

TOTAL CRIME INDEX 2014

The Total Crime Index for the City of Kankakee saw an increase for the 2014 year compared to 2013. The Total Crime Index saw an increase of 14% when compared to 2013. The Total Crime Index is comprised of the crimes of **Murder, Criminal Sexual Assault, Aggravated Battery, Burglary, Theft, Auto Theft, and Arson**. Our Total Crime Index of 1468 is slightly lower than the 1473 produced in 2012. The Total Crime Index is derived from the sum of all the above listed crimes.

Comparing our current number of 1468 to 10 years ago in 2004 at 1579 we are still well below that mark. We have seen an increase since the 5 year mark when our Total Crime Index was 1316. Our Crime seems to have an upward trend since the 2010 year, with the exception of 2013, which showed the lowest mark since 1985 at 1288. Contributing factors that affect our overall marks are the state wide unemployment numbers of 5.4% and the local unemployment number of 10.4%. Another factor is the incarceration rate in Kankakee County, which indicates that we are returning many more people from within Illinois Prisons as opposed to the people we are sending to them. There were 6175 people booked into the Jerome Combs Detention Center in 2014, of that 6175, 203 were sent to the Illinois Department of Corrections, while 524 persons were returned to Kankakee County from within the prison system. Another trend that has made an impact on our numbers is that Retail Merchants, mostly at the large box stores, grocery stores and Dollar Stores have hired security or employed the use of video surveillance to catch retail thieves in their establishments, thus the large jump in the theft number.

The City of Kankakee saw an increase in every category with the exception of Aggravated Battery and Auto theft. Six Murders occurred in the City of Kankakee in 2014, an increase of 33.3%. Criminal Sexual Assault is up from 23 in 2013 to 28 in 2014, an increase of 21.7%. Robbery increased from 71 in 2013 to 93 in 2014, an increase of 31%. Aggravated Battery is down from 105 in 2013 to 94 in 2014, a decrease of 10.5%. Burglary is up from 286 in 2013 to 292 in 2014, an increase of 2.1%. Theft is up from 754 in 2013 to 906 in 2014, and increase of 20.2%. Auto Theft is down from 37 in 2013 to 34 in 2014, a decrease of 8.1%. Arson increased from 8 in 2013 to 15 in 2014, an increase of 87.5%.

These statistics indicate a community that has been through many changes in the last decade. The Kankakee Police Department has done a full transformation from a Reactionary Response technique, to a Problem Oriented Policing Philosophy where officers are urged to pursue any avenue to solve neighborhood problems when and where they exist, as opposed to just answering numerous calls to the same place for a continuing problem. Officers now have tools at their disposal to assist them in removing problems from a neighborhood before they affect the entire area around the problem. Tools such as Nuisance Abatement Law, Chronic Nuisance Ordinance, and the ability to work with other Kankakee Municipal Service Departments to rid neighborhoods of quality of life issues.

There are 13 active Community Groups within the City of Kankakee, and the Police Department routinely attends these meetings to work with neighborhood leaders and residents to assist them with problems and answer questions concerning their neighborhoods. The officers also attend the meeting to reinforce our commitment to Community Policing / Problem Solving as the foundation of our philosophy.

PERSONNEL

The Kankakee Police Department hired no new employees in the 2014 year, in fact during the budget process were forced to eliminate 5 civilian employee positions to keep the sworn officers at 67. The Police Department over the last several years lost 5 officers to attrition. We have now met that goal of 67 officers, along with reducing the number of Sergeants by 2 and Lieutenants by 1, all as cost saving measures.

The Police Department had 3 officers leave the department during 2014. Ptlmn. Mike Lindgren left on a Disability Pension as a result of serious illness. Sgt. Tom Kibort retired on 6-27-14 after 26 years of service. Cmdr. Matt Adamson retired on 7-25-14 after 28 years of service. We wish them well as they continue their lives journey.

There were 2 Promotions in 2014 to replace officers retiring. Lt. Chris Kidwell was appointed to Commander on 8-1-14, and placed in charge of the Patrol Division. Cmdr. Kidwell is a 22 year Veteran of the Police Department with the last 10 years spent as Deputy Director of the Kankakee Area Metropolitan Enforcement Group. Ptlmn. Mike Sneed

was promoted to Sergeant on 8-1-14, and assigned to 3rd shift. Sgt. Sneed is a 13 year Veteran of the Police Department that has spent time in the Patrol Division and KAMEG. Congratulations to both Officers as they worked hard to earn their spots.

ACTIVITIES

In January and February of 2014 all Police Department Personnel participated in the annual Defensive Tactics Training, Use of Force Training, handcuffing techniques, Taser Recertification and Policy and Procedure updates.

The Kankakee Police continued growth in the Social Media Department in 2014. Face Book, Twitter and Nixle accounts are managed and used to distribute information to our friends, followers and subscribers. We are excited about the response to these sites and will continue to use them as much as possible.

Lt. Jay Etzel and Sgt. Tim Kreissler hosted the 25th session of the Citizens Police Academy in the fall of 2014. The Academy consists of classes held once a week for 10 weeks, and allow citizens an insider's view of the Police Department. Demonstrations are given by the SWAT Team, Detective Bureau, State's Attorney, Patrol Procedure, Nuisance Abatement, and Code Enforcement. The students are offered an opportunity to "Ride Along" with an officer during a normal shift as part of the curriculum. The class also tours the KanComm Communications Center, and the Jerome Combs Detention Center. A graduation

ceremony is held at the end of 10 weeks and all graduates are invited to join the CPA Alumni Association.

Accreditation manager Lt. Pat Kane reports that 2014 was a preparation year for the Kankakee Police Department, compiling statistics and reports in anticipation of the next reaccreditation in 2015, for both CALEA and ILEAP. We will be facing a mock assessment in July and then the actual assessment in December 2015. These assessments are extraordinary because we are the only dual accredited Police Department in the state of Illinois and place a great deal of emphasis on detail. The men and women of the Kankakee Police Department work very hard to maintain the strict criteria required for these awards, and the process by which they are gained. We look forward to the assessments and our second reaccreditation. Lt. Kane is burdened with these responsibilities along with managing our Federal and State Grants and the Social Media Networks, which he does in exemplary fashion.

Department totals

The Kankakee Police Department has participated the Illinois Traffic Stop Study since its inception in 2005, while the results of that mandate are reported yearly, by the Illinois Department of Transportation on their website, we have decided to add them to this report annually also. In the back section of this report you will find the past 3 years numbers for the study and how we issue citations in our community.

The Illinois Traffic Stop Study specifically looks for disparity in traffic stops from one culture to another. Our numbers indicate that the Kankakee Police Department does not racially profile any one specific race of people.

Calls for service are up slightly in 2014 compared to 2013 with 54,731 in 2014 and 54,354 in 2013. Adult arrests are up by 10 in 2014 at 1391. Illinois traffic Citations are also up with 3120 in 2014 compared to 2384 in 2013. City Ordinance citations are also up in 2014 at 1355, while 708 were written in 2013. Written warning were almost double from the previous year at 688 in 2014, and 368 in 2013. 2014 was a great year for the Courtesy Citations with 412 issued as opposed to 76 in 2013, which was the year of its introduction in the City of Kankakee. Officers completed 2970 Foot Patrols within the city in 2014, compared to 2810 in 2013. Kankakee Police Officers completed 4552 Case Reports in 2014, as opposed to 4488 in 2013. Officers of the Kankakee Police Department seized 118 weapons in 2014.

SPECIALTY UNITS AND TASK FORCES

During the 2014 year the Kankakee Police Department had 6 officers assigned to the Kankakee Metropolitan Enforcement Group (KAMEG). Three of the six officers assigned received approximately 50% of their yearly salary back through reimbursement from the Illinois Criminal Justice Authority. This number is 2 officers down from previous years due to lack of replaceable man power, due to budget reductions. These 2 officers were placed into the Patrol Division to enhance the patrol

shifts as we met our overall number of personnel. KAMEG is a multi-jurisdictional drug enforcement unit comprised of officers from the Kankakee Police Department and the Illinois State Police. The unit consists of two divisions, the Covert Undercover unit and the Street Suppression Unit. The Covert Unit is the traditional model of a drug unit, making small narcotics purchases from street level dealers, and working their way up the structural ladder making larger and larger purchases in an attempt to reach the supplier at the top of the organization. The Street Suppression Unit deals mostly with street level / street corner dealers, and acts as an immediate response team to an area where intensive patrol and enforcement action is needed. Their goal is to curtail violent crime activity related to gangs, drugs and guns. KAMEG opened 252 cases in 2014, made 180 arrests, served 87 search warrants, and seized 29 weapons, seized 393.5 gr of Crack Cocaine, 552.4 gr of Powder Cocaine, 33.9 gr of Ecstasy, 303.4 gr of Heroin, 24,167.7 gr of processed Cannabis, 3112 growing plants, and 130.7 gr of prescription medication. They also seized \$86,909.00 in United States Currency, and \$12,275.00 worth of vehicles.

The Kankakee Police department is a partner member of Project Safe Neighborhoods, (PSN) which is a program sponsored by the United States Attorney's Office, Central District, Urbana Division. The Kankakee Police Department along with Agents from the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and explosives (ATF), Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), Internal Revenue Service (IRS), and United States Marshal Service (USMS), work in a coordinated effort to rid the streets and neighborhoods of illegal firearms, with a focus on Armed Career Criminals. The Kankakee Police Department assigns one full time officer to PSN while ATF assigns 2 Agents. Officers from Project Safe Neighborhoods are responsible for opening 71 cases, 19 arrests, 39

firearms seized, including 7 assault rifles and 6 sawed off shot guns, 12 ounces of Crack Cocaine. 21 cases were sent to the U.S. Attorney's office for prosecution.

The Kankakee Police Department also assigns one officer full time to the Tri-County Stolen Auto Task Force (TCAT). This unit is funded by Illinois Insurance Companies through the Illinois Criminal Justice Authority. Members include Kankakee, Will, and Grundy Counties, along with the Illinois State Police. The unit funds 75% of the officers' salary on an annual basis. Ptlmn. Zack Johnston has been assigned since May of 2014 and is responsible to investigate any vehicle related theft within the City. Ptlmn. Johnston works out of an office at the Kankakee County Sheriff's Office, where he works with 2 officers assigned by the County, and one officer from the Illinois State Police. TCAT opened 47 cases in 2014, made 20 arrests, recovered 34 vehicles, valued at \$342,350.00.

NUISANCE ABATEMENT TEAM

2014 was a was not a good year for the Nuisance Abatement Team as there was a reduction of one Community Service Officer, and the transfer of the other to Environmental Services Unit. While CSO Fritz Cephus, still takes out the prisoners it is rare that he gets 4 inmates for work. The average number of inmates is 2, and with less people we get less accomplished. One reason for the reduction of inmates is that Kankakee County has now started the exact same program as the City of Kankakee, and also for a period of time there were not enough non-violent prisoners serving county time in the jail to fill both units. CSO

Fritz Cephus has been hired full time as a result of George Whalum going on a non-job related disability. In 2013 inmates logged over 5,000 hours working, in 2014 they logged 1652 due to the reduced number provided. Their jobs include mowing grass on city owned property, leaf collection and disposal, snow removal, and general cleanup duties, as assigned by ESU. Community service workers are assigned to the City as a result of a court order to perform community service as part of their sentence. Community Service workers logged approximately 500 hours cleaning parks, public property, graffiti removal, and washing police vehicles. Sgt. John Raimondo performs duties for the police Department that are not normally assigned to officers. He provides services that are out of the ordinary and out of the view of the general public. Sgt. Raimondo is in charge of the maintenance of the fleet of 34 Police Department vehicles. Sgt. Raimondo serves as the Department “jack of all trades” and general “go to” guy.

Attached are the Traffic Survey Data Sheets for the last 3 years, and the Crime Index Reports since 1985 for your comparison.