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YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1981

DEPARTMENT OF POLICE

CITY OF ROCKFORD

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POLICE DEPARTMENT
DELBERT E. PETERSON
CHIEF OF POLICE

April 1, 1982

Honorable Mayor John F. McNamara Members of the Rockford City Council Board of Fire and Police Commissioners City of Rockford, Illinois

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I hereby submit to your honorable bodies my annual report for the year ending December 31, 1981. This report gives the number of arrests made, a list of various violations, crimes and offenses committed, accident investigation summary, report of stolen property, miscellaneous work and projects, Bureau reports, other summaries, and a report on goals and objectives for 1982.

The total number of arrests made and citations issued for the year, 1981, was 28,816. This represents an increase of 4,615 over 1980. During 1981, there were a total of 129,365 calls for service initiated by citizens or officer activity. This in itself represents an 8.79% increase over calender year 1980.

The year started out on a sad note as Officer Randall Blank was laid to rest on January 3, 1981 after having been mortally wounded December 31, 1980. On behalf of the Officers of the Rockford Police Department, I wish to thank the members of this community for their support and condolences during those trying times.

The community was saddened further by a series of murders in January and once again the support and cooperation of the citizens of our community were shown to be important factors in solving these cases.

During 1981, we completed our first full year of operation of the "One-Officer Patrol" program. Some changes were made in review, and the program has been highly successful. In January, 1981, our Crime Stopper Program was begun, and its initial success exceeded our earlier projections. Also during January, 1981, the Metro Centre opened, requiring additional services from the Rockford Police Department.

The key to the success of a police department is in its support from the community it serves. Likewise, a police department must remain responsive to the changing needs of the community it serves. Again, I wish to thank the members of the community for their support and look forward to increasing their involvement in making Rockford a city to be proud of.

Very truly yours,

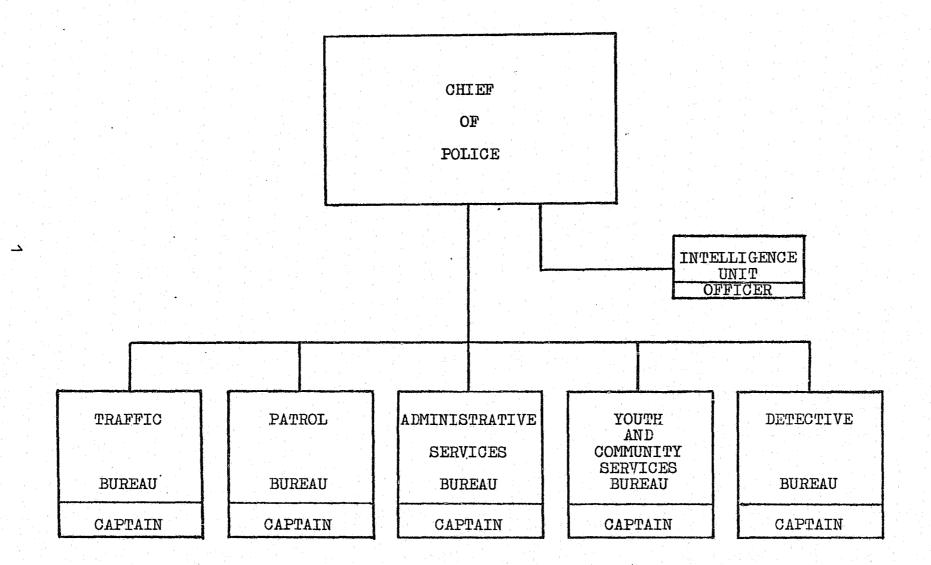
Delbert E. Peterson Chief of Police

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### ROCKFORD POLICE DEPARTMENT ORGANIZATIONAL CHART

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NEW PROJECTS

FOR

1981

#### CRIME STOPPERS PROGRAM

The Rockford Area Crime Stoppers Program has just completed its first year of operation. The initial success of the program far exceeded our expectations and during the short time the program has been operational we have received considerable positive national exposure.

As pilot program for the State of Illinois, we have assisted eight communities in Illinois in planning their own programs. At this time five of these communities now have operational programs. In addition we have responded to inquiries from several areas of the country furnishing information on our operation.

The Crime Stoppers Program started with \$3,611.35 from Rewards, Inc. when this program disolved. The Crime Stoppers account now has \$20,292.52. There were 72 rewards paid during 1981. The amount paid for these rewards was \$16,600.00. There are seventeen authorized rewards that are unpaid at this time. They total \$3,850.00.

The year ended with other totals as follows:

Crime Stoppers	Cases				566
Arrested					156
Cases Solved					246
Suspects Tried					67
Offenders Convi	cted			7	63
Property and Na	arcotics	Recovere	ed #	79.88	3.88

Although a total of 566 callers received identifying numbers, approximately half again as many called to give some information. These callers did not receive Crime Stoppers numbers because their information was not pertinent or enough information to warrant a number. In addition to these calls, we received over 250 calls between January 22 and February 15 due to the series of murders.

On June 1, 1981 Detective Jackson was interviewed by Paul Harvey during a visit to our city. Mr. Harvey lauded the program the next day on his radio show. The December 28, 1981 issue of "U.S. News and World Report" printed an article about the Rockford Crime Stoppers Program. On January 6, 1982 Detective Jackson appeared on ABC television's "Good Morning America" show and they have said they will schedule him to return in the near future.

The Crime Stoppers Program has achieved credibility during the first year of operation. Many of the Crime Stoppers are calling repeatedly with information on additional felony crimes. The City of Rockford and our Crime Stoppers Program have gained national recognition through the excellent statistics we have achieved. The cooperation of the citizens of Rockford and Winnebago County, all area law enforcement agencies, the news media, the Chamber of Commerce, and local businesses have made this success possible. We look forward to 1982 and an even better year.

#### METRO CENTRE

In January of 1981 when the Metro Centre opened, the Rockford Police Department began periodic assignments to provide services outside the building during events such as traffic and pedestrian control, parking enforcement, and the enforcement of vending ordinances. A liaison officer was appointed to coordinate activities between the Rockford Police Department, the Metro Centre, and other involved parties.

Following is a summary of Rockford Police Department activities with the Metro Centre Authority for 1981.

### 1981 Metro Centre Assignments

Number of events worked.	75
Number of officers assigned to these events.	317
Number of manhours spent on these events.	841.5
Average number of officers assigned per event.	4.23
Average number of hours per officer per event.	2.65
Average number of manhours per event.	11.22

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES BUREAU

#### ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES BUREAU

The Administrative Services Bureau provides many varied support services necessary to the proper functioning of the Rockford Police Department. Elements within this Bureau include the Identification Section, Evidence and Property Control Unit, Training and Personnel Division, General Services Section, Inspectional Services Division, Intelligence Unit, Personal Services Unit, Chaplain Division, and Research and Development Unit.

The Identification Section, Evidence and Property Control Unit, Training and Personnel Division, and Chaplain Division are discussed in separate reports. In general, the Administrative Services Bureau is the fiscal planning and operational standards control segment of the Rockford Police Department.

Budgetary matters and related activities are handled by the Bureau Commander and General Services Sergeant.

Inspections and complaints lodged against officers are conducted by the Inspectional Services Lieutenant. Intelligence and highly sensitive investigations are conducted by the Intelligence Unit. This Unit is accountable directly to the Chief of Police. The Research and Development Unit conducts research and develops plans on diverse subjects or areas which are to be or may be implemented at the

direction of the Chief of Police. This Unit is periodically responsible for implementing and monitoring special projects that have been developed.

#### IDENTIFICATION SECTION

The Identification Section of the Rockford Police Department came into being on April 19, 1973. The Identification Section is staffed, as it originally was, with seven officers and a Sergeant. In December, 1977 a civilian fingerprint clerk was added. As a support unit to the entire Department, personnel assigned to this unit must wear many hats in performing their duties. All personnel are highly trained in photography, classifying fingerprints, comparing fingerprints, the art of finding fingerprints at crime scenes, taking fingerprints into evidence, crime scene searches, crime scene sketching, and the proper collection and handling of evidence. All personnel, except the fingerprint clerk, are State licensed Breathalyzer Operators. Personnel of this unit are capable of operating color video camera equipment used in making crime scene video tapes, training tapes, and crime scene re-inactment video tapes.

During 1981 Identification Section personnel worked on 2,475 cases. A total of 3,206 manhours were spent on these cases. An average of 1.3 hours per case is somewhat deceiving in that some cases took but a few minutes and others did involve over a hundred hours of intense work.

The Identification Section also maintains the Rockford Police Department fingerprint and photograph files. Over 150,000 fingerprint cards are on file dating from 1912. The photograph files contain over 72,000 pictures dating from 1929. All photograph evidence is maintained by the unit dating from 1958 to the present. Separate picture files are maintained on sex offenders, narcotics offenders, and an employee-applicant file. Pictures are now taken of all line-ups conducted and are maintained by the unit.

Certain scientific tests are also conducted by the Identification Section personnel. During 1981, 245 breath-alyzer tests were conducted to determine intoxication levels. Also during 1981, 223 tests were conducted on narcotics. In addition to these scientific tests, personnel were able to make 59 fingerprint comparison matches used to identify and in many cases gain convictions in serious cases. A modern police department must employ such services in the solution of a variety of cases, using the latest techniques available.

# EVIDENCE AND PROPERTY CONTROL UNIT

The Evidence and Property Control Unit is a support unit to the entire Department. The integrity of case evidence and therefore of the Department in general is dependent upon the proper documentation and storage of evidence and property recovered by officers during the course of investigations. Without exacting procedures and documentation cases can be lost and property misplaced. The documentation of evidence will always be an utmost concern of the Rockford Police Department.

This unit is staffed by two Detectives and a secretary. The unit is responsible for all items of evidence and the storage of departmental supplies and equipment. During 1981 over 25,000 pieces of evidence and recovered property were handled by the unit. Each piece of property brought in must eventually be disposed of. This is accomplished by either returning the item to the owner, by sale at an auction of unclaimed property, or by destruction as is the case with all narcotics, liquor and most weapons.

In addition to regular items of evidence, the unit is responsible for the storage and sale of unclaimed vehicles that have been impounded for a variety of reasons. During 1981, 738 vehicles were impounded in investigations or as

abandoned vehicles. At periodic auction sales 180 cars were sold with net proceeds to the City of \$6,868.00. Other items of unclaimed property and bicycles were sold periodically by auction resulting in an additional \$7,845.09 being returned to the City. Unclaimed recovered money in the amount of \$460.11 was returned to the City also.

## CHAPLAIN DIVISION

During the year 1981 the Rockford Police Department Chaplain Division again worked in two main areas within the Police Department. It assisted citizens through the Police Department and it assisted Officers and their families in many different personal situations.

At the present time there are 35 Assistant Chaplains within the Rockford Police Department Chaplain Division.

They are available 24 hours a day, seven days a week to the Police Department. In 1981 the Chaplain Division answered 1876 calls for assistance. These calls covered some of the following areas: death notifications and death situations; family disturbances; lonely and despondent people; alcohol and drug abuse problems; potential and attempted suicides; bereavement counseling; counseling with injured persons and families; and various other calls for service. During the year 1981 the Chaplain Division spent \$4,114.19 assisting people who needed a place to stay, transportation, food, medicine, and many other needs. These funds come from private donations and not the City. Over 10,000 hours were donated to the Rockford Police Department by the Chaplains during 1981.

During 1981 the Chaplain Division presented 37 programs to various civic, fraternal, and social organizations within Winnebago County concerning the operation of the Chaplain

Division. The Rockford Police Department Chaplain Division has assisted numerous police departments around the United States in starting programs of their own. This spans the area from answering letters about our program to going to various police departments and presenting a program.

The other area the Chaplain Division works in is with Officers and their families. This covers everything from speaking on the recruit level to putting on in-service programs concerning "Stress" in police work to doing untold hours of individual counseling.

All Chaplain services in both areas are donated to the City of Rockford and the Rockford Police Department by the Chaplains. The only compensation received by a Chaplain is one dollar a day that the City of Rockford pays so that the Chaplains are covered by City insurance.

The Chaplain Division is a support unit and is therefore under the direction of the Commander of the Administrative Services Bureau. Although not assigned to the Chaplain Division, the Personal Services Officer by the nature of his duties will often work very closely with the Chaplains.

#### TRAINING AND PERSONNEL DIVISION

The authorized strength of the Rockford Police Department was 268 sworn officers at the start of 1981. We started the year with 251 and ended the year with 256. During the year we had eight (8) resignations and five (5) retirements.

There are few professions more critical to the smooth functioning of a society than that of a police officer. It is the officer's duty to maintain order and safeguard the rights of his or her citizenry. Naturally his or her performance is dependent on and reflective of the training he or she has received—training which must not only meet the immediate needs of today, but also look ahead to the requirements of tomorrow.

Our philosophy is that a police training program should be anticipatory. No one can say what tomorrow will bring—about the only thing that seems certain is change. But more than any other professional, the police officer must be prepared for change. The position requires the ability to maintain a readiness to respond to the environment, whatever that environment may become.

"A TRAINED OFFICER IS AN EFFECTIVE OFFICER"

During 1981 this division conducted training sessions and special programs for other police agencies, civic groups, area educational institutions, etc. The Division has been

involved with the F.B.I. Training Committee, Police Training Institute Curriculum Committee, Rock Valley College Advisory Board, Rockford Board of Education, Northern Illinois Law Enforcement Commission, Illinois Local Governmental Law Enforcement Officers Training Board, and the White House Commission on Youth.

This division also has been involved in recruiting, testing, and the monitoring of tests administered by the Fire and Police Commission and participated in entrance and promotional tests for other agencies. Also the training and supervision of the Auxiliary Police Unit is handled by the Training and Personnel Division. The division also has had involvment with the American Council on Education in an accreditation program for law enforcement courses at the University of Illinois. Also we had input in the new 400 hour curriculum for police recruits which became law on January 1, 1982.

The division also conducts the departmental firearms and weapon maintenance three days a month. During two of these days all sworn personnel are required to shoot. The Rockford Police Department Training Bulletin and News Letter is published by this division each month.

Listed below are the training courses and seminars attended by department members during 1981.

No. Officers	Course or Seminar	Length
1	F.B.I. National Academy S.P.I. Crime Prevention Seminar	3 months 1 week
6 (Cadets)	Rock Valley College (Report Writing) Stress Seminar	Semester 1 day

No.	Officers	Course or Seminar	I	ength
11 13 31 11 11 11 12 21 1	ivilians)	P.T.I., Univ. of Ill., Recruit Basic Treasury Dept. Bomb Disposal School Hazardous Materials Seminar Terrorism Seminar Hostage Response Seminar Cost Cutting Workshop Bomb Disposal, Redstone Arsenal Juvenile Justice Workshop Marijuana Id. Course, State Crime Lab Law Focused Education Project Police Chaplains Workshop Planning & Research Methods Workshop F.M.T. Course Outreach Training Program Fleet Management Program Management of Criminal Invest. Seminar Social Problems for Caseworkers Computer Research Training Conference on Children's Priorities E.M.T. Seminar Incest—Community Affects Seminar Hostage Negotiation Refresher Arson Investigations	632131122311233486231212	weeks weeks days days days weeks weeks weeks weeks weeks days days days days days days days weeks
1		Search and Seizure Seminar	1	day
1 24 21		Scientific Investigation of Crime Rockford Police Recruit School	2 5	week weeks weeks
<u>-</u> 1		S.W.A.T. Training (per month)—— Driving Under the Influence Seminar	-1	day
1		Univ. of Minn., Juvenile Officers Inst.	7	day weeks

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DECEMDED DECEMDED DEPARTMENTAL DIVISIONS  POSITION CLASSIFICATION	CHIEF OF POLICE	ADMINISTRATIVE * SERVICES BUREAU	DETECTIVE BUREAU	PATROL BUREAU	TRAFFIC BUREAU	YOUTH & COMMUNITY SERVICES BUREAU	POSITION CLASSIFICATION TOTALS
CHIEF OF POLICE	1						1
CAPTAIN		1	1	1	1	1	5
LIEUTENANT		2	1	4			7
SERGEANT		3	3_	15	3	3	27
INVESTIGATOR		10	31	1	25 ·	19	86
POLICE OFFICER		2	**************************************	123	5		130
TOTAL SWORN PERSONNEL	1	18	36	144	34	23	256
PROGRAM DIRECTOR						1 .	1
CRISIS INTERVENTION WKR					earle earle (red) (red)	2	2
CLERK-TYPIST I					para ann 1820 day	-,	and the trial day
CLERK-TYPIST II		4		1/2	1/2	3	8
SECRETARY II			1				1
SECRETARY III		2					2
LABORER		1			int an to		1
PARKING CONTROL OFFICER					3		3
POLICE CADET		1		1		1	3
TOTAL NON-SWORN PERSONNEL		8	1	11/2	31/2	7	21
DEPARTMENTAL DIVISION PERSONNEL TOTALS	1	26	37	145%	37%	30	277

# ROCKFORD POLICE DEPARTMENT 1981

# BUDGET SUMMARY

TOTAL BUDGET FOR 1981		\$10	0,544,516.00
ACTUAL EXPENSES			0,312,170.31
ENCUMBERED FUNDS AT YEAR END		\$	24,092.43
UNSPENT FUNDS AT YEAR END		\$	208,253,26

The unspent funds at year end approximately equals 2% of the 1981 total budget. Of the unspent funds at year end, the sum of \$171,959.68 was from salaries not spent due to reduced staffing during certain periods by reason of retirements and employees leaving the City. All but one account was actually under spent during the year. The one account for printing was encumbered at year end in the amount of \$755.62 for books of NOTICE TO APPEAR forms to be used in 1982. Of this amount, \$317.22 was for accounts receivable to this Department from other police agencies. Therefore, in actuality this account was under spent also.

#### SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS

SOURCE	1980	1981
FROM COURTS (FINES)	\$447,830.31	\$566,617.25
FROM PARKING VIOLATIONS	155,817.00	191,367.50
FROM IMPOUNDING GARAGE	3,351.95	4,152.00
FROM IMPOUNDED CAR SALES	8,919.67	6,971.01
FROM IMPOUNDED BICYCLE SALES	4,433.00	4,565.55
SALE OF UNCLAIMED PROPERTY	3,848.30	3,279.54
RESTITUTION FROM THE COURTS	388.78	221.53
UNCLAIMED MONEY	.00	460.11
MISCELLANEOUS	427.96	1,175.31
TOTALS	\$625,016.97	\$777,634.49

DETECTIVE BUREAU

#### DETECTIVE BUREAU

The year 1981 started off with four violent murders in the first month of the year. The Detective Bureau worked approximately 650 hours of overtime during the course of these investigations and the subsequent arrest of the suspect that was involved.

During the year greater emphasis was placed on narcotics investigations, and a Sergeant was assigned full-time to supervise and supplement the three Rockford Police Department Detectives and one Winnebago County Deputy Sheriff assigned to the Metro Narcotics Squad.

One of the Detectives assigned to the Detective Bureau was reassigned to the position of Crime Stopper Coordinator.

The Detective Bureau has been greatly aided by the information provided by the Crime Stoppers Program.

The Rockford Police Department ended the year with a 24.3% solve rate of all Part I Offenses which is a high achievement as compared with police departments across the United States. This can be attributed to good solid follow-up investigations, plus the help of the many citizens who come forward with information concerning crimes which have been committed.

#### ARSON UNIT

In 1977 a rash of arson fires in a northeast section of Rockford brought the Rockford Fire and Police Departments together in an intensive investigation. Late in 1977 the two departments saw a need for a combined effort to step up the investigations in arson related crimes. A Rockford Police Department Detective and a Rockford Fire Department Fire Inspector were chosen and were sent to special schools and seminars dealing with arson investigations. Early in 1978 a part-time Arson Unit was formed to investigate arson fires as well as their other assigned duties.

Late in 1979 the two departments felt that a full-time Arson Unit was needed to keep up with the growing problem of arson. On January 20, 1980 a full-time Arson Unit was implemented and was initially made up of one Police Detective and one Fire Inspector, with a back up team as needed. In 1980 there were 146 reported arson fires and as the arson problem grew the Arson Unit found it difficult to keep up with the growing number of investigations.

In 1981 the arson problem grew to 194 reported fires.

Again the arson problem was looked at and both departments
felt there was a need for additional manpower to be assigned.

An additional team was added to the Arson Unit in November,

1981. This team is made up of one Patrol Officer and one

additional Fire Inspector. The second team is rotated every two months between six Patrol Officers and six Fire Inspectors. The first month that the second team worked full-time, 17 open arson cases were cleared through arrests.

Each team rotates every week in taking the arson calls and is subject to being called out at any time of the day or night. The Fire Inspector is called first and once on the scene a determination is made as to whether the Police Officer partner is also to be called to respond.

Due to the increased cooperation between the two departments the number of cleared cases has increased, the number of arrests has increased, and the number of arson fires and related damage has become accurately known. Through the efforts of the Crime Stoppers Program an additional 12 cases have been cleared.

#### 1981 ARSON STATISTICS

Arson Cases Investigated	94
Arson Suspects Identified	35
Arson Related Arrests (Arson and Criminal Damage)	50.
Arson Cases Solved	<del>1</del> 6
Total Property Damage From Arson 1 \$940,525.0	00
The above statistics are from Fire Department Records. 2	

The dollar figure reported on Police Department Statistics was \$467,238.00 for 82 offenses. This figure is considerably lower than Fire Department Statistics due to some arson cases being initially reported as Criminal Damage incidents and that dollar losses are preliminary estimates by officers. The Fire Department figure (\$940,525.00) is from paid insurance claims.

#### CRIMINAL ARRESTS

CRIMINAL CHARGE	PERSONS	ARRESTED
AUTO THEFT OTHER ASSAULTS FORGERY AND COUNTERFEITING FRAUD ARSON STOLEN PROPERTY (BUYING, RECEIVING, VANDALISM WEAPONS (CARRYING, POSSESSING) PROSTITUTION AND COMMERCIALIZED VIOUSEX OFFENSES (EXCEPT FORCIBLE RAPE OFFENSES AGAINST FAMILY AND CHILDRE NARCOTIC DRUG LAWS LIQUOR LAWS DISORDERLY CONDUCT VAGRANCY GAMBLING DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED LOITERING AND CURFEW RUNAWAY MINOR IN NEED OF SUPERVISION DELINQUENT MINOR CONTRIBUTING TO DELINQUENCY OF MINOS SUSPICION ALL OTHER OFFENSES EXCEPT TRAFFIC	POSSES & VICE)	1499 73 769 130 20 52 499 164 36 251 120 27 320 27 320 27 320 27 320 320 320 320 320 320 320 320 320 320
TOTAL CRIMINAL ARRESTS DURING 1981	• • • •	8,440
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TOTALS 6,737 1,703	6	8,440

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>This report was prepared by the Arson Unit as a joint effort for inclusion in both departments' Annual Reports.

# SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF PERSONS ARRESTED FOR CRIMINAL CHARGES

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TOTAL CRIMINAL ARRESTS DURING 1981 8,440	11-12	74 204 583 869 923 800 666 1222 794 164 57 234 116

INDEX CRIMES PERCENTAGE OF CASES CLEARED BY ARREST 1 9 8 2 PERCENT 28 -1 26.46 27 -25.80 26 . — 125.10 24.75 25 -24.30 23 -**1**/22.58

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INDEX CRIMES
ACTUAL OFFENSES AND CLEARANCE RATES

YEAR	# OFFENSES # CLEARED % CLEARED	MURDER	RAPE	ROBBERY	ASSAULT	BURGLARY	THEFT	AUTO THEFT
1974	# OFFENSES # CLEARED % CLEARED	7 5 71%	30 18 60%	283 82 29%	335 302 90%	3222 755 23%	5472 1430 26%	446 83 19%
1975	# OFFENSES # CLEARED % CLEARED	7 8 114%	28 13 46%	410 141 34%	493 418 85%	3476 697 20%	6243 1493 24%	431 93 22%
1976	# OFFENSES # CLEARED % CLEARED	12 12 100%	41 29 71%	291 82 28%	462 404 87%	3158 648 21%	6099 1357 22%	403 99 25%
1977	# OFFENSES # CLEARED % CLEARED	2 1 50%	34 25 74%	268 101 38%	500 435 87%	2284 485 21%	5474 1494 27%	368 124 34%
1978	# OFFENSES # CLEARED % CLEARED	8 9 113%	45 33 73%	330 106 32%	449 373 83%	2649 461 17%	5730 1459 25%	443 127 29%
1979	# OFFENSES # CLEARED % CLEARED	10 8 80%	51 41 80%	399 128 32%	654 469 72%	3441 573 17%	6485 1514 23%	564 139 25%
1980	# OFFENSES # CLEARED % CLEARED	10 9 90%	69 30 43%	491 178 36%	731 492 67%	4175 570 14%	6760 1452 21%	488 143 29%
1981	# OFFENSES # CLEARED % CLEARED	13 12 92%	47 39 83%	403 131 33%	622 399 64%	4433 803 18%	6982 1644 24%	385 96 25%
1974- 1981 TOTALS	# OFFENSES # CLEARED % CLEARED	69 64 93%	345 228 66%	2875 949 33%	4246 3292 78%	26838 4992 19%	49245 11843 24%	3528 904 26%

ANALYSIS OF STOLEN PROPERTY

NET LOSS

AMOUNTS 1981

RECOVERED

NET LOSS

STOLEN

AMOUNTS 1980

RECOVERED

STOLEN

TYPE

29

PROPERTY

TOTALS

\$5,223,770 \$1,150,738 \$4,073,032 \$4,241,180 \$ 883,321 \$3,357,859

Includes currency, coin collections, stamp collections, and negotiable Food Stamps.

Includes jewelry and precious metals (non-coins). Includes all vehicles and parts.

PATROL BUREAU

#### PATROL BUREAU

1981 was the first full year that the Patrol Bureau used one-officer patrol units nearly exclusively. During this time there was an increase of over 10,000 reported incident calls and at the same time a decrease in Patrol Bureau manpower. The one-officer vehicle concept has allowed us to maintain the services necessary to provide for the needs of our citizens, their safety, and protection.

Two Squad Rolls are always on the street to assist the patrol units in the transfer of prisoners and to act as a backup unit to patrol units in need of their services. The Squad Rolls have proven to be very effective in releasing the patrol units so that they can continue their duties in the designated patrol areas.

The Crime Analysis Unit of the Patrol Bureau was very effective during the year in making recommendations on where to place our special units within problem areas of the City. The special units were not always able to make arrests, but generally the units were able to reduce or remove the problem.

During 1981 assignment of officers to designated foot patrol beats was eliminated. Patrol officers are encouraged to continue to patrol on foot their business areas as time permits to maintain the valuable personal contacts so necessary to the success of the Department.

INCIDENT CALLS SUMMARY					
MONTH	1980	1981	# CHANGE	% CHANGE	
JANUARY	8,959	10,857	+1,898	+ 21.19%	
FEBRUARY	8,381	9,259	+ 878	+ 10.48%	
MARCH	9,501	10,116	+ 615	+ 6.47%	
APRIL	9,584	10,367	+ 783	+ 8.17%	
MAY	10,281	11,185	+ 904	+ 8.79%	
JUNE	10,322	11,572	+1,250	+ 12.11%	
JULY	11,695	11,954	+ 259	+ 2.21%	
AUGUST	11,204	11,713	+ 509	+ 4.54%	
SEPTEMBER	. 8,724	10,965	+2,241	+ 25.69%	
OCTOBER	10,713	11,396	+ 683	+ 6.38%	
NOVEMBER	9,920	10,094	+ 174	+ 1.75%	
DECEMBER	9,631	9,887	+ 256	+ 2.66%	
TOTALS	118,915	129,365	+10,450	+ 8.79%	

During calendar year 1981 the Communications Division supporting the Rockford Police Department was under the administrative control of the Governing Board of the Public Safety Building and remained under the operational control of the Chief of Police. As a joint function it is known as the Winnebago Public Safety Communications Center.

The figures supplied to the Rockford Police Department show there were a total of 129,365 calls for service initiated by citizens or officer activity. The total number of incident calls showed an 8.79% increase over calendar year 1980.

TRAFFIC BUREAU

### TRAFFIC BUREAU

Not since April 1, 1968 had Rockford gone 100 days without a Traffic Fatality. That record was broken as of January 17, 1982. The last Traffic Fatality for 1981 occurred October 9, 1981. Credit for this safe driving record should be given to the motoring public, the walking public, and the uniformed officers of the Rockford Police Department.

During 1981 Rockford experienced a decrease in the number of accidents in each of the categories: 'property damage, hit and run, injury, and fatality. These figures also show a trend which is quite evident over recent years.

YEAR	ACCIDENTS	INJURIES	FATALITIES
1980	7,619	2,727	16
1981	7,212	2,556	11
YEAR	HAZARDOUS VIOL.	NON-HAZARDOUS VIOL.	D.W.I.
1980	11,753	4,982	191
1981	13,531	6,848	320
YEAR	HIT & RUN ACCIDE	INTS H & R SOLVES PA	ARKING TICKETS <sup>1</sup>
1980	1768	646	85,192
1981	1655	711	94,859

The number of parking tickets issued for years 1979, 1980, and 1981 varies greatly. This is due to a severe winter in 1979 in which additional personnel were assigned to snow removal and a reduction in the number of parking enforcement officers in 1980. Figures indicate the City of Rockford is collecting approximately 60% of parking tickets issued on an average.

#### TRAFF'C CITATIONS

VIOLATION PERSONS C	ITED
ANTI-NOISE ORDINANCE	204 189 143 419
DRAG RACING	9 824
DRIVING AFTER REVOCATION	3
DRIVING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY DRIVING ON SIDEWALK DRIVING THROUGH BARRICADE	6
DRIVING THROUGH FUNERAL PROCESSION	.7 4 6
DRIVING THROUGH RAILROAD GATES	38
FAILURE TO COVER REFUSE	397 20
FAILURE TO GRANT RIGHT OF WAY TO PEDESTRIAN FAILURE TO GIVE INFORMATION AT SCENE OF ACCIDENT	12 158
FAILURE TO HEED OFFICER'S SIGNAL	4 1
FAILURE TO REPORT ACCIDENT	3 3 6
FAILURE TO SECURE LOAD	12
FAULTY BRAKES FOLLOWING TOO CLOSELY FOUR IN SEAT	170
FOUR IN SEAT GIVING FALSE INFORMATION AT SCENE OF ACCIDENT HEADLIGHT VIOLATIONS	2 66
IMPROPER SIGNALING	12
KEYS IN CAR LEAVING THE SCENE OF A PERSONAL INJURY ACCIDENT	
LEAVING THE SCENE OF A PROPERTY DAMAGE ACCIDENT LEFT TURN VIOLATIONS	139 437 391
MOTOR RUNNING UNATTENDED	6 95
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NO TURN ORDINANCES	130 62
OBSTRUCTED VISION	19
PARKING VIOLATIONS (ACCIDENTS INVOLVED)	6 0 5 3
PASSING ON RIGHT	3

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#### TRAFFIC CITATIONS

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TOTAL TRAFFIC ARREST			20,376
PERSONS ARRESTED FOR	TRAFFIC OFFE	NSES BY MONTH	
MONTH	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL
JANUARY FEBRUARY MARCH APRIL MAY JUNE JULY AUGUST	1289 1101 1120 1064 1467	486 696	<ul><li>1610</li><li>1692</li><li>1550</li><li>2163</li><li>1902</li><li>1228</li></ul>
SEPTEMBER OCTOBER NOVEMBER DECEMBER	856 1117 953 1097 1312 1022	526	<ul><li>1421</li><li>1710</li><li>2002</li></ul>

# SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF PERSONS CITED FOR TRAFFIC VIOLATIONS

BY SEX	
MALE	13688 6688
BY RACE	
WHITE NEGRO OTHER AND NOT STATED	14064 2884 3428
BY MARITAL STATUS	
MARRIED	17869 2507 -0-
BY AGE	
16 & UNDER 17-21 22-29 30-39 40-49 50-59 60-69 70 & OVER NOT GIVEN	580 4936 6727 4038 1811 1291 635 356 2
TOTAL CITATIONS ISSUED DURING 1981	20,376

ACCIDENT	TOTALS	FOR	1973-1981

YEAR	TOTAL	PROPERTY DAMAGE	FATAL	INJURY
1973	8383	6498	13	1872
1974	8454	6513	14	1927
1975	8176	6266	17	1893
1976	8204	6181	14	2009
1977	9135	6979	19	2139
1978	9646	7342	16	2288
1979	10,149	7800	24	2325
1980	7619	5675	16	1928
1981	7212	5368	10	1844

1979—1981	ACCIDENT STATISTIC	CS SUMMARY	
CATEGORY	1979	1980	1981
ACCIDENTS WITH DEATH OR INJURY	2349	1944	1854
PERSONS INJURED	3146	2727	2556
PERSONS KILLED	24	17	11
HIT AND RUN ACCIDENTS	2114	1768	1655
SOLVED HIT AND RUN ACCIDENTS	778 (37%)	646 (37%)	711 (43
TOTAL MOVING VIOLATIONS	16 <b>,</b> 751	16 <b>,</b> 735	20,379
TOTAL PARKING CITATIONS	109,273	85 <b>,</b> 192	94,859

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TRAFFIC ACCIDENT ANALYSIS						
ACCIDENTS BY DAY OF WEEK:	ALL ACC	IDENTS	FATAL			
DAY	1980	1981	1980	1981		
SUNDAY	760	737	0	3		
MONDAY	1035	950	0	0		
TUESDAY	1000	986	0	1		
WEDNESDAY	1053	1042	1	1		
THURSDAY	1163	1084	3	1		
FRIDAY	1363	1245	6	1		
SATURDAY	1245	1162	6	3		
NOT STATED	13	6	0	0		
TOTALS	7619	7212	16	10		
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BY THE TYPE OF ACCIDENTS:	PERSONS	INJURED	PERSONS	KILLED		
BY THE TYPE OF ACCIDENTS: OVERTURNING	PERSONS	INJURED 20	PERSONS	S KILLED O		
	<b></b>	1				
OVERTURNING	15	20	1	0		
OVERTURNING OTHER NON-COLLISION	15 19	20 6	1	0		
OVERTURNING OTHER NON-COLLISION PEDESTRIAN	15 19 118	20 6 112	1 0 4	0 0 1		
OVERTURNING OTHER NON-COLLISION PEDESTRIAN M. V. IN TRANSPORT	15 19 118 2094	20 6 112 2003	1 0 4 10	0 0 1 6		
OVERTURNING OTHER NON-COLLISION PEDESTRIAN M. V. IN TRANSPORT M. V. ON OTHER ROADWAY	15 19 118 2094 0	20 6 112 2003 1	1 0 4 10 0	0 0 1 6 0		
OVERTURNING OTHER NON-COLLISION PEDESTRIAN M. V. IN TRANSPORT M. V. ON OTHER ROADWAY PARKED MOTOR VEHICLE	15 19 118 2094 0 128	20 6 112 2003 1 116	1 0 4 10 0	0 0 1 6 0		
OVERTURNING OTHER NON-COLLISION PEDESTRIAN M. V. IN TRANSPORT M. V. ON OTHER ROADWAY PARKED MOTOR VEHICLE RAILWAY TRAIN	15 19 118 2094 0 128 7	20 6 112 2003 1 116 0	1 0 4 10 0 0	0 0 1 6 0 0		
OVERTURNING OTHER NON-COLLISION PEDESTRIAN M. V. IN TRANSPORT M. V. ON OTHER ROADWAY PARKED MOTOR VEHICLE RAILWAY TRAIN PEDAL CYCLIST	15 19 118 2094 0 128 7 57	20 6 112 2003 1 116 0	1 0 4 10 0 0	0 0 1 6 0 0 0		
OVERTURNING OTHER NON-COLLISION PEDESTRIAN M. V. IN TRANSPORT M. V. ON OTHER ROADWAY PARKED MOTOR VEHICLE RAILWAY TRAIN PEDAL CYCLIST ANIMAL	15 19 118 2094 0 128 7 57	20 6 112 2003 1 116 0 57 2	1 0 4 10 0 0 0	0 0 1 6 0 0 0		
OVERTURNING OTHER NON-COLLISION PEDESTRIAN M. V. IN TRANSPORT M. V. ON OTHER ROADWAY PARKED MOTOR VEHICLE RAILWAY TRAIN PEDAL CYCLIST ANIMAL FIXED OBJECT	15 19 118 2094 0 128 7 57 3 282	20 6 112 2003 1 116 0 57 2 230	1 0 4 10 0 0 0 0	0 0 1 6 0 0 0 0		

YOUTH AND COMMUNITY SERVICES
BUREAU

#### YOUTH AND COMMUNITY SERVICES BUREAU

The Youth and Community Services Bureau is dedicated to establishing and maintaining communication and cooperation between the Rockford Police Department and the citizens of Rockford toward a common goal of the prevention of criminal acts. There are three major areas in which the Youth Bureau concentrates its efforts. The first area is the investigation of criminal incidents where the victims or suspects are minors. The second area is that of community education and security and relations between the Rockford Police Department and the community. The third area comprises assistance to victims or witnesses of criminal acts and assistance to citizens having other related problems. Activities of the Crime Prevention Unit and the Victim/Witness Assistance Unit are addressed in separate reports.

During 1981 a total of 2,417 assigned complaints were investigated by Youth Bureau Officers. Of these complaints 1,927 were cleared representing a clearance rate of 79.7%. A case clearance can be obtained by counseling of the parties involved, station adjustment of the offenders, referral to other agencies, or by arrest. During 1981 Youth Bureau Officers arrested 894 different juveniles and 145 adults.

Cases investigated by the Youth Bureau had a total property loss by theft or destruction of \$13,751.00. At the same time the value of property recovered by Youth Bureau Officers was \$37,277.53.

In 1981, 269 abuse and neglect cases were investigated by the Rockford Police Department. Abuse and neglect cases include abandoned children, poor home environment, as well as actual physical abuse. During 1981 investigations led to 18 arrests on charges of Battery, Endangering the Life of a Child, Indecent Liberties, Aggravated Incest, Unlawful Use of Weapons, and Murder. Abuse and neglect cases are a very serious concern of the Rockford Police Department. For the years 1973 to 1981 a total of 2457 abuse and neglect cases were investigated. The yearly average for this period is 273 with a low of 200 cases in 1973 and a high of 365 cases in 1978.

Missing persons and runaways continue to increase in numbers requiring the full-time assignment of one Youth Bureau Detective. During 1981 a total of 1,087 persons were reported as missing, runaway, attempt to locate, or wanted by the Department of Corrections. This represents an increase of 77 persons over 1980. Of the cases investigated during 1981, a total of 1,049 were cleared as of December 31, 1981. Statistics show the following breakdowns: by sex 605 females and 482 males; by race 824 caucasians and 263 minorities. When runaways are located they are returned home, referred to other agencies, or placed in

foster homes provided by the agencies. Many are repeat cases often based on problems within the home or family.

Not all work of the Youth Bureau is oriented to criminal matters. Important progress continues to be made with the Officer Friendly Program, the Police Athletic Program, the Bicycle Program, the Rockford Police Department Explorer Scout Post, the Rockford Police Department Junior Gun Safety Program, and the School Crossing Guard Program.

During 1981 the two officers assigned to the Officer Friendly Program made 376 school visits. During these visits they attended 1,443 classes and talked to 34,878 students in grades kindergarten through sixth grade including Learning Impaired classes, Behavior Disorder classes, Learning Disability classes, and Mentally Impaired classes.

In January, 1981 the Officer Friendly Program was requested by the Sears Foundation to provide training and assistance to other police departments in setting up programs in their cities. A grant of \$1,000 was received for this purpose and for materials needed in classroom presentations.

The Bicycle Program and licensing were conducted as a joint effort between the Rockford Police Department and the Rockford Park District Police Department. Records indicate that out of 5,900 bicycles licensed over 2½ years, 86 of the licensed bicycles have been reported stolen, with 56 of these recovered and returned to the owners.

A grant was received from the Honeywell Corporation in the form of handouts and reflective materials for bicycles. Enough material was furnished for each public elementary school student to receive some of each.

At park visits and other special events of the Bicycle Program, over 200 trophies and other gifts were given to program participants at no cost to the Rockford Police Department. Donations came from the Rockford Park District, P.B. & P.A. Unit 6, Rockford Police Relief Association, Honeywell Corporation, and Kegel's Bicycle Store, Inc.

The Rockford Police Department Athletic Program continued to be sponsored at no cost to the City of Rockford by P.B. & P.A. Unit 6 and in the case of Junior Tackle Football co-sponsored with the Fire Fighters Local #413. Two football teams were sponsored—one for the 9-11 age group and one for the 12-13 year age group. Each team of 30 members was called "Police and Fire Department". Members of both Departments provided volunteer personnel for coaching and other duties.

The baseball teams sponsored by P.B. & P.A. Unit 6 included boys 6-10 years and 13-14 years. In the Kenrock League teams of 11-12 year old boys and 6-8 year old girls were sponsored. These teams had 75 participants, not including volunteer officers and citizens.

The Rockford Police Department Junior Gun Safety Program continues to be one of the most successful programs sponsored and conducted by volunteer members of the Rockford Police Department, the State of Illinois Department of Conservation, and the Pine Tree Pistol Club. During 1981 a total of 210

youths attended the Spring and Fall classes. The program was begun in 1958 and during this time 3,799 students have attended the sessions. Many of the early students now have children enrolled in the classes. Some early students have gone on to become qualified instructors and now assist in the teaching. Illinois Law since 1976 has required that any person under the age of 16 must complete a course such as this in order to obtain a hunting license. Some states also require this of adults. Initially funded by the Eagles Club, the program has been self-sustaining with no cost to the City of Rockford. To the best of our knowledge no student that has completed the course has ever been involved in a firearm or hunting accident.

Volunteer members of the Rockford Police Department continue to assist as advisors for the Rockford Police Department Explorer Scout Post. This is yet another area under the guidance of the Youth and Community Services Bureau which helps to promote citizenship and community well-being much beyond the normal duties of a police department.

The key to future success of our community lies with our young people. Their safety, protection, and guidance depends upon how well the Rockford Police Department can work with other governmental agencies, civic organizations, private benefactors, and volunteers in insuring the development of proper ideals and role models for our young people to follow. A young person given the proper guidance will not become a future arrest statistic.

#### JUVENILE ARREST STATISTICS

CHARGE	JUVENILES	ARRESTE
FORCIBLE RAPE ROBBERY AGGRAVATED ASSAULT BURGLARY (BREAKING AND ENTERING) THEFT (EXCEPT AUTO THEFT) AUTO THEFT OTHER ASSAULTS FORGERY AND COUNTERFEITING ARSON STOLEN PROPERTY (BUYING, RECEIVING, POSSES VANDALISM WEAPONS (CARRYING, POSSESSING) PROSTITUTION AND COMMERCIALIZED VICE SEX OFFENSES (EXCEPT FORCIBLE RAPE AND VICE) SEX OFFENSES (EXCEPT FORCIBLE RAPE AND VICE) OFFENSES AGAINST FAMILY AND CHILDREN NARCOTIC DRUG LAWS LIQUOR LAWS (INCLUDING MINOR DRINKING) DISORDERLY CONDUCT DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED LOITERING AND CURFEW RUNAWAY MINOR IN NEED OF SUPERVISION DELINQUENT MINOR	SING)	228 585 174 114 137 162 162 188 199 199 199 199 199 199 199
CONTRIBUTING TO DELINQUENCY OF MINOR ALL OTHER OFFENSES EXCEPT TRAFFIC		• 0 • 1 • 41
TOTAL JUVENILE ARRESTS DURING 1981	• • • •	• 1,730
BY AGE		NUMBER
BY AGE  10 YEARS AND UNDER  11-12  13-14  15-16	• • • • •	74 204 583 869
COTAL JUVENILE ARRESTS DURING 1981	• • • • •	1,730

#### CRIME PREVENTION SECTION

The Crime Prevention Section of the Rockford Police
Department is made up of three sub-sections, each heavily
oriented to positive community contact. The first area is
that of education and security. The second is that of police
community relations. The third area, the Crime Stoppers
Program, was new for 1981. This is described in an early
section of this report under new projects for 1981.

A great deal of the efforts of this section are devoted to educating citizens and businesses in methods to prevent becoming victims of various crimes. Methods employed by the Section include public service advertising via television and radio, distribution of selected literature available to or prepared by officers of the Crime Prevention Section, and personal presentations before individuals and groups.

During 1981 the Section received 403 requests for vacation checks of residences. Security surveys conducted during the year numbered 164. Two-thirds of these were for residences and the remainder were for commercial businesses, industrial firms, and institutions. Regular and special programs presented during 1981 numbered 112. These were on 21 different subjects and were attended by 3,736 persons, not including people the officers talked to at four booth

presentations at various times and locations during the year.

During 1981 a total of 88,024 pieces of Crime Prevention literature and materials were distributed by the Section. These were on over forty separate topics aimed at educating the public and assisting in preventing crime. The Crime Prevention Section operates on the philosophy that the best way to reduce crime is by its prevention. A reduction in the opportunity to commit crime results in reduced crime.

A very important aspect of the success of any police department is in its community support. For this reason Police Community Relations continues to be an important concern of the Rockford Police Department. To this end the officer assigned to this task continued to handle a variety of assignments all aimed at obtaining optimal support from the citizens of Rockford.

The assignments of the Police Community Relations
Officer do not always directly involve the Department, but
may involve a variety of community and neighborhood problems.
The Police Community Relations Officer serves as a director
for fifteen (15) local and state organizations as a part
of his regular duties.

This important citizen contact was carried further in 1981 via the Citizen Ride-Along Program. During 1981 a total of 328 adults and students were able to spend a few hours riding with Rockford Police Department Officers and observing the many duties they perform. The Police Community Relations Officer also assisted twenty-one (21) area agencies during the year on special cases, events, and programs.

#### VICTIM/WITNESS ASSISTANCE UNIT

The Victim/Witness Assistance Unit of the Rockford Police Department is under the auspices of the Youth and Community Services Bureau. Assistance is provided to victims and witnesses of criminal acts and to individuals who have become involved with the Rockford Police Department as a result of non-criminal matters or who are referred to the Unit by an outside agency.

Referrals have come from all segments of the Department, from the Associate Circuit Judges, from the Winnebago County Sheriff's Department, from the State's Attorney's Office, from the Adult Probation and Parole Offices, from the City Attorney's Office, from the Coroner's Office, and from the Public Safety Building Records Bureau and Communications Center. Officer's Reports are also checked regularly for individuals who may need the services of the Unit.

Services provided by the Unit include information regarding the criminal justice system and its procedures, emotional support, information about and referral to other agencies, assistance in signing a complaint and filing for Crime Victims Compensation, transportation, intervention in retrieving property and receiving restitution, and investigation and assessment of referral cases. When this Unit

becomes aware of a citizen with a need, every effort is made to assure that the need is met through proper assessment, referral, and follow-up.

During 1981, in cooperation with the Adult Probation Office, the Unit notified fourty-nine (49) victims of the disposition of their court cases and the amount of restitution to be paid to them. Also during 1981 the Victim/Witness Assistance Unit provided assistance and/or follow-up to nearly nine hundred (900) families and individuals. Almost 30% of this number were cases which had originated in previous years.

ROCKFORD POLICE DEPARTMENT
GOALS FOR 1982

# ROCKFORD POLICE DEPARTMENT GOALS FOR 1982

Beyond the obvious goals of further reductions in crime, the numbers of traffic accidents, and higher solved rates, the Rockford Police Department hopes to continue to be innovative in facing changing conditions and continued higher expectations of performance.

By March 1, 1982 we hope to have implemented a "Notice To Appear" program for many minor arrests thereby saving a considerable number of manhours lost in paperwork and prisoner transportation. This will also reduce the time officers will be away from their assigned patrol areas.

On or about October 1, 1982 we will install a new automated data management system in the Public Safety Building Joint Records Center. This is a cooperative project with the Winnebago County Sheriff's Department. This system also has capabilities in the areas of automated investigative research, property control, and crime analysis.

With the increasing costs of vehicles and fuel we hope to study two major areas where costs can potentially be reduced. First we will study the extent to which we may further downsize some of our vehicles without sacrificing comfort, performance, or safety of the officers and the public. Bids for new vehicles will be aimed at this goal. The second study underway is to determine any feasability and cost savings advantage that may be gained by using the alternative fuels of propane or compressed natural gas to power some or most of our fleet of vehicles.

Finally we hope to continue to maintain the support of our community through its organizations, businesses, and citizens in achieving these goals as has so vividly been shown in the success of our Crime Stoppers Program and the solution of several major cases.

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