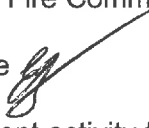




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Date: 10 February 2022
To: Mayor Shane Blaser
Wisconsin Rapids Police and Fire Commission
From: Erman Blevins, Chief of Police 
RE: Report on the Police Department activity for January 2022

Year to date statistics and previous year comparison:

WRPD responded to **1339** incidents and calls for service in January 2022.

January 2021: **1490**.

Total incidents and calls for service to date in 2022: **1339**

Total for 2021: **1490**

For month of January 2022:

- OWI- **8** 2021- **8** Traffic Crash Investigations: **39** 2021: **26**

Chronic Nuisance/Blighted Property enforcement activity:

These citations are from a list of ordinances provided to WRPD by code enforcement. Typical citations are for such violations as:

Vehicle parked on grass, Inoperable/Junk car, Junk and Refuse in yard.

Citations written on the request of Code Enforcement in January 2022: **2**

Restricted Parking citations: **121**

Chronic Nuisance Program letters:

0 properties were added in January; properties being added following 3 enforcement actions.

Controlled Substance Arrests

Wisconsin Rapids Police Officers and Detectives made **13 arrests** for Controlled Substance offenses in January 2022. These charges include:

- Possession of Narcotic drugs.
- Possession of Methamphetamine.
- Possession of Drug Paraphernalia.
- Manufacture/Deliver THC
- Possession of illegally obtained prescription

Notable investigations and arrests:

Investigations:

- On 1/12/22, officers responded to 8th St. Auto for a report of motor vehicle theft and criminal damage to property. Shortly after the call for service, Detectives responded to begin processing the scene. Video surveillance obtained from numerous businesses throughout central Wisconsin, and a suspect vehicle was identified. All vehicles stolen from the lot were seen entering Illinois through a tollway. One vehicle recovered in Indianapolis, Indiana. There is a suspect identified and is believed to be the suspect involved in multiple car thefts throughout the Midwest including several states. Many warrants have been written and Detectives Daven and Bailey continue to work the case.
- On 01/05/22, officers responded to a Wisconsin Rapids address for a report of hearing shots fired. Officers located the source of the gunshots and placed a suspect into custody. Detective Daven was called in to write/execute a search warrant and collect all evidence. Charges were requested by patrol and the subject is in custody at a mental health facility.

Patrol/Special Operations :

- On January 6, 2022 Officer Burger conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle and making contact with the driver, Officer Burger requested Sgt. Fleisner and K9 Lex come to his location. K9 Lex indicated on the vehicle, and a search of the vehicle was conducted. Sgt. Fleisner searched the center console and located a large chunk of an off-white material believed to be cocaine. The weight of the cocaine and packaging would have been **26.08 grams**. Also located during the traffic stop was 1.32 grams of marijuana, \$1100 cash, and drug paraphernalia. The following is a list of charges sent to the District Attorney's office.
 1. Subject One: Possession of Cocaine w/Intent to Deliver and Misdemeanor Bail Jumping.
 2. Subject Two: Possession of Cocaine w/Intent to Deliver and Possession of THC-1st offense.
 3. Citations Issued:
 4. Subject One: Possession of drug paraphernalia, Operating while suspended and Operating without a seatbelt.
 5. Subject Two: Possession of drug paraphernalia.

- Ofc. Pongratz and other officers were dispatched to 641 10th St N. Apt. B for a report of a possible overdose. Upon arrival the subject was not breathing. Officers Pongratz and Contreras began CPR and administered Narcan. Ofc. Moadlo aided with CPR and officers administered another dose of Narcan. EMS arrived on scene and the subject began to come to. The subject refused further medical treatment and was issued a paraphernalia citation for items located in the residence. The officer's quick action saved the subjects life.

Special Operations will resume in March 2022