

Wilmette Police Department 2010 Annual Report



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Mission Statement and Values



Mission Statement

We, the members of the Wilmette Police Department, are dedicated to providing impartial law enforcement, community-oriented services and police protection in our Village, while maintaining the highest ethical and professional standards,

Our Values



We believe that law enforcement has its foundation in values. To fulfill our mission we are committed to:

***Acknowledging** our responsibility and accountability to the citizens of Wilmette, our source of authority;*

***Performing** our duties within the spirit and to the letter of our laws and the Constitution;*

***Remaining** sensitive to human needs and treating each person with respect, compassion and dignity;*

***Approaching** each situation as unique and responding creatively with empathy and the prudent use of discretion;*

***Promoting** mutual trust between the Department and the citizens and institution of Wilmette;*

***Enhancing** the safety and feeling of security for our residents*

***Fostering** a quality work environment that encourages open communication and affords trust, respect and support for each member.*



A Message From the Chief



Greetings,

It is my pleasure to present the 2010 Police Department Annual Report. In 2010, the Wilmette Police Department handled over 16,000 calls for service. We dedicate ourselves to providing impartial law enforcement, community-oriented services and police protection to the Village of Wilmette.

Although this report summarizes crime and accident trends and police programs, we recognize the strength of the organization comes from the dedication and commitment of our personnel. The annual report provides the opportunity to highlight some of those individuals to the community.

Sincerely,

Brian King

Brian King
Chief of Police



Chief of Police

Brian King

Deputy Chief

Kyle Perkins

Commanders

Patrick Collins

Matt McConnell

Thomas Welter

Sergeants

Michael McGarry

Kyle Murphy

Roger Okrim

Martin Paulsen

Edmund Trage

Daniel Walsh

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Diane Grassi
Andrew Jurmu
Alex Mercado
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Solveig Gehrken
Jeffrey Hemesath
Kevin Kiddle
Christopher Morgret
Maria Claudia Olivo
Jose Perez
Michael Robinson
James David Sweet

Thomas Welter
Ronald Drag
John Falk
Landon Girard
Daniel Huck
Stephen Leigh
Chris Neubauer
Julie Parisi
Chris Przekota
Ray Santana
Andrew Swithin

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Don George
Allen Stec

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Ronald Andrews
Thomas Manning
Ronald Testa

Police Social Worker

Olivia Chui LCSW

Communications Supervisor

Eric Peterson

Administrative Analyst

Syndy Nugent

Administrative Secretary

Susan Budd

Telecommunicators

Joshua Hornbacher
Freddie King
George Miagusko
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Barry Weiner

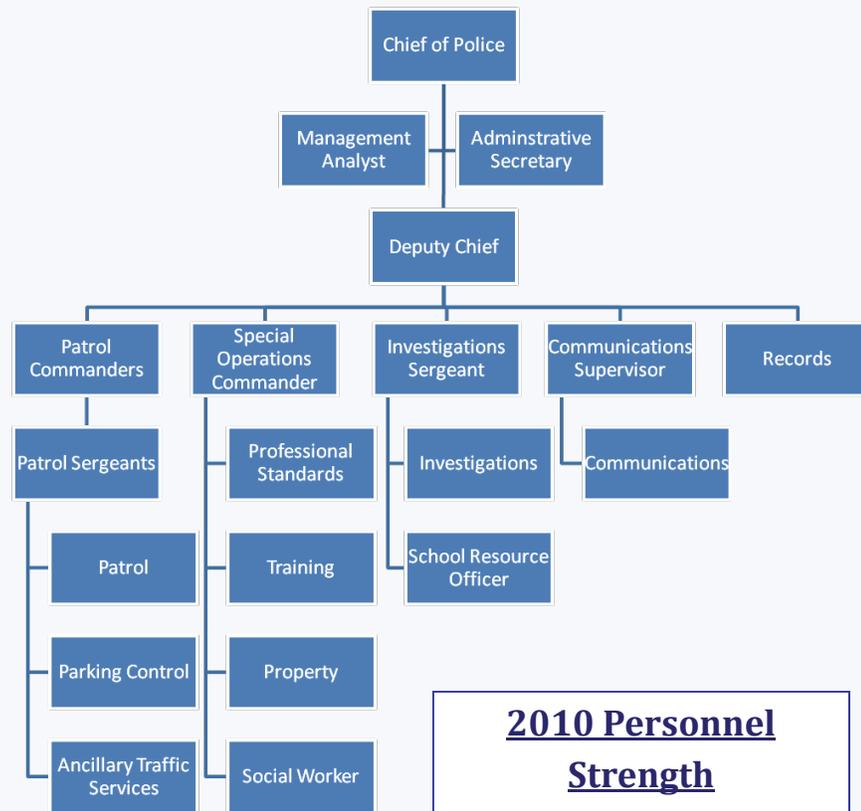
Data Processing Operators

Susan Green
Joan Miller

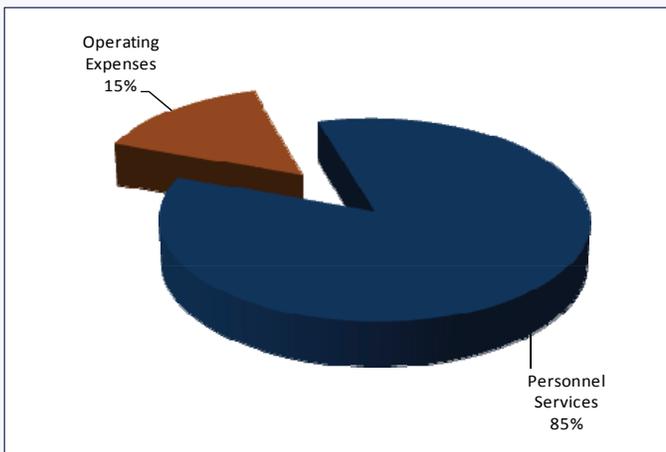
PT/Telecommunicators

Bruno Alvarez
Lynda McGarry
Laurie Moran

Department Structure & Budget



<u>2010 Personnel Strength</u>	
Chief of Police	1
Deputy Chief	1
Commanders	3
Sergeants	6
Detectives/Officers	32
Sworn Total	44
Civilians	16
Department Total	60



Approved 2010 Budget	
Personnel Services	\$8,063,585
Operating Expenses	\$1,432,680
Total	\$9,496,265



Retirements, Returns and New Faces



Laurie Moran comes to us with 5 years experience at the Oak Park Police Dept. where she served as a Telecommunicator. She resides in Mt. Prospect with her husband, an Oak Park sergeant, and their children.



Commander Jim Neiweem retired on February 28, 2010 after 37 years of service. Jim started his association with the Wilmette Police Department as an explorer in 1973. He went on to work as a Bicycle Safety Officer, Dispatcher, Police Officer, Sergeant, and Commander.

In May, Commander Welter welcomes Officer Chris Morgret back from his recent military deployment



Joan Stazy retired January 8, 2010 after 34 years, the last 15 years as Records Supervisor. Her retirement was celebrated at our Holiday party, attended by some of her family and retirees.



On August 16th Syndy Nugent was hired for the new position of Management Analyst. Syndy retired from the Zion Police Dept. as a Sergeant after 32 years. She subsequently was the Records Supervisor for the Highland Park Police Department.

Promotions and Awards



2010 Traffic Officer of the Year



Officer Michael Clark

2010 Officer of the Year



Detective Landon Girard

2010 Civilian Of the Year



Telecommunicator Barry Weiner

Promotion of Commander Welter



Sergeant Tom Welter was promoted to Commander on May 13th. Tom celebrated 30 years with the WPD last December. He has been a Sergeant since 2001.

Promotion of Sergeant Ockrim



Detective Roger Ockrim was promoted to Sergeant on November 9, 2010. Roger has been in Investigations for the past 6 years.

Operations Division -Patrol



Year	Number of Pursuits
2010	3
2009	1
2008	0
2007	2
2006	3
2005	1
2004	0
2003	2

The Wilmette police Department engaged in 3 motor vehicle pursuits during 2010.

The largest single component within the Wilmette Police Department is the Patrol Division. The Patrol Division is responsible for responding to both emergency and non-emergency calls for service from the public, handling special assignments, and proactively addressing community concerns. Consistent with the Department's mission, patrol Officers are responsible for protection of life and property, maintaining peace, order and safety for all, conducting preliminary investigations, and enforcing the Illinois Criminal Code, traffic laws and Village Ordinances.

The Patrol Division is divided into three shifts, in order to provide continuous 24-hour police services. Each shift is supervised by a Commander and a Sergeant.

The number of Officers allocated to each shift is fluid, and is based upon anticipated activity levels. Further the Village is divided into four beats, with beat staffing tailored to meet the needs of that particular area. The Department supplements traditional patrol units with officers trained to perform ancillary functions such as that of Evidence Technician, Field Training Officer, Truck Enforcement Officer, Bicycle Patrol Officer, Breath Analysis Officer, Firearms Instructor or Defensive Tactics Instructor.

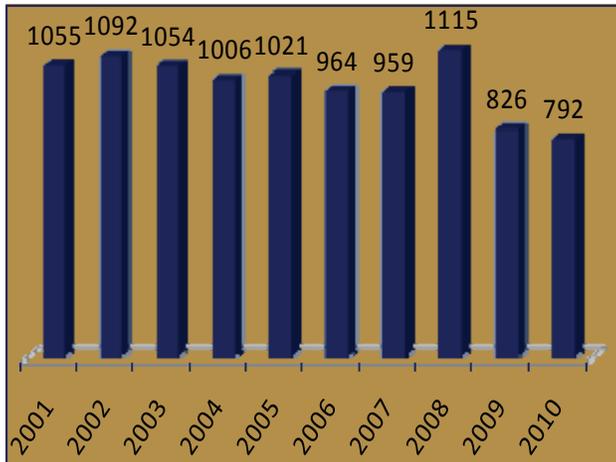


2010 PERSONNEL COMPLAINTS

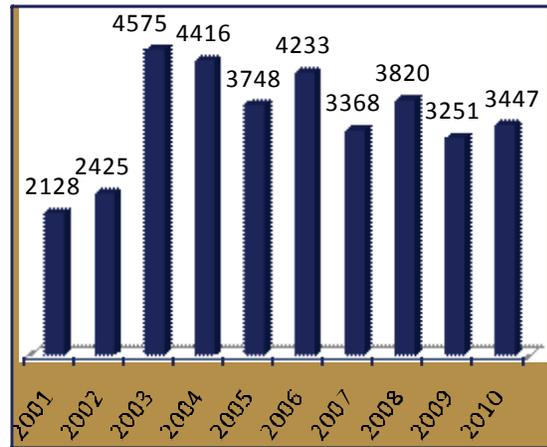
	Sustained	Exonerated	Not Sustained	Unfounded	TOTALS
Theft	1	0	0	0	1
Bias based Profiling	0	2	0	0	2
Improper Procedure	0	0	0	0	0
Reckless Driving	1	0	0	0	1
TOTALS	2	2	0	0	4



MOTOR VEHICLE CRASHES



MOVING CITATIONS



The traffic enforcement philosophy of the Wilmette Police Department remains focused on promoting traffic safety at high accident locations, in school zones, and in areas where residents have voiced concerns. High police visibility in problem areas continues to serve as a significant deterrent for potential violators. But we cannot be everywhere. Please make a personal commitment to driving within the posted speed limit on every Wilmette street.

TOP CRASH INTERSECTIONS

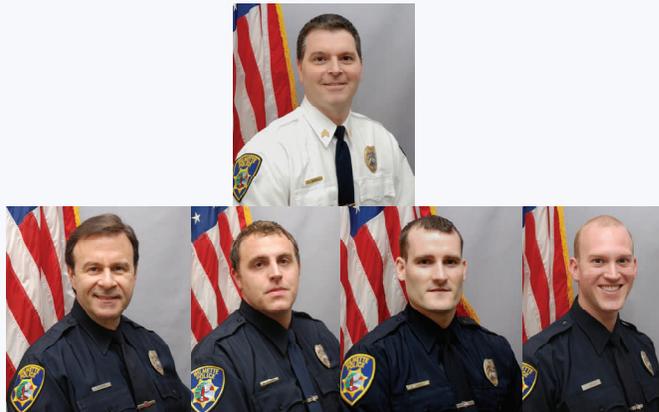
	Location	2010	2009	2008	2007
1)	Lake Ave. & Skokie Blvd.	18	16	17	26
2)	Green Bay Rd. & Wilmette Ave.	14	12	12	5
3)	Illinois Rd. & Skokie Blvd.	13	14	5	6
4)	Wilmette Ave. & Hunter Rd.	9	7	2	5
5)	Green Bay Rd. & Lake Ave.	8	9	15	9
6)	Lake Ave. & Locust Rd.	8	8	7	14
7)	Skokie Blvd. & Hibbard Rd.	4	7	5	7
8)	Lake Ave. & Hibbard Rd.	3	9	7	5

The above table lists the most crash-prone intersections in Wilmette for 2010 (with at least seven accidents). Many factors affect these locations: traffic volume, weather conditions, roadway construction, and new commercial development. Often accidents may not occur at an intersection, but are intersection related due to traffic congestion. For this analysis, we have only considered accidents that occurred at the intersection.

Investigations Division



In 2010 the Investigations Unit was staffed by **Sergeant Kyle Murphy, Detectives Roger Ockrim, Mike Robinson, David Sweet and Landon Girard**. This unit is responsible for conducting thorough follow-up investigations of all cases brought to the attention of the Department, including: identifying, apprehending and assisting in the prosecution of criminal offenders; locating witnesses; collecting physical evidence; recovering property; and preparing cases for court.



Investigators are responsible for tracking crime patterns, collecting and disseminating intelligence information to patrol personnel and to representatives of other law enforcement agencies, and maintaining open lines of communication between the Wilmette Police Department, the schools, community groups and court officials. Wilmette Investigators also serve as the Department's Juvenile Officers and are certified as such by the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board.

Several of the significant investigations the Wilmette Police Department conducted in 2010 are detailed in this section. Some of the cases are still awaiting adjudication and did not have court dispositions at the time of this publication.



Homicide

On December 25th, Officers responded to a 911 call of a domestic battery in the 3100 block of Hill Lane. Officers found a female victim unconscious with severe head trauma. The offender was located on foot a few blocks away. The offender had beaten his aunt in the head with a baseball bat killing her. The offender was charged with 1st degree murder and remains in custody awaiting trial.

Reckless Homicide

In Wilmette Officers responded to the scene of a traffic crash where a vehicle had hit a tree in the 700 block of Sheridan Road. Two teenage passengers in the rear seat were killed in the crash. Two additional passengers survived. The underage driver was under the influence of alcohol. The driver was charged with reckless homicide and awaits trial.

Armed Robbery

In November 2010 Wilmette Detectives began following up an armed robbery case with two offenders. The victims were lured to Wilmette by the offenders for intended transaction for electronics. One offender was known by the victims, the other was not. Detectives were able to identify a location of the suspects in Chicago, where one was taken into custody without incident. Through interviews the other was identified as a Chicago resident. Wilmette Detectives soon arrested that subject who was in possession of a loaded, defaced 9mm pistol.

Manufacture of False Identification

Wilmette Detectives identified an individual who was manufacturing and supplying north shore youths with false identifications. Detectives gained enough evidence to execute a search warrant in Chicago. Detectives discovered a major operation and recovered numerous pieces of evidence into the manufacturing and distribution of false identifications. Also seized were controlled substances, drug paraphernalia and evidence

of distribution of narcotics.

Commercial Burglary

In November 2010 Wilmette Detectives began investigating a commercial burglary where an offender had smashed out a glass door of a business and stole instant lottery tickets. Detectives identified some locations where the lottery tickets were cashed and identified a suspect who was known to this agency through previous contacts. Eventually the suspect was located and Detectives secured an admission from the offender, solidifying the criminal case.

Aggravated Battery

In August 2010, Wilmette Officers and Detectives responded to the scene of a battery in progress. A Highland Park man battered his girlfriend while driving and threw her from the car into the street. A passerby observed this and she pulled her car over to lend assistance to the victim. The victim went into the good Samaritan's car when they were approached by the offender. The offender pulled out a hammer and began striking the woman's car. He then rammed her car with his truck injuring her. The offender then fled the scene. He was later taken into custody by detectives and charged and awaits trial.





Investigations Division

Financial Exploitation of the Elderly

In May 2008 Wilmette Investigators began looking into a report of a woman who had befriended an elderly man residing in an assisted living facility in Wilmette. The offender and her husband had tricked the elderly man into giving them in excess of \$400,000.00 within a few weeks. This included two brand new high end vehicles, cash, new jewelry and other high end retail items. The offenders were identified, they fled the state and arrest warrants were issued. In May 2010, Wilmette Detectives were patrolling the eastside of Wilmette in response to ruse burglaries and observed a vehicle pass them with the known offenders from this 2008 case. The subjects were arrested and charged with the 2008 crimes.

Theft of Mail

In February 2010, there had been several reports of packages being stolen from front porches of Wilmette homes. One witness gave detectives a possible suspect and vehicle description. There was a similar package theft in Winnetka where the packages were dumped in Wilmette. Detectives conducted surveillances in the area of the recovered package and observed a Wilmette resident matching the suspect description. Wilmette Detectives worked with US Postal Inspectors and ultimately caught the offender stealing a package at a home a few blocks from the suspect's home.

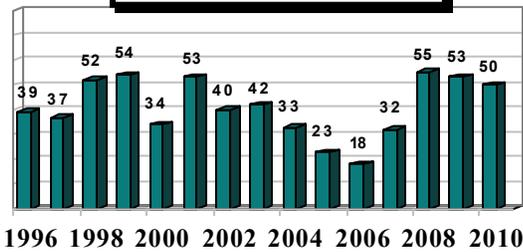
Drugs

In January of 2010, Wilmette Detectives concluded a 5 month long investigation into a crack cocaine operation. Investigators received an anonymous complaint of suspicious activity in the 300 block of Ridge. Investigators began surveillance and observed activity that is consistent with drug sales. A lengthy investigation followed involving numerous investigators from Wilmette, Cook County Gang Unit and the State's Attorney's Office. Investigators executed three search warrants and arrested four subjects. Seized were three guns, over 200 grams of crack cocaine, \$7,000.00 USC and 2 vehicles.

Wilmette Detectives worked a multi jurisdictional drug operation with the Evanston Police, Cook County Gang Unit and Cook County State's Attorney's Investigators. The investigation primarily took place in Evanston over several months. At its conclusion, over 30 arrests made. Detectives executed 4 search warrants and recovered 5 handguns and substantial amount of controlled substances and cannabis. All arrests and search warrants were made outside of Wilmette.

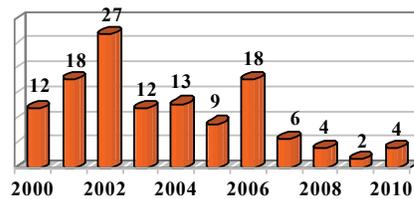
In August 2010, Wilmette Detectives arrested a Wilmette man in possession of cannabis and ecstasy pills which he intended to distribute. The man was charged with possession with the intent to deliver and awaits trial.

RESIDENTIAL BURGLARIES

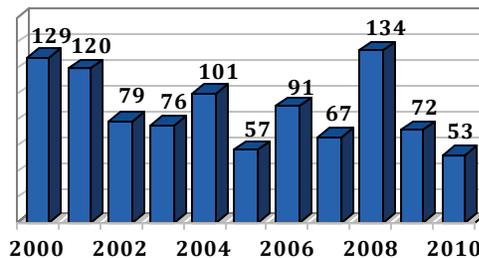


The number of residential burglaries in 2010 went down 25% from 2009. The Wilmette Police Department can be contacted for a free security survey of your home or business to offer suggestions on a variety of security issues from identity theft to computer and credit card security.

MOTOR VEHICLE THEFTS



BURGLARY TO MOTOR VEHICLE



The number of Burglaries to Motor Vehicle in 2010 decreased by 22% from 2009. The Wilmette Police Department recommends residents keep the doors to their vehicles locked even when secured in a garage. Items such as laptop computers, MP3 players, and cell phones should not be kept in vehicles overnight.

Major Crash Assistance Team - MCAT



North Regional Major

Crimes Task Force

Major Crash

Assistance Team (MCAT)

The North Regional Major Crimes Task Force (NORTAF) serves thirteen communities in Northern Illinois. The NORTAF Major Crash Assistance Team (MCAT) exists to assist member agencies with the investigation of fatal and severe injury motor vehicle crashes.

NORTAF MCAT is dedicated to providing a rapid response and thorough professional crash investigation to member agencies. NORTAF MCAT is divided into three teams consisting of one team leader (crash investigator), two crash investigators and two crash forensic specialists.

Wilmette has three MCAT members, Officer Larry Betz, Officer Stephen Leigh and Officer Chris Morgret.



Summary of 2010 Activity

There were eight (8) MCAT call outs in 2010 with one being in Wilmette.

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The driver was driving his vehicle southbound in the 700 block of Sheridan Road at a high rate of speed (estimated at 66-69 mph) when he lost control, exited the roadway and hit a tree. His vehicle was occupied by four passengers. Two died as a result of their injuries. The other two were transported to Evanston Hospital and were subsequently released. The driver was charged with 2 counts of Reckless Homicide, and 3 counts of Aggravated DUI.

In 2010, the MCAT team trained bi—monthly. Most of the training consisted of keeping proficient with the total station and camera equipment. Some members were trained as Crash Data Retrieval (CDR) Technicians. The training goal for 2011 was set to have all members trained as CDR Technicians and to have the majority of members go through the non-CDL, Class C Driver's Training.



North Regional Major Crimes Task Force

NORTH REGIONAL MAJOR CRIMES TASK FORCE



The North Regional Major Crimes Task Force (NORTAF) consists of investigators and forensic specialists from thirteen local police departments. NORTAF assists member municipalities in the investigation of homicides, non-parental kidnappings, and school shootings. Two Wilmette Police Department personnel, Officers Solveig Gehrken and Sergeant Kyle Murphy, are assigned to the task force. Since 1997, NORTAF - Major Crimes has been activated eighty times, five of which were in Wilmette.

NORTAF was called out to assist member agencies on 12 major crimes investigations during 2010. The following is a summary of those activations:

January 2010

The Evanston Police Department requested activation for investigation of a Homicide. The victim was found shot to death in his own vehicle. The NORTAF Forensic Team secured and processed the scene collecting several pieces of evidence. The investigation revealed that the victim had recently become active in the drug trade. A suspect was developed from multiple interviews, evidence findings and investigative tactics. The suspect was arrested on probable cause and refused to speak with police. The suspect was charged with Parole violations and held in jail.

The investigation further led to the arrest of two subjects for drug trafficking and the recovery of over 600 grams of cocaine. Forensic evidence is still being examined and the result of the investigation is pending. The case was turned over to the Evanston Police Department for follow up investigation.

May 2010

The Evanston Police Department requested activation for investigation of a Homicide. The victim was shot to death in front of his apartment complex. The NORTAF Forensic Team secured and processed the scene collecting several pieces of evidence. The investigation revealed that a group of men were at the complex visiting a girlfriend when an argument ensued. The argument became a physical fight and the victim pulled a gun and shot the visitor. The visitor grabbed the victim and struggled for the gun. The gun went off during this struggle and fatally wounded the victim. The case was reviewed by the Assistant States Attorney and ruled a Justifiable Homicide.

July 2010

The Wheeling Police Department requested activation for an aggravated battery and Homicide investigation. Two victims were shot while standing on the landing of an apartment complex. Several neighbors in the complex were celebrating the 4th of July weekend with a drinking party. Two hooded gang members walked up to the area between two of the buildings, shouted gang slogans and fired a weapon into the crowd. One victim was struck and survived while the second victim received fatal wounds. The NORTAF Forensic Team secured and processed the scene. NORTAF investigators along with the Wheeling Police Department identified and interviewed over twenty-five witnesses. More than twenty members of two rival gangs were also identified and interviewed. The investigation revealed that the shooting occurred over a dispute of territory. The victims in this incident were not affiliated with any gang and were random victims. The multiple interviews in this case enabled NORTAF to narrow down the suspect list to those who were in the area and may have had a motive to

commit the assault. Forensic evidence has been collected and awaits lab findings. The case was turned over to the Wheeling Police Department for follow up investigation.

July 2010

The Evanston Police Department requested activation for investigation of a Homicide while the NORTAF team was currently activated for the Wheeling Homicide. The team was split and worked both cases simultaneously. Police were dispatched to the area of St Francis Hospital on Ridge Ave for a shooting. They located a vehicle that had crashed and the driver had been fatally shot multiple times. Witnesses identified a second vehicle that was driving along side of the victim and fired a weapon from the car. The investigation revealed that the victim had been involved in drug dealing and had an on-going dispute with a Chicago gang member. A suspect was developed, several subjects were interviewed and forensic evidence was collected and is awaiting lab findings. An arrest was made and the suspect refused to cooperate with police. The case was turned over to the Evanston Police Department for follow up investigation.

August 2010

The Skokie Police Department requested activation for a Suspicious Death Investigation. The police were called to the apartment of the deceased after the maintenance crew found the resident dead in her tub. The victim appeared to have drowned in the bathtub but there were suspicious circumstances. The NORTAF forensic team was activated as mutual aid to secure what evidence might exist and the preliminary investigation was left to the Skokie Detective Bureau pending the M.E. results. The M.E. ruled the death an accident due to a seizure.



North Regional Major Crimes Task Force



September 2010

The Evanston Police Department requested activation for a suspicious death involving a bomb. The police were called to an Evanston middle school due to an explosion and found the remains of a male subject who had been blown into pieces; they located bomb making materials, a pellet handgun and a live pipe bomb. The Forensic Team was activated as Mutual Aid. The Bomb Squad exploded the live bomb and Forensics processed the scene. The motives of the suspect are unknown. The suspect accidentally lost his head when one of the pipes blew while he was making the bomb. The case was left to Evanston and the Cook Co. Bomb Squad for follow up investigation.

October 2010

The Evanston Police Department requested activation for investigation of a Homicide. Police were called to the area of Lake and Dodge after a report of a shooting. Police found the victim had been fatally shot in his vehicle while pulling out of an auto repair shop, the passenger / witness in the car sustained minor injuries. The NORTAF Forensic Team secured and processed the scene and vehicle. A suspect was developed and identified by the witnesses. A man hunt followed and the offender was arrested in a south side Chicago home. The arrestee refused to talk to police. He was subsequently charged with homicide. The trial is pending.

October 2010

The Lincolnwood Police Department requested activation for a suspicious death investigation while the team was activated on the Evanston Case. Police were called to a residence to conduct a well being check after the mailman found the mail building up in the box. Police found the home had been broken into and the homeowner was deceased in the basement. The body had severe decomposition and required the Medical Examiner to determine whether any unusual trauma existed and the cause of death. NORTAF Forensic was split as mutual aid to secure any evidence pending the M.E. report. The preliminary investigation was left to the Lincolnwood Detective Bureau. The M.E. found no unusual trauma and ruled the cause of death as natural causes. There are no further leads into the burglary investigation at this time. The case was left to Lincolnwood to follow up the investigation.

November 2010

The Lincolnwood Police Department requested activation for a suspicious domestic related death investigation. Police received a hysterical call from a teen resident. When they arrived at the home they were met by the teenager who advised that her father was shot in the head. Witnesses advised that there was a domestic argument going on between the victim and his wife and that they were struggling for the gun when the shot went off. The NORTAF Forensic Team was activated as mutual aid and the preliminary investigation was conducted by the Lincolnwood Police Dept. Two weapons were recovered from the scene, forensic evidence was collected and five family members were interviewed about the events that led to the shooting. The investigation revealed that although there was a domestic in progress the husband was the aggressor, he pulled the gun and attempted suicide. When the gun misfired he cleared the weapon and committed suicide. The Medical Examiners report supported the statements and evidence which indicated death from a self-inflicted gunshot wound.

December 2010

The Evanston Police Department requested activation for investigation of a Homicide. Police were called to Church St. across from the Evanston Township High School for a shooting. When they arrived they found the victim had been fatally wounded with a single shot to the head. The investigation revealed that the victim, a small time drug dealer, was involved in an unrelated dispute with local gang members. Several interviews were conducted, evidence was collected and suspects were developed. The evidence and statements revealed that the victim was lured to the area where he was killed. The offender fired several shots at the victim from a distance and struck him once in the head. This case was turned over to Evanston for follow up investigation.



December 2010

The Evanston Police Department requested activation for investigation of a Homicide. The police had been dispatched to a residence for a fight. Upon arrival they found the victim had been stabbed multiple times, he was unconscious but alive. The victim was transported to the hospital and died shortly after. The suspect was identified and police found him leaving the area on foot. NORTAF Forensics processed the scene and NORTAF Investigators identified and interviewed several witnesses to the fight between the victim and offender. The two were friends and had been drinking at the home when the fight started. The offender made a full confession and was charged with homicide.

December 2010

The Wilmette Police Department requested activation for investigation of a Homicide. The police had been dispatched to the residence for a domestic battery. When police arrived they found the victim had been bludgeoned about the head, she was unconscious but still alive. They also found the offender, the victim's nephew, attempting to leave the area on foot. The nephew admitted he hit the victim and staged the scene to look like self defense. NORTAF Forensics processed the scene. NORTAF and Wilmette Investigators conducted interviews of the other residents in the home. He stated the victim was unarmed and the offender took a bat and struck the victim. The investigation revealed that the nephew had delayed calling police after the attack and staged the scene by placing a knife near the body of his aunt. The offender made a full confession and was charged with homicide.

Northern Illinois Police Alarm System - NIPAS



The Northern Illinois Police Alarm System (NIPAS) represents a joint venture of suburban municipal police departments in the Chicago metropolitan area. Fifteen police agencies created NIPAS in 1983 to ensure effective police mutual aid in times of natural disasters. The system has grown to include law enforcement agencies from 93 towns in five counties. NIPAS member agencies participate voluntarily.

Wilmette participates in both the Emergency Services Team (EST) and the Mobile Field Force (MFF). NIPAS EST agencies deploy for hostage/barricade incidents, high-risk warrant service, major crime scene searches, search and rescue missions, dignitary protection, and similar tactical incidents. The team follows the original principles of NIPAS... agencies pooling their resources to provide the best service possible for their communities, the retention of local control, and cost savings through the sharing of specialized equipment.

The NIPAS EST represents 65 police agencies and consists of 87 Officers. NIPAS EST also comprises two of the nine ILEAS Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD) Special Response Teams, which are specially trained to respond to the human threat in a weapons of mass destruction incident anywhere in the state or other areas approved by the ILEAS Director. Our department member, Alex Mercado, serves as the WMD component Team Leader.

NIPAS MFF was created in 1994 to maximize the effectiveness of initial response efforts by police when a major civil disturbance occurs.

Civil disturbances, union conflicts, public demonstrations, and other events involving large or disorderly crowds require skillful response by police agencies. Wilmette has one department members on the MFF.



ILEAS is a statewide police mutual aid system with over 700 member agencies. We are members in Region IV of the ILEAS plan, which incorporates mutual aid responses for police agencies in Lake, Cook, and DuPage Counties. In 2010, Wilmette officers responded to 13 requests for assistance to other suburban towns through ILEAS.

Youth Investigations



On April 15th, The Wilmette Police Department and volunteers from the Warming House Youth Center kicked off “Project Sticker Shock”, a youth-led initiative to change adult attitudes about selling and providing alcohol to minors.

This project represents a partnership between youth, retailers, concerned parents and law enforcement with the goal of educating potential furnishers, raising public awareness about underage drinking, and strengthening the deterrent effect of the law against providing alcohol to minors.

NEW TRIER TOWNSHIP PEER JURY PROGRAM

The Peer Jury Program was created in 1998 to offer first-time non-violent juvenile offenders an opportunity to avoid a formal petition to the Cook County Juvenile Court. From the very inception of the program, the Wilmette Police Department has been an active partner with Peer Jury in fulfilling its commitment to holding our youth accountable and reducing recidivism. Since the program’s inception, the Wilmette Police Department has referred 137 Youths to the program.

<u>OFFENSE</u>	<u>SENTENCE</u>	<u>COMPLETED</u>
Criminal Trespass	5 Hours of Community Service	YES
Criminal Damage to Property	20 Hours of Community Service	YES
Battery	35 Hours of Community Service	YES
Disorderly Conduct	55 Hours of Community Service Essay	YES
Theft	45 Hours of Community Service Essay	YES
Theft	80 Hours of Community Service Letter of Apology	YES
Burglary	125 Hours of Community Service Letter of Apology Essay	YES

2010 JUVENILE PETITION TO JUVENILE COURT

In 2010 the Wilmette Police Department filed eight (8) delinquency petitions with the Juvenile Court of Cook County. Two of the youths were charged with multiple criminal offenses resulting in the following eleven (11) charges.

OFFENSE	NUMBER
Arson	1
Burglary	2
Aggravated Battery	1
Possession of Stolen Property	1
Criminal Sexual Assault	2
Domestic battery	1
Unlawful Use of a Weapon	1
Resisting Arrest	1
Possession of Cannabis	1



The program is a collaboration of the New Trier Township Board of Trustees, area police departments, private and public high schools, and Township social service agencies. The Peer Jury has a proven record of dramatically reducing repeat offenses in a cost effective manner.

Juvenile offenders are required to confront their guilt and serve a sentence that may include community service, writing assignments, and apologizing to parents and victims. During 2010 the Wilmette Police Department submitted seven cases for various minor offenses

Community Relations



SPECIAL NEEDS OPEN HOUSE 2010



OPEN HOUSE 2010



Heroes Helping Heroes

2010 SPECIAL OLYMPIC TORCH RUN



The picture shows Wilmette Police Personnel, their family members and friends who have completed the Wilmette portion of Leg Six of the Illinois Law Enforcement Torch Run, benefiting Illinois Special Olympians. On the first week of June, local, county, state and federal law enforcement agencies, associations and groups participate in the Illinois Law Enforcement Torch Run, the single largest fundraiser for the Special Olympics Illinois and the official kickoff of law enforcement fundraising activities for the Special Olympics Illinois. This special relationship between law enforcement agencies and Special Olympics has spread throughout the World. This special run between law enforcement and Special Olympics Illinois began in 1986 with 5 legs and has grown to 23 legs statewide that cover 1,500 miles. It ends with the running of the torch into the Special Olympics Illinois State Summer Games. However, throughout the year, law enforcement agencies continue to do fundraising activities to assist the Special Olympic Illinois in their goal of providing training and competition for nearly 21,000 athletes with intellectual disabilities and more than 6,000 Young Athletes ages 2-7 with and without intellectual disabilities each year. In 2010, the Illinois Law Enforcement Torch Run was the 2nd highest grossing Torch Run in the World, with a goal of being the Top Torch Run in 2011.





Communications/Social Services

COMMUNICATIONS

The Communication Division is responsible for answering 9-1-1 emergency calls, all non-emergency calls and informational calls on a 24-hour basis.

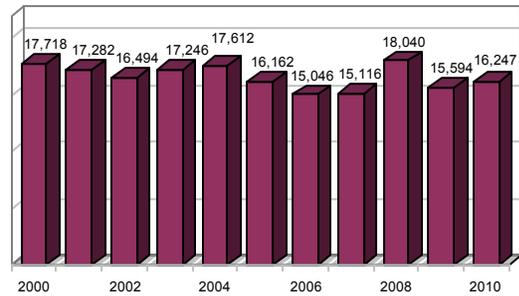
The primary function of the Com Center is to receive,, prioritize and assign calls for serve for the Wilmette Police Department. They also assist officers by gathering information from the State computer system and as well as our own records management system. Telecommunicators also assist citizens in resolving issues that do not necessitate a police response.



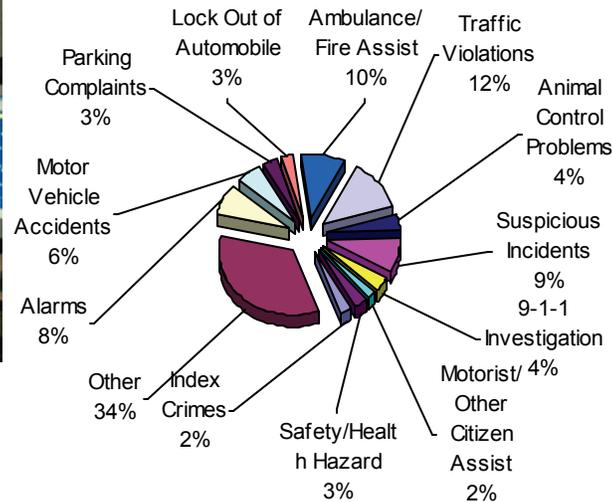
The Wilmette 9-1-1 Communications Center consists of three Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) terminals, 2 radio/9-1-1 dispatch positions and one 9-1-1 telephone position. Personnel continually monitor twelve police/fire radio channels as well as the surveillance systems for the cellblock and police facility.

In 2010 over 120,000 telephone calls were received with over 10,00 of them being 9-1-1 calls.

TOTAL REQUESTS FOR POLICE SERVICE



Wilmette's Requests for Service are defined as those calls that due to their nature require an incident number for identification and tracking purposes. The types of requests include traffic stops that include such offenses as: DUI, no insurance, no valid registration, suspended/revoked license/permit, citizen assists, alarms, noise/other complaints where an officer responds, to name a few.



WILMETTE POLICE SOCIAL SERVICES



During 2010, the Police Social Worker, Olivia Chui, who is a Licensed Clinical Social Worker, provided professional services at no cost to residents who come in contact with the police or other village employees. Service offered include crisis intervention, assessment and referral as well as short-term counseling.

The Police Social Worker position at the police department has existed since 1970. Besides the counseling services, Olivia also assists victims and family members during crisis's such as suicide, domestic violence and child abuse. Additionally the Social Worker responded to geriatric concerns by helping link elderly residents with appropriate services. In cases of domestic violence, assistance is provided to the victim to obtain Order of Protection from the court system. Olivia is a valued member of the Department.

Support Division



Evidence/Property

Community Service Officer Ron Testa is in charge of the Property and Evidence function, and is responsible for the processing, logging, maintaining and purging of all pieces of evidence and property submitted by officers. There was a total of over 14,000 pieces of evidence or property submitted to this section during 2010.

CSO Testa is also responsible for preparing and sending evidence to various laboratories for processing. In addition, he is responsible for making sure that all evidence is available and ready for trial.



Records

The Records Section is responsible for all the records created by the members of the Wilmette Police Department. In 2010, the department issued 3,447 traffic citations, wrote approximately 1,886 reports and investigated 797 traffic accidents. The documents generated by officers and civilians in the department are submitted to the records section on a daily basis. These documents are inspected and then the information is entered and maintained within the department's record management system.

This information is then used to develop maps and other reports to assist officers in identifying crime patterns. The records section also handles record requests, purges old and outdated records.



Crossing Guards

The Village of Wilmette provides protection for children crossing streets on their way to and from school by employing trained adult crossing guards. Community Service Officer Ronald Andrews supervises the crossing guards and conducts the necessary traffic studies and training.



Front Row (Left to right) David Erck, Gwendolyn Hall, Richard Terry, Betty Smith, Jean Bodkin and Terrance Wright

Back Row: Alec Childress, Herb Sheriff, Thomas Halton, CSO Ron Andrews, Conrad Wolski, Bill Walsh, Jim Wrzala, Joe Childress, Dudley Fair and Chief of Police Brian King

Missing from the Photo: Larry Daniels, Sue Daniels and Glyndean Lane

Statistical Information



Law enforcement agencies in Illinois have been required to collect profiling data on all traffic stops since 2004 and to publish such data since 2005. Benchmark data is provided to each community by Northwestern University's Center for Public Safety. Each community's stop data is then compared against the benchmark. Wilmette is traditionally statistically very close to their benchmark data, and 2010 is no exception.

Although not required by statute, the Wilmette Police Department further analyzes the data to ascertain if enforcement actions are consistent when comparing gender, race, and residency. Providing impartial enforcement of law is a guiding principle of the agency which is evident in the stop and enforcement data.

2010 TRAFFIC STOP DATA COLLECTION and ANALYSIS

Total Traffic Stops: 3573													
		<i>Caucasian Drivers</i>				<i>Minority Drivers</i>							
<i>Total Stops</i>		2880				693							
<i>Percentage Stops</i>		80.60%				19.40%							
<i>Estimated Driving Population*</i>		80.39%				19.61%							
<i>Ratio</i>		1				.98							
Reason For the Stop													
		<i>Caucasian Drivers</i>				<i>Minority Drivers</i>							
<i>Total</i>		2880				693							
<i>Moving Violations</i>		2542	88.25%		589	84.99%							
<i>Equipment Violations</i>		149	5.17%		54	7.79%							
<i>Licensing / Registration Violations</i>		189	6.56%		50	7.22%							
Outcome of the Stop													
		<i>Caucasian Drivers</i>				<i>Minority Drivers</i>							
<i>Total</i>		2880				693							
<i>Citation</i>		1928	66.94%		429	61.90%							
<i>Verbal Warning / Stop Card</i>		952	33.06%		264	38.10%							
Vehicle Searches													
		<i>Caucasian Drivers</i>				<i>Minority Drivers</i>							
<i>Total Stops</i>		2880				693							
<i>Consent Searches</i>		1				0							
		<i>Wilmette Residents</i>		<i>Non-Residents</i>		<i>Caucasian Drivers</i>				<i>Minority Drivers</i>			
<i>Stops</i>						<i>Male</i>		<i>Female</i>		<i>Male</i>		<i>Female</i>	
<i>Outcome of Stop</i>	<i>Citation</i>	676	66.2%	1681	65.9%	1049	67.4%	876	66.4%	244	62.1%	185	61.7%
	<i>Verbal Warning</i>	345	33.8%	871	34.1%	507	32.6%	445	33.6%	149	37.9%	115	38.3%

*as determined by the Northwestern University Center for Public Safety.

Statistical Information



2010 USE OF FORCE REVIEW

During calendar year 2010, there were fourteen (14) documented use of force incidents involving Wilmette Police personnel.

1/17/10	Domestic Battery	Resisted cuffing	Empty Hand Control
1/17/10	Domestic Battery (second subject)	Resisted cuffing	Empty Hand Control
1/26/10	Armed Robbery Suspect Felony Stop	Felony Stop/No resistance	Firearm Displayed
2/11/10	Drug Buy/Bust	Attempt to drive away	Firearm Displayed
2/15/10	Vehicle Pursuit	Refused to exit vehicle	OC
3/16/10	DUI	Charged at officer	Empty Hand
5/1/10	Theft	Attempted to flee	Empty Hand
5/12/10	Domestic/Mental Health	Resisted cuffing	Empty Hand
6/15/10	DUI	Non-compliance	Wrist Lock Transport
6/15/10	DUI	Resisted cuffing/Pulled away	Wrist Lock Transport
8/27/10	Domestic battery	Resisted cuffing/Pulled away	Empty Hands
8/27/10	Intoxicated Subject	Attempted to get in car/ Pulled away	OC/Empty Hands
11/5/10	Intoxicated Driver	Pulled away/ Shoved Officer	Empty hands
12/25/10	Aggravated battery/ Homicide	Felony arrest	Firearm Displayed

Injuries

There were no significant injuries to suspects or officers. One offender received a minor cut to the wrist and a second offender received a small scrape and some redness. One officer received minor abrasions to his elbow and knees, but did not receive treatment for his injuries.

Offender Demographics

All but 3 of the 13 offenders were male and were between 18 and 55 years of age. Prior criminal activity was noted for 10 of the offenders and 5 were noted to have been under the influence prior to the officer involved the incident.

Two of the incidents occurred on the day shift (7am – 3pm), one occurred on the midnight shift (11pm-7am) and the other eleven occurred on the evening shift (3-11pm). A total of 20 different officers were involved in Use of Force Incidents in 2010. Three incidents involved a single officer, 5 involved two officers, 4 involved three officers and 2 involved four officers.



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