

City of South Milwaukee Police Department

2016 Annual Report



Chief of Police: Ann M. Wellens

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South Milwaukee Police Department

MISSION STATEMENT:

We, the members of the South Milwaukee Police Department, are dedicated to providing a proactive, full service department that enhances the quality of life in our community by reducing crime through the protection of life and property.

VALUES:

Central to our mission is a set of values that will guide our work and decisions and allow us to make significant contributions to improving the quality of life in South Milwaukee.

The members of the South Milwaukee Police Department value:

Human Life Integrity Ourselves Excellence

Cooperation Accountability Laws and the Constitution

GOALS:

Goals provide direction and purpose and establish a standard for measuring progress and success.

The members of the South Milwaukee Police Department will strive to:

Develop an effective, efficient and responsive management system;

Increase agency-community partnerships;

Provide a more effective allocation of services to the community;

Increase job satisfaction for all employees;

Ensure that all persons will be treated with respect, courtesy, and fairness;

Identify, control, and reduce crime;

Protect Constitutional Guarantees;

Facilitate the safe movement of people and vehicles;

Resolve conflict;

Create and maintain a feeling of security in the community;

Ensure that police services will be delivered uniformly, with consistency and as expeditiously as possible.

General Information:

AREA.....4.78 Sq. Mi.

POPULATION.....21,156

Government Services:

The City of South Milwaukee has a Mayor and an eight member Common Council. The Police Department is made up of 33 sworn officers, 2 clerks, 1 part-time clerk, 4 public safety officers, and 2 part-time public safety officers. Of the 33 sworn officers, 7 officers are command officers, 6 officers are assigned to the third shift, 7 officers are assigned to the day shift, 8 officers are assigned to the second shift, and 5 officers are assigned to the Investigations Section.

LETTER FROM THE CHIEF

To the Citizens of South Milwaukee, Mayor Brooks, the South Milwaukee Common Council, the South Milwaukee Police & Fire Commission, City Administrator Mayzik, and the South Milwaukee Police Department Staff:

I am pleased to present to you the 2016 South Milwaukee Police Department Annual Report. As in the past, the Annual Report will summarize the crimes and incidents reported in the City of South Milwaukee and the Police Department's various activities over the past year.

The year 2016 offered several personnel changes at the Police Department. Officers Darrell Mussatti and William Dews retired from the Department in January 2016. Both Officers had served our community for approximately 30 years. Officers James Rodman, Joseph Benson, and Kadija Walusay began their employment with the City in January. The Department also experienced the following resignations/transfers: Part-time Public Safety Officer Luke Fenelon and Part-time Clerk Danielle Heller. Part-time Clerk Carla Redlin and Part-time Public Safety Officer Debbie Benkowski began their employment with the Department in June. Officer Tim Lewison returned to Patrol after completing his assignment as a School Police Liaison Officer. Officer James McLean began his assignment as the Middle School Police Liaison Officer in August. Officer Mike Hill returned to patrol after completing his assignment as an Investigator in the Investigations Section. Officer Jonathan Rivamonte began his assignment as the Early Shift Investigator. Lt. Jason Walker, Captain with the Army National Guard, was deployed to Iraq. Lt. Walker safely returned from his military deployment in November 2016. The South Milwaukee Police Department thanks Lt. Walker for his service to our community and our country. The Department experienced Command Staff challenges; Officer Jay Rotter agreed to accept the position of "Acting Third Shift Lieutenant" to help with these challenges. I appreciate Lt. Rotter volunteering to take on the additional responsibility.

The Department continued our Medicine Collection Program. The Department collected and safely disposed of 632 pounds of medication. This was an increase of over 200 pounds from 2015. The goal of the program is to provide a safe, convenient and responsible means of disposal for unwanted/unused/expired medication. In 2016 the State of Wisconsin safely disposed of twelve (12) semi loads of medication; that is medication that is not in landfills or that had been resold. In October 2016 the State of Wisconsin was 2nd in the nation for medicine collection, the State of Texas was number one.

In addition to providing basic services to the community the Department continues to contribute towards an improved quality of life through special service programs. The South Milwaukee Justice for a Cure Day raised over \$2,867.00 in donations. The Community Night Out Committee sponsored several children for the Concerns of Police Survivors Kids Camp. The Committee also purchased hygiene items for the South Milwaukee Human Concerns when their supply was dwindling. The Community Night Out Committee also awarded three South Milwaukee High School Seniors with a \$1,000.00 scholarship for their continued education. Chief Wellens and Officer Dan Doering participated in the Dunkin' Donuts – Cop on a Rooftop Special Olympics fund raiser in August and raised over \$256.00 in donations. Officers Hesse and Walusay participated in the Pick & Save "Stuff the Squad" food pantry event. All food and monetary donations were provided to the South Milwaukee Human Concerns. Once again through a generous donation from the South Milwaukee Wal-Mart and Tony G's Grant Park Garage the Department was able to host the 4th Annual South Milwaukee Police Department Shop with a Cop event.

I am very pleased at the renewed interest of our citizens in the Neighborhood Watch program. Over the past year several new groups have formed and there is a growing interest in a Community Neighborhood Watch Group. The Police Department appreciates our citizen partners and looks forward to working with them to continue to make South Milwaukee a safe place to live, work and play. We continue to strive to provide excellent opportunities for working with our citizens regarding local concerns.

The Department continued our Advanced Law Enforcement Rapid Response Training (ALERRT). The training exercise included law enforcement, EMS, and fire personnel from several agencies in Milwaukee County.

The South Milwaukee Police Department Communications Center was chosen as part of a County-wide pilot program for a CPR Assist Line. The program was successful and has since been implemented throughout Communications Centers in Milwaukee County.

In 2016 the City decided to contract with Twin Cities Security for Crossing Guard services. This contract was established in partnership with the School District of South Milwaukee. The goal was to guarantee that officers would not be taken from patrol responsibilities to man crossing guard positions when a crossing guard was unable to report for their assignment.

Throughout 2016 law enforcement in our nation experience many tragedies. I would like to thank the citizens of South Milwaukee who came forward to show their support for the Police Department. Many citizens brought homemade thank you cards, flowers, food, and beverages to the Police Department to show their appreciation. The Department became involved in the “We Back the Badge” campaign started by Wisconsin State Representative Samantha Kerkman. Through this campaign the Department distributed 1,074 signs. Citizens from all over southeastern Wisconsin came to the South Milwaukee Police Department to acquire a sign. Two youngsters came to the Police Department with money from their piggy banks to buy a sign to show their support of law enforcement. I want express my appreciation to the citizens of South Milwaukee. Their support backs the most recent Gallup Poll regarding “confidence in police”. 76% of Americans have a “great deal” of respect for police. This is just 1% point behind the high of 77% recorded in 1967.

I would like to thank the members of the Department for their continuing dedication and commitment to public service and protection. I know the officers perform good deeds beyond the call of duty and out of the spotlight daily. I am extremely proud of the Department employees who have achieved excellence in the difficult job of law enforcement.

On behalf of the members of the South Milwaukee Police Department, I extend my personal appreciation for the support and cooperation the citizens and elected officials have provided the Department. Together, we are making a difference in South Milwaukee.

Sincerely,

Chief Ann M. Wellens

Letter from the Administration and Services Commander

The Communications Center handled nearly 28,000 events for 2016. The dispatchers are responsible for all incoming calls to the SMPD, radio transmissions for the police and fire, and handling 911 emergency calls. The SMPD does not provide pre-arrival medical instructions but all dispatchers are trained to recognize when an emergency call requires the assistance of CPR being administered. Dispatch will transfer 911 callers to a special operator at the Milwaukee County EMS Communications Center for assistance after first dispatching EMS to the call. The CPR Assist Line helps callers perform CPR until EMS arrives on scene. The dispatcher's job is not an easy one and at any moment can be busy with multiple calls for service for police and fire. In 2016, the SMPD began preparing for a new radio system moving from an analog to digital system which will be in place in 2017.

The Records Section is supervised by IT Specialist Dan Margetta who oversees two records clerks. One is full-time and the other part-time. The Records Section is open Monday through Friday from 7am-8pm and closed on weekends and holidays. The Records Section handles records requests, winter parking permits, and collection of payments.

In 2016 the SMPD received a grant from the State of Wisconsin to send cases to the Milwaukee County District Attorney's Office for review via email. This saves time and money by not having to send an officer on overtime or take an officer off the road to present criminal cases for review. The program is expected to be up and running in 2017.

The Internal Affairs section investigated very few citizen complaints in 2016 which is a credit to the members of the SMPD.

As Wisconsin Law Enforcement Accreditation Group (WILEAG) assessors, Chief Ann Wellens, Capt. Jill Kallay, and I continue to assist other agencies with helping them achieve their WILEAG status while continuing to work hard on maintaining our own WILEAG status.

Respectfully Submitted,

Captain Peter Jaske
Administration & Services Section

Letter from the Operations Commander

The year 2016 was a year with more new additions to the Police Department. With the New Year Officers Darrell Mussatti and Bill Dews retired from the Department. We welcomed three new officers to the department, Officers James Rodman, Joseph Benson and Kadija Walusay. Our Field Training Officers were again hard at work making sure that these new officers were trained and ready to perform their duties. I am very appreciative of our department's Field Training Officers who worked very hard over the last year to train our new officers. Our Field Training Officers used for the rotations this year (and for some fill in assignments) were: Officer Steve Hesse, Officer Chris Rohde, Officer Dan Fournier, Officer JJ McLean, Officer Rob Wentz, Acting Lt. Jay Rotter and Officer Mike Hill.

Planning the scheduling and staffing for the numerous special events that occur in the City continued to be a time consuming job. From the Little League parade to the July 4th events and Heritage Days, as well as many more special events and activities that take place in and through our City, there is always something that needs personnel and something that needs to be scheduled. Maintaining the day to day scheduling for patrol for the department continued to be a challenge this year. We again experienced a number of officer shortages. This was mainly due to the amount of time involved in training our new officers to be ready for solo patrol duties. There are many officers on the department who worked numerous overtime shifts to help cover patrol shortages across many shifts as well as to provide coverage for special events and grant programs. I am very thankful for all of the hard work put in by our officers every day.

Training also continued to be one of my responsibilities in 2016. This year we once again practiced our Critical Incident readiness through a training exercise organized through Greenfield PD and several other cooperating agencies (including our own). Officer Todd Vinohradsky (one of our Department's training officers) again worked with other agencies to provide a training of Active Shooter/Rescue Task Force scenarios so that we could practice these incidents with our EMS partners. We also held two 8 hour in-house in service training days to cover various training topics. Officers also attended various trainings outside of the department on various topics. We will work to continue to provide quality training and updated equipment for officers to do their job to the best of their abilities.

I continued to be the coordinator for the Police Department's Community Night Out this year. The event was held on August 17, 2016. The weather was warm but there was no rain and it was a great time. Please come and join us in 2017 for this family fun event.

I use this opportunity to remind our citizens to be proactive in the prevention of crime. Lock your homes and car doors. Look out for you neighbors and yourselves.

Respectfully Submitted,

Captain Jill Kallay



Law Enforcement Code of Ethics

As a Law Enforcement Officer, my fundamental duty is to serve mankind; to safeguard lives and property; to protect the innocent against deception, the weak against oppression or intimidation, and the peaceful against violence or disorder; and to respect the Constitutional rights of all people to liberty, equality and justice.

I will keep my private life unsullied as an example to all; maintain courageous calm in the face of danger, scorn or ridicule; develop self-restraint; and be constantly mindful of the welfare of others. Honest in thought and deed in both my personal and official life; I will be exemplary in obeying the laws of the land and the regulations of my department. Whatever I see or hear of a confidential nature or that is confided to me in my official capacity will be kept ever secret unless revelation is necessary in the performance of my duty.

I will never act officially or permit personal feelings, prejudices, animosities or friendships to influence my decision. With no compromise for crime and relentless prosecution of criminals, I will enforce the laws courteously and appropriately without fear or favor, malice or ill will, never employing unnecessary force or violence and never accepting gratuities.

I recognize the badge of my office as a symbol of public faith, and accept it as public trust to be held so long as I am true to the ethics of the police service. I will constantly strive to achieve these objectives and ideals, dedicating myself before God to my chosen profession....

Law Enforcement



Roster of Sworn Officers - 2016

<u>Rank</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Date of Hire</u>
Chief	Ann M. Wellens	05.22.89
Captain	Peter P. Jaske	09.11.89
Captain	Jill R. Kallay	07.01.94
Lieutenant	Cary L. Fischer	04.16.90
Lieutenant	Edward Hallett	07.28.95
Lieutenant	Chad A. Milow	01.29.96
Lieutenant	Jason J. Walker	11.10.03
Investigator	Craig Perkowski	04.28.08
Investigator	Carol Olson	04.11.91
Investigator	Jonathan Rivamonte	10.30.06
Police Officer	Steven Streicher	06.03.85
Police Officer	Francis Rotter	08.03.92
Police Officer	David Kozlowski	06.07.93
Police Officer	David Stratton	07.28.95
Police Officer	Steven Hesse	09.22.97
Police Officer	Michael Hill	09.11.98
Police Officer	Todd Vinohradsky	11.09.98
Police Officer	Robert Wentz	03.01.99
Police Officer	David Hoeppner	08.16.99
Police Officer	James McLean	04.03.00
Police Officer	Nathan Siebert	09.30.05
Police Officer	Timothy Lewison	08.28.06
Police Officer	Daniel Fournier	05.29.07
Police Officer	Kyle Stormoen	09.24.07
Police Officer	Daniel Doering	08.13.12
Police Officer	Christopher Rhode	08.14.12
Police Officer	Jordan Schwehr	06.02.14
Police Officer	Logan Staegge	05.25.15
Police Officer	Tory Shields	05.26.15
Police Officer	Michael Luczak	09.08.15
Police Officer	James Rodman	01.09.16
Police Officer	Joseph Benson	01.10.16
Police Officer	Kadija Walusay	01.11.16

Officer Assignments

Day Shift

Chief Ann Wellens

Capt. Jill Kallay
Capt. Pete Jaske

Inv. Carol Olson

Officer Steven Streicher
Officer David Stratton
Officer Steve Hesse
Officer Michael Hill
Officer Nathan Seifert
Officer Timothy Lewison
Officer Daniel Doering

Early Shift

Lt. Chad Milow
Lt. Ed Hallett

Inv. Jonathan Rivamonte

Officer Todd Vinohradsky
Officer Robert Wentz
Officer Kyle Stormoen
Officer Christopher Rohde
Officer Logan Staeg
Officer Tory Shields
Officer Kadija Walusay

Late Shift

Acting Lt. Francis Rotter

Officer David Hoeppner
Officer Daniel Fournier
Officer Jordan Schwehr
Officer Michael Luczak
Officer James Rodman
Officer Joseph Benson

School Liaison

Officer James McLean
Officer David Kozlowski

Metro-Drug Unit

Officer Craig Perkowski

Community Resource/Crime Prevention

Inv. Michael Hill, Officer Daniel Fournier, Officer Tory Shields

Medical Leave

Lt. Cary Fischer

Retirements:

Officers Darrell Mussatti and William Dews

New Hires:

Officer James Rodman, Officer Joseph Benson, Officer Kadija Walusay

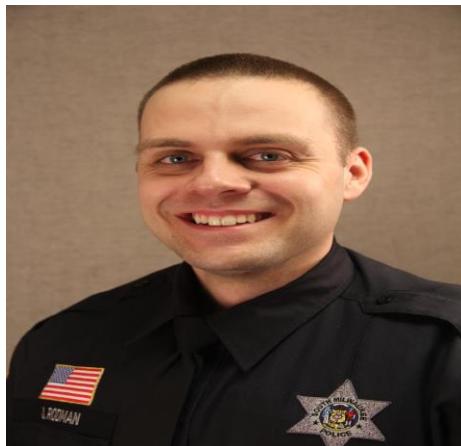
Military Leave

Lt Jason Walker

New Hires

Police Officer

James Rodman



James was hired in January of 2016. He has a Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice from the University of Wisconsin Milwaukee. James enjoys hiking, camping, and playing guitar in his spare time. Prior work experience includes security for We Energies. Welcome, James!

Joseph Benson



Joseph was hired in January of 2016. He studied criminal justice at WCTC. He is married and recently had his first child. He enjoys traveling, martial arts, and hunting. Joe was previously a tradesmen working as a Tool and Die Maker. Welcome, Joseph!

Kadija Walusay



Kadija was hired in January of 2016. Kadija has a Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice from the University of Wisconsin Oshkosh. She enjoys kayaking and hanging out with family. Prior work experience includes being a Community Service Officer and a dispatcher for the University of Wisconsin - Oshkosh Police Department. Welcome, Kadija!

Carla Redlin



Carla was hired as a part-time Police Clerk in June of 2016. She retired from her full-time position as a Deputy Court Clerk with Milwaukee County after 25 years of service, in 2014. She also worked part-time as a clerk with the Whitefish Bay Police Department before coming to South Milwaukee. She loves traveling and spending time with family and friends.

CIVILIAN STAFF 2016

Records Section

Dan Margetta

Shannon Hrdlicka

Carla Redlin

Public Safety Officers

Full Time:

Mary Horn
Jennifer Guzman-Godoy

Jesse Danek
Candy Maxim

Part-Time:

Roberta Plachinski
Luke Fenelon

Debbie Benkowski

Auxiliary Police

Lindsay Wood
Louis Arroyo

Kevin Apfel
Anthony Piraino

Thomas Ceparski
Melvin Schuette

Police Chaplain

Pastor Robert Kieck

City of South Milwaukee Officials

Mayor Erik Brooks

Police and Fire Commission

Kate Bernovich Heather Page Rick Borowski
Darrell Francis Elizabeth Blackwood

Police Chief Ann Wellens

Common Council

First Aldermanic District

Frank Van Dusen III
Craig Maass

Second Aldermanic District

Ramon Navarro
R. Patrick Stoner

Third Aldermanic District

Lisa Pieper
Joe Bukowski

Fourth Aldermanic District

David Bartoshevich
Peggy Clark

ELECTED OFFICIALS

Municipal Judge: William Fenger

City Attorney: Joseph Murphy / Christopher Smith

City Clerk: James Shelenske

City Treasurer: Karen Skowronski

2016 Budget

<u>Items</u>	2016	2015	2014	Percentage	% Change
Salaries	\$ 2,447,066	\$ 2,427,358	\$ 2,417,508	54.08%	0.81%
Dispatchers	\$ 245,712	\$ 237,865	\$ 232,987	5.43%	3.30%
Custodial	\$ 18,280	\$ 17,881	\$ 17,386	.40%	2.23%
Fringe Benefits	\$ 1,251,886	\$ 1,329,855	\$ 1,280,819	27.67%	-5.83%
Overtime	\$ 165,000	\$ 150,000	\$ 153,000	3.65%	10.00%
Comp	\$ 10,750	\$ 10,750	\$ 10,750	.24%	0.00%
Holiday Pay	\$ 135,559	\$ 132,901	\$ 130,295	3.00%	2.00%
Physical Exams	\$ 2,500	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	.06%	150.00%
Training	\$ 14,550	\$ 14,550	\$ 14,550	.32%	0.00%
Uniforms	\$ 7,500	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500	.17%	400.00%
Conferences	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500	.03%	0.00%
Operating Expenses	\$ 41,555	\$ 40,005	\$ 37,995	.92%	3.87%
Narcotic Fund	\$ 250	\$ 250	\$ 250	.01%	0.00%
Private Ambulance	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	.02%	0.00%
Dues	\$ 1,600	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,300	.03%	14.29%
Telephones	\$ 33,971	\$ 33,971	\$ 31,471	.75%	0.00%
Building Fuel	\$ 5,600	\$ 5,600	\$ 5,600	.12%	0.00%
Office Maintenance	\$ 40,877	\$ 40,877	\$ 40,877	.90%	0.00%
Radio Maintenance	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 9,300	.22%	0.00%
Vehicle Maintenance	\$ 67,000	\$ 64,936	\$ 64,936	1.48%	3.18%
Crossing Guard Exp.	\$ 22,607	\$ 22,606	\$ 22,607	.50%	0.00%
Operating Budget	\$ 4,524,764	\$ 4,545,305	\$ 4,476,631		-.45%

ASSESSMENTS PAID TO STATE AND COUNTY

<i>State</i>	2016	2015	2014
Penalty Assessments	\$ 37,585.55	\$ 39,757.22	\$ 37,967.05
State Costs	\$ 7,675.00	\$ 7,983.00	\$ 7,610.00
OWI Surcharge	\$ 12,242.00	\$ 12,064.68	\$ 11,009.60
Drug Assessment	\$ 19,808.00	\$ 20,593.00	\$ 19,024.00
Safe Ride	\$ 1,200.00		
Total	\$ 78,510.55	\$ 80,397.89	\$ 75,610.65
<i>County</i>			
Jail Fees	\$ 15,350.00	\$ 15,940.00	\$ 15,210.00
OWI/County Surcharge	\$ 18,363.00	\$ 18,110.32	\$ 15,884.40
Ignition Interlock Device	\$ 1,300.00	\$ 850.00	\$ 600.00
Total	\$ 35,013.00	\$ 34,900.32	\$ 35,657.00

REVENUE COLLECTED

	2016	2015	2014
Parking Citations	\$ 103,482.30	\$ 102,193.03	\$ 94,181.00
Traffic Citations	\$ 201,598.25	\$ 214,963.82	\$ 191,519.60
Non-Traffic Citations	\$ 108,997.75	\$ 105,032.25	\$ 103,178.40
Restitution	\$ 4,176.94	\$ 1,084.30	\$ 1,966.71
Bicycle Licenses	\$ 48.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 36.00
Lot Permits	\$ 155.00	\$ 202.00	\$ 304.00
Winter Parking Permits	\$ 85,733.00	\$ 74,556.00	\$ 68,877.00
Bail Bond	\$ 14,143.97	\$ 15,212.15	\$ 25,858.71
Deferred Payments	\$ 79,347.41	\$ 88,750.80	\$ 92,316.05
Paper Service	\$ 1,268.22	\$ 1,500.63	\$ 1,217.78
Bail Fees	\$ 1,109.02	\$ 993.90	\$ 3,046.77
Copy Fees	\$ 1,574.66	\$ 1,869.89	\$ 1,828.99
Re-Open Fees	\$ 1,125.00	\$ 1,175.00	\$ 950.00
Total Cash Collected	\$ 602,759.52	\$ 607,563.77	\$ 584,504.81

Day (1st) Shift

Serving the citizens of South Milwaukee on the day shift, 07:40am to 04:00pm, are:

Officer Steve Streicher
Investigator Carol Olson
Officer David Kozlowski
Officer David Stratton
Officer Steven Hesse
Officer James McLean
Officer Nathan Siefert
Officer Daniel Doering
Officer Joseph Benson

During 2016 the shift was supervised by Captain Peter Jaske and myself.

Dayshift enforcement continues to include traffic enforcement, patrol of the park, monitoring schools for safety to include mornings and afternoon dismissals, conducting open business checks, attempts to pick up wanted subjects, and citizen calls for service. Our dayshift officers are also often responsible for presenting cases to the District Attorney's Office for review of charges several days a week. This can be a very time consuming process. Our two juvenile officers also keep busy with the High School and Middle School.

As with most shifts, our daily activities are impacted by many factors but mostly based on calls to the police department, by citizens, reporting what type of police enforcement activity is needed in their particular area.

Officer Darrell Mussatti retired in 2016 after almost 30 years of service. Congratulations, Darrell! We welcomed some new shift members to the dayshift during different time periods in 2016, Officers Dan Doering and Nathan Siefert.

I ask that the citizens of South Milwaukee to stay proactive within their areas of the community. Lock your residence, garage and vehicle doors for safety, as our community continues to follow national trends in the increase in thefts where easy targets are presented.

Respectfully Submitted,
Captain Jill Kallay



Early (2nd) Shift

Serving the citizens of South Milwaukee on the early shift, 03:40pm to 12:00am, are:

Lt Chad Milow	Experience – 20 years
Investigator Jonathan Rivamonte	Experience – 10 years
Officer Todd Vinohradsky	Experience – 18 years
Officer Rob Wentz	Experience – 17 years
Officer Kyle Stormoen	Experience – 9 years
Officer Chris Rohde	Experience – 4 years
Officer Logan Staege	Experience – 1 year
Officer Tory Shields	Experience – 1 year
Officer Kadija Walusay	Experience – 11 months

We deal mostly with disorderly persons, domestic violence, suspicious activities, theft, traffic issues, including traffic grant enforcement and other miscellaneous services. It is a busy time of the day and evening for the police department and the officers on this shift stay busy throughout their shift.

We have a good mix of veteran and new officers on our shift, bringing experience and new ways of addressing problems within the community. We again had a few personnel changes throughout the year. We were lucky enough to get Officers Logan Staege and Tory Shields to come to our shift as permanent patrol officers!! Also, a welcome to our newest officer, Kadija Walusay!!

As always.....See something? Say something! We appreciate calls from concerned citizens who may see something that may not look quite right to them. Letting us investigate a call that turns out to be nothing is better than wishing you had called when you later find out there was a problem.

Thank you for your support in 2016.

Respectfully Submitted,
Lieutenant Chad Milow



Late (3rd) Shift

In April of 2016, Lt. Hallett was transferred to Early (2nd) Shift. I was then given the honor of becoming the Acting Lieutenant for Late (3rd) Shift.

For the most part, the members of late shift patrol for 2016 included:

Acting Lt. Francis Rotter – 24 years
P.O. David Hoepner – Patrol Officer – 17 years
P.O. Daniel Fournier – Patrol Officer – 9 years
P.O. Jordan Schwehr – Patrol Officer – 2 years
P.O. Michael Luzzak – Patrol Officer – 1 year
P.O. James Rodman – Patrol Officer- 1 year

For 2016, late shift patrol has experienced a great number of changes. In January Officer William Dews retired after 30 years of service. His remaining years were on late shift and his knowledge and guidance will be missed. Officer Jon Rivamonte (10 years) left the shift later in the year to fill an investigations position on early shift. This left the shift with two openings that were filled by Officer Michael Luzzak and Officer James Rodman. Both Officers have less than 2 years of experience. Combine this with Officer Jordan Schwehr who has less than 3 years of experience, and you have a group of hard working Officers that will need guidance and experience.

The shift will continue to work hard to protect the persons and property of this fine community. We would also like to thank all of the citizens for the support and cooperation that they have given us, it is greatly appreciated.

Respectfully Submitted,
Acting Lt. Francis Rotter



Investigations Section

Dear Citizens,

The Investigations Section has two investigators assigned to conduct investigations. Investigator Carol Olson is assigned to the day shift while Investigator Jonathan Rivamonte is assigned to early shift. The Investigators handle a variety of crimes and are considered “generalists”, meaning that they are cross-trained in all aspects of investigations and not solely in a specialty area. Besides their normal workloads Investigators also present cases at the District Attorney’s Office for review, testify in court, transport evidence to the crime lab, and assist patrol officers with follow up investigations.

The Investigations Section also has two Police School Liaison/Juvenile Officers. Officer David Kozlowski is assigned to the High School, while Officer James McLean is assigned to the Middle School. These officers work hand in hand with school personnel and handle a variety of day to day issues that may arise in the schools, and also assist with cases involving children outside of the schools.

Craig Perkowski is the Investigator assigned to the Milwaukee Metropolitan Drug Enforcement Group which is a multi-jurisdictional drug task force. Inv. Perkowski not only assists the SMPD officers in drug cases, but helps out in complex investigations as well while utilizing the resources available to him through high-tech equipment and federal agencies. In 2016, Inv. Perkowski is to be commended for solving a homicide involving a fatal drug overdose of a subject in South Milwaukee. His expertise led directly to an arrest of the person who supplied the drugs to the victim which ultimately led to a conviction in this case.

Respectfully,

Capt. Peter Jaske

Members of the 2016 investigations section include:

Lt. Cary Fischer – 26 years
Inv. Carol Olson - 25 years
Inv. Jonathan Rivamonte 10 years
Inv. Craig Perkowski – 8 years
JO/PSL – Dave Kozlowski - 23 years
JO/PSL – James McLean 16 years



Five Year Trends

In 2016, South Milwaukee experienced an increase in property crimes. Violent crime reports also increased. Property crime increases are due to the increase in petty theft and garage burglary. Violent crimes increases are due to increases in aggravated battery and rape.

OFFENSE	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
VIOLENT CRIME	40	44	55	35	43
Murder	0	0	0	1	0
Rape	8	4	7	2	7
Robbery	11	15	15	17	16
Aggravated Battery	21	25	33	15	20
PROPERTY CRIME	450	400	467	460	504
Burglary	76	46	45	64	79
Theft	354	334	404	370	398
Motor Vehicle Theft	12	19	14	24	27
Arson	8	1	4	2	0
TOTAL	490	444	522	495	547

Clearance Rates

	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Clearance Rate	39.6%	41.4%	38.9%	40.8%	34.8%
Stolen Property	\$320,684	\$331,856	\$261,249	\$319,572	\$445,267

Adult and Juvenile Arrests

Offender	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Adult	571	476	577	623	509
Juvenile	231	201	182	145	175

SMPD Jail Records - 3 Year Trend

	2014	2015	2016
DUI 12 hour hold	15	14	13
Hold for Municipal	24	16	13
Hold for State	126	118	101
Warrant Arrests	109	94	90
Total held in jail	274	242	217

During 2016, the total number of people held in the lockup decreased from 242 to 217. Of these detentions, 173 were males and 44 were females.

Not all people arrested are placed in the Municipal Lockup. Some are immediately transported to the Milwaukee County Criminal Justice Facility or turned over to another agency. Those that are held may also be released on their own recognizance, held for a 12 hour municipal OWI charge, or released after bond is posted for a municipal commitment or warrant.



2016 Burglaries and Thefts

There were 79 burglaries in 2016 compared to 64 burglaries in 2015. The average amount taken in a burglary increased from \$1,330 in 2015 to \$1,506 in 2016. The total amount taken in burglaries increased from \$85,133 in 2015 to \$118,989 in 2016.

Burglaries

Type of Target	Time of Day	Number	Amount Stolen	Average Amount
Residential	Nighttime (6pm-6am)	19	\$13,765	\$724.47
	Daytime (6am-6pm)	19	\$43,847	\$2,307.74
	Unknown	17	\$31,397	\$1,846.88
Non-Residential	Nighttime	17	\$17,068	\$1,004.00
	Daytime	0	\$ 0	\$ 0.00
	Unknown	7	\$ 12,912	\$1,844.57
Total Burglaries		79	\$118,989	\$1,506.19

There were 398 reported thefts in South Milwaukee in 2016 compared with 370 reported thefts in 2015. The average amount taken in 2016 increased to \$491 from \$386 in 2015. The total dollar loss in 2016 increased to \$195,289 from \$143,004 in 2015.

Thefts

Type of Theft	Number Reported	Total Dollar Loss	Average Dollar Loss
From Motor Vehicles	69	\$36,922	\$535
Shoplifting	121	\$11,744	\$97
From Buildings	49	\$44,599	\$910
Motor Vehicle Parts	13	\$ 2,506	\$193
All Other	146	\$99,518	\$682
Total	398	\$195,289	\$491

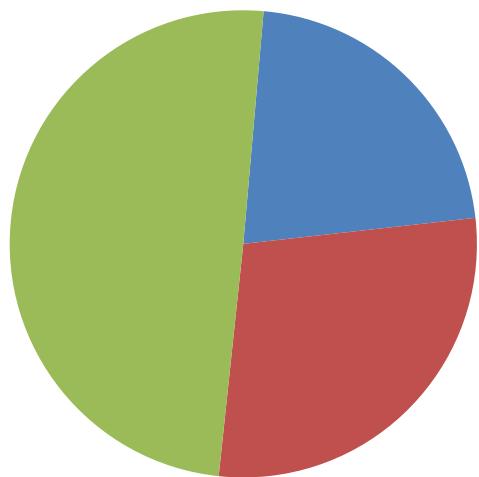
Crimes Against Public Peace

Disorderly Conduct / Animal / Noise

In 2016, SMPD responded to a total of **319** animal related calls/complaints, down 16.0% from 2015. These calls include Animal Noise calls as well as Animal at Large complaints and Animal Bite complaints.

There were **642** Disorderly Conduct incidents reported in 2016, a decrease of 1.1% from 2015. Disorderly Conduct is defined by state statute as conduct that occurs in a “public or private place” and is “violent, abusive, indecent, profane, boisterous, unreasonably loud or otherwise disorderly.” The fine for municipal Disorderly Conduct is \$439.00. It can also be charged as a state ‘Class B’ misdemeanor criminal offense.

South Milwaukee Police responded to **323** Noise complaints in 2016, down 5.0% from 2015. These complaints range from loud music complaints to reports of people yelling and/or loud parties. The fine for Unnecessary Noise is \$187.00.



Animal Complaints

319

Noise Complaints

323

Disorderly Conduct

642

2016 Traffic Enforcement

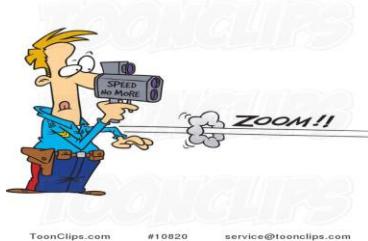
Included in the duties of law enforcement officers is traffic law enforcement. During 2016, the Department continued the directed traffic enforcement program. Each week, locations within the city were highlighted for directed enforcement. The areas are selected based on accident statistics, citizen complaints, requests of the Traffic Commission, or high traffic areas. Using grant money from the Bureau of Transportation Safety, the Department, once again, participated as a member of the OWI Task Force and in conducting specialized, limited speed enforcement activities. The Department utilizes several radar and laser speed measuring devices in the enforcement efforts. An increase in traffic grant monies resulted in an increase in the ability for officers to spend time solely on traffic enforcement.

Traffic Citations/Warnings Issued in:	2016
Operating While Intoxicated	185
Vehicle Registration Violations	81
Speeding	412
License Violations (OAR, OAS, OWL)	420
Seatbelt Violations	148

* OWIs often result in two traffic citations issued, one for Driving Under the Influence and one for a Prohibited Alcohol Concentration. The court system has the authority to dismiss one of the two citations issued during an OWI incident.

2016 statistics include **98** written warnings issued for various traffic violations.

There were **2,958** parking citations issued during 2016.



Accidents

Type of Accident	2016	2015	2014	2013
Property Damage	250	294	273	298
Injury	36	47	34	37
Total	286	341	307	335

Top Accident Locations

Location	Accidents
Highway 32	100
Rawson Ave.	27
College Ave.	26
Milwaukee Ave.	26
Marquette Ave.	13
Drexel Blvd.	12
15 th Ave.	31
Nicholson Ave	17

* Accident statistics were taken from SMPD's Record Management System. These statistics include ALL calls to SMPD where a vehicle accident was reported.

* Accidents occurring at an intersection for both streets named above will result in a statistic for each named street.



Patrol Services 2016

Calls for Service

The goal of the South Milwaukee Police Department is to provide a high standard of professional services. Patrol Officers handle calls that range from domestic problems, neighbor problems, noise violations, park violations, to suicidal persons and robberies. Patrol Officers are responsible for the initial investigation of all calls. Patrol Officers are also responsible for traffic enforcement, accident investigations, business checks, and many other duties.

Calls for Service by Month and Shift

	January	February	March	April	May	June
1st Shift	741	619	718	652	810	753
2nd Shift	601	611	713	683	795	837
3rd Shift	702	570	551	463	629	631
Totals	2044	1800	1982	1798	2234	2221
	July	August	September	October	November	December
1st Shift	736	677	702	759	693	652
2nd Shift	845	773	737	769	719	592
3rd Shift	608	612	631	638	622	701
Totals	2189	2062	2070	2166	2034	1945

1st Shift 0740-1600hrs 2nd Shift 1540-0000hrs 3rd Shift 2340–0800hrs

- Total calls for service for 2016 was 25,545.
- Calls for service decreased when compared to 2015 (26,144)
- Calls for service include EMS and Fire services, but do not include non-service type calls such as court trials, DARE duties, report writing, and crime prevention duties.

Department Grants / Citizen Complaints

2016 Grant Awards

The South Milwaukee Police Department received several grant awards in 2016:

Through the Federal Bureau of Justice Assistance the Department was awarded \$1,625.00 for the purchase of bulletproof vests. This grant funds 50% of the cost for bulletproof vests. The Department has a mandatory wear policy regarding bulletproof vests. All officers are issued this life-saving equipment.

The Wisconsin Department of Transportation awarded the Department with three traffic enforcement grants totaling \$30,176.00. The grants were for alcohol, speed, and seat belt enforcement. The grants provided **536** hours of overtime patrols for traffic enforcement. The overtime patrols resulted in **687** traffic citations, **460** traffic warnings and **55** other arrests for traffic violations, outstanding warrants and drunk driving.

The Wisconsin Department of Transportation also awarded the Department with two equipment grants totaling \$8,000.00. The equipment grants were applied to purchasing: additional body cameras, a radar unit and traffic safety cones. All the equipment has been placed into service for officer use.

The Department also received partial funding for one officer assigned to the Milwaukee Metropolitan Drug Enforcement Group. The grant award was for \$64,428.00 through the Wisconsin Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Program.

The Wisconsin Department of Justice awarded the Department with a \$7,820.00 grant to be applied to the Milwaukee County District Attorney's E-Referral program.

2016 Citizen Complaints

It is the policy of The South Milwaukee Police Department that all incidents of alleged or suspected violations of the law, ordinances or Department rules and regulations be investigated. The department encourages citizens to bring forward any legitimate grievance regarding misconduct by employees.

In 2016 the Department investigated 3 citizen complaints. Two were investigated and determined to be unfounded, while a third complainant decided to no longer pursue the complaint made.

The definitions of the complaints dispositions are as follows:

- **Unfounded:** Investigation indicates that the allegations are false.
- **Not Sustained:** Insufficient evidence to either prove or disprove the allegation.
- **Sustained:** The allegations are supported by sufficient evidence to conclude they are true.
- **Exonerated:** Investigation indicates that the incident occurred, but was justified, lawful and proper under the circumstances.
- **Policy Failure:** the investigation reveals that the allegations are true; however, the employee was acting in accordance with established department policy.

2016 South Shore Joint Tactical Unit



The South Shore Joint Tactical Unit is comprised of approximately 25 officers from South Milwaukee, St. Francis and Cudahy PD's as well as personnel from the Cudahy Fire Department. Our departments have a memorandum of understanding that allows us to operate as a joint team. This allows for training in advanced tactical techniques, sharing the costs of training or incident management, having a larger pool of personnel to draw from in the event of an incident, and increasing our knowledge base with the varied experiences of our members. In addition, we are able to draw upon other resources throughout the area to help incidents come to a peaceful resolution while ensuring the safety of our officers and citizens.

During 2016 the SSJTU responded to one call out in South Milwaukee for possible gunfire inside a residence which turned out to be a false alarm. While individual departments are still able to execute search warrants independently, the SSJTU conducted seven joint narcotics search warrants in 2016.

Throughout the year members of the SSJTU train on a bi-monthly basis in a variety of conditions to better prepare themselves for the various situations that can arise. Training such as Room Entry, Hostage Rescue, Breaching, Barricaded Subject, Vehicle Assaults, Search Warrant Execution, Firearms, IEDs, Active Countermeasures, Ground Fighting, Gas Deployment and culminating in a large scale Operational Readiness exercise involving role players, Mobile Command Posts, Armored Vehicles and SWAT personnel from other agencies.

During the 2016 the SSJTU continued to integrate "TEMS" personnel, who were drawn from the Cudahy Fire Department. The Tactical-Emergency-Medical-Service personnel are certified EMTs/Firefighters and also receive additional tactical emergency medical training. TEMS Medics carry an array of first aid equipment used to provide emergency medical care to injured SSJTU members, citizens and to the victims of crimes. The SSJTU has also integrated the use of K-9's and a host of other non-lethal technology in an attempt to further its capabilities and better provide other options to bring tactical situations to a peaceful end.

Respectfully submitted,
Officer Todd Vinohradsky

Community Policing

Citizens of South Milwaukee,

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the citizens that contributed to this great city. To the individuals that called in suspicious activity, provided tips that helped solve crimes, or made themselves available as witnesses, we thank you.

Many of the crimes that occur in our city could not be solved or prevented without the involvement of our citizens. Like any great city, crime is always lurking. With the help of our citizens staying observant and reporting crime, we can reduce the amount of criminal activity that enters our city limits.

The South Milwaukee Police Department's goal is to take the resources we have and join our forces with the citizens. The South Milwaukee Police Department believes in community policing. We the police depend on our citizens to report crime, suspicious activity, and stay observant so criminals can be taken off the streets.

At the end 2015 we only had one Neighborhood Block Watch. The crime prevention team is proud to say at the end of 2016 those numbers are growing! We currently have two Neighborhood Block Watch groups throughout the city and have formed a City-Wide Watch group that we are very excited about! This City-Wide group will help educate our citizens about crime throughout the city, learn about home and personal security, and most importantly, bring this community together as one.

The crime prevention team encourages South Milwaukee citizens to become more involved with these Block Watch groups or contact the police department for advice on how to start a Block Watch group. Statistics show that citizens that are more involved in their community and are open to the idea of joining a Block Watch program have significantly decreased crime in the area they reside.

The South Milwaukee Police Department is proud of the citizens that have been involved with the Block Watch and City Wide Group Watch, but we cannot stop there! The crime prevention team wants to see more citizens involved and urges citizens to reach out to your crime prevention team. If you would like more information about forming a Block Watch or becoming involved, please contact Officer Tory Shields, shields@smwi.org, Officer Mike Hill, mhill@smwi.org, or Officer Dan Fournier dfour@smwi.org.

The South Milwaukee Police Department is a community policing agency. One of the core values of community policing is the development of community partnerships, with both individuals and organizations.

The South Milwaukee Police Department hopes to see these partnerships expand and develop in 2017.

Regards,
Crime Prevention Team



2016 Community Night Out

August 17, 2016 the South Milwaukee Police Department hosted the 15th Annual Community Night Out. The Community Night Out is a great opportunity for citizens of all ages to meet the various public safety workers in our community. Many citizens attended the festivities, played games, learned about safety, watched demonstrations, enjoyed a good meal, and were treated to an awesome fireworks show.



In May of 2016 the Community Night Out Committee awarded three graduating Seniors from the South Milwaukee High School with \$1,000.00 scholarship. This was a competitive process which required the applicants to submit an essay answering “What I have done to give back to our community and how I intend to continue to contribute to our community.” The Committee selected Ms. Autumn Harrington, Ms. Ashley Prondzinski, and Ms. Lily Muelrath as the 2016 recipients of this scholarship.

In July of 2016 the Community Night Out provided twelve children (ages 6-8 years old) who attended the Concerns of Police Survivors (COPS) Kids Camp in East Troy, Wisconsin with South Milwaukee Junior Police Officers t-shirts and hats. COPS kids camp is for children who have lost a parent to a line of duty death. The Community Night Out Committee was honored to be part of the COPS Kids Camp and to present the children with these items.

In August of 2016 the Community Night Out Committee provided personal hygiene items to the South Milwaukee Human Concerns. Human Concerns was in need of donations of these items and the Night Out Committee stepped in to provide these items.



Chief Wellens, Christian Brooks and Alderperson Clark



Playing a game!

2016 Stuff the Squad Event



On June 11, 2016 Officers Hesse & Walusay and Auxiliary Officers Ceparski & Woods participated in the first South Milwaukee Police Department Stuff the Squad event. All food and monetary donations were given to the South Milwaukee Human Concerns. 66 bags of food and \$188.00 were donated.



2016 South Milwaukee Police Shop With a Cop



Through the generous support of the South Milwaukee Wal-Mart the Police Department hosted the 4th Annual Shop with a Cop event on December 10, 2016. Nine South Milwaukee children were paired with officers to enjoy some shopping, fun activities, and lunch.



Officer Joe Benson



The Department would like to recognize and thank our "Major Sponsors": South Milwaukee Wal-Mart & Tony G's Grant Park Garage. The Department would also like to recognize additional supporters: South Milwaukee McDonalds, Pastor Robert Kieck, The Woman's Club of South Milwaukee, Mr. & Mrs. Janowski, and M.J. Media.

Police Awards Night 2016

The week of May 15 – 21, 2016 was designated as National Peace Officers Week. In conjunction with National Peace Officers Week the Police Department held our Annual Department Awards to recognize selected staff and citizens from the community.

On Tuesday, May 17, 2016 one officer, five citizens and one business were presented Police Department Awards at the Common Council meeting. Mayor Brooks kindly allowed time at the beginning of the meeting for the Department presentation. The following officer, citizens and business received the following awards:

CITIZEN RECOGNITION AWARD: awarded to any citizen when any officer believes that the behavior/actions of a citizen is deserving of recognition by the Department.

PSLO Tim Lewison & Ms. Carolyn Stojsavlevic – nominated by Officer Kozlowski

On September 18, 2015 Officer Lewison and Ms. Stojsavlevic were both working at the South Milwaukee High School when they learned of a subject who collapsed on the indoor running track at the Field House. This subject was not breathing. Both Officer Lewison and Ms. Stojsavlevic began CPR on this subject until the South Milwaukee Fire Department responded to the scene and took over lifesaving tactics. Because of Officer Lewison's and Ms. Stojsavlevic's quick actions in performing CPR the subject who collapsed did survive this incident. Their compassion and concern for this person is commendable. Their life saving actions are recognized by the Department and City of South Milwaukee.

CITIZEN'S RECOGNITION AWARD:

Ms. Tammy Nauman – nominated by Captain Kallay

On October 6, 2015 Ms. Nauman observed a large amount of heavy black smoke billowing from the chimney of a residence. She observed there were no vehicles in the driveway of the residence and called 911. The South Milwaukee Police and Fire Departments arrived and determined the oil pump in the furnace was malfunctioning. The Fire Department reported that had she not called 911 the issue could have resulted in significant property damage or loss. Ms. Nauman's concern for the welfare of another South Milwaukee resident was commended. She saved the property owner from the potential damage to their residence and personal belongings.

Mr. & Mrs. Hintz and Mr. Daniel Smith – nominated by Officer Streicher

On October 21, 2015 Mr. & Mrs. Hintz observed a subject walking in South Milwaukee that resembled a subject they had seen on the news that the Police Department was looking for. This subject had recently burglarized a business in South Milwaukee. Officers checked the area where Mr. & Mrs. Hintz had last seen the subject and initially did not locate him.

Mr. Smith contacted the South Milwaukee Police Department after viewing surveillance video from a burglary of a local business on Facebook. He advised the Police Department he recognized the subject and provided a name and address for this subject.

With Mr. Smith's information and Mr. & Mrs. Hintz's information officers were able to locate this subject and take him into custody for the burglary. This subject was subsequently charged by the Milwaukee County District Attorney's Office with several charges of burglary. Through the investigation it was determined this subject had committed other burglaries in the city. Without Mr. & Mrs. Hintz and Mr. Smith's assistance this subject possibly would not have been located and would have continued to commit other crimes in South Milwaukee.

Mr. Fekri Sinani – Owner Paisano's Restaurant

Mr. Sinani & Paisano's Restaurant received a Citizen's Recognition Award for their continued support of our community. Mr. Sinani and his business - Paisano's is a true community partner. Mr. Sinani and the Police Department have a great relationship. Mr. Sinani has provided the Police Department with support for Community Night Out and Shop with a Cop program for the past several years.

CROSSING GUARD RECOGNITION:

Mrs. Helga Allen had been a Crossing Guard for the South Milwaukee Police Department for approximately 20 years. Mrs. Allen became a Crossing Guard for the South Milwaukee Police Department in August 1996. Throughout the years Mrs. Allen has served at the North Chicago/Hawthorne Avenue post in good weather and bad weather. This is one of the busiest intersections for pedestrian crossing and Mrs. Allen has always made sure to be at her post to safely cross the children to and from school. She has observed the children of E.W. Luther Elementary School grow and develop into young adults. Some of the children have come to know her as an adopted grandmother. Her love and compassion for the children has shown through her dedication to her position. She is considered a family member of the South Milwaukee Police Department and the E.W. Luther Elementary School. She was recognized for her 20 years of dedicated service to the South Milwaukee Police Department and the children of South Milwaukee.

ACCREDITATION

The South Milwaukee Police Department continues its membership in the Wisconsin Law Enforcement Accreditation Group (WILEAG). This program is a continuous process enabling law enforcement agencies to evaluate, strengthen, improve and maintain their effectiveness. It works on a process of self-evaluation, keeps in check law enforcement activities, procedures and goals. It also ensures the condition of law enforcement agencies remain in compliance with established standards. The SMPD has been accredited through WILEAG since May 1998 and was one of the first agencies in Wisconsin to become accredited.

The accreditation process requires the Department to have numerous policies in place and several standards met. When changes in the standards are made by the WILEAG the existing policies need to be reviewed and revised to reflect any necessary changes. This requires a continuous review of all department functions and operations.

Accreditation offers the South Milwaukee Police Department several benefits: providing “norms” against which agency performance can be monitored and measured over time; increased cooperation and coordination with other law enforcement agencies; increased effectiveness and efficiency in the delivery of law enforcement services; and demonstrating to the community that the SMPD is committed to continuing these standards through accreditation. With the police department due for re-accreditation in 2017, preparation is already underway as this is an ongoing process year round which cannot be accomplished without the assistance of many personnel at the SMPD. The SMPD will be the first agency in the state to move to the 5th Edition WILEAG standards in 2017.

