

ROCKFORD POLICE DEPARTMENT



ANNUAL REPORT

2023



WHERE DEDICATION FINDS PURPOSE

Vision Statement

The Rockford Police Department values the citizens we serve as well as those dedicated to protect them. We are committed to making the City of Rockford a safe community in which to live, work and flourish.

Mission Statement

The Members of Rockford Police Department are dedicated to protecting the lives and property of the citizens of Rockford by reducing crime and building relationships that cultivate prosperity.

Core VALUES

Vigilance We are ever watchful

Accountability We will always be responsible in our duties

Loyalty We are devoted to the community, organization, profession

Unity We stand as one with all we serve

Ethics We will do what is right without compromise

Service We are dedicated to giving of ourselves





Chief Carla Redd



Deputy Chief
Robert Reffett



Asst. Deputy Chief
Joe Stevens



Asst. Deputy Chief
Randy Berke



Asst. Deputy Chief
Eddie Torrance

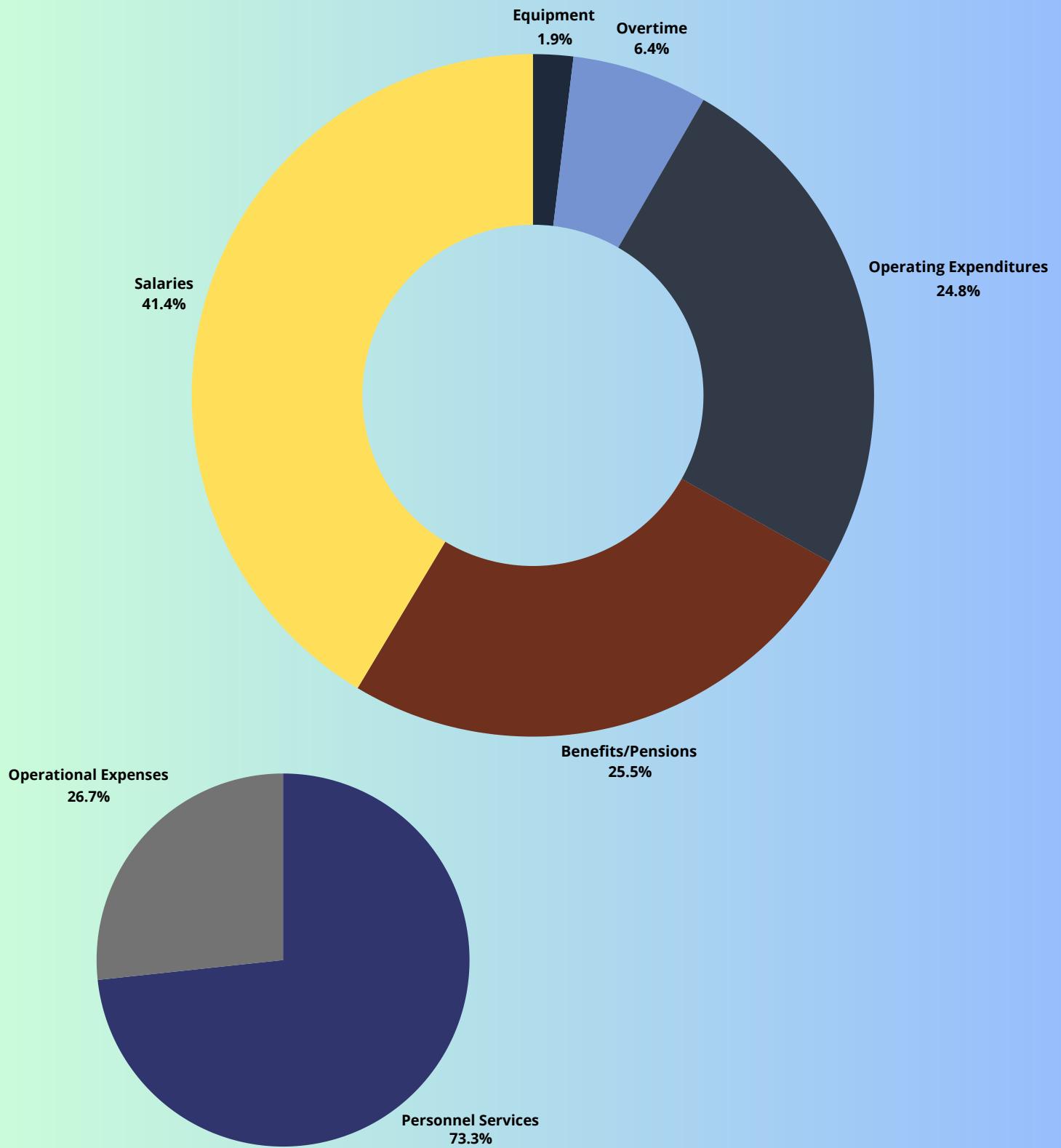


Asst. Deputy Chief
Paul Gallagher



Asst. Deputy Chief
Ty Eagleson

Operating Expenditures Total in the 2023 Fiscal Year: \$72,862,690





POLICE

CITY OF ROCKFORD
POLICE HEADQUARTERS
AND
DISTRICT No. 3

ADMINISTRATIVE BUREAU

The Administrative Bureau is comprised of Accreditation, Records, Chaplains, Research and Development, Information Technology, Payroll, Fiscal Services and Volunteer Services.

PROPERTY AND EVIDENCE DIVISION

The Property and Evidence Division is responsible for ensuring the integrity of evidence and property recovered by Rockford Police.

FISCAL SERVICES DIVISION

The Fiscal Services DIVISION manages the Police Department's purchases, accounts payable, and accounts receivable. The section also maintains an inventory of uniforms and police equipment, monitors the Department's equipment budget, researches the purchase of law enforcement equipment, prepares bid specifications, and oversees contracts with vendors.

RECORDS DIVISION

The Records Division is responsible for providing timely and accurate information from the thousands of reports that the Rockford Police Department keeps on file. The Records Division also compiles statistics and reports them to the State of Illinois and the FBI as outlined by the National Incident-Based Reporting Standards (NIBRS).

RECRUITING DIVISION

The Recruiting Division is responsible for finding and attracting candidates for the position of sworn police officer for the department.

OPERATIONS BUREAU

The Rockford Police Department's Operations Bureau has vast responsibilities, encompassing several aspects of the work that keep Rockford safe by enforcing the law while respecting the rights of citizens.

The Operations Bureau is comprised of three patrol districts: the Traffic Unit, K9 Unit, Community Services Unit, and the Resident Officers Community Keepers (ROCK). Each district is under the command of the following:

- Assistant Deputy Chief Joe Stevens, District 1**
- Assistant Deputy Chief Randy Berke, District 2**
- Assistant Deputy Chief Eddie Torrance, District 3**





INVESTIGATIONS BUREAU

The Rockford Police Department Investigations Bureau is responsible for conducting follow up investigations on all criminal incidents. The bureau is under the command of Assistant Deputy Chief Ty Eagleson and is staffed by day and afternoon shifts, and on-call detectives. The Investigations Bureau is comprised of the following units: crime scene, domestic violence, financial and property crimes, gang, narcotics, property and evidence, sensitive crimes and violent crimes. The bureau is also staffed by patrol officers of the following units: Intelligence and the Specialized Community Oriented Policing Enforcement teams (SCOPE). The SCOPE unit handles multiple investigations at a time and they help relieve the burden on regular patrol units.

OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS

The Rockford Police Department Office of Professional Standards (OPS) is under the overall command of Deputy Chief Reffett. The Office of Professional Standards consists of Internal Affairs and Administrative Review Processes.

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

Reducing Crime: One of the primary mandates of any police department is to reduce crime rates and enhance public safety. This objective involves implementing data-driven strategies, predictive policing techniques, and allocating resources effectively. By analyzing crime data, police departments can identify emerging trends and allocate resources to address them proactively, thus minimizing the occurrence of criminal activities. Collaborative efforts with other law enforcement agencies, as well as community partnerships, play a vital role in these endeavors.

Community Engagement: Building trust and rapport with the community is paramount for effective law enforcement. The Rockford Police Department prioritizes engaging with community members through various initiatives such as town hall meetings, and community meetings. We use these platforms to provide an avenue for open dialogue between law enforcement and residents, enabling the department to address local concerns, gather intelligence, and tailor its efforts to the specific needs of each neighborhood.

Using Technology: In the digital age, leveraging technology is pivotal for the Rockford Police Department. The integration of advanced surveillance systems, gunshot detection software, and body-worn cameras can significantly enhance response times, evidence collection, and accountability. Moreover, the development and usage of user-friendly mobile applications (TIP 411) enables residents to report incidents and access safety resources conveniently, promoting a sense of partnership and shared responsibility in maintaining public safety.

Employee Development: Investing in employee development not only enhances the skills and knowledge of officers but also contributes to a culture of continuous improvement. Cross-training opportunities enable officers to gain diverse experiences, promoting interdisciplinary collaboration and adaptability. Offering tuition assistance programs encourages officers to pursue higher education and specialized training relevant to law enforcement, enriching the department's expertise and capabilities.

2023 STATISTICS

OFFENSES AND MORE	TOTALS	
Homicides	20	-8%
Victims Struck by Gunfire	105	-8%
Robbery	228	-4%
Aggravated Assault	1,396	-7%
Property Crimes	4,105	-.7%
Motor Vehicle Theft	795	+64%
Shots Fired	437	-16%
Central Reporting Unit Reports	7,364	7,421
Calls For Service	168,732	158,962

TRAFFIC STATS



- **Issued 4,747 citations**
- **Issued 671 written warnings**
- **TOTAL of 5,418 citations/written warnings**
- **Investigated and Reconstructed 17 Fatal Traffic Investigations**
- **Investigated and Reconstructed 3 Great Bodily Harm Accidents**
- **Hit and Run Investigator Freese investigated 203 Hit & Run Incidents**

K9 STATS



The Rockford Police Department has five full-time K9 Teams that operated both day and evening hours. They are commanded by an Administrative Lieutenant.

In 2023:

- **100 tracks completed this year in attempt to locate suspects of crimes.**
- **Apprehended 60 fleeing/hidden suspects.**
- **Performed 126 evidence searches and recovered 240 items.**
- **Was able to locate and take 13 firearms off of the streets.**
- **Located and recovered over 19,039 grams of narcotics**
- **Conducted 33 public K-9 Demonstrations**
- **Attended bi-annual K9 Certification**

ACHIEVEMENTS/ COMMUNITY SERVICE

HIGHLIGHTS:

Crisis Co-Response Team continues to have a positive impact on our citizens. Two Rosecrance mental health clinicians, four Rockford police detectives, a deputy with the Winnebago County Sheriff's Office, and a Loves Park Police Department officer make up a Crisis Co-Response Team. The goal of CCRT is to identify individuals struggling through a mental health crisis and get help before they enter the jail system. The success of CCRT shows in the numbers. In the program year (June 23-May 24), CCRT served 2,231 unduplicated individuals exceeding the overall goal of 1,800 by 29%.

Officer Seale continued to facilitate ROCK House Soccer over the Summer. This program meets three days a week and allows area youth to sharpen their soccer skills, while having positive interactions law-enforcement, and learning life skills such as respect and healthy living. Officer Seale even started a futsal team and they traveled into the suburbs for matches. He also worked with the Rockford Park District to resurface various tennis courts into futsal courts.

Officer Turner continues "Fresh For Learning" at Five Alarm Laundromat on E. Riverside and their newest location on Alpine Road. RPS205 students and families can do their laundry for FREE every Tuesday and Wednesday evening, courtesy of RPD and Molina Healthcare.



ACHIEVEMENTS/ COMMUNITY SERVICE

West Gateway Community Group utilization of the District 1 Community Meetings every Wednesday throughout the year with attendance from District Assistant Deputy Chief, Admin Lieutenant and Community Services Officers

Homeless Coalition bi-weekly meeting with attendance from Assistant Deputy Chief, Admin Lieutenant and Community Services Officer. Assistance with homeless outreach weekly throughout the evening with Human Services. (Both District 1 and 2)

Neighborhood Improvement Initiatives + Block Parties

Bike Rodeo at Dick's Sporting Goods

Dunkin' Cop On A Rooftop for LE Torch Run for Special Olympics

Cars & Coffee (6 total)

Fresh for Learning (ROCK House Officer Turner partners with Five Alarm Laundry and Molina Healthcare to do laundry for RPS205 students every Tuesday and Wednesday evening)

Miracle Mile Cruise & Car Show



ACHIEVEMENTS/ COMMUNITY SERVICE

ROCK House Officer Seale's Youth Soccer (minimum of twice a week at various locations, but mostly Churchill Park)

Police Memorial Week at CherryVale Mall (3 days)

Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics

Neighborhood Group Meetings (Community Services Officers attend multiple meetings per month)

Polar Plunge for Special Olympics

Bingo for 55+ at District One (once a month from February through December)

Citizens Police Academy – Spring and Fall Edition

Rockford Public Safety Camps (two camps for 3rd, 4th and 5th graders)

Rockford Youth Police Academy



ACHIEVEMENTS/ COMMUNITY SERVICE

Chicago Bears Dinner with youth football players

Career Readiness Days with East, Auburn, Guilford, and Jefferson Students

Easter Seals Autism Event at Don Carter's

Rockford Pride Event (Recruitment)

Summerdale School End of Year Event

Lewis Lemon Reading with CSO's

Truck Day at McIntosh School

Remedies Golf Outing (Domestic Violence Shelter/Program)

Bookerfest

Super Hero Rescue Event at Discovery Center

**Rockford Boxing Club Sponsorship
(weekly camp with the kids)**



ACHIEVEMENTS/ COMMUNITY SERVICE

Coffee With a Cop (6 locations throughout Rockford)

Halloween High Fives at All Saints School

Haunted House at Irving Strong House

All Hallow's Eve at Midway Village

Alderman Barrios Community Event

Battle of the Badges Annual Blood Drive vs. RFD

Chef's Table Event (took home TWO trophies, Chief Redd's entrée and Lt. Bailey's dessert)

Pumpkins with Police

Trunk or Treat

Breakfast with Santa and The Grinch

Friends of Rockford Police K9 Fundraiser with Dogwood Pet Hospital

National Night Out 2024



ACHIEVEMENTS/ COMMUNITY SERVICE

Alpine Kiwanis Brat Days

815 Day at Rivera's Food Market

Summerdale School End of Year Celebration

Rockford Housing Authority Scavenger Hunt Location/Task

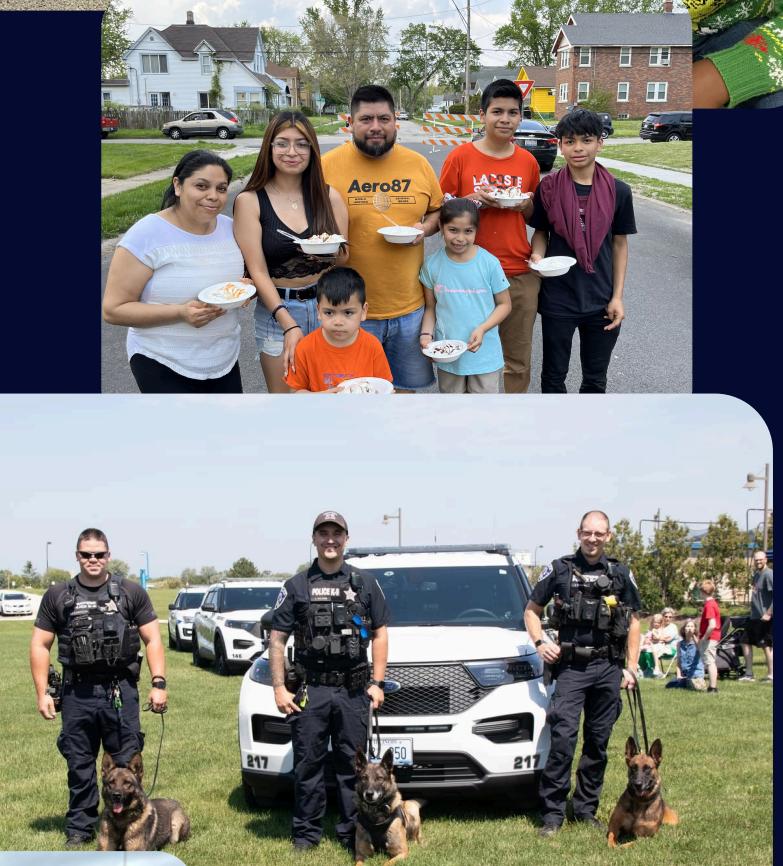
Holidays and Heroes with Gigi's Playhouse, Blue 815 and Farm & Fleet

Presents with PBPA at Target

Walmart Wishes with Rockford Police Department

Multiple Town Hall Meetings with Mayor McNamara and Domestic Violence Director Jennifer Cacciapaglia.





MILESTONES

RETIREMENTS

James Lake	1/20/23
Michael Dalke	3/24/23
Daniel Fick	4/5/23
David Lee	7/21/23

PROMOTION TO ASSISTANT DEPUTY CHIEF

Paul Gallagher
Joseph Stevens

PROMOTION TO LIEUTENANT

Kareem Mankarious
Jason DoBran
David Swanson
Keehnen Davis

PROMOTION TO SERGEANT

Matthew Williams
Jordan Stedman
Vincent Kelly
Andrew DoBran
Daniel Stewart

MILESTONES

NEW OFFICERS - January 2023

Michael Parlapiano

JonRoss Palacios

Miralem Botic

Jacob Limberg

Anthony Turner

NEW OFFICERS - May 2023

Michael Roushia

Paxton Neville

Ruby Rivera

James Rudolph

Mariel Ramos

Calvin Cuevas-Tapia

Jose Lopez Morales

Eric Ceniti

Corey Fulkerson

Muhammad Rehman

Santiago Ortiz-Aguirre

NEW OFFICERS - September 2023

Demetri Waller

Sterling Walker

Miguel Jimenez

Samuel Fehrle

Trevor Berke

Rockford Police Districts



**District 3 -
Headquarters
557 S New Towne
Drive**

**District 2
1410 Broadway**



**District 1
1045 W State Street**

Remembering The Fallen



RANDALL A. BLANK
EOW: DECEMBER 31, 1980



KEVIN D. RICE, SR.
EOW: AUGUST 03, 2001



CHARLES J. WILLIAMS
EOW: JUNE 01, 1972



JAIMIE J. A. COX
EOW: NOVEMBER 05, 2017



ARTHUR H. BASSETT
EOW: SEPTEMBER 22, 1927



LORENZO J. GILLOGLY
EOW: OCTOBER 12, 1917



FRANK CICHELLA
EOW: FEBRUARY 25, 1927

