

2017 ANNUAL REPORT

JUVENILE OPERATIONS



Prepared for the Command Staff
of the Addison Police Department

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The Addison Police Department Juvenile Operations Section is comprised of Juvenile Officers from several different divisions. The Juvenile Operations Section is supervised by Commander John Moffitt and Sergeant Megan Freeman. The Investigations Section has eight Juvenile Officers assigned, one at Addison Trail High School, one at Indian Trail Junior High School and seven as investigators. Two Juvenile Officers are assigned to the Crime Prevention Unit and the remaining Juvenile Officers are assigned to the Field Services Division and the Traffic Safety Unit.

This year, the Juvenile Officer proficiency examination was conducted in December of 2017. All listed officers qualified for their specialty pay. The total number of officers to receive specialty pay, including the Juvenile Specialist Commander and Sergeant, was 34.

Commander Moffitt	Officer Johnston
Sergeant Freeman	Officer Kolodziej
Officer Anderson	Officer Merendino
Officer Avello	Officer Olejarz
Officer Baquero	Officer Oskroba
Officer Bauer	Detective Peterson
Officer Besch	Detective Pope
Detective Biles	Officer Porta
Detective Brant	Officer Reyes
Officer Brucal	Officer Riley
Officer Chaidez	Detective Rivera
Officer Chiappetta	Detective Ruffolo
Officer Fuentes	Officer Shelton
Detective Garofalo	Officer Sobanski
Officer Giertz	Detective Soto
Detective Glomb	Officer Tennyson
Officer Hostetler	Officer Wadsworth

Training Matrix for Juvenile Officer Specialty

The Juvenile Officer Career Development Training Track is located in Module 17 of the Addison Police Department Career Track Training Plan. After discussion with staff, it was recommended that the Child Abuse Investigation class be removed, as it is a three-day class which costs \$425.00 and no one has attended since 2008. It was also recommended to add Autism Trainer through NEMRT, which is an 8-hour course.

Training

January

- Officer Oskroba attended the John Reid Interview and Interrogations training class.
- Officer Besch attended the 40-Hour Juvenile Specialist Skills training class to become a certified Juvenile Officer.

February

- Officer Fuentes and Officer Porta attended the Juvenile Interrogation and Delinquency Update training class
- Officer Besch and Officer Riley attended the DuPage County Quarterly Overview Training for Juvenile Officers.

March

- Officer Bauer and Officer Peterson attended the Child Abuse and Awareness training class.
- Officer Bauer attended the Response and Investigation of Sexting and Child Pornography training class.

April

- Officer Avello and Officer Reyes attended the Chapter 705, Act 405: Juvenile Court Act training class.

May

- Officer Kolodziej attended the 40-Hour Juvenile Specialist Skills training class.
- Officer Hostetler and Officer Riley attended the Juvenile Interrogation and Delinquency Update training class.
- Officer Ruffolo attended the 40-Hour Crisis Intervention Team training class.

June

- Officer Bauer attended the John Reid Interviews and Interrogations training class.
- Sergeant Freeman, Officer Bauer and Officer Reyes attended the 40-Hour Crisis Intervention Team training class.
- Officer Sobanski attended the IJOA and IDOA Annual State Conference.

August

- Officer Besch and Officer Riley attended the Interviewing Children training class.
- Officer Besch and Officer Reyes attended the Domestic Violence/Crisis Intervention training class.
- Officer Brucal, Officer Kolodziej and Officer Olejarz attended the DuPage County Quarterly Overview Training for Juvenile Officers.
- Officer Merendino and Officer Wadsworth attended the Chapter 705, Act 405: Juvenile Court Act training class.

September

- Officer Avello and Officer Brucal attended the Juvenile Interrogation and Delinquency Update training class.
- Officer Besch attended the 40-Hour Gang Enforcement Skills Program training class.
- Officer Chaidez and Officer Ruffolo attended the 40-Hour Juvenile Specialist Skills training class to become a certified juvenile officer.

October

- Officer Besch attended the John Reid Interview and Interrogations training class.
- Officer Besch, Officer Riley and Officer Shelton, along with Sergeant Bjes and Sergeant Freeman, attended the DuPage Juvenile Officers Association Fall Conference

November

- Officer Hostetler attended the Child Abuse training class.

December

- Officer Anderson and Officer Ruffolo attended the Interviewing Children training class.
- Officer Chaidez and Officer Ruffolo attended the Juvenile Interrogation and Delinquency Update training class.
- Annual training was provided for Juvenile Officers on the new expungement law for 2018 by Records Director Tierney.

Meetings

Sergeant Freeman and Sergeant Gilhooley, along with Deputy Chief Goss and Officer D. Peterson, attended roundtable discussions with staff at Lutherbrook to collaborate on ideas to reduce the number of missing persons/runaways and other major incidents reported from Lutherbrook. Lutherbrook closed later in 2017.

Sergeant Freeman attended the DuPage Juvenile Officers Association meeting on September 27, 2017.

The annual Juvenile Officers meeting/training was scheduled and conducted in December 2017. Shannon Hartnett, Executive Director of the Northeast DuPage Family and Youth Services (NEDFYS), gave information regarding services they provide. Jaclyn Messerges, who took over the Station Adjustment Program, introduced herself and gave a brief overview of the program.

Community Events

January – Sergeant Freeman and Crime Prevention Officer Sobanski gave a resident and two children a tour of the booking facility, as the boys were interested in seeing a “jail” on January 16.

February – Officer Reyes spoke at KinderCare for Career Week on February 10.

Officer Shelton and Officer Oskroba participated in the Indian Trail Junior High School Kindness Tunnel, as a welcoming for students and faculty arriving on February 16.

Juvenile Officer Oskroba, Juvenile Officer Reyes and Juvenile Officer Shelton participated as community readers at Fullerton Elementary School on February 16.

March – Juvenile Officer Brucal, Crime Prevention Officer Giertz, Crime Prevention Officer Sobanski and Juvenile Officer Tennyson participated in the Synergy Jr. Bulls Wheelchair Basketball Nationals fundraiser on March 18.

May – Juvenile Officers participated in the 2017 Run to Remember in Chicago on May 6. Numerous others donated money to the Chicago Police Memorial Foundation through the purchase of T-shirts.

December - Commander Moffitt, along with Officer Besch, Officer Brucal, Officer Chaidez, Officer Fuentes, Crime Prevention Officer Giertz, Officer Reyes, Officer Riley, Officer Shelton, Crime Prevention Officer Sobanski and Officer Tennyson attended the Shop with a Hero held at Walmart.

Alternatives to Court Referral

Peer Jury

Beginning in 2007, the Addison Police Department implemented a Peer Jury program that enhanced the juvenile services provided by the Village of Addison Police Department. This has been a very successful program, and several Juvenile Officers are involved in this program. The Peer Jury program handled nine cases this year as an alternative to a referral to local or juvenile court.

Station Adjustments

There has been substantial progress made regarding the use of this program, which was rarely used. Since 2010, Juvenile Officers routinely receive training on this topic at Department Juvenile Officer meetings. It was collectively decided in an effort to reduce juvenile crime and recidivism this option would be used more often, as the Juvenile Officer would have more frequent and positive contact with youth after an offense had been committed and this could be used as a learning tool. There were several personnel

changes regarding who from NEDFYS would oversee the station adjustments, resulting in fewer juveniles being referred due to the delay in classes created from this transition. Juvenile Officers completed four formal station adjustments and no informal station adjustments. Station adjustments are now implemented and monitored with the assistance of Jaclyn Messerges from Social Services.

Juvenile Dispositions

There was a decrease in juvenile arrests from 208 in 2016 to 149 in 2017.

Direct File to Court – 36

Preliminary Conference with Juvenile Probation – 10

Formal Station Adjustment – 4

Informal Station Adjustment – 0

Peer Jury – 9

Ordinance Arrest – 90 (46 Village of Addison field court, 44 administrative adjudication)

Goals for 2017

1. To have two additional officers from the midnight shift become certified Juvenile Officers.

This goal has been achieved, as Officer Chaidez, Officer Kolodziej and Officer Olejarz are all now Juvenile Officers on the midnight shift.

2. To conduct training for Juvenile Officers in conjunction with the YWCA.

This goal has been achieved. YWCA training was provided for all officers in roll call, accommodating both teams and shifts.

3. To have Juvenile Officers attend a Peer Jury Hearing with the Crime Prevention Unit.

This goal has been achieved, as Officer Besch, Officer Chaidez, Officer Fuentes and Officer Johnston attended Peer Jury in 2017.