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Mission Statement

The mission of the Rockford Police Department is to provide for the safety and welfare of the citizens of Rockford so they may enjoy the benefits of being secure in their person, property and state of mind through law enforcement, peace preservation, crime prevention, traffic control and education.

Excellence
In
Services



**Chief
Chet Epperson**



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POLICE DEPARTMENT
Chet Epperson
CHIEF OF POLICE

LAWRENCE J. MORRISSEY
MAYOR

The Honorable Lawrence J. Morrissey
Mayor
City of Rockford
425 E. State Street
Rockford, Illinois 61108

Dear Mayor Morrissey:

It is with great pleasure that I present to you, and the citizens of Rockford, the Rockford Police Department Annual Report for 2006. The report highlights the numerous challenges and work of the men and women of the Rockford Police Department during the past year.

I was appointed Chief of Police on April 10, 2006, and an immediate shift was needed to transition from traditional methods of policing to evidence-based policing strategies, which will lessen our crime problem and collaborate and connect with our citizens. A strategic plan was initiated to thoroughly examine our organization in order to become more efficient and effective. Initiation of community-oriented policing began along with hot-spot policing as a part of our day-to-day field operations. The Department continues its use of technology and better use of resources in order to provide smarter and more efficient policing.

As we reflect on the challenges that lay ahead of us, we look toward the future with optimism and determination as the Rockford Police Department prepares to enter into a paradigm policing shift. Our Department will become more effective and efficient with its stronger connection and collaboration with the community that it serves.

The Rockford Police Department will continue to provide faithful police service to all citizens that we serve. We will continue to strive for Excellence in Services!

Sincerely,

Chet Epperson
Chief of Police

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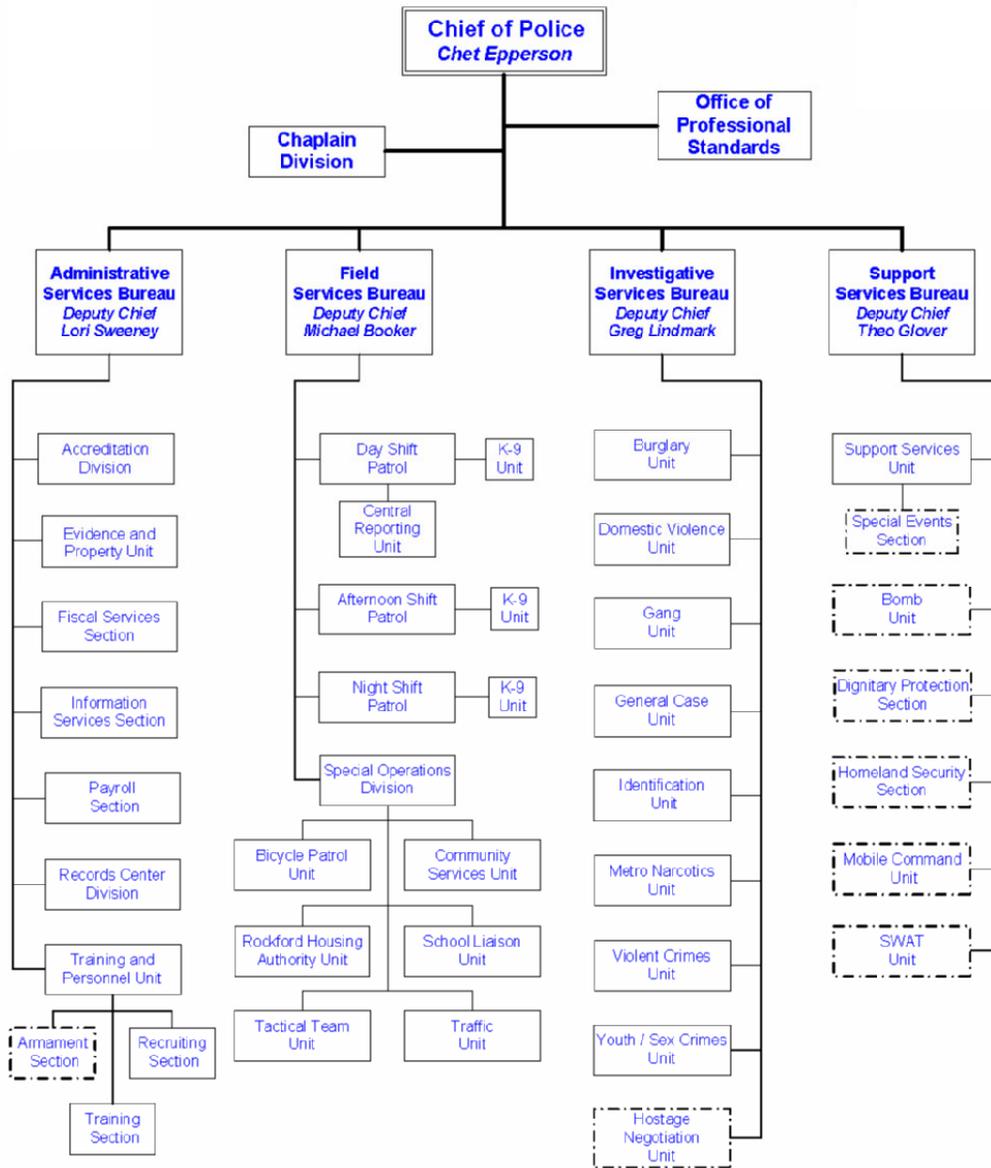


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Accreditation
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**Lt. Joe Rinaldo
Special Operations
Division**

Rockford Police Department



Sworn Position Title	Authorized	Non-Sworn Position Title	Authorized
Chief	1	Records Supervisor	1
Deputy Chief	4	Crime Analyst	1
Lieutenant	6	Financial Analyst	1
Sergeant	32	Fiscal Services Specialist	1
Investigator	81	Information Systems Specialist	1
Patrol Officer	181	Information Systems Technician	1
		Senior Administrative Assistant	2
		Administrative Assistant	1
		Evidence & Property Technician	4
		Senior Office Assistant	2
		Police Technician	5
		Senior Clerk	4
		Data Entry Operator	10
		Total	33



Chief of Police:

The Office of Chief of Police

The Chief of Police is the Chief Executive Officer of the Rockford Police Department and is the final authority in all matters of Department policy and operations. The Chief of Police is accountable to the Mayor and works to support the initiatives of the City Council.

- Ensures the Department's Mission is executed efficiently and effectively
- Creates a vision for the future of the Department
- Develops strategic goals and objectives
- Empowers and leads subordinates
- Plans, organizes, directs, staffs, coordinates and controls all Departmental functions



The **Administrative Staff** assists the Chief of Police and Deputy Chiefs with the daily administrative responsibilities of the Department. These responsibilities include correspondence, scheduling, purchasing and maintaining personnel files on all employees of the Department.



Office of Professional Standards

- Facilitates the process of receiving internal and external complaints alleging employee misconduct
- Investigates complaints against members of the Department
- Maintains documentation of complaints
- Prepares departmental charges when appropriate
- Assists in representing the Department in disciplinary hearings

The Rockford Police Department received 200,748 calls for service in 2006. The Office of Professional Standards received and investigated a total of 152 inquiries. This total includes citizen and internal complaints in 2006.

The Office investigated twelve-citizen complaints. The results of those investigations were:

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| • Sustained | 1 |
| • Not Sustained | 4 |
| • Officer Exonerated | 3 |
| • Unfounded | 2 |
| • Pending | 2 |

The Office investigated thirteen internal complaints involving violations of Department Rules, Regulations, or Policies.

The Office also investigated 141 inquiries (complaints of a minor nature). Twenty-one were determined to be unfounded. One is waiting further action. One hundred and thirty-nine were resolved through additional training, instruction, warning or explanation to the complainant.

Disciplinary action taken on all complaints (citizen and internal) were:

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| • No action | 4 |
| • Counseling | 0 |
| • Corrective action slip | 0 |
| • Oral reprimand | 1 |
| • Written Reprimand | 2 |
| • Suspension | 2 |
| • Resignation | 1 |
| • Termination | 0 |
| • Actions pending | 3 |



Administrative Services Bureau:

During 2006, the Administrative Services Bureau Deputy Chief and Training and Personnel Deputy Chief position and responsibilities were combined. The daily activities include the overall leadership, supervision and administration of support personnel and activities of the operation of two Divisions, three Sections and two Units. The Deputy Chief also has coordinated the anticipated building renovations among other special projects assigned directly from the Chief of Police.

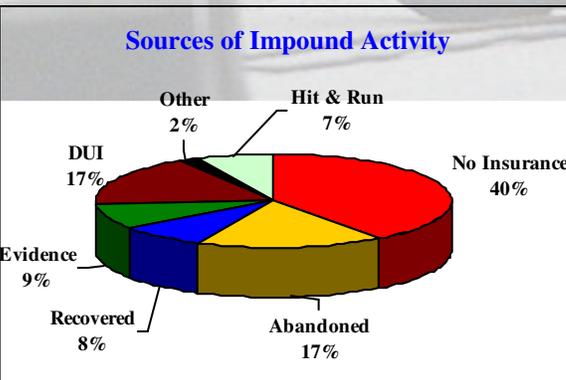
Evidence & Property Unit

The Evidence & Property Unit has custodial responsibility for all criminal evidence and recovered property recovered or seized by officers of the Department. The Unit is responsible for vehicles impounded by the Department and for the storage and distribution of office and operational supplies for the Department. The Evidence & Property Unit is staffed by four evidence technicians and one Sergeant.

Evidence Activity: The new evidence count for the year totaled 19,340, a 22.86% increase over 2005. Lab submissions totaled 2606, an increase of 22.69%. These increases continue to put pressure on our evidence storage capacity.

Revenue: The Unit generates revenue for the City of Rockford in two ways, through vehicle impound fees and auction of unclaimed property and vehicles. In 2006, the Unit collected a total of \$148,106, a 10.5% increase over 2005.

Impound Activity: Total impounds for 2006 equaled 3,436, 22 more than in 2005. Total impound activity which includes impound releases [2,406] and auctions [784] of unclaimed vehicles equaled 3,190. This, added to the new impounds, makes the total for all impound activity for the Unit equal 6,380, which is 708 less than 2005.



Fiscal Services Section

The Fiscal Services Section manages all functions regarding Department purchases, accounts payable, accounts receivable, disbursement and replenishment of petty cash, and maintains an inventory of uniforms and equipment. This Section also monitors the Department's budget, researches various police and office products, prepares bid specifications and oversees contracts with vendors.

Payroll Section

The Payroll Section manages the payroll for sworn and civilian personnel within the Department. Major duties of the Payroll Section include tracking of leave, sick time, vacation, compensatory time, overtime, and regular or special pay schedules. This must be done in compliance with the contract agreements between the two major bargaining units and the City. The Payroll Section also produces reports on the Department's payroll status to command personnel as well as individual reports for personnel retiring or otherwise leaving the Department.

Financial Analyst

A Financial Analyst position was added and filled in September 2006. The Financial Analyst assists in preparing the budget and also seeks grant opportunities as directed by the Department. Grant proposals are written and submitted throughout the year. Once secured, all grant reporting requirements are maintained by the grant writer.

Accreditation

The long and rigorous process of the initial self-assessment stage of accreditation continued in 2006. Many new General Orders were written and issued to Department personnel, with several more in the development stage. An additional Investigator was added to the Division staff bringing the total to one Lieutenant and two Investigators.

In July 2006, the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA) published the new 5th edition of the Standards Manual for Law Enforcement Agencies. In October, a decision was made to switch over to the 5th edition from the 4th edition that we were currently using. Several new standards were added and some standards were eliminated. A review of our Division accreditation files and a restructuring of those files were done at

The Administrative Services Bureau is commanded by Deputy Chief Lori Sweeney.





that time. Under the 5th edition, several new General Orders are required along with a review of those standards completed to date. This was completed in December, and the Division is working hard to complete the self-assessment process as soon as possible.

The process of accreditation requires that we comply with 459 national standards in all areas of law enforcement including Operations, Management, Research, Patrol, Investigations, Training and many more. The CALEA accreditation process is a proven modern management model that, once implemented, presents the Chief of Police with a blueprint that promotes the efficient use of resources and improves service delivery.

Successful completion of the process and awarding of accredited status demonstrates to the community that the Rockford Police Department is committed to "Excellence in Services."

Information Services Section

During 2006, the Rockford Police Department renamed the Computer Support Section to the Information Services Section. The Information Services Section is comprised of one sworn officer and one full time civilian. Information Services Section supports all desktops, laptops, mobile data computers, printers, servers and connectivity between them within the Police Department.

Information Services Section responded to approximately 1,300 Help Desk calls to assist Department personnel.

The Chief's conference room and the Patrol roll call room were transformed into media rooms which include a projector and computer.

Other major projects addressed by the Information Services Section include:

- Upgraded the NetRMS System to version 1.95 in November 2006 to improve compatibility with the new 911 Call Center
- Increased network data storage performance, reliability, and security
- Completed testing of cellular broadband connectivity for patrol vehicles - with implementation to start in February 2007. The contract was awarded to Sprint.

- Performed annual hardware replacement
- Installed a reporting server to allow custom reports to be generated from NetRMS, and allowing controlled access to partner agencies
- Developed and installed a new Racial Profiling program on all computers to comply with new State of Illinois Statutes

Information Services Section continues to work with the City of Rockford Information Technology Department to improve technology utilization and enhance user capabilities.

Crime Analysis

The Rockford Police Department Crime Analyst falls under the Records Center. With new enhancements in technology and the implementation of NetRMS, crime data is collected, collated, analyzed and disseminated on a regular basis. The Crime Analyst performs tasks such as analyzing crime, forecasting future criminal occurrences, tracking crime patterns, monitoring trends and preparing statistical crime reports to support daily Department functions and long term department projects.

The Rockford Police Department also uses ESRI (Environmental Systems Research Institute) mapping software ArcGIS (Geographic Information Systems) to enhance the analysis of crime data. Crime mapping allows for in-depth crime analysis and visual-statistical study of patterns and events to advance the analysis process.

Types of Crime Analysis are:

Administrative – Involves long range projects and statistical information reports.

Strategic – Concerned with operational strategies and solutions to ongoing problems.

Tactical – Deals with immediate criminal offenses to promote quick response.

The Rockford Police Department is an active member of the Crime Analysts of Illinois Association. In 2006, CAI had membership from 31 different Law Enforcement Agencies across the state of Illinois. The International Association of Crime Analysts has close to 1,000 members with roughly 89% of them from the United States of America.



Records Center Division

On January 1, 2006, the Rockford Police Department went live with a new records management system called *NetRMS*. *NetRMS* is the most powerful web-based records management system available to law enforcement agencies today. *NetRMS* provides all of the tools needed to properly store, retrieve and analyze data collected by Department personnel. Information about crime entered into the system is immediately available via computers to all Officers which saves time and promotes safety.

NetRMS incorporates NIBRS (National Incident-Based Reporting System) reporting which collects comprehensive data about a crime incident. NIBRS reporting replaces the traditional Summary UCR (Uniform Crime Reporting) that has been in place in the country since 1930.

Through the use of *NetRMS*, the entire workflow of a police incident report is done electronically from the report being written through the review and approval of that report by Police Command Staff and the Records Center. Reports are readily available online, but can still be printed if needed. Some report information is made available electronically to departments outside the Rockford Police Department.

Throughout 2006, the Department has submitted statistical data to the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) so it could be checked for quality. This year-long process identified areas where improvements could be made through configuration and training. We addressed these issues and on December 7, 2006, the FBI certified the Rockford Police Department as a NIBRS participant. Reporting NIBRS statistics is not mandated by the State of Illinois. The Rockford Police Department is the first agency in the state to attain this certification and only the third agency in the country that has been certified to report crime statistics directly to the FBI.

As a certified NIBRS participant, the Rockford Police Department will play a key role in continuing a nationwide statistical program that will enhance the quantity, quality and timeliness of crime data collected by the law enforcement community.

Medal of Lifesaving Awards



Officer Jason DoBran



Officer Oda Poole

On Friday, June 16, 2006, at 0350 hours, Officers Jason DoBran and Oda Poole were distracted by cries for help from an apartment while conducting a stabbing investigation at 941 Acorn. Next door, a woman was yelling from an upper-level window and holding an infant in her arms as black smoke came from an apartment at 945 Acorn.

The mother and infant were safely removed from the apartment. A male subject then staggered from the front door. Officer DoBran heard the rescued mother crying and say her two children remained in the burning apartment.

Officer DoBran followed Officer Poole into the house, through an open door, and saw the living room afire. They continued up a staircase and Officer DoBran lost sight of Officer Poole. He checked one room and went back down the staircase. He found the man who had exited the house lying in the middle of the kitchen floor. Officer DoBran helped him to his feet and out of the burning house. Upon exiting, Officer DoBran could see Officer Poole passing the two unaccounted for children to fire personnel. Officers Poole and DoBran were treated and released from local hospitals.

With great risk to their own personal safety, Officers DoBran and Poole demonstrated courage and compassion, which exemplifies the excellence in services of officers on the Rockford Police Department. They are a credit to themselves, the Department and the citizens of Rockford.



Training and Personnel Unit

The Training Unit provided 22,505 hours of training to sworn police officers and civilian support personnel in 2006. Instructors from the Training Unit provided an additional 1,610 hours of specialized instructional time. These continuous educational and training programs maintain the skills and knowledge base for our officers and support staff. The Training Unit works in close cooperation with the Northern Illinois Training Advisory Board, the University of Illinois Police Training Institute, Northwestern University Center for Public Safety, the FBI National Academy, and the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board. This cooperation includes providing instructors and advisors to assist in the training of area enforcement officers.

Specific accomplishments during 2006:

- Monthly Firearms Training and Qualifications
- Specialized training for SWAT Team/Snipers & Entry Team, K-9 Operations, Bomb Unit, Metro Narcotics Unit, Crime Scene Unit, Traffic Unit, Bike Unit, Hostage Negotiations Unit and Command Vehicle Unit.
- Department Spring Training: LEADS/Records Management System/Hazmat/C.P.R. Training
- Crisis Intervention Training (C.I.T.)
- Roll Call Training to include such topics as Racial Profiling and Parking Violation/City Code 408
- Department Fall Training: Tactical Firearms-Shooting and Moving, AR-15 Basic Familiarization Course and Qualification
- Basic two week New Recruit Orientation School
- Basic skills training for all new officers – three week City School
- Department-wide training: National Incident Management System (NIMS)/Air-purifying Respirator (APR)
- Department-wide gun maintenance to include handguns and long guns
- Department Winter Training: Rapid Response/School Crisis Plan training

During 2006, the Department had eleven Officers attend the 480-hour Basic Law Enforcement School at the University of Illinois. Two officers of the SWAT Team attended on-going training as members of a State Containment Team with the Illinois Law Enforcement Alarm System under the Illinois Intergovernmental Cooperation Act dealing with acts of Terrorism. One Sergeant attended a ten-week Supervisory School at the FBI National Academy. Five Sergeants attended a ten-week Staff and Command School through Northwestern University.

Recruiting Section

The Recruitment Process requires candidates for the position of Police Officer on the Rockford Police Department to pass all phases of our testing process. The testing process consists of a rigorous physical fitness assessment (POWER test), a written examination (POST test), which assesses a candidate's reasoning and writing skills and an interview with the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners.

Upon successful completion of these steps, candidates must pass a thorough background investigation and psychological testing. This process, from initial application to the final eligibility list, usually takes four months. The Rockford Police Department Recruiting Section is currently in the process of updating the recruiting process. The Recruiting Section is looking toward the newest trends in recruiting for assessing and testing future Police Officers.

In 2007, applications will be accepted electronically and candidates will be tracked from initial application through hiring and training. This modernization will afford the Police Department accurate data. This data will provide us the opportunity to analyze our current processes and make sound changes to enhance our recruiting efforts. This new system will aid us in forecasting anticipated personnel needs. It is important to predict future vacancies within the department because of the extended amount of time needed to educate and train new officers.



We encourage anyone who has an interest or knows someone that may be interested in a career in law enforcement to email recruiter@ci.rockford.il.us or call (815) 987-5838. For more information about the Rockford Police Department and recruiting, visit www.cityofrockford.net/government/police on the web.



Chaplain Section

The Chaplain Section is a support unit of the Rockford Police Department. The unit consists of the Head Chaplain, a Personal Services Officer, an Outreach Worker and 26 volunteer Duty Chaplains. The unit handled many documented calls for services. Police chaplains regularly assist with:

- Death and/or accident notifications
- Bereavement Counseling
- Family Disturbances
- Suicide Attempts
- Lonely and Despondent Persons
- Spiritual Problems
- Major Fires
- Liaison with Community Clergy
- Community Crisis Response Team
- Liaison with other Community Helping Agencies
- People who have basic crisis needs such as food, shelter, transportation, etc.

In addition to the above, the Chaplain Section assists active and retired Police and Fire personnel as needed when difficulties or tragedies arise in their personal lives. In 2006, our Chaplains were involved in many visitations and funerals.

The Chaplain Section could not accomplish its mission without the help of our volunteer Duty Chaplains and our Resources Volunteers. Our Head Chaplain, Duty Chaplains, Personal Services Officer and Outreach Worker are all on call 24 hours per day, seven days per week, 365 days per year. Someone is always available to handle whatever crisis arises. Resource Volunteers engage in tasks such as office work, making deliveries and sorting food.

The Chaplain Section operates on a partnership with the City of Rockford and private donations (churches, individuals, civic clubs, businesses, foundations and fund raising projects). Monies raised are spent either for benevolent needs or operational needs.

Benevolent monies are used to assist individuals or families referred to the Chaplains Section by police officers and fire fighters or who contact our office directly. These funds are used when immediate assistance is necessary or other forms of community aid are not available.



Benevolent expenditures include monies given for food, clothing, transportation, housing, medicine and other such needs. The Section provided additional non-monetary assistance, such as food pantry items, as needed throughout the year. The Section provided food baskets, vehicle gas and gifts for 37 families during the Christmas holiday.

The Chaplain Section worked on various projects including:

- Training for Police and Fire personnel
- Recruiting and training volunteer Duty Chaplains
- Assisting Midwest area police departments to set up their own Chaplain Departments
- Putting together our Annual Police Memorial Service honoring all Winnebago County Police Officers killed in the line of duty
- Supplying teddy bears for area police cars and ambulances

Our teddy bears are given out to children, elderly and disabled individuals. The Gold Wing Road Riders, Chapter L, is a motorcycle group that has a fundraiser for us each August and the proceeds help provide these teddy bears. The bears help the Police Officers, Fire Fighters and Chaplains to develop a trust with the individuals involved in the crisis and bring a calm to the situation, allowing personnel to get their work accomplished more quickly and efficiently.

We are so thankful for all those who continue to support our program in a variety of ways. We are especially grateful to our volunteer Duty Chaplains who faithfully give of their time, talents, and resources to help those who are hurting and in crisis in our community. Their tireless and often behind the scenes efforts are an example and encouragement to us all. They are truly dedicated to helping and caring for our police officers, fire fighters, 911 center operators and the citizens of our community.



Support Services Bureau:

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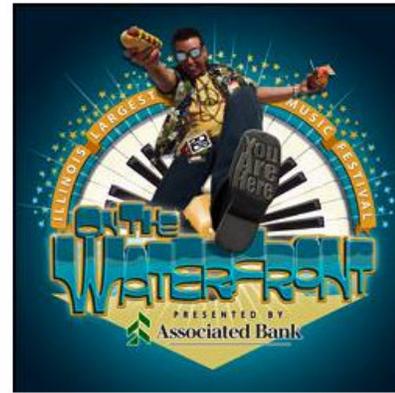


In May of 2006, the Rockford Police Department combined separate areas of responsibility from Patrol Administration and Special Operations and created the Support Services Bureau. The Support Services Bureau consists of a Deputy Chief and one Support Services Sergeant.

The Support Services Bureau is responsible for several key functions of the Rockford Police Department. These include commanding the Department's S.W.A.T. Team, Bomb Unit, Mobile Command Unit and the newly organized Field Force Unit and Dignitary Protection Team. The majority of responsibility of the Support Services Bureau is management and coordination of services for major events and special projects. The Deputy Chief of Support Services also provides the Department with a research and development function.



Major event planning, coordinating re-occurring special events and special projects consist of the majority of duties of the Support Services Bureau. Typical assignments are attending strategic meetings and preparing operational plans for these events. Developing contingency plans for crowd control, crime problems and traffic issues are required for major events. Planning logistical requirements of personnel and the procurement of equipment and supplies is needed for the proper preparation for each event. This also includes coordinating with other agencies affected by the major event and reviewing any mutual aid agreements. Examples of major events are the 4th of July, "On the Waterfront" Musical Festival and the Chicago/Rockford International Airport "Airfest".



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Duties of the Support Services Sergeant consist of assisting the Deputy Chief of Support Services with special projects, major event planning and coordinating re-occurring special events. The Support Services Sergeant is also the vehicle fleet and Patrol equipment manager and the State's Attorney Liaison as it pertains to court services.

The Support Services Bureau also assists with emergency planning for local and federal agencies located in the jurisdiction of Rockford. This consists of coordinating the Department's response to emergencies at their facilities. The Support Service Bureau has participated in emergency drills for the Winnebago County Health Department's "Operation Avalon" and the United States Post Office "Bio-Hazard Detection System Response Drill".



Investigative Services Bureau:

The Investigative Service Bureau (ISB) is responsible for the follow-up and preparation for all criminal incidents in the City of Rockford and the investigation of violations of narcotic laws. The goals of the ISB are to focus on decreasing crime while increasing the solve rate using both traditional and non-traditional ways of policing.

The new Records Management System provides Detectives with immediate inquiries to any information that is documented in a report. The Crime Analyst is used on a daily basis in order to prevent and track crime using real time data. Weekly Crime Mapping tracks Aggravated Discharges, Unlawful Use of Weapons Offenses, Armed Robberies and Property Crimes.

The ISB maintains a good working relationship with other local and federal law enforcement agencies. Many criminal cases are brought to a successful conclusion by working jointly with Federal law enforcement.

The ISB has eight units with each being supervised by a Sergeant with 59 Detectives. Burglary, Domestic Violence, Gangs, General Case/Forgery, Identification, Metro Narcotics, Violent Crimes and Youth/ Sex Crimes comprise the units.

In 2006, the Rockford Police Department investigated 18 murders. One death investigation is still pending and may be ruled as murder pending further investigation.

Identification Unit

The Identification Unit (ID Unit) is currently organized with one Sergeant and nine Detectives. It is staffed seven days per week, twenty-two hours per day. The Detectives of the ID Unit must identify, collect and package evidence. They must also document crime scenes through photography, videography and diagramming. All of these tasks must be performed in such a way that they pave the way for successful prosecutions by the Winnebago County State's Attorney.

The Detectives are specifically tasked to perform other specialized functions such as Blood Spatter Analysis, Crime Scene Photography, Forensic Video Analysis and Forensic Computer Examinations.

The ID Unit also provides services such as duplication of photographs, videotapes, and audiotapes. The ID Unit produced photos of 973 requests in 2006.

Detectives in the ID Unit are also called upon to create visual aids that will be used as exhibits in court and at various out-of-court presentations. The ID Unit replaced and upgraded equipment such as a new digital camera and two camcorders.

Various Detectives in the ID Unit, because of their specialized and continuing training, are also recognized as expert witnesses in the fields of Fingerprint Identification and Blood Spatter Analysis in Illinois court. ID Detectives have also testified as experts on Fingerprint Identification in Federal Court. Detectives lifted latent prints at over 200 cases in 2006.

Detectives of the ID Unit identified over 80 individuals from fingerprint matches. These matches came substantially from latent prints lifted at crime scenes, but also included numerous individuals trying to hide their true identities. A number of the matches were aided by the Automated Fingerprint Identification System (AFIS) employed by the Rockford Police Department. A total of 68 searches were conducted in AFIS on latent prints and 48 were conducted on ten-print submissions. Those searches alone yielded matches on 28 and 26 persons, for hit percentages of 41.2 and 54.2, respectfully. Due to state-mandated upgrades, AFIS was down from August 31, 2006 through the end of the year. Despite the time that the system was down and the commensurately lower number of submissions, the hit percentages are up from the prior year.

The Identification Unit also provided services in the form of citizen fingerprinting. The ID Detectives fingerprinted over 572 persons during 2006 for an average of eleven per week. Citizen fingerprinting was supplemented by the use of LiveScan equipment received in 2006.

Violent Crimes Unit

The Violent Crimes Unit is responsible for the investigation of all crimes against persons - from a simple battery or assault up to and including Murder investigations. In 2006, the Unit investigated 1,083 incidents, up 16.2% from 2005. The overall clearance rate for those incidents investigated was 71.1%.

There were 18 murders in Rockford in 2006 compared to 19 in 2005. The Unit cleared 13 of the 18 murders for a 72.2% clearance rate, well above the national average of 62.1%.



The Investigative Services Bureau is commanded by Deputy Chief Greg Lindmark.





The Violent Crimes Unit also took part in the investigation of several other serious crimes. Since 2003, the city and the surrounding area had experienced a series of cash store robberies during which the suspect used toy handcuffs to restrain the employees. In September, the Violent Crimes Unit, along with the Loves Park Police Department was able to clear more than 15 robberies with the arrest of a suspect.

In October, the Unit assisted the FBI with a kidnaping investigation that occurred in Virginia and ended in Rockford with the arrest of several suspects and the release of the victim unharmed.

During the course of the year, the Violent Crimes Unit investigated several bank robberies. Four suspects were responsible for a total of five different robberies and were taken into custody and are now awaiting federal prosecution.

The Violent Crimes Unit maintains a good working relationship with the Winnebago County State's Attorney's Office and continues to assist them with many aspects of trial preparation. The Unit also works closely with other municipal and federal agencies.

Gang Unit

The Gang Crime Unit conducts investigations on gang-related crimes and any other incident involving gang members. The Gang Unit is responsible for collecting intelligence on gang members and the activities they are involved in.

The Gang Unit investigated over 200 gang-related incidents. Detectives assigned to the Gang Unit gave presentations to schools, church organizations and other community groups. These presentations were informative and assisted those organizations to identify and combat gang problems in their respective areas. Detectives in the Gang Unit are assigned as liaisons to local schools and serve as a resource for those schools to deal with the problems they face.

The Gang Unit was restructured in April and two additional Detectives were added to the Unit. Since August 2006, the Gang Unit made 101 arrests and recovered 37 firearms. Their proactive approach involves conducting gang suppressions utilizing resources both within the Police Department and Federal agencies.

Youth/Sex Crimes Unit

The Youth/Sex Crimes Unit is responsible for investigating criminal cases involving victims and suspects under the age of 17, and all adult and juvenile sex crimes, vehicle thefts, missing persons and juvenile runaways. The Unit is also responsible for sex offender compliance, alcohol compliance checks and curfew sweeps.

In 2006, the Youth/Sex Crimes Unit was awarded an additional forensic computer at no cost through a grant to aid in computer related crime investigations. The Youth/Sex Crimes Unit conducted over 800 investigations including approximately 40 cases involving computer-related pornography and other sex offenses. The Unit assisted numerous Federal, State and Municipal Law Enforcement agencies with computer and sex crime offenses.

The Unit investigated 823 reported stolen vehicles in which 66 of those cases were determined to be unfounded. There were 15 juveniles and 134 adults arrested.

The Unit investigated 1,478 Missing/Runaway Persons reports. As of January 1, 2007, 72 of those reports were active. The Unit assisted 52 other law enforcement agencies with investigations into Missing/Runaway persons.

Metro Narcotics Unit

The Metro Narcotic Unit conducted 257 narcotic investigations, including the execution of 157 narcotic search warrants in 2006. This led to the arrest of 272 suspects. The Unit had large seizures of cannabis, cannabis plants and cocaine. The Unit seized cannabis with a street value in excess of \$5,000,000, cocaine with a street value in excess of \$2,800,000 and cannabis plants with a street value near \$390,000. During the investigations conducted by the Metro Narcotic Unit, 78 firearms were recovered.

The Unit seized approximately \$240,000 United States currency, several vehicles and initiated the seizure process of 2 residences utilized by narcotics traffickers.

The Metro Narcotic Unit continued working with State, Federal and Local agencies conducting narcotics investigations in the Rockford Area. The Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) deployed its Mobile Enforcement Team (MET) in Rockford for 14 weeks during which time 73 narcotic investigations including the execution of 33 narcotic search warrants were completed. During this period, 82 arrests were made including 56 narcotic related arrests.



General Case/Fraud and Forgery Unit

The General Case/Fraud and Forgery Unit is responsible for investigating a wide variety of crimes including criminal damage, theft, counterfeiting, computer internet crimes, forgery, identity theft and any other type of fraud.

The General Case/Fraud and Forgery Unit investigated over 975 criminal cases and assisted numerous other local, state and federal law enforcement agencies.

Incidents of financial fraud and identity theft continue to be a focus of this unit. A prevention mode to forgeries is currently being developed with the Community Services Unit and large marketplaces where the majority of these crimes are taking place.

The General Case Unit has two Detectives who have received specialized training in Hip-Hop Graffiti investigation and enforcement. During the past year, these detectives investigated a core group of graffiti “artist” who were “tagging” numerous buildings and properties in the City of Rockford. After an extensive investigation, three individuals were arrested and charged with Criminal Damage to Property exceeding \$100,000 in damages.

Detectives assigned to the General Case Unit conducted an undercover investigation into a large fencing operation by several area merchants. This investigation revolved around numerous individuals that would commit thefts of cosmetics and then sell these stolen items to several area merchants. As a result of this extensive investigation, 12 arrest warrants were issued and the City of Rockford closed four area businesses.

Burglary Unit

The Burglary Unit is responsible for investigating residential, commercial and vehicle burglaries. The Burglary Unit consists of one sergeant and eight detectives. The Unit investigated about 850 cases during 2006, which was an increase of 30.8% from 2005.

The Burglary Unit works with surrounding agencies on a variety of burglary-related investigations. Proactively, Burglary Detectives work with Illinois Department of Corrections Parole Officers monitoring those on parole for burglary. The pawn shops are monitored by the Burglary Detectives for stolen property. Crime Prevention methods are discussed at Neighborhood Watch meetings in which Community Services Officers are incorporating Burglary Detectives.

Burglary stakeouts proved successful during construction site thefts. This long-term investigation led to the arrest of eight suspects for burglary and 78 burglary cases were cleared. Over \$50,000 in recovered stolen property was obtained from the construction site burglaries.

Domestic Violence Unit

The Domestic Violence Unit follows up on reports of domestic violence and assists victims of domestic violence.

The Domestic Violence Unit continues as a member of the Seventeenth Judicial Circuit’s Family Violence Prevention Coordinating Council and the Violence Prevention Collaborative.

The Unit continues to work directly with the Winnebago County State’s Attorneys Office in efforts to decrease domestic violence and with education related issues of domestic violence.

The Domestic Violence Unit applies annually for a state grant from the Illinois Attorney General’s Office. This grant offsets \$23,120 in wages of one sworn investigator. This investigator serves as a tool by complimenting this Unit’s client interviews, criminal complaint investigations and other assignments as it relates to domestic violence.

Domestic Violence Activity (Entire Police Department)

	2006	2005
Domestic Battery	2,742	2,398
Domestic Trouble	1,729	1,435
Order of Protection Violations	380	427
Other Domestic Calls	423	290
Total Domestic Cases	5,234	4,550
Cases Assigned to the Unit	863	850
On-Scene Arrests	1,056	938
Arrest Warrants Obtained	391	397
Arrests on Warrants	233	212



The Field Services Bureau is commanded by Deputy Chief Michael Booker.



Field Services Bureau:

Patrol Services Bureau

In May of 2006, Patrol, Traffic and Special Operations Bureaus were merged to form the Field Services Bureau. The Field Services Bureau

Day Shift	0630-1630 hours
Afternoon Shift	1600-0200 hours
Night Shift	2100-0700 hours

comprises the largest number of personnel within the Rockford Police Department. The Patrol Division is the largest division within the Field Services Bureau. The Patrol Division is divided into three separate shifts - day shift, afternoon shift and night shift. Each shift is commanded by a Lieutenant and supervised by five Sergeants. The day and afternoon shift each have two K-9 units assigned. The Central Reporting Unit (CRU) falls under the command of the day shift.

In 2006, the Patrol Division began employing "hotspot" policing strategy. Crime data is regularly gathered and analyzed to assist supervisors with manpower allocation decisions. During the overlap of the afternoon shift and night shift, and when manpower is at its peak, supervisors are asked to form a hotspot unit to assertively patrol specific geographical areas where incidents of crime and call volume are high.

The Patrol Division is also actively engaged in the conversion to a Community Policing philosophy. Patrol supervisors receive regular announcements of neighborhood group meetings and are expected to assign on-duty officers to attend and participate in these meetings. Patrol supervisors and Field Training Officers have received training in the Community Policing strategy. Community Policing also requires a decentralization of command, therefore a patrol efficiency committee was formed consisting of command staff, supervisors and patrol officers. Several of the recommendations made by this committee will be implemented in 2007.

The Patrol Division also:

- Responds to calls for service
- Conducts preliminary investigations
- Investigates traffic crashes
- Enforces criminal and traffic laws
- Conducts crime prevention and suppression activities

Central Reporting Unit

Eight patrol Officers were assigned to the Central Reporting (CRU) Unit in 2006. The Unit is staffed twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week and is the first point of contact citizens have with the Rockford Police Department upon entering the Public Safety Building. Officers assigned to the CRU work and cooperate in all tasks and functions within the Field Services Bureau.

CRU Officers handled 11,250 police reports from citizens walking into the Public Safety Building or over the telephone. This represents a 24% increase over 2005. Incidents such as criminal damage, burglary to vehicle, telephone harassment, as well as various information reports are taken by the CRU Officers keeping the patrol squads available for higher priority calls for service.

The CRU is supervised by the Day Shift Patrol Commander. This unit has proven to be a valuable asset to the community and officers.

Central Reporting Unit (CRU) Statistics			
YEAR	TOTAL DEPARTMENT REPORTS	CRU REPORTS	CRU % OF TOTAL DEPARTMENT REPORTS WRITTEN
2004	41,601	9,444	22.70%
2005	40,452	9,045	22.30%
2006	45,129	11,250	24.93%

Tactical Unit

The Tactical Unit is a ten-officer street crimes unit which patrols high crime areas in two-officer unmarked squads, concentrating on street-level narcotics trafficking, prostitution, weapon and gang related offenses.

As a Special Operations Unit, the Tactical Team is able to quickly direct its efforts to target problem areas within the city and respond to citizen complaints of criminal and quality of life issues.

During 2006, The Tactical Team was responsible for 1,317 arrests, a 98% increase over the previous year. This resulted in 2,609 charges and 327 felony arrests. The unit seized 3.34 lbs. of cocaine, 50 lbs. of cannabis, 31 grams of heroin, 36 guns and over \$85,000 in U.S. currency.



K-9 Unit

The Rockford Police Department Canine Unit is comprised of three multi-purpose patrol dog teams and one explosive detection dog team.

The patrol dogs are used to locate the odor of narcotics in vehicles, buildings and packages, track suspects and missing people, locate suspects hiding in buildings and outdoor areas, handler protection and the recovery of evidence.

Our explosives detection canine, or bomb dog, is used to search buildings, packages and vehicles suspected of containing explosives or bomb making materials. He is able to locate firearms and ammunition and is used to clear areas prior to the arrival of dignitaries.

Each of the Department's canine teams assists Homeland Security officers at the Chicago/Rockford International Airport by searching the terminal, luggage, aircraft and other areas for the odors of narcotics, explosives and firearms. Canine Unit officers are also present for all departing flights and arriving international flights.

Canine handlers also conduct dozens of canine demonstrations each year, educating the public on the functions and capabilities of the Police Department canines.

Bicycle Patrol Unit

The Bicycle Patrol Unit is a specialized patrol unit responsible for providing Department services to those who live, work or visit the downtown corridor of the City. High visibility patrol is a key component of this specialized unit. Members of this unit aggressively enforce both State laws and City ordinances with the goal of providing a safe and friendly urban setting. The stealth and speed of the bicycle allows unit members to swiftly respond to and address situations in a busy downtown environment.

The Bicycle Patrol Unit focuses on quality of life issues such as prostitution, street level narcotics sales, loitering, liquor violations, littering and pan-handling. Unit members routinely provide support to the Department's patrol shifts and Detective Bureau. This unit also works closely with the local Crime Stoppers organization and serves court issued arrest warrants on a daily basis.

The Bicycle Patrol Unit is a key component in providing security during special City events such as the 4th of July festivities, On The Waterfront and the Downtown Summer Concert Series. While security is the primary focus at these and other similar events, Bicycle Unit members routinely become the Department's community relation's ambassadors as a result of their modes of patrol.

In 2006, the Bicycle Patrol Unit made 838 criminal arrests, issued 178 traffic citations and made 506 contacts with street level prostitutes. Of the 506 prostitute contacts, 209 of them were arrests made during the course of 11 special operations.

Rockford Police Housing Unit

The Rockford Police Housing Unit is committed to creating a safe environment for the families that live in public housing. This is a unit that is rooted in Community Policing.

During this past year, officers of the unit have made numerous contacts with residents and non-residents of the developments. Information gathered by the officers during these contacts assist in making the community safer and are also a great source of information for the investigators of this department and other outlying agencies, including State and Federal agencies.

We have been involved in many different assignments this past year. We have assisted the bike Unit in numerous prostitution sweeps. We have worked with Federal Marshals in serving warrants. This past autumn we worked with the Metro Narcotics Unit and with the MET unit of the DEA making "buy/busts". We have completed numerous surveillances in a variety of the developments – witnessing drug sales and making appropriate arrests. During the summer we were very aggressive in approaching the inside of the developments on foot and discreetly so that we may witness any suspicious activity.

During the last three months of the year we worked with the Gang Unit on a gang suppression detail. This put us in plain clothes and unmarked cars. We did numerous surveillances on this detail resulting in a fair amount of arrests and weapon recovery.

During 2006, there were 963 arrests in the developments and/or by officers that work in the housing unit. These do not include arrests made during prostitution details or the gang suppression detail. Of this number, 687 were made by the housing officers.





Traffic Unit

The Traffic Unit consists of one sergeant, fifteen investigators, one abandoned vehicle officer, two parking control officers and one secretary. Of the fifteen investigators, four investigators work the DUI task force and one investigator investigated hit and run crashes.

During the year of 2006, the Traffic Unit investigated 11 fatal traffic crashes. Members of the Major Accident Reconstruction Team along with other traffic investigators investigated these crashes.

The Department as a whole investigated 6,665 traffic crashes in 2006. 1,614 of the crashes were investigated as hit and run crashes. The solve rate was 27%.

The DUI Task Force cited a total of 454 impaired drivers. These impaired drivers involved alcohol and/or drug impaired individuals.

The Traffic Unit deployed four motorcycles. The motorcycles augmented the Traffic Unit's effectiveness and efficiency. The Traffic Unit also continued the use of the portable scales for enforcement of overweight trucks. This enforcement helped lengthen the life of the city streets.

The Traffic Unit removed 352 abandoned and/or illegally parked vehicles from city streets. The Traffic Unit also maintained wrecker inspections for the rotating wrecker list, provided escorts for funeral processions and traffic control for numerous civic events.

The Traffic Unit participated in the state wide "Click-It-Or-Ticket" and "You Drink-You Drive-You Lose" campaigns. The Traffic Unit conducted enforcement zones, saturation patrols and roadside safety checks. During these efforts DUI, speeding, disobeying traffic control devices and seat belt usage was stressed. The Traffic Unit partnered with the Illinois State Police as well as the Winnebago County Sheriff's Department during some of these enforcement efforts.

The Traffic Unit continued to concentrate on effective selective enforcement targeting high crash locations during high crash times and enforcing those violations contributing to those crashes.

The Traffic Unit was and continues to be committed to reducing deaths, injuries, and property loss through effective and efficient traffic enforcement strategies.

Community Services

During the 2006 calendar year, the Community Services Unit consisted of five Officers and one Sergeant. Each Officer was assigned a portion of the city in which they were responsible for reducing and eliminating re-occurring community and neighborhood problems. The Unit uses a variety of traditional and non-traditional policing methods to address crime and quality of life issues.

As part of a proactive community policing effort, the Community Services Unit assists approximately 28 neighborhood organizations throughout the city. Community Services Officers attended over 200 neighborhood watch meetings. Officers encourage those in attendance to bring their crime and quality of life issues forward so that they can be addressed directly by the Officers assigned to the neighborhoods in which they live.

In 2006, Officers continued to work in the Weed and Seed area and conducted or took part in ten enforcement details in that area. The Community Services Unit was involved in opening "The Community House", a Police sub-station at 1810 W. State Street.

The Community Services Unit continues to utilize the State of Illinois Nuisance Abatement Act to seize property where uncooperative landowners refuse to respond to chronic drug activity occurring on their property. Officers partnered with the City of Rockford Legal Department to seize several residential and commercial properties.

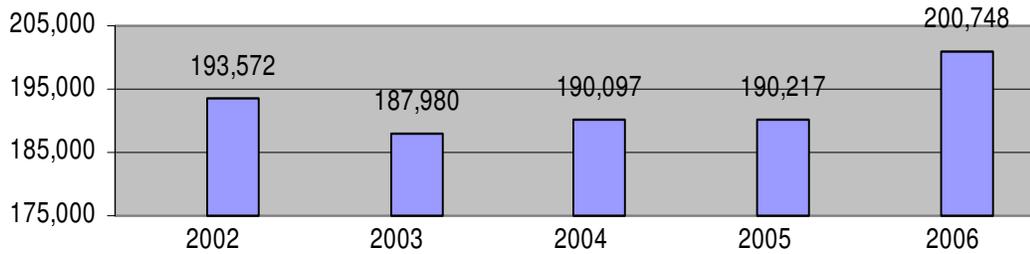


Community Services Officers verified the addresses of over 500 registered Sex Offenders and conducted over 20 residential and commercial security surveys. Officers also utilized the reverse 911 calling system to warn residents when isolated crime trends were identified and advised them of neighborhood organization meetings in their neighborhood.

Community Services Officers are committed to problem solving and to building and sustaining effective government and community partnerships.



CALLS FOR SERVICE / POLICE RESPONSE 2002 — 2006 COMPARISON



TRAFFIC TICKETS ISSUED 2005 — 2006 COMPARISON

VIOLATION	NUMBER	NUMBER	%
	2005	2006	CHANGE
Driving Under the Influence (and Related)	629	706	+12.24%
Blood Alcohol over .08%	216	239	+10.65%
Illegal Transportation of Alcohol	212	326	+53.77%
Reckless Driving	119	118	-0.84%
Hit and Run	366	328	-10.38%
Drag Racing	17	8	-52.94%
No Valid Registration	1,522	1,473	-3.22%
No Insurance	4,030	4,288	+6.40%
No Valid Driver's License	1,473	1,417	-3.80%
Driving After Suspension / Revocation	2,254	2,286	+1.42%
Seat Belt Violation	1,209	977	-19.19%
Fleeing	58	70	+20.69%
Speeding	5,382	4,305	-20.01%
Driving Too Fast for Conditions	1,102	1,295	+17.51%
No City Sticker	338	201	-40.53%
Negligent Driving	754	676	-10.34%
Disobeyed Traffic Signal	890	605	-32.02%
Disobeyed Stop Sign	1,386	1,803	+30.09%
Improper Turns / Signaling	202	382	+89.11%
Failed to Yield at Intersections	656	621	-5.34%
Improper Lane Usage	510	527	+3.33%
ALL OTHER TRAFFIC CITATIONS	3,807	3,960	+4.96%
Total Tickets issued:	27,132	26,611	-1.92%



Offenses/Clearances for January 1—December 31, 2006

Code	Offense Description	# of Offenses	Unfounded	Total	Offenses Cleared by			% Cleared
					Arrest	Exception	Total	
Group A								
09A	Murder & Nonnegligent Manslaughter	18		18	13		13	72.2%
09B	Negligent Manslaughter			0			0	
09C	Justifiable Homicide			0			0	
100	Kidnapping/Abduction/Unlawful Restrain	58	4	54	28	12	40	74.1%
11A	Forcible Rape	142	22	120	19	64	83	69.2%
11B	Forcible Sodomy	9	3	6	2	8	10	166.7%
11C	Sexual Assault With an Object	1		1		1	1	100.0%
11D	Forcible Fondling	89	18	71	16	39	55	77.5%
120	Robbery	611	24	587	97	77	174	29.6%
13A	Aggravated Assault	1,278	21	1,257	423	300	723	57.5%
13B	Simple Assault	5,234	23	5,211	2,434	1,263	3,697	70.9%
13C	Intimidation	569	5	564	134	76	210	37.2%
200	Arson	27	1	26	9		9	34.6%
210	Extortion/Blackmail	1		1	1		1	100.0%
220	Burglary/Breaking & Entering	2,909		2,909	206	276	482	16.6%
23A	Pocket-Picking	3		3			0	0.0%
23B	Purse-Snatching	5		5	3		3	60.0%
23C	Shoplifting	1,299		1,299	826	38	864	66.5%
23D	Theft From Building	4		4	1		1	25.0%
23E	Theft From Coin-Operated Machine or De	7		7			0	0.0%
23F	Theft from Motor Vehicle	1,814		1,814	55	67	122	6.7%
23G	Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts or Accessor	1,183	1	1,182	14	32	46	3.9%
23H	All Other Larceny	3,642	40	3,602	294	332	626	17.4%
240	Motor Vehicle Theft	881	68	813	22	42	64	7.9%
250	Counterfeiting/Forgery	643	1	642	144	102	246	38.3%
26A	False Pretenses/Swindle/Confidence Gam	240	5	235	46	43	89	37.9%
26B	Credit Card/ Automatic Teller Machine Fr	96		96	27	8	35	36.5%
26C	Impersonation	160	12	148	8	24	32	21.6%
26D	Welfare Fraud			0			0	
26E	Wire Fraud	2		2			0	0.0%
270	Embezzlement	4		4		2	2	50.0%
280	Stolen Property Offenses	116		116	107	1	108	93.1%
290	Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Prop	8,130	12	8,118	565	575	1,140	14.0%
35A	Drug/Narcotic Violations	1,540		1,540	1,424	3	1,427	92.7%
35B	Drug Equipment Violations	580		580	557	1	558	96.2%
36A	Incest			0			0	
36B	Statutory Rape			0			0	
370	Pornography/Obscene Material	4		4	2	2	4	100.0%
39A	Betting/Wagering			0			0	
39B	Operating/Promoting/Assisting Gambling	1		1	2		2	200.0%
39C	Gambling Equipment Violations			0			0	
39D	Sports Tampering			0			0	
40A	Prostitution	163		163	163		163	100.0%
40B	Assisting or Promoting Prostitution	48		48	48		48	100.0%
510	Bribery			0			0	
520	Weapon Law Violations	607	3	604	459	18	477	79.0%
TOTALS		32,118	263	31,855	8,149	3,406	11,555	36.3%

* The Rockford Police Department is often responsible for the initial investigation of crimes involving elements of arson but the Rockford Fire Department has specially trained arson investigators, sworn law enforcement officers with full police powers, who are responsible for many initial and all follow-up investigations of crimes involving acts of arson.



Offenses/Clearances for January 1—December 31, 2006

Code	Offense Description	# of Offenses	Unfounded	Total	Offenses Cleared by			% Cleared
					Arrest	Exception	Total	
	Group B							
90A	Bad Checks			0			0	
90B	Curfew/Loitering/Vagrancy Violations	566		566	560		560	98.9%
90C	Disorderly Conduct	1,468	7	1,461	585	155	740	50.7%
90D	Driving Under the Influence	706		706	702		702	99.4%
90E	Drunkenness			0			0	
90F	Non-Violent Family Offenses	2,560	4	2,556	212	307	519	20.3%
90G	Liquor Law Violations	714	2	712	704	1	705	99.0%
90H	Peeping Tom			0			0	
90I	Runaway	1,304		1,304	35	6	41	3.1%
90J	Trespass of Real Property	1,016	1	1,015	671	37	708	69.8%
90Z	All Other Offenses	10,844	10	10,834	9,747	119	9,866	91.1%
	*Service Calls	14,592	79	14,513	5,549	86	5,635	38.8%
	TOTALS	33,770	103	33,667	18,765	711	19,476	57.8%

Total number of incidents during 2006: 44,802

Total number of people arrested in 2006: 17,231

In NIBRS reporting, up to ten of the most serious offenses can be reported per incident. Each code will be reported once even though there may be more than one victim per offense. The clearance of an incident by an arrest or exceptional means clears all offenses within that incident.

* Service Calls include traffic offenses, information for Police, medical assist, service to other agencies, etc.

About The Rockford Police Department's Crime Statistics and the National Incident Based Reporting System (NIBRS) Program

In 2006, the Rockford Police Department's Record Center began using the National Incident Based Reporting System (NIBRS) Program to report Rockford's crime statistics directly to the FBI. This program replaces the traditional Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) program in which the Department reported summary statistics to the Illinois State Police.

UCR summaries report the total number of incidents and arrests made for only eight offenses, commonly known as Part I offenses. Arrests only for certain drug related incidents are also reported. In UCR, the most severe offense in an incident is reported and all lesser offenses are unreported.

NIBRS collects data on 46 specific crimes known as Group A offenses and 11 additional Group B offenses. NIBRS also captures **all** offenses completed in a particular incident as well as characteristics of both victims and perpetrators. NIBRS can produce a more detailed, accurate and meaningful account of what happened in an incident. The Rockford Police Department will not only be able to give accurate counts of offenses and clearances that occur, we will also be able to identify common crime problems and trends through the analysis of the data.

It should be noted that in NIBRS a single incident can contain many offenses. Statistics will be gathered for every offense in that incident. For example, if a Forced Entry Residential Burglary occurred, an offense of Criminal Damage to Property would be reported in addition to the Burglary. Other information such as the type of tools that were used to gain access, what was damaged and the type of security are also reported. If an incident is cleared by arrest, all offenses within that incident are also cleared.

To compare data to prior years in this annual report, NIBRS data for 2006 has been converted to UCR for Part I offenses. Also shown is the new NIBRS Offenses report for both Group A and Group B offenses that will be used by the Rockford Police Department in the future.



Part I Offense Comparisons

January — December 2005 vs. January—December 2006

CRIME	2005	2006	% CHANGE
HOMICIDE	19	18	-5.26%
Percent Cleared	68.42%	70.59%	—
AGGRAVATED CRIMINAL SEXUAL ASSAULT	115	115	0.00%
Percent Cleared	64.35%	71.30%	—
ROBBERY	505	567	+10.93%
Percent Cleared	28.32%	24.16%	—
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	748	872	+16.58%
Percent Cleared	55.75%	63.88%	—
BURGLARY	2,364	2,857	+20.85%
Percent Cleared	13.32%	15.37%	—
BURGLARY TO VEHICLE AND THEFT	6,728	7,206	+7.10%
Percent Cleared	24.76%	21.14%	—
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	910	753	-17.25%
Percent Cleared	16.15%	18.06%	—
TOTAL PART I OFFENSES	11,389	12,388	+8.77%
Percent Cleared	24.43%	23.30%	—

1999—2006 Part I Historical Comparisons

	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Homicide	17	13	11	20	12	8	19	18
Agg. Crim. Sexual Assault	168	133	145	200	152	135	115	115
Robbery	472	505	446	518	499	509	505	567
Aggravated Assault	791	693	672	631	732	713	748	872
Burglary	2,961	2,458	2,502	3,234	2,995	2,607	2,364	2,857
Theft	7,892	7,877	8,143	8,015	7,896	7,112	6,728	7,206
Vehicle Theft	892	871	1,016	1,197	1,163	1,099	910	753
Totals	13,193	12,550	12,935	13,815	13,449	12,183	11,389	12,388
Percent Change	-5.44	-4.87	+2.99	+6.80	-2.65	-9.38	-6.52	+8.77
Percent Cleared	24.14	22.05	20.66	20.51	22.89	23.75	24.43	23.30



Milestones

Retirements:

Inv. Joel Lindquist	January 27
Deputy Chief Dominic Iasparro	June 2
Lieutenant Ted Getty	June 9
Sergeant Elizabeth Fitzpatrick	June 13
Lieutenant Tim Ferguson	September 1
Lieutenant Stephen Pirages	November 3



New Recruit, Ashley Ware, receives her badge from Mayor Lawrence Morrissey as Chief Epperson looks on.

Appointments:

John Szewczyk	August 28
Brian Strawser	August 28
Scott St. Vincent	August 28
Erik Freese	August 28
Andrew DoBran	August 28
Christopher Boeke	August 28
Leanne Ness	August 28
Lisa Torres	August 28
Albert Torres	August 28
Ashley Ware	August 28
Jeremiah Cizerle	August 28
John Johnson	August 28
Andrew Hartman	August 28
Ryan Cory	August 28
Nicholas Contreras	August 28
Nathan Kohanyi	August 28
Michelle Bootz	August 28
Katy Kreitzmann	August 28



Chief Epperson congratulates Erik Freese and his family on his appointment to the Rockford Police Department.

Promotions:

To Chief	
Chet Epperson	April 10
To Deputy Chief	
Lori Sweeney	May 12
Michael Booker	May 28
To Lieutenant	
Dennis Olson	September 1
David Hopkins	November 6
To Sergeant	
John Hoshaw	May 7
Douglas Pann	May 28
Michael Spelman	June 25
James Randall	September 1
Randy Berke	November 6
To Investigator	
Aurelio DeLaRosa	March 13
Simon Solis	July 2
Michael Dalke	July 2
Sara Ahrens	July 2
Eric Harris	September 1

Anniversaries

20 Years: Cindy Diehl*, Linda Graham*, Scott Oswald, Janet Otwell*, Mark West
25 Years: Steve Allen, Jeff Cleaveland, Tom Coe, Pat Eldridge*, John Hoshaw, Jeff Short
30 Years: Sue LaMay*
35 Years: Charles Carlson, Clint Kellett, Bill Maschke
40 Years: Jim Mays
 (* Denotes Civilian Employee)

Remembered:

	<u>Retired</u>	<u>Died</u>
Carl Johnson	June 23, 1964	March 6, 2006
Joe Corriossi	January 16, 1969	Sept. 15, 2006



Active Duty Deceased:
 Douglas Bergstrom
 May 12, 2006

the \mathbb{R}^n -valued function \mathbf{f} is a solution of the system (1) if and only if \mathbf{f} is a solution of the system (2).

Let us assume that \mathbf{f} is a solution of the system (2). Then, for any $t \in \mathbb{R}$, we have

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