



Village of River Forest

POLICE DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM

TO: Matt Walsh – Village Administrator

FROM: James O’Shea- Chief of Police

DATE: September 9, 2024

SUBJECT: August 2024 Monthly Report

Crime Statistics

The month of August 2024 indicated a 3% increase in Group A offenses in comparison to August 2023. There was a 5% decrease in Group A offenses year to date. This decrease can be attributed to fewer incidents of Theft. There was an 47% decrease in Group B offenses compared to August 2023. This decrease is due to fewer incidents of Criminal Trespass.

It had been noted in previous Monthly Reports for 2024 that there was a disparity in data collection and results due to changes in National Incident Based Reporting System (NIBRS) requirements. The data collection was refined and restructured using true NIBRS requirements. This will allow for use of more accurate information and comparisons. We will continue to report any anomalies in data or statistics in calendar year (2024).

	Aug 2024	Aug 2023	Diff. +/-	% +/-	YTD 2024	YTD 2023	Diff. +/-	% +/-
Group A*	36	35	1	3%	218	229	-11	-5%
Group B**	8	15	-7	-47%	69	63	6	10%
All Other	36	25	9	44%	264	271	-7	3%
Reports***	145	119	26	22%	942	955	-13	-1%
Events****	644	586	58	10%	8442	9436	-994	-10%

Town Center

The Police Department responded to seventy-seven (77) calls for service at the Town Center properties in August 2024; of those calls there were forty (40) reported crimes, which included thirteen (13) Retail Thefts and twelve (12) Panhandler/Criminal Trespass incidents. There was a 5% increase in calls for service in comparison to year-to-date 2023 statistics. In addition, there was a three hundred percent (300%) increase in Criminal Activity in comparison to year-to-date 2023 statistics. This increase can be attributed to an increase of Retail Theft calls.

Collaboration and Relationship Strengthening

- Hosted a Department Meeting on August 1, 2024.
- Attended a briefing with the United States Secret Service, Federal Bureau of Investigations, and Chicago Police Department and area Departments in preparation for the Democratic National Convention on August 2, 2024.
- Attended the Cook County Emergency Management and Regional Security briefing in preparation for the Democratic National Convention on August 5, 2024.
- Attended the Village Board of Trustees Meeting on August 12, 2024.
- Attended the IRMA Police Chief's Steering Committee on August 13, 2024.
- Collaborated with other Village Departments and created an Incident Action Plan for the Village of River Forest in response to the Democratic National Convention.
- Attended the Board of Fire and Police Commission new officer orientation on August 21, 2024.

School and Community Support

The following is a summary of the activity that occurred during August relating to Ordinance Enforcement and School Resource/Community Service:

JULY 2024	CSO BUS
VIOLATION TYPE	TICKETS
Time Limit	13
No Parking Anytime	22
Vehicle License	21
Fire Lane/Hydrant	3
Handicapped	1
Resident Only Zone	0
Permit Parking Only	5
Daily Parking Fee Zone	0
Expired Registration	13
Other Parking Offense	2
TOTAL	80

AUGUST 2024 ACTIVITY	CSO BUS
Bank/Metra	16 Assignments 2.5 Hrs.
Errands	3 Assignments 3 Hrs.
Local Ordinance Enforcement / Citations	0 Assignments 0 Citations
Parking Citations	80 Citations
Fingerprinting Assignments	2 Assignments. 35 Min.
Administrative Duties	2 Assignments 3 Hrs.
Animal Calls	15 Assignments 8.5 Hrs.
Vehicle Service	5 Assignments 9 Hrs.
Crossings	1 Assignment 45 Min.
Bond Hearing / Court	11 Assignments 16 Hrs.
Other Assignments	17 Assignments 11 Hrs.
Adjudication / Red Light Hearing	2 Assignments 6 Hrs.
Child Safety Seat Inspection/Install	1 Assignment 30 Min.
Other Calls for Service	22 Assignments 9 Hrs.

School Resource/Community Service Officer Activity Summary for August 2024

AUGUST 2024 ACTIVITY	
Written Reports	8
Foot Patrols / Premise Checks	53
I-Search, ICAC and Too Good For Drugs Activities	4
Calls for Service	20
Other Assignments	26 Assignments 51 Hrs.
Special Assignments	30 Assignments 92 Hrs.

School and Community-Support Activity Highlights for August 2024

Ofc. Drake completed the following:

- Completed July monthly report on 08/01/2024.
- Provided street coverage during department-wide meeting on 08/01/2024.
- Attended a joint inspection with RFFD and Code Enforcement on 08/01/2024.
- Completed Elderly Service follow up and supplemental report #24-00822 on 08/01/2024.
- Conducted check-in with juvenile resident on 08/01/2024.
- Completed River Forest Community Center report #24-00925 on 08/02/2024.
- Conducted Elderly Service follow up and supplemental report #24-00822 on 08/02/2024.
- Conducted Junior Citizen's Police Academy 08/05/2024 – 08/09/2024.
- Completed back-to-school schedule and submitted to department on 08/10/2024.
- Reassigned due to Democratic National Convention on 08/20/2024.
- Attended Lincoln Bike Safety Event meeting on 08/20/2024.
- Conducted Concordia Public Safety presentations on 08/21/2024, 08/22/2024 and 08/23/2024.
- Attended meeting with command and Village as an FOP representative on 08/21/2024.
- Attended and presented at the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners new officer orientation on 08/21/2024.
- Attended lockdown/school safety meeting with Willard Elementary principal on 08/22/2024.
- Conducted safety presentation for new Dominican University international students on 08/22/2024.
- Assisted patrol with calls for service on 08/23/2024.
- Attended ALICE Instructor training on 08/26/2024 and 08/27/2024.
- Attended Too Good For Drugs and lockdown/school safety meeting with Grace Lutheran principal on 08/28/2024.
- Assisted patrol and completed report #24-01064 on 08/28/2024.
- Completed follow-up with The Sheridan regarding security concerns on 08/28/2024.
- Scheduled ride along with new police officer candidate on 08/29/2024.
- Assisted patrol with calls for service on 08/29/2024.
- Conducted Willard Elementary lockdown drill and completed lockdown report on 08/29/2024.
- Attended I-Search meeting on 08/29/2024.
- Conducted St. Vincent Ferrer School lockdown drill and completed lockdown report on 08/30/2024.
- Conducted two (2) Too Good For Drugs Lessons at St. Luke School on 08/30/2024.
- Distributed D90 School Emergency Response Flip Charts to frontline squads on 08/30/2024.
- Conducted Lincoln Elementary lockdown drill and completed lockdown report on 08/30/2024.
- Completed and delivered bicycle registrations to residents throughout the month.
- Conducted business and school premise checks throughout the month.

UPCOMING School and Community Support Activities for September 2024

Ofc. Drake will:

- Meet with River Forest and Oak Park Townships Youth and Family Services regarding referrals on 09/03/2024.
- Conduct Lincoln Bicycle Safety Event on 09/04/2024 and 09/05/2024.
- Conduct Roosevelt Middle School lockdown drill on 09/05/2024.
- Complete Body Worn Camera training on 09/06/2024.
- Meet with parent and juvenile regarding River Forest Community Center report # 24-00925 on 09/06/2024.
- Attend D90 Reunification meeting on 09/11/2024.
- Attend Lemon-Aid Event on 09/11/2024.
- Conduct Early Childhood Education Center-Concordia lockdown drill on 09/12/2024.
- Attend Trinity safety meeting on 09/13/2024.
- Attend RFFD open house on 09/14/2024.
- Attend Brookfield Zoo First Responder event on 09/15/2024.
- Conduct St. Luke School lockdown drill on 09/19/2024.
- Attend Opioid Task Force meeting on 09/19/2024.
- Conduct National Child Safety Seat event on 09/21/2024.
- Conduct Mosaic Montessori lockdown drill on 09/24/2024.
- Conduct Cyber Safety for Parents presentation on 09/24/2024.
- Attend Connections in Prevention conference on 09/26/2024 and 09/27/2024.
- Conduct Too Good For Drugs lessons on 09/13/2024, 09/18/2024, 09/20/2024, 09/25/2024.
- Update Frontline Keyholder Portal throughout the month.
- Assist patrol and Investigations Unit as needed throughout the month.
- Conduct bike patrols throughout the month.
- Conduct school and business premise checks and foot patrols throughout the month

Sgt. Grill will:

- Continue to train the new Records Division personnel.
- Perform LEADS Agency Security Officer duties.
- Assist in launching the new Axon Body Worn Camera and Dash Camera systems.
- Assist with Adjudication hearings and manage caseload.
- Work on possible grant application opportunities.
- Plan special events and complete permit reviews and approvals.
- Manage movie and commercial film details, permits, and requests.
- Assist with Information Technology projects.
- Address subpoenas, FOIA requests and other records requests for various sources of police video used in police response and criminal investigations.
- Manage various grant activities and applications.
- Assist with Vehicle Maintenance and Equipment.
- Assist with Red Light Enforcement system.

CSO Bus will:

- Assist with Records Division functions.
- Assist with Child Safety Seat Installations
- Enforce any/all regulated parking zones.
- Monitor summer crossing guard performance and presence.
- Monitor parking issues near the River Forest Community Center.
- Monitor and enforce parking regulations in Daily Fee, Time Zone, Resident Only Zones, and Handicapped Parking Only Areas etc.
- Assist with Court records communications.
- Assist with Animal Control.
- Administer traffic control services during Fire and Police related events.
- Continue to utilize the Automated License Plate Reader to increase efficiency and effectiveness of parking enforcement efforts to gain better community compliance.



Chicago Police Department Helicopter Unit dropped by at the Junior Citizen Police Academy

Active Solicitor Permits		
Individual or Organization	Description	Expires
Anderson Corporation	Windows & Doors	04/25/2025
EcoShield Pest Solutions	Pest Control	06/27/2025
Power Home Remodeling	Roofing, Siding, Windows, and Doors	08/02/2025

Budget and Fiscal Monitoring

August 1 – August 31, 2024

August is the fourth month of Fiscal Year 2025. There was an 161% increase in overtime costs in comparison to August 2023. Officers were assigned extra overtime shifts in support of the Democratic National Convention from August 16-26, 2024. Overtime costs increased by 118% YTD comparing Fiscal Year 2025 to Fiscal Year 2024.

Revenue/Expenditure Summary

Category	Total # Paid FY25 08/31	Total # Paid FY24 Y-T-D	Expenditure/ Revenue FY25 08/31	FY25 Y-T-D Expenditure/Revenue
Parking/Compliance Citations	314	1368	\$15,863	\$64,533
Admin. Tows	25	104	\$12,500	\$52,000
Local Ordinance	6	10	\$1,350	\$1,600
Overtime	414.25hrs	1,131.5hrs	\$30,472	\$109,989

Community Policing/Crime Prevention Activities:

- Officers conducted additional patrols and premise checks in the business districts, parks, school play areas and the library.
- Officers conducted numerous traffic missions in locations that have been identified as priorities based on traffic crash data and citizen requests.
- Officers focused on positive community interactions, handed out numerous “Bike Helmets for Bonbon” coupons throughout the month, attended block parties and attended sporting events in the parks.
- Officers completed additional premise checks and high visibility patrols during the Democratic Convention.
- Officers monitored school drop-offs and pick-ups and conducted traffic calming and enforcement.

Directed Patrols/ Traffic Enforcement

The Midnight Shift focused enforcement on North Avenue and Madison Street. Dayshift was assigned traffic enforcement missions on Division Street, Washington Boulevard and Lake Street. The Afternoon Shift conducted enforcement missions on Madison Street, North Avenue and Lake Street/William Street. The traffic unit was assigned traffic enforcement missions on Madison Street.

The Midnight Shift made fifty (50) stops, issued thirty-three (33) citations and thirty-one (31) warnings were issued during their traffic missions. The shift made five (5) traffic arrests which were administratively towed during the enforcement traffic mission this month.

The Dayshift made seventy-six (76) stops thirty-eight (38) citations and forty-two (42) warnings issued. The shift recorded one (8) traffic-related arrest during enforcement missions this month. Six (6) vehicle was administratively towed.

The Afternoon shift made forty-two (42) stops with sixty-nine (69) citations and twelve (12) warnings issued during traffic enforcement missions. The shift made two (18) traffic arrests with two (12) administrative towed vehicles during their enforcement missions.

The Traffic unit made thirteen (13) stops with twenty (20) citations, two (2) traffic arrests, and two (2) vehicles were towed during their enforcement.

Notable Events and Arrests:

24-00720 Home Repair Fraud

On August 16, 1:57PM, River Forest tactical officers arranged a meeting with a wanted subject. The offender, 43 year old male from Chicago was taken into custody for Felony Home Repair Fraud. The offender was released from the station with a citation and notice.

24-00917 Possession of Fictitious Identification Card

On August 1, 10:27AM, a River Forest tactical officer was in the 500 block of William Street, when the officer observed a subject looking into windows of a home. The subject, 19 year old male from Venezuela, was stopped and was found in possession of numerous fictitious identification cards. The offender was arrested, charged and later released on citation and notice.

24-00938 Domestic Battery

On August 4, 2024, at 8:08PM, River Forest units were dispatched to 7200 Lake Street for the domestic battery in-progress. River Forest units located the offender, a 29 year old male Chicago resident, dragging the victim by her arm in the 7200 block of Lake Street. The offender refused to comply with officers and resisted arrest. The victim advised the offender identified as her boyfriend punched and choked her while waiting at the bus stop. The offender was transported to the station for processing. The victim sustained minor injuries and refused further medical treatment at the hospital. The offender was charged with misdemeanor domestic battery and transported to the Maybrook courthouse for a detention hearing.

24-00950 Retail Theft/Warrant

On August 7, 2024, 1:38AM, River Forest officers were dispatched to the 7/11 store for a call of a robbery. Upon arrival to the area, officers located a 35 year old male from Chicago who matched the given description and possessed merchandise stolen from the store. An investigation revealed no robbery occurred, but the male had committed a retail theft by removing merchandise from the store without providing payment. He was also found to be wanted by the Illinois Department of Corrections on a parole violation warrant. He was arrested, charged with felony Retail Theft and the warrant, processed and held for a detention hearing.

24-00959 Aggravated Driving While License Revoked

On August 9, 2024, at 3:44PM, a River Forest officer was conducting traffic enforcement on North Avenue and received a License Plate Reader hit for a vehicle with suspended registration. The River Forest officer located and conducted a traffic stop on the vehicle at North Avenue and Clinton Place. The driver, a 58 year old male Chicago resident, was determined to be driving with a revoked driver's license. The driver was arrested and transported to the station for processing. The driver was charged with aggravated driving while license revoked. The driver was given a felony court date and released on a Citation and Notice.

24-00958 Traffic Arrest/ Warrant

On August 09, 2024, 1:14PM, a River Forest officer stopped a vehicle on 7500 block of Division Street for Suspended Registration. It was determined the driver, a 29 year old male from Oak Park, had an active warrant out of Will County. He was arrested and processed at the station on the traffic violations and warrant. He was issued a Citation and Notice on the local charges and posted bail for Will County's warrant which superseded the current no-bail laws.

24-00962 Warrant Arrest/Stolen Vehicle

On August 10, 2024, 12:51AM, River Forest officers monitoring the village license plate reader system observed a stolen vehicle in the area of Harlem Avenue and Lake Street. The vehicle was stopped and the driver, a 25 year old male from Oak Park, was found to be wanted by DuPage County for failing to appear at court on a Reckless Driving charge. Chicago PD confirmed the vehicle was reported stolen; however, the vehicle owner did not cooperate with the investigation. The male was arrested for the warrant, processed, and later released on a Citation and Notice. The vehicle was towed as a recovered stolen auto.

24-00974 Traffic Arrest

On August 13, 2024, 8:47AM a River Forest officer stopped a vehicle on the 7700 block of Lake Street for Suspended Registration. It was determined the driver, a 61 year old male from Maywood, had a suspended driver's license. He was arrested and issued citations. He was released on a Citation and Notice with a court date at Maybrook Courthouse.

**24-00977 Unlawful Use of a Weapon by a Felon, Possession of a Controlled Substance,
Manufacturing and Deliver of Cannabis, Unlawful Use of Weapon**

On August 13, 12:50PM, a River Forest traffic officer was conducting traffic enforcement on the 8200 block of Lake Street, when the officer observed a black Jeep Grand Cherokee with unlawfully tinted windows traveling eastbound on Lake Street. The officer initiated a traffic stop on the vehicle and observed the strong smell of burnt cannabis emitting from the vehicle, as well as furtive movements going on inside of the vehicle upon his approach. The officer conducted a search and located two handguns (one being reported stolen), a bottle promethazine hydrochloride and 23 grams of suspected cannabis. The occupants, 22 year old female from Freeport, the 22 year old male from Freeport and the 20 year old man from Rockford were arrested. All three received numerous charges to include Aggravated Unlawful Use of a Weapon, Unlawful Use of a Weapon, Possession of a Controlled Substance, and Manufacturing and Deliver of Cannabis. Two of the offenders were released on Citation and Notice and the third was transported to the Maybrook courthouse for a detention hearing.

24-00979 Retail Theft

On August 13, 2024, at 4:50PM, River Forest units were dispatched to the Ulta Beauty located at 7231 Lake Street for the retail theft in progress. Dispatch informed responding units the ten offenders stole multiple fragrances and fled eastbound into Oak Park. River Forest units located multiple subjects matching the offenders' description standing at the bus stop located at Harlem Avenue and Augusta Street. River Forest units were able to detain four subjects that were positively identified as a couple of the offenders in the retail theft. River Forest units also recovered stolen merchandise valued at one-thousand five-hundred and thirty-one dollars. The four offenders were transported to the station for processing. At the station, three of the offenders were determined to be juveniles. The juveniles were charged with retail theft, petitioned to a juvenile court, and released to guardians. The adult offender, an 18 year old male Chicago resident, was charged with felony retail theft. The adult offender was given a felony court date and released on a Citation and Notice.

24-00987

Aggravated Driving While License Revoked

On August 15, 2024, 12:27AM, a River Forest officer on patrol near Lathrop Avenue and Lake Street observed a vehicle driving with a suspended registration. The vehicle was stopped and the driver, a 46 year old male from Maywood, was found to be driving despite never having been issued a driver's license and had a driving record with 4 different revocations and suspensions for DUI. He also could not provide proof of insurance for the vehicle. He was arrested for Aggravated Driving While License Revoked, processed, and later released on a Citation and Notice. The vehicle was towed with an administrative hold placed on the vehicle.

24-01001

Traffic Arrest

On August 17, 2024, 12:43PM, a River Forest officer stopped a vehicle on the 400 block of Lathrop Avenue for a traffic violation. It was determined that the driver, a 49 year old female from Chicago, had a suspended driver's license. She was arrested and issued citations. The vehicle was towed, and she was released on a Citation and Notice with a court date at Maybrook Courthouse.

24-01004

Driving while Under the Influence of Alcohol & Unlawful Use of Weapon

On August 17, 2024, at 11:06PM, River Forest units were dispatched to the 1400 block of Willam Street for the suspicious auto circling the block. River Forest units located the vehicle parked partially on the parkway in the 1400 block of William Street. River Forest units approached the vehicle and the driver, a 28 year old male Melrose Park resident, was unconscious with his foot on the brake and vehicle transmission in the drive position. The officers were able to place the vehicle in park and turn off the ignition. The officers observed the driver had an empty gun holster on his hip and requested the driver to exit the vehicle. The officer conducted a protective pat down and located a loaded handgun in the driver's waist band. The officers determined the driver did not have a FOID or CCL and could not legally possess the firearm. The intoxicated driver was arrested and transported to the station for processing. The driver was charged with misdemeanor driving under the influence of alcohol and aggravated unlawful use of weapon and transported to the Maybrook courthouse for a detention hearing.

24-01008

Domestic Battery, Driving Under the Influence

On August 18, 2024, 11:23PM, River Forest officers were dispatched to the 1500 block of Ashland Avenue for a call of a person who was pushed out of a moving vehicle by the driver. The vehicle was located and the driver, a 28 year old male from Cicero, exhibited signs of alcohol impairment. Evidence also supported that he pushed a passenger out of his moving vehicle, causing injuries. He was arrested for Domestic Battery and Driving Under the Influence, processed, and held for a detention hearing. The vehicle was towed with an administrative hold placed on the vehicle.

24-01039

Retail Theft

On August 23, 2024, at 5:26PM, River Forest units were dispatched to Jewel located at 7525 Lake Street for the retail theft in-progress. A subject, a 39 year old male Chicago resident, matching the description of the offender was located at Jackson Avenue and Quick Street. The subject was positively identified as the offender in the retail theft. The stolen merchandise was recovered from the offender and the stolen merchandise was returned to Jewel. The offender was transported to the station for processing and charged with misdemeanor retail theft. The offender was given a misdemeanor court date and released on a Citation and Notice.

24-01043 Driving Under the Influence

On August 24, 2024, 3:43AM, a River Forest officer conducting traffic enforcement near Lathrop Avenue and North Avenue observed a vehicle driving 62mph. The vehicle was stopped and the driver, a 22 year old male from Chicago, admitting to consuming alcohol, exhibited signs of alcohol impairment, failed Standardized Field Sobriety Tests, and was arrested for Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol. At the station, he provided a sample revealing a Blood Alcohol Content of 0.165. He was processed and later released on a Citation and Notice. The vehicle was towed with an administrative hold placed on the vehicle.

24-01045 Retail Theft

On August 24, 2024, at 1:14PM, River Forest units were dispatched to Ulta Beauty located at 7231 Lake Street for the retail theft in-progress. A River Forest officer located two subjects matching the description at 1 South Harlem Avenue. The subjects, 21 and 33 year old male Chicago residents, were positively identified as the offenders in the retail theft. The stolen merchandise was recovered from the offenders and the stolen merchandise was returned to Ulta Beauty. The offenders were transported to the station for processing and charged with misdemeanor retail theft. The offenders were given misdemeanor court dates and released on a Citation and Notice.

24-01056 Retail Theft

On August 26, 2024, at 6:05PM, River Forest units were dispatched to the Ulta Beauty located at 7231 Lake Street for the retail theft in progress. Dispatch informed responding units the seven offenders stole multiple fragrances and fled southbound on Harlem Avenue. River Forest units located multiple subjects matching the offenders' description on Circle Avenue in Forest Park. River Forest units were able to detain two subjects that were positively identified as a couple of the offenders in the retail theft. River Forest units also recovered stolen merchandise valued at one-thousand six-hundred and forty dollars. The two offenders were transported to the police department for processing. At the station, it was determined the offenders were juveniles. The juveniles were charged with retail theft, petitioned to a juvenile court, and released to guardians.

24-01073 Possession of a Stolen Motor Vehicle

On August 30, 6:19PM, a River Forest traffic officer was in the area of the intersection of Division Street and Lathrop Avenue, when he noticed a grey Dodge sedan traveling eastbound on Division Street, bearing a fictitious registration plate. The officer initiated a traffic stop on the Dodge sedan on the 900 block of Monroe Avenue. The driver, identified as a 43 year old male from Chicago, was determined to have a revoked driver's license. During an inventory search of the vehicle pursuant to an administrative tow, the officer noticed abnormalities with the VIN of the vehicle. It was later determined that the displayed VIN was fictitious, and a records check of the real VIN revealed that the vehicle was reported stolen from Kenosha, Wisconsin. The offender was interviewed and charged with possession of a stolen motor vehicle and driving on a revoked driver's license. The offender was released from the station on a citation and notice.

24-01075 Aggravated Driving While License Revoked

On August 31, 2024, 12:50AM, a River Forest officer on patrol near North Avenue and Harlem Avenue observed a vehicle driving on North Avenue with a suspended registration plate. The vehicle was stopped and the driver, a 67 year old male from Chicago, was found to be driving on a revoked license, revoked for DUI and with an additional suspension for a mandatory insurance violation. He also could not provide proof

of insurance for the vehicle. He was processed and later released on a Citation and Notice. The vehicle was towed with an administrative hold placed on the vehicle.

The following chart summarizes and compares the measured activity for all three patrol watches during the month of August 2024:

	Midnights 2230-0630	Day Watch 0630-1430	Third Watch 1430-2230	Traffic & Tactical Unit
Criminal Arrests	4	3	11	10
Warrant Arrests	3	1	1	0
D.U.I Arrests	1	1	1	0
Misdemeanor Traffic Arrests	9	10	24	6
Hazardous Moving Violations	80	78	105	39
Compliance Citations	27	28	12	11
Parking Citations	320	41	0	0
Traffic Stop Data Sheets	156	109	72	46
Quasi-Criminal Arrests/ L.O	0	1	0	3
Field Interviews	11	14	9	8
Premise Checks/Foot Patrols	590	277	274	135
Written Reports	42	66	75	22
Administrative Tows	8	7	11	6
Booted vehicles	0	0	0	0
Sick Time used (in days)	0	1	1	0

Detective Division

Detective Sergeant Labriola worked eighteen (18) days performing detective duties.

Detective Zermeno worked seventeen (17) days performing detective duties.

Detective Sergeant Labriola attended a two-day ALICE instructor certification course.

Detective Zermeno attended a two-day Close Quarter Handgun Skills course.

Detective Zermeno attended a one-day Undercover Social Media course.

During the month of August, the Detective Unit completed numerous online mandated continuous educational courses.

During the month of August, the Detective Unit opened up/reviewed ten (10) cases for potential follow-up. Of those cases, two (2) were cleared by an arrest, two (2) were exceptionally cleared, one (1) was administratively closed, and five (5) are still active. The Unit also continued to investigate open cases from previous months, as well as assisted the Patrol Division in cases reported in the month of August.

Year to Date Arrest Statistics

Quantity Arrested	# Felony Charges	# Misdemeanor Charges	# Warrants
35	18	16	11

August 2024 Case Assignment Summary

Group A	# Cases	Cleared by Arrest	Adm Closed	Screen Out	Susp	Except	Pend	Refer	Unfound
Agg. Vehicular Hijacking	1						1		
Burglary	3	1	1				1		
Group A Total	4	1	1	0	0	0	2	0	0
Group B	# Cases	Cleared by Arrest	Adm Closed	Screen Out	Susp	Except Clear	Pend	Refer	Unfound
Hit and Run	1					1			
Fleeing and Eluding	4					1	3		
Warrant	1	1							
Group B Total	6	1	0	0	0	2	3	0	0
TOTALS	10	2	1	0	0	2	5	0	0

August 2024 Juvenile Arrests

Offenses	Adjusted	Cited	Petitioned	Referred
Retail Theft			5	
No Valid Driver's License		1		
Petit Larceny		2		
Total (8)	0	3	5	0

New Investigations

24-00940 Burglary

On August 5, 2024, at 7:26AM, a River Forest Officer responded to the 8100 block of Lake St. for a Burglary report. The victim related that his bicycle was taken from his garage without his permission sometime overnight. The victim related that he located his bicycle on Facebook Marketplace and purchased the bicycle back from the offender. Investigators determined the identity of the offender, and he was positively identified in a photo lineup. The offender is still being sought, and this case is still active.

24-00973 Fleeing and Eluding

On August 13, 2024, at 8:07AM, a River Forest Officer attempted to stop a vehicle in the 7400 block of Division for multiple Illinois Vehicle Code violations. The driver fled from the officer, but the officer obtained the vehicle registration. On August 15, 2024, officers received an automated license plate reader notification for the offending vehicle which was stopped in the 7300 block of Lake St. The vehicle was towed with an administrative hold, and the case was exceptionally cleared.

24-00981 Fleeing and Eluding

On August 14, 2024, at 2:50AM, a River Forest Officer attempted to stop a motor vehicle for speeding in the 900 block of Harlem Ave. The vehicle fled from the stop, but the officer obtained the registration. Investigators will attempt to locate the vehicle and have it towed with an administrative hold. This case is still active.

24-01006 Hit & Run

On August 18, 2024, at 12:09PM, a River Forest Officer responded to the Whole Food parking lot located at 7245 Lake St. in reference to a hit and run report. The victim obtained the registration for the offending vehicle and contact was made with the driver who provided insurance information. This case was exceptionally cleared.

24-01009 Aggravated Vehicular Hijacking

On August 19, 2024, at 7:04AM, a resident in the 300 block of Thatcher was approached in her driveway by multiple masked men, one in possession of a firearm. The armed subject demanded the victim's car keys, and the offender along with two other individuals fled in the victim's vehicle. One of the offenders dropped his cellular telephone in front of the victim's residence. The victim's vehicle was recovered a short time later in the 3900 block of Arthington in Chicago and video of the offenders was recovered. The offending vehicle the offenders arrived in was recovered in Olympia Fields on August 21, 2024. Investigators obtained a search warrant for the cellular telephone which was unlocked by the DuPage County Sheriff's Department, and investigators identified four of the five offenders who were involved. This case is still active.

24-01017 Warrant Arrest

On August 20, 2024, River Forest investigators were notified of a male subject going into the backyard of a residence in the 1300 block of Park and climbing the fence into another resident's backyard. The male subject, a 36-year-old from Itasca was located and had an original arrest warrant from Villa Park. The male subject was turned over to Villa Park after being detained by investigators.

24-01024 Burglary to Motor Vehicle

On August 21, 2024, at 4:32PM, River Forest Officers responded to the 300 block of Ashland in reference to a construction vehicle that had been broken into, and the offender(s) removed various power tools from within. Investigators reviewed Village of River Forest Street cameras but were unsuccessful in identifying an offending vehicle. A check of the tools through LeadsOnline was negative. This case was administratively closed.

24-01028 Burglary to Motor Vehicle

On August 21, 2024, at 8:39PM, a River Forest Officer received a report of a Burglary to Motor Vehicle that occurred at approximately 2:23PM earlier that day in the 7300 block of Garden. The victim reported that his watch had been taken from his motor vehicle and investigators located the offender on the Village Street cameras. The offender is known to investigators, and she was placed into custody on September 1, 2024, and charged with Burglary. This case is cleared by an arrest.

24-01033 Fleeing and Eluding

On August 22, 2024 at 7:17PM, a River Forest Officer stopped a vehicle near Harlem and LeMoyné for Illinois Vehicle Code violations. The driver identified herself with what is believed to be a fictitious name. The officer asked her to exit the vehicle, and she fled the stop in the vehicle. Investigators identified the driver and will seek both her and the vehicle. This case is still active.

24-01047 Fleeing and Eluding

On August 25, 2024, at 1:36AM, a River Forest Officer attempted to stop a vehicle that was speeding in the 7600 block of Lake St. The vehicle fled from the officer, but the officer obtained the registration. Investigators will seek to administratively tow the vehicle.

Old Investigations

24-00720 Information for Police

On June 17, 2024, at 2:41PM a River Forest resident in the 000 block of Franklin reported that she paid a contractor approximately \$70,000 to do work at her residence and another residential property she owns. As of now, there has only been approximately \$7,500 worth of work that has been completed. This report is pending the determination of whether the contractor will complete the work or return the remainder of the money. On August 16, 2024, the offender, a 43-year-old male from Chicago was taken into custody in Berwyn and charged with Aggravated Home Repair Fraud.

24-00467 Burglary

On April 23, 2024, at 7:25AM, a River Forest Officer responded to the 500 block of Monroe for a Burglary to Garage report. Investigators used the Village Street cameras, license plate readers, private video surveillance and facial recognition software to identify an offender. Investigators obtained a warrant for the subject, and he was placed into custody on August 27, 2024, and charged with Burglary.

Training

During the month of August 2024, twenty-one (19) officers/civilian employees attended different training classes for a total of one-hundred and eighty-eight (188) hours of training. The Department members, courses, and total number of hours included in the courses are detailed below.

Officer	Course	Start	End	Hours
Barcenas	Hate Crimes	8/1/2024	8/31/2024	1
Barcenas	PLI August 2024 Monthly Update	8/1/2024	8/31/2024	1
Casarez	Hate Crimes	8/1/2024	8/31/2024	1
Casarez	PLI August 2024 Monthly Update	8/1/2024	8/31/2024	1
Casey	2024 CIT International Conference	8/25/2024	8/28/2024	34
Cassidy	Hate Crimes	8/1/2024	8/31/2024	1
Cassidy	PLI August 2024 Monthly Update	8/1/2024	8/31/2024	1
Catalano	Hate Crimes	8/1/2024	8/31/2024	1
Catalano	PLI August 2024 Monthly Update	8/1/2024	8/31/2024	1
Coleman	Hate Crimes	8/1/2024	8/31/2024	1
Coleman	PLI August 2024 Monthly Update	8/1/2024	8/31/2024	1
Cortes	Hate Crimes	8/1/2024	8/31/2024	1
Cortes	PLI August 2024 Monthly Update	8/1/2024	8/31/2024	1
Dosen	Hate Crimes	8/1/2024	8/31/2024	1
Dosen	PLI August 2024 Monthly Update	8/1/2024	8/31/2024	1
Drake	ALICE Instructor	8/26/2024	8/27/2024	18

Officer	Course	Start	End	Hours
Fries	Hate Crimes	8/1/2024	8/31/2024	1
Fries	PLI August 2024 Monthly Update	8/1/2024	8/31/2024	1
Gonzalez	Hate Crimes	8/1/2024	8/31/2024	1
Gonzalez	PLI August 2024 Monthly Update	8/1/2024	8/31/2024	1
Humphreys	Hate Crimes	8/1/2024	8/31/2024	1
Humphreys	PLI August 2024 Monthly Update	8/1/2024	8/31/2024	1
Humphreys	2024 CIT International Conference	8/25/2024	8/28/2024	34
Labriola	ALICE Instructor	8/26/2024	8/27/2024	18
Labriola	Hate Crimes	8/1/2024	8/31/2024	1
Labriola	PLI August 2024 Monthly Update	8/1/2024	8/31/2024	1
Landini	Hate Crimes	8/1/2024	8/31/2024	1
Landini	PLI August 2024 Monthly Update	8/1/2024	8/31/2024	1
Mika	Hate Crimes	8/1/2024	8/31/2024	1
Mika	Bloodstain Evidence Workshop	8/2/2024	8/2/2024	8
Mika	PLI August 2024 Monthly Update	8/1/2024	8/31/2024	1
Murillo	Hate Crimes	8/1/2024	8/31/2024	1
Murillo	PLI August 2024 Monthly Update	8/1/2024	8/31/2024	1
Niemann	Hate Crimes	8/1/2024	8/31/2024	1
Niemann	PLI August 2024 Monthly Update	8/1/2024	8/31/2024	1
Niemann	AR-15 Armorer course	8/8/2024	8/9/2024	18
Tagle	Hate Crimes	8/1/2024	8/31/2024	1
Tagle	PLI August 2024 Monthly Update	8/1/2024	8/31/2024	1
Zermeno	Hate Crimes	8/1/2024	8/31/2024	1
Zermeno	Close Quarter Handgun Skills-1	8/6/2024	8/7/2024	16
Zermeno	PLI August 2024 Monthly Update	8/1/2024	8/31/2024	1
Zermeno	Undercover Social Media Invest.	8/9/2024	8/9/2024	8
Total				188