



ELMWOOD PARK POLICE DEPARTMENT



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Honorable Mayor and Council,

2020 was a year unlike any other, from the unique challenges of day to day living and working created by COVID-19 to the tragic death of George Floyd at the hands of police officers in Minneapolis, sparking protests throughout the country that set law enforcement and community relations back years, creating a mistrust by the communities we serve, painting all police officers with the same broad brush. In short, 2020 was a very difficult year for law enforcement nationally.

The Elmwood Park Police Department was not immune from these issues. In addition, crime and normal calls for service did not care about COVID-19 or protests. This was all heaped on an already full plate for us to consume and figure out a way to not only keep our heads above water but also to deliver top notch professional law enforcement services. I am proud to say that the men and women of the Elmwood Park Police Department stepped up and met these new challenges head on. We successfully navigated our way through three unique protests and during the largest of the three, we earned the trust of the protesters, uniting with them against racism and police brutality, both of which we whole heartedly reject and denounce as individuals and as an organization. Through our participation, we brought an otherwise potentially volatile situation to a peaceful conclusion.

Officers had to quickly become familiar with the use of personal protective equipment and with the terms social distancing, pandemic, symptomatic, asymptomatic, contact tracing and quarantine. They were called upon to respond to incidents where they knew a person was positive with a deadly virus yet it was their sworn duty to render aid and interact with these individuals. All of our officers did so without hesitation and continued to serve the community above and beyond as they always do. In spite of all of these challenges we still found a way to continue to remain tough on crime for the safety of our community and sensitive to the needs of our residents through community policing.

I am honored and privileged to have the incredible opportunity to lead this amazing, dedicated, and professional group of men and women, inclusive of civilian personnel and sworn officers, all who show up every day with an eagerness and energy to protect and serve the Elmwood Park community.

Thank you to the Mayor and Council for your continued trust and support.

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2020 YEAR END REPORT
52,214 Calls for Service

General Statistics

• Total Motor Vehicle Stops	3,381
• Total Summons Issued	11,515
• MV Accidents Investigations	718
• Motor Vehicle Impounds	178
• Adult Arrests	362
• Juvenile Arrests	8
• Police Officers Assaulted	11
• Residential Burglaries	22
• Attempt. Residential Burglaries	8
• Burglaries to Motor Vehicles	87
• Stolen Motor Vehicles	28
• Armed Robberies	8
• Assault Investigations	92
• Shoplifting Investigations	31
• Sudden Death/DOA Invests	29
• Drug Overdoses	24
• Narcotic Arrests	179
• Domestic Violence Cases	195
• Missing Persons	25
• Bank Escorts	76
• Vacant Residence Checks	574
• Community Policing Details	442
• Medical First Responder Calls	1430
• Burglar Alarms	485
• General Fire Calls	316

Anti-Crime Division

• Motor Vehicle Stops	1,917
• Motor Vehicle Summons	2,377
• Narcotic Arrests	162
• Warrant & Other Arrests	23
• Firearms Arrests	5
• Currency Seized	\$71,235
• Seizure – 2011 Jeep Compass	\$8,000
• Seizure – 1999 Cadillac	\$3,000

Traffic and Operations Division

• Motor Vehicle Stops	468
• Motor Vehicle Summons	2,057
• Commercial Overweight Summons	56
• Commercial Overweight Fines	\$86,875
• Funeral Escorts	25
• Community Policing/Food Pickups	80
• Firearms Permit Investigations	293