

FIELD SERVICES DIVISION SUMMARY

Deputy Chief Mark Van Stedum

2010 brought some changes to the Field Services Division.

Commander Miller retired however; we are currently unable to replace that position due to the poor economy.

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The Red Light Photo Enforcement Program is up and running at two intersections—Lake St. and Addison Rd. and Lake St. and Rt. 53. The program is running well, and is also administered by a CSO and Investigative Aide Tim Gunn. (Tim Gunn was brought in to assist due to new legislation that was passed in 2010.)

Commanders Moffitt and Ruggiero are active in the DuPage County Senior Police Management Association throughout 2010, as President and Treasurer of the organization.

Problem Oriented Policing

In 2010, we continued to address Problem Oriented Policing issues. Methods to resolve these issues include Directed Patrol, Special Watches, Written Watches, P.O.P. Projects, and a coordinated use of resources that include Beat Officers, the Traffic Unit, the Gang

Unit, Detectives, Community Development, Public Works, and other agencies such as the Village Attorney and the States Attorney. In 2010 the Community Response Unit (CRU) began to take a very active role in addressing “quality of life” issues in the village. The unit also aggressively follows up on all nuisance abatement letters and is very active in the Crime Free Multi-housing Program. The CRU conducts Foot Patrols and assists the Investigations Unit when needed.

Supervisors and officers work as a team on identifying problems on their shifts and finding solutions.

Commander/Supervisor Responsibilities & Special Units

Commander Moffitt was responsible for:

- Afternoon Shift Patrol Operations (Sergeants Saran & Lindstrom)
- Traffic Unit (Sgt. Tierney)
- FTO Program
- Field CSOs (3)
- Business License Inspection Program
- Coordination of various specialties including Evidence Technicians (Sergeants Tierney & Saran), and Juvenile Officers (Sergeant Hundley).

Commander Miller was responsible, before her retirement in 2010 for:

- Crime Prevention Unit—including Problem Oriented Policing in the six high activity areas (Sergeant Olson). Crime Prevention has since been moved over to Support Services.

Commander Ruggiero was responsible for:

- Day Shift (Sergeants Lullo & Olson) and Midnight Shift (Sergeants Gilhooley & Hundley) Patrol Operations
- Use of Force Program (along with Sgt. Lindstrom) including:
 - Firearms—Pistol & Rifle Training/Maintenance
 - Non-Firearms—PPCT, OC Spray, Taser Training/Maintenance
- Rapid Response Training
- Safety Committee and the Employee Early Identification System
- Employee Medical Files & Monthly Safety Inspections
- Community Response Unit (Sergeants Gilhooley, Saran and Olson)

Commanders met periodically with all first line supervisors throughout the year. Staff meetings were held monthly. All first line supervisors have periodic shift inspections,

shift meetings, and specialty meetings. They encourage a team concept with all front line officers, and give recognition to officers for outstanding performance. Patrol sergeants encourage their beat officers to become involved in problem oriented policing (POP) activities during the year. Patrol sergeants review productivity with officers on their shift on a monthly basis.

The Bike Unit operated from mid May through mid October. Officers directed their patrol to problem areas, such as Swift Rd./College Blvd, the Michael Lane area, Centennial Plaza, Hale & Dale, Green Oaks Court, Stevens Drv., Blecke & Wisconsin areas, and the parks.

Homeland Security & Patrol Operations

Homeland Security issues that affect the Police Department were addressed throughout the year.

There were some incidents that required small scale Emergency Management response from the police department staff in 2010. One incident was minor flooding in July 2010 and another was a strong wind event which occurred in October 2010. We also responded to a fatal motorcycle vs. motor vehicle crash in November 2010. Staff continues to train and periodically review emergency plans to stay ready for the next major incident.

When time allows, officers are getting out of their squad cars and are conducting foot patrols and meeting citizens. As we do every year, patrol officers are required to periodically stop by schools throughout Addison and familiarize themselves with the layout of the school, and to meet representatives from the schools as well as students.

Follow-up reports are monitored weekly, to ensure a timely response when follow-up investigations are needed.

Significant Issues and Challenges

Manpower

Manpower issues for Field Services were as follows; Detective Commander Van Stedum was promoted to Deputy Chief in January 2011 and was put in charge of Field Services. Deputy Chief Simo moved from Field Services to Support Services. Commander Miller retired with 25 years of service.

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The Traffic and Crime Prevention Sergeants assisted by filling in as shift sergeants at various times during the year.

Field Training

We had no officers in the Field Training Program this year.

National Pharmaceutical Stockpile

We continuously review the Strategic National Stockpile (SNS) Plan. Our alternate (home delivery) plan was completed in 2007 and will be integrated into the original plan. This plan is continuously being reviewed and updated.

Citizens Emergency Response Team (CERTS)

As of January 1, 2011, we have graduated over 300 members of the CERTS Training Program. These individuals received training from police and fire department representatives in preparing themselves, their families and their communities for a natural or man-made disaster, along with very basic instruction in traffic and crowd control. We have approximately 45 very active CERT members that participate in monthly meetings and training. A Spanish CERT class was completed in 2010

Outside Community Service Officers

Outside CSO's bring a great deal of relief to the patrol shifts, handling such tasks as animal calls, abandoned autos, data entry from activity sheets, reports, Quartermaster duties, minor reports, etc. We finished 2010 at a full staff of four CSOs.

NIMS Compliance

Throughout 2010 we worked to complete the NIMCAST Requirements. The police department has taken the lead to ensure that all first responders employed by the village meet these requirements.

Rapid Response

The Addison Police Department remains committed to the Rapid Response philosophy. Yearly refresher training is provided to all officers and supervisors, and basic training is provided to all new officers.

We continue to cross train with officers from nearby departments: Bensenville, Wood Dale, Roselle, and Itasca, and feel that this would be beneficial in an actual incident of school or workplace violence, as these departments would be the first to respond to a call of mutual aid.

Sgt. Lindstrom coordinates our yearly training program.

2011 Goals

See Staff Goals Section for 2011 goals for the Field Services Division.