more often as it starts to get hot outside.

2-23-15 Sergeant Melissa Sacluti
I was born and raised on the south side of the City and for the majority of my life I've been a good person and resident wherever I've been. However you can't say that about everyone in the Englewood neighborhood where I was raised. Out there ...the police are dealing with a lot and I believe it's all a numbers game. They treat everyone the same ... like pieces of trash! They take your cars, talk to you crazy, etc. It's a lose/lose situation if you happen to run across them. Being a respectful person – son of a Marine and a teacher, it's hard to be constantly dehumanized and not feel as though "all police are the same" Just even typing that made me feel bad ... because I know it's not true. So today when I let off some steam with my request for a hearing ... my way of letting Evanston know that I'm not the average hoodlum. I'm not a trouble maker and you can not violate me and not expect me to voice my opinion. I never in my lifetime expected a response and definitely expect a call from a

sergeant. That is so not Chicago!! And that was so cool of her not only to give me a call, but to talk to me and down to me. I felt like a human. By the time I got off the phone I was just floored. I almost forgot about the financial loss. Truly amazing that Sergeant Sacluti took time out to call a civilian ... but most importantly another human being. We need more officers like you in places of power. Thank you for the conversation and your number will definitely be stored in my phone. Thanks for listening and for having a soul. I truly felt your compassion for me and my family situation.

2-23-15 Officers Gerard Leeson, Grace Carmichael, and Michael Pratt
This is a small token of our appreciation and heartfelt thanks on behalf of the guests and volunteers of St. Mary's Center. Each time we have requested your assistance over the past almost 30 years, we've felt your calming presence within two to five minutes. Your young officers have responded with kindness and respect to both our guests as well as the volunteers who serve this ministry. In this case about 2 weeks ago, the issue was resolved with timely ease. The officers told us there was no evidence to substantiate the accusations against the young man, and the woman who made them was told by us that if she pursued with them, she would be extricated from the Warming Center. Again, we hate to have to call you, but when we do need you, we know you will be there within minutes. Your kindness, understanding and efficiency help us feel safe and secure.

3-27-15 Officer Loyce Spells and Service Desk/311 Supervisor Sue Pontarelli
Thank you for going above and beyond my expectations for Zander's visit to the Police Department. You both made it an interactive, informative, and fun afternoon for him. He raved about the experience and I am sure he won't be taking off the rubber bracelet anytime soon.

3-23-15 Detectives Anthony Beckman, Brian Rust, and Michael Endre;
Sergeants Gene Mulligan and Jody Wright; Officer Lance Lopez
We would like to thank these Evanston Police Officers for the outstanding performance, assistance, and hospitality we received from them. These officers worked concurrent investigations with our detectives into a mutual suspect. Wilmette Police, Northbrook Police, Illinois State University Police, and Evanston Police were all able to work together interviewing and investigating at the Evanston Police Department. This was a result of Officer Lance Lopez stopping the suspect in relation to a recent wanted bulletin developed by Det. Beckman. The cooperation and hospitality that Northbrook Police received from the Evanston Police Officers resulted in multiple felony charges. Often times these lengthy investigations involving multiple jurisdictions result in an arrest at another agency's facilities. The Evanston police listed above made this effortless and simple by offering their assistance and hospitality. Rest assured of our help and support should you need any assistance from the Northbrook Police Department.

2-15-15 EPD
We were guests at the Best Western hotel. As we drove down the ramp to exit the hotel parking, we observed EPD at the hotel. We have only seen tactical squads on television so we paused to watch as the officers entered the building. We were very impressed with how focused, businesslike, and professional they were. Because we live in a rural Michigan community, we have sometimes been concerned that our son and his wife have chosen to raise their two children in a suburban environment so close to Chicago. However, after seeing the Evanston officers in action, we are much more confident about how a situation in a store or one of the kids' schools would be handled. Also, we will not hesitate to stay at the Best Western Evanston in future. Thank you for ensuring our safety during our visit and for working so hard to create a safe environment for our loved ones.

3-31-15 EPD
(Greeting card) Something made me think of you today...Something always does! Hope you're doing well.

4-8-15 Service Desk Officer Gina Alexander
Caller left a voicemail stating she had some involvement with the police, and came into the police station crying. She states she appreciates the great service the above mentioned officer provided to her; also stating SDO Alexander made her feel better.

4-8-15 Officer Patrick Wozniak
Caller states she thanks the above mentioned officer for his assistance. She was frightened when her car stalled and he helped her by trying to restart her car, waiting with her, and offering to drive her to work.

4-5-15 Officer Adam Kozlowski
I wanted to take a minute to write a positive note about one of your officers. I know too often that people are quick to criticize our police, but rarely take the time to compliment them. Last week I had the privilege of doing a ride-along with Officer Kozlowski as part of my participation in the Citizens Police Academy (which should be required of all Evanston residents). Although Officer Kozlowski is fairly new to the Evanston force, he is an excellent ambassador for your department with his professionalism, knowledge of policing and his approachable demeanor. During our ride, we discussed various approaches to police and community engagement, the types of crimes that often occur in Evanston and the social causes of these crimes. I was very impressed with his background and insights and what he feels the role of a police office in our community should be. It was also great to see Officer Kozlowski's drive to stay active during his overnight shift, repeatedly moving through areas where he has found issues in the past. Thank you and all of your department for what you do in improving our quality of life in Evanston.

4-8-15 Victim Advocate, Patrice Quehl
I am writing to let you know the excellent quality of service that Patrice Quehl has provided. I have been working with her on a complex family matter for several months. Not only does she understand the many issues in our case, but she also provides solutions that have helped all of us. Her compassion and concern for our well-being is genuine. I always leave our meetings feeling optimistic – and with realistic options to pursue. Ms. Quehl is an asset to the Department and to the larger Evanston community.

4-10-15 Officer Nicholas Jones
Regarding a phone call with Citizen Lori Canon who insisted I forward her compliments regarding Officer Nicholas Jones. He cited her for driving without a seatbelt. She admitted she was in the wrong and paid the fine. She said Officer Jones was very professional and kind and that Evanston is lucky to have such fine officers.

4-3-15 Officer Heidi Bernhardt
Officer Bernhardt couldn't have been more pleasant and informative – she was totally patient with my questions about the usual routine of her schedule and the things that involve her during a workday. The whole experience was very enlightening for me because she explained as we went along what was going on and why. At the end of my four hour shift I felt very lucky to have been assigned to her!

4-20-15 EPD
Life's path is more easily traveled in the company of family and friends. Thank you for your kindness. Thank you so much for the flowers.

4-30-15 Detectives Tosha Wilson and Charlotte Hart and Records Manager
Pandora Pratt

Caller left a message stating her thanks to the mentioned officers and staff for their help with a family dispute involving her father. She stated their service and willingness to help was above "self" and has made all the difference in her and other family members' lives. She also stated they're grateful and are expressing gratitude because the detectives and staff are quality women.

4-28-15 Detective Brian Rust and Officers Luis Velez and Vyacheslav Leontiev
On behalf of the Streamwood Police Department, I would like to extend our sincere thanks to your department for the assistance rendered by above officers. A Streamwood resident reported she was being physically abused by her boyfriend. The resident also stated that the previous year, while she was pregnant, the boyfriend punched her in the abdomen causing her to miscarry. The boyfriend reportedly buried the fetus. The Northern Police Alarm System Emergency Services Team was needed to activate so that a search warrant could be executed at the residence. The search warrant was executed without incident and several witnesses were brought to our police department for questioning. At that time, members of the Major Case Assistance Team were activated and assisted with this investigation. I cannot begin to thank you enough for the tireless work displayed by all officers involved. Please thank the officers for their assistance provided to our department. As always, we stand ready to reciprocate whenever the need arises.

4-25-15 Detectives Brian Rust and Kevin Hindes, and Officer Jeremy Senese
To the officers who responded to a call on Hinman for a woman with a traumatic head injury, thank you so much! I don't remember collapsing or much else, but I do remember officers being very helpful and kind, assuring me they would bring the items from my storage shed in my apartment, lock the doors, and be sure my cat was safe. A short while later they arrived at the ER with my keys and my wallet. I don't remember much from the ER other than that, but I am so grateful for the officers' kindness and willingness to be thorough despite my apartment being in the midst of a move. I have to thank everyone again. I'm proud to be an Evanston resident and proud of the police who responded with the EMTs and feel very fortunate to be in their care.

4-25-15 EPD, Chief Eddington
Thank you so much for the encouragement and uplifting words during my recovery. Me and my family are humbled just to be thought about. I thank you!

4-30-15 Detective Michael Endre and Officer Loyce Spells
I am a member of the Citizen's Police Academy, and a volunteer in both the Restorative Justice Diversion Program and the District 65 Circles Project. I also serve as Vice-Chairman of the Board of the James B. Moran Center for Youth Advocacy. One of the Primary reasons I wanted to attend CPA was to broaden my knowledge and understanding of EPD and its officers. Admittedly, I found myself too willing to accept a narrative of the police that skewed toward the negative. And I felt it was incumbent upon me, both as an Evanston citizen and in my role as Moran, to engage, open my mind, and learn more. I am thoroughly enjoying the class. Last week we had a presentation on gangs, the first part of which was given by Detective Mike Endre. I wanted to let you know that I could not have been more pleased to hear about his approach to the categorization of persons with known gang affiliations. Specifically, he noted that he is extremely reluctant to classify a juvenile as a known gang member, and in fact, had only done so once or twice in his career. Det. Endre acknowledged that juveniles are prone to make irrational, impulsive, and ill-advised decisions, and he wanted to give them time to mature before attaching a label that could potentially follow that child indefinitely. I greatly appreciate Det. Endre's sensitivity to how

such a label can dramatically impact the trajectory of a child's life. This way of thinking says much about the capacity and desire to appreciate the nuance and complexities that are a very real part of youth violence and criminality. Kudos to Det. Endre for the recognition that, just because a kid may be doing a "bad thing," does not mean that he or she is a bad kid.

5-3-15 EPD

It is difficult to find words to express how grateful we are for your expression of love to our family during this truly difficult time. Perhaps you sent a lovely card, or sat quietly in a chair. Perhaps you sent lowers. If so, we saw it there. Perhaps you spoke the kindest words, as any friend would say. Perhaps you were not there at all, just thought of us that day. Whatever you did to console our hearts, we appreciate whatever the part.

5-5-15 Officer Anthony Sosa and K-9 Rony

Caller left a message thanking EPD for allowing Officer Sosa and Rony to participate in Wilmette's Police Open House event. Also stating Officer Sosa did a terrific job at the event and interacted really well with everyone attending.

5-7-15 EPD

Please pass on to the officers of the Evanston Police Department my heartfelt thanks for all their service. I am grieved by the disrespect shown to officers across our country when everyday they put their lives on the line to protect us. Thanks to all of Evanston's Police.

5-5-15 Officer Thomas Devine

I am writing to express my appreciation for the consistently courteous and responsible manner in which Police Officer Devine has responded to complaints by me and other residents about Revolution X noise disturbances. Officer Devine is the officer with whom I (and others) spoke many times when he was sent to address complaints. He has always maintained a friendly but professional attitude and shown that he was an Evanston police officer that considered complaints by residents to be important. Officer Devine's presence in the Evanston Police Department is as asset.

5-5-15 Service Desk Officer Jose Ruiz

I am writing to express my appreciation for the courteous and responsible manner of Desk Officer Ruiz. I have only spoken to him on one occasion when I called the EPD with a complaint and request for information. His friendly and efficient manner was a comfort. I am very grateful for his presence in the Evanston Police Department.

5-5-15 Service Desk Officer Kyle Harvey

I am writing to express my appreciation for the courteous and responsible manner of Desk Officer Harvey. I have spoken to him on several occasions when calling the EPD. His friendly and efficient manner is always a comfort. I am very grateful for his presence in the Evanston Police Department.

5-5-15 Service Desk Officer John Martin

I am writing to express my appreciation for the courteous and responsible manner of Desk Officer Martin. I have spoken to him on many occasions when calling the EPD with a complaint or request for information. His friendly and efficient manner has always been a comfort. I am very grateful for his presence in the Evanston Police Department.

5-8-15 Officers William Arzuaga and Otha Brooks

The officers performed a requested security survey at my home. They were exceptionally professional and provided me with a comprehensive overview as well as immediate fixes and ideas to be considered. I commend the officers for providing this service which I

consider above and beyond. I would also like to note that my son was at home at the time and the officers took the time to interact with him as well. Keep up the great work!

5-8-15 Officer Kevin Champion

Officer Champion was cordial and answered all my questions well while filling out the report on my Jeep. Also the individual at the front desk also greeted and assisted me without hassle. All my experiences with the EPD have been professional and straight forward (even when one issue was due to my own negligence). Glad to know that we have the fine officers of the EPD around to protect and serve! Thank you all for your hard work.

5-10-15 EPD

Thank you. I just heard an escalating disturbance outside my home, called non-emergency and EPD squad cars arrived before the call had even ended. I've lived at this address since 1997 and am not proud of the frequency that my block appears in the blotter. That being said, I still feel safe because over the years Evanston Police Officers have always responded quickly and been here whenever needed. Thank you so much for all that you do, it is appreciated.

5-10-15 EPD

We would like to thank you for your prayers, kind words and support during this difficult time. Our mother was truly a wonderful person and she will be missed dearly. We take comfort in knowing she lived a life that will allow her to rest peacefully in the Lord. Thank you all for your outstanding show of support for our family. We will always remember.

5-10-15 EPD

For the last 22 years I have been the Administrator of Albany Care. I believe we have always had a tremendous working relationship with the EPD who has helped us significantly deal with a complicated and needy cliental. I complement you officers who have displayed patience, compassion and professionalism, handling some very difficult situations. This working relationship has been key in allowing our residents to exist in this community with dignity and safety.

5-12-15 Officer Anthony Sosa and Rony

Please extend my personal thanks to Officer Anthony Sosa and Rony for their participation at our Open House on May 3rd. As always, we had a large turnout. Officer Sosa's demonstration with his dog was among the most popular attractions. I hope that they will be able to join us again next year. The Police Open House is an important and popular community event. I appreciate your support in this annual endeavor.

5-15-15 EPD

On behalf of the Parish Council and all of our parishioners, I would like to thank you again for providing for our security needs regarding the 100th Remembrance of the Armenian Genocide. 2015 marks a solemn time for Armenians, and your vigilance brought our parishioners a great sense of security and comfort at a very tense time. It is very important for both individual community members and community organizations to be there for each other at critical times, and the care and attention your department showed our parish this month is a model for all to follow. May God grant our health and happiness for many years to come.

5-19-15 Sergeant Tracy Williams

During the past 3years I have had well over 20 times when I try to leave my garage there is a moving/delivery truck parked in the alley usually right in front of my garage. My point is this has been an ongoing and frustrating situation for about 2 ½ years until I called the City of Evanston back in January and the Desk Sgt. gave me Sgt. Williams' extension. Sgt. Williams has been a blessing; he has been amazing, professional, patient and extremely

helpful. Seriously, if I only had been directed to Sgt. Williams 2-3 years ago life would have been a lot easier. I would like to honor and recognize Sgt. Williams for his attentive, professional and most importantly his "taking care of this issue so quickly. I have called him about 6 times since January and each time he has gotten back to me quickly and with great concern and results. I am self-employed and need to leave on time to meet clients, it's so frustrating to walk out to the alley and see yet another moving truck right in front of my garage and no one in the truck. Not anymore. I am forever grateful for his quick response every time and his professional manner. Sgt. Williams is an exceptional example of the fine Officers in EPD. During this time of "disrespect and unrest" towards our men and women in blue I must speak up and say I have nothing but praise for the fine job he has done and his team in parking enforcement. He is a fine leader and great example to his team. Thank you Sgt. Williams and all of the EPD for keeping us safe and helping me with a minor but difficult issue.

5-23-15 Detective David Cepiel

I'm writing because I had the pleasure, after a very unpleasant circumstance, of working with Det. Cepiel. I want you to know that he far exceeded my expectations working on my case. He took it on with professionalism and demonstrated exceptional follow-up. Never in my wildest imagination would I have believed a lick of consideration would be taken by the police after my wallet was stolen from the Sam's Club in Evanston. He provided continual updates and regularly kept me posted of any and all developments. I believe that it shouldn't go unnoticed that Det. Cepiel, in my opinion, did everything he could to find the culprit to the theft. While I didn't get my wallet returned, I so appreciate all of Det. Cepiel's efforts on my behalf. Thank you for having a rock solid star on the force!

5-27-15 Officers Heidi Bernhardt and Nicholas Jones

I was a witness today to an arrest on a Pace bus. I watched as the initial responding officer approach a suspect with a calm and quiet attitude. He approach communicated respect, and not just respect out of concern for her own safety, but out of concern for this individual and the community around him. It also communicated authority without being authoritative, or dictatorial, or cocky. A second officer worked with the suspect as he left the bus, and along with the third, placed handcuffs and did a search. Their approach too, was calm and quiet. I also observed the suspect protest and ask questions about his arrest. It was clear, even from inside the bus where I could not hear the conversation, that the white officer (the only one in my viewpoint now, and the one to whom the suspect was talking) listened to what the man said, and responded without any upset-it was a real response, not a dismissal or a retort. To me it was clear that the officers' approach helped the suspect respond well. It was good to witness the arrest because the officer's way of handling the situation made me (and I believe other passengers on the bus) feel safe-witnessing this arrest, made with grace, gave me the feeling that I could trust them to care. That, in some ways, is more important to me than whether or not they removed a suspect, and maybe even an actual criminal from the bus. I hear a lot about police interactions that don't go well for the subjects. And I've often been critical when I see difficult situations playing out in the media, or through the individuals with who I work. But I think it's at least as important to recognize those officers who do good work – and these absolutely did.

5-28-15 Officers Nathaniel Basner and Jason Nelson

I would like to take this opportunity to extend our thanks to Officers Basner and Nelson as members of the NIPAS Mobile Field Force for the assistance they provided to the Oak Brook Police Department regarding the SEIU Fight for \$15 Rally. It is good to know that we can rely on your assistance in instances of this nature and that the NIPAS Mobile Field Force Program accomplished exactly what it is intended to do. Please extend my sincere appreciation to Officers Basner and Nelson who came to our aid, for their professionalism, commitment and assistance. This cooperation between departments proved invaluable.

5-26-15 Detective Mikhail Geyer, TAC Unit, and NET Unit

I would like to recognize the hard work and dedication Detective Mikhail Geyer and other members of the TAC and NET Units exuded during the certain investigation conducted jointly with the Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Public Safety Unit. Det. Geyer identified members of a South American Theft Group operating in the Evanston area. Others were also identified as previously removed aliens; being removed subsequent to several violent felony convictions. As a result of Det. Geyer's tireless efforts and collaboration with HSI Special Agent (SA) Jason Hines, one offender was recently sentenced to 40 months imprisonment in the US Bureau of Prisons for the offense of illegal re-entry of a removed alien. The offender also has several felony cases pending in the Circuit Courts of Cook and DuPage Counties, and will ultimately be removed to Colombia upon the expiration of the terms of imprisonment. Additionally, through seamless coordination between Det. Geyer, SA Hines, and West Covina, California detectives, another member of the mentioned theft group was later extradited to Los Angeles County, California for charges including murder in the commission of a robbery. This member was subsequently indicted for these offenses and is currently in custody awaiting trial and will eventually be subject to removal to Honduras. I appreciate such collaborative efforts, which are necessary to combat violent transnational criminal organizations operating in Evanston and throughout the Chicagoland area. Again I thank you and commend Det. Geyer for his exceptional performance, teamwork, and professionalism.

6-6-15 Officers Scott Sophier and Michael Triche and Sergeant Tracy Williams
I just want to tell you that we are deeply grateful for your assistance, and for the professionalism displayed by you and by your colleagues. In the midst of a stressful situation, such as the one we experienced yesterday, the efficiency, the carefulness and the consideration with which you and your colleagues assisted us was very welcome and deeply appreciated: we are sincerely grateful with you and with your colleagues for that.

6-9-15 Officer LaShawn Cook

Caller states while she was attempting to cross Orrington St. with her special needs child, her child did not want to cooperate and walk across the street. She states Officer Cook saw this and got out of the patrol car and assisted them; stating Officer Cook offered to help-assisting them to get across the street and being kind to them. She also states Officer Cook is part of the "village it takes" –she is the example of true community; and now, she (the caller) will be more apt to ask for help.

6-4-15 Detectives Timothy Malnor, Marla Dukler, and Tanya Noble and Victim Advocate Beckie Fischer

Caller states he doesn't live in Evanston but has had recent interaction with Evanston Police; once regarding a juvenile in which case Detectives Timothy Malnor and Marla Dukler assisted him and were very professional and courteous, and gave him good advice. He also expressed how caring and concerned they were about the situation and how impressed he was. The second occasion was regarding elder abuse in which case Detective Tanya Noble and Victim Advocate Beckie Fischer assisted him. He stated they were both compassionate and concerned, and spoke at length with him while at the hospital. He also stated they were very nice, polite and compassionate.

6-10-15 Officer Stanley Samson and EPD

I am an employee of Presence Saint Francis Hospital, Evanston, IL. I was called to provide pastoral care to the family of a crash victim who had died. Over the course of several hours I had the privilege to work with the officers from the Evanston Police Department's Traffic Bureau, in particular with officer Stanley Samson. I would like to commend the professionalism and competence of Officer Samson in the ways he addressed the family and cooperated with the members of our staff. I was very impressed by his manners, sensitivity, compassion and thoughtfulness as he assisted the family of the victim

throughout the process. It has been a pleasure to witness and experience such an excellent service. Grateful to your officers' service and partnership as we care for the Evanston residents.

6-13-15 Detectives Phillip Lang, Michael Jones, and Kenneth Carter
I would like to commend the police officers for their help in an emergency situation at the Evanston Theater. I tried to help an elderly woman who was falling backwards on the up escalator. Unfortunately, her momentum totally knocked me over, so that I was flat on my back with my feet pointing upwards. The officers immediately came to our rescue and prevented any harm from occurring. They were GREAT! Thank you so much for your help and your courtesy and quick response.

6-16-15 EPD
Let me take this opportunity to thank you all for cleaning up Church Street, etc. I can no longer hold the silence. I must drop you this letter to commend you all for a super job being done. I humbly request of you, Chief, to never leave us. Otherwise we will be right back where we started. I must close by saying my peace and love to all, and I know the Blessed Mother is looking down on all of you lovely folks. I close by saying thank you all again for your dedication and my God bless you.

6-22-15 Detectives Pillars, Geyer, and Pack, and Sergeants Poya and Levy
We had the pleasure of training your NET Unit in a three day training course. Your officers were head and shoulders above the common in several categories. They came into this course with a strong skill set which allowed us to expand beyond the normal curriculum. This also came about with the excellent attitude that every officer - to the man - displayed. They were open minded to new concepts and maintained a congenial outlook throughout the course. Sgts. Poya and Levy did a fine job of keeping everything organized. They made the instructor's tasks easy; even for a large group. The highlight was the team level tactics course. The four man team of Officers Pillars, Geyer, Levy and Pack shattered the previous record by nearly a full second. Please extend my compliments to all the officers for an excellent training session. I cannot help reiterate how much I enjoyed working with them. Their efforts were recognized by the instructors involved. Best wishes and thank you for your support.

6-30-15 Officer Jeremy Nieman
Stan Grossman called the Sergeant's Office complimenting Officer Nieman. He stated he had misplaced his wallet and upon returning home, Officer Nieman met him. Officer Nieman was in possession of Grossman's wallet and he was sincerely appreciative of Officer Nieman's kindness. He said Officer Nieman was very courteous and was an "excellent representation of the department". Mr. Grossman was thankful he didn't have to deal with canceling credit cards.

7-1-15 Officer Brandon Marx
Caller states her son and some of his friends were at the beach and were involved in illegal activity. She states Officer Marx dealt with the kids respectably. He deescalated the situation even though the kids were a little rude to him. He got them to safety and was there every step of the way; sending some of them to the ER to be checked out because of intoxication. She states she is a teacher and knows that some situations can get out of hand; also stating "Officer Marx is exactly where he needs to be" as an officer in this community - "he has a knack" for this work.

7-2-15 Sergeant Mark Poya, Detectives Mikhail Geyer, Brian Hicks, Phil Lang, and David Cherrey

I would like to thank you for the exceptional level of assistance that we received from Evanston. The investigation Section of Wilmette Police Department was tasked with running a reverse prostitution sting. The assistance provided by the officers led to the arrest and subsequent conviction in a court of law of seven offenders. I thank you for their exceptional level of assistance, their professional attitudes, and willingness to be a resource to our agency in this operation. Their willingness to participate in the operation directly contributed to our success. They are excellent representatives of the Evanston Police Department.

7-6-15 EPD

Caller left a voicemail complimenting the police force, stating as he tried to get into the parking lot on Church St., where he has a paid space, he was not able to. He states Evanston Police Officers went out of their way to be nice to him. They found out that some cars were leaving from the other garage entrance, which enabled him to get a spot. He states he compliments the police for being kind and he is thankful for the fine young men who assisted him – they did a great job and helped him have a good 4th of July.

7-6-15 Officer Stanley Samson and Officer Michael Pratt

Caller, a motorcycle accident victim, left a voicemail thanking the officers for all their well wishes, stating they are gentlemen and scholars and they are very supportive. He thanks the officers from his heart for being there at the hospital with him and for their words of encouragement because it meant a lot to him. He also says to the officers, "be safe".

7-7-15 Management Analyst Shannon Sheriff

Email was sent to compliment MA Shannon Sheriff for doing an excellent job in managing treatment at Omega. She kept management apprised of the progress as well as advised staff member of future appointments. Her follow through was efficient and professional. Thank you.

7-7-15 Commander Thomas Moore, Sergeant Tracy Williams

Thank you for all the help and support provided by your department during this year's Custer Fair. It is always a pleasure to work with the fine officers of the Evanston Police Department. With your continuing help and advice, we learn more each year about how to implement a safe and more smoothly-run fair. As we prepare for next year's 45th festival, please let us know if you have any needs or suggestions. In particular, we would like to acknowledge Cmdr. Moore for coordinating the team of officers, and on a personal note, for the great deal of patience, advice and counsel offered to me and Custer Fair staff in my first year at the helm of Custer Fair. A special note of gratitude to Sgt. T. Williams for providing me and the Custer Fair staff with not only absolute professionalism, but also making us laugh when we all needed it. Again thanks very much for your assistance with this much-loved community event, and for contributing to our best fair ever.

7-13-15 Officers Mark Buell, Jeremy Nieman, Heidi Bernhardt, and Detective Marcin Kubiak

Caller states, following a burglary at her residence, the officers were wonderful; they collected fingerprints, explained to her about having a safety/security check done at the condo building, and were very professional.

7-13-15 Officer Richard Tyson

Caller states His son was in a minor car accident in Evanston. It was the first time hi son had a car accident/had any involvement with the police. He states his son was pleased with how the officers walked him through it; they were very professional, gently handling the

situation, "teaching him a lesson about car accidents". Caller compliments the officer and the force, and thanks EPD for the service. He also states this was a pleasant learning experience for his son and it made an impact.

7-15-15 Officers Mark Buell, Jeremy Nieman, Heidi Bernhardt and Detective Marcin Kubiak

We were burglarized last Thursday while I was away from home. I want to commend all the detectives and officers who responded to our incident. Through the detectives' diligence, three perpetrators were apprehended and arrested. Please commend the officers. Having our front steel condo door crow barred open and then burglarized is very distressing. Every one of these outstanding detectives and officers deserve praise and recognition for a job well done. God bless the Evanston Police Department!

7-17-15 Officer Napier

Thank you for your thoughtfulness at the Canal Park Block Meeting last week. I was impressed by your knowledge and your commitment to the community. This was my first time attending a Block meeting, but learning of the active network of residents invested in maintaining the quality of the neighborhood makes a compelling argument for my participation.

7-17-15 Officer Larry Miller

I wanted to thank you for the squad car that was placed in front of the office today. Officer Miller came by this morning and checked in with us to ensure we are doing ok and the hours that we work so he could check in every now and then. These actions are gratefully appreciated by me and my Soldiers in the office. Just the presence of the car makes it a little safer for us. Officer Miller did us a huge favor today by just stopping in. Again thank you and if we could ever do anything for you please let us know.

7-17-15 Officer Tanya Jenkins

The teacher at Safety Town gave me a rave review of Officer Jenkins and I wanted to pass that along to you. If possible, could you please assign her all the future Safety Town presentations? She handled the 4-7 year old campers extremely well.

7-17-15 Officers Mark Buell, Jeremy Nieman, Heidi Bernhardt, Francesca Henderson, William Arzuaga, and Detective Marcin Kubiak

Our condominium was broken into and burglarized. My husband and I would like to write a letter of commendation for each and every one of the detectives and officers that were involved in the apprehension and arrest of the 3 suspects. These outstanding public servants need special commendation: Officer Buell not only spearheaded the burglary task force, but he has been in personal contact with me to keep us updated. I cannot give him enough praise; all of the undercover detectives, and one specifically who held my hand and walked with me through our condo when I arrived home. He was so caring and kind to me. Officer Nieman took our report and was very professional and thorough. Officer Bernhardt did all of the photographing, fingerprinting and making putty molds of the crow barred steel front door. Her calm demeanor helped put me at ease. She was wonderful. Detective Kubiak was very professional. He assisted us in identifying a roll of WWII Deutsche Marks that my father brought back after serving in Europe. We cannot give enough praise to the EPD. Thank you for helping keep our community safe. Officers Henderson and Arzuaga came to our building to do a safety screening and were very knowledgeable about ways to secure our condo building better.

7-17-15 Officers Michael Kane, Daniel Rosenbaum, Random Johnson, Adam Kozlowski and Sergeants Jeffrey Faison and Jodie Hart
Regarding the All Night Prayer Vigil, thank you so much for sending the officers to us on Saturday night. They were awesome and assured us they were outside if anything. We truly appreciate their service.

7-22-15 EPD Traffic Officers
Please accept our congratulations on your second place finish in the 2014 Illinois Traffic Safety Challenge. We commend your commitment to highway safety in your community. Your efforts serve as an example to other agencies as we continue our work to make Illinois' roads safer places to travel.

7-23-15 Officer Grace Carmichael
I just wanted to let you know how impressed and appreciative I was by Officer Carmichael's actions today. I was grateful that she arrived at the accident scene. Thanks for having such a great member of your police force.

7-23-15 Officers Stanley Samson, Mark VanDermeir, Daniel Keeler, Martin Neal, Michael Triche, and Sergeant Tracy Williams
I would like to share the recent experience I had with some of your officers. I was fortunate enough to participate in a training program hosted in your area. During the course, officers were introduced to a multitude of disciplines including advanced riding techniques, officer survival, and escort practices and procedures. The ballistic capabilities of the motorcycle, cover and concealment techniques, and survival tactics were introduced to the officers participating in the training. It is my hope that each officer took with them the courage and confidence to survive. I wish to commend your officers on their commitment to this training. Their enthusiasm and attitude portrayed what is sure to be the standard of professionalism at the Evanston Police Department.

7-28-15 EPD
Caller states her son and his friends were stopped by an unknown police officer yesterday while they were riding their bikes and ran through a red light without stopping. The is complimenting EPD, stating the officer was very professional; Caller was very apologetic for her son's friends, stating she is ashamed because they were rude and disrespectful to the office while he was taking time to explain to the boys the importance of following the rules.

8-2-15 Officer Matthew Yates
We were at Hilton Garden Inn for Northwestern's graduation and both of our cars were towed. Officer Yates gave us a ride to the tow lot to get the cars or we would never have made it to the graduation ceremony. He even stopped at our son's house to pick up the keys for the 2nd car; WAY above the call of duty, and could not have been more helpful, kind, and compassionate.

8-3-15 Telecommunicators Richard Clucas, Jesse Ramsay, and Carl Hasten
I just wanted to take time out to thank everyone on the great job done as a result of the storm yesterday. Right after the storm hit, EPD received over 80 calls in a very short time period. These calls ranged from downed trees, alarms, house fires, accidents, and persons injured. 911 was absolutely swamped but handled the dispatching responsibilities professionally and efficiently. I personally want to thank Telecommunicators Clucas, Ramsay, and Hasten for a job well done. My hat goes off to all of the patrol and traffic officers, supervisors and specialized units who handled each and every call dispatched efficiently. Lastly I also want to thank the desk officers who handled the many calls to the desk. Thank you EPD!

8-4-15 Officer Otha Brooks and EPD

Resident states he had a wonderful interaction with Officer Brooks. He said the EPD has a good community interaction program and he thanks the officers who are out in the community.

8-13-15 Office Anthony Sosa

Caller expressed her appreciation for Officer Sosa's assistance when her vehicle died on Oakton (8-12-15). She and her friend were stranded and she appreciated him using his squad to block traffic and keep them safe. He then assisted them in hooking up the jumper cables when they weren't sure on how to do it. Both of the women are extending their appreciation for his help.

8-13-15 Officers Kyle Wideman, Benjamin Holliman, Otha Brooks, and Adam Howard

I wanted to applaud the officers for an awesome job responding to our request for increased foot patrol. I've seen them on foot, bike and ATV regularly during different times of the day. Neighbors have noticed the increased police presence drive the problem residents back into the house or off the block. They are very engaged and aware of what's happening in the community and they extend themselves beyond the minimum requirement. The specific concern I shared with Officer Wideman last week was immediately addressed and after a couple days of patrolling is completely clear. Thank you! thank you for your great leadership and thank you for making us more comfortable on the 1900 & 2000 Blocks of Dodge Ave.

8-10-5 Officers Vycheslav Leontiev, Luis Velez, Detectives Brian Rust and Anna Ostap

Elk Grove Village Officers responded to a residence and soon determined that there was an armed subject who refused to surrender and give up his weapon. NIPAS was then requested and upon their arrival negotiations commenced, which resulted in the subject surrendering without incident. Please accept my thanks for the expert assistance provided by the officers, along with all the other NIPAS members. Again, as many times in the past, NIPAS continues to provide a vital support function to all of our communities. Thank you for being a participating agency.

8-13-15 Officer Luis Velez, Detectives Adam Pack, Mikhail Geyer, Christopher Tortorello, Sergeant Jeff Faison, and Commander Dan Russell

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you Chief for allowing your staff to participate in the Active Shooter exercise at the Skokie Ambulatory Care Center. Words cannot express my deepest gratitude for the commitment and dedication it took to bring this exercise to full circle. To start a project with an idea and have it blossom into what was expressed as a successful event cannot be measured. The partnership between multiple jurisdictions displayed the fortitude and dedication needed to ensure that our focus is of one goal – community awareness and safety. Your department's active participation helped bring a bond to the community, law enforcement agencies and NorthShore. One of the recommendations that were addressed was to establish a familiarization program with your new officers to conduct a tour of our facilities. Once again, please thank Commander Russell and your staff that participated for their outstanding professionalism and dedication to excellence. This just illustrates the fortitude and commitment needed to be successful within a department.

8-13-15 Officer Stanley Samson

I would like to take this opportunity to express my sincere appreciation for your invaluable assistance and cooperation in locating the hit and run driver that damaged my car. This is one of my first interactions with a situation like this where I knew that I wasn't being pushed aside. Your commitment to performing your duties went beyond my expectations. I am

sure that there are more times than not, that you hear a negative or complaint in writing, but I want to make sure, for once, that you're aware of how much what you do is appreciated! Every interaction with the public leaves an impression. We read and hear things on TV, and rarely are they positive, showing the human impact, caring, and sincere energy that goes into the performing of your duties. Thank you for being a great representative of the Evanston Police Department and officers, in general.

8-14-15 Officer Thomas Curtin

I write to commend your team for fine work this past weekend. From the moment the patrolman, detectives and evidence technicians arrived to our house we knew we were in excellent care. We were astonished at how thorough they were; even helping us realize details that we had missed after our house was broken into and car stolen. The balance of professionalism in their job and personal care was evident. In addition, we'd like to particularly recognize Officer Tom Curtin for his quick reaction in what ended with our minivan's recovery and the perpetrator's arrest. We are indebted to your team. They are well trained and not commended enough. So, we write to say thank you. please pass along our thanks.

8-14-15 Officer Luis Velez

I would like to thank the officer for responding as a member of NIPAS to assist with a barricaded suicidal subject who was armed with a handgun. Officer Velez was part of the Containment Team during this call out. This delicate and dangerous situation could have had deadly ramification. We are thankful for all of the officers involved from NIPAS for their assistance, professionalism, and teamwork. Please extend our department's gratitude for his assistance.

8-26-15 Sergeant Dennis Leaks

Caller states she is thanking Sgt. Leaks because he responded to a report she made of a suspicious person. While she was walking, she noticed someone who looked suspicious walk into a jewelry store. She saw Sgt. Leaks while she was out and reported what she saw to him. He went into the store to follow-up. She is thankful.

8-6-15 EPD Juvenile Bureau

I wanted to 'finally' thank you for helping my son and me through a tremendously difficult time in 2013. I have been meaning to drop this painting off for some time now. I hope that it will brighten someone's office or interview room. I painted it with you in mind as I remember not seeing any artwork or pictures there and hoped this would be a reminder that you are greatly appreciated!

8-31-15 Officers Jason Kleinpaste and Ryan Carrigan

This message is to convey comments made to me by witnesses to a bike accident and to express my appreciation for Officer Kleinpaste's participation in an arbitration. In preparation for the arbitration involving an accident between our squad car and a bicyclist, I interviewed two witnesses to the accident that occurred three years ago. Both witnesses were so complimentary of Officer Kleinpaste and Officer Carrigan's professionalism after the accident and their cautious driving to prevent the accident that their fine work needed to be notated for their supervisor. The witness indicated that their actions after the stop were "out of a movie", so professional and calm and gave the individual such confidence in police officers at accident scenes going forward. We were lucky to have both of them on our team.

8-31-15 EPD

Caller states she is grateful for the years she was able to use the Police Outpost on Howard St. for her parent association meetings. She remembers the times (years ago) that officers would assist by cooking for those meetings. She thanks EPD for their hospitality.

9-4-15 EPD

Without the EPD's donation of volunteer parking for the day, this project would not have been possible. Thank you for this generous donation which gave volunteers easy access to the build site. As a nonprofit organization, the McGaw relies on in-kind and other contributions to support our mission. The new playground and enhanced Tot Lot support our efforts to provide the balanced and active play children need in their daily lives. Thank you again for your support of the McGaw YMCA and our Playground Project.

9-4-15 Officers Thomas Devine and Larry Miller

I wanted to send you a quick email to let you know that I was thoroughly impressed by Officer Devine and the Evidence Technician who responded to a call I made. It was a basic report of burglary in my basement common area; items have gone missing over the course of several months. I was incredibly impressed with their professionalism and tact as they listened to my story and accurately took down the details. They both deserve a big pat on the back and thank you! They were fantastic. Living in Evanston for a year and a half now I am continually impressed each day by the EPD. I want you all to know that my husband and I appreciate your service and we want to thank you and your entire force, especially Officer Devine and the ET for keeping us safe! You all make the world a better place. Thanks again and stay safe.

9-10-15 Commander Dan Russell, Detectives Brian Rust and Anna Ostap, and Officers Vycheslav Leontiev and Luis Velez

Over the past three days members of our respective departments joined together to conduct highly effective in-house drills focusing on how we could best respond to an active shooter incident within the City. Our principal goal, while using accepted best practices, resource allocation and effective hands-on training, to save lives in a potentially highly complex and dangerous environment. That goal was achieved, but only with the outstanding support of the EPD. In particular, I would like to thank and commend Cmdr. Russell who first met with me back in February and assisted in every phase of our response development and equipment purchases. I would also like to thank Detectives Rust and Ostap, and Officers Leontiev and Velez, who assisted across all three days of the training and offered invaluable expertise and insight to our members. I know I speak for the entire department when I express the pride and respect we have for our brothers in blue as we work "shoulder to shoulder" to better serve the City of Evanston.

9-13-15 Officers Lance Lopez and Efrain Gonzalez

I've written a note of thanks to the two officers who responded to my house alarm earlier today. My neighbors met them outside and told me how thoroughly they investigated the alarm. I really appreciate this willingness to respond with so much patience. As I found out later my neighbor's cat snuck in the house as we were making our way out in the morning, and I was not able to return quickly to check out the alarm. I have lived in Evanston for 16 years and during the handful of times I have had encounters with the police, they have been professional and quick to respond. Thanks to you and the entire force for looking out for our community.

9-14-15 EPD

I would like to express my appreciation to you for placing the "surveillance vehicle" on the corner of Dodge and Simpson. And surprise, surprise, how quiet the sidewalk and corner has become! And the constant foot/bicycle traffic between 2040 Dodge and the convenience store at Darrow has been reduced to a trickle!!! /I have met a lot of good, law abiding people in the neighborhood who just want peace and safety; and I know many people who would like to move to that area. As far as I'm concerned, you can keep that vehicle parked at that corner year round. Thanks again.

9-16-15 Service Desk Officer 311 Sandra Hernandez

I wish to take this opportunity to commend one of the 311 operators. She was friendly, courteous and very patient with this 90 yr. old senior. She went above and beyond to see that I was transferred to the right person. My experience with 311 has always been positive. I believe they are doing their job well. Customer Service is not priority for business today. Whenever I encounter really good service I try to acknowledge it. I think we all like to hear "Job Well Done".

9-16-15 Shannon Sheriff

Caller was pleased when Shannon filled a detail at the Fortnightly North End Mother's club on very short notice. She expressed her appreciation stating, "I greatly appreciate your help and am now confident that everything will fall into place nicely." Shannon diligently worked to fill this detail and her efforts are to be commended. Thank you.

9-22-15 Officers Enjoli Daley and Tanya Jenkins

I would like to thank you for our assistance and the EPD's participation in the 7th Annual Family Fun and Safety Fair. We had a good turnout and absolutely beautiful weather. It was nice to have the officer represent EPD again this year. I hope they found their participation in the event valuable to them and the PD. Again, thank you so much and I look forward to working with you again in the future. If I or anyone in Emergency Medical Services at St. Francis can be of any assistance to you and your officers please don't hesitate to contact me.

9-23-15 Officer William Arzuaga

Just a note to recognize Officer Arzuaga for a job well done on a daily basis. Officer Will came to the library yesterday to conduct one of a few informal question-and-answer sessions with the library employees. He was thorough and patient with his presentation and offered up some great information to our staff. He also clarified several topics for us that had to do with dealing with the library patrons from all different walks of life. We appreciate the services Officer Will and the EPD offer us each day.

9-23-15 Officer Thomas Curtin

Caller says Officer Curtin came to her door last Friday and it made her feel good and protected. She said she meant to call 411 for some restaurant information but called 911 by mistake and even though she hung up the phone, evidently the connection had been made already. She said the officer checked her ID to make sure she was the resident for that address and wanted to make sure all was ok. She is appreciative.

9-25-15 Officer Tanya Jenkins

Caller compliments Officer Jenkins regarding drivers who are speeding in the alleys of Brummel and Dobson Streets.

9-25-15 EPD

We moved to Evanston from the city this summer and so far your fine police department has 1) returned my husband's stolen bike and 2) bought my son a new soccer ball after it rolled under a police SUV. My 3 yr. old son drew the accompanying picture. Thanks for a great welcome to the neighborhood.

10-5-15 EPD

The Lake Street Church of Evanston is sincerely appreciative of your gracious donation to our Hoedown held on September 25, 2015! Your donation and support were very important to us.

- 10-6-15 Officer Stanley Samson
Caller wanted to express how professional officer Samson was while handling a traffic accident that she was involved in. She stated that there are so many negative things being said about law enforcement nowadays and she wanted the Evanston Police Department to know what an awesome job Officer Samson did handling this accident!
- 10-6-15 EPD, Officers Adam Howard and William Arzuaga
Thank you for your support and participation at the co-sponsored Evanston candlelight vigil last week. We look forward to working together on other local and Zeta sponsored events. Please let us know if we can be of assistance in the community. Thank you for coming and for bringing along Officers Howard and Arzuaga; we had good conversations.
- 10-2-15 Officer Adam Howard
I wanted to thank Officer Howard for coming to the Dajae Coleman Weekend, his presence was wonderful and he demonstrated the positive relations which exist with the community but are not highlighted. I will post these on our facebook page also, I hope that your department will like and share also. Thanks
- 10-8-15 Officer Ervin DeLeon and Officer in Training Marco Joseph
Caller compliments the work of Officer DeLeon and Officer in Training Joseph, stating both officers took an accident report involving her and "they were absolutely fantastic and wonderful."
- 10-11-15 Communications Coordinator Curt Kuempel and
Telecommunicator Jesse Ramsay
I would like to thank you all for allowing me to observe the Communications Center on January 12th. I learned a lot of cool things and got to see how the Police and Fire departments are dispatched. We are very fortunate to have dedicated professionals in this town and I hope that this level of service continues. Thank you and hope to see you all this spring for the Citizens Police Academy.
- 10-12-15 EPD
Caller previously requested a special watch for his home during his absence. He thanks EPD for the special watch; stating everything is safe and he feels secure that the police did a good job.
- 10-15-15 Officer Kyle Wideman, Officer Ben Holliman, EPD
Resident stated, as she checked on the officers and gave food and drink to them, "the Evanston Police Department takes care of this city and looks over my home, so I need to take care of you".
- 10-19-15 Sergeant Steven Goldenberg
Caller praised the professional work of Sgt. Goldenberg stating earlier that day the Sergeant responded to a fire investigation and did a really good job of looking at the situation and being compassionate to the family involved. He continued to say that Sgt. Goldenberg's actions were an excellent example of community policing.
- 10-20-15 Officer Nathaniel Basner
Caller compliments the great work of Officer Basner, stating she was involved in an accident and Officer Basner responded to the scene. She appreciated the officer's direct and honest approach, and the way he handled both parties involved very professionally.

10-21-15 Officer Michael Pratt

Caller extends appreciation and compliments to Officer Pratt who responded to a noise complaint. His response was timely and the issue was quickly resolved. In addition, the officer was friendly, informative, and professional. He appreciates the assistance with the noise issue and the way in which it was handled.

10-20-15 Officer Amanda Wright

Teacher at Nichols Middle School for over thirteen years states, especially with all the negative press going on these days, I really wanted to take this opportunity to share my experiences with Officer Wright, the SRO/ Juvenile Detective and liaison between our school and the EPD. I would like to compliment Officer Wright's work ethic, positive attitude, and passion for her profession! Over the years, I have seen her work with a plethora of students, both proactively and responsively. She has a genuine attitude and concern for our students and their futures. It really gives students a chance to get to know and build positive relationships and connections with authority in such a positive way. I would like to add how this helps establish trust at a young age, which is so crucial for so many reasons. Officer Wright has also taken the time to discuss restorative justice and practices and how we can implement this ideology with our staff, students, and parents; it does take a village, and her motivation and enthusiasm as well as her dedication speaks volumes in my book. I would like to take the time and thank Officer Wright for all of her hard work and her vision for a better future. We are truly blessed to have such a trustworthy and considerate detective. Thank you, Chief, for having such an altruistic person in our school systems and taking care of business the right way!

10-21-15 EPD

Card reads, You're (and your department) someone to appreciate. Someone to respect. Someone to be so grateful for. Thank you and your officers for all the times you had to respond to my home (frivolous or not) over the years – it was very much appreciated.

10-9-15 Sergeant Scott Sophier, Officer Random Johnson

The Chicago Police Department's Crime Prevention and Information Center (CPIC) would like to recognize the excellent police work of Officer Random Johnson and Sergeant Scott Sophier. The officers provided information that aided in the apprehension of an offender who unlawfully entered an apartment, took the victim's personal property and attempted to sexually assault the female victim in a Chicago neighborhood. After the incident, CPIC issued an information bulletin. Based on the information, Officer Johnson observed a vehicle matching the information, unoccupied. Vehicle registration information was retrieved and conveyed to Sgt. Sophier, who in turn notified CPIC of the discovery. Personnel of Chicago's 24th District arrested a subject who was positively identified as the offender in the home invasion, residential burglary, and sexual assault. Officer Johnson and Sergeant Sophier deserve special recognition for their detailed observations and their subsequent coordination with the CPIC. With your officers assistance a sexual predator was charged accordingly and the victim and her family are very grateful of the efforts of all the law enforcement members who helped in the investigation of this crime.

9-11-15 EPD

Letter reads: Dear Evanston Police Department thank you for protecting the City of Evanston. I'm a fifth grader in the suburbs of Chicago. Since today is the anniversary of 9-11 and we are writing to heroes, I picked you. I picked you because you are heroes and my sister and dad work in Evanston. My sister is an evidence technician for EPD. Thank you for keeping a lot of my family and friends safe in Evanston. Please keep up the good work.

10-20-15 Commander Ryan Glew, Detectives Aaron Wernick and Thomas Giese
The Lincolnwood Police Department responded to a residence in the 3900 block of Chase Ave. for non-responsive one-month-old infant. Paramedics arrived at the scene and determined the infant had died. Based on the age of the infant and circumstances surrounding her death, we requested NORTAF activation. Numerous personnel responded to this incident including Ryan Glew, Tom Giese and Aaron Wernick from EPD. The compassion and empathy displayed by all personnel during this tragic and painful event provided comfort to the family of the infant. The professionalism and dedication of the personnel who responded to assist with this delicate situation went above and beyond all expectations. I am proud to belong to an organization represented by such and extraordinary group of men and women. I would like to personally thank you and your member for their assistance with this investigation.

10-20-15 Detective Aaron Wernick
I would like to express my appreciation for the assistance provided by Detective Wernick. Lincolnwood Police responded to Lincolnwood Centennial Park and located a partially decomposed body. Activation of the North Regional Major Crimes Task Force was requested. The professionalism and dedication of the personnel who responded to assist with this investigation was exemplary. Please express my appreciation to Detective Wernick for the assistance he provided to our Department.

11-9-15 Officers Michael Mangas and Brandon Marx
Thank you to the two policemen who came to talk to me when I needed to talk and no one was around. You all are and always have been going through so much pressure from many sides! Just wanted you to know every day I pass by the station, I pray for all of you! For myself, prayer is the one thing I can believe in and will do for all or you!

10-28-15 Officer Michael Scheck
I wanted to thank an officer for helping to answer a couple questions I had about testing for police officer jobs. Would you be able to forward ... Officer Mike Scheck.

11-13-15 Animal Warden David Rose
I would like to commend David Rose of Animal Control. I called the police for help as my dog had passed away during the night. I live in a three floor walk-up and could not carry my dog's body downstairs to my car to take to the vet. Mr. Rose was asked to come and help me. He was most respectful and compassionate with my dear dog's body carrying it down to where my car was parked. It was an extremely difficult time for me and I am so grateful for his kind support.

11-17-15 Officer Jeremy Nieman
Caller states she thanks Officer Nieman for coming to take her information. She states she is the victim of a scam, Officer Nieman was kind, gentle, and thoughtful while getting her information, and she is so thankful. Also stating Chief Eddington was gracious to send someone out to her right away.

11-19-15 Officer Kyle Popp and EPD
Caller states there was an incident at his building referencing domestic abuse. He "thanks the cops for being thoughtful", stating they were kind, nice, and professional while going into the building; and he appreciated their assistance. He also stated he has always had pleasant interaction with the Evanston Police.

11-18-15 Sergeant Tracy Williams
Driver Jasmina Redzovic called EPD to compliment Sgt. T. Williams stating earlier that morning she was stopped by the sergeant for speeding, and despite being issued a citation,

she wanted to thank the sergeant for being courteous. She added that "Sgt. Williams is a great sergeant."

11-23-15 Service Desk Officer Daneke Anderson
Email states, "I had recently come to your department to fill out a deceptive practice report for my missing wallet at your front desk. It's an issue that I am to this very moment still dealing with, but not worried as the situation shall clear itself up eventually. Overall I wanted to say thanks for your assistance in person and educating me on the process. I mentioned I did move here from St. Louis and I did leave a career in law enforcement (telecommunications) and I was still seeking similar employment. The hospitality of your coworkers left a positive impression".

11-17-15 Sergeant Gil Levy, Detectives Steven Klopack, Christopher Tortorello, Christopher Tamburrino, and Officer Adam Kozlowski
This letter is to express our gratitude for the assistance provided by the Evanston Police Department on the evening of November 12, 2015. On that date, members of the Skokie Police Department were executing a search warrant in Evanston. In the weeks leading up to the search warrant, the Skokie and Evanston Police Departments received information that the target of the investigation was observed with multiple firearms in his possession, one of which was an assault rifle. Due to this information, it was apparent that an ordinary breach would potentially result in greater danger to all involved. The EPD officers provided invaluable assistance throughout and were instrumental in determining whether the target was inside prior to entry. Their professionalism and willingness to support our operation was appreciated and reflects highly on the Evanston Police Department. If there is ever a time where your Department needs assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us.

11-12-15 Service Desk Officer Jack Martin, Telecommunicator Richard Clucas, Police Officers Sean Serviss and Mark Mizell
Thank you again for "rescuing" my purse! I appreciate your help and good humor. Blessings to you and your fellow officers. Be safe!

11-24-15 Commander Thomas Moore, Officer Mark VanDermeir and Officer Daniel Keeler
I would like to express my appreciation for the assistance provided by the officers when Lincolnwood Police department responded to a personal injury crash involving a vehicle and a pedal cyclist. A request was made for an activation of the NORTAF Major Crash Assistance Team. The prompt response and expertise of your personnel is greatly appreciated. The professionalism and dedication of the personnel who responded to assist with this investigation was exemplary. Please express my appreciation to your officers for the assistance they provided to our department.

12-8-15 EPD
Caller states she wants to give a thank you to the whole department! She has been a resident in Evanston for thirty two years and is pleased with the police department.

12-8-15 Animal Warden David Rose
Just a note to compliment Officer Rose, he is truly a nice person, very responsive, polite, always with a smile on his face, and very kind with my dog, all dogs for that matter. We are very fortunate to have people like this gentleman around! Thank you so much and I hope you guys let him know how well like he is, and what a great job he does! Thanks again and Happy Holidays!

11-3-15 Detective Anna Ostap, Officers Vycheslav Leontiev and Luis Velez
Gurnee Police Officers responded to a residence and determined that a homicide had taken place. Assistance was requested from nearby communities, as well as NIPAS and the Major Crime Task Force, which resulted in the offender being arrested without incident and charged with first degree murder. ON behalf of the Gurnee Police Department, please accept my thanks for the expert assistance provided by officers of EPD. It is good to know that we can rely on you for instances of this nature. Please extend my thanks to the officers for their efforts professionalism, and commitment. This cooperation between departments proved invaluable. Please do not hesitate to contact me, or any member of my staff, for any assistance needed in the future. We stand ready to reciprocate should the need arise.

12-7-15 Officers Ewa Bonislawski and Heidi Bernhardt
On behalf of Chicagoland Toys for Tots I would like to thank you for attending the parade and your department for all your support. Your department's presence and support of this program has inspired other police department to participate in this great cause. Your participation has had a huge impact on the success of this program. I have received a lot of positive feedback from both civilians and law enforcement professionals in your area. Area departments such as yours are the key to raising awareness and bringing the community together to help others in need. I have no doubt that next year's program will grow even more due to your help. Great officers and staff members stem from great support and command. I am very proud of your officers. They represented your department with integrity, respect, and honor. There are trying times for law enforcement professionals. Your officers were able to present themselves in a professional manner and interact positively with the public on a grand scale. I look forward to working with you and your department again in 2016! Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays.

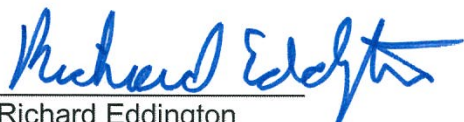
12-15-15 Officer Grace Carmichael
I wanted to take this opportunity to express my sincerest gratitude to a highly commendable Evanston Police Officer. This officer has been involved in dealing with my 20 year old daughter's disruption of my household due to anxiety and other related conditions. In two instances, Officer Carmichael handled the situation so graciously that it was amazing to see the level of kindness, compassion, and care a police officer is capable of portraying. During the entire episode of what was going on with my daughter, my 8 year old was terrified. He thought his sister was going to be taken away to jail. But in fact, after Officer Carmichael took the time to explain to him in the elementary language that he would comprehend, he was extremely comforted by her efforts. She not only, set my daughter into a place in a way that calmed her demeanor, and allowed her to rationally react to her behavior, but also, was stern with her enough to understand that this will be the last time, things will be so nice. We all can agree that this day and age, that our young adults in our household are not at the most stable state of mind, due to society's burdens. I have spoken to many parents and I am getting the same feedback from them and what they experience with their children in the similar age group. Needless to say, Officer Carmichael had gone above and beyond the call of duty in both instances and I would like it to be heard by the Alderman's office as well as commending her in every possible way. She deserves and outstanding merit and I truly hope that she will receive a wonderful recognition.

12-16-15 Towing Coordinator Reinaldo Rebollar
I've had to install two child seats in the last four years, and on both occasions Officer Rebollar has done it for me. He was incredibly professional and police on both occasions. I came up today – without an appointment – and he still managed to squeeze me in. What a nice guy and what an asset for your department.

12-15-15 Officer Michael Pratt

Please let this letter serve as a commendation. I got a professional, competent, intelligent officer to handle my complaint. He responded when I had an emergency. Not only was he polite and professional, but he saw to it that I got home safely. Please thank Officer Pratt.

Thanks to everyone who courteously and professionally responded to the citizens of Evanston. The impact of your interaction aided in the cultivation of a stronger bond between the Community and Police Department, which in turn promoted the Partnership philosophy.



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