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Director's Message



The year of 2014 has been a memorable one for the Illinois State Police. Together, we faced many challenges as we adapted to new laws and maintained public safety across the State of Illinois.

Whether working the frontlines on our roadways or in a vital behind-the-scenes position, each and every ISP employee is a valued team member. ISP employees are highly-trained professionals and are equipped with the tools necessary to perform their job admirably. Their work is vitally important and contributes to keeping our citizens, roadways and communities safe.

We hold close in your thoughts and prayers our ISP fallen heroes and their families. As their brothers and sisters in law enforcement, it is inherent upon each of us to carry on their brave legacy to protect and serve. Our ongoing commitment to public safety provides an everlasting tribute to those who paid the ultimate sacrifice. We must never forget to honor them and their families.

As we look to the future, I am thankful for the many talented and hardworking individuals that keep this agency moving forward day in and day out. They are dedicated individuals who take great pride in providing exceptional service to the citizens of Illinois and will not waver in their commitment to public service.

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ISP Budget

Fiscal Year 2013 & 2014

Final Appropriations (\$ in Thousands)	FY13	FY14
Administration	\$31,869.9	\$33,709.9
Information Services Bureau	\$12,218.2	\$12,959.7
Operations	\$274,241.9	\$268,124.6
Racetrack	\$0.0	\$0.0
Financial Fraud & Forgery	\$3,062.3	\$3,752.7
Forensic Services	\$59,023.1	\$86,678.0
Internal Investigation	\$3,414.7	\$3,748.6
Supplemental	\$0.0	\$40,000.0

Total Appropriations	\$383,830.1	\$448,973.5
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Total Expenditures by Major Object Code (\$ in Thousands)

Personal Services & Fringe Benefits	\$214,912.4	\$213,428.5
Contractual	\$9,949.2	\$10,002.9
Travel	\$368.2	\$378.1
Commodities	\$1,985.6	\$1,843.2
Printing	\$263.8	\$225.1
Equipment	\$906.0	\$1,152.3
Electronic Data Processing	\$2,172.0	\$2,707.0
Telecommunications	\$6,931.6	\$5,532.2
Operation of Automotive Equipment	\$10,608.7	\$10,197.4
Total Other Expenditures	\$126,458.5	\$157,761.9
Total Other Line Items	\$9,274.1	\$45,744.9

Total Expenditures	\$383,830.1	\$448,973.5
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Grant Resources

Illinois Department of Commerce & Economic Opportunity

Communications Consolidation	\$2,000.0	\$0
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Illinois Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Council

Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention	\$529.7	\$558.5
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U.S. Department of Health & Human Services

Medicaid Fraud	\$9,740.0	\$8,596.9
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U.S. Department of Homeland Security

Homeland Security	\$6,826.9	\$5,806.4
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Port Security	\$745.5	\$1,156.6
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Fiscal Year 2013 & 2014 (Con't)

U.S. Department of Justice

Crime Scene Scanner	\$0	\$100.0
Crimes Against Seniors Programs (CASP)	\$368.4	\$138.9
Cyber Storm	\$307.2	\$134.4
Detection & Eradication of Illicit Marijuana Fields	\$332.7	\$329.7
Forensic Casework DNA Backlog Reduction	\$5,523.2	\$4,949.4
Gang Intelligence Database	\$500.0	\$500.0
I-UCR Reporting Upgrade	\$0	\$0
Methamphetamine Response Teams	\$34.0	\$18.6
Methamphetamine Training	\$76.7	\$63.2
National Criminal History Improvement Program	\$194.4	\$140.3
National Forensic Science Improvement Act Program	\$962.7	\$839.3
NICS Act Record Improvement Program	\$2,307.6	\$1,650.0
Operation Campus Teen Alcohol Party (TAP)	\$112.5	\$50.0
Rape Kit Backlog Relief	\$0	\$0
Sex Offender Reporting Notification Act Improvement Program	\$257.2	\$498.1
Solving Cold Cases with DNA	\$0	\$0
Technology Improvement for LEADS	\$0	\$125.0

U.S. Department of Transportation

Highway Safety Program	\$4,358.0	\$4,632.0
Motor Carrier Safety Assistance Program	\$9,797.4	\$10,722.5

Total Resources	\$44,974.1	\$41,009.8
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Grant Expenditures (\$ in Thousands)

Metropolitan Enforcement Groups and Task Forces	\$1,304.0	\$1,304.0
South Suburban Major Crimes Task Force	\$100.0	\$97.0

Total Expenditures	\$1,404.0	\$1,401.0
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Note: Grant resource amounts are as of 06/30.



Division of Administration

Division of Administration

Mission Statement

The Division of Administration's primary mission is to ensure effective and efficient public safety operations by delivering comprehensive services and innovative solutions. The Division supports Department operations and addresses related needs through the innovative development of new software technologies to replace aging legacy systems; offers full-service training to new state and local law enforcement officers; supports the criminal justice authorities through our Law Enforcement Agencies Data System (LEADS), Criminal History Record Information (CHRI) and Automated Fingerprint Identification Systems (AFIS); enhances public safety through Firearm Owners Identification (FOID) and Concealed Carry initiatives; and obtains required equipment and communications services for safe and effective law enforcement on a statewide basis. Our goals are to incorporate a customer-based approach to the services we offer to stakeholders; solve complex challenges in the Department through innovative solutions and a philosophy of getting to a solution; continuously evaluate the allocation of personnel based on the evolving services offered by the Division; develop managers to lead at every level of the Division; and implement practices to identify, manage, and mitigate threats posed by technology obsolescence.

The Division is comprised of the Administrative Support Command and the Information Technology Command. The Administrative Support Command consists of five units including the Illinois State Police Academy, the Bureau of Identification, Communications Services Bureau, Fiscal Management Bureau, and Logistics Bureau. The Information Technology Command consists of three units including the Firearms Services Bureau, Information Services Bureau, and Program Administration Bureau. The Records Bureau was incorporated into the Information Services Bureau in late January 2015.

Illinois State Police Academy

Cadet Training

In 2014 the ISP Academy held the following Cadet Classes which graduated a total of 73 cadets:

- Cadet Class 123
 - Cadet Class 124
- Total Graduates: 73**

Recruit Training

Local police agencies and sheriff's offices sponsored the following Recruit Classes which graduated a total of 90 recruits:

- Recruit Class 480-31
 - Recruit Class 480-32
 - Recruit Class 480-33
 - Recruit Class 480-34
- Total Graduates: 90**

Conducted Canine Handlers Certification

The Academy conducted two Basic Canine Handler certification schools certifying approximately 40 new dogs statewide for ISP and local officers.

TASERS

Procured, trained and disbursed 250 additional TASERS to ISP patrol officers.

Control and Arrest Tactics

The Academy implemented a new Control and Arrest Tactics performance evaluation document for Cadets and Recruits to target the most effective coaching and correcting tools.

Pistol and Rifle Instructor Certification

In order to increase partnership with other law enforcement agencies and stakeholders, the ISP Academy partnered with the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board and Mobile Training Unit to complete a pistol instructor certification school as well as a rifle instructor certification school which were conducted in Jacksonville in September and October 2014.

American Legion Youth Police Camp

ISP hosted the American Legion Youth Police Camp during June 2014; hosted a 14-week in service school for Illinois Department of Natural Resources Police trainees; hosted a 6 week in-service school for Illinois Secretary of State Police Investigator trainees.

Fiscal Management Bureau

Forfeiture Training

ISP held three forfeiture training classes in Schaumburg, Normal and O'Fallon. The training sessions were presented to local law enforcement and state's attorneys' offices and the training covered the legal and administrative procedures involved in processing asset seizures and forfeitures.

Forfeited Vehicles

ISP sold 1,273 forfeited vehicles during 2014 for a total of \$2,137,920. Three forfeited real properties (real estate) were sold for proceeds of over \$200,000. A total of \$237,508 in revenue was received from four personal property auctions which involved all property other than vehicles or real estate that was seized and forfeited by both local and state agencies.

Grant Compliance Section

The various FY14 hireback grants and agreements administered by the Grant Compliance Section totaled \$8 million. The hireback patrols focused on enforcing traffic laws and generating voluntary compliance from motorists.

E-Hireback System

Information Services Bureau and Fiscal Management Bureau are developing the e-hireback system. This will allow electronic reporting for the overtime hours and citations written during the non-departmentally-funded hireback details. The system is currently being pilot tested in six districts. This system will eliminate the need for approximately 15,000 paper documents and streamline the processing of approximately 70,000 overtime hours annually. Implementing the e-hireback system will yield cost savings in time and money.

Bureau of Identification

Conversions have taken place reference a new fiscal system which allows for better tracking of user balances and payments.

Upgraded CHIRP –technologies allow agencies to electronically request and pay for name-based criminal history checks, as well as to retrieve responses via a web portal.

The BoI integrated with both the Concealed Carry and Medical Marijuana Units to provide an information sharing process to ensure ISP met its requirements with respect to criminal history background checks for applicants.

Communications Services Bureau

Communications Consolidation

The Communications Services Bureau (CSB) completed two major communication center consolidation projects. Phase I and II consisted of consolidating centers in the central and southern portions of the state. Consolidation of Districts 18 and 11 into one center at District 11 in March 2014, and Districts 6, 8, 10 and 21 into one center at District 6 in September 2014 were completed.

ISP/Illinois Emergency Management Agency Interagency Backup Communications Center

The Illinois Emergency Management Agency interagency (IEMA) communications center was modified to allow five new ISP radio consoles to be installed. This will allow for IEMA communication center to serve as a backup for ISP should one or more of our communications centers become disabled due to some type of disaster.

Radio Lab

Installation of radio equipment was completed on 442 new vehicles in 2014. Additionally, several hundred GPS units were installed in mobile and portable radios in ISP districts throughout the state. Only four districts (2, 5, 17, and Chicago) remain to be completed in 2015.

Firearms Services Bureau

Firearm Concealed Carry Licensing Program

During 2014 the Firearms Services Bureau (FSB) successfully launched the Firearm Concealed Carry Licensing program. This monumental effort required that the Department promulgate administrative rules, hire and train more than 35 new employees, develop policies and procedures for application processing, and complete various other administrative tasks. The FSB met all of its statutory deadlines in deploying the program and continues to process applications within the required timelines.

Firearm Owner’s Identification Applications

Starting in late 2013 and continuing throughout 2014, the FSB eliminated the historic backlog and delays in processing FOID card applications. Through the strategic management of personnel resources and optimizing workflows, FSB management was able to process thousands of applications which exceeded the 30-day deadline. Since this backlog was eliminated, new applications continue to be processed within the statutory deadlines.

Information Services Bureau

Firearm Concealed Carry Licensing Program

During 2014 Information Services Bureau (ISB) assisted in the launch of the Firearm Concealed Carry Licensing program. ISB management helped drive the procurement of vendor services which provided a fixed deliverable, hosted information technology solution. This solution automated all of the business processes related to the issuance of concealed carry licenses. ISB technical staff assisted the vendors with integrating the new technology with the legacy systems. Without the critical services provided by ISB, the successful launch of the Firearm Concealed Carry Licensing program would not have been possible.

Law Enforcement Agencies Data System

For years, the LEADS system was in desperate need of updating due to additional functionality and requirements implemented in 2000 by the National Crime Information Center (NCIC). Illinois is the last state in the country to comply with the NCIC 2000 standard. ISB management played a pivotal role in procuring the services of an industry-leading vendor to modernize the LEADS system. This was accomplished due to progress made during the roll out of the Firearm Concealed Carry Licensing program. The contract was executed in mid-2014 and, by October, the first two phases of the project were completed. The LEADS modernization is expected to be completed in mid-2016.

Also, due to the impending obsolescence of the Microsoft XP operating system, the ISB had to coordinate the procurement and deployment of more than 600 mobile laptop computers to officers across the state. Due to the efforts of ISB management and technical staff, these computers were successfully configured and installed in squad cars which significantly reduced the potential for law enforcement data to be compromised.

Logistics Bureau

Fleet Section

The Fleet Section worked with Central Management Services and the Illinois Toll Highway Authority to establish a fleet contract for a mid-size police-rated sedan vehicle. This contract offers more available options which expands vehicle ordering and includes vehicles being delivered to the ISP already equipped with a majority of the essential lighting and accessories required for patrol and investigative officers.

Facilities Section

The Facilities Section improved the overall security of the ISP Headquarters Complex by updating the card access system and the video security system. Updated cameras with 360 degree capabilities were installed at previous and new locations around the complex to enhance security measures.

Also completed were three significant build-outs and moves of the following work units within the ISP Central Headquarters Complex: the Communications Services Bureau was relocated to the 3 annex portion of the headquarters complex, the Illinois National Guard Counterdrug Unit was relocated to the 2 north portion of the headquarters complex, and the Medical Marijuana Unit was relocated to the 1 annex portion of the headquarters complex.

Improvements were made to the ISP Training Academy and the Pawnee Training Facility. The following improvements were made at the Academy: the dormitory showers located on the first and second floors were repaired and retiled, one of the HVAC chillers and main gas line was replaced and the roof received significant repairs. New siding and windows were installed on the shooting range facility in Pawnee.

Telecom Section

The Telecom Section successfully bid and installed emergency call boxes for ISP Districts 7, 16, and 17. These emergency call boxes allow individuals in need of emergency assistance, after normal business hours and in the areas of consolidated communication centers, the ability to pick up the phone located in the call box and reach an emergency operator.

Program Administration Bureau

In 2014 the Program Administration Bureau (PAB) assumed the project management responsibilities for the LEADS modernization initiative. PAB personnel worked closely with external contractors and ISB technical staff to develop system specifications for the new LEADS. This document serves as the blueprint for how the new LEADS program (LEADS 3.0) will be developed and integrated with existing systems. PAB personnel have also begun to generate plans (testing, training, business continuity/disaster recovery) critical for a successful implementation of LEADS 3.0. PAB has also served as the liaison to the law enforcement community to explain the benefits and challenges presented.



Division of Forensic Services

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Mission Statement

Provide the state of Illinois with the ability to improve the effectiveness of the criminal justice community and enhance public safety by delivering accurate, complete, and timely crime scene evidence collection and forensic laboratory analysis.

Forensic Sciences Command

The Forensic Sciences Command (FSC) administers six operational laboratories across the state providing evidence testing in the areas of forensic biology/DNA, firearms/toolmarks, latent fingerprints, drug chemistry, trace chemistry, toxicology, and microscopy. In addition, a DNA Indexing Laboratory processes DNA profiles mandated by law to be entered into the state-level database. The FSC also operates a Research and Development Laboratory where new technologies are evaluated and validated before being implemented in the laboratories and used on actual forensic cases.

Crime Scene Services Command

The Crime Scene Services Command (CSSC) is broken down into five geographic regions which cover the entire state of Illinois. Approximately 40 sworn crime scene investigators (CSIs) are assigned to these regions with the goal of responding to violent crime anywhere in the state within one hour. CSIs are trained in photography, crime scene mapping, evidence processing, and evidence handling and packaging. Several CSIs receive additional training in forensic art and bloodstain pattern analysis. These disciplines help identify suspects based on witness descriptions and reconstruct events at crime scenes where bloodshed occurred. Civilian personnel assigned to the CSSC provide services in addition to crime scene processing and evidence collection. Polygraph Examiners provide on-site polygraph services throughout Illinois. The Forensic Diagramming and Animation Section and the Imaging Section generate computerized courtroom diagrams, forensic animations, three-dimensional models, and photographic images and enhancements for use as demonstrative aids in criminal court.

August 26, 2014 - Grand Opening of the Illinois State Police Metro-East Forensic Science Laboratory in Belleville, IL



New Metro-East Laboratory in Belleville, Illinois

After two years of preparation, the Southern Illinois Forensic Science Centre in Carbondale (SIFSC) and the Metro East Forensic Science Laboratory (MEFSL) in Fairview Heights were consolidated. New cases were no longer accepted at SIFSC as of May 5, 2014, and operations there ceased on May 30, 2014. SIFSC personnel consolidated with operations at MEFSL effective June 1, 2014. Over the next several weeks, final action was taken to transfer or surplus all remaining SIFSC commodities and equipment. These actions were completed and the facility was turned back to the city of Carbondale on June 27, 2014. Effective June 20, 2014, operations at the Fairview Heights laboratory ceased and the move to the new MEFSL in Belleville began the following week. During this time period, cases normally handled by the Fairview Heights facility were sent to other ISP labs throughout the state. After the transfer or surplus of Fairview Heights commodities and equipment was completed, the facility was turned back to the city of Fairview Heights on August 29, 2014.



The DuQuoin Evidence Receiving Station (DERS) became fully operational on May 5, 2014. This off-site evidence drop off/return operation, part of the MEFSL, is housed in the District 13 headquarters building and was designed to help reduce the impact of the closure of the SIFSC on its user agencies. Agencies drop off/pick up evidence at DERS, then ISP staff transport the evidence to/from the MEFSL in Belleville.

Substantial completion of the new 64,000+ square foot, \$27.7M MEFSL in Belleville, Illinois occurred on May 8, 2014. The laboratory officially opened for business on July 7, 2014 and on August 26, 2014, the ribbon cutting ceremony took place at the Metro-East Forensic Science Laboratory. This event was attended by Governor Pat Quinn and several elected officials and honored guests. This state-of-the-art laboratory provides forensic science services to the southern part of Illinois. Included in the new facility are personnel from the Crime Scene Service Command (CSSC) who were also previously located at Fairview Heights.

Crime Scene Services Command Begins Unmanned Aircraft System Operations

The CSSC began researching unmanned aircraft systems (UAS) in November 2012. This process included identifying specific makes/models that would meet the Department's operational needs, ensuring compliance with the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) regulations, and participating in the development of legislation governing UAS use by law enforcement agencies in Illinois. In the summer of 2013, a UAS was purchased and pilots received initial training from the manufacturer. In the spring of 2014 the CSSC began work with the FAA to establish a Certificate of Authorization (COA) to conduct in-service pilot training





at specific locations throughout the state. The training COA was approved on June 24, and flight training began on July 1. Throughout the remainder of 2014 the CSSC has continued to work toward establishing an operational COA, which will allow the ISP to use the UAS for law enforcement purposes including traffic crash and crime scene documentation, searches for missing persons, natural disaster search and rescue efforts, and combating terrorism. This work includes the establishment of directives, documenting training/safety procedures, obtaining pilot and observer medical certification, and registering the UAS through the FAA. The operational COA is anticipated to be finalized in May 2015.

Crime Scene Services Command Transitions from ISO Accreditation to IAI Certification



In 2013 the CSSC began transitioning from Command Accreditation to individual CSI Certification. Accreditation ensures adequate policies and procedures are implemented and followed by the Command. While valuable, this process was, and continues to be, completed externally through the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA) and internally through the ISP Office of Inspection and Audits. Therefore, the decision was made to redirect these fiscal resources toward individual CSI certification through the International Association for Identification (IAI). Participating in an external certification process supplements CSSC internal training/testing, provides the

credibility of an internationally recognized certifying body, enhances individual knowledge and accountability, and reduces the average annual cost by 66 percent. During the initial phase of examinations in 2014, 13 CSIs attained certification. The CSSC is in the process of scheduling certification examinations for 17 more CSIs in July 2015.

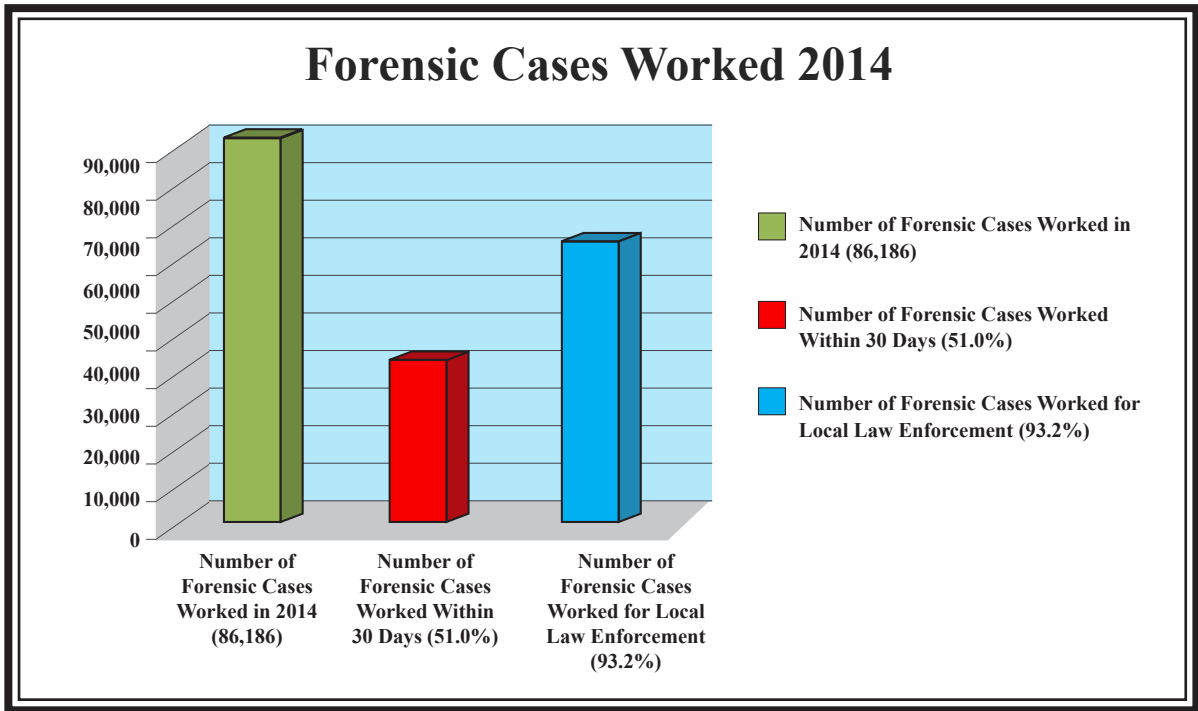
Crime Scene Services Command Utilizes the Mobile Fingerprint ID System

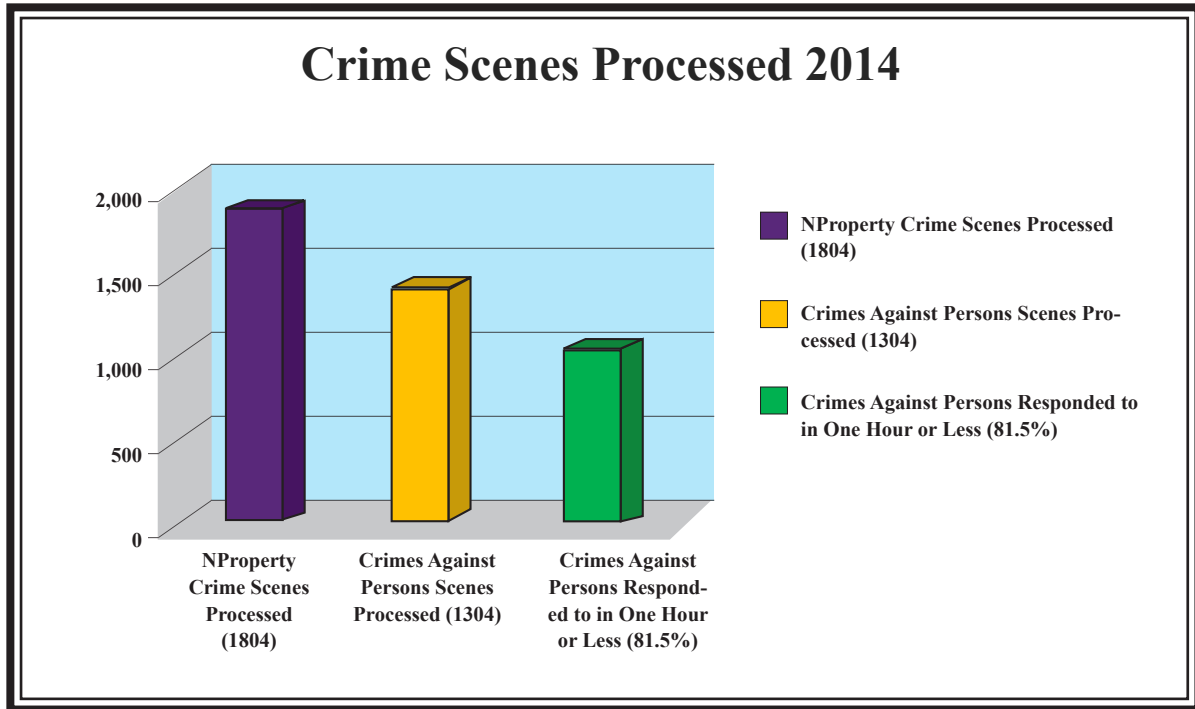
The mobile fingerprint ID system employs biometric-based technology to connect officers in the field with state and federal criminal history databases. This technology potentially enables law enforcement to rapidly identify individuals without taking the officer off the street to transport the subject to a booking station. It utilizes a BlackBerry cell phone and a handheld fingerprint scanner to capture an individual's fingerprint to compare against the ISP's Automated Fingerprint Identification System (AFIS) and the FBI's Repository of Individuals of Special Concern (RISC). The fingerprint scanner can potentially return a "hit" (the individual's Illinois State Identification Number (SID) and a year of birth) within a few minutes or less. Crime Scene Investigators are currently using this technology to assist Patrol, Zone Investigations, and Coroner's offices with identifications of individuals.



DIVISION OF FORENSIC SERVICES Case Statistics For 2014

Performance MetricCY2014
Number of property crime scenes processed	1,804
Number of crimes against persons (i.e., violent crime) scenes processed.	1,304
Percentage of crimes against person scenes responded to in 1 hour or less	81.5%
Number of forensic cases worked	86,186
Percentage of total forensic cases worked within 30 days	51.0%
DNA Case Backlog (defined as in progress and cases not started for more than 30 days)	3,039
Number of forensic DNA profiles uploaded to CODIS	2,651
Number of investigations aided by CODIS	1,648
Percentage of all forensic cases worked for local law enforcement agencies	93.2%







Division of Internal Investigation

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Mission Statement

Through education and swift and impartial investigations of all allegations, reduce the incidents of misconduct within the Department and within the Executive Branch, maintaining a high level of trust in the Illinois State Police and in public office.

Southern Command (Springfield, Collinsville, and DuQuoin Offices)

Division of Internal Investigation (DII) agents from the Southern Command opened 76 cases in 2014. Of the cases opened, Southern Command personnel investigated 61 internal ISP investigations and 15 external (non-ISP) investigations. The 15 external investigations involved allegations of criminal conduct by employees of other state agencies. Southern Command personnel were able to successfully close 81 previously opened cases in 2014, to include other calendar year cases. Along with the cases opened by agents in the Southern Command, they also conducted 146 background investigations.

Northern Command (Des Plaines and Tinley Park Offices)

DII agents from the Northern Command opened 105 cases in 2014. Of the cases opened, Northern Command personnel investigated 87 internal ISP investigations and 18 external (non-ISP) investigations. The 18 external investigation involved allegations of criminal conduct by employees of the other State agencies. Northern Command personnel were able to successfully close 136 previously opened cases in 2014, to include other calendar year cases. Along with the cases opened by agents in the Northern Command, they also conducted 152 background investigations.

Administrative Services Bureau, Background Investigations Unit

Administrative Services Bureau, Background Investigations Unit (BIU) completed 751 backgrounds and 218 criminal history checks on employees for the ISP. ISP cadet classes #125 and #126 were initiated during 2014. The BIU also completed 270 criminal history checks and 17 backgrounds for other criminal justice agencies.

Identified Offender Program (IOP) (Des Plaines, Tinley Park and Springfield)

The Identified Offender Program (IOP) Unit completed 2,778 cases in 2014, an 8 percent increase from 2013. This equates to an average of 252 cases per Internal Security Investigator (ISI). IOP cases requiring investigations are statutorily mandated to be completed within 10 business days. IOP staff completed 86 background investigations.

During 2014 seven ISIs attended "Communicating with Aggressive, Mentally Ill and Emotionally Disturbed Individuals" training.

Personnel conducted presentations on the disciplinary process to Cadets, Probationary Troopers, Command Personnel, Association of Black Law Enforcement (ABLE) Officers, and personnel attending the Master Sergeant's Promotional School.

DII Agents worked joint-investigations with the Federal Bureau of Investigations (FBI), Federal Housing and Urban Development (HUD), Northern Illinois University Police Department, the Attorney General's Office, and the Illinois Department of Corrections (IDOC).

DII continued the partnership with the FBI Public Corruption & Civil Rights Task Force by assigning a DII Agent to the task force.

DII Agents continue to build the liaison programs with the Department of Human Services (DHS) and the Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS).

Personnel continue to support their communities and generously contributed time and resources to a wide variety of causes, including, but not limited to: DCFS' Christmas for Kids, Salvation Army, Build-A-Bear Christmas Event, Shop with a Cop, DHS gift giving program, Big Brothers Big Sister Bowl for Kids' Sake, Illinois Special Olympics, Crossroads (Habitat for Humanity), Underprivileged Children's Events at E. Keith Elementary, Team Illinois Youth Camp at the ISP Academy, St. Jude's Parade, Chicago Children's Memorial Hospital, the ISP Heritage Foundation and Memorial Park, State Employees' Combined Appeal Campaign (SECA), and local athletic organizations.



Division of Operations

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Mission Statement

The Division of Operations' primary mission is to provide public safety through the functions of highway patrol, criminal investigations, drug enforcement, and safety education.

The Division of Operations (DOO) is comprised of a network of 21 Districts and seven Zone offices located throughout the state of Illinois. The operational structure of DOO is divided into four regional commands and four support commands. Each region consists of a number of ISP districts responsible for patrol and investigative offices. The Support Command oversee specialized units that include the Special Operations Command, the Joint Terrorism Task Force, the Medicaid Fraud Control Bureau, the Statewide Gaming Command, the State Terrorism and Intelligence Center, the Air Operations Bureau and the Protective Services Unit.

2014 Highlights

Vice President Detail

On February 19, 2014, Vice President Joe Biden traveled to Granite City to visit America's Central Port. The Vice President's visit marked the fifth anniversary of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act and highlighted the need for continued investment in infrastructure to create jobs and grow our economy. Secretary of Transportation Anthony Foxx and former Secretary of Transportation Ray LaHood also attended. District 11 had 23 Troopers involved with the detail. Duties varied from actual participation in the Vice President's motorcade to traffic control along the intended route of travel to and from America's Central Port.





Illinois State Fair 2014

The Illinois State Fair Detail in August 2014 utilized 141 uniformed officers, 10 investigators, 8 safety education officers and 5 telecommunicators from around the state of Illinois. The largest documented type of incident handled was medical or emergency response complaints.

Drive for Tomorrow

In 2014 numerous Districts hosted several week-long multi-agency initiatives focusing on teen safe driving. The ISP, local police agencies, Illinois Department of Transportation, and local businesses and volunteers collaborated to make the event a reality.



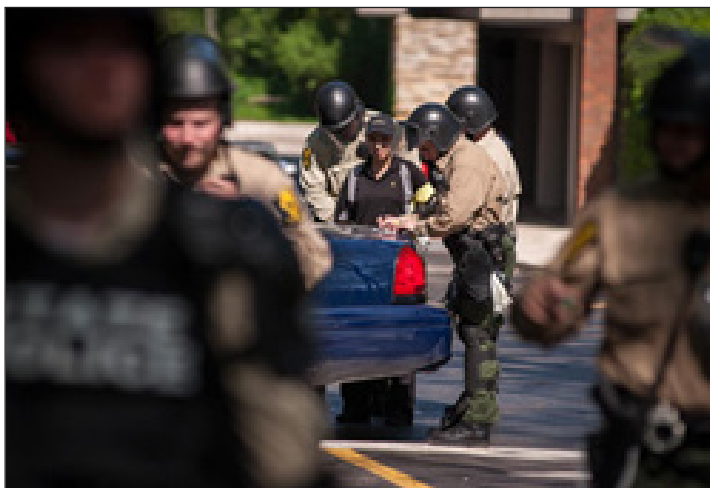
Trooper Joey Watson; Motorcycle Officer District 13



Seat Belt Convincer; Trooper Dan Hill District 14



Golf Cart with impaired goggles; Sergeant Steve Smith District 20



McDonalds Corporation Protests

District 2 was requested by the Oak Brook Police Department and Northern Illinois Police Alarm System (NIPAS) on May 21 and 22 to assist with protesters at the McDonald's Corporation Annual Shareholders Meeting. The ISP Region I and II Crowd Control Teams responded. Over 2,000 protesters attempted to enter the facility in order to disrupt the meeting. In the end, 138 protesters were arrested and charged.



Division of Operations Patrol

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ISP patrol districts are tasked with enforcing traffic and criminal laws as set forth in the Illinois Compiled Statutes. Enforcement activities include speeding, distracted driving, occupant restraint, alcohol-related offenses, aggressive driving, and various other traffic and criminal violations. Division of Operations districts also conduct specialty details and partner with other law enforcement and state agencies on traffic safety initiatives during holidays and weekends when increased traffic volumes are anticipated. Patrol officers also work special assignments throughout the year, including dignitary motorcades and the Illinois and DuQuoin State Fairs.

District Chicago

Fugitive Apprehension Detail

District Chicago and ISP specialized units assisted the Chicago Police Department on a 60-day detail targeting the rising crime problem in Chicago. The detail resulted in: 156 wanted on warrant arrests (59 felony warrant and 97 misdemeanor warrants), 2 narcotics seizures, 6 weapon recoveries, 24 criminal arrests, 250 field reports generated, 52 gang cards created, 259 assist citations written, and 108 investigative alerts formulated.

Awards

In May 2014 Trooper Eric David received a Certificate of Appreciation from the Alliance Against Intoxicated Motorists for his efforts to remove impaired drivers from Illinois roadways. Trooper David made 236 Driving Under the Influence (DUI) arrests with 411 DUI citations.

Charity Events

St. Baldrick's Foundation



The St. Baldrick's Foundation began in 2000 as a challenge between friends and has quickly grown into the world's largest volunteer-driven fundraising program for childhood cancer research. This foundation raises money primarily through head-shaving events. On March 16, 2014, participants from District Chicago agreed to have their heads shaved to raise money for this incredible cause. In 2014 "Team Trooper" raised \$19,862.

During 2014 District Chicago criminal enforcement efforts led to 1,298 arrests and notable seizures including: 122,810 grams of marijuana, 84.6 grams of cocaine, 7,437.9 grams of heroin and 28 firearms.



Rubber-banded bundles of USC totaling \$72,543 from a traffic stop on I-294



Above/Below: Traffic stop on I-80 resulting in 125.5 lbs of cannabis

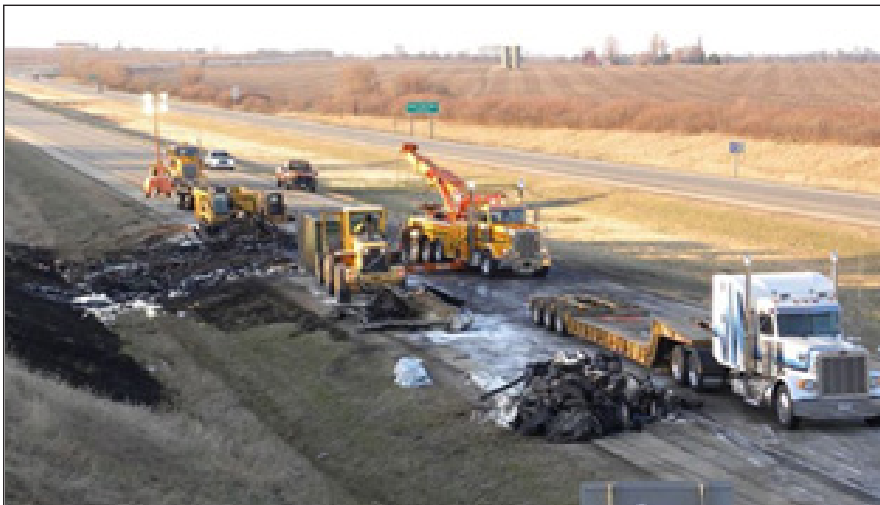


District 1

Fiery Fatal Crash Involving Three Commercial Motor Vehicles



On April 18, 2014, District 1 Troopers responded to a crash involving three truck tractors with semi-trailers northbound on I-39 at milepost 96. The trucks were engulfed in flames and one driver was unable to exit his vehicle before becoming a victim of the fiery wreckage. Northbound traffic was diverted for approximately 12 hours while fire crews extinguished the fire and wreckage was removed.



On October 17, 2014, District 1 handled a personal injury crash on I-88 westbound at milepost 37 caused by driving while texting.

District 2

During 2014, District 2 criminal enforcement efforts led to 366 arrests, 244 driving under the influence citations, 2,701 occupant restraint citations, and 7,099 speeding citations.

Active Shooter Exercise

ISP was one of the lead agencies for a full-scale Active Shooter Exercise conducted on the campus of Northern Illinois University in DeKalb, Illinois, on May 30, 2014. Six months of planning went into the largest full-scale exercise ever completed on a college campus in Illinois. The exercise included police, fire, public safety, media affairs, health departments, investigations, and SWAT .



District 2 & 15 Troopers Conducting a Pre-Deployment Briefing



ISP SWAT Entering the Dormitory

District 5

During 2014 District 5 criminal enforcement efforts led to notable seizures including: 173,361 grams of cannabis, 82 grams of cocaine, 6,030 grams of hashish, 949 grams of methamphetamine, 5 firearms, and \$736,628 in United State currency.



Illinois State Police District 5 dedicated a plaque in honor of Trooper Richard Warner, who was killed at District 5 Headquarters by a suicidal subject on April 21, 1969.

District 6

During 2014 District 6 criminal enforcement efforts led to notable seizures including: 744 grams of cannabis, 817 grams of cocaine, 98 grams of heroin, 5 firearms, and \$59,391 in United State currency.

Special Olympics Torch Run

District 6 once again was home to the Special Olympics Torch Run with officers playing an integral part in supporting the athletes. Troopers and command participated in the run, the “final leg” parade from the College Hills Mall to the Illinois State University (ISU) Bone Student Center, and the opening ceremonies at ISU’s Hancock Stadium where every athlete was cheered!



District 6 Trooper celebrating with Special Olympian

District 7

During 2014 District 7 criminal enforcement efforts led to notable seizures including: 409,111 grams of cannabis, 6,686 grams of cocaine, 5,494 grams of other controlled substances, 1 firearm, and \$477,700 in United State currency.

The ISP received a public “Thank you” on several billboards in the Quad Cities area for the investigation and subsequent arrest in the hit and run of Emilio Perez.



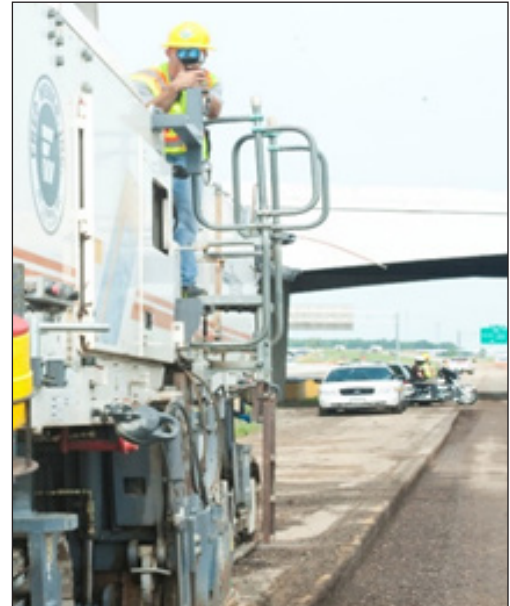
Billboard thanking ISP for efforts in a hit and run case

Special Olympics Polar Plunge and Torch Run

In March 2014 District 7 Troopers represented the Illinois State Police as they braved frigid water temperatures and plunged for the Special Olympics. Proceeds raised were donated to the Illinois Special Olympics. In June 2014 District 7 Troopers participated in the Torch Run to raise money and awareness for Special Olympics. The District 7 Safety Education Officer also assisted with the Winter Special Olympics in Galena, Illinois.

District 8

During 2014 interstate roadways in District 8 realized a 60 percent decrease in fatal crashes compared to 2013 (2 compared to 5).



Cell Phone and Speeding Details in Interstate Construction Zones

District 8 has partnered with the Illinois Department of Transportation to emphasize safety during a significant I-74 multi year upgrade project which is scheduled to last approximately 1-2 more years. District 8 has taken a very proactive stance regarding distracted driving and other fatal four violations within construction zone sites to ensure the workers are safe and crashes within the construction zone are kept to a minimum. In 2014 District 8 Troopers wrote 1,276 citations for Speeding in a Construction Zone, with the majority of the citations issued in the Morton I-74 construction zone. District 8 also issued 277 citations in 2014 for Wireless Cellphone Use in a Construction Zone.

Roadside Safety Checks

The ISP frequently establishes Roadside Safety Checks to check for impaired motorists.





Special Olympics Torch Run

District 8 Troopers participated in various fundraising events throughout the year for Special Olympics. The Torch Run was a rewarding event and aids in the building of working relationships with local law enforcement officers who ran side by side with the Troopers of District 8. For the 2014 Special Olympics, District 8 raised over \$5,511.

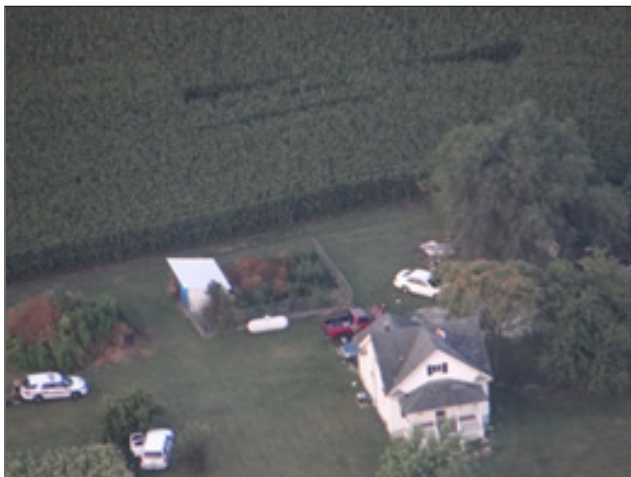
Texas Roadhouse Fundraiser

District 8 partnered with other area law enforcement agencies to raise money for Special Olympics by serving patrons lunch at Texas Roadhouse in East Peoria. The event raised over \$8,392 in 2014. This was the fourth year the event had taken place. District 8 takes pride in the fact this was the most successful fundraiser, surpassing the previous three years by raising \$27,392 for Special Olympics.



District 9

During 2014 District 9 traffic enforcement efforts included 11,331 enforcement contacts for Fatal Four violations: Speed, Occupant Restraint, Distracted Driving, and Driving under the Influence.



On July 29, 2014, District 9 assisted the Pana Police Department and Christian County Sheriff's Office. They requested the assistance of the Illinois State Police Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) team due to an officer-involved shooting at a residence in rural Pana. District 9 personnel arrived on scene and assisted the local agencies, managed the incident and established a unified command post. The incident was successfully isolated to the residence, which further protected the life and property of citizens. After failed negotiations, the suspect attempted to start the house on fire. SWAT deployed less than lethal ammunitions, and the subject returned fire with a handgun. SWAT officers shot the suspect, who died from his wounds.

District 10

During 2014 District 10 recorded 51 fatal crashes which resulted in 54 fatalities - a 3.8 percent decrease in fatal crashes since 2013. Criminal enforcement efforts led to 477 arrests - a 22 percent increase since 2013. Notable seizures include: 23 pounds of cannabis, 204.5 grams of cocaine, 150 doses of LSD, 259 grams of hash oil, and 140 grams of ecstasy.

Article 36 Seizures

District 10 led the Department with 103 initiated seizure cases for Article 36 offenses. The aggressive and thorough enforcement of Article 36 keeps vehicles out of the hands of those who have consistently demonstrated their disregard for public safety and compliance with the law.

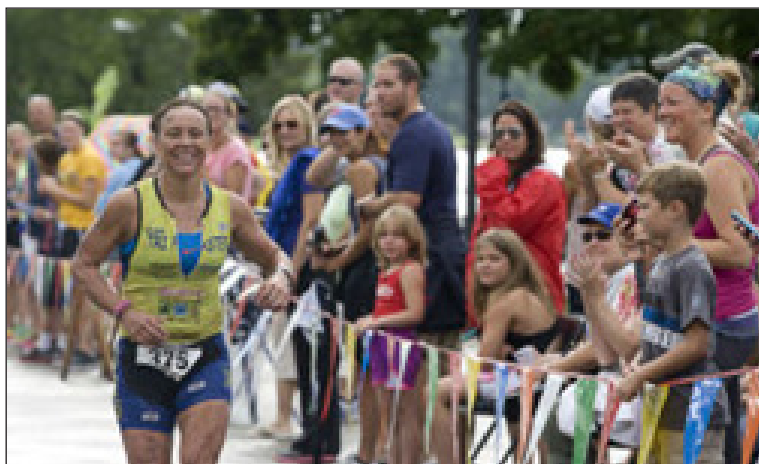


Winter Storm Ion

On January 5, District 10 officers worked long hours during winter storm Ion to help stranded motorists. I 57 in Coles County was particularly hard hit, with many vehicles remaining abandoned in the median and ditches for several days after their occupants were rescued. Local fire departments and Local Emergency Management Agencies utilized snowmobiles to rescue motorists.

Rodney T. Miller Triathlon

On July 12 and 13, District 10 personnel participated in the annual Rodney T. Miller (RTM) Triathlon in Decatur. Officers maintained traffic posts during the event, while off duty officers and others participated in the triathlon. The RTM Triathlon honors Sergeant Rodney Miller, who was killed in a traffic accident while on duty on May 12, 2006. This event raises money for a variety of worthwhile causes in the Decatur area, where Rodney lived and worked his entire life. Funds from the RTM Triathlon enable recipient groups to buy equipment, upgrade facilities, attend special camps or trainings, and sign up for extracurricular sports activities that might otherwise be unattainable.



Competitor heading for the RTM Triathlon Finish line

Phases of the Moon Festival

District 10 assisted the Vermilion County Sheriff’s Office with traffic control and perimeter security at the “Phases of the Moon” music and arts festival at Kennekuk County Park near Danville held from September 11-14. Over 25,000 people attended the four-day event, which was hampered by heavy rains just prior to opening. A traffic jam occurred when festival organizers failed to notify concert goers the opening event was delayed due to muddy park conditions. To keep the crowd informed, District 10 officers provided regular updates using their PA systems. Once the event opened, many people thanked the officers for their efforts and the updates.

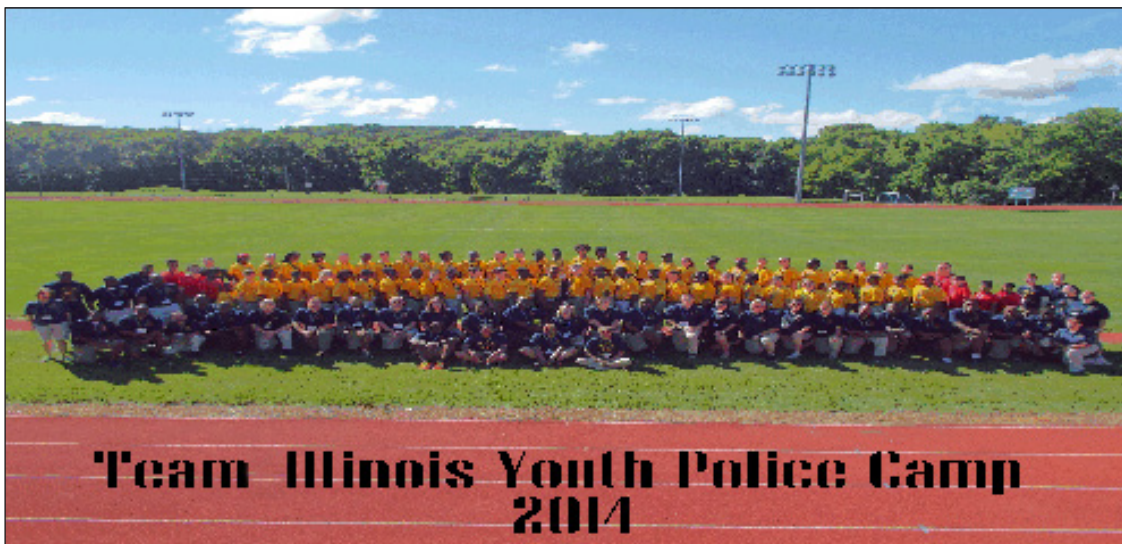


Traffic woes upset concert goers, but in the end they were happy when “Phases” finally opened

District 11

Team Illinois Youth Police Camp

From July 13 - 19, 2014, District 11 personnel participated in the ninth annual Team Illinois Youth Police Camp at Principia College in Elsah. This camp is a highly structured week-long residency program which addresses at-risk teenagers. It is based upon a military model of discipline and includes para-military drill, physical fitness exercises, classroom instruction on resisting substance abuse pressures, team building principles, and other life enhancing skills.





CRIMPAT

In 2014 District 11 Troopers made approximately 39 significant criminal seizures as a result of traffic stops. These traffic stops resulted in the seizure of 839 pounds of cannabis, 1,000 grams of crystal meth, 20.7 pounds of cocaine, 22 pounds of heroin, 22 grams of hashish, 6 grams of psilocybin mushrooms, 142 prepaid visa cards, 4 firearms (which included a stolen Mac 11 believed to be fully auto), \$323,246 in United State currency, and 5 motor vehicles.

One of the most notable traffic stops was conducted by Trooper Nate McVicker in April 2014, which resulted in the discovery and seizure of five kilograms of black tar heroin and one pound of white powder heroin.



District 12

District 12 led Region IV with 5.5 DUI arrests per Trooper per month. The District remains committed to alcohol enforcement and education. Over the past ten years, District 12 has experienced a 46 percent decrease in fatal traffic crashes. The most significant drop within the last five years occurred in 2014 at 18 percent, compared to just 6 percent the previous year.

Apprehension of Vandalia Correctional Center Escapee

On September 23, 2014, District 12 was requested to assist with locating an escaped prisoner from the Vandalia Correctional Center (VCC) in Fayette County. At approximately 1:30 p.m., VCC advised the prisoner, Marcus Battice, had escaped from the facility by scaling a perimeter fence. District 12 provided roving patrols and canine searches of the immediate area. ISP Air Operations, equipped with Forward Looking Infrared Radar (FLIR), responded and flew over the area for several hours. The Illinois Department of Corrections manned stationary posts throughout the night. On the following morning, Master Sergeant Chad Smith located the escapee along Interstate 70 near Mile Post 64 and took him into custody.

District 12 Battles Winter Storm Ion

From January 5 – 8, 2014, District 12 assisted citizens during and after the worst winter storm the area had seen in decades. With 1 to 2 inches of ice, 12 to 14 inches of snow, 30 to 40 mph winds, 2 to 4 foot drifts on roads, and a 30 below wind chill factor, District 12 received over 1,000 calls for assistance. Officers handled 400 motorist assists and investigated 32 crashes. ISP officers and Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR) Conservation Police Officers transported 200 - 250 citizens to warming centers after their vehicles became stuck or disabled. The Illinois National Guard provided a tow/recovery vehicle from January 6 - 8 for the removal of disabled vehicles from traffic lanes. Illinois Secretary of State Police and IDNR Conservation Police Officers were among the 105 officers that were utilized to aid citizens throughout the storm event. There were no fatalities during the blizzard response.



District 13

Amber Alert from Memphis, Tennessee

On October 24, 2014, the Memphis, Tennessee, Police Department issued an Amber Alert for an eight-month old child who had been abducted from a Memphis area hotel. Memphis Police Department Detectives had obtained information on a suspect vehicle and cellular telephone. Memphis Police began ‘pinging’ the suspect’s phone and determined the vehicle would soon be entering Illinois on Interstate 57 from Missouri. STIC provided a vehicle description and an Illinois registration for a vehicle registered to the suspect’s mother. The vehicle information was broadcasted by District Communications and District 13 Trooper Joshua Haile immediately advised he was following the vehicle northbound on Interstate 57 at milepost 103. Trooper Haile, along with numerous officers from various departments, conducted a high risk traffic enforcement stop on the vehicle. The vehicle and occupants were taken into custody without incident. The child was located unharmed inside the vehicle and was taken into protective custody by Trooper Haile.



Fatal Crash Reduction

District 13 experienced a reduction in fatal crashes and overall crash fatalities from 2013 to 2014. These reductions can be attributed to increased traffic enforcement efforts by patrol officers and educational programs such as the Williamson County Traffic Safety Days and Drive for Tomorrow.



DuQuoin State Fair

On August 22 through Labor Day, September 1, the DuQuoin State Fair was held at the State Fairgrounds in Perry County. The 2014 event attracted more than 365,000 visitors.

District 14

District 14 had 10 fatal crashes with 13 fatalities in 2014. This represents a decrease from the five-year average of 14.2 crashes and a decrease from the previous five-year average of 16.8 fatalities. This is the lowest level of fatal crashes in 20 years.

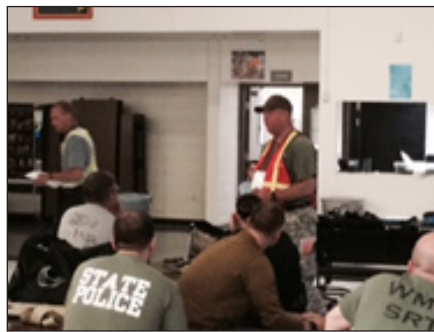
Winter Snow Storm Ion

On January 5, 2014, District 14 was impacted by Winter Storm Ion over several days. Ice, sleet and snow accumulated on all roadway surfaces making driving very treacherous. Troopers responded to accidents, stranded motorists and calls for service in an exemplary fashion during subzero temperatures.



Active Shooter Response Presentations

On February 28, 2014, a collaborative effort between Western Illinois University and District 14 resulted in an Active Shooter Defense Workshop in Oak Brook. This followed a successful presentation to more than 100 school staff and police officers on the Macomb Campus on May 3, 2013. District 14 Troopers served in a leadership role in Active Shooter Response presentations, training, and demonstrations in West Central Illinois and beyond. This effort has been extremely successful in many communities involving several school districts, local police departments, and dispatchers. The popular and well-received program and instruction prompted additional requests for 2014 which also included an area-wide multi-day realistic training event for command, communications, emergency medical personnel, and law enforcement at the Macomb High School.



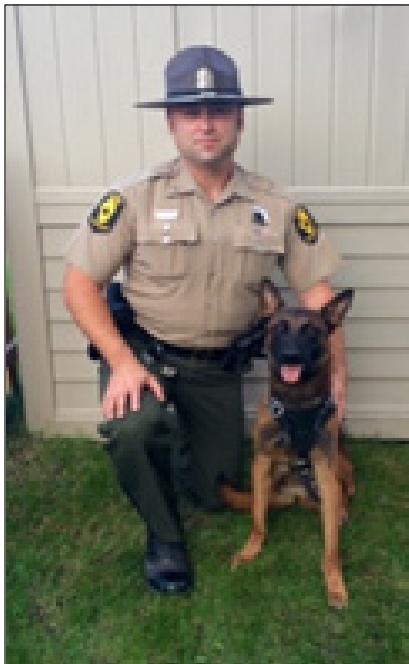
Active Shooter Response Presentations / Rapid Deployment Training at Macomb High School

Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics

In June 2014, District 14 Troopers joined city, county, and university law enforcement officers from the area in various fundraising events for the Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics. Several Troopers participated in different legs of the run to further show support for the Special Olympians.

St Jude Children’s Memphis to Peoria Annual Charity Run

District 14’s Trooper Bob Jackson participated in the annual Memphis, Tennessee, to Peoria, Illinois, charity run event leading the charge all the way for the Macomb to Peoria leg of this 465-mile event that raised nearly 15 million dollars. District 14 was recognized for Trooper Jackson’s effort with a plaque presented by St. Jude at a state C.O.P.S. meeting commemorating this outstanding effort.



Trooper Justin Royer and Canine partner Drax

District 14 Welcomes New Canine Officer and Partner

Trooper Justin Royer completed his canine handler training with his partner Drax this October after the untimely passing of Rex, dedicated partner of canine handler Trooper Cory Fox.

District 15

In 2014 District 15 successfully reduced fatalities by 47 percent when compared to 2013. There were 11 crashes with 10 fatalities in 2014, compared to 17 crashes with 19 fatalities in 2013.

All-Wheel Drive Colored and Marked Squad Cars

District 15 introduced 20 all-wheel drive colored, marked squads to its fleet. The all-wheel drive vehicles have improved handling over the previous Crown Victorias for increased officer safety. Due to the vehicle's ability to blend in with traffic, they have been an incredible tool for Distracted Driving Enforcement.



Criminal Patrol (CRIMPAT)

District 15 introduced its CRIMPAT Team in the fall of 2014, seizing over 30 pounds of cannabis, 44 pounds of crystal meth, \$9,000 in fraudulent gift cards, and several firearms.

Support of our ISP family

District 15 suffered two tragic events in 2014. First the fiery crash involving Trooper Douglas Balder, which also claimed the life of Tollway worker Vincent Petrella, followed by Trooper Mike Cokins being struck by a repeat DUI offender while out of his squad car. District 15 officers have graciously provided around the clock support to these men and their families. The time and monetary support of District 15 and the ISP assisted in the recovery of our officers and meant a great deal to their families.



Memorials for District 15 Personnel

District 15 sent many officers to attend and assist Trooper James Sauter's Family at the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial in Washington D.C. in May 2014.



Trooper James Sauter's name was placed on the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Wall in Washington D.C.



A memorial dedicated to District 15 Fallen Officers was dedicated on 03/28/14, located outside of the District 15 Training Center.

Lieutenant Meeder outside the United States Capitol Building in Washington D.C. during National Police Week.

District 16

During 2014 District 16 recorded 435 crashes which resulted in 41 fatalities. Criminal enforcement efforts led to 424 arrests, 117 driving under the influence arrests, 3,166 speed citations, and 958 occupant restraint citations.

On July 4, 2014, a District 16 Trooper spotted and pursued double-homicide suspect Terrence Doddy. The car chase lasted approximately 24 minutes with speeds in excess of 120 miles per hour. Doddy eventually crashed while attempting to avoid tire deflation devices and was apprehended. Two Troopers and two Telecommunicators were presented with House Resolutions on December 23, 2014, by State Representatives.

On October 31, 2014, a District 16 Trooper overheard a 911 dispatch regarding an unconscious passenger at a busy Rockford intersection. The Trooper arrived to find a person seated in a car who showed no pulse or breathing. The Trooper and a Winnebago County Sheriff's Deputy began CPR while another deputy retrieved a Narcan kit. The driver of the car indicated the passenger had overdosed on heroin. An Emergency Medical Service (EMS) unit arrived and transported the subject to Order of Saint Francis Saint Anthony Medical Center, Rockford, Illinois, where he recovered.



District 16 Polar Bears participated in the 2014 Polar Plunge at Rock Cut State Park in support of Special Olympics of Illinois.

District 16 Troopers joined other ISP units and members of local and federal law enforcement on a seven-mile leg of the Special Olympics of Illinois Law Enforcement Torch Run.



District 17

Illinois State Police District 17 had a successful year working interdiction. Notable seizures include: 46.2 pounds of cannabis, 62.21 pounds of cocaine, 3 pounds of crystal methamphetamine, and \$80,799 in United State currency.

District 17 personnel continued to be active in community projects such as Special Olympics. Officers partnered with Dunkin Donuts™ and raised approximately \$8,000 with “Cop on a Rooftop” in support of Special Olympics. They also participated in the Torch Run. A positive view of law enforcement was encouraged as District 17 personnel volunteered in community schools.

On April 23, 2014, District 17 received information a suspect wanted for attempted murder would be traveling from Iowa to Chicago, Illinois. The vehicle was located on Interstate 80 in Bureau County, and two suspects were taken into custody without incident.

District 18

Dust Storm

On January 24, 2014, the combination of strong winds and a dry field created a rare dust storm on Illinois Route 108 west of Carlinville in Macoupin County. A District 18 Trooper was responding to assist a motorist who had gone off the roadway into a field due to the dust storm. Shortly after entering the dust storm, the Trooper was rear ended by another vehicle. A Secretary of State Police Officer was also rear ended upon entering the dust storm from the other direction. Illinois Route 108 was subsequently closed until the winds subsided due to hazardous conditions.



Coalfield Rest Area Dedication

Dedication plaques were placed at the Coalfield Rest Areas to memorialize Trooper Kyle Deatherage. Trooper Deatherage, a District 18 Trooper, was killed in the line of duty on November 26, 2012. The dedication stemmed from an Illinois General Assembly vote on May 2, 2013. In attendance at the dedication were local state legislators, including two of the bill's sponsors, Senator Sam McCann and Representative Wayne Rosenthal; former ISP Director Hiram Grau; ISP Command Officers; District 18 personnel; local officers; and family and friends of Kyle Deatherage.



District 19

Seat Belt Enforcement and Crash-Related Reduction

District 19 issued 1,553 seat belt citations, a 29 percent increase from the previous year. The number of unrestrained fatalities decreased by 69 percent. Overall, fatalities were reduced by 29 percent from the previous year.

Trooper Saves Drowning Motorist

On August 17, 2014, Trooper Jason Blessing came upon a vehicle that had driven off the roadway into a flooded drainage ditch adjacent to a creek near Illinois Route 14 and Hamilton County Road 100E. The vehicle was nearly fully submerged with the driver trapped inside. As the vehicle continued to descend, Trooper Blessing immediately, and without regard for his own safety, tied a rope around his waist and swam out to the vehicle to rescue the motorist. In an attempt to assist the Trooper, a passerby also swam out to the vehicle with a hammer and the two were able to break the back window. The vehicle was fully submerged at this point.

The citizen rendering assistance began to experience difficulty breathing and was assisted back to shore by Trooper Blessing. Trooper Blessing then returned to the submerged vehicle where he found the vehicle's driver floating face down and motionless. Trooper Blessing was able to pull the driver to safety, where first aid was given and the driver revived. The driver was later transported to an area hospital where he made a full recovery.

District 19 Annual Charity Auction

In December 2014, District 19 conducted its 13th Annual In-house Charity Auction and Luncheon. Both active and retired Troopers and staff, along with local businesses and vendors, donated various items that were auctioned. More than \$2,100 was raised, enabling the District to make a \$300 donation to a charitable organization in each of its seven counties.

District 20

During 2014 District 20 led the state with a 50 percent overall decrease in fatalities for the year. There were no fatalities on I-72 or I-172. Scott and Brown Counties, which accounts for two of District 20’s five counties, did not have a single fatality. Criminal enforcement efforts led to 295 arrests, 57 driving under the influence/drugs arrests, 4295 speed citations, 1,544 occupant restraint citations and 251 distracted driving citations.



Going Out Tonight

District 20 Safety Education Officer, Trooper Mike Kindhart, has established a partnership with local businesses in an effort to educate the public on the consequences of drinking and driving. During the two-week Christmas and New Year Holiday period, two digital billboards were displayed with the message, “Going out Tonight? – Designate a Driver.” These partnerships with local sponsors will enable this message to be displayed during all major holiday campaigns.



Winter Snow Storms

In the winter of 2014, District 20 was hit with snow and ice storms like no other. Ice, sleet, and snow accumulated on all roadway surfaces making driving treacherous. District 20 Troopers responded to accidents, stranded motorists, and calls for service in an exemplary fashion. Many Troopers were called out and stayed well past the end of their shifts. These storms lasted until April 2014. District 20 was able to make use of the investigative zone's four-wheel drive vehicles and personnel during the worst of some of these.



District 21

Illinois Traffic Safety Challenge

District 21 participated in the annual Illinois Traffic Safety Challenge, receiving First Place awards in the following categories: Judge's Choice Award (Overall), State Police, Teen Safe Driving, and Looking Beyond the Belt. In addition to the first place achievements, District 21 was also the winner of a 2015 Ford Interceptor SUV, fully equipped for patrol with computer, radar, and video.

During 2014 District 21 had 3 arrests of subjects who were in possession of 115 fraudulent credit cards. Notable enforcement seizures include: 926 grams of cannabis, 260 grams of heroin, 262 grams of cocaine, and \$46,500 in United States currency.

Charitable Contributions

District 21 participated in the Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics Polar Plunge and raised \$4,747.

District 21 hosted its annual charity golf outing, raising \$13,500 for local charities. The Shriners Hospital in Chicago was presented with \$9,000.

District 22

Safety Initiatives/Fatality Reduction

During 2014 District 22 experienced 8 fatalities, which was a 27 percent reduction from 2013. Through programs such as Teen Safe Driver, Impact Teen Safe Driving, Williamson County Safety Days, and demonstrations utilizing the Seatbelt Convincer and Rollover simulators, area students received hands-on experience in the importance of wearing seatbelts. These programs, along with strategic plans, contributed to the heightened public awareness and reduction in fatal crashes.

Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics

On June 11, 2014, District 22 Troopers participated in the 2014 Law Enforcement Torch Run for the Illinois Special Olympics. The Torch Run (Leg 11) began at Carbondale City Hall and concluded on the field at Rent One Park in Marion prior to the Southern Illinois Miners game.



Armed Bank Robbery Suspects Apprehended

On April 18, 2014, the Metropolis Police Department requested assistance from District 22 regarding an armed bank robbery that occurred in Paducah, Kentucky, on April 14, 2014. Paducah Police were able to locate the suspect at the Motel 6 in Metropolis. ISP SWAT was utilized, and all suspects were taken into custody without incident. Once interviewed, the suspects confessed to two armed robberies, the bank in Paducah and one in Maryland. Statements from the other suspects indicated more robberies were being planned at other banks.



Division of Operations Investigations

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ISP Investigative units are divided into seven Zones and are responsible for providing investigative support to ISP districts and other law enforcement agencies statewide. Special Agents assigned to the Zones investigate cold cases, homicides, sex offenses, cargo theft, and drug trafficking cases.

Twenty-two (22) multi-jurisdictional Metropolitan Enforcement Groups (MEGs) and Task Force units operate under the ISP. These units are a collaboration of 230 federal, ISP, county, and local law enforcement officers who cooperatively address illegal drug, gun, and criminal street gang activities on a daily basis. In 2014 Illinois MEGs and Task Forces were responsible for the initiation of over 4,000 criminal investigations and the arrest of approximately 3,400 subjects. In addition, over 1,000 search warrants were served, and almost 500 guns used in criminal activity were seized.

Zone 1 Investigations

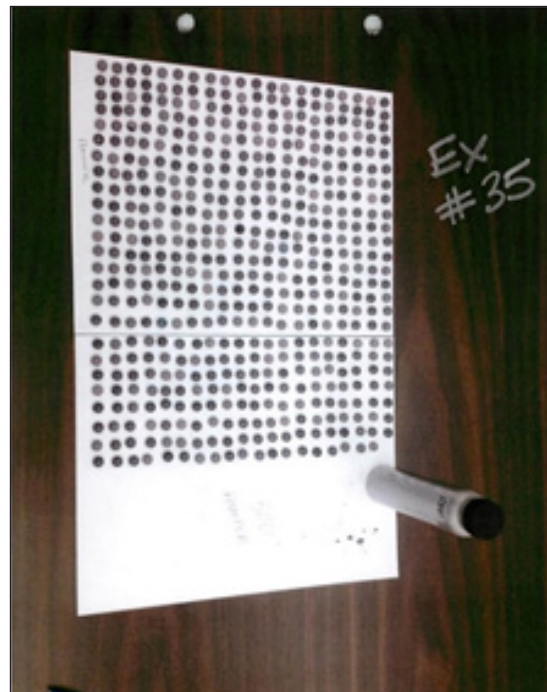
In March 2014, a drag racing crash resulted in a fatality on I-94. Felony charges were approved for first degree murder and leaving the scene of a fatality.

On September 30, 2014, after a cold case review of a 2009 strangulation, first degree murder charges were filed against Tyrik Knight for the murder of Arika Sims.

One count of solicitation for murder and one count of murder-for-hire were filed against a husband who attempted to hire an undercover agent to murder his wife and her boyfriend.

DuPage County Metropolitan Enforcement Group

The DuPage County Metropolitan Enforcement Group (DUMEG) conducted several undercover investigations that resulted in the seizure of 20,000 ecstasy pills, three vehicles, and \$80,000 United States currency.



In March 2014, a DUMEG agent was introduced to a subject purported to be selling heroin in DuPage County. During this investigation, 224 grams of heroin were purchased from the suspect resulting in Class X felony charges of delivery of a controlled substance. An associate was charged with felony delivery and more than \$3,700 United States currency was seized during the investigation.



North East Metropolitan Auto Theft Task Force

During 2014 the Northeast Metropolitan Auto Theft Task Force (NEMAT) conducted 137 investigations, recovered 182 vehicles valued at over \$5.4 million, and netted 65 criminal arrests.

Narcotics and Currency Interdiction Team

Two large investigations of money laundering led to the seizure of \$2,189,699 United States currency.



Greater Metropolitan Auto Theft Task Force

In March 2014 the Greater Metropolitan Auto Theft Task Force (GMAT) investigated vehicle thefts from automobile dealerships. The method of theft was “key switching” or “fab switching.” GMAT recovered 13 vehicles worth \$850,000.

Lake County Metropolitan Enforcement Group

In 2014 the Lake County Metropolitan Enforcement Group (LMEG), in conjunction with the Federal Bureau of Investigations (FBI), opened a Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations (RICO) investigation targeting the Four Corner Hustlers street gang. The investigation ended with 30 indictments and the seizure of 5 firearms, heroin, cannabis, 5 vehicles, and \$22,000 United States currency.

North Central Narcotics Task Force

In July 2014 the North Central Narcotics Task Force (NCNTF) opened a new office in northwest Cook County. Within the first six months, the new office initiated 52 investigations, opened 17 confidential source files, conducted 32 undercover purchases, executed 16 search warrants, arrested 29 suspects, and seized \$52,000 United States currency, \$5,500 in assets, 12,150 grams of cannabis, 12 grams of heroin, 110 grams of cocaine, and 350 MDMA pills.

Ruse Burglary Task Force

The Ruse Burglary Task Force was formed to combat the increased number of residential burglaries targeting seniors and vulnerable victims. Several local law enforcement agencies work together in order to combat these crimes.

Public Integrity Task Force

The Public Integrity Task Force (PITF) is a joint cooperative task force which looks at high profile public sector cases, such as officer involved shootings. PITF handled nine cases last year, with five of those being officer involved shootings.

Cook County Regional Organized Crime Task Force

In June 2014 the Cook County Regional Organized Crime Task Force initiated an investigation into a Chicago retail store suspected of fraudulent LINK card transactions. The owner of the store was charged with being an organizer of a continuing financial crimes enterprise and over \$124,000 was recovered.

Zone 2 Investigations

General Criminal Investigations – Elgin

On July 1, 2014, a woman was assaulted and murdered at the Willow Creek Rest Area on I 39 . The suspect identified as Terence Doddy and who was also suspected in an earlier Rockford homicide stole the victim’s car. On July 4 at approximately 11:23 a.m., a District 16 Trooper engaged in a pursuit of the stolen car. The pursuit terminated and Doddy was apprehended in Beloit, Wisconsin. He pled guilty to both homicides and will be sentenced to life in prison.

CRIMPAT/Blackhawk Area Task Force

On September 30, 2014, a District 7 Trooper stopped a vehicle in Henry County for traffic violations. A canine free-air sniff resulted in a positive alert and 5.8 kilograms of cocaine was recovered. Further investigation resulted in the seizure of \$455,134 in United States currency.

Quad City Metropolitan Enforcement Group

An investigation of a Quad Cities cocaine dealer resulted in the seizure of one kilogram of cocaine, 13 firearms, 2 vehicles, 1 boat, \$96,892 in United States currency, and 4 arrests.

Stateline Area Narcotics Team

Ongoing cases have seized six kilograms of cocaine and three kilograms of heroin.

Northern Illinois Auto Theft Task Force

In November 2013, Northern Illinois Auto Theft Task Force investigators recovered a stolen semi trailer in Rockford which led to the discovery of four additional stolen semi-trailers from Eau Claire, Wisconsin. Total value of the semi-trailers was \$220,000. The defendant pled guilty to interstate transportation of stolen property and was sentenced to a year and a day in prison.

Zone 3 Investigations

Official Misconduct Investigation

On October 27, 2014, ISP Zone 3 agents responded to a request for assistance from the Ford County Sheriff’s Office to investigate allegations that a male corrections officer had taken nude photographs of a female inmate. Investigators located numerous photos depicting a nude female inmate on the officer’s cell phone. The Ford County State’s Attorney’s Office authorized charges, and the guard was arrested on charges of felony official misconduct.

Tri-County Auto Theft

On March 26, 2014, Tri-County Auto Theft agents interviewed a suspect who admitted to forging title documents and using a computer program to roll the odometer back. The suspect, a former police officer and federal parolee, was arrested and charged with wire fraud, title fraud, and odometer fraud.

Will County Cooperative Police Assistance Team

A drug investigation resulted in the seizure of 302 grams of cocaine, an AR-15 assault rifle, a shotgun, a semi-automatic pistol, and \$2,200 in United States currency. The Will County Cooperative Police Assistance Team seized four vehicles which contained highly sophisticated hidden compartments. The main target was arrested and charged with multiple felonies.

Kendall County Cooperative Police Assistance Team

The Kendall County Cooperative Police Assistance Team conducted an investigation involving ecstasy. This investigation led to the seizure of 513 ecstasy pills, 4.3 grams of Ketamine, and \$1,776 United States currency.

Kankakee Area Metropolitan Enforcement Group

Agents conducted an investigation regarding a large outdoor cannabis grow. ISP agents eradicated 2,950 cannabis plants and determined a similar grow was located in Indiana just across the Illinois border. Notification was made to the Indiana State Police, who eradicated an additional 7,900 plants in Indiana. Further investigation led to a seizure of 22.5 pounds of cannabis, 8.5 grams of cannabis wax, 55 additional cannabis plants, cannabis growing materials, currency, and drug paraphernalia.

Zone 4 Investigations

General Criminal

On July 19, 2014, human remains in the advanced stage of decomposition were found in a detached shed in Rochester, Illinois. The investigation determined the remains to be a Decatur woman missing since February 2010. A suspect was identified in Ogden, Utah, and extradited back to Sangamon County. Pursuant to a plea agreement, the suspect pled guilty to concealment of a homicidal death and was sentenced to five years confinement in the Illinois Department of Corrections.

Peoria FBI Safe Streets Task Force

The Safe Streets Task Force is comprised of agents from the FBI, Peoria Police Department, and one ISP Special Agent. In 2014 the task force had 25 federal convictions for bank robbery, child pornography, firearms, and drug conspiracy.

Zone 5 Investigations

Vermilion County Metropolitan Enforcement Group

The Vermilion County Metropolitan Enforcement Group (VMEG) is a multi-jurisdictional unit based in Vermilion County, Illinois, that is comprised of the Danville Police Department, Vermilion County Sheriff's Department, and ISP. VMEG handled 201 investigations and 212 arrests, seized 19 firearms, and executed 54 search warrants.



Cocaine seized from a defendant.

East Central Illinois Task Force

The East Central Illinois Task Force (ECITF) is a multi-jurisdictional task force made up of police officers from local jurisdictions throughout Coles and Douglas Counties. ECITF is the primary narcotics enforcement unit for the area and, as such, sees a large amount of methamphetamine related issues to include methamphetamine arrests, drug endangered children living in methamphetamine laboratory environments, and the unlawful possession of weapons. During 2014 ECITF initiated 212 new cases, made 215 arrests, served 33 search warrants, and seized 18 firearms. ECITF enforcement efforts lead to seizures including 4,363 grams of cocaine, 36.6 grams crack cocaine, 68.4 grams of heroin, 366 grams of methamphetamine, 146 grams of hashish, 82.2 grams of hydrocodone, and 199.2 grams of various pharmaceuticals.



On September 17, 2014, ECITF investigated a cannabis grow plot in Coles County. The investigation netted 45 marijuana plants, one handgun, 1,204 grams of processed cannabis, and related production and cultivation items required for cannabis cultivation.

Murder-for-Hire

On September 22, 2014, East Central Illinois Task Force (ECITF) Inspectors received notice an individual, Michelle Smith, was seeking information and resources to have her boyfriend's estranged spouse killed. The investigation gathered recorded telephone conversations and meetings in which Smith made several incriminating statements about having the subject killed. Smith was arrested without incident a short time later and pled guilty, receiving a sentence of 15 years in the Illinois Department of Corrections.

Task Force 6

Results of a long-standing Task Force 6 investigation revealed a major cannabis trafficker in the Bloomington/Normal, McLean County, area with the supplier in Northern California. The investigation netted 2 arrests, 75 pounds of marijuana, 200 grams of hash, the seizure of 3 vehicles, and 1 handgun. The California supplier was extradited to Illinois on a \$1,000,000 bond.



Zone 6 Investigations

The Zone 6 Violent Crimes unit is viewed as the premier death investigation entity in the St. Louis Metro-East area. During 2014 Zone 6 handled 51 homicide investigations and was requested 7 times by outside agencies to investigate police officer use of force and in custody death incidents.

Zone 6 Litchfield investigated a sexual assault case which had occurred in 1996. The Mormon Church council was made aware of the molestation and documented their findings without notifying law enforcement. A search warrant uncovered the church records, and the suspect pled guilty to Aggravated Criminal Sexual Assault. Charges against the church leaders for failure to report the sexual abuse are pending.

South Central Illinois Drug Task Force

South Central Illinois Drug Task Force (SCIDFT) agents received information of a possible indoor/outdoor cannabis grow in Filmore. An attempted consensual search led to the application for and receipt of a search warrant. Seized were over 2,600 grams of cannabis, 12 cannabis plants, 3 weapons, and a homemade suppressor. One subject was arrested.

SCIDTF agents responded to a methamphetamine laboratory in Montgomery County. Agents located over 2,500 grams of a substance containing methamphetamine (7 one-pot cooks), finished methamphetamine, and numerous meth manufacturing materials. The subject, who was out on parole for a homicide, is currently back in the Illinois Department of Corrections and has been charged with three Class X felonies.

Metropolitan Enforcement Group of Southern Illinois

In January 2014 Metropolitan Enforcement Group of Southern Illinois (MEGSI) agents conducted numerous undercover purchases of crack cocaine from a subject. The subject and his supplier were identified, and search warrants were executed at both subjects' residences and a storage facility. The following items were seized: 2.5 kilograms of cocaine, 379 grams of crack cocaine, a 2000 Mercedes Benz, approximately 5 pounds of cannabis, and 2 firearms. Both are serving prison time for these offenses.

MEGSI agents received several complaints reference drug dealing, prostitution, and violence occurring near the S&L Rub Club and Bottoms Up Night Club in Brooklyn, Illinois. Nine search warrants were issued and executed at the clubs and the owners' residences confirming illegal proceeds from prostitution and the sale of drugs were used to help operate the clubs. Numerous bank accounts were seized totaling approximately \$350,000.

Distribution of Cocaine and Methamphetamine

The District 11 Interdiction Team conducted a traffic stop and located eight kilograms of cocaine in a false compartment of the vehicle. The driver was interviewed and informed agents that prior to being stopped, he dropped 20 kilograms of crystal methamphetamine in Nashville, Tennessee, and 12 kilograms of cocaine at an auto body shop in Belleville, Illinois. Agents identified the body shop and the local subjects involved in the distribution of cocaine and methamphetamine.

Zone 7 Investigation

Violent Crime Investigations

The southern Illinois counties Zone 7 is responsible for have a low tax base, are sparsely populated, and have a high crime rate. The local departments have limited resources and training and rely upon Zone 7 to investigate a majority of the violent crimes in this area. In 2014 Zone 7 agents opened 176 violent crime cases which resulted in 54 arrests. In the last 5 years, agents have worked 1,238 violent crime cases with 337 arrests.

Casey Homicide Investigations

On January 15, 2014, the Casey Fire and Police Departments responded to a residential fire where the body of a deceased male was found. An investigation determined the victim and suspect were associated through their drug use. The suspect confessed to stabbing the victim to death, killing his German Shepherd, and burning down the house to cover up the homicide. The subject pled guilty and was sentenced to 45 years in the Illinois Department of Corrections.

Operation Green Thumb

In March 2014, officers with the Southern Illinois Drug Task Force (SIDTF) initiated a federal cannabis conspiracy investigation after accompanying an Illinois Department of Children and Family Services case worker to a West Frankfort residence on a child welfare check. The contact resulted in 2 arrests, 3 children removed from the home, and the seizure of approximately 20 pounds of cannabis and \$13,000 United States currency. Two subjects were indicted federally in the Southern District of Illinois for conspiracy to distribute over 40 kilograms of marijuana and money laundering.

Meth Response Team

In 2014 the Zone 7 Meth Response Team (MRT) dismantled 258 labs. A notable seizure was 170 “Shake & Bake” cook bottles, 168 HCL acid gas generators, over 60 pounds of pill sludge (testing positive for the presence of methamphetamine), and numerous trash bags of meth-related waste. A male suspect and an additional subject were arrested at the scene.



Mt. Vernon, Illinois, meth lab debris.

On April 8, 2014, MRT officers were called for the second time after a second lab was discovered. Officers seized 5 “Shake & Bake” cook bottles (1,027.5 grams), 2 pounds of lye, 2 gallons of Coleman fuel, sulfuric acid, and ammonium nitrate. The male suspect was indicted federally on meth manufacturing charges. He pled guilty and was sentenced to 156 months in a federal prison.

Unauthorized Videotaping/Attempted Production of Child Pornography

In May 2014, a janitor at the Fairfield Community High School discovered a hidden video camera above a bathroom stall in the girl's locker room. Forensic examination revealed time stamped videos of teenage girls in various stages of undress at different locations in the girl's locker room. The investigation determined a math teacher/cross country coach as the suspect. Search warrants executed on his residence and vehicle uncovered additional video footage of female cross country runners showering in hotel rooms while at cross country meets in the Metro East area. The suspect was charged federally with attempted sexual exploitation of minors and possession of visual depictions of minors engaged in sexually explicit conduct. He pled guilty on September 17, 2014, and was sentenced to 20 years in federal prison.

Cairo Bank Robbery/Homicides

On May 15, 2014, an attempted bank robbery and double homicide occurred at the First National Bank of Cairo, Illinois. The suspect displayed a handgun and knife to three female employees exiting the bank at closing. The suspect forced the women back into the bank where he killed one, wounded a second who later died, and injured the third. The suspect fled into Missouri in one of the victims' vehicles, a 2014 Buick Enclave. The ISP responded immediately with District 22 securing the scene and setting up a perimeter. Zone 7 agents pinged the vehicle's On Star system, and when the vehicle was shown returning to Cairo, Districts 13 and 22, Zone 7, Air Ops, SWAT, the FBI, and local agencies responded to its location. A foot pursuit led onto a railroad bridge over the Ohio River where the suspect, armed with a handgun, held officers at bay for approximately one hour before surrendering. The suspect was arrested and identified as James "Porky" Watts, 29, of Cairo. Watts has been charged federally, and Zone 7 continues to pursue numerous leads on the case to prove a progression of violence in order to seek the death penalty.



Suspect James "Porky" Watts



First National Bank of Cairo, Illinois

Kidnapping

On December 15, 2014, a 37-year-old male subject from Johnston City, Illinois, took his stepdaughters without permission. An ISP investigation determined the suspect was in Marion, Illinois, where he was located and arrested without incident. Nearby, agents found the suspect's vehicle and the girls sleeping inside. The suspect was arrested and charged with kidnapping and possession of methamphetamine.

Child Death Investigation Task Force

During 2014 agents worked 102 cases involving crimes against children. Seven infant death investigations were the result of infants sleeping with adults. The frequency of these types of deaths prompted Zone 7 Command to request the development of public service announcements (PSAs) on this topic. The District 13 Safety Education Officer coordinated with the Child Death Investigation Task Force to develop these PSAs. In addition, Zone 7 personnel requested area hospitals place an increased focus on this topic in their expectant parent classes.

Operational Services Command

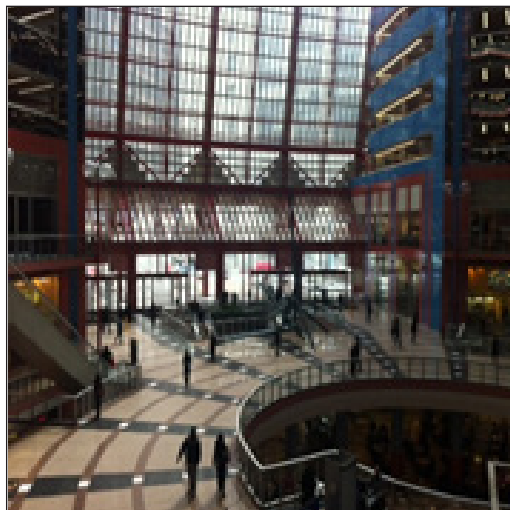
Protective Services Unit

The mission of the ISP Protective Services Unit (PSU) is to promote public safety by providing professional and effective police and security services for employees and citizens at the James R. Thompson Center (JRTC) and Michael A. Bilandic Building (MABB). The JRTC is the site of six constitutional offices and multiple state agencies. PSU personnel interact with approximately 4,900 state employees and 3,500 visitors on a daily basis. The MABB is the home of the 1st District Appellate Court and Illinois State Supreme Court, as well as several other state agencies. Persons entering both buildings must pass through a centralized screening operation. After presenting a valid government issued picture identification, visitors must successfully pass through a magnetometer while all bags and containers are sent through an X-ray scanner.

In 2014 PSU provided security for numerous legislative hearings and commissions at the JRTC and MABB. Over 100 scheduled and unscheduled demonstrations were held at the JRTC, and PSU monitored each demonstration closely and worked with other agencies to maintain order and public safety. PSU also coordinated efforts to ensure the safety and security for judicial conferences attended by state justices and other legal professionals.



Michael A. Bilandic Building



James R. Thompson Center Ground Floor

PSU coordinated 25 security and crime prevention seminars/training classes for security and management personnel, and conducted 15 emergency evacuation drills of the JRTC and MABB, including 2 building-wide and 2 floor-by-floor evacuation drills. PSU responded to 88 medical emergencies, performed hundreds of safety checks, and effected 51 arrests in 2014. Additionally, the PSU Explosives Detection Canine Team handled 248 explosive detection sweeps of vehicles and facilities in 2014.

Medicaid Fraud Control Bureau

The ISP Medicaid Fraud Control Bureau (MFCB) employs a combination of investigators, auditors, and attorneys to investigate provider fraud and violations of state law pertaining to fraud in the administration of the Medicaid program. The unit also reviews and investigates complaints of resident abuse or neglect in nursing homes and other healthcare facilities. In 2014 the MFCB opened 341 cases resulting in 66 arrests with 75 convictions. Recoveries from civil complaints and criminal prosecutions totaled over \$37,697,770.

Illinois Gaming Board

Statewide Gaming Command (SGC) agents provide the Illinois Gaming Board (IGB) with the enforcement and investigative presence necessary to regulate riverboat gambling and video gaming in Illinois. The 10 operating casino docksite locations throughout the state and the IGB offices in Chicago, Des Plaines, and Springfield are staffed by sworn officers from both the ISP and IGB.

IGB has two law enforcement divisions - Enforcement and Investigative. The Enforcement Division is responsible for the enforcement of all regulatory and criminal matters related to the licensing of gambling operations. The Investigative Division conducts comprehensive suitability background investigations on applicants for owner licenses, supplier licenses, key person and occupational licenses in addition to complex criminal investigations. The Investigative Division also examines applicants' business practices, financial history, and stability along with other pertinent information that could potentially compromise gaming integrity. Criminal investigations focus on financial criminal activity related to the casino industry, including money laundering, embezzlement, structuring, credit card, and check fraud.

IGB Criminal Cases

IGB continues to aggressively pursue its criminal enforcement efforts with 750 subjects arrested in 2014. These arrests were made possible through vigorous investigations of fraud, theft, forgery, identity theft, and money laundering offenses.

IGB Self-Exclusion Program

There were 661 new Self-Exclusion Program (SEP) enrollments in 2014, bringing the total enrollment to 11,099 at the end of the year. This voluntary program seeks to ensure that people who cannot gamble responsibly have a means to stay away from casinos and obtain needed professional help. SEP enrollees are barred from entrance to all Illinois casinos and, if found there, are subject to confiscation of winnings and vouchers as well as criminal prosecution for trespassing. A total of \$1,568,377 was confiscated from SEP enrollees in 2014.



Statewide Methamphetamine Program Office

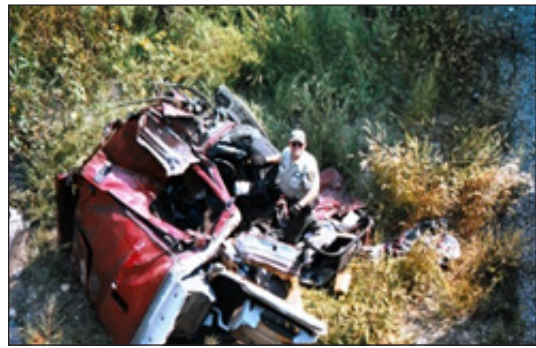
The Methamphetamine Program Office coordinates all training, medical monitoring, and equipment procurement, for all the Department's Methamphetamine Response Teams (MRTs). In 2014 ISP MRT officers processed 760 clandestine drug laboratories. The Meth Program Office operates solely off of two federally funded grants.

Medical Marijuana Unit (MMU)

This unit was established to assist the Illinois Department of Agriculture (IDAG) and the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation (DFPR) with the implementation and regulation of the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Pilot Program Act (410 ILCS 130/1). Through statutory authorities, the ISP MMU staff review cultivation applicant security plans and conduct inspections at cultivation and dispensary locations throughout the state. The MMU is focused on assisting the licensing agencies, minimizing theft and diversion of medical cannabis, and preventing the participation of organized criminal elements in the pilot program.

Traffic Crash Reconstruction

The ISP Traffic Crash Reconstruction Unit (TCRU) is an extensively trained group of investigators spread across the state of Illinois and divided into four operational regions. The TCRU is a group of sworn law enforcement officers who are dedicated to using extensive resources, training, and technology to complete a comprehensive and efficient crash investigation. Investigators describe where, how, and why a crash happened and are dedicated to analyzing all angles of improvements, adaptations or modifications that can help reduce the frequency and severity of future crashes.



Special Operations Command

Special Weapons and Tactics

The Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) team is divided into three teams geographically throughout the state of Illinois for unilateral coverage and critical call response time. SWAT handles critical search and arrest warrants when circumstances dictate the need for additional tactics and equipment. In addition, SWAT handles critical calls for service such as hostage barricade, armed suspects, manhunts, etc.

Team members conducted 76 training exercises, 180 search and arrest warrants, 56 crowd control operations, and 20 hostage/barricade subject calls.



State Weapons of Mass Destruction Team (SMWDT)

The Statewide Weapons of Mass Destruction Team (SWMDT) supports Illinois' anti-terrorism mission by responding to incidents involving chemical, biological, radiological, nuclear, and explosive hazards. The team is comprised of SWAT officers and volunteers from several state agencies including: ISP, Illinois Emergency Management Agency, Illinois Department of Public Health, Illinois Medical Emergency Response Team, Secretary of State Hazardous Device Unit, and the Illinois National Guard Civil Support Team / Joint Hazardous Assessment Teams. The team held three training exercises to ensure their training was up to date and verify equipment donning and doffing procedures (putting on / taking off of equipment). One table-top exercise with all of the agencies involved was conducted to test response and knowledge of each entity's role.



Statewide Terrorism Intelligence Center

The Statewide Terrorism & Intelligence Center (STIC) is a “one-stop” resource for police officers and public safety officials to obtain information related to criminal activity, terrorism, and public safety. Analysts perform a thorough search of all available databases and resources, thus reducing the need to make numerous contacts with various organizations. By belonging to the national network of fusion centers, STIC can quickly obtain information that is shared with partners regarding national trends and critical incidents.

In September 2014 the Public Health Information Sharing Program was established. The Illinois Department of Public Health assigned an employee to STIC as the Public Health Intelligence Officer. This person played a significant role at STIC by providing situational awareness regarding the Ebola crisis. As the program develops, the Public Health Intelligence Officer will be identifying the information needs of this diverse and varied community, as well as providing STIC with a much-needed perspective on public health issues.

In March 2014, members of STIC, ISP Counterdrug, and Air Operations, as well as Illinois National Guard (ING) Counterdrug, traveled to California to learn about air interdiction from the United States Customs and Border Patrol's Air and Marine Operations Center (AMOC). Following the visit with AMOC, STIC and ING established a new Air Interdiction Analyst position which is housed at STIC. The analyst constantly monitors the airspace in and around Illinois for suspicious activity and works with ISP Air Operations and other federal, state, and local personnel during interdiction efforts when warranted.

STIC responded to an estimated 30,000 requests for information from federal, state, and local agencies from across the United States during 2014.



ISP

Recruitment

ISP Recruitment

Mission Statement

The ISP Recruitment Unit aims to broaden and diversify the Department's pool of potential applicants to create an organization that effectively mirrors the population it serves. We strive to reach and educate service-minded candidates who might not have considered the ISP, and guide those who are interested through the hiring process. The unit works diligently to improve community awareness through recruitment initiatives, community outreach and cross-cultural activities.

2014 Highlights

Recruitment, Job Fairs & Events

ISP recruitment section representatives attended numerous job fairs which included the Illinois Latino Legislative Caucus Foundation (ILLCF) Annual Conference and Job Fair, Harper College Latino Summit, the Illinois Association of Hispanic State Employees' (IAHSE) 26th Annual Training Conference/Job Fair, Minority Woman Owned Business Fair, Women's Lifestyle Show, Illinois Department of Employment Security Veteran's Job Fairs, U.S. Chamber of Commerce – Hiring our Heroes Job Fair, Family Christian Center Job Fair, YMCA Black and Latino Achievers Workshop, and the League of United Latin American Citizens & Mexican American Consulate Informational Event. The ISP was also represented at the Bud Billiken Parade, Chicago Police Department's St. Jude Parade, several St. Baldrick's Foundation events, the African Festival of the Arts, and the Black Women's Expo.

Education and School Outreach

The ISP Recruitment Unit's efforts also included outreach at schools. Several career day activities and other speaking engagements were sponsored at various inner-city schools. Among the middle and high school events attended were Bowen High School College and Career Fair, Burbank School District 111 Back to School Rally, Career Exploration Seminar at Victor J. Andrew High School, St. Dorothy's School Career Day, Two Rivers Educational Vocation Career Fair 2013 at Jacksonville High School, and the Chicago Football Classic College Fair at Soldier Field.

Minority Organization Affiliations

ISP minority law enforcement affiliations include the Hispanic Illinois State Law Enforcement Association (HISLEA), Association of Black Law Enforcement (ABLE) Officers, Asian American Law Enforcement Association (AALEA), and the National Organization of Black Law Enforcement (NOBLE) Executives.

Community & Youth Organization Activities

Aspiring young men and women from across Illinois between the ages of 14 and 16 signed up to participate in the American Legion Youth Police Camp and the Team Illinois Youth Police Camp. Participants acquire firsthand knowledge and training in a para-military environment filled with leadership and teamwork development delivered by ISP personnel. The week-long residency camps are structured to promote educational and learning opportunities in the area of law enforcement, cultural diversity and awareness, personal development, physical fitness training, and social and interpersonal skill development. The primary purpose of the camps is to establish an interactive and positive relationship between youth and law enforcement officers. Many of the ISP program volunteers are former graduates of the program.



ISP officers with American Legion and Team Illinois Youth Police Camp participants.



ISP recruiters at the Chicago Football Classic College Fair and at the Women's Lifestyle Show.



ISP officers interacting with children and helping build bears at the annual Build-A-Bear event.



ISP

Safety Education

ISP Safety Education Officers

Mission Statement

The ISP Safety Education Unit (SEU) is responsible for statewide safety programs that educate young drivers, schools, teachers, and community organizations. The unit operates jointly with all ISP Districts and serves as a conduit between ISP traffic safety and IDOT. The SEU is comprised of 16 Safety Education Officers (SEOs) assigned to various ISP Patrol Districts.

2014 Highlights

NetSmartz

The SEU continued its participation in NetSmartz, an online training program endorsed by the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children. The NetSmartz online workshops, which began in 2006, incorporate the newest technologies and current research into high impact educational activities. These workshops teach children how to recognize and avoid risks from predators while on the internet. In 2014, the ISP presented NetSmartz programs to various schools and community organizations throughout Illinois.

Drive for Life

The Drive for Life program is delivered to high school students to increase awareness of the effects of drinking alcohol while operating a motor vehicle. In 2014, the ISP presented numerous programs with the assistance of personnel and resources from local police and fire departments, ambulance services, hospital emergency room staff, and coroners' offices.

The Fatal Vision goggles and golf carts used in the program allow students to simulate the impairing effects of alcohol while driving in a controlled environment. Also incorporated into the program, is an opportunity to drive a golf cart while texting, allowing participants to experience the effects of distracted driving.

Rollover Simulator/Seatbelt Convincer

The ISP rollover simulator and seatbelt convincer safety programs, sponsored by State Farm Insurance, help promote the value of wearing a seatbelt. ISP SEOs regularly demonstrated both devices at schools and community events to illustrate the importance of defensive driving.



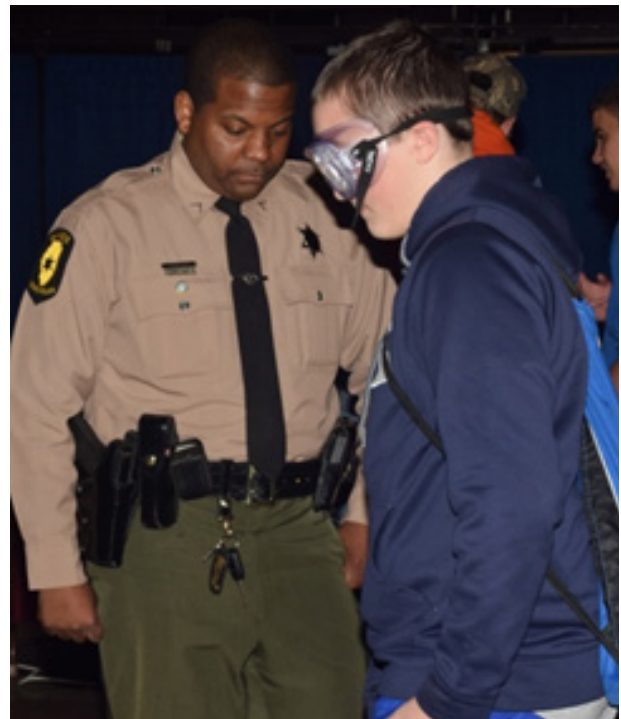
ISP Safety Education Officers demonstrating the rollover simulator and seatbelt convincer.

Operation Prom/Graduation NITE

Operation Prom/Graduation NITE (Non-Impairment Travel Effort) is a joint effort among state and local law enforcement, school districts, community-based organizations, and other agencies throughout the state that promotes responsible teen behavior during prom and graduation celebrations. The program utilizes public service announcements for radio and television, DUI brochures, and presentations to deliver its safety message.

Drive for Tomorrow

The Drive for Tomorrow program is designed to supplement and reinforce classroom and behind-the-wheel instruction for Driver's Education students. The events, which are held in five different locations throughout the state, utilize presentation and active participation to deliver important safe driving information to students. Throughout the course of the program, students are exposed to nine different safe driving presentations such as: Work Zone Safety, Motorcycle Awareness, Operation Lifesaver, Distracted Driving, No-Zone Semi Display, Seat Belt Convincer, Rollover, Fatal Vision Golf Cart Obstacle, and Street Smart. In 2014, over 5,000 students participated in the program.



Trooper Calvin Dye assists a student during a Drive for Tomorrow safety event.

Operation Teen Safe Driving

In the spring of 2007, Operation Teen Safe Driving (OTSD) was launched in rural Tazewell County after authorities noticed that automobile crashes had taken 15 teen lives over the course of 15 months. After the success in Tazewell County, OTSD went statewide involving 105 high schools. The mission of the program is to provide the initiative and resources required to challenge the creativity of Illinois teens to develop and implement community-based programs to reduce fatalities and injuries due to traffic crashes among their peers. The selected schools develop and implement a peer-to-peer based plan and present a report at the conclusion of the program. During the program, ISP SEOs visit the schools to reinforce the students' message.

Child Safety Seat Checks

Illinois State Police SEOs conducted Child Passenger Safety Restraint presentations to numerous participants at various safety stations throughout Illinois.

Public Awareness and Safety Education Events

ISP personnel attended numerous public awareness and safety education events including the Illinois Traffic Safety Challenge, Law Enforcement Torch Runs, Law Enforcement Memorials, NASCAR Child Safety Seat Check in Joliet, Illinois State and DuQuoin Fair Details, Saved By the Belt Award, Click It or Ticket Campaign, Chicago Auto Show, National Night Out, Drive For Tomorrow, Celebrate My Drive, March Madness, and Operation Teen Safe Driving.



ISP Honor Guard



Mission Statement

When called upon, the Honor Guard team serves as a tribute to sworn personnel who have made the ultimate sacrifice.



The ISP Honor Guard

The ISP Honor Guard formed as a statewide unit in 2011. The team is made up of north and south teams and consists of approximately 30 officers to accommodate requests for honor guard services. The Honor Guard teams pay tribute to active, retired, and deceased personnel. The teams also participate in national conferences, parades, official funerals, local and national police memorials, and honor guard competitions. Members of the team possess impeccable uniform standards and exemplify the meaning of Integrity, Service, and Pride.

Initially, team members receive two weeks of training followed by monthly in-service training. Honor Guard members are issued a unique insignia and shoulder braid to identify them as team members.

ISP Honor Guard participated in numerous official tributes throughout Illinois.



ISP Honor Guard members and Department personnel during funeral services for a fallen officer.



ISP

Awards and Honors

Department Awards and Honors

Officer of the Year

Trooper Bradley R. Williams, assigned to District 20 for his entire career, exemplifies the tenets of the ISP – Integrity, Service, and Pride. His motivation and desire to excel are evident by his performance. Selected as a motorcycle officer in 2012, Trooper Williams can be found patrolling District 20 on his motorcycle regardless of temperature. He is often approached by citizens with questions regarding his motorcycle duties and is always willing to take the time to speak with and educate them. Trooper Williams maintains a high level of activity, including leading District 20 with over 950 citations in 2013, and his contribution to improving traffic safety is evident.

Telecommunicator of the Year

Ms. Laurie delosReyes has proudly served the ISP for 32 years as a telecommunications professional. She is an exceptional employee who has earned the respect of sworn officers, peers, and subordinates. Ms. delosReyes consistently maintains her personal composure and professional demeanor during high stress situations. She is a knowledgeable employee and is well versed in her job duties as well as Department policies and procedures. She possesses the knowledge to handle work of the most complex nature. Ms. delosReyes is a valued and loyal employee who is committed to her role as a Telecommunicator with the ISP. She handles emergency situations in a professional manner, even under the toughest circumstances. She strives for excellence in her job duties and can always be counted on to assist others. Ms. delosReyes is an important contributor to the success of District 7.

Forensic Scientist of the Year

Ms. Katherine A. Sullivan is a Forensic Scientist 3 in the Forensic Biology/DNA section at the Joliet Forensic Science Laboratory. Her dedication, integrity, leadership, and pride are demonstrated by her quality work and her commitment to advancing the field of forensic science. In 2013, she worked more than 300 DNA cases, far exceeding casework productivity expectations and placing her as one of the highest producing scientists in the Forensic Biology/DNA Section. More importantly, her work is consistently thorough and of the highest quality.

Ms. Sullivan's leadership is evident through her forward thinking and her ability to plan for future scientific advancements, an attribute necessary for the constantly evolving science of DNA. As a result, she is frequently asked to assist on critical initiatives to ensure forward progress of the statewide DNA section. For example, in 2013, she was asked to review needed updates to the DNA Procedures Manual regarding Y-STR DNA analysis. She is well-respected among her peers and her technical counsel is often sought in identifying solutions to complex analytical issues.

Ms. Sullivan generously gives back to the community in the area of forensics, with activities ranging from service on a criminal justice advisory board, to providing informative presentations about forensic science. She works closely with the Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners, providing training and guidance in the program to ensure appropriate evidence is collected properly in order to facilitate analysis. In 2013, she was integral in the creation of a feedback form for the nurses which allows them to understand how the swabs they collect provide useful information in the investigation of cases. This type of process improvement is one of Ms. Sullivan's great strengths.

Her commitment to the agencies served by the Joliet Forensic Science Laboratory is exemplary. Ms. Sullivan has an excellent reputation with law enforcement agencies, attorneys, and judges. She is a dedicated employee and upholds the high standards set by the Department because she sets her personal standards even higher. Ms. Sullivan consistently provides excellent and unwavering service to the Illinois State Police and the criminal justice community.

Medal for Honor

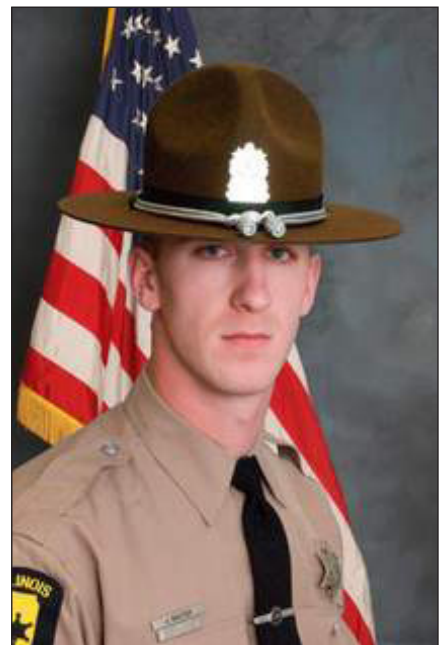
The Medal for Honor is awarded to ISP personnel who perform a heroic act that, by its nature, results in saving a life, preventing a serious crime, or apprehending a person who committed a serious crime. The eligible act, while of a lesser degree than that required for the Medal for Valor, must nevertheless have been accomplished with distinction.

- Trooper Brian R. Scott, District 10
- Trooper Brad R. Williams, District 20

Purple Heart

The Purple Heart Medal is presented to ISP personnel who, while in the performance of enforcement duties, are seriously injured or killed while encountering deadly force or "other actions" causing serious, life threatening injuries or death. Receiving the Purple Heart this year is Trooper James M. Sauter.

On March 29, 2013, Trooper James M. Sauter was on duty in his ISP squad car when his vehicle was struck by a truck tractor semi-trailer at I-294 southbound at Willow Road. He was pronounced dead at the scene early Friday morning and had been a member of the Illinois State Police since June 29, 2008. Trooper Sauter had just completed a temporary assignment in Air Operations and was recently reassigned to District 15 as a patrolman.



Trooper James Sauter

Lifesaving Medal

The Lifesaving Medal is awarded to ISP personnel who perform actions or who apply techniques that result in saving or sustaining a human life. Honorees:

- Captain John B. Rattigan, Bureau of Identification
- Master Sergeant Theodore J. Rhodes, District 12
- Sergeant Craig R. Demaret, SWAT
- Trooper John W. Carroll, District 22
- Trooper Dwayne L. Jennings, District Chicago
- Trooper Michael J. Kasprak, District 17
- Trooper Brian M. Kelliher, District Chicago
- Trooper Chad R. Martinez, District 5
- Trooper Jose F. Malave, Gaming Board
- Trooper Jose A. Montes, District Chicago
- Trooper Ralph E. Shelton, District 13
- Trooper Brian M. Spillane, District Chicago
- Trooper Howard R. Sterling, District Chicago
- Trooper Demetrio Torres, District Chicago
- Trooper Joel D. Vanburen, District 2
- Officer Tracy Grantlen, PSU

Director's Award of Distinction

The Director's Award of Distinction is presented to any individual, agency, or group outside the ISP who gave extraordinary support and assistance to accomplish the goals of the Department. This year's honorees included:

- Investigator Dwayne Buretz, Secretary of State Police
- Mr. Nicholas D. Carter, Chicago, Illinois
- Mr. Scott Emberle, Edelstein, Illinois
- Ms. Susan Feldhake, Effingham, Illinois
- Officer Steven Francisko, Illinois Conservation Police
- Ms. Deanna Gawron, Westmont, Illinois
- Mr. Michael S. Hairgrove, Schaumburg, Illinois
- Mr. Marcos Hernandez, North Aurora, Illinois
- Mr. Anthony Ladd, Chicago, Illinois
- Chief George Lindsey, Winchester Police Department
- Mr. Ron Newman, South Elgin, Illinois
- Mr. Christopher Pratt (from 2013), Odin, Illinois
- Mr. Tim Sjostrom, St. Charles, Illinois
- Mr. Mike Stoner, St. Charles, Illinois
- Ms. Mandy Vergara, Effingham, Illinois
- Inspector Doug Wade, Blackhawk Area Task Force

Department Commendation

The Department Commendation is awarded to ISP personnel who perform an outstanding police act with diligence, perseverance, or exceptional ability that notably contributes to enhancing the image of the Department, or prepares, directs, or executes a plan, program, or procedure that makes a notable contribution to the efficiency and/or effectiveness of the Department. This year's honoree was Master Sergeant Robert Seas (Retired).

Department Achievement Medal

Aaron R. Kustermann, State Terrorism Intelligence Center

Officer of the Year Award

Officers nominated for the ISP Officer of the Year Award must display a combination of the following qualifications and characteristics: outstanding contribution in the area of assignment; valor in the line of duty; exceptional knowledge and ability to complete job functions; overall productivity; civic contributions; and professional appearance and demeanor. Officer of the Year nominees:

Division of Administration

Sergeant Michael A. Severino, Logistics Bureau

Division of Forensic Services

Sergeant Abigail B. Keller, Crime Scene Services Command

Division of Internal Investigation

Sergeant Elliot R. Alger, Southern Command

Division of Operations

Operational Services Command

Trooper Gregory A. Lecas, Special Operations Command
Special Agent Scott C. Rhodes, Medicaid Fraud Control Bureau

ISP Patrol

Trooper Jeffrey A. Meisenheimer, District 1
Trooper Nathan K. Schramka, District 2
Trooper Jose A. Alvarez, District Chicago
Trooper Jeffrey T. Murray, District 5
Trooper Scott W. Ahrens, District 6
Trooper Andy T. Fratzke, District 7
Trooper Jacob C. Duro, District 8
Trooper Eric J. Weston, District 9
Trooper Kevin C. Smith, District 10
Trooper Kenneth G. Patterson, District 11

Trooper Ryan J. Finney, District 12
Trooper Christopher J. Watson, District 13
Trooper Bryan M. Clauson, District 14
Trooper James A. Sauter, District 15
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Telecommunicator of the Year Award

Telecommunicators nominated for the ISP Telecommunicator of the Year Award must display a combination of the following qualifications and characteristics: outstanding contribution in the area of assignment; exceptional knowledge and ability to complete job functions; initiative to expand knowledge through attendance in college courses or seminars; civic contributions; and professional appearance and demeanor.

Telecommunicator of the Year Nominees:

Connie S. Grenoble, District 1
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Beth M. DiVirgilio, District Chicago
Jill D. Collum, District 5
Richard A. Fitzpatrick, District 6
Laurie A. delosReyes, District 7
Melissa Glaub Mullen, District 8
Cheryl N. Clodfelter, Springfield Communications Center (Districts 9, 14, 20)
Brian P. Wrinkle, District 10
Deann R. Rizzi, Districts 11 & 18
Luke O. Lay, DuQuoin Communications (Districts 12, 13, 19, 22)
Adam Fogle, District 15
Gail R. Johnson, District 16
Tavis Fivek, District 17
Bradley V. Richardson, District 21

Forensic Scientist of the Year Award

Nominees for the ISP Forensic Scientist of the Year Award must display a combination of the following qualifications and characteristics: superior performance of an individual regarding casework; superior job performance; actions which exceed every day operations; and extraordinary community service or exceptional community involvement. Forensic Scientist of the Year nominees:

Glenn D. Schubert, Southern Illinois Forensic Science Centre

Brian J. Long, Springfield Forensic Science Laboratory

Debra B. Minton, Morton Forensic Science Laboratory

Jon M. Flaskamp, Forensic Science Center at Chicago

Katherine A. Sullivan, Joliet Forensic Science Laboratory

Patrick J. Powers, Rockford Forensic Science Laboratory

Brian Stevenson, Metro-East Forensic Science Laboratory



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