



# 2018 ANNUAL REPORT



## WINNEBAGO COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE



## SHERIFF'S REPORT



**Sheriff John Matz**  
**28 Years of Service**

Welcome to the 2018 edition of the Winnebago County Sheriff's Office Annual Report. Across all levels of the organization, we strive to deliver stellar customer service on a daily basis. Experience has taught us that connecting with the citizens we serve and collaborating with our stakeholders are the most effective ways to achieve this goal. The cover of this year's report showcases a few interactions with some of our most impressionable customers.

Public safety at its core can best be described as a team sport. Alone, no agency in Winnebago County has enough resources to single handedly answer every challenge that may appear before them. When emergencies arise, communities must pool their collective resources and work cooperatively together to resolve those large-scale incidents that would otherwise exceed their individual capacities.

The Winnebago County Child Abduction Response Team is a great example of this philosophy. As the lead agency for this undertaking, the Sheriff's Office takes the responsibility of protecting our most vulnerable population seriously. In 2019, we aspire to be one of the few teams in the State of Wisconsin to achieve national certification.

As Sheriff, I am both proud and humbled to lead this law enforcement agency. The respect, admiration, and support that we receive from our community is a direct testament to the caliber of people that comprise the Winnebago County Sheriff's Office. To see if joining our family would be a good fit for you or a loved one, I encourage you to view our recruiting video via the attached links.

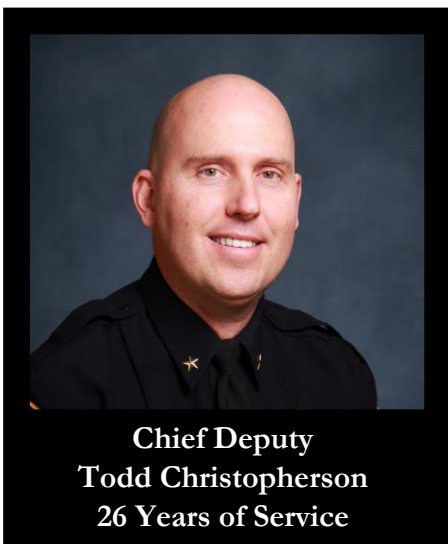
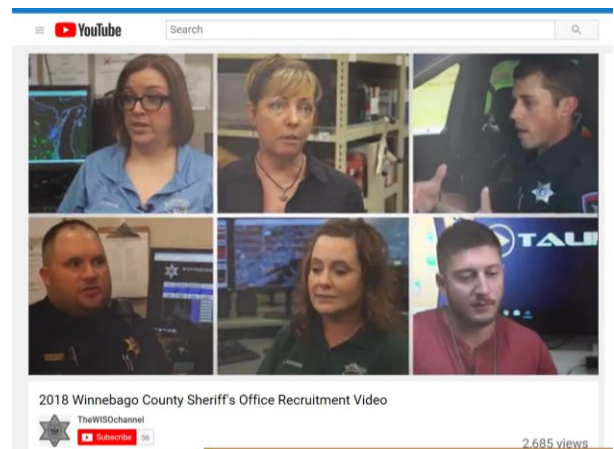
Best Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "John F. Matz".

John F. Matz, Sheriff



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**Chief Deputy**  
**Todd Christopherson**  
**26 Years of Service**



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## COMMUNICATIONS CENTER



**Captain Greg Cianciolo**  
**22 Years of Service**

The Winnebago County Sheriff's Office operates a county-wide Communications Center which is known as a Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP). The Winnebago County PSAP is a call center responsible for answering calls requesting police, fire, and emergency medical services. The PSAP operates 24 hours a day dispatching emergency services, while acting as the initial point of contact for citizens in need of assistance.

The Winnebago County PSAP handles emergency and non-emergency call taking, radio communications, and dispatch services for all law enforcement, fire, and emergency medical service providers within Winnebago County to include:

- 9 law enforcement agencies
- 15 fire departments
- 13 first responder groups
- 1 ambulance service

The Winnebago County PSAP is overseen by the Communications Captain and the Communications Lieutenant. There are 31 dispatchers who operate the PSAP, with a minimum of 5 dispatchers working each shift.

The Winnebago County Sheriff's Office provides and manages Public Safety Computer Systems for all police, fire, and first responder agencies within the County. In 2018 we began a three phase implementation of a new Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD), Law Records Management System (RMS), and Jail Records Management System (JMS). All Public Safety agencies within the County were given an opportunity to participate in the selection of the vendor and specific system to be purchased. Motorola's Premiere One Public Safety Suite was chosen.



Prior to system implementation, the Communications Captain coordinated an 18 month process of evaluating multiple vendors and software packages, making a system selection, and preparing all agencies within Winnebago County for the transition onto the Premiere One platform. The preparation included installation of the system hardware and software, as well as provisioning and configuration of the software at both the global and agency levels. Many interfaces were built and configured to allow the system to interact with other internal software systems as well as state and federal agencies. Such interfaces allow for the sharing of data between systems, the querying of state and federal databases, and submission of mandated reports. Specialized training for subject matter experts, in-house trainers, and end users was attended by representatives of all agencies that use one or more modules within the software suite.

The Premiere One software suite allows the CAD, RMS, and JMS systems to be fully integrated and move information from one module to another while sharing Master Index data. The sharing of data within the system creates automation in making information available to end users, which results in efficiencies that had not been realized through the semi-integrated and stand-alone systems that had previously been utilized.

Winnebago County Sheriff's Office Communications Center Annual Statistics					
	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
<b>-911 Landline</b>	8,161	8,618	8,743	9,078	10,690
<b>-911 Wireless</b>	32,897	32,070	32,201	31,130	33,853
<b>Total 911 Calls</b>	<b>41,058</b>	<b>40,688</b>	<b>40,944</b>	<b>40,208</b>	<b>44,543</b>
<b>Non-emergency calls</b>	88,643	91,666	89,616	92,135	87,043
<b>Outbound calls</b>	37,752	40,255	41,251	46,660	52,498
<b>Total phone calls handled</b>	<b>167,453</b>	<b>172,609</b>	<b>171,811</b>	<b>179,003</b>	<b>184,084</b>
<b>Calls for service</b>	<b>170,685</b>	<b>171,631</b>	<b>157,541</b>	<b>158,264</b>	<b>150,172</b>



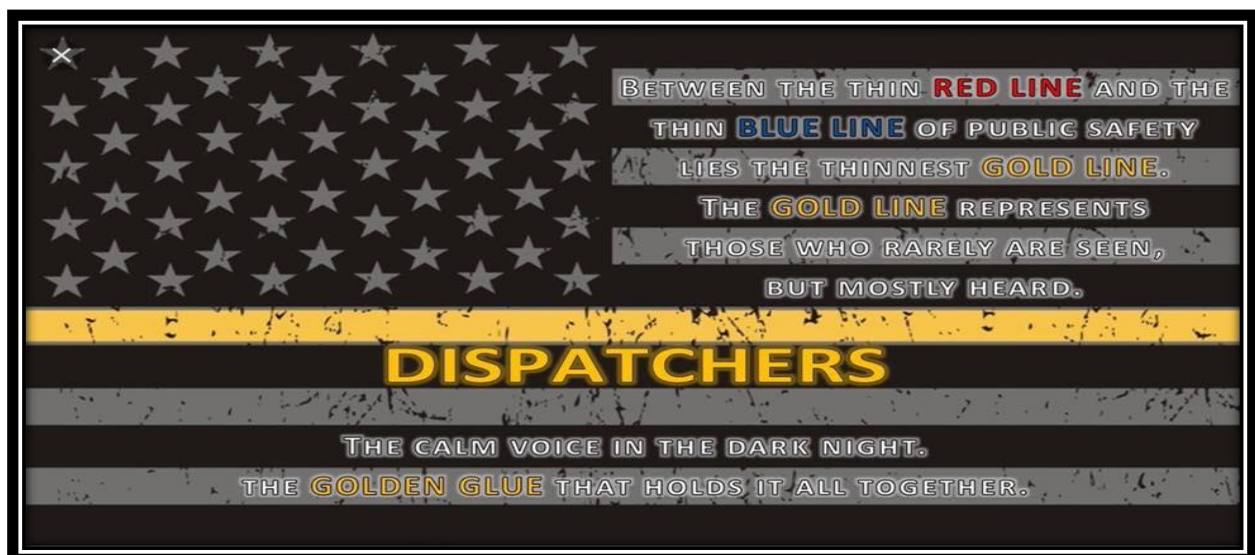
In 2018 the Winnebago County PSAP handled 167,453 incoming and outgoing telephone calls, averaging 458 phone calls per day, or 152 phone calls per eight hour shift.

In 2018 the Winnebago County PSAP dispatched 170,685 calls for service to police, fire, and emergency medical services, averaging 467 calls for service per day, or 155 calls for service per eight hour shift.

All dispatchers within the PSAP undergo an extensive training program to include a minimum of:

- 1070 hours of on the job training
- 8 hours of CPR
- 32 hours of TIME system certification
- 24 hours of Emergency Medical Dispatch
- 24 hours of continuing education every 2 years

The dispatchers in the Winnebago County PSAP are responsible for continuously monitoring 6 primary radio talk groups assigned to law enforcement and fire departments within Winnebago County. The primary talk groups are used for both emergency and non-emergency radio communications. Additionally, the PSAP monitors multiple regional and statewide radio frequencies that provide interoperability between agencies within Winnebago County and the rest of the state. There are more than 100 radio talk groups and frequencies programmed into the Winnebago County radio system that are managed by the PSAP.





## PATROL DIVISION

The Patrol Division provides the most visible array of law enforcement services to the entire county, providing help 24/7/365 to all those in need. Deputies have primary jurisdiction for unincorporated areas within Winnebago County to include all county, state, and interstate highways. This primary jurisdiction extends to all waterways as well.

Patrol deputies provide traditional law enforcement services within the framework of a community orientated policing philosophy. Patrol deputies attend Town Board meetings and communicate with Neighborhood Watch groups on a regular basis to address community concerns and provide information to residents.

Each patrol deputy is assigned to one of five specific geographic areas of the county throughout the year. This facilitates cultivating working relationships with community members and businesses.

The Sheriff encourages proactive traffic enforcement, community policing initiatives, collaborative problem solving, and empowers deputies to seek alternative responses to emerging or persistent issues. As such, the Patrol Division is committed to providing effective quality police services and takes pride in partnering with the community.

The Patrol Division is comprised of 46 uniformed deputies and includes the following:



**Captain Lara Vendola-Messer**  
**22 Years of Service**

1- Captain

1- Administrative Lieutenant

8- Shift Lieutenants

36- Patrol Deputies



Deputies: Kurczek, Burns, Vue, Graham, Beaman, Handrich, Peters, Putzer, Weisse, Zill, Hebert, Pankratz, Beck, Simmons, Bauer, Schuh, Willis

Lieutenants Brewer and Eichman



**Recruit Academy Graduates**

From Left: Sheriff Matz, Corrections Deputy Michels, Patrol Deputies Houle and Reish, & Captain Vendola-Messer

2018 CALLS FOR SERVICE			
	OFFICER INITIATED	REPORTED	MONTHLY TOTAL
JANUARY	3,097	1,158	4,255
FEBRUARY	2,579	1,177	3,756
MARCH	2,916	1,131	4,047
APRIL	2,596	1,251	3,847
MAY	2,513	1,414	3,927
JUNE	2,605	1,559	4,164
JULY	2,491	1,713	4,204
AUGUST	2,259	1,477	3,736
SEPTEMBER	2,219	1,397	3,616
OCTOBER	2,265	1,353	3,618
NOVEMBER	2,271	1,211	3,482
DECEMBER	2,336	1,219	3,555
YEARLY TOTAL	30,147	16,060	46,207



CALLS FOR SERVICE	
5 YEARS AT A GLANCE	
	YEARLY TOTAL
2014	44,714
2015	51,397
2016	48,110
2017	45,960
2018	46,207

2018 ENFORCEMENT EFFORTS					
	TRAFFIC CITATIONS	OWI ARRESTS	ORDINANCE VIOLATIONS	GRANT ENFORCEMENT CITATIONS	MONTHLY TOTAL
JANUARY	417	11	29	50	507
FEBRUARY	487	16	27	62	592
MARCH	460	20	22	104	606
APRIL	354	14	20	77	465
MAY	331	19	22	95	467
JUNE	312	18	30	22	382
JULY	228	20	29	18	295
AUGUST	244	8	32	51	335
SEPTEMBER	289	29	20	36	374
OCTOBER	240	11	14	9	274
NOVEMBER	235	17	14	28	294
DECEMBER	188	11	23	32	254
YEARLY TOTAL	3,785	194	282	584	4,845



Recruit Academy Graduate  
Deputy Willis

ENFORCEMENT EFFORTS		
5 YEARS AT A GLANCE		
	CITATIONS	OWI ARRESTS
2014	4,127	234
2015	4,168	225
2016	4,002	215
2017	4,464	218
2018	4,651	194



Deputy Vue and Deputy Huth

2018 CRASH HISTORY				
	PROPERTY DAMAGE	INJURY	FATALITY	MONTHLY TOTAL
JANUARY	137	16	0	153
FEBRUARY	159	28	0	187
MARCH	100	13	0	113
APRIL	113	17	0	130
MAY	136	20	0	156
JUNE	138	26	2	166
JULY	125	35	0	160
AUGUST	74	19	2	95
SEPTEMBER	93	25	1	119
OCTOBER	122	13	3	138
NOVEMBER	178	18	2	198
DECEMBER	160	16	0	176
YEARLY TOTAL	1,535	246	10	1,791



CRASH HISTORY			
5 YEARS AT A GLANCE			
	TOTAL CRASHES (INCLUDES INJURY)	FATAL CRASHES	YEARLY TOTAL
2014	2,111	9	2,120
2015	1,836	1	1,837
2016	1,978	7	1,985
2017	1,798	6	1,804
2018	1,791	10	1,801



## Motorcycle Patrol

The Motorcycle Patrol Unit has been part of the Sheriff's Office since 2009 and has been an effective tool in combatting reckless driving, speeding, and other traffic violations reported by citizens throughout Winnebago County. Additionally, the motorcycle increases positive community relations through extended personal contact and interaction. The program has one supervisor and one specially trained deputy.

Lieutenant Seiler



Deputy Hathaway





## Boat Patrol



**Lieutenant Steven Brewer**  
Boat and Snowmobile  
Patrol Coordinator

### 2018 Boat Patrol Numbers:

Citations	91
Warnings	133
Safety Inspections	203
Rescue Operations	6
Boat Hours Worked	808

The Winnebago County Sheriff's Office Marine Unit is comprised of three boats. These boats patrol the areas of Lake Winnebago, Lake Butte des Morts, Lake Poygan, Lake Winneconne, Little Lake Butte des Morts, and the Fox River. This area is approximately 140 square miles of water. Each marine unit is staffed with two deputies and routinely patrols during the navigational season, generally from Memorial Day to Labor Day on weekends and Holidays.

The Winnebago County Sheriff's Office continues to share access to its boats with both the Oshkosh Fire Department and the Neenah Menasha Fire Rescue. These partnerships result in a faster emergency response on the water. For rescue and recovery operations, the Winnebago County Dive Rescue/Recovery Team also utilizes the marine units as a base for their dive operations.

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources reimburses the Sheriff's Office for time spent on boating regulation enforcement and accident investigation.



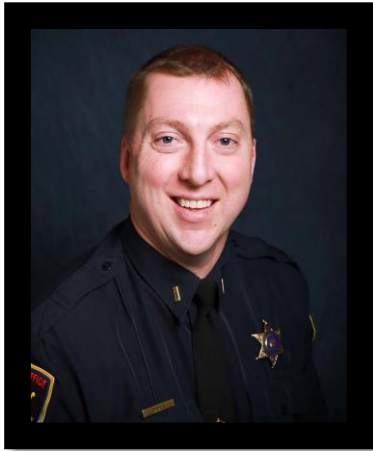
## Snowmobile Patrol



The Winnebago County Sheriff's Office patrols approximately 200 miles of groomed trails along with frozen bodies of water throughout Winnebago County. In 2018 the Sheriff's Office snow patrol issued 14 citations and 3 warnings, which included an intoxicated snowmobiler arrest. The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources also reimburses the Sheriff's Office for time spent on snowmobile enforcement and accident investigation.



## K9 Unit



**Lieutenant Christopher Braman**  
K9 Unit Coordinator

The Winnebago County Sheriff's Office K9 Unit enjoyed another successful year in 2018. All three teams were very active and were involved in a wide variety of deployments. K9s Kai, Tim, and Franz combined had over 275 deployments in 2018. These deployments ranged from locating a lost disabled young man to tracking and apprehending a dangerous wanted felon who had fled from police. The teams located and seized Heroin, Methamphetamine, Cocaine, MDMA, LSD, weapons, and approximately \$9,000 dollars in cash from suspects throughout the year.

Due to generous contributions from the community and the hard work of the K9 handlers, the Winnebago County K9 Unit continues to thrive.



FRANZ	
(off work 3 months due to injury)	
Building clear or search	5
School/bldg sniff	3
Track	11
Apprehensions	4
Vehicle sniff	56
Assist Department	34
Special event/demo	5
Money seized	\$0.00
THC Seized	107 grams
Cocaine Seized	6 grams
Heroin Seized	7 grams
Meth. Seized	6 grams
Other Drugs Seized	102
Custodial Arrests	82
Ordinance citations	3
Total Deployments	85

TIM	
Building clear or search	7
School/bldg sniff	7
Track	4
Apprehensions	4
Vehicle sniff	84
Assist Department	38
Special event/demo	11
Money seized	\$1,028.00
THC Seized	2,068 grams
Cocaine Seized	14.7 grams
Heroin Seized	52.75 grams
Meth. Seized	6.4 grams
Other Drugs Seized	115
Custodial Arrests	126
Ordinance citations	0
Total Deployments	111

KAI	
Building clear or search	20
School/bldg sniff	3
Track	2
Apprehensions	0
Vehicle sniff	37
Assist Department	9
Special event/demo	10
Money seized	\$7,906.00
THC Seized	389 grams
Cocaine Seized	0 grams
Heroin Seized	1 gram
Meth. Seized	28 grams
Other Drugs Seized	59
Custodial Arrests	27
Ordinance citations	0
Total Deployments	83



## CORRECTIONS DIVISION



The Corrections Division is comprised of the Jail, Work Release Unit, and Court Services Unit.

- The Jail is a 355 bed Direct Supervision facility which provides a safe and secure environment for incarcerated persons. The operational capacity of the facility is 320 inmates.
- The Work Release Unit oversees pre-conviction and post-conviction programming and alternatives to incarceration such as: Work Release, Community Service, Electronic Monitoring, 24/7 Sobriety-Alcohol, and 24/7 Sobriety-Drugs.
- The Court Services Unit is responsible for courthouse security, prisoner transportation, interstate extraditions, and video court appearances.

The Corrections Division is comprised of the following staff:

- 1 - Captain
- 3 - Lieutenants
- 6 - Sergeants
- 6 - Corporals
- 67 - Deputies
- 1 - Work Release Unit Supervisor
- 1 - GPS Coordinator
- 2 - Inmate Classification Associates
- 3 - Corrections Financial Associates
- 14 - Booking Security Associates

### Mission Statement:

To ensure the safety of all persons: staff, visitors, inmates, and the community by providing for the care, custody, and control of incarcerated persons; and further encourage positive behavioral growth by providing opportunities in education, programming, and counseling.



Corrections Deputies Braasch, Salek, Michels, Harwin, Beck, and Corey being sworn in.



## JAIL-BASED COMPETENCY RESTORATION PROGRAM (JBCR)

### *What is Competency Restoration?*

Competency restoration is the process used when an individual charged with a crime is found by a court to be incompetent to stand trial, typically due to an active mental illness or an intellectual disability. A criminal defendant must be restored to competency before the legal process can continue. To be considered restored and competent to stand trial, a defendant must be able to consult with his or her defense lawyer and have a rational and factual understanding of the legal proceeding.

In 2018, the Corrections Division entered into a voluntary agreement with the State of Wisconsin Department of Health Services (DHS) to provide Competency Restoration Services at the Winnebago County Jail. DHS covers all costs related to competency restoration services and contracts with Behavioral Consultants, Inc., a private company committed to providing expert, timely, and ethically-sound clinical and forensic services throughout the state of Wisconsin. Currently, ten counties have agreed to utilize DHS contracted staff to provide competency restoration treatment to jail inmates: Ashland, Brown, Dane, Eau Claire, Jefferson, Marathon, Outagamie, Racine, Waukesha, and Winnebago.

The Jail-Based Competency Restoration Program (JBCR) officially began in Wisconsin in 2016 to respond to the number of individuals committed to the DHS waiting for restoration services on an inpatient basis. JBCR offers remediation services to defendants adjudicated *Not Competent but Likely to Regain Competency* and who are committed to the Department of Health Services under Wisconsin § 971.14(5). These defendants are currently housed in a secure setting, such as a local jail, and are awaiting transfer to an inpatient setting to complete remediation treatment. It is designed to reduce the time defendants spend in a mental health institute (MHI) for competency restoration, to utilize this “down time” in the jail toward the defendant’s restoration, maximize clinical responsiveness to mentally ill defendants, and make prudent use of resources. For example, the current average length of stay for inpatient treatment at a mental health institution is 107 days. The waiting period for admission is approximately 45 days. When treatment to competency services are initiated within the county jail setting, the subsequent inpatient treatment could be reduced.

The JBCR Program strives to provide competency restoration services to adult defendants in the least restrictive setting, assisting participants in learning about the court system, how to help his/her defense, and how to make rational decisions throughout the court process. According to DHS, these programmatic options have helped to reduce the admissions list as well as the time clients spend within the mental health institutes. Since 2016, on average, clients who have had access to JBCR have spent 34 fewer days at mental health institutes than those who did not have access to the program.



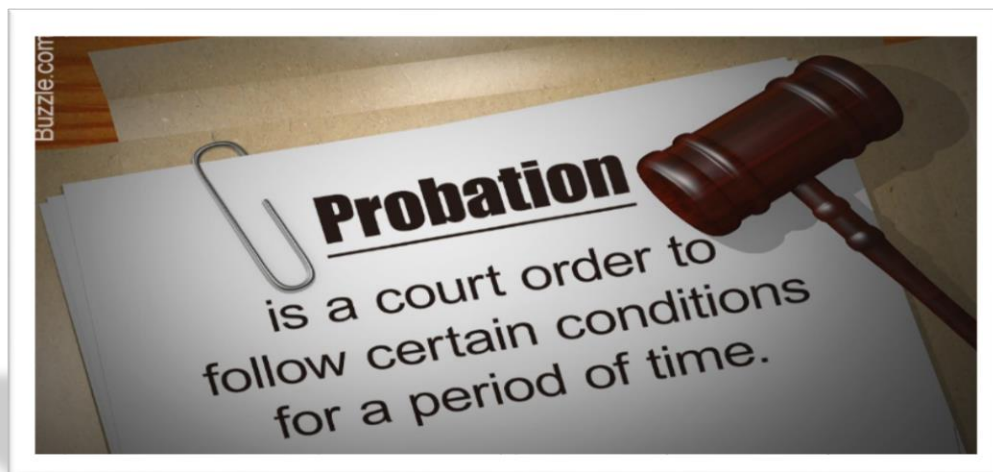


**2018 Jail Population Statistics by Month  
(Average Daily Population)**

Month	Sentenced Inmates	Non-Sentenced Inmates	Felony Probation Holds	Misdemeanor Probation Holds	Extended Probation Sanctions	Working Huber Inmates
January	112.42	103.29	59.71	15.71	17.35	23.94
February	113.54	114.14	61.71	14.25	18.21	25.46
March	102.06	112.61	62.03	12.26	21.03	25.52
April	97.17	98.77	65.00	8.57	18.43	24.37
May	94.42	102.97	65.39	11.74	14.42	23.09
June	92.97	106.90	58.83	14.97	15.33	27.40
July	93.74	107.97	68.68	20.94	14.74	27.13
August	110.26	94.90	72.77	17.39	14.87	23.00
September	114.13	94.97	76.13	16.63	10.50	23.60
October	120.74	80.52	75.00	13.65	10.32	28.39
November	120.63	73.40	63.37	10.03	11.03	29.43
December	102.29	74.65	56.77	6.35	12.61	25.78
Monthly Avg.	106.20	97.09	65.45	13.54	14.91	25.59

**Jail Population 5 Year Comparison**

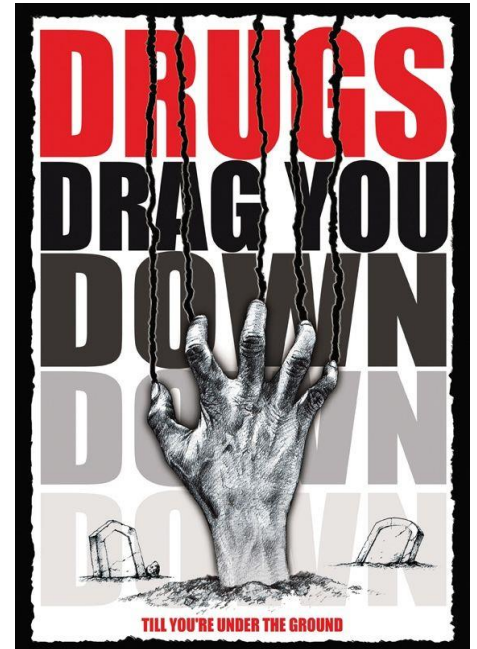
Year	Average Daily Population	Admissions	Male	Female	Average Length of Stay (Days)
2014	286.66	5714	77.93%	22.07%	18.39
2015	275.19	5515	76.90%	23.10%	18.20
2016	293.58	5983	74.86%	25.12%	17.91
2017	311.62	6394	74.95%	25.05%	17.79
2018	306.95	6050	74.41%	25.55%	18.52



	Adult Prisoner Transports	Juvenile Transports
Persons Transported	2,047	163
Miles Driven	102,687	14,127



2018 Work Release Unit Program Participation (Average Daily Population)			
	Electronic Monitoring Inmates	24/7 Sobriety- Alcohol	24-7 Sobriety- Drug
January	22.97	91.41	31.80
February	32.39	87.39	23.25
March	34.52	91.41	22.51
April	30.90	93.06	30
May	30.39	87.80	29.32
June	20.37	98.80	29.86
July	16.32	108.38	29.22
August	19.65	108.32	23.83
September	24.47	109.23	20.8
October	20.68	102.06	23.45
November	24.93	94.83	28.90
December	21.90	106.19	30.35
Monthly Average	24.96	98.24	26.94





## DETECTIVE DIVISION

The Detective Division is focused on advocating for victims while conducting fair, transparent, and impartial investigations. The Winnebago County Sheriff's Office believes the best way to serve our community is through preparation and proactive police strategies.

Our Detective Division has established itself as a regional and state leader in various multi-agency task forces and collaborative law enforcement efforts. We are currently a local affiliate for the ICAC (Internet Crimes against Children), leaders in the Winnebago County Unified CART (Child Abduction Response Team), an active participant in the LWAM (Lake Winnebago Area Metropolitan Enforcement Group), as well as a more localized WDEU (Winnebago Drug Enforcement Unit).



Children are one of the most vulnerable groups in society and protecting them is our number one priority. Studies have shown that one in five girls and one in twenty boys will fall victim of child sexual abuse. As an Internet Crimes against Children Task Force Affiliate, the Winnebago County Sheriff's Office continues to be an innovative leader in investigating these types of crimes in the State of Wisconsin and beyond. In 2018, the unit arrested 28 child predators, four of which have been successfully prosecuted at the federal level with the help of the U.S. Attorney's Office.

Child exploitation takes many forms such as the distribution and collection of child sexual abuse material, child enticement, child abductions, and child sexual abuse. As an agency, we have made it a priority to take a stand against child predators of all forms and continue to protect the most innocent of victims, our children. Studies have shown that upwards of 80% of collectors of child sexual abuse material have sexually abused a child. In fact, in each of four cases the Winnebago County Sheriff's Office was able to have prosecuted federally, all four involved child sexual abuse material. Our involvement in the Internet Crimes against Children Task Force and Project Safe Childhood (US Department of Justice) will continue to be a priority and we will strive to stay the course in leading the charge against child predators.





# Winnebago Countywide C.A.R.T.

## Child Abduction Response Team



On average, 100 children are kidnapped each year in stereotypical stranger abductions, those that are highly publicized in the news. Sadly, approximately half of those kids do not return home. Recent events in Baron County have served as a tragic reminder that sometimes bad things happen even in rural Wisconsin communities. The Winnebago County Unified CART (Child Abduction Response Team) has been established to address those 50 rare but tragic cases where a child is abducted and does not return home. In cases where a child is abducted and murder is the intended result, the first three hours are the most critical. Recent studies indicate that 76.2 percent of abducted children who have been killed are dead within three hours of the abduction. CART provides a preplanned response to these infrequent and terrifying incidents.



The Winnebago County Unified CART is led by our Detective Division which used 2018 to increase the team's incident response capabilities. Specifically, improvements were made to the investigative leads management program which is relied upon to track the thousands of tips that can be generated during an incident of this nature. In December, the software program was tested in a successful training exercise. As we move into 2019, the Winnebago County Sheriff's Office will take a lead role as we seek National Certification through Amber Alert for our CART.

### LWAM Winnebago Drug Enforcement Unit (WDEU)

A 2017 study completed by the WI Attorney General's Office estimates that the use of Meth has jumped by at least 250 percent in Wisconsin since 2011, at a pace that could overtake heroin. Winnebago County has witnessed a similar spike in Meth arrests and Meth related incidents. However, the increase in Meth use has not translated to a decrease in opiated related arrests or incidents. In 2018, The Winnebago County Drug Enforcement Unit (WDEU) and the Lake Winnebago Area MEG Unit (LWAM) saw substantial increases in Meth and Opiate cases.

Lake Winnebago Area MEG Unit	
Substance	Quantity
Marijuana	107.5 lbs
Marijuana Plants	109 plants
Heroin	237.02 grams
Fentanyl	6.81 grams
Cocaine	459.53 grams
Crack	632.93 grams
Meth	6,352.7 grams
MDMA	471 dosage units
Prescription Drugs	3335.8 dosage units

Winnebago Drug Enforcement Unit	
Substance	Quantity
Marijuana	20.92 lbs
Marijuana Plants	43 plants
Heroin	94.64 grams
Fentanyl	50.95 grams
Cocaine	166.8 grams
Crack	199.29 grams
Meth	541.28 grams
MDMA	185 dosage units
Prescription Drugs	896 dosage units



## SPECIALTY TEAMS

### ACCIDENT RECONSTRUCTION



**Lieutenant Lori Seiler  
Team Commander  
Accident Reconstruction  
Honor Guard**

The primary responsibility of the Accident Reconstruction Team is to respond to serious injury and fatal accidents and gather empirical evidence to aid in determining if criminal charges are warranted. The team works closely with the Detective Division and District Attorney's Office. The team not only responds to incidents where we have primary jurisdiction, but also for local police agencies within Winnebago County when requested. In 2018, the Accident Reconstruction Team was utilized five times in addition to assisting the Detective Division in conducting vehicle downloads to gather further information regarding serious and fatal crashes.

Team members have extensive training to assist them in determining the proper sequence of events associated with the crash, and to assist in development of criminal cases. The primary piece of equipment used to capture crash data is the Total Station which measures and captures distance, vertical angles, and horizontal angles.

The Accident Reconstruction Team  
Consists of:

- 1-Team Leader
- 1-Assistant Team Leader
- 2-Reconstructionists
- 3-Deputies
- 1-Assistant District Attorney



The Winnebago County Sheriff's Office Honor Guard is comprised of 12 deputies who are dedicated to representing the agency at police memorial services, funeral services, parades and processions, and posting colors. In 2018 the Honor Guard participated in eleven details. Each May, the Honor Guard attends the Law Enforcement Memorial service in Madison, which honors all fallen officers during Police Week.

In 2018, the Honor Guard had the distinguished honor in participating in the 15 year Remembrance event honoring fallen Deputy Rick Meyer.

A quote from an Honor Guard member:

***"It is a great privilege to be a member of the Winnebago County Sheriff's Office Honor Guard and pay respect to our brothers and sisters that have made the ultimate sacrifice."***

### HONOR GUARD



## DIVE RESCUE/RECOVERY

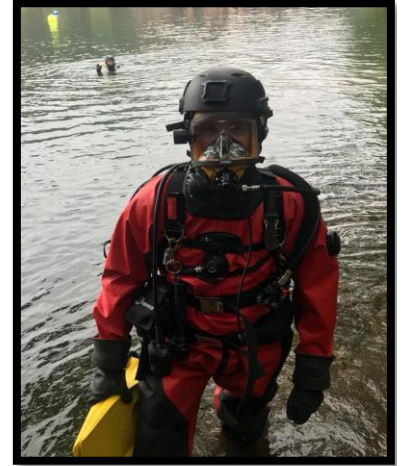


**Lieutenant Timothy Eichman**  
**Dive Rescue/Recovery**  
**Team Commander**

The Winnebago County Sheriff's Office Dive Rescue/Recovery Team responds to requests for service within Winnebago County as well as other surrounding jurisdictions when mutual aid requests are made. The Dive Rescue/Recovery Team is tasked with underwater evidence collection in addition to victim rescue and recovery operations. Members complete a minimum of 96 hours of training per year to maintain dive proficiencies.

The Sheriff's Office Dive Rescue/Recovery Team consists of 10 members and is overseen by a Lieutenant.

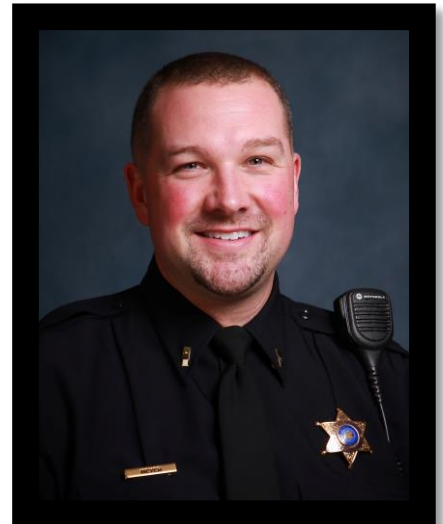
The Dive Rescue/Recovery Team was activated for four events in 2018. These incidents included a double fatal boat accident as well as the recovery of a drowning victim in Green Lake County.



## TACTICAL RESPONSE UNIT

The Winnebago County Tactical Response Unit is a mobile field force team that adheres to standards created by FEMA's Center for Domestic Preparedness. Members are trained in the use of specialty equipment including batons, riot control shields, deploying chemical agents, donning protective masks, and must also qualify biennially in the use of the 40 mm less lethal projectile launcher. Annual training focuses on team formations, legal considerations for protestors, and mass arrest procedures. All members must pass a fitness test annually to maintain their operational readiness.

The Tactical Response Unit currently includes 27 Deputies from Administration, Corrections, Patrol, and the Detective Divisions of the Sheriff's Office. Members are on call 24 hours a day to respond to any large-scale disturbance whenever requested. The team focuses on utilizing group tactics, special protective equipment, and formations to direct and control large gatherings of people to protect lives and property.

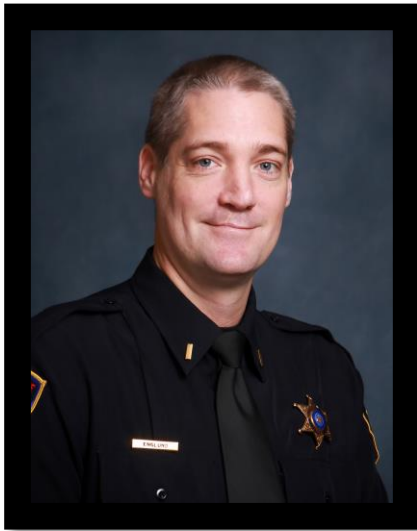


**Lieutenant Jeffrey Meyer**  
**Tactical Response Unit**  
**Team Commander**

The Tactical Response Unit provides the majority of law enforcement services during large scale events such as Country USA and Rock USA music festivals.



## SWAT



**Lieutenant Justin Englund**  
**SWAT Team**  
**Field Commander**

Critical Incident call types include:

- Hostage Rescue
- Armored Rescue Vehicle Operations
- Armed Barricaded Subjects
- Armed Suicidal Subjects
- Tactical Tracking and Woodland Terrain Operations
- Execution of High-Risk Warrants
- High-Risk Apprehension Operations
- High-Risk Security Operations
- Counter Sniper / VIP Protection Details
- Other situations where the likelihood of armed resistance appears great

The Winnebago County Sheriff's Office Multi-Jurisdiction SWAT Team is comprised of 18 members:

- 12- Winnebago County Sheriff's Office Deputies
- 2- Menasha Police Department Officers
- 2- Village of Fox Crossing Police Department Officers
- 1- Omro Police Department Officer
- 1- Wisconsin State Patrol Officer

SWAT Team members are on call 24 hours a day and are required to respond to any Critical Incident at a moment's notice. Their SWAT responsibilities and training are in addition to their regular job duties. Members attend specialized schools that in some cases also certify them as instructors in specialized training. SWAT Team members train a minimum of 16 hours per month to maintain a high level of proficiency in the skills needed to resolve Critical Incidents.

The SWAT Team participates in full-scale training exercises with the Crisis Negotiators three times a year. The SWAT Team partners with Crisis Negotiators and Command Post personnel to respond to high-risk incidents in Winnebago County and areas throughout the State of Wisconsin as requested by other law enforcement agencies in need of assistance.



Winnebago County is designated by the State of Wisconsin as a Type 2 SWAT Team and serves as one of eight regional SWAT Teams for the State under the ALERT (Aligned Law Enforcement Response Team) System. This designation places specific requirements on team members for training, fitness, and operational abilities. As a regional team, Winnebago County receives funding for equipment and training through the Department of Homeland Security.

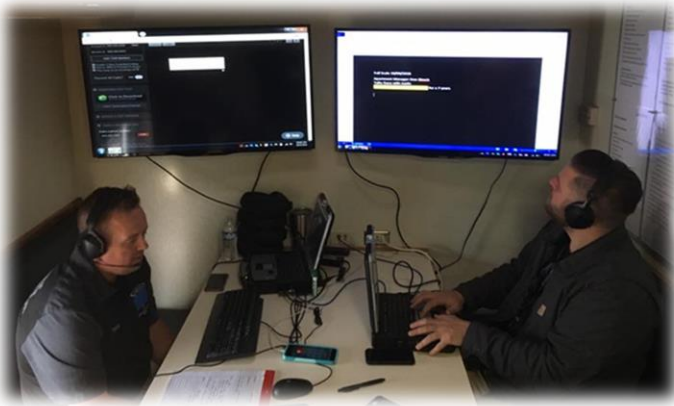


The Winnebago County Sheriff's Office Crisis Negotiation Team is comprised of 11 Deputies. Team members are on call 24-hours a day and are required to respond to Critical Incidents at a moment's notice. Crisis Negotiations Team members train 44 hours annually. Training blocks focus on equipment use and scenario based role playing. Members of the Crisis Negotiations Team train with the SWAT team at least three times per year participating in full-scale SWAT/Negotiator exercises. Members of the Crisis Negotiations Team attend the 40 hour FBI Basic Crisis Negotiation Course, Basic Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) training, as well as various interview and interrogation courses. Additionally, the Crisis Negotiations Team is primarily responsible for transport and setup of the Winnebago County Command Post during high-risk incidents.

## CRISIS NEGOTIATION



**Lieutenant Craig Quick**  
Crisis Negotiations  
Team Commander



## CHAPLAINS



**Lieutenant Timothy Dalle Nogare**  
Special Events Liaison &  
Chaplains Coordinator



The Winnebago County Sheriff's Office recognizes that citizens may face personal situations and struggles that are not easily resolved. The Chaplain Program is comprised of 18 volunteer clergy members who provide spiritual guidance, pastoral counseling, ministry, and comfort to those experiencing crisis or loss.

This year, the Chaplains hosted their 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Winnebago County Sheriff's Office cookout for employees and their families in August.



## COMMUNITY RELATIONS



The Winnebago County Sheriff's Office recognizes that building community relationships is a key component of proactive policing. Below are some of the events and programs in which the Sheriff's Office staff participate.



➤ No Time for Crime-17 Schools/900 Third Graders Served

➤ Drug Abuse Resistance Education (DARE) - 5 Districts/10 Schools

➤ Daily School Visits

➤ Attendance at Town Board, Town Fire Department, and First Responder Meetings

➤ Agency Tours

➤ Fox Valley Safe Kids Coalition

➤ Crime Stoppers

➤ File of Life

➤ ReThink

➤ Security Surveys (Residential and Business)

➤ Safe Routes to School

➤ Job Fairs/Recruitment Events



➤ Special Olympic Events – Torch Run/Polar Plunge/Truck Convoy

➤ Neighborhood Watch Groups (28)

➤ County Fair

➤ 911 Phone Program

➤ P.A.R.T.Y. at the PAC

➤ Parents Are The Key

➤ Lunch With A Cop

➤ Men Who Cook

➤ BEAMING



➤ W.A.T.C.H. – Winnebago Area Teen Coalition For Health

➤ Police Unity Tour



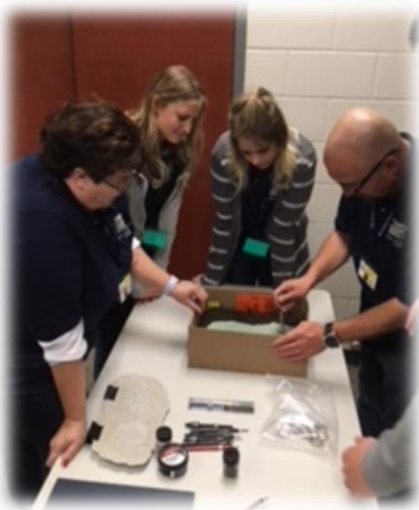


## CITIZENS' ACADEMY

The Winnebago County Sheriff's Office held its third annual Law Enforcement Citizens' Academy in 2018. Twelve citizens were provided the unique opportunity to interact with several members of the Sheriff's Office. During the Academy, citizens spend thirteen weeks learning the intricacies of the inner workings of the Sheriff's Office operations, a truly bird's eye view of the organization.

The Academy provided access to the five functional components of the Winnebago County Sheriff's Office to include Administration, Communications, Corrections, Investigations, and Patrol. The Academy is comprised of both classroom activities and high-level, interactive, first-person hands-on instruction.

The Sheriff's Office is planning a fourth annual Citizens' Academy for August 2019. Applications will be available on our website and via our social media pages.





## SUMMER EVENTS

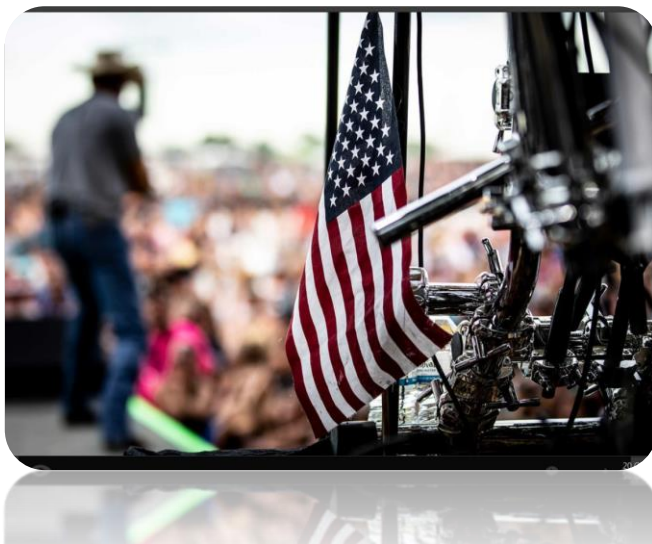


Country USA 2018 was held at Ford Festival Park, located primarily in the Town of Nekimi. An average of 40 deputies were scheduled during a typical day of the 2018 event with the majority of them working 8 hour shifts. This included members of command staff, detectives, patrol deputies, corrections deputies, and reserve deputies from the Sheriff's Office. Five dispatchers were also utilized during the event on a daily basis.

Country USA management reported that 1,770 campsites were sold for the event, which was less than in 2017. Event management also estimated that 175,000 people attended the event over the five days.

Deputies working during Country USA responded to 319 calls for service. As a result of these calls for service, the following enforcement action was taken:

CITATIONS		CUSTODIAL ARRESTS	
112	Underage Alcohol	3	Disorderly Conduct/Domestic
2	Disorderly Conduct	1	Poss. W/intent deliver THC
1	Battery	2	Probation Hold
1	Underage Tobacco	1	24/7 Bond Review
5	Obstructing	2	Disorderly Conduct
2	Poss. Marijuana	1	Battery/Domestic
2	Poss. Drug Paraphernalia		
1	Theft		
2	Trespass to land		
128	<b>TOTAL CITATIONS</b>	10	<b>TOTAL CUSTODIAL ARRESTS</b>



Rock USA 2018 was held at Ford Festival Park, which is located primarily in the Town of Nekimi. An average of 40 deputies were scheduled during a typical day of the 2018 event with the majority of the deputies working 8 hour shifts. This included members of command staff, detectives, patrol deputies, corrections deputies, and reserve deputies from the Sheriff's Office. Three dispatchers were used daily, with one dispatcher scheduled between 10 a.m. and 6 a.m. Between 6 a.m. and 10 a.m., deputies utilized the Sheriff's Office main frequency for communication.

Rock USA management estimated that attendance for the three-day event was 120,000 and included 2,200 campsites sold. The attendance and campsites sold were both more than in 2017.



Deputies working during Rock USA responded to 142 calls for service. As a result of these calls for service, the following enforcement action was taken:



ORDINANCE CITATIONS		CUSTODIAL ARRESTS	
Underage Alcohol	14	Disorderly Conduct	4
Disorderly Conduct	1	Probation Hold	1
Poss. THC	1	Battery	2
Resisting/Obstructing	2	Misc. Warrant	2
<b>Totals</b>	<b>18</b>		<b>9</b>



EAA AirVenture 2018 was held at the EAA grounds, which is located in both the City of Oshkosh and the Town of Nekimi. An average of 10 deputies were scheduled to provide coverage for the event. The shift lengths varied based upon the assignment and scheduled events for each day. Deputies were scheduled for either an 8 or 10 hour shift with the exception of the two overnight deputies who worked a 12

hour shift. Those assigned to the event included command staff, patrol deputies, corrections deputies, and reserve deputies. Two dispatchers were assigned daily to the event.

AirVenture continued to draw large crowds in 2018. The attendance for the eight day event was reported to be 650,000 people. It is difficult for deputies to traverse the grounds based upon the number of pedestrians and the overall size of the venue. Therefore, deputies patrol the grounds on ATVs to efficiently respond to calls for service.

EAA management estimated that more than 19,000 campsites were used for 2018 AirVenture. Deputies working during the event responded to 162 calls for service. As a result of these calls for service, the following enforcement action was taken:

CITATIONS		CUSTODIAL ARRESTS	
1	Battery	1	Misc. Warrant
2	Disorderly Conduct	1	Probation Hold
3	<b>TOTAL CITATIONS</b>	2	<b>TOTAL CUSTODIAL ARRESTS</b>





## REMEMBRANCE OF RICHARD MEYER



This year, we marked the 15 year anniversary of the lone Winnebago County Sheriff's Office Deputy killed in the line of duty, Deputy Richard "Rick" Meyer W29, which tragically occurred on November 13, 2003.

Law Enforcement is an inherently dangerous profession. We all accept the significant risks that come with this profession when we sign up, and we ask our families to do the same; we accept that our own mortality is a fragile thing. We all hope that it never happens again, and then it inevitably does. Line of duty deaths are devastating to agencies, no question.

For this 15 year remembrance event, we wanted to do something a little different. With the help of Rick's children, who are now both in high school, we planned an event that was only partially formal; more so, it was to be an upbeat remembrance event, by design. Rick's daughter did not want it to be a sad day, so many people came together to ensure it was not too somber. Several coworkers, friends, and family members shared aloud short stories or memories about Rick, many of which his children never heard before.

In the end, the stories served their purpose – the children were able to hear more about the man their dad was, and the calling he had for the law enforcement profession.

It was a good day.





## SOCIAL MEDIA

The use of Social Media has been a great outreach tool for the Sheriff's Office. We continue to have an active following and welcome community commentary and the opportunity to engage in meaningful dialogue. If you have any suggestions, please contact us as we are always looking for ways to improve.



Do you think you have what it takes??? Come be a part of our amazing team!



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