



Village of River Forest

POLICE DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM

TO: Matt Walsh – Village Administrator

FROM: James O’Shea- Chief of Police

DATE: April 7, 2025

SUBJECT: March 2025 Monthly Report

Crime Statistics

The month of March 2025 indicated a 4% decrease in Group A offenses in comparison to March 2024. There was a 5% increase in Group A offenses year to date. This decrease can be attributed to less incidents of Fraud. There was a 50% increase in Group B offenses compared to March 2024. This increase is due to more Criminal Trespass arrests.

	Mar 2025	Mar 2024	Diff. +/-	% +/-	YTD 2025	YTD 2024	Diff. +/-	% +/-
Group A	22	23	-1	-4%	58	55	3	5%
Group B	18	12	6	50%	29	29	0	0
All Other	41	32	9	28%	72	108	-36	-33%
Reports	118	106	12	11%	326	320	6	2%
Events	936	966	-30	-3%	2666	3065	-399	-13%

Town Center

The Police Department responded to sixty-four (64) calls for service at the Town Center properties in March 2025; of those calls there were forty-two (42) reported crimes, which included eighteen (18) Retail Thefts and eighteen (18) Panhandlers/Removals. There was a thirty-six percent (36%) increase in calls for service in comparison to March 2024 statistics. In addition, there was a fifty percent (50%) increase in Criminal Activity in comparison to March 2024 statistics. This increase can be attributed to an increase in Retail Theft and Panhandler/Removal Calls.

Collaboration and Relationship Strengthening

- Attended the 100 Club Frontline Convention in Oak Brook on March 3-4, 2025.
- Attended the West Suburban Chiefs of Police meeting on March 5, 2025.
- Attended the Village Board of Trustees meeting on March 10, 2025.
- Attended a webinar by Lexipol named "Why Law Enforcement Hires Go Bad: Field Training and Probation", on March 18, 2025.
- Attended the Village Board of Trustees meeting on March 24, 2025.
- Attended the Illinois Law Enforcement Alarm System conference on March 30-April 1, 2025.

School and Community Support

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

Parking Enforcement Summary

MARCH 2025	CSO BUS
VIOLATION TYPE	TICKETS
Time Limit	13
No Parking Anytime	2
Vehicle License	5
Fire Lane/Hydrant	7
Handicapped	0
Resident Only Zone	1
Permit Parking Only	4
Daily Parking Fee Zone	4
Expired Registration	0
Other Parking Offense	1
TOTAL	37

CSO Activity Summary

MARCH 2025 ACTIVITY	CSO BUS
Bank/Metra	15 Assignments 2.5 Hrs.
Errands	4 Assignments 3.75 Hrs.
Local Ordinance Enforcement / Citations	0 Assignments 0 Citations
Parking Citations	37 Citations

Fingerprinting Assignments	0 Assignments 0 Min.
Administrative Duties	11 Assignments 15.5 Hrs.
Animal Calls	3 Assignments 2 Hrs.
Vehicle Service	10 Assignments 6 Hrs.
Crossings	0 Assignments 0 Hrs.
Bond Hearing / Court	11 Assignments 13 Hrs.
Other Assignments	17 Assignments 22 Hrs.
Adjudication / Red Light Hearing	1 Assignment 3 Hrs.
Child Safety Seat Inspection/Install	0 Assignments 0 Min.
Other Calls for Service	23 Assignments 9 Hrs.

School Resource/Community Service Officer Activity Summary for March 2025

Written Reports	8
Foot Patrols / Premise Checks	28
River Forest Community Safety and Too Good For Drugs Activities	15
Calls for Service	4
Other Assignments	30 Assignments
Special Assignments	80 Hrs.

School and Community-Support Activity Highlights for March 2025

Ofc. Drake completed the following:

- Completed school follow up and supplemental report #25-00128 on 03/03/2025.
- Attended monthly Village Adjudication hearing on 03/03/2025.
- Completed juvenile follow up and supplemental report #25-00243 on 03/03/2025.
- Completed school incident report #25-00250 on 03/03/2025.
- Met with OPRF student intern on 03/04/2025.
- Completed Elderly Service advice call on 03/04/2025.
- Conducted ALICE training at Grace Lutheran School on 03/05/2025.
- Presented during Roosevelt Online Speaker Panel on 03/06/2025.
- Conducted two (2) Too Good For Drugs lessons at St. Luke on 03/07/2025.
- Completed juvenile follow up and supplemental report #25-00270 on 03/10/2025.

- Completed juvenile report #25-00280 on 03/12/2025.
- Conducted one (1) Too Good For Drugs lesson at Grace Lutheran on 03/12/2025.
- Attended Youth Network Council virtual meeting on 03/13/2025.
- Conducted one (1) Too Good For Drugs lesson at St. Vincent Ferrer on 03/13/2025.
- Conducted Brownie Troop station tour on 03/14/2025.
- Took school advice call on 03/17/2025.
- Conducted Cub Scout Bike Safety presentation at Grace Lutheran on 03/19/2025.
- Conducted one (1) Too Good For Drugs lesson at St. Vincent Ferrer on 03/20/2025.
- Completed school follow up and supplemental report #25-00316 on 03/20/2025.
- Conducted two (2) Too Good For Drugs lessons/Graduations at St. Luke on 03/21/2025.
- Attended Opioid Task Force virtual meeting on 03/21/2025.
- Completed juvenile follow up and supplemental report #25-00307 on 03/24/2025.
- Attended event planning meeting with Roosevelt staff member on 03/25/2025.
- Completed incident report #25-00353 on 03/26/2025.
- Attended Coffee with a Cop at The Sheridan on 03/27/2025.
- Attended Rapid Deployment In-Service training at St. Luke on 03/28/2025.
- Completed supplemental report #25-00353 on 03/28/2025.
- Completed juvenile follow up and supplemental report #25-00126 on 03/28/2025.
- Completed Emergency ID Bracelet order on 03/28/2025.
- Conducted River Forest Community Safety presentations on 03/05/2025 and 03/18/2025.
- Completed bicycle registrations throughout the month.
- Conducted business and school premise checks throughout the month.
- Assisted with records/administrative tasks throughout the month.
- Assisted investigations unit throughout the month.

UPCOMING School and Community Support Activities for April 2025

Ofc. Drake will:

- Meet with OPRF student intern on 04/01/2025 and 04/08/2025.
- Attend Triton College Career Fair as a police department representative on 04/02/2025.
- Attend Village Adjudication Hearing on 04/07/2025.
- Attend Illinois Prevention Network monthly virtual meeting on 04/08/2025.
- Attend Youth Network Council meeting on 04/10/2025.
- Attend River Forest Community Bike Exchange on 04/12/2025.
- Provide Willard Police Ride to School on 04/15/2025.
- Attend M-Team virtual meeting on 04/16/2025.
- Attend Opioid Task Force virtual meeting on 04/18/2025.
- Attend Willard Earth Day Bike to School event on 04/21/2025.
- Attend Opioid Task Force virtual meeting on 04/21/2025.
- Conduct River Forest Community Safety presentations on 04/15/2025, 04/22/2025, 04/23/2025, 04/29/2025, and 04/30/2025.
- Conduct Too Good For Drugs lessons on 04/09/2025, 04/10/2025, 04/16/2025, 04/17/2025, and 04/24/2025.
- Update Frontline Keyholder Portal throughout the month.
- Assist investigations unit, patrol, and records division as needed throughout the month.
- Conduct school and business premise checks and foot patrols throughout the month.

Sgt. Grill will:

- 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.
- Manage LPR system
- Manage Street Camera System
- Finish CIP project for Street Camera Optimization.
- Assist with Red Light Enforcement system.
- Continue to support CSO Bus, SRO Drake, and the Records function.

CSO Bus will:

- Monitor parking issues near the various schools.
- Assist with Child Safety Seat Installations
- Enforce any/all new regulated parking zones.
- Monitor 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.
- Parking Enforcement areas of focus: 000 Lathrop hourly parking, East/West Thatcher parking lots and commuter parking.



Officer Megan Drake working on bike safety with a local Cub Scout Troop.



Sgt. Marty Grill finishing a ride along with OPRF Police Intern.

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

Budget and Fiscal Monitoring

March 1 – March 31, 2025

March is the eleventh month of Fiscal Year 2025. There was a 71% increase in overtime costs in comparison to March 2024. Overtime costs increased by 85% YTD compared to Fiscal Year 2025 to Fiscal Year 2024.

Revenue/Expenditure Summary

Category	Total # Paid FY25 03/31	Total # Paid FY25 Y-T-D	Expenditure/ Revenue FY25 03/31	FY25 Y-T-D Expenditure/Revenue
Parking/Compliance Citations	102	1909	\$11,114	\$152,088
Admin. Tows	23	227	\$11,500	\$116,500
Local Ordinance	1	16	\$43	\$3,008
Overtime	360.5hrs	3,912.25hrs	\$25,982	\$313,256

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 monitored school drop-offs and pickups, conducted traffic calming and enforcement.
- Officers assisted with the Forest Park St. Patrick’s Day Parade on 03/01/2025.

Directed Patrols/ Traffic Enforcement

The Midnight Shift focused enforcement on Harlem Avenue. Dayshift was assigned to traffic enforcement missions on Augusta Street, North Avenue, Division Street and Madison Street. The Afternoon Shift conducted enforcement missions in the area of Chicago Avenue, Division Street, Harlem and Madison Street.

The Midnight Shift made twenty-three (23) stops, issued twenty-six (26) citations and ten (10) warnings were issued during their traffic missions. The shift made three (3) traffic arrests, and three (3) vehicles were administratively towed during the enforcement traffic mission this month.

The Dayshift made thirty-four (34) stops, forty-three (43) citations and eleven (11) warnings issued. The shift recorded six (6) traffic-related arrests during enforcement missions this month. Five (5) vehicles were administratively towed.

The Afternoon shift made sixty-four (64) stops with sixty (60) citations and twenty-one (21) warnings issued during traffic enforcement missions. The shift recorded eight (8) traffic-related arrests, and four (4) vehicles were administratively towed.

Notable Events and Arrests:

25-00248 Driving Under the Influence

On March 2, 2025, 5:49AM, River Forest officers were dispatched to the area of North Avenue and Park Avenue for a vehicle accident. Upon arrival, officers determined the at-fault driver, a 49 year old female from Chicago, exhibited signs of alcohol impairment, admitted to consuming alcohol, failed field sobriety tests, and was arrested for Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol. At the station, she provided a sample revealing a Blood Alcohol Content of 0.219. She was processed and later released on a Citation and Notice. The vehicle was towed with an administrative hold placed on the vehicle.

25-00251 Traffic Arrest

On March 3, 2025, 10:55AM, a River Forest unit stopped a motorist near the intersection of Augusta Street and Park Avenue for a traffic violation. The motorist, a 44 year old male from Chicago, was arrested for No Valid Driver's License. He was cited and released on a Citation and Notice on scene with a court date at Maybrook.

25-00252 Traffic Arrest

On March 3, 2025, 11:48AM, a River Forest unit stopped a motorist on the 1200 block of Jackson Avenue for expired plates and mandatory insurance violations. The motorist, a 31 year old female from Chicago, was arrested for driving on a suspended license. She was cited and released on a Citation and Notice on scene with a court date at Maybrook.

25-00254 Retail Theft/ Resisting / Criminal Trespass / Warrant X2

On March 4, 2025, 1:42PM, River Forest units responded to 7245 Lake Street (Whole Foods) for a retail theft and located the offender, a 52 year old female from Chicago, near the intersection of Harlem Avenue and Central Avenue. The offender resisted arrest but was taken into custody. The offender and proceeds were positively identified by the victim, and she was discovered to have two valid warrants out of DuPage County. The offender was transported to the station where she charged with retail theft, resisting, criminal trespass and the warrants. She was issued a Citation and Notice for local charges and later transported to Maybrook for the warrants.

25-00259 Disorderly Conduct & Obstructing a Peace Officer

On March 5, 2025, 5:01PM, River Forest units were dispatched to Oak Avenue and Clinton Place for the disturbance in-progress. The responding officers located a tow truck driver who advised that he towed a vehicle for improper parking in the private lot at 7200 Oak Avenue. The tow truck driver stated he drove to Lake Street and Clinton Place to secure the vehicle. The tow truck driver stated the offender ran down the street, entered the towed vehicle, and refused to exit the vehicle. Responding officers ordered the offender to exit the vehicle and the offender refused. The offender, a 49 year old male River Forest resident, obstructed and resisted arrested. The offender was transported to the station for processing and charged with disorderly conduct, obstructing a peace officer, and resisting a peace officer. The offender was given a misdemeanor court date and released on Citation and Notice.

25-00262 Warrant Arrest (x2)

On March 6, 2025, 4:33PM, River Forest Tactical Officers were patrolling in the area of the River Forest Town Center, 7200 Lake Street, when they observed a male subject who appeared to be nodding off in front of the Whole Foods. Officers then observed a female subject walk hastily out of the store with loose proceeds in her hand and left with the male subject. Believing that the female subject had committed a retail theft, the officers conducted an investigatory stop on the subjects and confirmed that a retail theft was committed. Officers also learned that both the female and female subjects had active arrest warrants for theft related offenses and domestic battery. The female, a 25-year-old Naperville resident, was arrested and charged with an active DuPage County warrant. The female was turned over to the DuPage County Jail. The male, a 27-year-old Elgin resident, was arrested and charged with two active warrants, one from DuPage, and one from the Bensenville Police Department. The male was turned over to the Bensenville Police Department.

25-00267 Aggravated Driving While License Revoked

On March 7, 2025, 4:40PM, a River Forest officer conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle with suspended registration in the 7400 block of Chicago Avenue. The driver, a 50 year old male Chicago resident, was determined to have a revoked driver's license. The driver was arrested for aggravated driving while license revoked, and the vehicle was towed with an administrative hold. The driver was transported to the station for processing and charged with aggravated driving while license revoked, suspended registration, and operating an uninsured motor vehicle. The driver was given a felony court date and released on a Citation and Notice.

25-00268 Retail Theft / Criminal Trespass

On March 8, 2025, 7:50AM, River Forest units responded to 7251 Lake Street (Walgreens) for a retail theft where the offender, a 50 year old male from Chicago, was detained Town Center security. Walgreen's employees stated the subject was a habitual offender who had been previously banned. He and the proceeds were positively identified by the witness/employee and the male was arrested, transported to the station and charged with retail theft and criminal trespass. He was released from the station on a Citation and Notice with a court date at Maybrook Courthouse.

25-00273 Driving While License Suspended

On March 10, 2025, 12:52AM, a River Forest officer conducting traffic enforcement near Madison Street and Franklin Avenue observed a vehicle driving on Madison Street with a suspended registration plate. The vehicle was stopped and the driver, a 20 year old male from Maywood, was found to be driving with a suspended license, suspended for mandatory insurance violations. He also could not provide proof of insurance for the vehicle. He was arrested for Driving While License Suspended, processed, and later released on a Citation and Notice. The vehicle was towed with an administrative hold placed on the vehicle.

25-00274 Traffic Arrest

On March 10, 2025, 1:10PM, a River Forest patrol unit received a notification from the Osprey LPR database for suspended registration. After confirming the hit, the officer stopped the vehicle on the 900 block of Thatcher Avenue. The motorist, a 38 year old female from Melrose Park, was subsequently arrested for no valid driver's license. She was cited and released from the scene with a court date at Maybrook.

25-00277 Driving with No Valid Driver's License

On March 12, 2025, 12:23AM, a River Forest officer on patrol near Harlem Avenue and Chicago Avenue observed a vehicle driving on Harlem Avenue with only one functioning headlight. The vehicle was stopped and the driver, a 25 year old female from Chicago, was found to be driving despite never having been issued a driver's license. She also could not provide proof of insurance for the vehicle. She was arrested for Driving with No Valid DL, processed, and later released on a Citation and Notice. The vehicle was towed with an administrative hold placed on the vehicle.

25-00281 Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol

On March 17, 2025, 10:22PM, River Forest units were dispatched to 7973 Lake Street for the unconscious driver parked in the lot. The caller indicated he woke up the driver, and the vehicle exited the parking lot to travel eastbound on Lake Street. A responding officer located the vehicle and conducted a traffic stop on the vehicle with suspended registration at Lake Street and Clinton Place. The driver, a 34 year old female Chicago resident, displayed signs of alcohol intoxication and failed field sobriety tests. The driver was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol and the vehicle was towed with an administrative hold. The driver was transported to the station for processing and charged with driving under the influence of alcohol. The driver was given multiple traffic citations, a misdemeanor court date, and released on a Citation and Notice.

25-00285 Criminal Trespass

On March 13, 2025, 11:47AM, River Forest units responded to 7251 Lake Street (Walgreens) for a banned subject. The offender, a 37 year old male from Oak Park, was confirmed to have been banned from Walgreens in December of 2024. The offender was stopped, cited for Criminal Trespass and released from the scene on a Citation and Notice with a court date at Maybrook.

24-00291 Driving Under the Influence

On March 14, 2025, 2:47AM, a River Forest officer on patrol near Lathrop Avenue and Greenfield Street observed a vehicle driving on the wrong side of Lathrop Avenue after having been stopped in the parkway grass. The vehicle was stopped and the driver, a 34 year old male from Chicago, exhibited signs of alcohol impairment, failed Standardized Field Sobriety Tests, and was arrested for Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol. He was found to be driving on a suspended license, suspended for failure to pay child support, and 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.

25-00293 Traffic Arrest

On March 14, 2025, 1:39PM, a River Forest patrol unit was investigating a motor vehicle crash when he discovered one of the drivers, a 31 year old female from Chicago, did not possess a driver's license. She was arrested for no valid driver's license, cited and released from the scene on a Citation and Notice with a court date at Maybrook.

25-00294 Traffic Arrest

On March 15, 2025, 10:00AM, a River Forest patrol was on mobile patrol conducting traffic enforcement in the area of Chicago Avenue and Monroe Street. A license plate inquiry revealed a vehicle's registration was suspended. The driver, a 34 year old female from Chicago, was subsequently arrested for driving on a suspended license. She was cited and released on a Citation and Notice with a court date at Maybrook Courthouse.

25-00297 Traffic Arrest

On March 16, 2025, 1:08PM, a River Forest patrol unit was on mobile patrol when she observed a vehicle in traffic with expired registration. A license plate inquiry showed the vehicle's registration was suspended and she stopped it near the intersection of Division Street and William Street. The driver, a 34 year old female from Chicago, was subsequently arrested for driving without a valid license. She was cited and released on a Citation and Notice with a court date at Maybrook Courthouse.

25-00301 Traffic Arrest

On March 17, 2025, 11:20AM, a River Forest patrol unit was conducting traffic enforcement when he stopped a motorist near the intersection of Madison Street and 1st Avenue for driving without a license plate. The motorist, a 32 year old male from Chicago, was subsequently arrested for driving without a valid driver's license. He was cited and released from the scene on a citation and notice with a court date at Maybrook.

25-00304 Battery, Retail Theft, Criminal Trespass, & Warrant

On March 17, 2025, 6:31PM, River Forest units were dispatched to Jewel located at 7525 Lake Street for the retail theft that just occurred. Dispatch advised the two offenders stole alcoholic beverages and pushed the employee to make their escape. Two suspects matching the description were located at 1 S. Harlem Avenue and were positively identified as the offenders. The offenders, a 38-year-old male Stone Park resident and a 45 year old female Stone Park resident, were arrested for retail theft and transported to the station for processing. The stolen merchandise valued at \$220.38 was recovered and returned to the Jewel. The male offender was charged with felony retail theft, battery, criminal trespass to real property, and an outstanding DuPage County warrant for possession of a controlled substance. The female offender was charged with felony retail theft and criminal trespass to real property. The male offender was given a felony court date and transported to the Maybrook courthouse for a detention hearing. The female offender was given a felony court date and released on a Citation and Notice.

25-00308 Traffic Arrest

On March 18, 2025, 9:18AM, a River Forest patrol was on mobile patrol conducting traffic enforcement. A license plate inquiry revealed a vehicle's registration was suspended and she stopped it near the intersection of Division Street and Monroe Avenue. The driver, a 59 year old male from Chicago, was subsequently arrested for driving on a suspended license. He was cited and released on a Citation and Notice with a court date at Maybrook Courthouse.

25-00313 Possession of Stolen Motor Vehicle

On March 19, 2025, 9:56AM, River Forest units received a notification from the Osprey LPR database for a stolen vehicle traveling through town. Officers located the vehicle at 7201 Lake Street in the Town Center and confirmed the motorist, a 29 year old female, had taken the vehicle without consent. The offender was transported to the station for further investigation and the victim ultimately decided against signing a complaint. The offender was released from custody without charges.

25-00322 Driving While License Suspended & Outside Agency Arrest Warrant

On March 20, 2025, 4:36PM, a River Forest officer conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle with suspended registration in the 7600 block of Division Street. The driver, a 42 year old female Chicago resident, was determined to have a suspended driver's license and an outstanding DuPage County warrant for driving while license suspended. The driver was arrested, and the vehicle was towed with an administrative hold. The driver was transported to the station for processing and charged with driving while license suspended, suspended registration, and operating an uninsured motor vehicle. The driver was given DuPage County and Cook County misdemeanor court dates and released on a Citation and Notice.

25-00324 Driving with No Valid Driver's License

On March 21, 2025, 5:36AM, a River Forest officer on patrol near Harlem Avenue and Augusta Street observed a vehicle driving 51mph on Harlem Avenue where the speed limit is 30mph, and with a suspended registration plate. The vehicle was stopped and the driver, a 40 year old male from Chicago, was found to be driving without a valid driver's license. He was arrested for Driving with No Valid DL, processed, and later released on a Citation and Notice. The vehicle was towed with an administrative hold placed on the vehicle.

25-00329 Retail Theft & Outside Agency Arrest Warrant

On March 21, 2025, 7:24PM, River Forest units were dispatched to the CVS located at 7929 North Ave for the retail theft that just occurred. Dispatch advised the offender stole a case of beer and fled the store. The responding officers were conducting a thorough investigation when the offender returned to the CVS. The offender, a 42 year old male Elmwood Park resident, was then observed exiting the store with another case of beer without making payment. The officer stopped the highly intoxicated offender and determined the offender desperately needed medical treatment. The offender was arrested for retail theft and transported to the hospital for treatment. The offender was determined to have an original arrest warrant from River Grove for aggravated battery to a police officer. The offender was issued a local ordinance citation for petit larceny and given an administrative hearing date. The offender was released, and River Grove Police took custody of the wanted offender.

25-00335 Traffic Arrest

On March 23, 2025, 1:48PM, a River Forest patrol unit received a notification from the Osprey LPR database for suspended registration. The officer confirmed the hit and stopped the vehicle near the intersection of North Avenue and Jackson Avenue. The driver, a 36 year old male from Chicago, had a TVDL that was invalidated by the lack of insurance. He was arrested, cited and released from the scene on a citation and notice with a court date at Maybrook.

25-00351 Traffic Arrest

On March 26, 2025, 7:18AM, a River Forest patrol unit received a notification from the Osprey LPR database for suspended registration. The officer confirmed the hit and stopped the vehicle on the 1500 block of Harlem Avenue. The driver, a 32 year old female from Chicago, was subsequently arrested for driving a suspended license. She was cited and released from the scene on a citation and notice with a court date at Maybrook.

25-00354 Traffic Arrest

On February 28, 2025, 12:15PM, a River Forest patrol unit received a notification from the Osprey LPR database for suspended registration. After confirming the hit, the officer stopped the vehicle near the intersection of Division Street and Jackson Avenue. The Driver, a 41 year old male from Chicago, was subsequently arrested for driving on a suspended license. He was cited and released from the scene on a citation and notice with a court date at Maybrook.

25-00355 Warrant Arrest

On March 26, 2025, 1:33PM, a River Forest Tactical Officer was patrolling in the area of the 7300 block of Lake Street, when he became aware of the Chicago Police Department Helicopter following a silver minivan that was traveling northbound on 1st Avenue from the I-290 Expressway. The Police Helicopter advised on ISPERN that the vehicle was driving recklessly on the I-290, and the registered owner of the vehicle had an original arrest warrant from the Niles Police Department. The Police Helicopter continued to advise of the vehicle's location, which eventually proceeded into River Forest via Lake Street. River Forest Officers proceeded to the 8200 block of Lake Street and attempted to stop the minivan. Officers eventually stopped the vehicle at 15 N 1st Avenue, in Maywood, at which point they ordered the driver out of the vehicle and placed him into custody. The offender, a 26-year-old Chicago man, was arrested and charged with an active warrant. The offender was turned over to the Niles Police Department for questioning.

25-00360 Aggravated Driving Under the Influence

On March 27, 2025, 1:15AM, a River Forest officer on patrol near Madison Street and Thatcher Avenue observed a vehicle driving on Madison Street with expired registration and stopping in a No Parking Zone. The vehicle was stopped and the driver, a 30 year old male from Forest Park, admitted to consuming alcohol, exhibited signs of alcohol impairment, failed Standardized Field Sobriety Tests, and was arrested for Aggravated Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol. He was found to be driving despite never having been issued a driver's license and could not provide proof of insurance for the vehicle. At the station, he provided a sample revealing a Blood Alcohol Content of 0.166. He was processed and later released on a Citation and Notice. The vehicle was towed with an administrative hold placed on the vehicle.

25-00362 Retail Theft

On March 27, 2025, 9:59AM, River Forest units responded to 7525 Lake Street (Jewel) for a remove the unwanted call after the offender, a 45 year old male from Chicago, was yelling, cursing, and causing a disturbance. The offender had been banned earlier that morning and officers ordered him to leave but he refused. Officers placed the offender in custody, during which time he resisted arrest. The offender was transported to the station where he was charged with Criminal Trespass, Resisting, Obstructing, and Disorderly Conduct. He was fingerprinted and released on a Citation and Notice with a court date at Maybrook.

25-00365 Driving While License Suspended

On March 28, 2025, 2:52AM, a River Forest officer on patrol near North Avenue and Harlem Avenue observed a vehicle driving on North Avenue without its taillights activated. The vehicle was stopped and the driver, a 24 year old female from Chicago, was found to be driving with a suspended license, suspended for providing false information to the Secretary of State to obtain a driver's license. She was arrested for Driving While License Suspended, processed, and later released on a Citation and Notice. The vehicle was towed with an administrative hold placed on the vehicle.

25-00375 Retail Theft, Criminal Trespass & Outside Agency Arrest Warrant

On March 31, 2025, 4:39PM, River Forest units were conducting a foot patrol at the Jewel located at 7525 Lake Street and an employee advised that a theft of alcohol just occurred. A suspect matching the description carrying the merchandise was located at Lake Street and Bonnie Brae Place. The suspect was positively identified as the offender. The offender, a 45 year old male Chicago resident, was arrested for retail theft and transported to the station for processing. The stolen merchandise valued at \$28.99 was recovered and returned

to the Jewel. The male offender was charged with retail theft, criminal trespass to real property, and an outstanding Cook County warrant for criminal trespass to real property. The offender was given a misdemeanor court date and transported to the Maybrook courthouse for a detention hearing.

	Midnights 2230-0630	Day Watch 0630-1430	Third Watch 1430-2230	Traffic & Tactical Unit
Criminal Arrests	1	5	5	0
Warrant Arrests	0	2	4	5
D.U.I Arrests	3	0	1	0
Misdemeanor Traffic Arrests	8	14	11	3
Hazardous Moving Violations	61	92	98	21
Compliance Citations	19	12	24	5
Parking Citations	198	83	0	0
Traffic Stop Data Sheets	97	101	116	58
Quasi-Criminal Arrests/ L.O	3	0	3	0
Field Interviews	1	6	8	6
Premise Checks/Foot Patrols	335	263	219	97
Written Reports	30	61	65	15
Administrative Tows	11	13	6	9
Booted vehicles	0	0	0	0
Sick Time used (in days)	6	2	4	0

Detective Division

Detective Sergeant Labriola worked fifteen (15) days performing detective duties in light duty capacity.

Detective Zermeno worked twenty-one (21) days performing detective duties in light duty capacity.

Detective Sergeant Labriola instructed an in-service rapid deployment class.

Detectives attended numerous court proceedings for previous criminal cases.

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

During the month of March, the Detective Unit opened up/reviewed eight (8) cases for potential follow-up. Of those cases, six (6) were cleared by an arrest 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 March.

Year to Date Arrest Statistics

Quantity Arrested	# Felony Charges	# Misdemeanor Charges	# Warrants
8	15	7	4

March 2025 Case Assignment Summary

Group A	# Cases	Cleared by Arrest	Adm Closed	Screen Out	Susp	Except	Pend	Refer	Unfound
Robbery	1						1		
Criminal Damage	1					1			
Theft	1					1			
Criminal Trespass	1						1		
Group A Total	4	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	0
Group B	# Cases	Cleared by Arrest	Adm Closed	Screen Out	Susp	Except Clear	Pend	Refer	Unfound
Death Investigation	1						1		
Hit & Run	3					3			
Group B Total	4	0	0	0	0	3	1	0	0
TOTALS	8	0	0	0	0	5	3	0	0

March 2025 Juvenile Arrests

Offenses	Adjusted	Cited	Petitioned	Referred
Possession of Cannabis		1		
Total (1)	0	1	0	0

New Investigations

25-00256 Hit & Run

On March 5, 2025, at 12:59PM, a River Forest Officer responded to a hit and run accident in the 600 block of Harlem Ave. The driver of the victim vehicle related that she was rear ended, and the driver fled in the offending vehicle without exchanging information. On March 10, 2025, the offending vehicle was located in the 3500 block of West Adams in Chicago. The vehicle was towed with an administrative hold. This case was exceptionally cleared.

25-00261 Criminal Trespass to Property

On March 6, 2025, at 12:19PM, Concordia University contacted the River Forest Police Department about a male subject who was previously banned from the university but was present on campus on March 5, 2025. Investigators attempted to call and locate the offender with negative results at this time. This case will remain active until the offender is located.

25-00263 Theft of Lost or Mislaid Property

On March 6, 2025, at 6:21PM, a River Forest Officer received a report of a theft of a wallet from jewel located at 7525 Lake St. The victim related that she had paid for her groceries but left her wallet on the counter at a checkout aisle. The offender was identified by investigators and the wallet was returned. This case was exceptionally cleared.

25-00265 Hit & Run

On March 7, 2025, at 12:13PM, a River Forest Officer received a report of a hit and run that occurred in the 300 block of Ashland which was witnessed by someone in the area who provided information about the offending vehicle. Investigators made contact with the registered owner of the offending vehicle who provided insurance information, and the vehicle was towed with an administrative hold.

25-00257 Robbery

On February 28, 2025, while conducting a follow-up of a battery that occurred at Jewel on February 21, 2025, investigators determined that the store employee who was a victim of the battery was also a robbery victim by the same offender. The store employee related that on February 19, 2025, at approximately 7:30PM, the male offender stole a bottle of tequila and shoved the store employee when he was confronted. Investigators identified the offender, towed the offending vehicle, and the offender was placed into custody on March 31, 2025, by the Cook County Sheriff's Department for an unrelated criminal case. This case is pending felony review and processing the offender.

25-00289 Hit & Run

On March 13, 2025, at 7:37PM, a River Forest Officer responded to a hit and run in the 7200 block of Lake St. Investigators identified the offending vehicle and made contact with the registered owner. The vehicle was towed with an administrative hold, and this case was exceptionally cleared.

25-00290 Criminal Damage

On March 13, 2025, at 10:01PM, a River Forest Officer responded to Concordia University for a criminal damage report. The victim related that the tires on his vehicle parked on campus had been slashed. A review of the video surveillance determined the offenders were the victim's ex-girlfriend and her friend. Investigators contacted the victim who related he did not wish to pursue criminal charges, and this case was exceptionally cleared.

25-00342 Death Investigation

On March 25, 2025, at 4:37AM, River Forest Officers responded to the 1000 block of Bonnie Brae for a 33-year-old female who was unresponsive inside of a residence. There were not any signs of foul play, and although the Cook County Medical Examiner did not arrive on scene, an autopsy was still conducted. This case will remain active pending the results from the autopsy.

Old Investigations

24-01206 Burglary from Motor Vehicle

On September 23, 2024, at 1:39PM, Public Works advised the River Forest Police Department that one of their vehicles had been burglarized while parked in the 700 block of Forest. The public works employee provided a description of the offending vehicle which investigators were able to identify through video surveillance and license plate readers. The vehicle was identified and investigators towed it with an administrative hold.

24-01479 Fleeing and Eluding

On November 17, 2024, at 3:09AM, a River Forest Officer observed a motor vehicle commit multiple Illinois vehicle code violations in the 600 and 700 blocks of Harlem. The Officer activated his emergency lights, and the vehicle pulled over, but when the officer exited, the vehicle fled at a high rate of speed. On March 30, 2025, the River Forest Police Department received a license plate reader notification that the offending vehicle was on Lake and Harlem. The vehicle was stopped and towed with an administrative hold.

25-00189 Hit & Run

On February 13, 2025, at 6:10PM, River Forest Officers responded to the 7300 block of Lake for a hit and run accident. The offending vehicle was captured on village surveillance cameras turning left failing to yield to oncoming traffic causing a collision. The offending vehicle registration was captured on village license plate readers and is eligible for an administrative tow. The vehicle was towed on March 5, 2025, with an administrative hold.

25-00214 Hit & Run

On February 21, 2025, at 6:23PM, River Forest Officers responded to the 7800 Block of Augusta for a hit and run accident. The driver of the offending vehicle approached the victim prior to fleeing the scene e/b Augusta. The victim obtained the offender’s registration prior to leaving. The offending vehicle is eligible for an administrative tow. On March 3, 2025, investigators located the vehicle in the 100 block of North 25th Ave. in Melrose Park. The vehicle was towed with an administrative hold.

Training

During the month of March 2025, twenty-six (26) officers/civilian employees attended different training classes for a total of three-hundred and forty-one (341) hours of training. The Department members, courses, and total number of hours included in the courses are detailed below.

Officer	Course	Start	End	Hours
Barcnas	PLI March 2025 Monthly Legal Update	3/1/2025	3/31/2025	1
Barcnas	Rapid Deployment Exercise	3/28/2025	3/28/2025	3
Bus	Child Safety Seat Recertification	3/11/2025	3/11/2025	8
Casarez	Animal Fighting Awareness & Response	3/1/2025	3/31/2025	1
Casarez	PLI March 2025 Monthly Legal Update	3/1/2025	3/31/2025	1
Casarez	Crisis Intervention: Response for Veterans	3/1/2025	3/31/2025	1
Casarez	Rapid Deployment Exercise	3/28/2025	3/28/2025	3
Casey	Animal Fighting Awareness & Response	3/1/2025	3/31/2025	1
Casey	PLI March 2025 Monthly Legal Update	3/1/2025	3/31/2025	1
Casey	Crisis Intervention: Response for Veterans	3/1/2025	3/31/2025	1
Casey	Rapid Deployment Exercise	3/28/2025	3/28/2025	3
Casey	Child Safety Seat Recertification	3/11/2025	3/11/2025	8
Cassidy	Animal Fighting Awareness & Response	3/1/2025	3/31/2025	1
Cassidy	Frontline Leadership for Police Supervisors	3/14/2025	3/14/2025	8
Cassidy	PLI March 2025 Monthly Legal Update	3/1/2025	3/31/2025	1
Cassidy	Crisis Intervention: Response for Veterans	3/1/2025	3/31/2025	1
Cassidy	Starchase Training-User	3/7/2025	3/7/2025	1
Cassidy	Rapid Deployment Exercise	3/28/2025	3/28/2025	3
Catalano	Animal Fighting Awareness & Response	3/1/2025	3/31/2025	1
Catalano	PLI March 2025 Monthly Legal Update	3/1/2025	3/31/2025	1
Catalano	Crisis Intervention: Response for Veterans	3/1/2025	3/31/2025	1
Catalano	Rapid Deployment Exercise	3/28/2025	3/28/2025	3
Coleman	Animal Fighting Awareness & Response	3/1/2025	3/31/2025	1

Officer	Course	Start	End	Hours
Coleman	PLI March 2025 Monthly Legal Update	3/1/2025	3/31/2025	1
Coleman	Crisis Intervention: Response for Veterans	3/1/2025	3/31/2025	1
Coleman	Rapid Deployment Exercise	3/28/2025	3/28/2025	3
Cortes	NIPAS 1 Day Training	3/19/2025	3/19/2025	8
Cortes	Animal Fighting Awareness & Response	3/1/2025	3/31/2025	1
Cortes	PLI March 2025 Monthly Legal Update	3/1/2025	3/31/2025	1
Cortes	Crisis Intervention: Response for Veterans	3/1/2025	3/31/2025	1
Czernik	NIPAS 1 Day Training	3/27/2025	3/27/2025	8
Czernik	PLI March 2025 Monthly Legal Update	3/1/2025	3/31/2025	1
Czernik	Crisis Intervention: Response for Veterans	3/1/2025	3/31/2025	1
Czernik	Rapid Deployment Exercise	3/28/2025	3/28/2025	3
Czernik	Supervising Patrol Critical Incidents	3/3/2025	3/4/2025	16
Czernik	Webinar: 2025 Resolving Burning Barricades	3/14/2025	3/14/2025	1
Dosen	Taser 10 Training	3/4/2025	3/4/2025	6
Dosen	Animal Fighting Awareness & Response	3/1/2025	3/31/2025	1
Dosen	PLI March 2025 Monthly Legal Update	3/1/2025	3/31/2025	1
Dosen	Crisis Intervention: Response for Veterans	3/1/2025	3/31/2025	1
Dosen	Rapid Deployment Exercise	3/28/2025	3/28/2025	3
Drake	Animal Fighting Awareness & Response	3/1/2025	3/31/2025	1
Drake	PLI March 2025 Monthly Legal Update	3/1/2025	3/31/2025	1
Drake	Crisis Intervention: Response for Veterans	3/1/2025	3/31/2025	1
Drake	Rapid Deployment Exercise	3/28/2025	3/28/2025	3
Fries	2024 Safety EVOG Intersection Analysis	3/7/2025	3/8/2025	3
Fries	Animal Fighting Awareness & Response	3/1/2025	3/31/2025	1
Fries	PLI March 2025 Monthly Legal Update	3/1/2025	3/31/2025	1
Fries	Crisis Intervention: Response for Veterans	3/1/2025	3/31/2025	1
Fries	Why Law Enforcement Hires Go Bad	3/18/2025	3/18/2025	1
Fries	Starchase Training-User	3/7/2025	3/7/2025	1
Fries	Supervising Patrol Critical Incidents	3/3/2025	3/4/2025	16
Gonzalez	Animal Fighting Awareness & Response	3/1/2025	3/31/2025	1
Gonzalez	PLI March 2025 Monthly Legal Update	3/1/2025	3/31/2025	1
Gonzalez	Crisis Intervention: Response for Veterans	3/1/2025	3/31/2025	1
Grill	Frontline Convention	3/3/2025	3/4/2025	16
Humphreys	Animal Fighting Awareness & Response	3/1/2025	3/31/2025	1
Humphreys	PLI March 2025 Monthly Legal Update	3/1/2025	3/31/2025	1
Humphreys	Crisis Intervention: Response for Veterans	3/1/2025	3/31/2025	1
Humphreys	Rapid Deployment Exercise	3/28/2025	3/28/2025	3
Juarez	Enhanced Traffic Enforcement for Patrol	3/6/2025	3/6/2025	8
Juarez	Rapid Deployment Exercise	3/28/2025	3/28/2025	3
Labriola	Firearms Restraining Orders	3/13/2025	3/13/2025	2
Labriola	Psychology of Domestic Violence	3/24/2025	3/24/2025	8
Labriola	Case Preparation and Courtroom Testimony	3/24/2025	3/24/2025	1

Officer	Course	Start	End	Hours
Labriola	Interview and Interrogation-Refresher	3/24/2025	3/24/2025	1
Labriola	Animal Fighting Awareness & Response	3/1/2025	3/31/2025	1
Labriola	Fundamentals of Investigation-Refresher	3/24/2025	3/24/2025	3
Labriola	PLI March 2025 Monthly Legal Update	3/1/2025	3/31/2025	1
Labriola	Crisis Intervention: Response for Veterans	3/1/2025	3/31/2025	1
Labriola	Rapid Deployment Exercise	3/28/2025	3/28/2025	3
Labriola	Rapid Deployment Exercise	3/28/2025	3/28/2025	3
Landini	Taser 10 Training	3/12/2025	3/12/2025	6
Landini	Animal Fighting Awareness & Response	3/1/2025	3/31/2025	1
Landini	PLI March 2025 Monthly Legal Update	3/1/2025	3/31/2025	1
Landini	Crisis Intervention: Response for Veterans	3/1/2025	3/31/2025	1
Landini	Rapid Deployment Exercise	3/28/2025	3/28/2025	3
Lenz	Animal Fighting Awareness & Response	3/1/2025	3/31/2025	1
Lenz	Close Quarter Handgun Skills-1	3/5/2025	3/6/2025	16
Lenz	Enhanced Traffic Enforcement for Patrol	3/4/2025	3/4/2025	8
Lenz	PLI March 2025 Monthly Legal Update	3/1/2025	3/31/2025	1
Lenz	Crisis Intervention: Response for Veterans	3/1/2025	3/31/2025	1
Mika	Animal Fighting Awareness & Response	3/1/2025	3/31/2025	1
Mika	PLI March 2025 Monthly Legal Update	3/1/2025	3/31/2025	1
Mika	Crisis Intervention: Response for Veterans	3/1/2025	3/31/2025	1
Mika	Rapid Deployment Exercise	3/28/2025	3/28/2025	3
Niemann	Taser 10 Training	3/4/2025	3/4/2025	6
Niemann	Animal Fighting Awareness & Response	3/1/2025	3/31/2025	1
Niemann	PLI March 2025 Monthly Legal Update	3/1/2025	3/31/2025	1
Niemann	Crisis Intervention: Response for Veterans	3/1/2025	3/31/2025	1
Niemann	Rapid Deployment Exercise	3/28/2025	3/28/2025	3
Niemann	Rapid Deployment Exercise	3/28/2025	3/28/2025	3
Niemann	Starchase Training-User	3/7/2025	3/7/2025	1
O'Shea	Frontline Convention	3/3/2025	3/4/2025	16
Ransom	Taser 10 Training	3/12/2025	3/12/2025	6
Ransom	ASSIST (Suicide Intervention Program)	3/13/2025	3/14/2025	16
Ransom	Rapid Deployment Exercise	3/28/2025	3/28/2025	3
Ransom	Supervising Patrol Critical Incidents	3/3/2025	3/4/2025	16
Swierczynski	2024 Safety EVOG Intersection Analysis	3/7/2025	3/8/2025	3
Swierczynski	PLI March 2025 Monthly Legal Update	3/1/2025	3/31/2025	1
Swierczynski	Rapid Deployment Exercise	3/28/2025	3/28/2025	3
Swierczynski	Rapid Deployment Exercise	3/28/2025	3/28/2025	3
Tagle	Animal Fighting Awareness & Response	3/1/2025	3/31/2025	1
Tagle	PLI March 2025 Monthly Legal Update	3/1/2025	3/31/2025	1
Tagle	Crisis Intervention: Response for Veterans	3/1/2025	3/31/2025	1
Tagle	Rapid Deployment Exercise	3/28/2025	3/28/2025	3
Zermeno	Firearms Restraining Orders	3/13/2025	3/13/2025	2

Zermeno	Animal Fighting Awareness & Response	3/1/2025	3/31/2025	1
Zermeno	PLI March 2025 Monthly Legal Update	3/1/2025	3/31/2025	1
Zermeno	Crisis Intervention: Response for Veterans	3/1/2025	3/31/2025	1
Total				341