



Annual—

Report

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Our Mission

The mission of the Collinsville Police Department is to protect lives and property, to maintain peace and order and to reduce crime through education, prevention and proactive police service. Through a cooperative effort with the citizens of Collinsville, the Collinsville Police Department will strive for a safe and secure community by applying creative problem solving and diligent police work while enforcing all laws fairly and impartially.

OUR MOTTO: DEDICATED TO PROACTIVE SERVICE



It is my honor to present the Collinsville Police Department's 2023 Annual report to our community. The report provides a general overview of crime trends in our community while highlighting the programs and services that keep Collinsville safe. These programs and services focus on securing the trust and support of the community we serve and protect. We are very proud of our entire professional staff and ask that you take a few minutes to review our 2023 annual report, which clearly demonstrates our commitment to the City of Collinsville.

While Collinsville continues to be a safe city for residents and guests alike, our members continue to dedicate themselves to pro-actively addressing all public safety concerns. This report provides a quantitative overview of crime statistics as well as an overview of the divisions of the police department that

work together to keep this community safe.

The Collinsville Police Department's strategy to suppress crime continues to focus on proactive policing through innovative enforcement tactics and collaborative community engagement. This focus on community oriented, empathetic, and proactive strategies prioritizes our goal of protecting the most vulnerable residents and visitors in our community.

Our officers and staff continue to serve side by side with the community we serve. The year saw another successful Youth Academy in addition to many other community collaborations and programs mentioned later in this report. We will always look for new ways to engage with our community. I continue to be proud of how well our employees, from

support staff to front line officers, serve our community with professionalism, compassion, and integrity.

Although the Collinsville Police Department is recognized regionally for its success and professionalism, I assure you we will continue to strive for continuous improvement. On behalf of the men and women of the Collinsville Police Department, I want to thank our residents, business community and elected officials for their continued support.

Stephen R. Evans Chief of Police





INNOVATION

RESPONSIBILITY

Patrol Division

The Patrol Division is usually considered the backbone of any police department. Everything begins in the Patrol Division, and this year continued the challenges we experienced in 2022 with significant manpower and staffing challenges. Our operations were significantly hampered by retirements, resignations, and injuries/disabilities that resulted in the Patrol Division operating much of the year at or near minimum staffing levels. Even with these challenges, the men and women of the Collinsville Police Department continued to answer the call when needed and we are extremely grateful for their dedication.

The Collinsville Police Department subscribes to a philosophy of "proactive policing". This philosophy of policing encourages and supports officer's efforts to pro-actively find solutions to issues problems facing our community through community engagement and outreach programs. The philosophy also supports officers to actively seek out and arrest criminal offenders who prey on the community before they have an opportunity to commit their crimes. This is accomplished through high visibility tactics and self-initiated field activity from our Patrol Division.

The Collinsville Police Department's three key tenets are Professionalism, Innovation and Responsibility. These tenets are carried out on a daily basis by the members of the Patrol Division. Every division within the Collinsville Police Department, including the Chief of Police and his administrative staff, is in place to support the day to day operations of each patrol officer assigned to that division.



The citizens of the City of Collinsville depend on the men and women of the patrol division to perform many daily functions. The members of the patrol division:

- > Are responsible for maintaining public order and safety.
- > Pro-actively enforces criminal and traffic laws.
- > Continuously prevents, detects, and investigates criminal activities.
- > Diligently investigates traffic crashes and initiates proactive measures to prevent further crashes.
- > Ensures that each member of the community has a good quality of life.
- > Promotes a team effort between the community and the police department to help prevent and detect criminal activity; no matter how big or how small.

When fully staffed, the Patrol Division is made up of 30 highly professional and educated men and women. These officers are broken down into four patrol squads, led by a patrol sergeant. Additionally, we maintain two K-9 teams that are assigned to two of the patrol squads. The typical patrol shift is 12 hours and alternates from days to nights every six weeks.

Patrolman of the Year

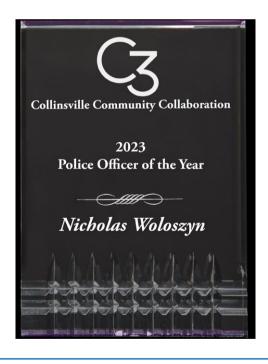
Nicholas Woloszyn (2023)

Each year, one member of the Collinsville Police Department is recognized by the City of Collinsville as the Police Officer of the Year. They are recognized at the annual C3 Collinsville Community Awards Banquet. C3 is a collaboration of the Collinsville Chamber of Commerce, Collinsville Unit 10 School District, and the City of Collinsville. This special awards night is a celebration of the great people that serve the City of Collinsville in varying aspects of service and outstanding contributions to the community. The Chief of Police and his command staff tackle the difficult task of selecting the Officer of the Year recipient from four nominees. Selection criteria include:

- > High daily standards of duty performance and professionalism
- > Acts of heroism, bravery, and courtesy
- > Community involvement
- > A high order of integrity and responsiveness to department policy, orders, and directives
- > A constructive attitude
- > Actions taken to improve individual and team capabilities
- > Professional appearance



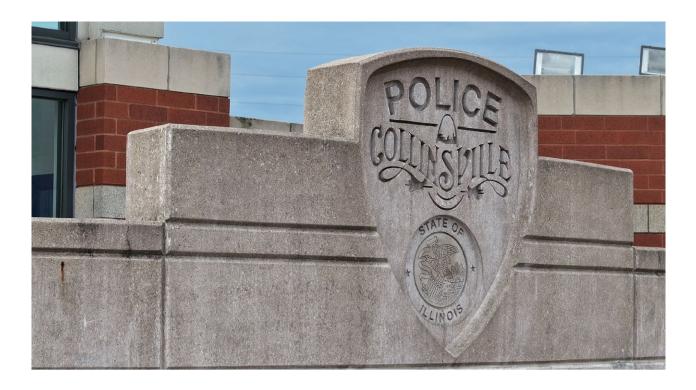




The 2023 recipient of the Collinsville Police Officer of the Year award was Officer Nick Woloszyn. As noted in his nomination memo, Sergeant Scott Pritchett stated the following regarding Officer Woloszyn:

"Officer Woloszyn has been a member of the Collinsville Police Department since January 2016. In the past seven years, Officer Woloszyn has matured into one of our finest officers and taken on numerous roles within this department to include being a Field Training Officer, Range Instructor, Pepper Ball Instructor, 4E Intruder Training instructor, and a Certified Car Seat Installer. Officer Woloszyn was nominated for Officer of the Year in 2023 primarily for his aggressive criminal enforcement and his firm embrace of the mantra to

always "look beyond the stop". In the consideration period for this Officer of the Year nomination, he has continued with this method of work as evidenced with his leadership of this department in affecting 97 custodial arrests. Officer Woloszyn had nine nominations for Officer of the Month during this past twelve-month period. It is clear to see that Officer Woloszyn not only strives to make the community a better place to live by means of thorough criminal enforcement, but he is also very capable of being there for the members of the community who need help the most. Officer Woloszyn's complete body of work this year has clearly been impressive and it is a pleasure to nominate him for the 2023 Officer of the Year."



Patrolman of the Month Awards

Each month, four members of the Collinsville Police Department patrol division are nominated by their respective Sergeant for the Patrolman of the Month award. These nominations and winners are typically used to assist in the selection of the Officer of the Year award. Nominations and the winner are selected based upon their work performance during each month of the year. Criteria

evaluated include:

- ► Self-Initiated Field Activity (SIFA)
- Exceptional felony arrests or incidents handled
- ▶ Contributions to the overall betterment of the community

The following is a list of officers who received the Patrolman of the Month award in 2023. These officers put forth extraordinary effort in the deterrence of crime in the city and were commended for their exceptional service and job performance.

- **▶** January Shane Mason
- ► February Matt Morrison
- ► March Matt Morrison
- ► April C Squad
- ► May Matt Morrison
- **▶** June Sergio Perez-Lamas
- **▶** July Shane Mason
- ► August Nick Woloszyn
- ► September Guiseppi Coppotelli
- **▶** October Sergio Perez-Lamas
- ► November Dylan Madron
- ► December Guiseppi Coppotelli





The Collinsville Police Department K-9 program is a valuable resource to the department. A K-9 team consists of an on-duty police officer and his assigned K-9 partner. The team is available for assignments 24 hours per day. K-9 team duties include conducting building searches for hidden offenders, locating missing persons, tracking suspects who have fled the scene of a crime, performing article searches, detecting narcotics or explosives, and conducting public service K-9 demonstrations. K-9 teams work 12-hour patrol shifts and are available for call-out after hours should the need arise. The patrol

vehicles assigned to the handlers are equipped to allow a comfortable and secure area for the dog to ride on patrol. There is water and climate control devices in place to make sure the K-9 is protected from the environment.

Historically, the Collinsville Police Department has maintained at least two multi-purpose K-9 teams assigned to the patrol division. "Odin" joined the Collinsville Police Department in 2021 and his handler is Officer Dylan Madron. "Rocky" joined the Collinsville Police Department in 2022 and is assigned to his handler, Officer Trent Ross.







Training



Training is an integral part of an effective K-9 team to ensure they stay sharp. Between both K-9 teams, over 440 hours of training were conducted in 2023. This is a significant reduction from the previous year due to the severe manpower shortage our patrol division faced in 2023. Both teams maintain certifications with the American Man-Trailing and Police Work Dog Association, as well the Illinois Police Training & Standards Board.

Deployments



Our K-9 teams are not just an asset to the Collinsville Police Department. Many times, our K-9 teams are deployed to assist other agencies with suspect tracking, article searches, and vehicle sniffs. In 2023, our K-9 teams were deployed 72 times. Of those deployments, 9 tracks were conducted, with 3 of those tracks ending with the apprehension of a suspect. With the national average for the apprehension of a suspect on a track being less than 10%, both of our dogs are having tremendous success. Other deployments include 60 vehicle sniffs, 1 article/evidence search, 2 building searches, and 2 area searches. Finally, our dogs were requested to assist three area school districts with locker sniffs in 2023.

Demonstrations



K-9 teams are one of the better tools used to connect the police department and the community in a continued effort to build community capital. In 2023, our K-9 teams participated in 8 demonstrations at a variety of community events which include: Citizen's Academy, Youth Academy, Willoughby Farms Fall Day, Collinsville Aqua Park Summer Camp, Italian Fest, and the CPD "Open House"/Downtown Chili Cookoff.

Use of Force

The use of force, in the context of law enforcement, is defined as the amount of effort or force required by police to compel compliance by an unwilling subject. Law enforcement officers should use only the amount of force necessary to mitigate an incident, make an arrest, or protect themselves or others from harm.

The levels of force police can deploy include basic verbal direction, empty hand techniques (joint locks, take-downs, pressure points, etc), intermediate impact weapons, less-lethal force, and lethal force. The level of force an officer uses varies based on the situation. Because of this variation, guidelines for the use of force are based on many factors, including the officer's level of training or experience. An officer's goal is to regain control as soon as possible while protecting the community. Use of force is an officer's last option — a necessary course of action to restore safety in a community when other practices are ineffective. During these encounters, injuries may occur, to both the officer(s) and suspect, and police should ensure that those injured receive medical aid.

The men and women of the Collinsville Police Department are often times presented with difficult situations to resolve. We are committed to providing professional police service to the citizens of Collinsville and other community stakeholders. To support this, all our officers attend training, both hands-on and in an academic setting, related to the use of force. We often employ scenario based training exercises using "simunitions" and "shoot/don't shoot" decision making training with an emphasis on de-escalation techniques. Additionally, each use of force incident, no matter how minor, is reviewed and tracked by our Administrative staff for compliance with use of force standards, department policy, and current case law.

During 2023, our officers had 38 encounters of resistance to which they had to utilize force to maintain control, protect themselves and/or others, and make a lawful arrest utilizing the least amount of force necessary. This number is on-par with our five-year average of 37.8 Use of Force incidents per year. It should be noted each encounter may have involved more than one officer, resulting in more than one type/level of force being used.



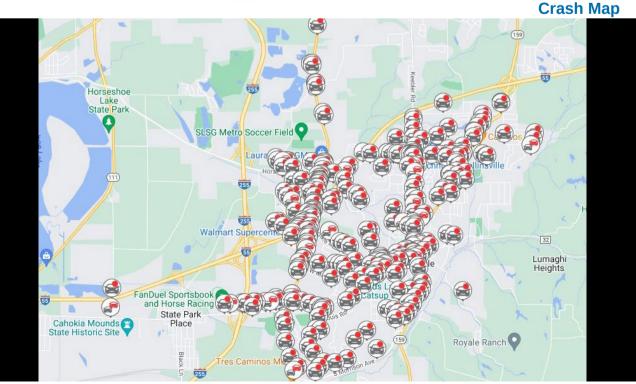




Traffic Enforcement

The Collinsville Police Department engages in proactive policing through aggressive traffic enforcement. Proactively enforcing traffic laws aids in reducing deaths, injuries, and economic loss suffered as a result of traffic crashes. Much of our traffic enforcement efforts in 2023 focused on distracted driving, impaired driving, speed, and occupant and child safety restraint violations, with the overall goal of making the streets of Collinsville as safe as possible. In 2023, the Collinsville Police Department conducted 7,056 traffic stops, resulting in 1,834 citations and 3,429 warnings. Additionally, officer's made 102 DUI arrests in 2023. These DUI efforts were led by Sergeant Doug Talbot (18), Officer Nick Woloszyn (14), and Officer Trent Ross (14).







In 2023, the members of the Collinsville Police Department responded to a total of 31,637 calls for service. Below is a summary of the most frequent calls for service:

Calls for Service

911 Hang up/misuse	1969	Suspicious Activity/Noise	1131
Alarm	798	Suspicious vehicle	212
Animal Cases/Barking Dog	769	Theft	657
Assist Fire/EMS	287	Traffic Accidents	500
Assist other Agency/Police	280	Traffic Stops	6615
Business/Building Checks	3284	Vehicle Checks	842
Mental Subject/CIT	168	Juvenile Problem	359
Unwanted Subject	467	Found/Recovered Property	123
Pedestrian Check	660	Domestic Disturbance	303
Medical Call	2981	Disturbance/Disorderly	765
Motorist Assist	286	School Check	701
Ordinance Violations	105	Damaged Property	236
Other Services	255	Subdivision Checks	718
Patrol Request	1243	Sex Offender Registration	379

Community Engagement

Our proactive policing philosophy, combined with our community engagement efforts, is the lifeblood and culture of our organization. It is simply what we do. We believe the best way to prevent crime is to find it before it happens through Self-Initiated Field Activity. Additionally, we believe the best way to establish transparency and trust is through a variety of community engagement efforts and programs that we participate in throughout the year. In a nutshell, we will not turn down a community engagement opportunity. If we can make it happen, we will. The following is just a summary of some of the programs we either host ourselves or eagerly participate in throughout the year:

Collinsville Police - Youth Academy



Youth Academy

The Collinsville Police Department held its 5th annual Youth Academy, June 5th-June 16th, 2023. Building on the success of our first Youth Academy in 2018, along with increased interest the following two years from the community and increased interest from officers wanting to get involved, we made the decision to increase the Youth Academy from one week to two weeks. The program is open to our community's youth, ages 14-17 years of age, who learn about different facets of law enforcement, team building, leadership, and community service. Nineteen students graduated from Session 5 of the CPD Youth Academy.

Police Cadets

What was formerly known as Police Explorers, was re-branded in 2021 as Police Cadets. Our Police Cadets program is a hands-on program open to young men and women interested in a career in law enforcement, or other related career in the criminal justice field. The program offers young adults a personal awareness of the criminal justice system through training, practical experiences, competition, and other activities. Currently, the Collinsville Police Cadet Program has 7 members ranging in age from 14 to 20 and we are always looking to add more members.



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Illinois Special Olympics

The Law Enforcement Torch Run is the single largest year-round fundraising movement benefiting Special Olympics Illinois. The Torch Run has two goals — to raise money and to gain awareness for the athletes who participate in Special Olympics Illinois. The Torch Run includes an annual intrastate relay conducted by officers representing every branch of law enforcement within the state as well as our federal partners. Besides simply participating in the torch run, the Collinsville Police Department participates in a variety of annual fundraising events to benefit the Illinois Special Olympics, including Polar Plunges, Dunkin' Cop on Rooftop, various Dine to Donate opportunities, and our very own Donut Run 5K.



Kiwanis shop with a Cop

Shop with a Cop provides a fun-filled day for Collinsville children in need, while creating positive relationships with law enforcement. In partnership with the Collinsville Kiwanis, officers volunteer their time and help provide holiday gifts for children. The day kicked off with shopping at Kohls, and concluded with pizza and bowling at Camelot Bowl and a visit from Santa Claus himself.

Child Safety Seat Inspection & Installation

The Collinsville Police Department currently has two officers certified in the inspection and installation of child safety seats. Periodically throughout the year, we will offer their services either at the Police Department or at other community gatherings, in an effort to ensure that the children of Collinsville are traveling safely and secure on our nation's roads.





Open House

Annually each fall, in conjunction with the City of Collinsville Halloween Walk & Chili Cook-off, we open our doors to the community for tours of our facility and a "meet and greet" with some of our officers. We view this opportunity as a way to establish relationships outside of general enforcement activities.

Night of Rock Stars

"Night of Rock Stars" is an organization focused on creating a special evening for children while raising money to fight childhood cancers and disease. Each year, the proceeds will be split between the local Children's Miracle Network and a second organization. We spend time with the "Rock Stars", allow them to see the inside of our squad cars, and provide them with a "police motorcade escort" to their special evening. It truly is an amazing "Night of Rock Stars" and one we are proud to be a part of.





P Capital Improvement Projects

The Collinsville City Council is committed to the provision of infrastructure, facilities, and equipment needed to assure the delivery of quality public services that provide for the present and future well-being of the residents and visitors of the City of Collinsville. In doing so, the city annually conducts a review of the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP), which is a plan for the city's capital investments over a multi-year period. The CIP allows the city to forecast capital costs, funding, and timing for large projects. Within the Collinsville Police Department, we do the same thing, to a lesser degree. Each year, we conduct a needs analysis to determine what upgrades we need to make to our

building, equipment upgrades or replacement, or general purchases needed to meet a desired organizational goal. Those requests are then submitted to and evaluated by the City Manager and eventually included within the CIP.

In 2023, with the continued support of the City Council, we were fortunate to meet several long-term project goals that were either included in the CIP, funded through the normal budgetary process, or funded using drug asset forfeiture proceeds.



With the goal of providing our officers with a safe and efficient patrol vehicle fleet that also projects a professional image, we constantly monitor and evaluate our vehicle fleet for replacement. Because our vehicles are driven hard, sometimes 24 hours a day, replacement recommendations are based upon an evaluation as the vehicles reach 5 years old or 100,000 miles. There are various funding sources within the budget utilized for vehicle purchases for both marked and unmarked vehicles. In 2023, three new marked police vehicles were ordered from Ford Motor Company, and as of Quarter 1 2024, we are still awaiting delivery. An additional two unmarked/administrative vehicles were purchased for both the Chief and Assistant Chief of Police, replacing two 2014 Ford Explorer's.



The Collinsville Police Department opened its doors at its current location, 200 W. Clay, in January 2000. At the time, it was a state-of-theart facility, and the first "new" police department in the Metro-East in quite some time. Over the last 5-7 years, with the support of the city council, we have begun making periodic upgrades to our facility. One area we have long wanted to improve, from a technology, staffing capability, and efficiency standpoint, is our dispatch center. In its current design, we have two fully functional communications console's, with a third station offering limited capabilities. Throughout 2023, our staff has worked tirelessly with our design vendor to maximize space resulting in room for four fully functional dispatch consoles. The project will also upgrade furniture and technology that will take our communications center into the next decade. Due to project delays, construction will begin in the first quarter of 2024 with the hope of implementation by summer 2024. This project was budgeted at \$380,000, with funding made available through a grant facilitated through the Illinois Secretary of State Police.



In 2022, the State of Illinois passed legislation commonly referred to as the Safe-T Act. Included in that legislation was a requirement that all Illinois police agencies implement a Body Worn Camera (BWC) program by 2025. After researching several product vendors, the Collinsville Police Department chose Axon Enterprises Inc. as our vendor for BWC's. Additionally, for integration and interoperability reasons, we elected to upgrade our entire patrol fleet with Axon dash cameras. Over a five-year period, this project is estimated to cost approximately \$477,000, with \$88,000 reimbursed through a BWC grant. Project implementation is expected to occur in January 2024.



Continuing our efforts in upgrading and maintaining an aging police facility, we believe it is extremely important to perform routine maintenance and upgrades to ensure our building can continue to serve us appropriately.

- > Jail Renovation: Paint all walls and doors and apply epoxy finish to the jail floor. Project budget: \$22,500
- Replace HVAC Project budget: \$110,000



Crime Free Multi-Housing

Rental properties present a unique challenge for law enforcement. As opposed to privately owned residential property in which the homeowner takes a vested interest, rental property attracts short term and transient occupants. The City of Collinsville along with the Police Department is committed to keeping a safe and low crime environment for its residents, citizens, and visitors. The implementation of the Crime Free Multi Housing Program (CFMH) was such a tool in preventing crime in Collinsville especially due to its large number of properties classified as rental; the program was implemented in Collinsville in 2011.

The CFMH Program is a partnership between the City, Police, and the Property Owners and Managers. It was developed as a comprehensive approach to crime prevention. Its goal is to provide a safe environment that attracts non-criminal renters. The program has a three phase approach: Phase I is a training seminar required of ALL property managers and owners to attend

and complete. Phase II is a security assessment of the property known as Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED), which is voluntary. Phase III is a Safety Social, which is an informational gathering bringing together the police, property managers/owners, and the residents to explain the program to the tenants as to what we can offer in the form of crime prevention tools and techniques. The Crime Free Program puts tenants and their guests on notice that criminal behavior will not be tolerated. Violations of the program can result in immediate termination of a rental agreement for the tenant(s).

In 2023, the City of Collinsville and CFMH Program administered 2834 licensed rental properties, comprised of 4,189 rental units. Of the 4189 individual rental units, 2881 (68.8%) are apartments, 56 (1.3%) condominiums, 276 (6.6%) duplexes, 22 (0.5%) manufactured homes, and 954 (22.8%) are single family residences.



During 2023, five CFMH property owner/manager seminars were conducted in January, March, August, September and November. A total of 38 Collinsville property owners/managers attended Phase I training, better known as "Keeping Illegal Activity Out of Rental Property." The training seminars provide information on how to prevent criminal activity occurring at their property and tools on how to deal with problem tenant behavior.

In 2023, the Collinsville Police Department responded to 2177 calls at rental properties. Of those 2177 calls, 1 homicide, 1 robbery, 370 were domestic-related incidents, 49 peace disturbances, 128 noise complaints, 222 reports of suspicious activity, 84 reports of criminal damage, 114 ordinance violations, 84 thefts, 27 assault/battery, 17 reported cases of drug activity, and 1080 miscellaneous calls.

Investigations Division

At full staffing, the Collinsville Police Department Investigations Division includes four investigators and a Detective Sergeant. Additionally, the Investigations Division is home to patrol officers who are working assignments outside the Department. These outside assignment designations include a special agent assigned to the Metropolitan Enforcement Group of Southern Illinois (MEGSI), a task force officer assigned to the Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA), as well as three School Resource Officers (SRO) who work within our school district. Due to the significant manpower challenges we faced throughout 2022 and 2023, the Investigations Division has been forced to work one detective short while maintaining their current case load. They did an outstanding job and should be commended for their efforts in what can only be described as "a challenging" year full of high-profile cases. Detectives of the Collinsville Police Department are tasked with

continuing the investigations of cases that have been initiated by the patrol division. The follow up investigation includes interviewing suspects, witnesses, and victims. Additionally, they canvass neighborhoods in search of witnesses, as well as collecting voluntary surveillance footage from businesses and residences. Detectives present cases for warrant application to the Madison County and St. Clair County State's Attorney and they testify before the Grand Jury in each county when required. In some circumstances, the investigators are referred cases from agencies outside the city. Some of these cases have included missing persons, criminal sexual assaults, fraud, among others. The Detectives are also members of the Major Case Squad of Greater St. Louis and the Illinois Attorney General Child Death Task Force.

MEGSI and **DEA** Task Force

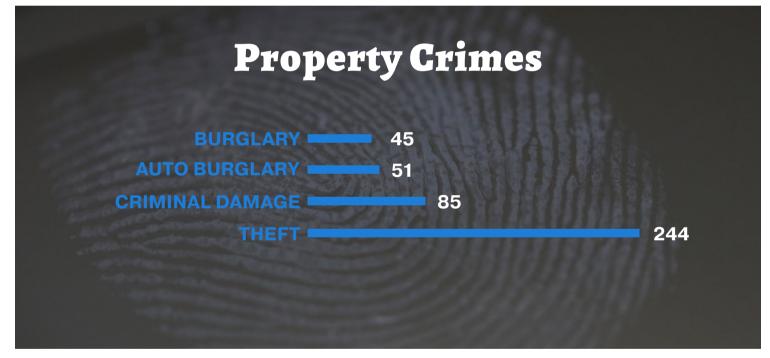
MEGSI and DEA Task Force members work with State and Federal agencies fighting the war on illegal drugs. These responsibilities include working undercover, performing surveillance details, and serving search warrants.



School Resource Officer Program

In 2023, in partnership with Collinsville Unit 10 School District, we were extremely excited to expand our School Resource Officer program from two SRO's to three, for the 2023-2024 school year. One SRO is assigned to Collinsville Middle School, one is assigned to Collinsville High School, and our new SRO acts as a roving SRO amongst Dorris Intermediate School and our elementary schools. Aside from providing physical security at each school, the SROs work as mentors as well as liaisons between the school district and the police department.







Records Division

The Collinsville Police Department Records Division consists of 5 full time Deputy Clerks. Four records clerks are assigned to support the Patrol Division, while one is assigned to provide support to the Investigations Division. Our Records Division, unlike many other police departments, work staggered shifts from 6:00 A.M until 10:00 P.M, offering our community greater access to department records and services.

Our records staff provides a variety of support services to department staff, governmental agencies, and to the general public. They process all court paperwork, ensuring that all documents are sent to the appropriate county court (Madison or St. Clair County). In addition, records personnel transcribe all incident reports that our officers dictate. This allows the patrol officers more time to focus on patrol and investigative duties.



Civilian Police Aides

The Civilian Police Aide (CPA) program is an initiative of the Collinsville Police Department that was initially designed to provide students currently enrolled in local college/university Criminal Justice programs with an opportunity to work and learn within a law enforcement/police setting. Unlike traditional internships, students in this program are assigned job duties and are compensated for those duties performed. Since the Covid-19 pandemic and the ever-changing workforce, we have altered our view on the CPA position with an increased focus on continuity and consistency. As a result, we no longer require applicants to be criminal justice students.

The primary job function of the CPA is prisoner maintenance. CPA's are tasked with various prisoner related duties including but not limited to booking procedures, prisoner feeding, 30 minute prisoner inspection checks, and prisoner release procedures. They also assist in other

organizational support functions to include records and clerical duties, vehicle maintenance procedures, and answering non-emergency telephone calls.

The Collinsville Police Department currently employs 5 Civilian Police Aides. In the past few years alone, 6 individuals that held the CPA position have gained valuable law enforcement experience, all while completing their college degrees, and have went on to join various police departments as sworn and non-sworn officers all over the country. The CPA program has been a valuable resource in providing career experience as well as providing support to our uniformed patrol division. The CPA's are essential to keeping the officers out of the police department overnight and out patrolling our neighborhoods.



Telecommunications

The year 2023 was a year of adjustment and progress for our Communications Center. We continued with plans to renovate our Communications Center, which will begin in 2024. Once complete, we will go from having two and a half functioning Communications consoles to four fully functional Communications consoles. This will be completed to allow our Telecommunicators sufficient space to work effectively, while adding an extra workstation. We completed the search for quality Telecommunicator candidates and ended the year with a plan to round out our Communications team. We said goodbye to a long-time part-time Telecommunicator who left to pursue a career in Emergency Management, gained a Telecommunicator who came with experience from another state, and added a Telecommunicator who began with Collinsville Police Department as a Cadet. While our staffing challenges in 2023 were significantly improved from 2022, we look to 2024 to bring us back to our staffing goal of 9 full-time Telecommunicators. We finished 2023 with 8 full-time Telecommunicators, one Telecommunicator in training, and 2 parttime Telecommunicators.

Our Telecommunications team has continued to excel in 2023. Two of the Telecommunicators will be receiving SILEC/SIPCA Telecommunicator awards for their exceptional teamwork and individual performance during events handled in 2023, and one of them received Civilian of the Quarter in 2023. The Communications

Center is responsible for 911 and non-emergency call taking and dispatching for Collinsville Police, Fire, and EMS and Animal Control. The telecommunicators achieve and maintain the following accreditations and licenses: 911, CPR, EMD, LEADS, IDPH, and REJIS. We have some of the very best telecommunicators in the business at the Collinsville Police Department. Their hard work, loyalty, and dedication to the police officers and firefighters they support, along with their commitment to providing great customer service to the citizens we serve, in a fast-paced and stressful environment, is truly remarkable. They say a 911 operator, or Telecommunicator, is the FIRST-first responder to any emergency.

They may not be on the front lines fighting crime, putting out fires, or administering first aid, but 911 operators/Telecommunicators obtain the necessary information our officers/firefighters/paramedics need to be safe prior to their arrival on an emergency scene. They direct necessary resources and provide Emergency Medical Dispatch instructions to callers until first responders arrive. They have a tough job and are an invaluable resource.

In 2023, the Collinsville Communications Center received 10,824 calls to 911, processed 31,637 Police calls for service; and 4,374 EMS/Fire calls for service. In comparison to years past, the numbers are as follows:

2023 ◀ 911 Calls - 10,824

PD CFS - 31,637 EMS/Fire CFS - 4,374

2019 ◀

911 Calls - 9,558 PD CFS - 34,294 EMS/Fire CFS - 3,834 **2020**

911 Calls - 9,178 PD CFS - 33,276 EMS/Fire CFS - 3,779 **2021** ◀

911 Calls - 10,126 PD CFS - ,32,999 EMS/Fire CFS - 4,244 2022

911 Calls - 9,512 PD CFS - 31,435 EMS/Fire CFS - 4,426



Honor Guard

The CPD Honor Guard stands trained and ready to provide a variety of ceremonial duties. The Honor Guard team studies and trains in police traditions, customs and courtesies, drill and ceremony, flag etiquette, and funeral etiquette. The Honor Guard team provides Colors Details at a variety of events, to include; Dinners, Graduations, Sporting Events,

and Parades. Finally, the CPD Honor Guard trains and responds to assist other agencies in the event of a law enforcement officer funeral. During funeral preparation stages, the team can act as a liaison, and provide training to an agency, to ensure traditions are met, and their officer is honored the way they deserve to be.



The CPD Honor Guard is a four-person team consisting of the following officers:

- Sergeant Paul Kilquist
- Officer Josh Hunt
- Officer Trent ross
- **▶** Officer Josh Fields



2023 Honor Guard activities:

- Colors presentation SWIC Police Academy
- Led Italian Fest Parade
- **▶** Led Collinsville Christmas Parade

Retirees

In 2023, we experienced another year of significant transition at the Collinsville Police Department. We sustained the loss of our most senior patrol officer due to retirement, and while it is sad to see career police officers leave, it is also exciting when we get to infuse our ranks with the energy new officers bring to the table.

TODD KUNZ

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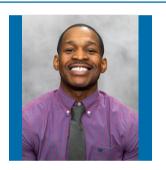
Officer Kunz served the citizens of Collinsville and the Collinsville Police Department for 26 years. He served in a variety of roles during his time at the Collinsville Police Department, including Patrol Officer, School Resource Officer, and Range Master.



New Faces

STUART PATTERSON

DSN 229



NINO JENKINS

DSN 233



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