



ILLINOIS STATE POLICE
Division of Forensic Services

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Dear Law Enforcement Executive:

Currently the regular hours of operation for Crime Scene Services Command (CSSC) is 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., seven days a week. During these hours, Crime Scene Investigators (CSIs) respond to both property crimes and crimes against persons. Outside these hours of operation, CSIs respond only to crimes against persons with a few exceptions such as major property crime investigations (e.g., burglary involving the loss of numerous firearms, burglary believed to be related to other crimes, etc.).

The CSSC understands you have an obligation to the community you serve to provide professional, quality police service. This is especially true for residential burglaries. In order to assist you, the CSSC will be responding to residential burglary scenes with high evidence potential which occur outside of our regular business hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The CSIs have been provided a guide to assist in assessing these requests. The process to request a CSI for these scenes will remain the same. The CSSC would ask that if you have additional questions you contact the appropriate Field Supervisor directly and discuss the evidence potential criteria in further detail. The map available on the Illinois State Police website depicts the CSSC's regional boundaries along with the contact information for the Field Supervisors.

In those instances where the residential burglary does not meet this criteria, arrangements can be made for a CSI to respond to the scene on the following morning if reasonable measures can be taken to secure the scene. Also, a CSI may process evidence collected by your officers at a later time (e.g., latent fingerprint development, DNA collection, etc.).

The CSSC also offers specialty services such as Forensic Art, Bullet Trajectory Analysis, Bloodstain Pattern Analysis, Unmanned Aircraft System, Infrared Camera capabilities, Anthropological excavation capabilities.

To request a CSI for any of the above circumstances, the CSSC Command Center can be contacted 24 hours a day by calling the toll free number, 800-892-4095.

The CSSC strives to provide the best possible service to Illinois law enforcement agencies. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at 217-836-6454.