



Grundy County Sheriff's Police

2019 Annual Report

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Mission Statement

Our mission, collectively as an agency and as individual officers, is to provide an exemplary level of service and protection to the residents and businesses of Grundy County and to all those who may visit, work in, or travel through our communities. We will always serve our local communities with professional conduct and enforce criminal and traffic laws without prejudice or bias and with respect for the rights of all people.

Statement of Philosophy and Values

The Grundy County Sheriff's Office is committed to providing law enforcement services that are fair and equal to all people without regard for race, national origin, age, sex, sexual orientation, religious affiliation or economic status. As law enforcement professionals, we will treat all people with courtesy, respect and equality in every situation regardless of their demeanor. Honesty and integrity shall be the foundation upon which all our decisions are made.



To the Members of the Grundy County Board,

One year ago today I walked into the Sheriff's Office as the newly elected Grundy County Sheriff. It was a day mixed with emotions after a very contentious election; but none the less exciting. It was time to start a new chapter in my life and the lives of others.

I am very fortunate to have John Nicholson and Eric Werden who agreed to give up their life and careers to embark on this journey with me. Our first order of business began with rebuilding morale, listening to the employee's concerns, and uniting our office. The healing process began day one. The next 12 months came with a long list of goals to be completed. We experienced some cases that brought out the best in our staff; all the while keeping our goals in mind. The citizens of Grundy County have embraced me as the Sheriff more than I could have ever imagined and for that, I thank you!!

As we begin year two, our focus will continue to provide a quality service each of you can be proud of. I am always open to suggestions on how we can improve.

On behalf of my family and the employees of the Sheriff's Office, we are truly appreciative of the support we have received from the Grundy County Board and from the citizens of Grundy County.

Yours in service;

Ken

2019 Accomplishments

Increase in Training-

A 2019 assessment of training records led to the need for increased training within the patrol division, investigations division, and corrections division. The assessment indicated many employees were not up to date on legislative mandates and legislative changes.

We chose not to renew our contract with the Police Law Institute to save an annual cost of approximately \$2600.00. Police Law's Web Based training, unfortunately, did not meet many of the state mandates that are required by law enforcement personnel. Deputies and Correctional Officers will still utilize on-line training methods to help reduce the overall cost of annual training, however, will now be training under the Illinois Executive Training Institute under the governance of the Illinois State Police Training Board. This is a free website, offering on-line mandated training to law enforcement agencies. Approximately 65% of all state mandated training can be completed through the Illinois Executive Institute.

In-house Instructors- To minimize the overtime costs related to training; several employees have attended instructor training courses and were certified as instructors in 2019. Having in-house instructors will allow employees to train during scheduled working hours, provide access to updated training, and allow more employees to be trained at any given time.

In house Instructors-

Standard Field Sobriety Testing	Sergeant Josh Slattery
Control Tactics-	Sgt Jason Cory, Deputy Greg Struck
Oleo capsicum Spray, Expandable Baton-	Sergeant Jason Cory
Less Than Lethal Use of Force-	Sergeant Brett Black
Active Shooter Threat Instructors-	Sgt Brett Black, Dep. Aaron Cory
Tactical Emergency Medical Instructor-	Deputy Mike Hetelle
CPR-	Deputy Mike Hetelle
Critical Incident Trainer	Sgt. RH Coleman

Training Continued:

Approximately 2910 hours were conducted on training for Sheriff's Office employees. This is a 276% increase in training hours compared to 773 hours in 2018.

Implementation of 2 Officer jail transport unit

A major Officer safety issue was addressed and rectified with the implementation of a two Officer requirement for all jail transports. By restructuring shift assignments of the current Officers, a full-time transport unit was implemented. The transport unit has eliminated the overtime from previous years that was generated from having to call in additional personnel.

Credit Card Payments Now Accepted

The front office is now equipped to accept credit cards as a form of payment for administrative tow fees, concealed carry fingerprint fees, and civil process associated fees. Making payment available via credit cards

Drone Footage Capability Program/ Pix 40

In 2019, the Sheriff's Office sent three deputies to drone aviation pilot licensing school. The Deputies successfully completed the training and are now certified/licensed to use the drones. The drones have already proved beneficial as they have been used on accident scenes, hazmat spills, reports of a missing/suicidal subject and for public safety messages.

Satellite Offices

Satellite offices are being utilized in the event a deputy has a victim or complainant they need to speak to away from the scene or the individual's residence. This has also proven beneficial for those who are unable to drive to the Sheriff's Office. The establishment of our satellite offices was met without hesitation by individuals offering up their facilities for our use. Satellite offices are now located at the following locations:

Minooka Fire Station 2, on US RT 6

Coal City Fire Station 2, 1455 S Berta road Coal City

South Wilmington Fire Station, 330 Lake street South Wilmington

Verona Fire Station, 504 Division street Verona

Braceville Fire Station, 101 IL-53 Braceville

911 Center, 78 W. Lowery road Morris

Updated Technology

Sheriff's Office command staff now have the capability and are utilizing Critical Incident Messaging/ CAD Push where command staff members receive an instant text message on their cell phones whenever a high priority or critical incident call is dispatched.

Monitors have been installed in the deputy squad room to allow call visibility, RMS accessibility, Messaging, deputy location and updated weather forecasting.

Deputies have each been issued a digital voice recording device and can take audio statements on scene. These statements are now being utilized in court proceedings.

Equipment

Four shotguns have been modified to less than lethal shot guns. Each of the four patrol sergeants will be utilizing these weapons for emergency situations. Less than lethal shotguns disperse bean bag rounds versus lethal 12ga ammunition.

Security System alarms were installed in all marked patrol vehicles to increase security measures pertaining to county owned equipment.

Social Media and Community Relations

On December 1, 2018, the Sheriff's Office had a social media following of approximately 7300 people. The Sheriff's Office relies on social media to help distribute information to the community. By taking a light-hearted, humorous approach engaging in social media; we choose to humanize the role of "Deputy Sheriff" to the community. We find that this approach is proving to be beneficial; as our social media following has jumped to nearly 17,000 individuals who follow the Sheriff's Office Facebook page.

Pertinent and time sensitive information such as; traffic alerts, road closures, weather updates, missing persons, fugitive lists and community Crimestoppers information is relayed to the community using social media messages. Information received via social media interaction with the public has led to the location of fugitive individuals, crime suspect identification, and the location of missing persons. Our use of social media allows information to disperse quickly as it is often shared amongst other community agency and resource social media pages.

LESO/10-33 PROGRAM

The military has a surplus of equipment. This equipment is available for use

LYFT Rideshare Transportation Program

The Sheriff's Office was able to secure a grant from the National Sheriff's Association. This grant is being used in cooperation with "LYFT Rideshare" and "Breaking Away", to provide transportation to the victims of domestic violence. This program will assist in transporting victims to court dates, shelters, and out of immediate danger.



Additional K9 Unit Added to Patrol Division

A new K9 unit was added to the patrol Division at a cost of \$15,000. No tax payer dollars were used for the purchase. Generous donations and drug asset forfeiture funds were used to fund the purchase. K9 Ryker is assigned to Deputy Wojciechowski. The two trained together through the month of May and passed their state certification exam in July of this year. Ryker has already earned his spot amongst the deputies.

K9 Ryker is a narcotic detection and tracking dog. K9 Ryker and Deputy Wojciechowski work a 3pm-3am shift to allow a K9 unit to be accessible to both day and nighttime shifts.

New Part time Deputy

In 2019, the Sheriff's Office hired Deputy Zachary Spesia as a part-time Deputy.

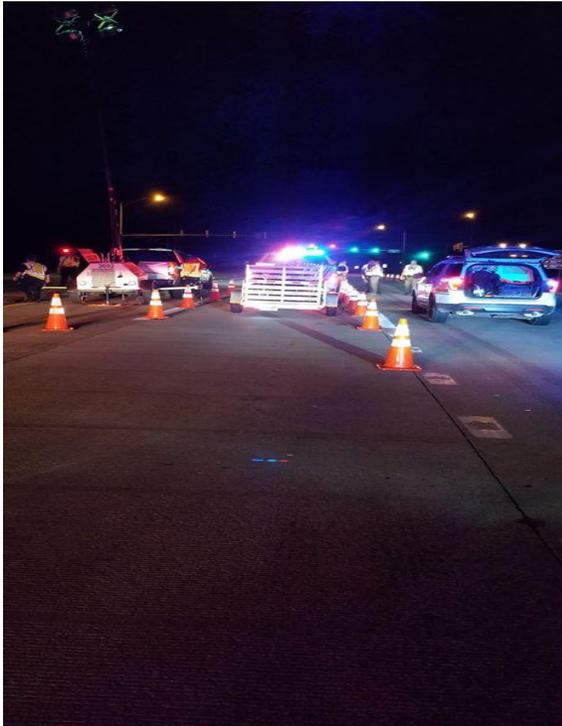


Deputy Spesia is attending the 560 hour part-time police academy through MTU 6 and the Illinois Valley Crime Prevention Commission. We are very proud of this accomplishment as Deputy Spesia started with the Sheriff's Office as a Sheriff's Police Explorer, with the original core group of explorers established in 2013. Deputy Spesia's academy tuition is not utilizing any tax payer dollars as his tuition was paid for through the Sheriff's Police Explorer Program.

In the future, upon graduation, Deputy Spesia's part time deputy position will help to alleviate overtime costs for hireback personnel by covering patrol shifts when deputies are off on sick, personal or vacation leave.

Deputy Spesia is currently working in the role of part-time deputy/ civil process server.

Road Side Safety Check



On May 24, 2019, the Grundy County Sheriff's Office conducted its first road side safety check in over 15 years. Deputy Greg Butterfield took the initiative to research, organize, and plan the event. The event was funded by an Illinois Department of Transportation Traffic Safety Grant for increased holiday traffic enforcement.

Given that the Sheriff's Office had not conducted a road side safety check in over 15 years, this was a successful accomplishment for the Sheriff's Office and for Grundy County.

Over 300 cars were stopped through the checkpoint resulting in DUI arrests, child passenger safety seat violations, seat belt violations, and open alcohol/illegal transportation of alcohol citations.

We are truly humbled by the overwhelming support we received from the community and the motorists who were stopped. Social media feedback was very positive. Numerous motorists thanked us during their stop for our efforts and efficiency; stating the safety check was done in a safe and timely manner.

Three additional safety checks were conducted in July and August to remind motorists of the deadly effects of impaired driving.

Grundy County Sheriff's Police Explorers Win Illinois Law Enforcement Exploring Competition



In July, 2019, the Grundy County Sheriff's Police Explorers attended the Illinois State Law Enforcement Explorer Conference/Competition. This was an exciting year for our police explorers as they became state champions in the traffic stop division and the firearm automated training simulator division (FATS).

Other notable awards include:

- 1st Place Team FATS
- 1st Place Team Traffic Stops
- 3rd Place Team Rapid Deployment
- 4th Place Team Building Searches
- 1st Place Overall Male Firearms-Kade Ohlendorf
- 2nd Place Overall Female Firearms-Haley Sohan
- 1st Place Overall Male Crossman-Kade Ohlendorf
- 4th Place Overall EVOC-Avery Ohlendorf
- 4th Overall Individual FATS- Emma Williams
- 2nd Overall Individual FATS-Avery Ohlendorf

The Grundy County Sheriff's Police Explorer Program is under the direction of Deputy Aaron Cory. Several other patrol deputies, sergeants and correctional officers assist with this program. The program was implemented in 2013. Two former Sheriff's Police Explorers are now working full-time as members of the Grundy County Sheriff's Office patrol division. Three other former Sheriff's Police Explorers have obtained law enforcement positions with other agencies in Illinois and one other former Sheriff's Police Explorer is currently working as a police officer in Houston, TX. We are extremely proud of our Sheriff's Police Explorer program and how it helps to guide the career paths of young adults while promoting a great relationship between our youth, law enforcement and our communities. The Sheriff's Police Explorers donate their time to various community events throughout the year.

Safe Passage Program



To help reduce the number of fatal and non-fatal overdoses in Grundy County, we are changing the way we handle addicts who request help with their addiction to opiates, such as morphine, heroin, fentanyl, oxycodone, as found in OxyContin, Percocet, and Percodan, and hydrocodone as found in Vicodin. There are limited facilities in this area to care for these individuals and it has been difficult to gain admission to in-patient facilities. It is recognized that a narrow window, generally 24-48 hours, to help a person addicted to opiates, when they decide they want help.

In 2019, the Grundy County Sheriff's Office, in partnership with the Family Guidance Centers implemented the "Safe Passage Program". Deputy Vic Elias took the lead on this project and developed partnerships with the Family Guidance Centers, Rosecrance, Stepping Stones, and Linden Oaks Behavioral Health

Centers. Family Guidance secured \$250,000 in grant money for resources that can only be allocated for Grundy County residents.

Safe Passage is for ALL substance addictions-Alcohol, Heroin, Opioids, Marijuana, Etc.

The purpose of this program is to divert them away from the Criminal Justice System and immediately to treatment. Any Grundy County resident who enters the Grundy County Sheriff's Office and requests help with their addiction will be immediately screened into Safe Passage. If the individual who has requested help with their addiction is in possession of drugs or their drug equipment (needles, etc), they will not be arrested or charged.

In 2019, there were 11 overdose reversal attempts utilizing 20 doses of Naloxone (NARCAN) by Grundy County Sheriff's Deputies. 8 of those overdoses were non-fatal and individuals were revived with the utilization of NARCAN. 2 of the overdoses were fatal, and 1 overdose is unknown as to the outcome as the patient was transferred out of county.

There were 21 overdoses in Grundy County from the period of 12/01/2018-11/30/2019. This is significantly down from 37 overdoses in 2018 for the same time period. This is a 43% decrease in overdose deaths compared to 2018.

In 2019, 15 individuals entered into the Safe Passage Program.

Drug Take Back Containers



In cooperation with Grundy County Coroner John Callahan's "Take Back" prescription medication program, the Grundy County Sheriff's Office now has a medication receptacle in the lobby of the Sheriff's Office.

This will allow the citizens of Grundy County another convenient location to dispose of their unused or expired prescription medications.

Increased school patrols and presence



Over the last twelve months, Sheriff's Deputies have increased school patrols and their presence within the schools.

Our "Ride to School" award program, where a ride to school by a Sheriff's Deputy is very popular with the younger students.

Deputies enjoy the interaction with the students and by becoming familiar with the layouts of the schools, it allows police personnel a quicker response should an emergency every arise.

School faculty members, teachers, and parents have been very supportive of our increased presence.

Safe School Initiatives

In an effort to promote safety and readiness, seven schools in Grundy County are trained in ALICE techniques- (ALICE-Alert, Lockdown/Inform/Counter/Escape/Evade). ALICE is a proactive, options-based approach to a crisis situation. As a part of ALICE, drills are completed allowing students and staff members to react to a simulated threat. This allows participants to have a potential game plan, hopefully eliminating the freeze element of their physiological reaction to an unknown but hostile situation.

Intruder drills have been conducted in all schools and a thorough review of all crisis manuals has been completed. The Grundy County Sheriff's Office, in partnership with local law enforcement and fire agencies, started a rescue task force committee to deal with critical incidents. Several Schools have been trained to "Stop the Bleed". This training was presented by Morris Hospital and Sheriff's Office employees.

Deputy Wojtczak and GIS Director Dave Ostrander are working on a critical incident mapping system for incident command, Grundy County Dispatch, and the EOC.

Sergeant/Deputy Staff Meetings

For the first time in many years, communication between command staff, sergeants, deputies and correctional officers is flowing smoothly. We accredit this to periodic department staff meetings that are now being conducted.

Successful Contract Negotiations between Deputies/Correctional Officers/Sergeants

Collective Bargaining Agreements were reached between the county and Sheriff's Sergeants, Deputies/Correctional Officers.

EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION

Morris Hospital Lifesaver Award

As a result of an April 2019 life-saving act, Deputy Kevin Bogard received a first responder life-saving award recognition from Morris Hospital. Deputy Bogard arrived on scene and found an unresponsive male subject laying on the bedroom floor. With visible signs of drug paraphernalia and heroin needles present, a drug overdose was suspected. Deputy Bogard administered two doses of NARCAN. The male subject was revived and ultimately transported to Morris Hospital. Without Deputy Bogard's quick action the individual may have died. We are extremely proud of Deputy Bogard and are fortunate that all deputies are trained to use and carry NARCAN.



American Red Cross Recognition Award

In May of 2019, Sergeant Paul Clampitt was awarded the American Red Cross First Responder Life Saver Award. Sergeant Clampitt received the prestigious recognition for a life saving act which resulted in saving the life of Grundy County resident. Sergeant Clampitt was on his way home from work/ off duty, when he heard an emergency call for an unresponsive subject at the Carson Tap House in Morris, IL. Sergeant Clampitt's quick response

and immediate render of medical assistance by use of an Automated External Defibrillator (AED) saved a life.



In August of 2019, the Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police in partnership with the Illinois Department of Transportation held their annual Illinois Traffic Safety Challenge Awards Recognition Banquet. Deputy Aaron Cory was recognized and awarded the

“Looking Beyond the Belt” Award for a traffic stop that resulted in a large narcotics seizure. The probable cause for the stop was a seat belt violation. The “Looking Beyond the Belt” Award recognizes outstanding law enforcement officers who “look beyond” the primary reason of the stop. Only two Sheriff’s Deputies throughout the state of Illinois received this award.

Illinois Mothers Against Drunk Driving (Illinois MADD Hero Award)



In September of 2019, Grundy County Sheriff’s Deputy Aaron Cory, along with Morris Police Patrolman Tristan Borzick were selected as Illinois MADD Hero Award recipients.

The Illinois MADD Hero Award is presented to the top 25 impaired driving enforcement officers in the state of Illinois.

We are very proud to have these fine officers working in Grundy County. Deputy Cory is now a four-time recipient of this prestigious award.

Letter of Commendation

On November 27, 2019, Deputy Kevin Bogard received a letter of commendation from the Braceville Fire Department for his actions responding to a structure fire in Braceville. Deputy Bogard was a few blocks away when the call came in. Deputy Bogard arrived on scene before the fire department. His quick actions led to the safety of all animals and the fire being extinguished before it could spread to the home.

Grundy County Sheriff's Office Awards Committee

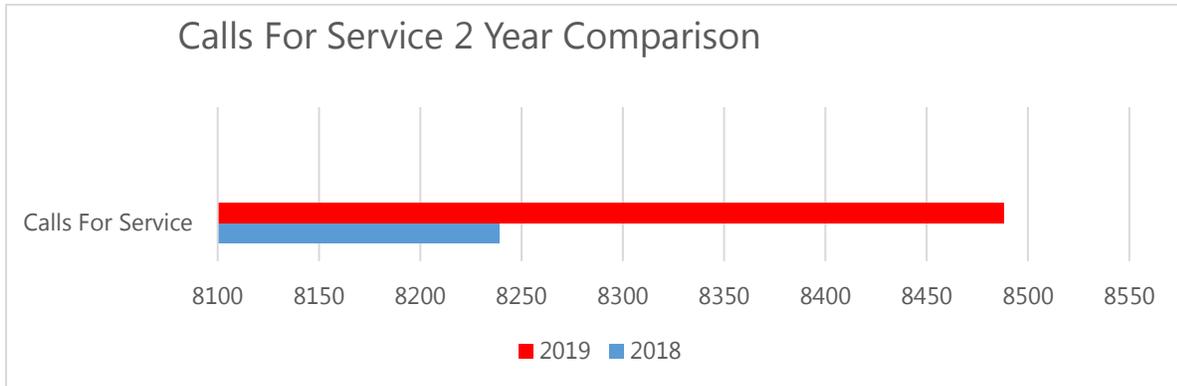
In 2019, the Grundy County Sheriff's Office awards committee was established. This committee is responsible for compiling outstanding work performance nominations to recognize the commitment, dedication, and outstanding acts of members of the Grundy County Sheriff's Office. A date in January has already been established for the first of many annual award/appreciation nights.

Patrol Division

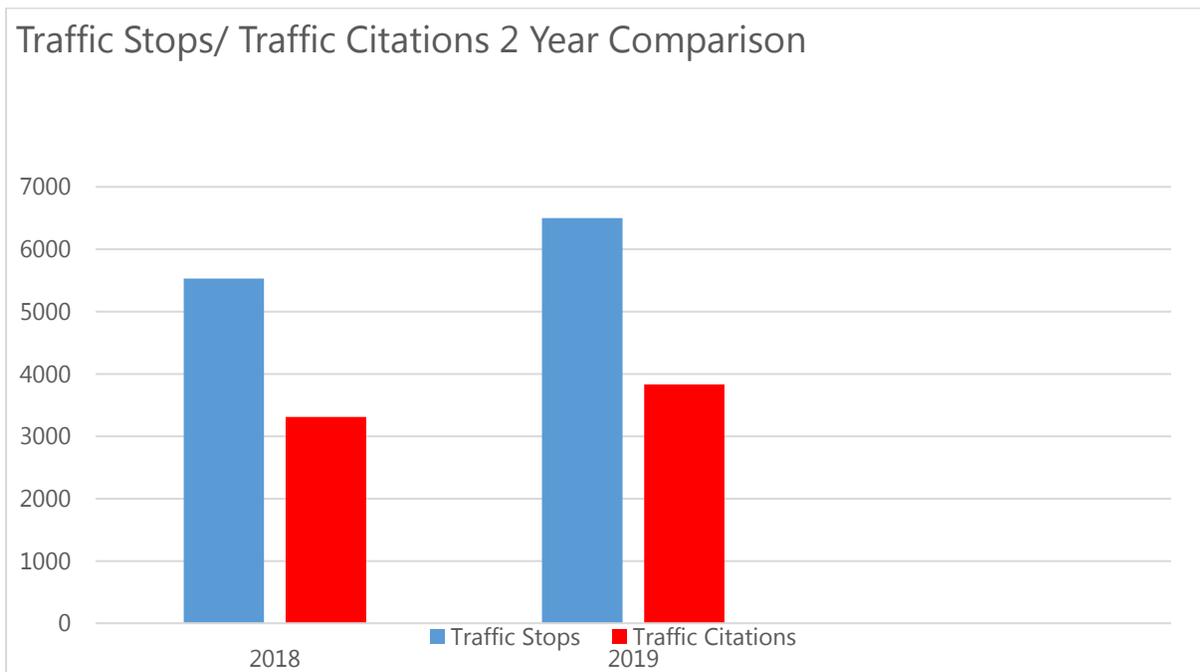
The patrol division, of the Grundy County Sheriff's Office, led by Chief Deputy John Nicholson, provides law enforcement services to all unincorporated Grundy County, as well as the villages of Diamond, South Wilmington, Braceville, East Brooklyn, Mazon, Verona, Kinsman, Gardner, and to the village of Mazon (on a part time basis).

In 2019, the patrol shifts were restructured in an effort to provide better service and coverage for the citizens of Grundy County. Standard shifts begin at 7am and 7pm with two floating shifts beginning at 10am and 3pm. These shifts are designed to absorb the situation of a deputy attending court, training, or other situations that may remove him temporarily from patrol during the day.

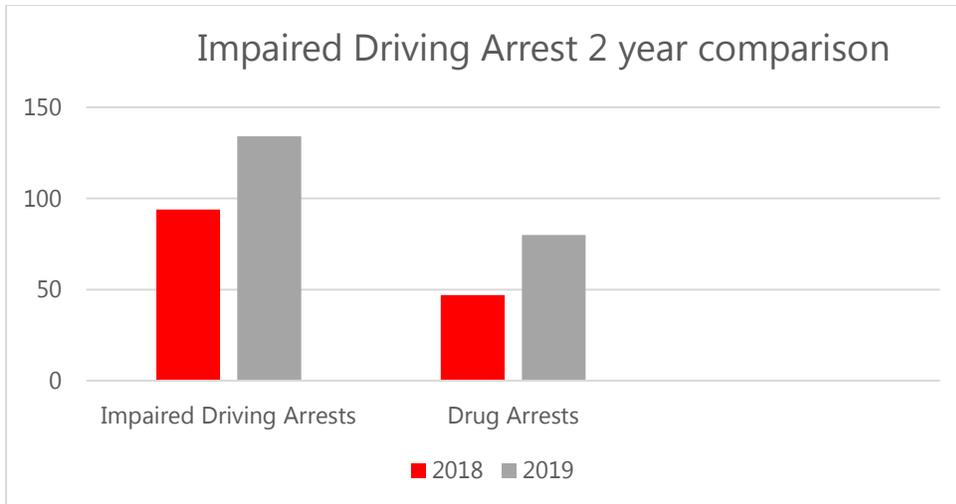
Calls for service are up 3%. In 2019, the patrol division responded to 8488 non-officer initiated calls for service. This is a slight increase over calls for service in 2018 which was 8239.



Traffic Stops are up 37% over 2018. Traffic citations are up 15% from the previous year.



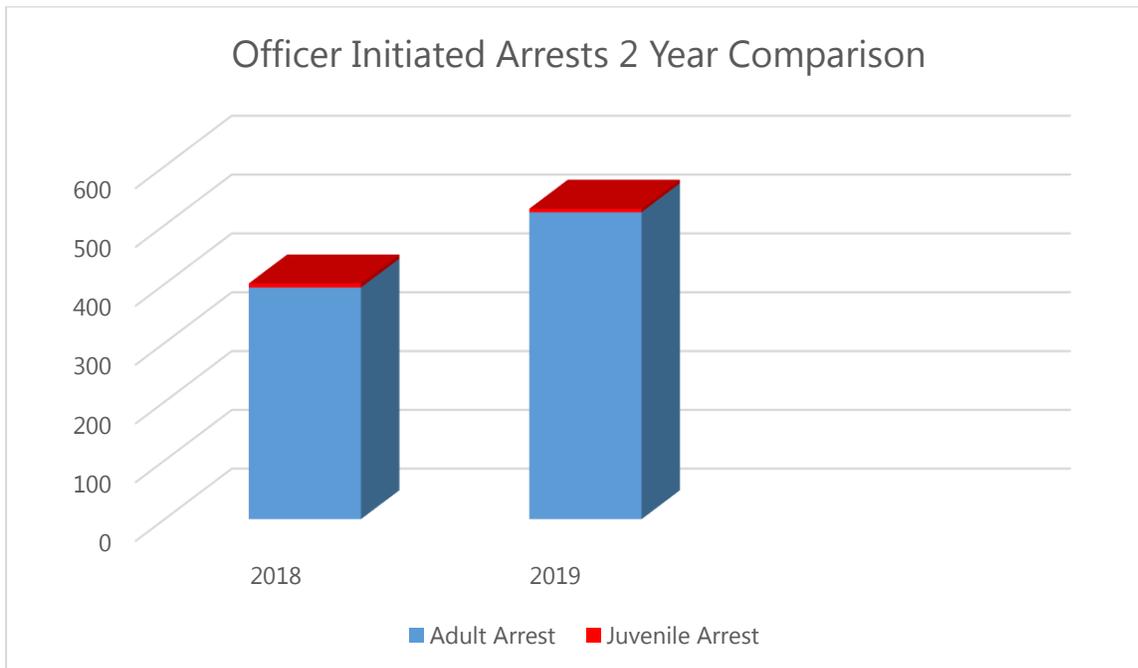
2018 Traffic Stops- 5530	2018 Traffic Citations issued- 3307
2019 Traffic Stops- 6499	2019 Traffic Citations issued- 3828



Impaired driving arrests are up 40% and drug arrests are up 42% over the previous year.

2018- 94 Impaired Driving Arrests 2019- 134 Impaired Driving Arrests

2018- 47 Drug arrests 2019- 80 Drug Arrests



2018- 394 Adult Arrests, 7 Juvenile Arrests

2019- 522 Adult Arrests, 6 Juvenile Arrests

**20% INCREASE IN ARRESTS
OVER 2018**

Investigations Division

The Sheriff's Office Investigations Division is made up of three Detectives. The investigations division followed up on 114 cases in 2019 versus 263 cases in 2018. These cases include Robbery, Burglaries, Sexual Assaults and Thefts.

The re-organization of the investigation division has changed how cases are handled and assigned. Patrol Deputies are now completing and obtaining more follow-up case information. By allowing Deputies more involvement in cases; it allows them to learn and gain investigatory experience. This in turn has allowed our investigators to devote more time to complex and in-depth investigations.

Grundy County had its first Homicide in years. The Sheriff's Department activated the

HOMICIDE DEATH INVESTIGATION
STILL SEEKING VALUABLE INFORMATION!

Justice FOR **ELIZABETH**
815.942.0336

The body of 39-year old Elizabeth Link was found inside her burned out house at 3200 South Verona Rd. Verona, IL around 5:40 a.m. on May 14th, 2019
If anyone has any information that may help authorities; please call the Grundy County Sheriff's Office 815.942.0336 or you can report an anonymous tip to Grundy County Crimestoppers 815.942.9667
Please like our facebook page JusticeforElizabeth and SHARE THIS POST.

Will Grundy Major Crime Task Force (WGMCTF) to assist in the case. The WGMCTF was established to assist its member agencies with major cases. It can bring resources such as manpower, Crime Scene Investigators and equipment to assist in those types of cases. The Sheriff's Department has three detectives and a

member of the command staff assigned to the WGMCTF.

Investigators are currently working a complex Child Pornography case that has extended to multiple jurisdictions in Illinois and Missouri.

Corrections/ Grundy County Jail

The Grundy County Jail is a 65 bed facility. The jail is currently staffed by 11 full time correctional officers, 1 correctional sergeant, and one part time correctional officer. The average daily jail population in 2019 was 32 inmates (30 male/ 4 female). Average daily jail population has been consistent over the last two years.

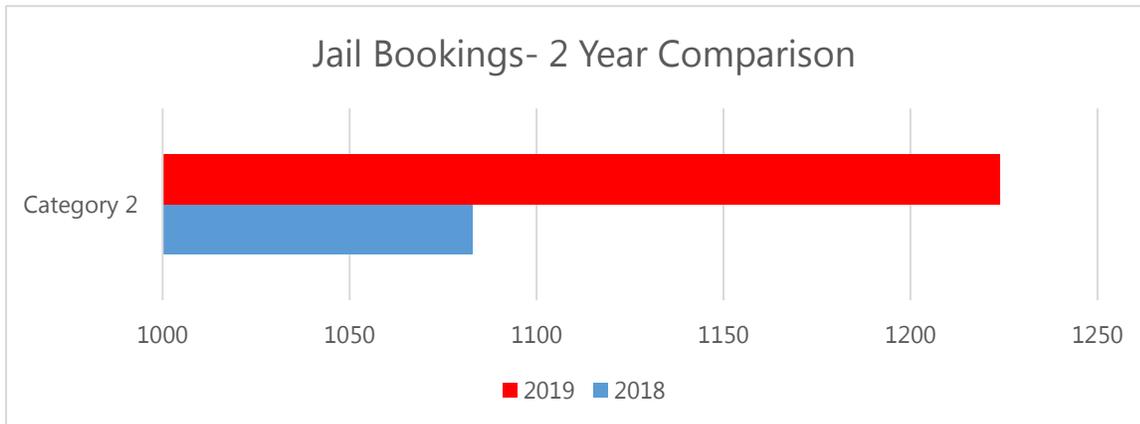
Jail improvements:

- New refrigerator for the jail kitchen
- Introduced new food service provider- Abe's Catering Service
- WRAP restraint system

The WRAP is a safe restraint system, designed to protect subjects, officers, and staff by reducing the possibility of injury and death.



Jail



Jail Bookings:;

2018- 1083

2019-1224

In 2019, 136 inmate transports were conducted by correctional staff, meaning inmates were moved from the Grundy County Jail to another facility. This was completed by restructuring the shifts of the correctional officers to create a transport team. Overtime as it related to jail transports was significantly decreased due to the restructuring and creation of a transport team.

On site, and Online training; including courses through the Illinois Executive Police Training Institute, and Webinars have been regularly incorporated into the training of the corrections staff. In 2019, every correctional officer received the following training:

- Mental health awareness
- Firearms
- CPR/AED/Bloodborne Pathogens
- Excited Delirium
- Self-Injurious Behavior in Jails-Management of an at Risk Population
- Illness Reports and Medication Pass for Correctional Staff
- Introduction to Correctional Healthcare
- Inmate Suicide and Mental Health
- Lexipol Resisting the Inmate Manipulation
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SPECIALIZED UNITS

Metropolitan Area Narcotics Squad (JMANS)

One deputy is currently assigned to the Joliet Metropolitan Area Narcotics Squad. This is a multi-jurisdictional narcotics task force with officers working undercover to target drug activity in Will, Kendall and Grundy Counties. Our deputy currently serves as the Deputy Director of the unit. Sheriff Ken Briley currently serves on the policy board that governs the Metropolitan Area Narcotics Squad.

Will County SWAT Unit

The Grundy County Sheriff's Office has two deputies assigned to Will County's SWAT. This high-risk tactical group is made up of agencies throughout Will and Grundy County. The unit is in place to respond to high risk incidents. They are also equipped with two zodiac style watercrafts that are used to patrol the Illinois River during high traffic events.

Traffic Accident Reconstruction

Two deputies have been trained in crash reconstruction by Northwestern University Center for Public Safety. The addition of the licensed drone pilots and aerial photographs is guaranteed to assist when having to perform the detailed intense task of reconstructing fatal accident scenes.

Grundy County Sheriff's K9 Units

The Grundy County Sheriff's Office currently has three certified K9 units. Two K9's are narcotics and tracking dogs, while the third is a dual-purpose full service K9 trained in narcotic detection, tracking, and for protection on command. Our police K9's are state certified and train a minimum of 16 hours per month.

Overweight Truck Enforcement Unit

The Grundy County Sheriff's Office currently has four deputies trained to conduct overweight truck enforcement. Deputy Tyler Post and Deputy Darren Roach completed the training in 2019. Roadway weight limits are done in an attempt to prevent structural damage such as; pot holes and cracks in the roadway. Overweight trucks on roadways also pose a danger to other motorists should a collision occur.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

The Grundy County Sheriff's Office takes great pride in our relationships throughout the community. By committing and dedicating ourselves to community outreach we have built genuine bonds with our schools, assisting agencies, and citizens throughout Grundy County. Here are some of the events we have been involved in:

(Photographs available on the Sheriff's Facebook page)

- Deputy Ken Unland instructs the D.A.R.E. Program. Deputy Unland visits area schools twice a week and meets with fifth grade students.
- Bicycle Safety Rodeos- Deputy Damron organized and conducted bicycle safety rodeos at South Wilmington Grade School.
- Hunter Safety Education- Deputy Terry Bitner, Sergeant Rick Onsen, and Sergeant Tanya Paquette conduct two Hunter Safety Education Courses per year at the Sheriff's Office. The Erienna Hunt Club has been gracious and allowed hunter safety students to complete their live fire portion of the course at the hunt club.
- Sue Rezin/David Welter Health Fair
- Morris Hospital Camp 911- Deputy Wojtczak spent the day participating in camp 911.
- LyondellBasell awarded the Sheriff's Office \$3000 grant which was used to purchase two new AED's (Automated External Defibrillators)
- ONEOK awarded the Sheriff's Office a \$5000 grant that will be used to purchase an enclosure kit for the Sheriff's All-Terrain Polaris Ranger.
- Law Enforcement Magnets Calendar- The Sheriff's Office is participating in a law enforcement magnet calendar where the funds (\$1700) will be used to support Sheriff's Office community programs
- \$12,000 in generous donations received from Grundy County residents and businesses in support of our police K9 program
- Grundy County Heroes and Helpers Organization in partnership with the Grundy County Sheriff's Police Association- to benefit the less fortunate children in Grundy County at Christmas time.
- Ride to School by a Deputy- 8 children in 2019 received a ride to school by a Grundy County Deputy as part of an award or for their outstanding contributions at school.
- Cocoa with a Cop- December 21st, 2019
- "Santa's Extra Nice List"
- Grundy County Sheriff's Police Explorers
- Morris Women's Club Touch A Truck Event
- Grundy County Sheriff's Mounted Patrol

• **FACILITIES-IMPROVEMENTS/ GENERAL IMPROVEMENTS**

- New roof was put on the Grundy County Sheriff's Office
- Tuck pointing was done on the courthouse
- Weight room floor was replaced at the Sheriff's Office and the weight room was painted through a generous donation from the community.
- Carpet was replaced in Judge Sobol's Office and in the Probation Office
- Handicap doors were installed in the upstairs restroom of the courthouse
- The breaker panel box was upgraded at the courthouse
- Three toilets were replaced at the jail
- 2nd floor hall walls were repaired and painted in the courthouse
- New air dryer/air handling system and temperature control module was installed at the courthouse
- New benches were ordered to be installed on the exterior grounds of the courthouse.
- 2 Individuals were appointed to the Sheriff's Merit Commission to replace expired members
- Retirement badges were given to department members who had previously retired
- Grundy County Sheriff's Mounted Patrol has been re-established and is going through restructuring to be ready for service in the near future.

Facility Goals and General Goals for 2020-

- New roof on the courthouse
- Expand the Sheriff's department armory
- Expand the Sheriff's department evidence room
- Tasers for patrol personnel
- Additional K9 unit so each patrol shift has a K9 available
- Less costly uniform attire for deputies and correctional officers.