



## Police Department City of Wisconsin Rapids

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Date: January 9, 2023  
To: Mayor Shane Blaser  
Wisconsin Rapids Police and Fire Commission  
Wisconsin Rapids Common Council  
From: Mike Potocki, Interim Chief of Police  
RE: Report on the Police Department activity for December 2022

### **Departmental Activity/Training:**

WRPD and WRFD management meeting.  
North Central Chiefs of Police Association meeting.  
Wood County Law Enforcement Executives meeting.  
Police Department Staff meeting.  
Wood County Traffic and Safety meeting.  
Common Counsel meeting.  
Department members attended Water and Light safety training.  
Mid-State Technical College Police Recruit Academy graduation.  
Shop with a Cop. Sponsored by Wisconsin Rapids Walmart and Pepsi. (shop, wrap, deliver)  
Santa and Mrs. Claus visit for the community.  
Rapids Ford donated gift cards for Officers to hand out.  
Police Lights of Christmas donated gift cards and back packs with essential items for Officers to hand out.  
Wisconsin Rapids Police Dept., Wood County Sheriff's Dept., and Wood County Dispatch made a Grinch video to share with community on Facebook.

**Year to date statistics and previous year comparison:**

WRPD responded to **1296** incidents and calls for service in December 2022.

December 2021: **1321**

Total incidents and calls for service to date in 2022: **15,503**

Total for 2021: **16,142**

**For month of December 2022 vs 2021:**

- OWI - 2022: **6** 2021: **6**
- Traffic Crash Investigations - 2022: **57** 2021: **40**
- Traffic / Municipal Citations – 2022: **267** 2021: **183**
- Written Warnings – 2022: **234** 2021: **239**
- Restricted Parking Tickets – 2022: **47** 2021: **105**

**Controlled Substance Arrests**

Wisconsin Rapids Police Officers and Detectives made **18 arrests** for Controlled Substance offenses in December 2022. These charges include:

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