







Police Department City of Wisconsin Rapids

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Date:

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To:

Mayor Shane Blaser

Wisconsin Rapids Police and Fire Commission

From:

Mike Potocki, Interim Chief of Police

RE:

Report on the Police Department activity for March 2022

Departmental Activity:

Lt. Potocki, Officers Guse, Burger, Krier, and Krakow complete one hour tourniquet training.

Officers Krakow, Drew, and Pongratz completed 40 hours of Crisis Intervention Training.

Officers Krier, Plowman, Paltz completed training to become Field Training Officers. They are now able to train new officers for the department.

Lt. Dewitt completed another week of Wisconsin Command College training.

Lt Burris completed another week of Leadership of Police Organizations training.

Officer Foy completed a week long First Line Supervisor training.

Officer Killian attend Community Leadership training through the Heart of Wisconsin Chamber of Commerce.

Detectives Bailey and Daven completed 16 hours of "Sexual Offenses: Mind and Motivation" training.

Detective Daven completed 8 hours of Fire Origin Training.

Lt. Lubeck completed 8 hours of supervisory/leadership training.

Police Chaplains dedicated 28.5 hours to WRPD.

Year to date statistics and previous year comparison:

WRPD responded to 1090 incidents and calls for service in March 2022.

March 2021: 1014

Total incidents and calls for service to date in 2022: 3665

Total for 2021: 3834

For month of March 2022:

OWI- 5 2021- 8 Traffic Crash Investigations: 42 2021: 36

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 March 2022: 6

Restricted Parking citations: 192

Chronic Nuisance Program letters:

2 properties were added in March; properties being added following 2 enforcement actions.

Controlled Substance Arrests

Wisconsin Rapids Police Officers and Detectives made **37 arrests** for Controlled Substance offenses in March 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:

 22-4686: On 03/31/2022 Detective Wetterau relayed information to the patrol division about drug activity likely taking place at a local motel, as well as the involved party having an outstanding warrant. Patrol later made contact with the suspects and searches of their persons/property were completed. Detective Wetterau assisted in the evidence collection/testing. As a result of the contact, Methamphetamine, Heroin, Fentanyl, and THC were collected as evidence and charges were requested to the DA's office.

- 22-3624: On 03/14/22, Patrol conducted a welfare check on a juvenile female. During the welfare check, the female stated her dad has had sexual contact with her. This case was subsequently assigned to Detective Daven for investigation. Detective Daven interviewed the victim and multiple witnesses. On 03/30/2022, members of the Detective Bureau executed a search warrant at the suspect's home. After searching the home and vehicles on the property, many electronic media devices were confiscated and illegal drugs/paraphernalia were confiscated. As a result of the investigation, Detective Daven requested charges to the DA's office for the following crimes:
 - Incest with a Child, Engaging in Repeated Sexual Assault of Same Child, Possession of THC, Possession of Methamphetamine, Possession of Fentanyl, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia

Special Operations: March 2022

INTERDICTION DATA

VEHICLES STOPPED	18	
WARNINGS	19	
CITATIONS	13	
CRIMINAL TRAFFIC	2	\neg
OWI	1	
CRIMINAL DRUG ARREST	0	
WARRANT ARRESTS	1	
DRUG PARAPHERNALIA	2	
K9 SNIFFS	2	
K9 ALERTS	1	
VEHICLES SEARCHED	3	
OTHER ARREST	0	

DRUGS SIEZED: None