

FRANKLIN PARK POLICE DEPARTMENT

2013

ANNUAL REPORT



Michael Witz
Chief of Police

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MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Franklin Park Police Department:

- Is to provide professional, knowledgeable, and thorough law enforcement service to ensure the safety and well being of all people, with constant awareness of the diverse needs of individuals and the community.
- Our officers will work in partnership with its citizens to achieve a spirit of cooperation and mutual respect for the betterment of the community.
- We will embrace a foundation of integrity and a code of ethics to provide the highest standard of quality of life.



From the Chiefs Desk.....

On behalf of the men and women of the Franklin Park Police Department I am pleased to present the 2013 Annual Report. The primary purpose in publishing this report is to provide our community with an awareness of the challenges that law enforcement faces and how we utilize our resources to meet those challenges. This report summarizes crime and accident trends along with police programs within the police department so as to familiarize our community and those interested in our community with our law enforcement agency.

On The Cover – The newly constructed 36,000 square foot police headquarters that includes a firing range, a state of the art criminal evidence work area, covered parking for 24 police vehicles, a fitness center, meeting room that can accommodate 258 persons, a cistern, permeable pavers, porous concrete drive ways all on an incredible 13 1/2 acre site that has walk/run paths and two large retention ponds.

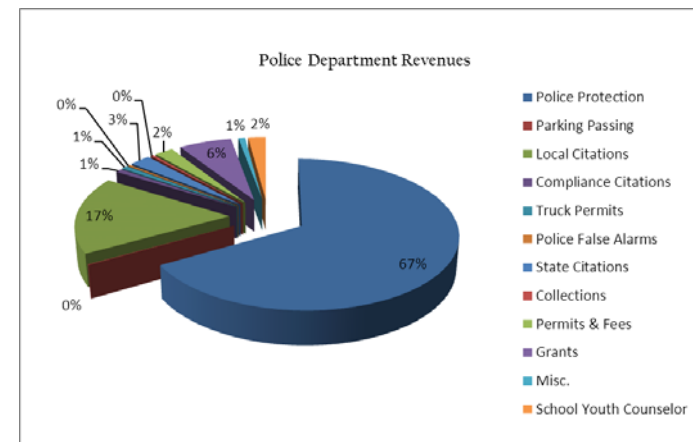
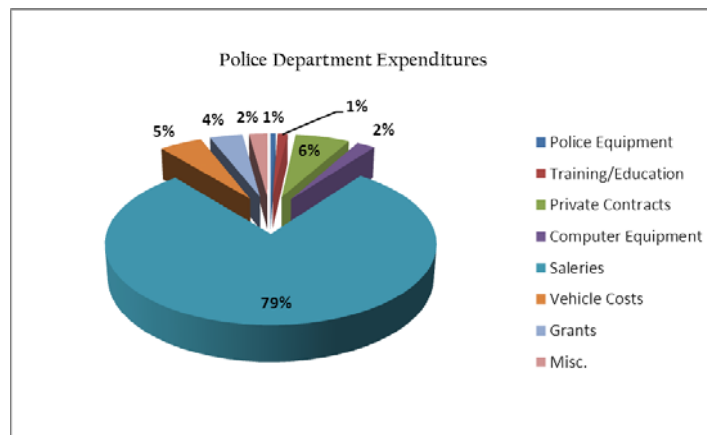
Many accomplishments were achieved by the police department in 2013:

- New Police Head Quarters earns LEED Gold certification from the USBGC (United States Green Building Council)



- Police Department earned the ILEAS Preparedness Award, awarded for the department's ability to respond to disasters, one of the first in the state to receive such recognition.

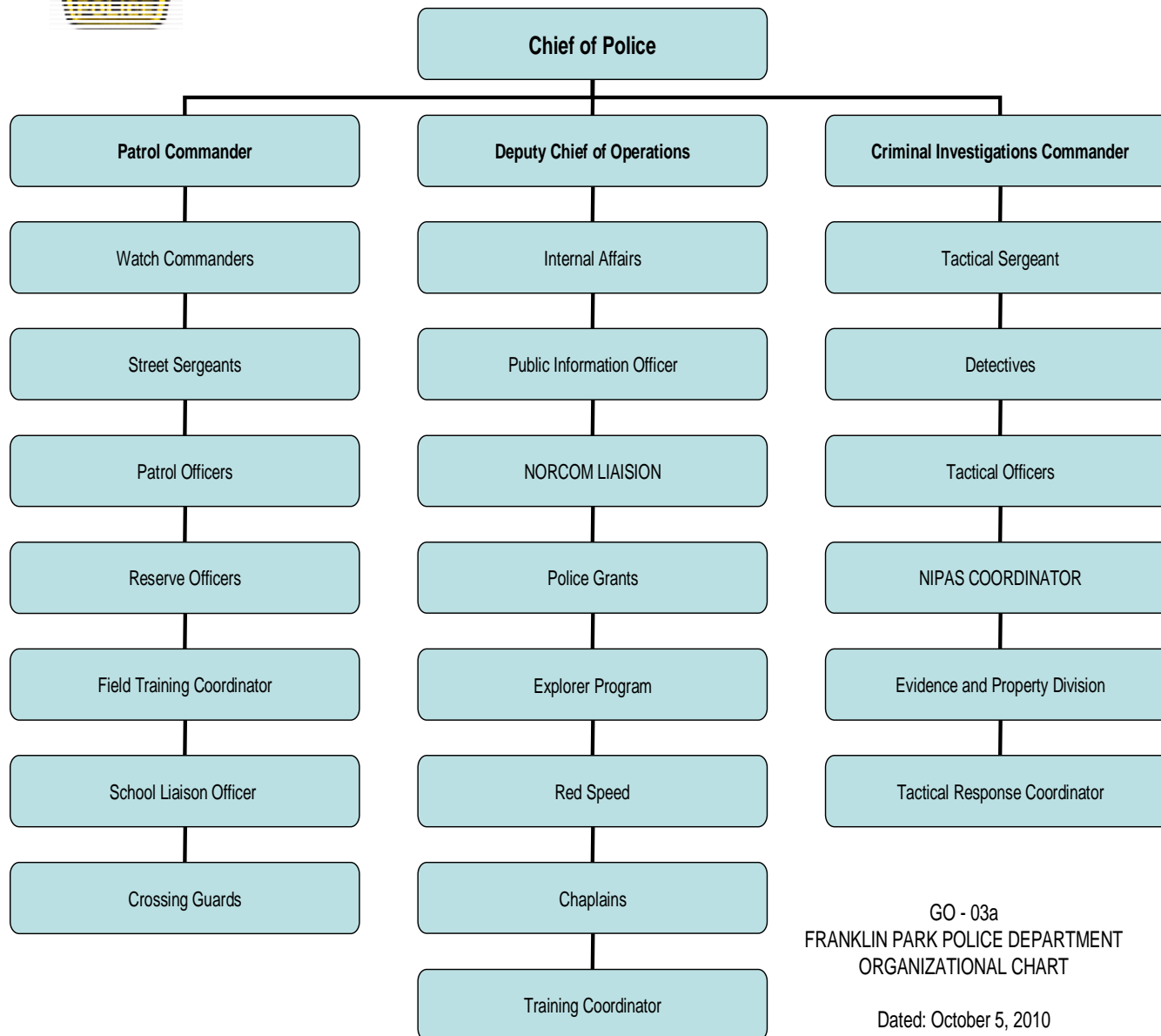
- The police department was able to build a firing range in the new police station using Drug Asset Forfeiture Funds which resulted in a savings of over \$380,000.00 to the overall budget.
- The police department utilized asset Drug Asset Forfeiture Funds to equip the fitness center for the officers, much of the equipment was purchased through Life Fitness a local company.
- A new Breathalyzer machine was purchased using funds from DUI arrests.
- Received \$22,700 from the Illinois Department of Transportation for enforcement of seat belt and driving under the influence.
- Received from the Bulletproof Vest Partnership Program: \$5,138.00 The Bulletproof Vest Partnership initiative provides critical resources to state, local, and tribal jurisdictions for the sole purpose of purchasing body armor for sworn law enforcement officers.
- Received from the Tobacco Enforcement Program: \$1,980.00. Through this program, grants are awarded to communities to conduct retail education and enforcement programs. Each year, the \$1 million appropriation has enabled the Commission to support community-based efforts through the distribution of 10,000 tobacco retailer kits and the completion of 17,000 compliance checks.
- Received through the Private Foundation Grant 3 IPADS a year, for the next three years when the department converts a project from paper to paperless. This is a foundational grant that emphasizes green initiatives.



Police Department Staff

Chief Michael Witz 30 Years of Service
Commander Michael Konwinski 24 Years of Service
Sergeant Jack Krecker 28 Years of Service
Sergeant John Ford 21 Years of Service
Sergeant Joseph O'Connor 15 Years of Service
Officer Scott Ptacek 25 Years of Service
Officer Norm Carli 24 Years of Service
Officer Don Kaminski 23 Years of Service
Officer Steve Ross 22 Years of Service
Officer Lara Hill 19 Years of Service
Officer Chris Sardo 17 Years of Service
Officer James Figueroa 17 Years of Service
Officer Brian Dziewinski 14 Years of Service
Detective Dan Morys 13 Years of Service
Officer Nicholas Yracheta 10 Years of Service
Detective Tom Ferris 9 Years of Service
Tactical Officer Don Giuliano 6 Years of Service
Tactical Officer Dan Velazquez 6 Years of Service
Officer Todd Morin 6 Years of Service
Officer Jenna Swendsen hired September 8, 2011
Officer Nicolas Tomas hired January 7, 2013
Officer Rose Pietkiewicz hired April 5, 2013
Officer Richard Adamski hired April 5, 2013
Officer Franco Botallico hired June 21, 2013
Admin. Assistant Marlene Holland 19 years of service

Deputy Chief Phil Ruch 26 Years of Service
Commander Robert Wright 23 Years of Service
Sergeant Joseph Vallejo 26 Years of Service
Sergeant Robert Jensen 19 Years of Service
Sergeant Steve Witnik 11 Years of Service
Officer Dave Wnek 24 Years of Service
Officer Darren Glover 24 Years of Service
Officer Ray Page 23 Years of Service
Officer Michael Czernia 21 Years of Service
Officer Brian Gillespie 18 Years of Service
Officer Chris Quiroga 17 Years of Service
Officer Rob Emmett 14 Years of Service
Detective Dan Morys 13 Years of Service
Detective Vito Busse 13 Years of Service
Officer Russ Klug 10 Years of Service
Officer Melissa Jones 9 Years of Service
Tactical Officer Tomasz Klos 6 Years of Service
Officer Carlos Lazcano 6 Years of Service
Officer Joe Gulino 6 Years of Service
Officer Dan Vega hired September 14, 2011
Officer Matt Bowes hired March 15, 2013
Officer Brian Palacios hired April 5, 2013
Officer Michael Leone hired April 5, 2013
Officer Eduardo Hower hired October 4, 2013
Evidence Tech. Fred Dede 19 Years of Service



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FRANKLIN PARK POLICE DEPARTMENT
ORGANIZATIONAL CHART

Dated: October 5, 2010

2013 OFFICER OF THE YEAR

Officer Joseph Gulino was selected as this year's Police Officer of the Year. Officer Joseph Gulino has been with the police department for 6 years and served as a Patrol Officer.



Auxiliary Police

Auxiliary Officer Means part-time, at will, volunteer employees of the Department, regardless of title, however, are not members of the regular department (65 ILCS 5/3 1-30-20).

(a) Auxiliary officers may be assigned the following duties within the department:

1. Aiding or directing traffic.
2. Aiding in control of natural or manmade disasters.
3. Aiding in case of civil disorders as directed by the Chief of Police or his/her designee.
4. Normal and regular police duties only when assigned by the Chief of Police or his/her designee when it is impractical for regular sworn members of the department to perform such duties.

(b) Auxiliary officers will not supplement regular sworn members of the police department in the performance of their assigned duties, except as provided for in the Illinois Compiled Statutes.

(c) Auxiliary officers do not have conservator of the peace powers as recognized by statute as such powers are withheld by the Village of Franklin Park Code of Ordinances, Title 5, and Section 213.

Conservators of the Peace Powers "' The statutory authority granting auxiliary officers the authority to arrest or cause to be arrested, with or without process, all persons who break the peace and are found violating any municipal ordinance or any criminal law of the state.

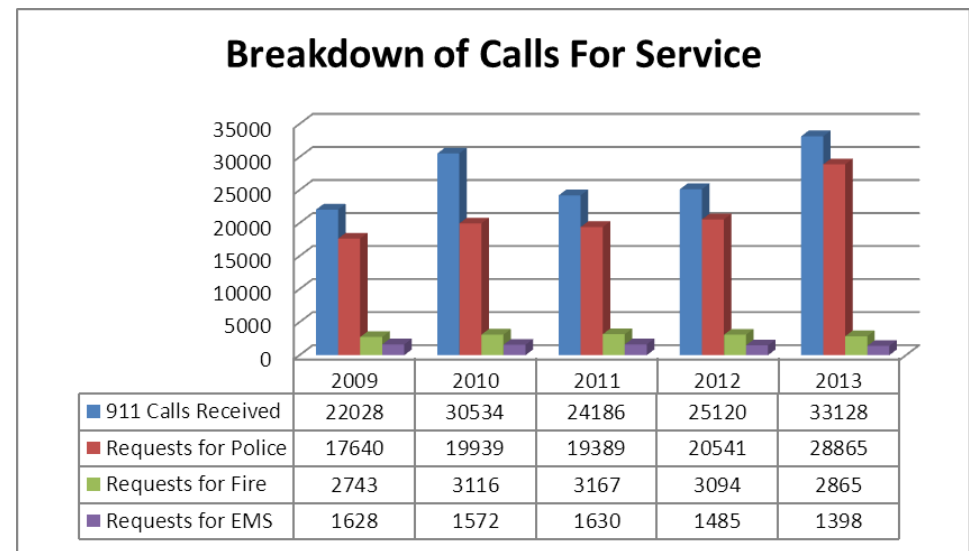
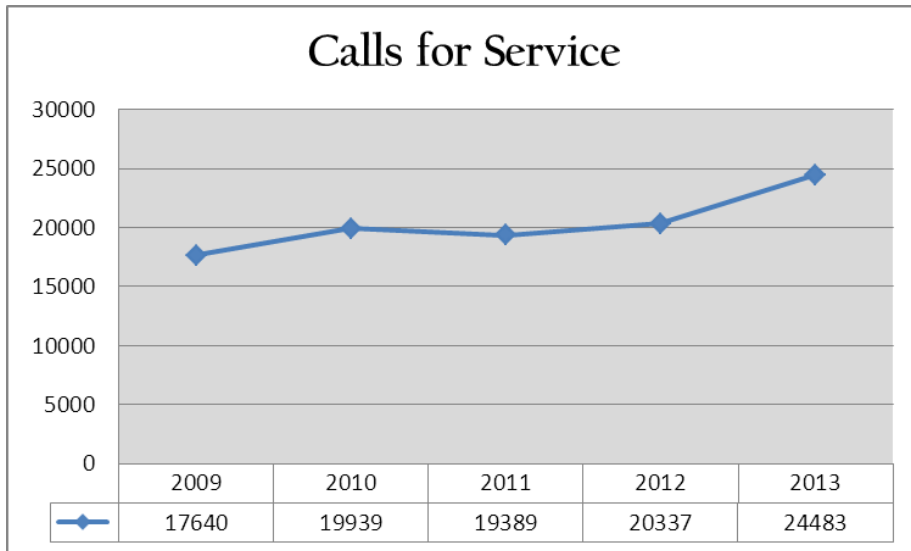
Auxiliary officers are appointed annually by the village mayor. Newly appointed auxiliary officers must complete and attend a state certified 40 hour firearms training class, handcuffing, baton, OC spray training, and a 40 hour modified field training program with a state certified field training officer.

Auxiliary Police Staff

Reserve Officer Tadeusz Adamczyk 12 Years of Service
Reserve Officer Jose Cabral 15 Years of Service
Reserve Officer Ewa Dogiec hired December 1, 2010
Reserve Officer Monica Gasienica hired September 16, 2013
Reserve Officer Jorge Higareda hired September 17, 2012
Reserve Officer Charles Jedlink 19 Years of Service
Reserve Officer Erickson Krueger hired November 7, 2011
Reserve Officer Raymond Nardi 4 Years of Service
Reserve Officer Tom Post 4 Years of Service
Reserve Officer Saverio Sassanelli December 1, 2010
Reserve Officer John Siracuse 19 Years of Service
Reserve Officer George Tselos hired October 24, 2010
Reserve Officer Euligio Velez hired August 16, 2010

Reserve Officer Joseph Borrini hired September 16, 2013
Reserve Officer Karen Casillas hired September 16, 2013
Reserve Officer James Flak hired September 16, 2013
Reserve Officer Tom Gorzkowicz hired November 7, 2011
Reserve Officer Albin Huczek 27 Years of Service
Reserve Officer Anthony Korus hired November 15, 2010
Reserve Officer Sean Milnes November 7, 2011
Reserve Officer Robert O'Donnell 4 Years of Service
Reserve Officer Albert Raczy 16 Years of Service
Reserve Officer Giuseppe Scarpelli hired August 16, 2010
Reserve Officer Mariela Teliz hired August 16, 2010
Reserve Officer Ezequiel Valdovinos January 1, 2013
Reserve Officer Rene Villareal hired November 7, 2011

CALLS FOR SERVICE



The Calls for Service Graph indicates the number of police calls that the police department responds to yearly. These calls range from a parking complaint to an armed robbery.

The Patrol Division which is primarily responsible to respond to calls for service is made up of:

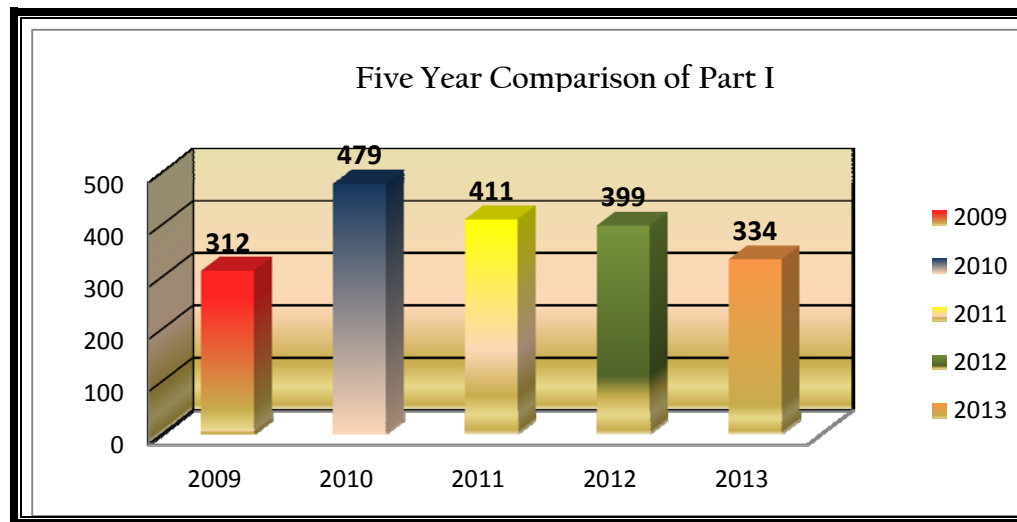
- 1 Division Commander
- 3 Watch Commanders
- 2 Street Sergeants
- 30 Patrol Officers

These officers work an eight hour shift and what is referred to as a 6/2 schedule, meaning they work 6 days straight for 4 weeks with two days off then work two weeks of five days straight with three straight days off.

The Patrol Division is the most visible part of the Franklin Park Police Department which acts as a deterrent to crime and provides a sense of security. As the largest division within the police department, the Patrol Division provides the first response to emergency and non-emergency calls for service. Patrol is the front line and backbone of the Franklin Park Police Department.

Added responsibilities include the detection and prevention of crime, traffic accident investigation, traffic enforcement and neighborhood patrol. Officers that are assigned to patrol have added duty assignments which may include Field Training Officer, Evidence Technician, accident reconstruction, firearms instructors and other disciplines.

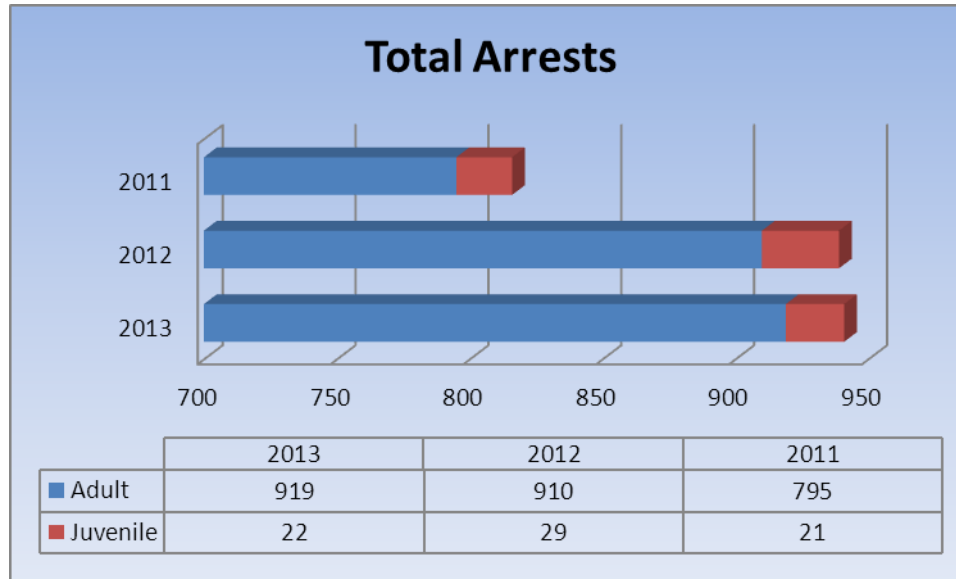
Illinois Uniform Crime Report Statistics



Part I Offenses

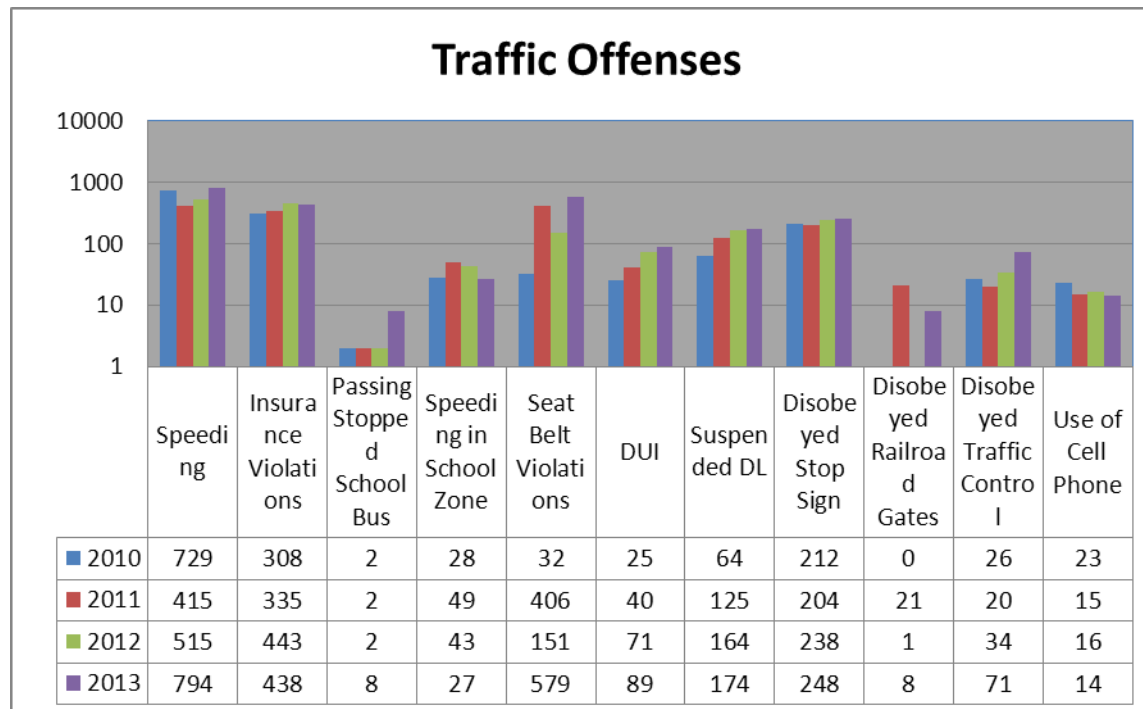
	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Homicide	0	0	0	0	0
Criminal Sexual Assault	6	6	7	4	7
Robbery	2	8	8	5	3
Aggravated Assault/Battery	12	6	17	18	11
Burglary	59	72	81	91	46
Theft	191	335	265	237	213
Motor Vehicle Theft	42	50	30	42	50
Arson	0	2	3	2	4
Total	312	479	411	399	334

The Illinois Uniform Crime Reporting (I-UCR) Program was developed in 1971 and implemented on January 1, 1972. The Franklin Park Police Department participates in the collection of crime data for submission to the Illinois State Police. Crime data is submitted on a monthly basis. The Illinois State Police was given the responsibility to act as the central repository for crime statistics. Reporting crime statistics is mandated by Chapter 20 of the Illinois Compiled Statutes, 2630/8.



TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT

The table depicts the number of citations issued for each respective offense:



The above table depicts the most commonly issued citations known as “moving violations”. These citations are issued when an officer makes a self initiated traffic stop, an investigatory stop or during an accident investigation. Unless a complainant or witness wishes to sign a traffic citation, officers have the discretion when to issue a traffic citation.

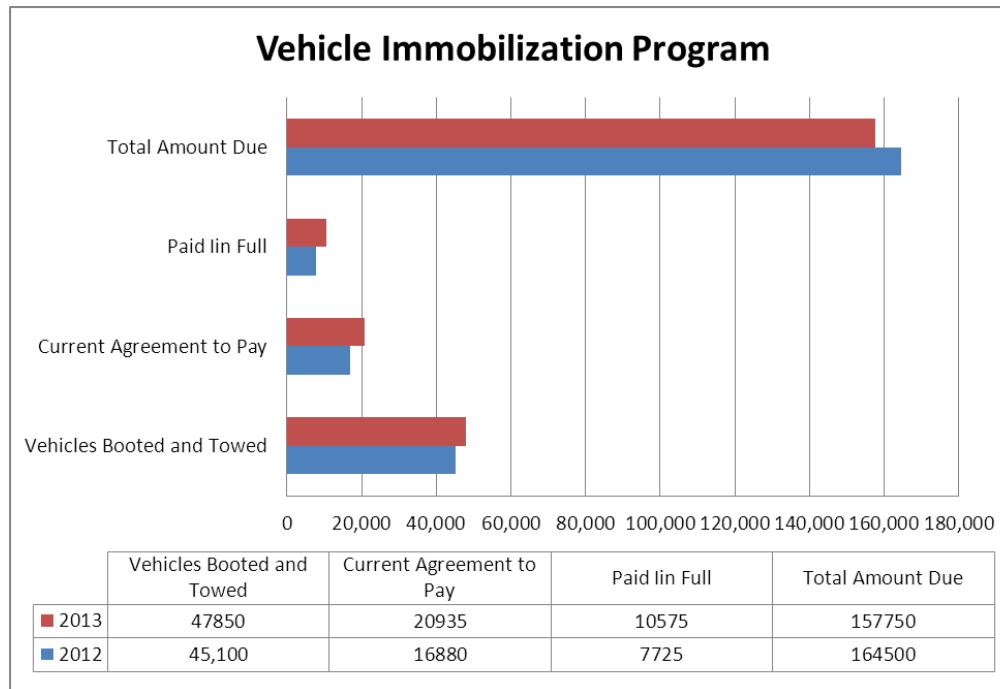
Motorist who are issued a citation are given two options to resolve the citation:

- A Diversion option which could be issued for minor violations. This type of citation allows the violator to pay the ticket in advance of the court date and receive supervision.
- A mandatory court appearance where the violator must appear in court before a judge and have their case heard.

Monies generated from tickets are dispersed between state, county and local funds.

VEHICLE IMMOBILIZATION:

In 2012, the Village of Franklin Park re-established a vehicle immobilization program, better known as the boot program. Vehicles become boot-eligible when a registered owner accrues ten (10) or more unpaid parking tickets in final determination status. If the debt is not paid within 48 hours of booting, the vehicle is eligible to be towed and impounded. In addition to a boot fee, towing and storage fees are incurred once a vehicle has been impounded. All final determinations of parking, standing, compliance liability issued to any vehicle registered in the name of the registered owner must be paid in full or enter into an agreement to pay, before the owner's booted or towed vehicle will be released.



TRUCK ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM

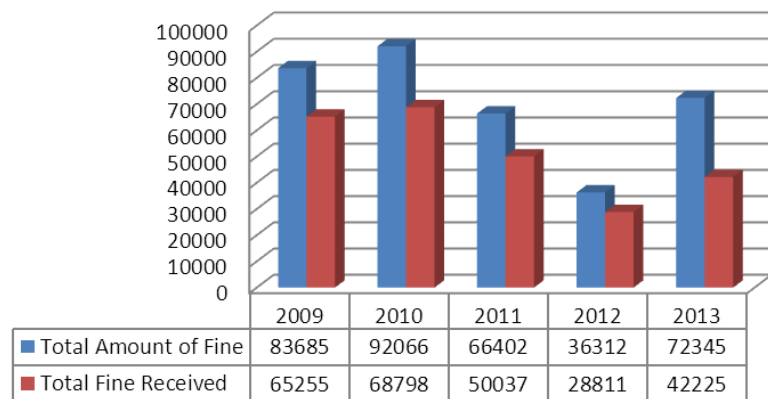
The police department currently has four officers certified by the State of Illinois to inspect trucks for weight.

These officers during their regular tours of duty monitor trucks and upon stopping a truck conduct various checks of both the vehicle and driver's log.

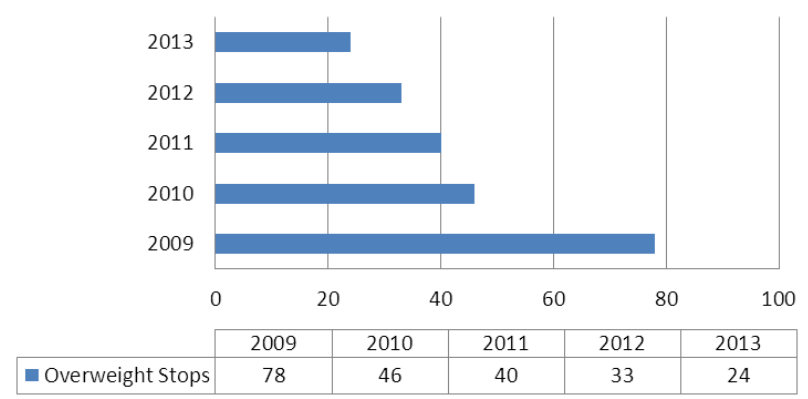
During the truck inspection a truck in violation may be brought to a scale that has been approved by the department of agriculture to weigh a truck.

If a truck is found to be over the weight allowed by Illinois Statue a citation shall be issued and the truck may have to reduce some of its load before it continues traveling the roads of Illinois.

Overweight Yearly Fine Totals



Overweight Stops



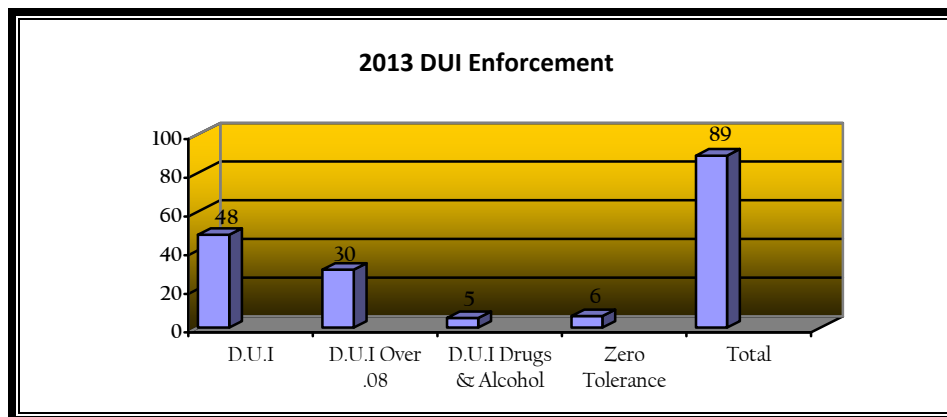
The functions of the truck enforcement program include:

♦ **Commercial Drivers Licensing (CDL)** -Large vehicles such as concrete mixer's, gravel trucks, and other semi-truck vehicles require the drivers to have Commercial Drivers Licenses, CDL). To obtain a CDL, the person(s) takes extensive tests through the Secretary of State to receive the proper classifications to drive said vehicles. The truck unit assures that the drivers are properly classified and qualified to drive these vehicles.

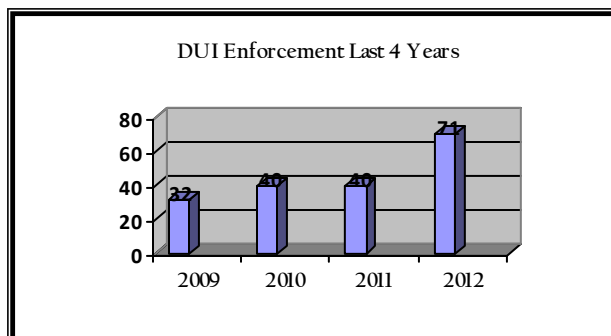
♦ **Equipment Inspections-** During a routine stop of a Commercial Vehicle, the Truck Enforcement Unit will check the equipment, registration, load, insurance, and any other paperwork that is required by law. It is important that these vehicles are safe to be driven on all roadways. Commercial vehicles are subject to a more in-depth inspection by the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT). If these vehicles do not have the proper inspections, they are subject to citations. If the vehicle is in such a condition to pose a danger to other motorists, the truck unit will have the vehicle put out of service by the Illinois State Police.

♦ **Weight Inspections-** Large semi-trucks and commercial vehicles can cause a substantial amount of damage to the village roadways due to the size, and gross weight of the vehicle. A fully loaded semi-truck allowed on village roadway can legally carry 73,280 lbs. This one truck creates more "wear and tear" on the roads than 50,000 passenger cars. The truck enforcement unit monitors these weights and often has these vehicles weigh at approved locations. If these vehicles exceed their weight limits they are cited and often have to remove the load which creates the hazard. In DuPage County a truck that exceeds weight law by 10,000 lbs can be fined up to \$5,000.00 dollars. Fines are proportionally increased to the weight the vehicle exceeds the maximum allowed.

DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE ENFORCEMENT



DUI Offenses	2013
DUI	48
DUI - Over .08	30
DUI Drugs & Alcohol	5
Zero Tolerance	6
Totals	89



2009	2010	2011	2012
32	40	40	71

Impaired driving, which means driving while your ability is affected by alcohol or drugs, is a crime under the Illinois Vehicle Code. Driving while intoxicated is dangerous and drivers with high blood alcohol content are at greatly increased risk of car accidents, highway injuries, and vehicular deaths. There has been a public outcry for aggressive enforcement of drunk driving laws. Unfortunately, in spite of great progress, DUI remains a serious national and local concern.

The Franklin Park Police Department has remained committed to the enforcement of drunk driving laws. Taking a proactive approach, the department participates in the Sustained Traffic Enforcement Program (STEP). STEP is designed to reduce the incident of motor vehicle crashes and their resulting injuries and fatalities through increased enforcement of safety belt restraint and impaired driving laws. Such enforcement has proven very successful resulting in numerous DUI, drug and traffic violations.

CLICK-IT or TICK-IT Program

Several times during the year the Franklin Park Police Department in cooperation with the Illinois Department of Transportation participates in a state wide program to increase the awareness amongst drivers on seat belt usage.

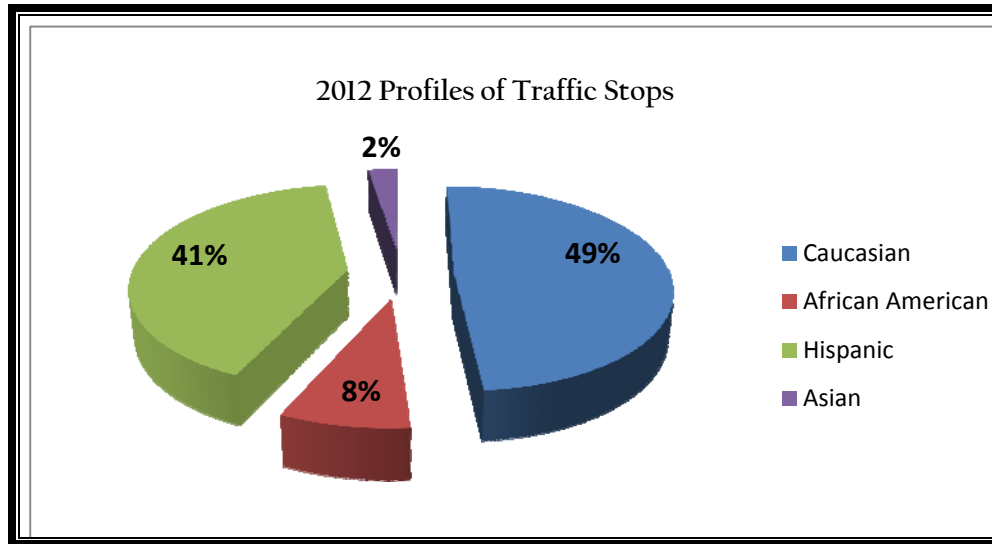
In 2013 the police department received a grant in the amount of \$22,700 from the Illinois Department of Transportation to fund additional manning for the enforcement of seat belt usage.



TRAFFIC STOP DATA AND COLLECTION ANALYSIS

In 2003 Illinois put into law a 4 year statewide study of traffic stops to collect data to identify racial bias. The study began on January 1, 2004 and was originally scheduled to expire on December 31, 2007. However Public Act 96-0658 has extended the Illinois Traffic Stop Study. All Illinois law enforcement agencies must continue to collect and submit traffic stop data until July 1, 2015.

Below are the results of this study for the Franklin Park Police Department for the years 2008 to 2012, 2013 data will not be available until July of 2014.



<u>Year</u>	<u>Total Number of Stops</u>	<u>Caucasian Driver</u>	<u>Minority Driver</u>
2008	6,615	3,340	3,276
2009	5,325	2,752	2,573
2010	4,120	2,078 (50.44%)	2,042 (49.56%)
2011	2,935	1,278 (43.54%)	1,657 (56.46%)
2012	4,009	1,948 (48.59%)	2,061 (51.41%)

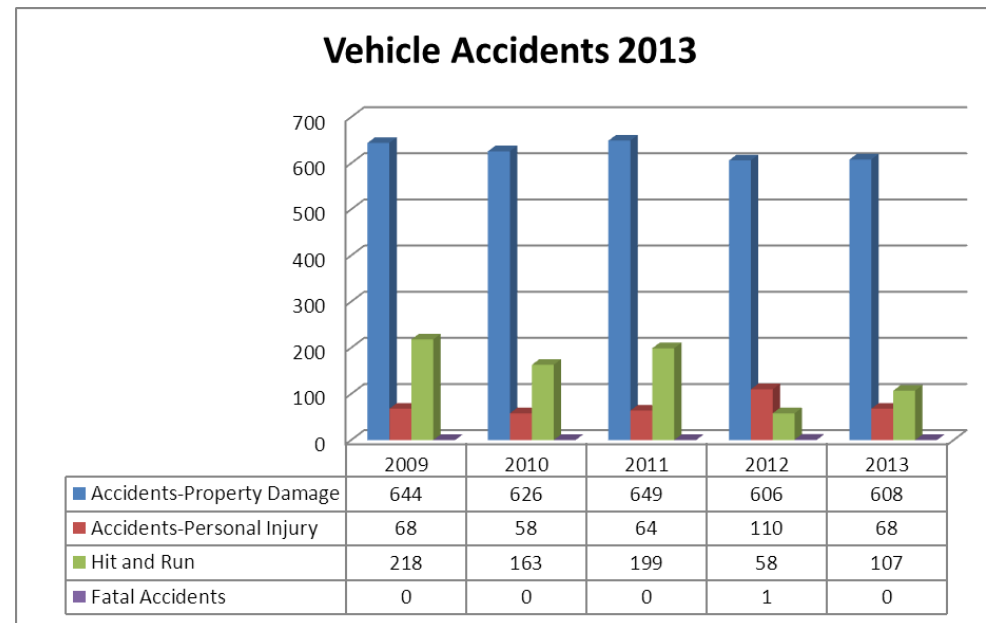
<u>Reason for Stop:</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>
Moving Violation	4,197	3,394	2,496	2,935	6,631
Equipment Violation	1,776	1,364	1,293	847	1,060
License / Registration Violation	643	567	331	227	324

<u>Outcome of Stop:</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>
Citation	3,697	2,608	2,137	1,485	1,885
Verbal Warning	2,919	2,717	1,976	1432	2,118
Number of Consent Vehicle Searches	8	3	10	164	142

Biased policing erodes public trust in the Police, clearly alienates large segments of those we are sworn to serve, and violates the constitution and laws of this country. The Franklin Park Police Department has developed policy which reaffirms the department's commitment to unbiased policing in all encounters between police officers and citizens, and to reinforce procedures that serve to maintain public confidence and trust. Written policy operational practices, training, and supervision are part of a multi-faceted strategy to provide services in a fair and equitable fashion that reflect positive policing values.

Traffic stop data is not only reported to IDOT, but it is used internally by supervisors to analyze an officer's performance for "internal consistency." For example is the citation/warning rate similar for caucasian's and minorities? This analysis provides a means of identifying red flags for officers that may display a disproportionate of stops for a particular race.

TRAFFIC CRASH DATA



The primary purpose for reporting traffic crashes is so the Illinois Department of Transportation may obtain data and determine whether, or not a specific location in the community needs improvements in roadway lighting, and design for the safety of drivers and pedestrians using the road.

The report aids law enforcement to review the data and possibly increasing a presence in the area to reduce certain violations. The report provides written documentation for the involved parties insurance companies.

The police department utilizes a program called DOCVIEW, which enables copies of traffic crash reports to be faxed from the police department directly to the company for viewing and copying by insurance companies and law firms. DOCVIEW is at no cost to the village and we receive fees for those that request copy's of reports. Over 700 law enforcement agencies use DOCVIEW services.

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS DIVISION

The Criminal Investigations Division is primarily responsible for conducting follow-up investigations of all criminal incidents reported to the Franklin Park Police Department. Currently the division has 1 Commander, 1 Tactical Sergeant 4 Detectives and 3 Tactical Officers assigned to the unit.

The detective follows up on both adult and juvenile incidents that are reported to the police department. Each detective is assigned his own case load and assist, the other detectives when called upon.

In an effort to more efficiently manage our department, any member of our agency who is certified as a juvenile officer is authorized in resolving and adjudicating issues with juveniles.

Tactical officers initiate their own cases or follow-up on leads from the community.

The primary responsibility of the tactical unit is to address gangs, narcotics and prostitution within the community.

The division has one administrative assistant who completes the tracking of data, records and postings of information between officers, the courts, the state and federal agencies.

Major Investigations in 2013

In March 2013 a Residential Burglary occurred in the 2900 block of Hawthorn was reported to the police. Officer responded and found several items stolen from a home. The home was equipped with video which filmed one of the offenders handling a glass bottle. The bottle was collected and preserved as evidence. As the investigation continued, a neighboring police department arrested three people on an unrelated burglary charge. While being questioned one of the suspect admitted to committing a burglary in Franklin Park. Franklin Park investigators were notified and the suspect was questioned. During that time Franklin Park investigators obtained a written confession that lead to two adults being charged for burglary. Both suspects were sentenced to two years of probation.

In April 2013 a Residential Burglary in the 10500 block of Grand. A homeowner returned from a trip to find his residence burglarized. Through the process of witness interviews investigators were able to develop the name of a possible suspect. By running the suspects name through a data base, made available to law enforcement, investigators found that the suspect pawned two items taken in the burglary. Those items were recovered from the pawn shop and the suspect was brought in for questioning. During questioning the suspect admitted to his involvement in the burglary. He was charged with burglary and the case was dismissed after the homeowner failed to show up for court.

In April 2013 investigated a Domestic Disturbance that was found to also be a Grow House 9600 block of Grand Avenue. During the investigation of the domestic disturbance officers smelled a very strong odor of cannabis coming from the residence. The victim from the domestic disturbance allowed police in the residence where they discovered a bedroom dedicated as marijuana grow room. Police removed 3 marijuana plants along with grow lights, warming elements, potting soil, fans and chemicals used to enhance the growth of marijuana. The initial suspect from the domestic disturbance was arrested and charged for illegal possession of cannabis and domestic related offenses. The case is still pending in court.

In May 2013 detectives investigated a Unlawful Use of Credit Card 9600 block of Pacific. A resident called the police to report a shortage of case in his checking account. An investigation uncovered that a friend of the victim had the opportunity to unlawfully use the victim's debit card. As the investigation continued the friend of the victim was interviewed on this case. During that time the friend admitted to unlawfully using his friend's debit card to withdraw more than \$500.00 from his friend's checking account. The friend was arrested and charged with one count of Unlawful Use of a Credit Card. The case is still pending in court.

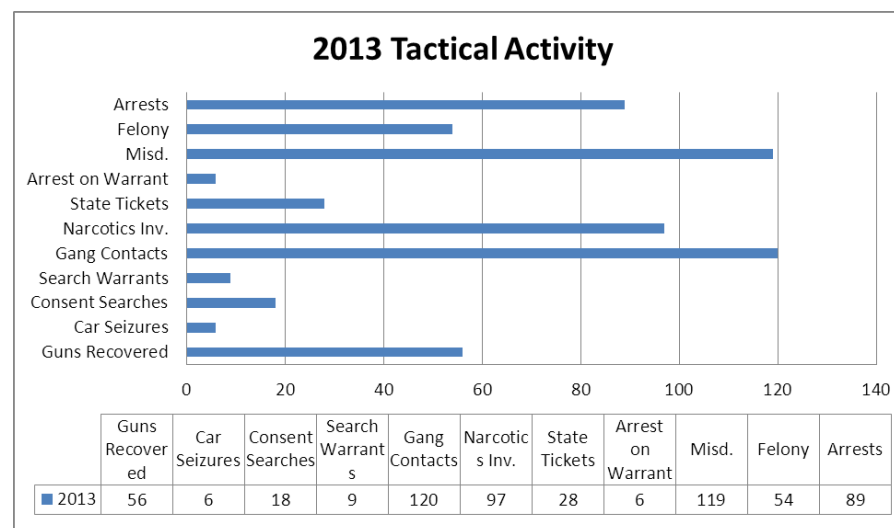
In October 2013 a complaint of Criminal Sexual Abuse was reported, to the police, by residents in the 3000 block of Ruth Street. The parents of a 12 year old female victim reported that a male in their neighborhood improperly touched their daughter. The case was assigned to an investigator and during a victim sensitive interview the child victim disclosed two separate incidents in which the adult male suspect improperly touched her on her body. As the investigation continued additional child victims, of the adult male suspect, were discovered. Additional victim sensitive interviews were conducted where some of the victims disclosed that they were improperly touched by the same adult male suspect. In all, 12 victim sensitive interviews were conducted out of which 7 female victims (ages 6 to 12 years of age) disclosed that they were improperly touched by the same adult male suspect. The investigation concluded on December 17 when the suspect was formally charged for Predatory Criminal Sexual Assault and Aggravated Criminal Sexual Abuse.

FRANKLIN PARK TACTICAL UNIT

Major Investigations in 2013

In March 2013 Tactical Officers developed a confidential informant who provided them with information concerning the homicide of a Chicago Police Officer. The information lead to the arrest of the subject who was charged with Homicide of a Chicago Police Officer.

In August 2013 the Tactical Unit worked a joint operation with the DEA (Drug Enforcement Agency) and executed 2 search warrants at 1041 Altgeld in Unincorporated Leyden Township which lead to an arrest a the recovery of cocaine and a large sum of money.



CRIME SCENE EVIDENCE TECHNICIANS

A crime scene evidence technician collects, identifies, and processes crime scene evidence.

Evidence Technicians are employees who specialize in collecting and analyzing physical evidence from crime scenes.

They work alongside investigators to uncover telling evidence at the scenes of accidents and crimes, such as fingerprints, blood spatter, weapons, and footprints.

An Evidence tech follows careful protocols to collect and transport physical items back to the police dept where they can scrutinize the evidence to look for clues.

Evidence is also sent to the State Crime Lab for further examination and processing. If a criminal trial is held, the technician may be called upon as an expert witness to explain the importance of the findings.



(Above shown is Officer Steve Ross processing evidence in the department's new crime scene processing areas)

The Crime Scene Evidence Technician is responsible for the following at a crime scene:

Photography of the scene:

Polaroid photographs may be taken.

Video graphs, if taken, shall be completed prior to still photography.

Digital photographs shall be taken.

Identify evidence to be collected.

Collect obvious trace evidence.

Process scene for fingerprints

Take measurements and sketch scene.
Collect, mark, package and document evidence.
Secure evidence

During each patrol shift there is at least one certified evidence technician who is assigned to utilize a specially equipped vehicle that is equipped with cameras, tools and chemicals needed to process a crime scene.

All department crime scene evidence technicians receive basic evidence training through a state certified course. They also receive additional training each year either by request or assigned by the department.

WEST SUBURBAN TASK FORCE

Several years ago a major Crimes Task Force was created by surrounding communities to assist those agencies in the event of a major crime, such as a murder, kidnapping aggravated battery to name a few. Currently that task force is made up of our police department and 21 other local agencies, the Cook County Sheriff's Police and the Illinois State Police.

Each participating agency assigns officers to the unit and responds to a scene upon request from a predetermined protocol.

The task force is divided into two units:
Investigators
Forensics

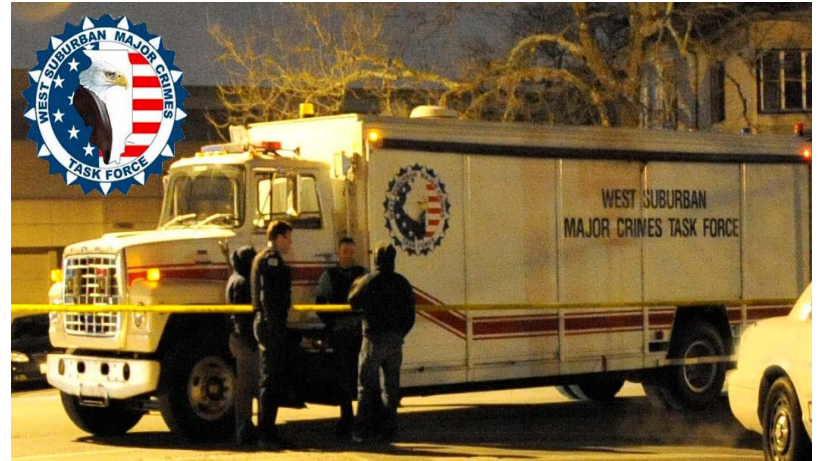
NIPAS / EMERGENCY SERVICES TEAM / MOBILE FIELD FORCE

The Northern Illinois Police Alarm System (NIPAS) was created in 1983 and currently has 93 different cities, villages and towns from 5 different counties supporting the unit with personnel and funding. NIPAS is divided into two specialized units:

Emergency Services Team – this team responds to hostage situations, barricaded subjects, high risk warrants and other requests that require a special tactical squad.

Mobile Field Force – this unit's primary responsibility is crowd control.

The department has one officer assigned to the Emergency Services Team and two officers assigned to the Mobile Field Force Team.



Activating the System

Whether faced with a natural disaster or the unexpected results of a special event, a member agency may request assistance for any situation its command staff believes the agency cannot handle with its own resources.

The requesting agency contacts the designated dispatch center and determines the level of response needed. Each level brings to the requesting agency five units from outside participating agency, through a predetermined alarm plan.



This year our department began to participate in the United States Department of Veterans Affairs On-the-Job Training Program.

On-The-Job Training (OJT) Program offers veterans or current members of the guard or reserve an alternative way to use your VA (GI Bill) education and training benefits.

Veterans or reservists can receive monthly training benefits from the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) in addition to your regular salary when being trained for a new job. In our case, veterans or reservists hired by the police department will receive benefits while attending the training academy and while completing the FTO program.

In Illinois, the VA pays veteran GI Bill participants on a scale depending on the amount of time they are enrolled in the program. For example the program pays 75% of the full time college rate per month for the first six months of OJT training, 55% of the full time rate for the second six months of training and 33 % of the full time rate for the remainder of training program.

TOBACCO COMPLIANCE

Illinois' tobacco laws regulate the distribution, sale and taxation of tobacco products and include penalties for violations. Within these laws are provisions prohibiting the sale and purchase of tobacco products, tobacco accessories and smoking herbs to persons under the age of, eighteen.

In addition to state laws, many municipal governments, including Franklin Park, have also established similar laws or ordinances including licensur , display of signs and include penalties as well.

Beginning in fiscal year 2001, the Illinois General Assembly began making yearly appropriations from the Tobacco Settlement Fund to the Commission's Tobacco Enforcement Program (TEP). Through this appropriation, grants are awarded to communities to conduct retail education and enforcement programs. Each year, the \$1 million appropriation has enabled the Commission to support community-based efforts through the distribution of 10,000 tobacco retailer kits and the completion of 17,000 compliance checks.

Each year Franklin Park and approximately 300 communities, representing over 70 percent of the state's population participate in this program.

And since 2005, participating communities have consistently achieved non-compliance rates below 10 percent. In past years Franklin Park has issued citations to businesses that did not comply with village ordinances. Franklin Park will continue to participate in this program to ensure all businesses comply with state laws and village ordinances.

The department is pleased to announce that this year's Tobacco Compliance sting operations resulted in zero complaints being issued against businesses.

LIQUOR COMPLIANCE

Each year the police department conducts a joint operation with the Illinois State Police and checks local establishments that hold state and local liquor licenses. Violators are issued a state criminal complaint for contributing to a minor and the establishment is issued a village complaint and mandatory appearance before the village liquor commissioner.

ST. BALDRICK'S BENEFIT

The St. BALDRICKS Foundation is a voluntary driven charity committed to funding the most promising research to find cures for childhood cancers and give survivors long and healthy lives. Each year 160,000 children are diagnosed with cancer worldwide. Cancer is the number one disease killer of children in the U.S. and Canada. Research saves lives.

For several years now members of the Franklin Park Police Department have donated both their hair and helped raise funds for this great cause. For additional information go to <http://www.stbaldricks.org/>



TOYS FOR TOTS

Each year the police department participates in the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots program. The mission of the U. S. Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots Program is to collect new, unwrapped toys during October, November and December each year, and distribute those toys as Christmas gifts to needy children in the community in which the campaign is conducted.

For additional information visit the U.S. Marine Corps Toys for Tots website at <http://toysfortots.org>.

(Pictured to the right are Officers Richard Admaski and Officer Joseph Gulino)



DEPARTMENT TRAINING

The policy of the Franklin Park Police Department is to develop, support and advance the skills, knowledge and abilities of all employees during training. The department acknowledges the importance of a well developed and efficient training support system for both new employees and in-service employees. The ultimate goal of training is to equip employees with the tools necessary to act decisively and correctly over a wide range of situations to create a more productive and efficient employee. Training plays an important role in career development, advancement and employee morale. Undoubtedly, a well equipped and well trained officer provides a much higher quality of service to our community.

The department currently ensures each year that all officers annually receive training in:

Use of Force	Firearms	Handcuffing	OC Spray	Baton	Taser
Blood Borne Pathogens		Sexual Harassment	Hazardous Material	Bias Enforcement	CPR
Excited Delirium training	Incident Command	Portable Breathalyzer	D.U.I.	Child Safety Seat	

Training of personnel is most commonly hosted through North East Multi Regional Training Institute. However the department also utilizes the Cook County Sheriffs Police Academy, Northwestern University, Suburban Law Enforcement Academy, Department of Homeland Security and the Federal Bureau of Investigations.

In order to reduce training cost the department has sent many officers to become state certified trainers.

The Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board dictate's the curriculum and hours required for law enforcement training. The following positions at the police department require specialized officer training.

Field Training Officers	Firearms Instructors	Crime Scene Evidence Technicians	Certified Breath Operators
Bicycle Patrol Officers	Juvenile Officers	Detectives	Taser Instructors
Rapid Deployment	OC Instructors	Handcuffing / Baton	Motorcycle Instructor



SCHOOL LIASION PROGRAM

The School Liaison Officer (S.L.O.) serves as a liaison between the Franklin Park Police Department, relevant school officials such as Dean of Students, Principal and their associated assistants, along with the student-faculty population at East Leyden.

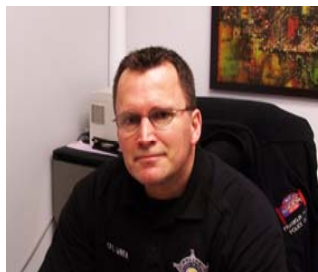
Issues most typically range from juvenile delinquency to truancy. Interaction with patrol and investigations stem from routine incidents such as missing/runaway juveniles, truant minors, electronic/cyber harassment and thefts, either on, off or adjacent to school property, to critical matters, such as assault and battery, gang activity, domestic violence and sexual assaults. Interaction may also involve other police agencies, D.C.F.S. and the Assistant States Attorneys Office.

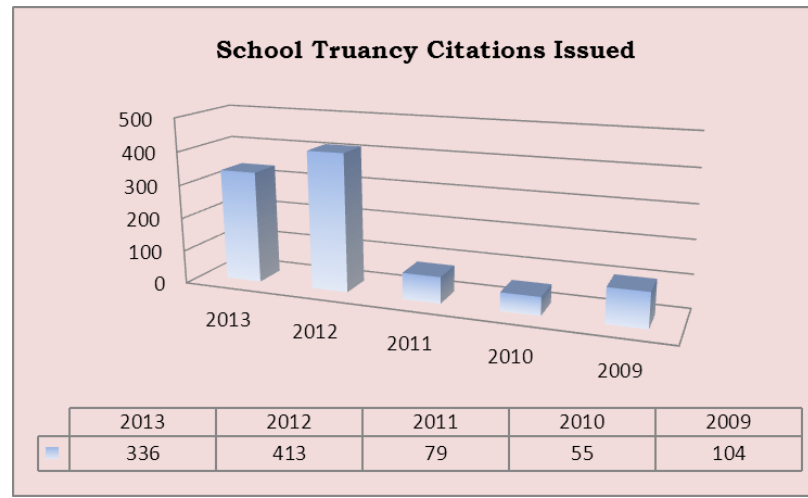
Depending upon the incident, a S.L.O. will tactfully yet impartially, inform students and their guardians/parents of their legal rights, responsibilities and legal procedure pursuant to state and local law, while maintaining confidentiality when feasible-especially when involving school social workers and counselors. Participation in Parent-Student-Dean-Social Services and Counselor meetings help maintain and improve the image between the Franklin Park Police Department, Leyden School District administrators and the citizens who, when taken together, collectively makeup and reside within the Leyden Township community.

Additionally, the S.L.O. may be invited to participate in campus activities, from classroom visits and presentations to student organizations and clubs. Through participation, you provoke dialogue and promote trust in a non-policing capacity. Other times, providing resources to assist the school administrators in addressing issues of concern on campus is also the added responsibility of the S.L.O. The S.L.O. will keep statistics on thefts, truanancies and similarly related incidents throughout the school year and present such information to the Dean of Students Office upon the official end of the school year.

Lastly, a S.L.O. must be prepared to respond in a controlled yet professional fashion to any type of school threat. A crisis in a school can result in hysterical students and staff, panicked and frightened parents and, depending upon the incident, a media hoard wanting explanations and answers. It is imperative that local agencies adjacent to East Leyden prevent, prepare and respond efficiently to all types of emergencies and crisis situations. From practicing effective perimeter control strategies, staging response plans for Fire, Paramedic and assisting PD's, evacuation protocol, to minor details, such as traffic diversion, media relations and crowd control...all are in an effort to expedite first response-bypassing safe areas initially and moving quickly to where there is an indication of trouble. The mission is to anticipate and keep people from fumbling or becoming confused under stress. Tactics need to be rehearsed thoroughly and regularly before they're required for reality.

Officer Dave Wnek a 24 year veteran officer of the department is assigned as the School Liaison Officer.





SCHOOL CROSSING GUARDS

The police department provides crossing guard staffing at 9 different locations in the community.

Grand and Calwagner
 CP Railroad and Calwagner
 Edgington and Chestnut
 Atlantic and Chestnut
 Scott and Fullerton

Franklin and Calwagner
 Pacific and Calwagner
 Rose and Chestnut
 Rose and Gage

Crossing guards are utilized by the department to cross students safely at pre-designated locations in our community. These locations were determined by both the school districts and the police department.

Crossing guards receive annual training at the beginning of each school year.

Crossing Guards are governed by Illinois Law and a failure to obey a crossing guard is a violation of the law which could result in a large fine.



EXPLORER PROGRAM

Exploring is a career education program for young men and women who have completed the 8th grade and are under 21 years of age. The purpose is to provide experiences to help young people mature and to prepare them to become responsible adults. Explorers are ready to investigate the meaning of interdependence in their personal relationships and communities.

Exploring emphasizes five areas:

- Career Opportunities
- Life Skills
- Citizenship
- Character Education
- Leadership Experience

The Explorers meet twice a month. At meetings, we engage in a variety of activities to give Explorers a “hands on” experience and gain knowledge of the law enforcement profession. This post is for the youth and designed by the youth. The Explorers wear a department issued uniform and contribute to the Village of Franklin Park through volunteering at about eight to ten local events.



Members of Explorers:

Instructor Officer Melissa Jones
Peter Chmura
Kayla Jordan
Chris Rudy
Slavko Micevic

Melissa Arocho
Corey Davison
Maciej Krawiec
Jose Manjarrez
Christina Mrowczynski

Patrycja Bradlinski
Gregory Johnston
Sergio Lomeli
Stefanija Micevic
Instructor Officer Russell Klug

NORCOMM

Since 1998 NORCOMM has provided the Village of Franklin Park with both police and fire dispatch services and in 2009 obtained NORCOMM to provide personnel for the Records Division to reduce cost, NORCOMM currently has 7 dispatchers, 1 Director, 2 full-time records personnel and 1 part-time employee staffing the department. The dispatch center is a 24/7 operation responsible for monitoring 15 radio frequencies, 11 city surveillance cameras, 16 station cameras, 3 separate computers to send communications through. There are also 11 telephone lines to answer, in addition to 8 E911 telephone lines. All of this is handled by two Communication Officer's per shift.



Above to the right shown are NIU Consultant Roger Swensen, NORCOMM Deputy Director Dionne Jones and Public Safety Dispatcher Emily Swann viewing the village's recently installed community camera monitoring system which was purchased with Department of Justice Grant Funds. NIU assisted the village in writing the grant for the funding of this project)

The Records Division is often the first contact for citizens in the Police Department. Their responsibilities include:

- Records Management
- Monitor Security Cameras
- Proper Storing and Archiving Records
- Truck overweight permits
- Collecting fines

- Initial walk in contact
- Matron Duties
- Mobile Crash Reporting
- Overnight parking
- Preparing court documents

- Data entry including traffic tickets and ordinance arrests
- Adjudication Court
- Court Transmittals
- Metra passes
- Proper storage and archiving of records



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