



Police Department City of Wisconsin Rapids

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Date: 08 November 2021
To: Mayor Shane Blaser
Wisconsin Rapids Police and Fire Commission
Wisconsin Rapids Common Council
From: Erman Blevins, Chief of Police
RE: Report on the Police Department activity for October 2021

Notable activities of the Police Department for October 2021

- Sergeant Fleisner and K9 Lex attended the Wisconsin Law Enforcement Canine Handler Association Training conference.
- WRPD hosted the Kiwanis Club for a food trailer event/fundraiser for the WRPD Auxiliary Unit. The unit will receive a donation of the proceeds from the Kiwanis Club.
- WRPD hosted an extremely successful Trunk or Treat and Haunted City Hall event on Halloween. It was estimated that nearly 1,000 children attended. Very positive event with numerous comments from the public.
- On 10/23/21, Detective Daven and other WRPD Officers worked the annual Rx drug takeback event. 89 people disposed of 154.6 lbs of medication. Our department collected 226 lbs of medication throughout the calendar year and those were all disposed of in Wausau on 10/25/21.
- On 10/7/21, WRPD assisted setup, takedown, and the operation of Run With the Cops for Special Olympics.

Year to date statistics and previous year comparison:

WRPD responded to **1510** incidents and calls for service in October 2021.

October 2020: **1534**.

Total incidents and calls for service to date in 2021: **15,620**

Total for 2020: **15,540**.

For month of October 2021:

- OWI- 9 2020-6 Traffic Crash Investigations: **45** 2020: **28**

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 October 2021: **6**

Restricted Parking citations: **166**

Chronic Nuisance Program letters:

1 properties were added in October; properties being added following 3 enforcement actions.

Controlled Substance Arrests

Wisconsin Rapids Police Officers and Detectives made **20 arrests** for Controlled Substance offenses in October 2021. These charges include:

- Possession of Schedule I and II drugs.
- Possession with intent Cocaine.
- Possession of Narcotic drugs.
- Possession of Methamphetamine.
- Possession of Drug Paraphernalia.
- Manufacture/Deliver THC

Notable investigations and arrests:

Investigations:

- On 10/3/21 patrol had taken a motor vehicle theft complaint from Rapids Ford where four vehicles were stolen from their lot. The detective bureau assisted with follow up investigation and the recovery of some of the vehicles. Detective Daven went to surrounding businesses reviewing surveillance from the incident. Lt. Lubeck worked with the Ford recovery team to get GPS coordinates for the vehicles that had that capability. A response was then coordinated with Chicago PD and Joliet PD to recover three of the four stolen vehicles. There are no known suspects at this time. There was no damage to the recovered vehicles.

Patrol:

- October 29, 2021, Sgt Jazdzewski conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle that was involved in an armed robbery in the City of Grand Chute, WI. Officer Paltz detected an odor of marijuana coming from the stopped vehicle. The vehicle was searched and a loaded 9mm handgun (that did not have a bullet in the chamber) as well as additional ammo was located in the vehicle. The handgun was located under the driver's seat of the vehicle.
One subject was charged with possession of concealed weapon and taken into custody for the City of Grand Chute