

Addison Police Department
Crime Prevention Section
Major Program Evaluation
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Red Ribbon Poster Contest

The Red Ribbon Poster Contest was held during Red Ribbon Week in the fall of 2010. In honor of the philosophy that being drug free is a healthy lifestyle, and to also honor fallen federal agent Enrique “Kiki” Camerena, students from all District 4 and private schools within the Village completed posters depicting healthy and fun activities. Twelve (12) students’ posters were chosen and were presented to the Mayor during a Village Board Meeting. All winning students received a medal for their dedication to this cause. It is recommended that this program be continued.

I-Search Fingerprinting/Kid Care ID Kits

These kits, which include their child’s fingerprints and photograph, are kept by the parents. The kits are offered to parents as a follow up to an initial missing child report and/or at their requests. Oftentimes, parents thank Crime Prevention for offering the kits and appreciated their value. It is recommended that this program be continued.

Back to School Safety Program

A few weeks prior to the start of the 2009-2010 school year, Crime Prevention posted “Drive Safe” posters reminding motorists to slow down for the anticipated student traffic on and around school grounds. Crime Prevention also appeared on Addison Cable T.V. to remind motorists of the same and laws that apply near school zones. It is recommended that this program be continued.

Stranger Danger Presentations

Every August the Section conducts Stranger Danger training sessions for all pre-school through third grade children within Addison. The Officers conducting the presentations are approached throughout the year by young children who say that they remember the officer coming to their class and talking about strangers. It is recommended that this program be continued.

Safety Patrol Training

During the beginning of the 2009-2010 school year, Crime Prevention worked with Safety Patrol Coordinators from (6) District 4 elementary schools to provide training for every fifth grade student assigned to safety patrol. Crime Prevention host refresher meetings with the schools and conduct spot checks of safety patrol. It is recommended that this program be continued.

Bike Rally/Bicycle Safety Program

An organized bicycle safety competition was held in the summer, educating children on the rules of safe bicycling and proper riding equipment. The children also participate in a course where they learn proper maneuvering and stopping of their bicycles. It is recommended that this program be continued.

Student Participation Center

The Section helps with the operations and staffing of the after school center held at Indian Trail Junior High School. The center is open from 2:45 until 4:45 PM Monday through Thursday. Teachers stay after work to assist the students with their homework and there is a schedule of activities they participate in. It is open to all Indian Trail Junior High School students and averages (40) students daily. It is recommended that this program be continued.

National Night Out

National Night Out continues to be a successful event which strengthens police and community partnerships in a nation-wide message to criminals that neighborhoods are organized and fighting back. National Night Out is held in conjunction with Taste of Addison Pizza by the Slice. The event is supported by several hundreds of residents. The Section hosts a booth during the event, along with local vendors, to answer questions on provide public education on safety. Information on the benefits of Addison's Neighborhood Watch program is made available and new Neighborhood Watch interests are generated. It is recommended that this program be continued.

Private Property Loitering Program

The Loitering Program continues as a successful Crime Prevention Program. Several property owners signed up for the program during 2010, which allows the Addison Police Department to enforce the criminal trespassing ordinance upon individuals who do not have legitimate reasons for being on private properties that participate in the program. It is recommended that this program be continued.

Citizen Police Academy (CPA)

Thirteen CPA participants attended the class and gained beneficial information on the various sections and procedures of the Addison Police Department. It is recommended that this program be continued.

Spotlight Articles: The Crime Prevention Section submits articles to be placed in the Village of Addison Spotlight publication. This publication is sent to all residents in Addison as well as placed at a number of locations throughout the Village. The Spotlight publication is also available on the police department's website, AddisonPoliceIllinois.org. Topics that have been submitted are Identity Theft, Stranger Danger, Back to School Safety, Domestic Violence, and Holiday Safety, Crime Free Multi-Housing and Scams. It is recommended this program continue. At the end of the year, the village switched to an electronic version of the Spotlight in an effort to save money.

VIP Greeters Program: The Volunteers in Policing Program was initiated in the fall of 2001. The VIP's greet people in the lobby, give directions and answer questions. Our volunteers are given daily compliments on their friendliness and in providing helpful information. Currently there are (21) participants in the program. Their presence in the lobby saves numerous labor-hours for the dispatchers and records clerks. It is recommended the department continue this program.

TIPS (Training Intervention Procedures): The section arranged for training for our local liquor retailers in detecting fraudulent identification and its use. This yearly training provided by our department helps with the prevention of underage purchasing and possession of alcoholic products. The training, Operation Straight ID, is provided by the Secretary of State Police. It is recommended the department continue this program.

Tobacco Inspections: The Department has participated in the Illinois Liquor Control Commission 'Kids Can't Buy 'Em Here' tobacco inspection grant program for several years.

Three inspections are done annually and most inspections result in only one sale. No violators were cited for illegal tobacco sales for 2010. The section also provided "Straight I.D." training presented by the Secretary of State's Office that covered illegal use of identification and fraudulent identification detection. It is recommended the department maintain this program.

D.A.R.E. Lock-In

In the fall and spring the D.A.R.E. Officers along with the Addison Park District host the semi-annual lock-in for current 5th grade D.A.R.E. students. The purpose of the D.A.R.E. Lock-In is to teach the students that they can have fun without having to use drugs while building a positive relationship with them. In 2010, approximately (230) D.A.R.E. students participated in the D.A.R.E. Lock-In and all enjoyed themselves tremendously. It is recommended the department maintain this program.