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ACQUISITIONS

ANNUAL REPORT

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1977

DEPARTMENT OF POLICE

CITY OF ROCKFORD

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

Gentlemen:

I hereby submit to your honorable body my annual report for the year ending December 31, 1977, giving the number of arrests made, a list of various violations, crimes and offenses committed, social conditions of prisoners, accident investigation summary, report of stolen property, miscellaneous work, department expenditures for the year, and other summaries.

The total number of arrests made and citations issued for the year was 36,739 for the following crimes and offenses which represents an increase of 4,753 arrests compared to 1976.

CRIMINAL VIOLATIONS	PERSONS ARRESTED
Murder and Non-negligent Manslaughter	4
Forcible Rape	9
Robbery	64
Aggravated Assault	259
Burglary-Breaking and Entering	433
Larceny-Theft (except Auto Theft)	1,369
Auto Theft	59
Other Assaults	407
Forgery and Counterfeiting	93
Fraud	0
Arson	4
Stolen Property (Buying, Receiving, Possessing)	65
Vandalism	384
Weapons (Carrying, Possessing)	129
Prostitution and Commercialized Vice	139
Sex Offenses (except Forcible Rape and Prostitution)	30
Offenses against Family and Child	2
Narcotic Drug Laws	333
Liquor Laws	476
Disorderly Conduct	1,263
Vagrancy	0
Gambling	46
Driving While Intoxicated	297
Loitering and Curfew	183
Runaway	225
Minor in Need of Supervision	341
Delinquent Minor	20
Contributing to Delinquency of Minor	52
All Other Offenses (except Traffic)	735
Embezzlement	2
Total Criminal Arrests	7,423

TRAFFIC VIOLATIONS

TRAFFIC
ARRESTS

Anti-noise Ordinance	285
Backing Unsafely	307
Bottle with Broken Seal	59
Careless Driving	1,549
Changing Lanes Without Safety	594
Drag Racing	16
Drivers License	309
Driving after Revocation	375
Driving over Firehose	4
Driving on Private Property	1
Driving on Sidewalk	12
Driving through Barricade	65
Driving through Funeral	5
Driving through Railroad Gates	5
Driving on Wrong Side of Street	89
Failure to Grant Right of Way	299
Failure to Grant Right of Way to Emergency Vehicle	23
Failure to Grant Right of Way to Pedestrian	32
Failure to Give Information at Scene of Accident	69
Failure to Heed Officer's Signal	9
Failure to Report Accident	4
Failure to Secure Brakes	27
Failure to Secure Load	12
Failure to Signal Turn	19
Faulty Brakes	71
Following too Closely	362
Four in Seat	2
Giving False Information at Scene	0
Headlight Violation	56
Improper Signaling	7
Jaywalking	10
Keys in Car	46
Leaving Scene of Personal Injury Accident	13
Leaving Scene of Property Damage Accident	37
Left Turn Violation	1,708
Left Turn into Oncoming Traffic	559
Motor Running Unattended	17
Muffler Violation	790
No turn Ordinance	41
Obstructed Vision	19
Obstructing Traffic	103
Overloading Truck	0
Parking Violation	3
Passing at Intersection	25
Passing on Right	28
Other Improper Driving Equipment	236
Passing without Safety	44
Pulling from Alley without Safety	23
Pulling from Curb without Safety	61
Pulling from Driveway without Safety	239
Pushing Vehicle	0

TRAFFIC VIOLATIONS continued:

Reckless Driving	137
Right Turn Violation	283
Safety Sticker	775
Scattering Debris on Street	7
Speeding	11,240
State License Violation	551
Stop Sign Violation	1,270
Tail Light Violation	59
Traffic Signal Violation	3,070
Truck Traffic Prohibited	11
U Turn Violation	71
Vehicle License Violation	2,290
Wrong Way on One-Way Street	144
Parking Warrant	0
All Other Traffic	227
Following Emergency Vehicle	3
No Name of Truck	1
Passenger in Front Seat of Cab	3
Thru Street Violation	5
 TOTAL TRAFFIC ARRESTS	 29,316

TOTAL ARRESTS (PERSONS) BY MONTH

PERSONS ARRESTED FOR CRIMINAL OFFENSES

<u>MONTH</u>	<u>MALE</u>	<u>FEMALE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
January	325	91	416
February	381	130	511
March	452	154	616
April	528	146	674
May	578	152	730
June	519	134	653
July	513	140	653
August	564	184	748
September	475	127	602
October	511	151	662
November	475	136	611
December	412	135	547
 TOTALS	 5,743	 1,680	 7,423

TOTAL ARRESTS (PERSONS) BY MONTH continued

PERSONS ARRESTED FOR TRAFFIC OFFENSES

<u>MONTH</u>	<u>MALE</u>	<u>FEMALE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
January	1283	469	1752
February	1596	603	2199
March	1944	717	2661
April	2036	825	2861
May	1769	667	2436
June	1837	727	2564
July	1834	701	2535
August	1892	676	2568
September	1728	680	2408
October	2139	928	3067
November	1666	718	2384
December	1371	510	1881
TOTALS	21,095	8,221	29,316

SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF PERSONS ARRESTED AND/OR CITED FOR VIOLATIONS

	<u>CRIMINAL</u>	<u>TRAFFIC</u>
Male	5,743	21,095
Female	1,680	8,221
White	4,731	22,983
Negro	2,354	3,707
Other and not stated	388	2,526
Resident of City	6,829	25,158
Non-resident	505	4,153
Not given	99	6
Married	1,107	
Not Married	5,339	
Not given	977	

SOCIAL CONDITIONS continued

AGE

CRIMINAL

10 years of age & under . . .	145
11	122
12	217
13	358
14	459
15	585
16	689
17	444
18	394
19	387
20	306
21	282
22	264
23	245
24	231
25-29	759
30-34	440
35-39	340
40-44	271
45-49	167
50-54	131
55-59	96
60-64	57
65 & over	34
TOTAL	7,423

AGE

TRAFFIC

16 & under	1,132
17-21	8,567
22-29	8,779
30-39	4,824
40-49	2,645
50-59	1,912
60-69	958
70 & over	499
TOTAL	29,316

MAJOR OFFENSES

In 1977 there was a decrease in major offenses of 14.7%.

OFFENSE

NUMBER

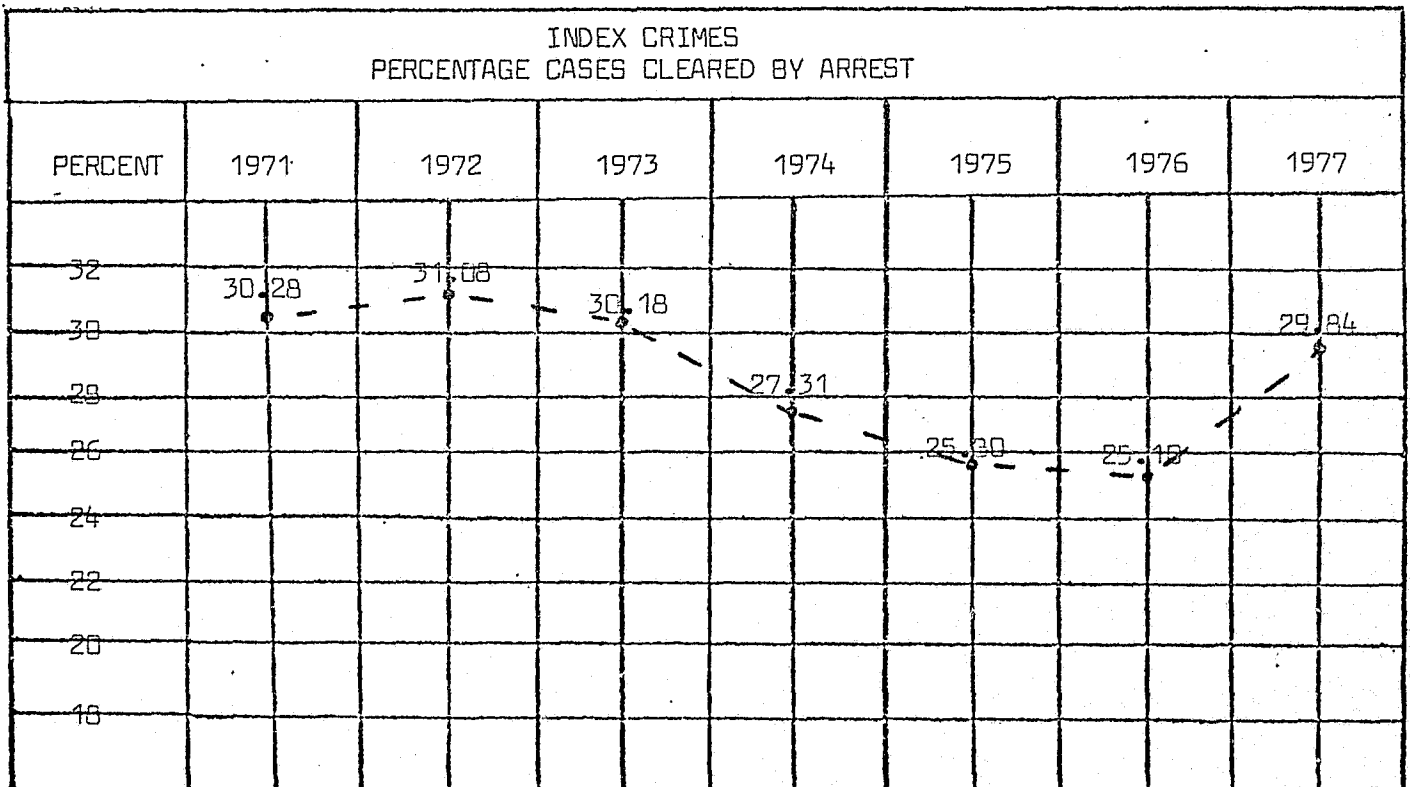
NUMBER SOLVED

Murder and Non-neglect Manslaughter	2	1
Forcible Rape	34	25
Robbery	268	101
Aggravated Assault	500	435
Burglary-Breaking & Entering	2,284	485
Theft	5,474	1,494
Auto Theft	368	124
TOTALS	8,930	2,665

INDEX CRIMES 1974-77

ACTUAL OFFENSES AND CLEARANCE RATE

		MURDER	RAPE	ROBBERY	ASSAULT	BURGLARY	THEFT	AUTO THEFT
'71	OFFENSES CLEARED	13 10	8 7	149 64	187 131	1,353 521	4,666 1,236	466 103
'72	OFFENSES CLEARED	9 10	27 16	128 41	229 188	1,645 475	4,928 1,462	459 123
'73	OFFENSES CLEARED	5 5	20 9	236 93	271 230	2,389 661	4,605 1,336	510 91
'74	OFFENSES CLEARED	7 5	30 18	283 82	335 302	3,222 755	5,472 1,430	446 83
'75	OFFENSES CLEARED	7 8	28 13	410 141	493 418	3,476 697	6,248 1,493	431 93
'76	OFFENSES CLEARED	12 12	41 29	291 82	462 404	3,158 648	6,099 1,357	403 99
'77	OFFENSES CLEARED	2 1	34 25	268 101	500 435	2,284 485	5,474 1,494	368 124



ANALYSIS OF STOLEN PROPERTY

TYPE OF PROPERTY	AMOUNTS 1976			AMOUNTS 1977		
	STOLEN	RECOVERED	NET LOSS	STOLEN	RECOVERED	NET LOSS
CURRENCY	241,911	5,859	236,052	209,845	11,889	197,956
JEWELRY	140,068	14,732	125,336	105,230	5,777	99,453
FURS	5,076	0	5,076	3,425	0	3,425
CLOTHING	79,124	7,753	71,371	60,212	7,706	52,506
AUTOS	515,901	377,687	138,214	717,341	549,920	167,421
MISCELLANEOUS	1,175,553	172,773	1,002,780	1,182,175	200,431	981,744
TOTALS	2,157,633	578,804	1,578,829	2,278,228	775,723	1,502,505

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS

	1976	1977
FROM COURTS (FINES, FORFEITURES)	403,826.83	599,495.74
FROM PARKING VIOLATIONS AND PENALTIES	85,249.00	138,100.00
FROM IMPOUNDING GARAGE	1,670.00	2,927.00
FROM IMPOUNDED CAR SALES	4,375.41	4,028.14
FROM IMPOUNDED BICYCLE SALES	2,949.23	1,504.20
FROM EXTRADITIONS	536.02	0
MISCELLANEOUS	484.13	102.88
SALE OF UNCLAIMED PROPERTY	0	3,539.00
"SWAP" SHOP OPERATION	0	** 3,004.67
TOTALS	514,008.75	752,701.63

** See Additional (narrative) "Swap Shop"

\$2,838.00	Sale of unclaimed property
166.67	Court Restitution
<u>\$3,004.67</u>	

A "HANDSHAKE" PROJECT

In 1977 the Rockford Police Department initiated a "Fencing Operation" with the goal of recovering the stolen property of citizens and identifying the perpetrators. The approach was for undercover law enforcement agents to open a business establishment which would afford violators the opportunity to sell stolen property at well below the fair market value. Although the operation is not novel and has been implemented by other agencies, there was a unique feature that has added insight into the community of the Rockford area. Namely cooperation and a binding trust between the public and private sectors. A brief descriptive narrative will help clarify and bring the point into focus.

The need for such an operation was seen as a necessary law enforcement tool by police investigators, but due to budgetary constraints, the funding was not readily available. In addition, it was seen by administrators as a medium through which public and private energy could be harnessed in a joint effort. Knowing that the nation wide theme of 1977 for Kiwanis Clubs was "Crime Prevention", representatives of the Rockford Police Department met with the leaders of Rockford, Alpine and Rock Valley Clubs. At this meeting the outline of the project was explained and the minimum monetary cost established. The role of the Kiwanis Clubs would be to provide the support funds for the effort. However, in the attempts of leaders to solicit money from their respective clubs, they were requested not to divulge the details of the project except that it was "anti-burglary" in nature. A total of \$7,900. was collected by the Kiwanis on verbal trust. It thus lead to numerous arrests and tens of thousands of dollars worth of property recovered. Truly a "handshake" project based on trust and cooperation.

The following is a financial breakdown of the entire project:

\$7,900 was given by the three clubs

\$5,400	was given by Rockford Kiwanis Club equal	68%
\$1,800	was given by Alpine Kiwanis Club equal	23%
\$ 700	was given by Rock Valley Kiwanis equal	9%
<u>\$7,900</u>		<u>100%</u>

\$2,838.00 was realized from the sale unclaimed property recovered during the operation

166.67 was realized from Court Restitution

\$3,004.67

At the end of the operation, \$753.67 remained in the account established to run the enterprise. The \$3,004.67 was added to this amount for a total of \$3,758.34 and under the auspices of the city council was returned to the donating clubs on the following basis.

A total of \$2,555.68	was given to Rockford Kiwanis Club	=	68%
A total of 864.41	was given to Alpine Kiwanis Club	=	23%
A total of <u>338.25</u>	was given to Rock Valley Kiwanis Club	=	<u>9%</u>
<u>\$3,758.34</u>			<u>100%</u>

TRAFFIC ACCIDENT ANALYSIS

ACCIDENTS BY DAY OF WEEK:

	<u>ALL ACCIDENTS</u>	<u>FATAL</u>
Monday	1231	3
Tuesday	1193	1
Wednesday	1173	3
Thursday	1378	2
Friday	1697	5
Saturday	1512	1
Sunday	945	2
Not Stated	6	0
TOTALS	9135	17

TRAFFIC ACCIDENT ANALYSIS

PERSONS INJURED OR KILLED BY TYPE OF ACCIDENT:

	<u>PERSONS INJURED</u>	<u>PERSONS KILLED</u>
Overturning	7	0
Other Non-Collision	9	0
Pedestrian	142	7
M.V. in Transport	2457	7
M.V. on Other Roadway	0	0
Parked M.V.	122	0
Railway Train	4	0
Pedalcyclist	73	2
Animal	1	0
Fixed Object	262	3
Other Object	8	0
Not Stated	0	0
TOTALS	3085	19

ACCIDENT STATISTICS SUMMARY
COMPARISON 1976-1977

CATEGORY	1976	1977
ACCIDENTS WITH DEATH OR INJURY	2023	2156
PERSON INJURED	2891	3085
PERSONS KILLED	14	19
HIT AND RUN ACCIDENTS	1673	1784
SOLVED HIT AND RUN ACCIDENTS	651 (39%)	745 (42%)
TOTAL MOVING VIOLATIONS	21,181	23,109
TOTAL PARKING CITATIONS	130,516	128,387

ACCIDENT TOTALS 1970-1977

YEAR	TOTAL	PROPERTY DAMAGE	FATAL	INJURY
1970	7852	6043	11	1798
1971	7419	5749	14	1656
1972	8083	6361	16	1706
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

ASSIGNED CALLS

JANUARY	10078
FEBRUARY	3212
MARCH	8153
APRIL	7627
MAY	7560
JUNE	7536
JULY	8817
AUGUST	9579
SEPTEMBER	8658
OCTOBER	8495
NOVEMBER	7968
DECEMBER	8215
TOTALS	95898

In 1977 the Communications Division of the Rockford Police Department came under the administrative control of the Governing Board of the Public Safety Building and operational control of the Winnebago County Sheriff. As a joint function it is now known as the Winnebago Public Safety Communications Center.

Their figures supplied to the Rockford Police Department, shows there were a total of 95,898 calls for service initiated by citizens or officer activity.

	SWORN PERSONNEL											
	CHIEF OF POLICE	CAPTAIN	LIEUTENANT	SERGEANT	DETECTIVE	ACCIDENT INVESTIGATION	TRAFFIC OFFICER	MECHANIC	POLICEMAN	POLICE OFFICER		TOTAL SWORN PERSONNEL
CHIEF OF POLICE	1											1
ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICE BUREAU		1	3	5	10		1	2				22
PATROL BUREAU		1	4	13				16				134
DETECTIVE BUREAU		1		3	30		2					36
TRAFFIC BUREAU		1		3	27	7		4				42
YOUTH AND COMMUNITY SER.		1		3	18			1				23
TOTAL PERSONNEL	1	5	7	27	58	27	7	1	2	13		258

	NON - SWORN PERSONNEL											
	PROGRAM DIRECTOR	CRISIS INTERVENTION WORKER	FINGERPRINT CLERK	CLERK TYPIST I	SECRETARY II	SECRETARY III	LABORER	PARKING CONTROL OFFICER	MERCHANT POLICE OFFICER	POLICE CADET		TOTAL NON-SWORN PERSONNEL
												1
		1	1	1	1	1			6			28
		1					2		3			137
				1					1			37
						3			3			45
	1	1		2					4			27
	1	1	1	2	3	2	1	1	3	2	17	275

YOUTH AND COMMUNITY SERVICES BUREAU

The Youth and Community Services Bureau of the Rockford Police Department is commanded by a Captain and is staffed with 3 Sergeants, 18 Detectives, 1 Patrol Officer, and 2 Clerk-Typist. The personnel of this Bureau are dedicated to establishing and maintaining communications and cooperation between the police department and the people of Rockford toward a common goal of prevention of criminal acts.

During 1977, officers of this bureau investigated 2703 assigned complaints and were able to successfully resolve 2076 which represents a clearance rate of 77% of cases assigned. This is in comparison with a rate of 90% clearance during 1975.

During 1977 95 Juveniles were referred to the Juvenile Court, 346 Juveniles were counseled and released to the custody of their parents or guardians, and 67 Juveniles were referred to other agencies. Also 855 Juveniles were charged as delinquent children and 94 adults were arrested in juvenile connected cases.

Two officers of this bureau are assigned to work in the elementary schools of the city. They instruct the children in the duties of the police officer, pedestrian, safety, bicycle, safety, safety patrol activities, child molesting, and drug education.

During 1977 these officers made 320 visits to schools and appeared before classes attended by over 17,618 students. The officers also attended 256 special meetings with groups such as, the P.T.A. and Explorer Scouts. One of these officers supervised the 42 adult crossing guards in addition to his other duties.

One officer on a full time basis is assigned to Police Community Relations. The duties of this officer included meeting with and coordinating the efforts of various people and groups in the city to promote a better understanding of the functions of the police, and thus a better relationship between the public and the police.

The Crime Prevention Unit started into it's third year of operation on January 1, 1977. Through the combined efforts of all the Units' personnel, the department has gained the support of our citizens in promoting numerous anti-crime programs and projects.

YOUTH AND COMMUNITY SERVICES BUREAU continued

During the year the Crime Prevention Unit personnel made 58 presentations covering various subjects, and a total of 2,574 citizens attended these presentations. Also during 1977 a total of 118,568 pamphlets, cards, stickers, and flyers were distributed by the unit. There were also many radio, television, and billboard advertisements presented to the public by the unit, which covered various Crime Prevention themes.

Cases referred to this bureau reflected a property loss of \$12,954.77, and officers of this bureau were instrumental in the recovery of property valued at \$20,395.27 during their investigations.

The Victim/Witness Assistance Program of the Rockford Police Department, under the auspices of the Youth and Community Services Bureau, began operating October 20, 1977. Funded by C.E.T.A., this program is aimed primarily at serving senior citizens who have been victims or witnesses of crime. This unit will also provide assistance to individuals who have become involved with the Rockford Police Department as a result of non-criminal matters. These people may need a referral to another agency, transportation to court, information regarding the criminal justice system, emotional support, or a variety of other needs. When the officer becomes aware of a citizen with a need, he will make every effort to assure that the need is met through proper assessment, referral, and follow-up. This program should further integrate the Rockford Police Department with the community for the purpose of common goals.

TRAINING AND PERSONNEL DIVISION

The authorized strength of the Rockford Police Department was 268 at the start of 1977, and 267 at the end of the year. We started the year with 259 officers and ended the year with 255. During the year, we had 9 resignations and 4 retirements.

The basic goal of the Training and Personnel Division is to provide all police personnel through formal training, with the appropriate skills, knowledge and attitudes to effectively carry out the police mission of enforcing the law, maintaining order, preventing crime and providing for the safety and security of all our citizens.

During 1977 a total of 14,406 hours were spent in training by employees of the department, which is an average of 53.95 hours per employee. This does not include instructors time, time spent by recruits with a Field Training Officer, or training given to members of the Rockford Auxiliary Police, Police Explorer Post or other agencies.

The Auxiliary Police Unit, which is supervised by this division, volunteered 6,726½ man hours in both training and work type situations during 1977.

The department received \$10,923.98 in reimbursements for training from the State of Illinois during 1977.

The Training and Personnel Division also conducted training sessions and special programs for other police agencies, civic groups, etc.. The division has also been involved with the F.B.I. Training Committee, helped organize the Illinois Law Enforcement Training Directors Association, P.T.I. Curriculum Committee, Rock Valley College Advisory Board and worked with NILEC to coordinate training in this region.

This division has also been involved in testing and monitoring tests administered by the Fire and Police Commission and participated in the entrance and promotional examinations given by other agencies.

Listed below are the schools and training sessions attended by personnel of the department during 1977.

<u>OFFICERS</u>	<u>SCHOOL OR TRAINING</u>	<u>TOTAL HOURS</u>
2	Anti-Terrorism	80
1	Truancy Prevention	16
4	Emergency Medical Technician Refresher	96
7	Defensive Driving	56
1	English Course	45
11	Rockford Police Recruit School	2,120
1	Administrative Law	32
1	Alcoholism Treatment Act Seminar	8
1	Police Chaplin Workshop	16
2	Burn Care Seminar	16
2	Emergency Medical Technician Seminar	48

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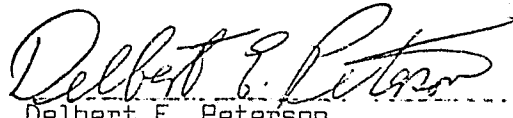
<u>OFFICERS</u>	<u>SCHOOL OR TRAINING</u>	<u>TOTAL HOURS</u>
4	Hazardous Material Seminar	32
1	Northwestern University Traffic Institute	960
1	Keele University, England	1040
1	Tactics and Hostage Negotiation Seminar	40
1	Human Relations Seminar	8
2	Crime Prevention Seminar	96
1	Law Focused Education	45
1	Homicide Seminar	8
1	Maximizing Citizen Participation	40
1	Advanced Law for Youth Officers	40
11	Illinois State Basic Police School	6,160
1	Shorthand Course	45
1	English Course	45
1	Juvenile Officers Institute	280
1	Youth Officer Seminar	16
16	Hostage Negotiation Seminar	128
11	S.W.A.T. Course	264
4	Breath Testing Seminar	32
1	Homicide and Sex Seminar	40
5	Anti-Sniper and S.W.A.T. Training	200
2	Bomb and Explosives Seminar	20
1	Supervision of Police Personnel	80
1	Breath Alcohol Testing Course	40
1	Emergency Medical Technician Course	81
3	Child Abuse Seminar	9
1	Budget Preparation Workshop	40
1	Homicide and Sex Investigation Course	40
2	Youth Officers Course	160
1	Scientific Investigation of Crime	80
3	Basic Fingerprint Course	120
1	Training Directors' Conference	32
1	Traffic Institute Retraining Seminar	32
1	Dignitary Protection Seminar	80
4	Spanish for Law Enforcement Personnel	160
1	Keele University, England (cont.)	320
2	Patrol Management	48

The above is a break down of courses taken by the department personnel. The balance of the hours shown is the time spent in monthly firearms and S.W.A.T. training. Giving us the total of 14,406 hours

EXPENDITURES FOR 1977

In 1977, \$5,661,774 was appropriated for the Police Department budget. At the end of the year, \$5,533,197.96 had been spent and \$19,416.47 was encumbered. The budget was under spent in the amount of \$109,159.57.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Delbert E. Peterson", written over a horizontal line.

Delbert E. Peterson
Chief of Police

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