



Galesburg Police Department

2022 ANNUAL REPORT

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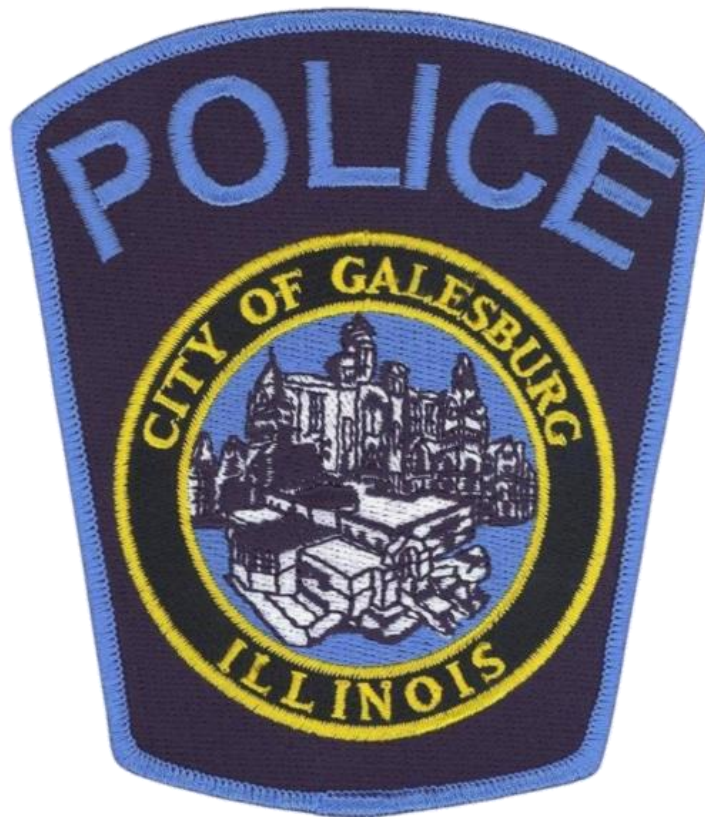
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2022 Annual Report

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Mission Statement



We, the men and women of the Galesburg Police Department, are committed to the proactive and professional delivery of law enforcement services designed to enhance the quality of life for the Galesburg community while providing traditional and essential public safety services.

Vision Statement



Through innovative thinking and goal setting, we are committed to delivering unparalleled service to our community to enhance quality of life. We will continue to strengthen community relationships and public trust while striving for community excellence through employee development, self-discipline, and strong leadership.



City of Galesburg

Operating Under Council - Manager Government Since 1957
Russell L. Idle, Chief of Police

To the Citizens of Galesburg:

It is my pleasure to present the 2022 Galesburg Police Department Annual Report. The 2022 report recounts the efforts and commitment of the men and women of the Police Department as they work cooperatively with the citizens of Galesburg. The members of the Police Department call Galesburg home and work hard to preserve the quality of life we enjoy in our community.

In 2022, the Galesburg Police Department employed: (51) Police Officers, (1) 911 Coordinator, (19) Dispatchers, (4) Public Safety Clerks, (1) Information System employee and (3) Community Service Officers.

The Annual Report serves as an opportunity to reflect on the changes during the year; retirements, new employees, new laws, new and revised policy, improved technology, facility improvements, and all of the life changes those that work at Public Safety have experienced in 2022.

We had three retirements in 2022. Sergeant W. Terry Boynton Jr retired after 29 years of service. Officer Dan Williams retired with 24 years of service and Officer Robert Sweeney retired with 20 years of service. Boynton, Williams and Sweeney served our community well and we appreciate their dedication to our community.

Thirteen new officers and eight new civilian employees joined our agency in 2022. Officers Patrick Hayes, Mayra Duran and Dorian Utsinger joined as lateral officers. The other 10 officers attended 16 weeks at the police academy. It was another busy year for the Galesburg Police Department with 46,302 calls for service. Officers completed 4,691 crime prevention checks in 2022 and arrest totals increased to 2,446.

A total of 1,202 vehicle crashes occurred in Galesburg in 2022, compared to 935 in 2021. The total number of traffic crashes that resulted in injuries in 2022 was 314. This is up significantly from the total of 118 in 2021.

Reported crime in Galesburg has increased. This year the total number of crimes against property was 1,427. Last year, the number of crimes against property was 1,308. Crimes against persons has shown a steady increase since 2017. Crimes against persons reported in 2017 was 96. This number peaked at 208 in 2021 but decreased to 145 in 2022.

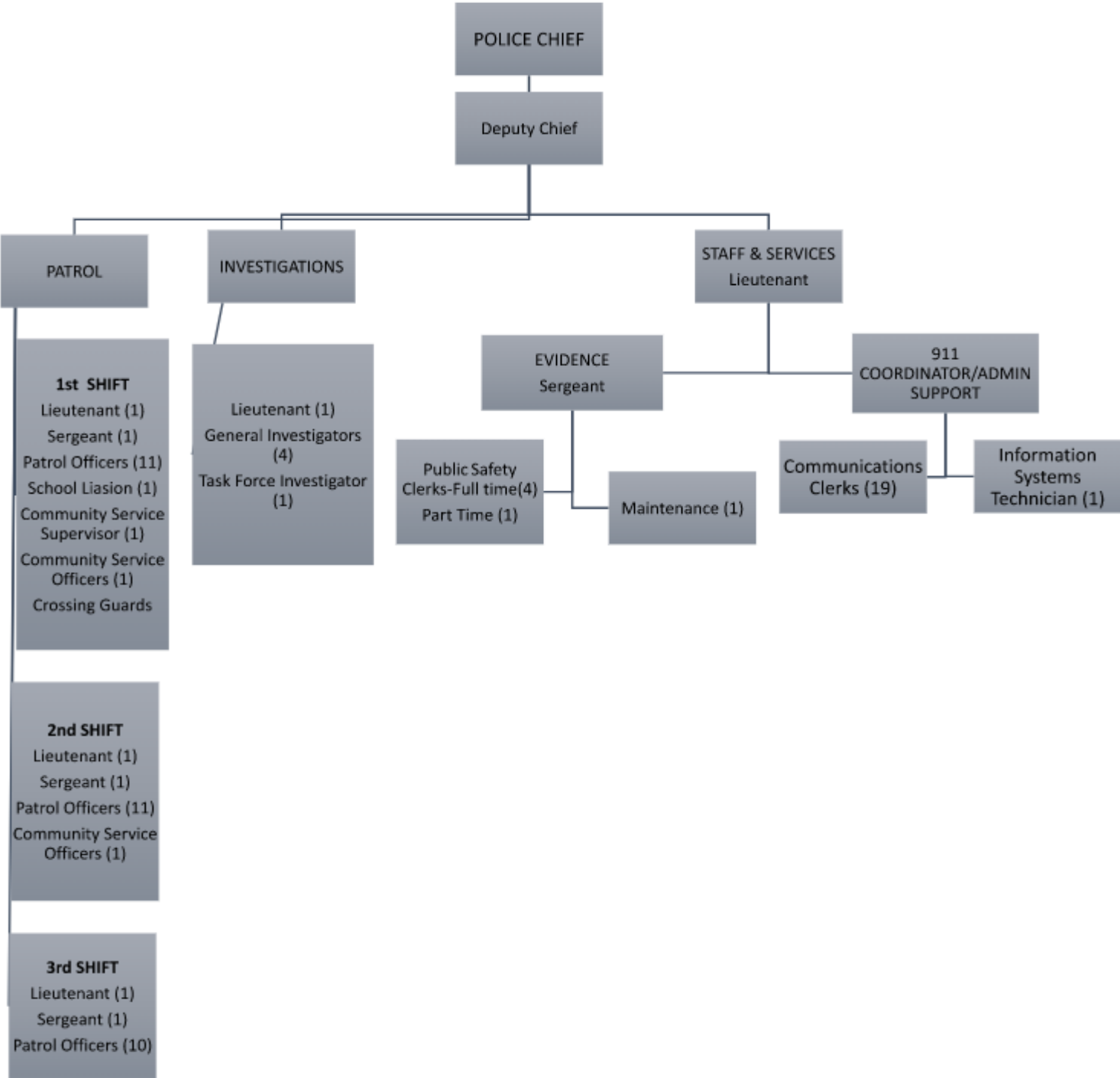
Many thanks to the civilian staff for their work on the 2022 Annual Report.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Russell L. Idle'.

Russell L. Idle
Chief of Police

2022 Organizational Chart



Department Personnel



CHIEF OF POLICE

Russell Idle



DEPUTY CHIEF

Daniel Hostens

PATROL

1st SHIFT

Lt. Jason Shaw

Sgt. Terry Boynton

2nd SHIFT

Lt. Kevin Legate

Sgt. Ryne Sage

3rd SHIFT

Lt. Bryan Anderson

Sgt. Lane Mings

INVESTIGATIONS

SPECIAL OPERATIONS

Lt. Paul Vannaken

OFFICERS

C. Hootman-124 (School

T. Olinger-126 Liaison)

M. Ingles-130

M. Semington-139

J. Kubis-149

J. Medhurst-152

J. Matuszyk-159

J. Tapscott-168

P. Ruggles-163

A. Harpin- 196

OFFICERS

J. Paulsgrove-131

B. Carr-167

J. Taylor-171

A. Schlomer-177

A. Swanson-181

R. Campbell-188

G. Trulson-190

M. Howard-192

E. Pearson- 195

OFFICERS

G. Huwe-148

A. Buccalo-170

J. Thompson-173

J. Carpenter-182

A. Hardine- 183

M. Rasmussen-185

N. Lewis-186

S. Countryman- 193

R. Torres – 194

N. Wooters- 197

DETECTIVES

M. McLaughlin-129

T. Smith-142

K. Winbigler-154

T. Spitzer-178

COMMUNITY SERVICE OFFICER

T. Oligney-Estill--GCS1

J. Fox--GCS2

C. Perez—GCS3

IN TRAINING

C. Woodbury—199

C. Pullen—200

P. Hayes—201

M. Duran--202

Department Personnel

STAFF & SERVICES DIVISION

Lt. Steffanie Cromien

EVIDENCE

Sgt. Patrick Kisler

911 COORDINATOR

Amanda Jennings

INFORMATION SYSTEM TECHNICIAN

Cameron LeMaster

COMMUNICATIONS CLERKS

1ST SHIFT

J. Colwell
D. Bower
B. Pierson (Offender Registrar)
J. Spurrier
B. Kilpatrick
A. Aldridge
T. Schmidt
J. Barnes

PUBLIC SAFETY CLERKS

S. Gash
K. Nolan
C. LaFollette
S. Helms
M. Simkins
J. Hunt

2ND SHIFT

S. Swanson
V. Dowdal
J. Boynton
S. Peeler
J. Gaard
J. Tucker
T. Burris

3RD SHIFT

C. Swanson
B. Ingles
A. Smith
A. Buck
S. Ascencio
K. Jones



Department Personnel Activity

RETIREMENTS

Officer Dan Williams retired January 7, 2022 with 24 years of service. Officer Bob Sweeney retired April 4, 2022 with 20 years of service. Sergeant Terry Boynton Jr retired June 7, 2022 with 29 years of service.



NEW EMPLOYEES

Alyssa Harpin, Patrol Officer
 Nathan Wooters, Patrol Officer
 Cameron Woodbury, Patrol Officer
 Caitlin Pullen, Patrol Officer
 Patrick Hayes, Patrol Officer
 Mayra Duran, Patrol Officer
 Dorian Utsinger, Patrol Officer
 Jonathon Meyer, Patrol Officer
 Jessica Pawlack, Patrol Officer
 Noah Harlan, Patrol Officer
 Jorge Perez, Patrol Officer
 Kendra Rogers, Patrol Officer
 Kobe Ramirez, Patrol Officer
 Teddra Schmidt Communications Clerk
 Jenny Gaard Communications Clerk
 Jennifer Tucker, Communications Clerk
 Tyler Burris, Communications Clerk
 Jessica Barnes, Communications Clerk
 Mary Simkins, Public Safety Clerk
 Cesar Perez, Community Service Officer
 Jenna Hunt, Public Safety Clerk



Officer Meyer



Officer Duran

YEARS OF SERVICE

25 Years- Lieutenant Paul Vannaken, Lieutenant Steffanie Cromien

15 Years- Jamie Colwell, Deana Bower, Detective Travis Smith

10 Years- Jessica Spurrier, Officer Joe Matuszyk

5 Years- Officer Allison Buccalo, Officer Jacob Taylor, Officer Jacob Thompson, Brooke Ingles, Samantha Swanson, Amber Smith, Victoria Dowdal, Amanda Buck, Ashley Aldridge, Sabrina Asencio

Investigations

2022 TOTALS

Search Warrants Written / Executed: 99

Vehicles Impounded: 318

Impounds Paid: 246 for a total of \$112,000

Cases Worked/ Resolved: 232



NOTEWORTHY CASES

- 3 Homicide cases resulting in the arrest of 3 individuals.
- 1 Attempted Murder resulting in the arrest of 1 individual.
- A total of 5 documented aggravated discharge of a firearm calls were investigated. Out of these 5 calls, 5 arrests were made and 1 gun recovered.
- There was a total of 91 reports of motor vehicle thefts.
- A total of 29 documented criminal sexual assault/abuse cases.
- The Investigators assigned to the Special Operations Unit continue to perform at a high level and are doing a great job in closing cases with arrests.

ADDITIONAL DUTIES

- Knox County Housing Liaison
- Knox County Drug Court Liaison
- Knox County States Attorney Liaison
- Child Advocacy Center Board Member
- ILEAS Special Response Team
- ILEAS Mobile Field Force
- F.B.I. Task Force Officer

GALESBURG AREA CRIME STOPPERS STATISTICAL REPORT

Crime Stoppers is comprised of diverse, active and dedicated community representatives. Crime Stoppers provides a method for local law enforcement to receive information on crimes. These efforts increase tips, which in turn increase arrests in our community.

If you have a tip, please call 309-344-0044 or go to the City of Galesburg website https://www.ci.galesburg.il.us/government/departments/crime_stoppers.php to submit an online tip.

TOTAL TIPS	139
TOTAL TIPS RESULTING IN ARREST	30
TOTAL REWARDS	\$5,190.00

K-9 Unit

2022 CRIMINAL INTERDICTION STATISTICS

210 lbs Cannabis Seized

3 lbs Methamphetamine Seized

.2 lbs Cocaine Seized

190 Prescription Pills Seized



K-9 Zeus came to Galesburg Police Department in October 2019. His handler is Officer Jake Taylor. Zeus is trained in narcotic detection, tracking, evidence recovery, and handler protection. In his free time, Zeus enjoys running around the yard and playing fetch.



Officer Taylor with K-9 Zeus giving a demonstration at the National Night Out event



K-9 Dax came to Galesburg Police Department in February 2021. His handler is Officer Jake Thompson. Dax is trained in narcotic detection, tracking, evidence recovery, and handler protection. In his free time, Dax enjoys running around the yard and playing with his ball on a rope.



Special Response Team

The Galesburg Police Department maintains a twenty-two-man Special Response Team (SRT) supervised by a Team Commander, Assistant Team Commander, and two Team Leaders.

History has proven that the presence of a highly skilled and trained special response team substantially reduces the risk of injury or death to citizens, police officers, and suspects. A specially trained and equipped response team can provide an essential tool for the resolution of many types of critical incidents.

Currently the Galesburg Police Department SRT trains a minimum of 48 hours per year on the following topics:

- Advanced Firearms Training (Pistol & Rifle)
- High Risk Search Warrant Execution
- Meth Certified / Lab Dismantling
- Dynamic and Covert Clearing
- Techniques Close Quarter Battle
- Training Mechanical Breeching
- Vehicle Takedowns / Extractions
- Suspect Apprehension and Control
- Downed Officer Rescue
- Barricade / Hostage Rescue Response
- Active Shooter / Acts of Violence Response
- Emergency First Aid / Officer Self Aid Medical



All team members go through a selection process prior to becoming a team member. Members are required to maintain a specific level of fitness and pass an annual physical agility test.

The Galesburg Police Department SRT has been involved in the execution of numerous high-risk narcotic and felony apprehension search warrants. The team has worked with outside agencies to include the Knox County Sheriff's Department, Illinois State Police, D.E.A., US Marshals Service, and F.B.I.

Statistics

GALESBURG POLICE DEPARTMENT

YEAR TO YEAR COMPARISON IGIS CRIME RELATED ACTIVITY

CRIMES AGAINST PERSONS	2022	2021
MURDER/NEGLIDENT MANSLAUGHTER	3	4
CRIMINAL SEXUAL ASSAULT	31	31
ROBBERY	6	15
AGGRAVATED BATTERY	105	95
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	145	63
SUB TOTAL	290	208
CRIMES AGAINST PROPERTY	2022	2021
BURGLARY	284	302
THEFT	894	814
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	96	96
ARSON	5	7
SUB TOTAL	1,279	1,219
ARRESTS	2022	2021
TOTAL ARRESTS: JUVENILE	88	72
TOTAL ARRESTS: ADULT	2,218	2,159
TOTAL ARRESTS: JUVENILE - ADMIN TICKET	78	61
TOTAL ARRESTS: ADULT - ADMIN TICKET	228	411
TOTAL ARRESTS	2,610	2,703
STOLEN VEHICLES RECOVERED	69	52
SELECTED ACTIVITY	2022	2021
CURFEW VIOLATION	6	9
TRUANCY VIOLATION	2	1
CANNABIS VIOLATION	101	62
CONTROL SUBSTANCE VIOLATION	32	43
METHAMPHETAMINE VIOLATION ACT	64	73
DRUG PARAPHERNALIA	45	42
ILLEGAL POSSESSION LIQUOR BY A MINOR	0	3
ILLEGAL CONSUMPTION LIQUOR BY A MINOR	10	3
BURGLARY/ROBBERY ALARMS	602	603
FIRE ALARMS	582	472
MISSING PERSON: ADULT	26	24
MISSING PERSON: JUVENILE	40	47
SUICIDE	4	3
SUICIDE ATTEMPS	11	13

TRAFFIC RELATED ACTIVITY

ADMINISTRATIVE TICKETS	2022	2021
POLICE DEPARTMENT TOTAL	307	751
OTHER DEPARTMENTS TOTAL	24	129
GRAND TOTAL	331	880
CITATIONS/MOVING	2022	2021
CITATIONS	2,564	2,359
WRITTEN WARNINGS	1,659	1,393
ADMINISTRATIVE	811	880
TOTAL MOVING ISSUED	5,034	4,632

ACCIDENT INVESTIGATIONS	2022	2021
FATAL ACCIDENTS	0	0
INJURY ACCIDENTS	314	118
NON-INJURY ACCIDENTS	888	817
TOTAL ACCIDENTS REPORTED	1,202	935

TELEPHONE CALLS	2022	2021
911 CALLS	24,305	26,606
TOTAL CALLS FOR SERVICE	46,302	48,879
REPORTS COMPLETED	8,248	9,804

CRIME PREVENTION CHECKS	2022	2021
BAR CHECKS	335	411
BUSINESS CHECKS	1,811	1,352
HOUSING CHECKS	1,310	1,001
PARK CHECKS	950	619
SCHOOL CHECKS	103	117
TOTAL CRIME PREVENTION CHECKS	4,691	3,723

Citizen Complaints for 2022

Unfounded – 16

Not Sustained – 3

Exonerated- 6

Sustained – 8

Explanations

Unfounded: Allegation is false or not factual, or that the accused employee was not involved in the incident.

Not Sustained- Insufficient evidence to prove or disprove the incident.

Exonerated- Action was proper and lawful.

Sustained- Allegation was supported by the investigation.

Use of Force Incidents by Month

Use of Force Incidents by Month							
Month	Non-Deadly Force	Less Lethal Force	Deadly Force Displayed	Deadly Force Used	Injury Reported	Injury Treated	Totals
January	1	3	1	0	2	1	5
February	2	2	0	0	1	1	4
March	1	4	1	0	1	1	6
April	1	2	0	0	1	1	3
May	1	4	1	0	1	1	6
June	2	3	0	0	1	0	5
July	1	1	0	0	0	0	2
August	2	1	0	0	3	1	3
September	3	3	0	0	1	3	6
October	4	0	0	0	0	0	4
November	2	2	1	0	0	0	5
December	1	2	0	0	0	0	3
Total	21	27	4	0	11	9	52

Non-deadly force includes all empty-hand techniques used beyond handcuffing. Less lethal force includes the use or threat of use of any intermediate weapon not designed to cause great bodily harm or death (taser, baton, O.C. etc.). Deadly force includes the use or threat of use of force intended to or having the potential of causing great bodily harm or death. Injury reported means any injury, regardless of severity reported by subject as a result of the use of force. Treated injuries are all injuries where treatment was requested and subject was evaluated by medical personnel regardless of severity.

Communication Unit

The Communications Center is comprised of four dispatch consoles and three back up work stations. The Communications Center is responsible for receiving calls and dispatching for all incidents in Knox County including law enforcement, fire, and EMS. Telecommunicators (dispatchers) are also responsible for processing warrants, order of protections, stolen property, missing persons, officer reports and several other records.

Records Unit

The Records Division consists of four full-time Public Safety Clerks. Clerks are responsible for answering the main telephone switchboard for the City of Galesburg, assisting citizens in our lobby, and maintaining the department's records. This includes processing public requests for records and reports.

Galesburg/Knox County Public Safety YEAR END TOTALS - 2022

ACCIDENT REPORTS	112
BACKGROUND CHECKS	65
FOIA (information on CD, DVD, photos, calls)	38
SUBPOENA RESPONSE (PAID)	15
FINGERPRINTING	74

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No Charge Releases:

DCFS	662
STATES ATTORNEY	952
CITY ATTORNEY	38
JUVENILE COURT SERVICES / ADULT PROBATION	87
TEEN COURT	6
US PROBATION / PEORIA PAROLE	164
ILLINOIS STATE POLICE / IL DEPT OF CORRECTIONS	90
FBI / NICS	18
MILITARY	10
FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUESTS	1147
US OFC PERSONNEL MGMT / DCSA / HOMELAND SEC	125
LIQUOR COMMISSION	143
HOUSING	6
OTHER AGENCIES	152
MISCELLANEOUS	130
NON-PAID SUBPOENAS	79

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Criminal Offender Registration

Certain convicted offenders are required to register with the Galesburg/Knox County Criminal Offender Registration Administrator located at the Galesburg Public Safety Building. The administrator is an employee of the Galesburg Police Department. Offender registration requirements vary depending on charge as set by State Statute. Registration time frames are mandated yearly, quarterly, or weekly. Sex offenders are also required to register within three days any change of address, phone number, employment, education, vehicles driven, computer sites, scars, marks, and tattoos, or within five days for murderer/VOAY registrants. The administrator works with numerous agencies including the Attorney General's Office, U.S. Marshals, Illinois State Police, State's Attorney Office, Parole, Probation, Correctional and Juvenile Detention facilities, and sex offender units and investigation departments throughout the country. Additional duties are attending court hearings as requested, assisting with mapping, and maintaining the database for the Illinois State Police and Knox County sex offender websites.

2022 REGISTERED SEX OFFENDERS

REGISTERED CHILD SEX OFFENDERS	133
REGISTERED ADULT VICTIM SEX OFFENDERS	8
REGISTERED JUVENILE SEX OFFENDERS	16
NUMBER OF ANNUAL ENTRIES	749
TOTAL SEX OFFENDERS	141
TOTAL VIOLATION ARRESTS	23

2022 REGISTERED MURDERER/VIOLENT OFFENDER AGAINST YOUTHS

REGISTERED MURDERERS	6
REGISTERED VIOLENT OFFENDERS AGAINST YOUTH	19
NUMBER OF ANNUAL ENTRIES	64
TOTAL MURDERER AND VOY	25
TOTAL VIOLATION ARRESTS	4

2022 TOTAL OFFENDERS: 166

Committees

PUBLIC EDUCATION MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Public Education Committee is to educate the public on the 9-1-1 services available to them and aid in signing them up for those services. To foster a positive relationship between the dispatchers and the public they serve. This committee will strive to better 9-1-1 services and public relations within the community.

Public Education- 2022 Activities:

- Created 9-1-1 education posters for the community
- Posted to Department's Facebook page with education messages
- Passed out Halloween goodies bags in the PSB Lobby

Current Roster- Jamie Colwell (Chairperson), Victoria Dowdal (Secretary), Amanda Buck (Treasurer), and Jessica Spurrier.

WELLNESS AND MORALE MISSION STATEMENT

The Wellness and Morale committee shall foster a positive working environment. Motivational and encouraging words will have a positive impact for the department. This group will encourage and support personal and professional productivity. Members shall exemplify integrity, professionalism and compassion for others. We will strive to achieve excellence through developing new methods, as well as instilling those positive prior practices. Overall, this committee will promote a healthier lifestyle that will have a positive impact on the individuals mind, body, and ultimately higher satisfaction in the workplace environment.

Wellness & Morale- 2022 Activities:

- Weekly Dress Down Days- Fundraiser for charity
- Department decorating for holidays
- Passed out goodie bags to employees for certain holidays
- Pass out notes of encouragement and kudos for certain calls handled such as a baby delivery
- Promote healthy eating habits and ways to reduce stress

Current Roster- Jessica Spurrier (Chairperson), Victoria Dowdal (Secretary), Amanda Buck (Treasurer), and Jamie Colwell.

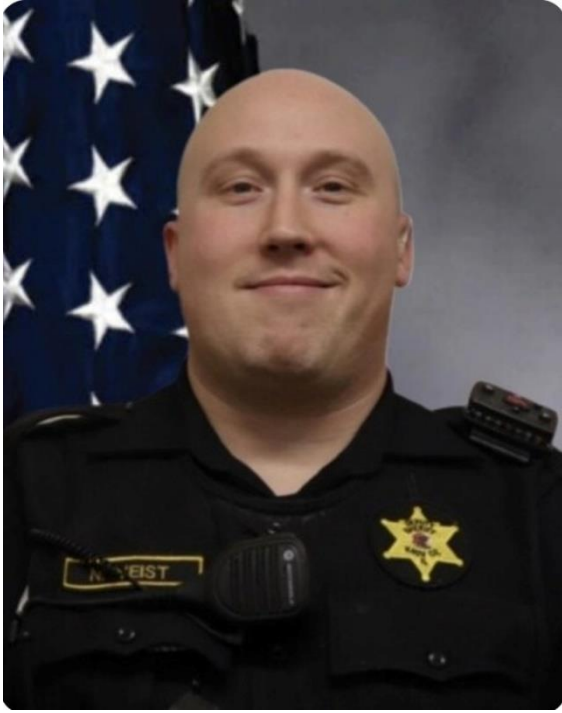
2022 Annual Shop with a Cop

The Galesburg Police Benevolent and Protective Association Unit #19 (PBPA) is an organization for current and retired police officers of the Galesburg Police Department. The PBPA supports many organizations within our city; the fishing derby, Bill Herrin scholarship, Special Olympics Torch Run, and Shop with a Cop to name a few. Galesburg Police Department along with the Galesburg High School Care group participated in the annual Shop with a Cop event this past December.



Thank
you
PBPA!

In Memory Of



On April 29, 2022 Deputy Nicholas (Nick) Weist with the Knox County Sheriff's Department was killed in the line of duty. On May 3, 2022 the Galesburg Jr High & High School track members, Knox County Sheriff's Department, and the Galesburg Police Department ran/walked a mile in memory of fallen Knox County Deputy Nick Weist. Thank you to Galesburg's students and coaches for thinking of Deputy Weist and his department. The Galesburg PBPA Unit 19 donated the memorial stone that is at the northwest corner of the intersection where Deputy Weist made the ultimate sacrifice. Thank you to the members of the PBPA and those who support membership which allowed the PBPA to dedicate the memorial in Deputy Weist's honor.



Special Events

On Wednesday June 15th, the torch was brought to Galesburg Police Department by the Rock Island Police Department. Officers and employees of Galesburg Police Department, Knox County Sheriff's Department, and the Illinois State Police participated in the run. This year's run wouldn't have been possible without the generosity of Lenny's Grill and Subs, or without our officers and dispatchers who helped raised funds for the Special Olympics of Illinois. Thank you to everyone who help make these fundraising events a success!



On Saturday, May 14th at 9 a.m. the Galesburg Police Department, Knox County Sheriff's Office, Galesburg Fire Department and the Galesburg Ambulance Service went to Voyles Field to play baseball with the Buddy Ball players. Buddy Ball is a division sponsored by Galesburg Youth Baseball for special needs players. This division gives players up to the age of 21 an opportunity to come out to the ballpark once a week and play baseball in a safe environment that takes into account the abilities of each player.

National Night Out

The Galesburg Police Department, in cooperation with numerous civic and public service organizations, proudly announced participation in the 2022 "National Night Out" event at Standish Park on Tuesday, August 2, 2022.

National Night Out is an annual community-building campaign to promote police-community partnerships and neighborhood comradery to make our neighborhoods safer and more caring places to live. National Night Out enhances the relationship between neighbors and law enforcement while bringing back a true sense of community. Furthermore, it provides a great opportunity to bring police and neighbors together under positive circumstances.

"I would like to invite our community out to Standish Park for this event to meet officers and dispatchers from their police department" stated Chief Idle. "We would like for the community to come and see the faces behind the uniform and headsets and get to know them, as well as the other members from the community who have volunteered to help make this event a success."





Galesburg Area CrimeStoppers Officer of the Year!



Congratulations to Officer Amber Schlomer for being chosen as the Galesburg Area Crime Stoppers Officer of the Year for 2022. Officer Schlomer was nominated by Command Officers and Patrol Officers. Officer Schlomer's proactive policing and attention to detail has led to numerous felony arrests which includes but not limited to a homicide, attempted homicide, and an aggravated discharge of a firearm. Officer Schlomer's proactive policing makes the community a safer place. Officer Schlomer brings a positive attitude to work and works well with her fellow employees.

Congratulations Officer Amber Schlomer!