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## **FOREST PARK POLICE DEPARTMENT ASSET SEIZURE AND FORFEITURES JULY AND AUGUST 2019**

Following is a summary of Asset Seizure and Forfeiture activity by the Forest Park Police Department in July and August 2019. All money, vehicle, and property seizures made by this department are in compliance with Illinois Statutes on drug and money laundering forfeiture laws (Illinois Compiled Statutes, Chapter 725, Article 150/5) and other vehicle seizure laws (Chapter 720, Article 36).

### **NEW CASES:**

On 01 July 2019, this department seized \$13,900 cash from a "John Doe" after discovering this money inside a vehicle and its sole occupant claimed no knowledge of the money and stated it did not belong to him. The cash was deposited into the department asset forfeiture account. A finding of probable cause to seize this money was found in a preliminary review hearing on 10 July 2019.

On 14 July 2019, this department seized a 2007 Chevy Suburban vehicle when the owner was arrested for Driving While License Revoked for DUI. The vehicle was impounded, and a finding of probable cause to seize the vehicle was found in a preliminary review hearing on 24 July 2019.

### **CASES CLEARED:**

On 02 August 2019, a defendant reached a Settlement Agreement with the State's Attorney Office in which 50% of money seized in a June 2019 case would be returned to him, and he would agree to forfeit the other 50% to this department. The defendant was issued a check for \$2,465, and the remaining \$2,465 will be awarded to this department.

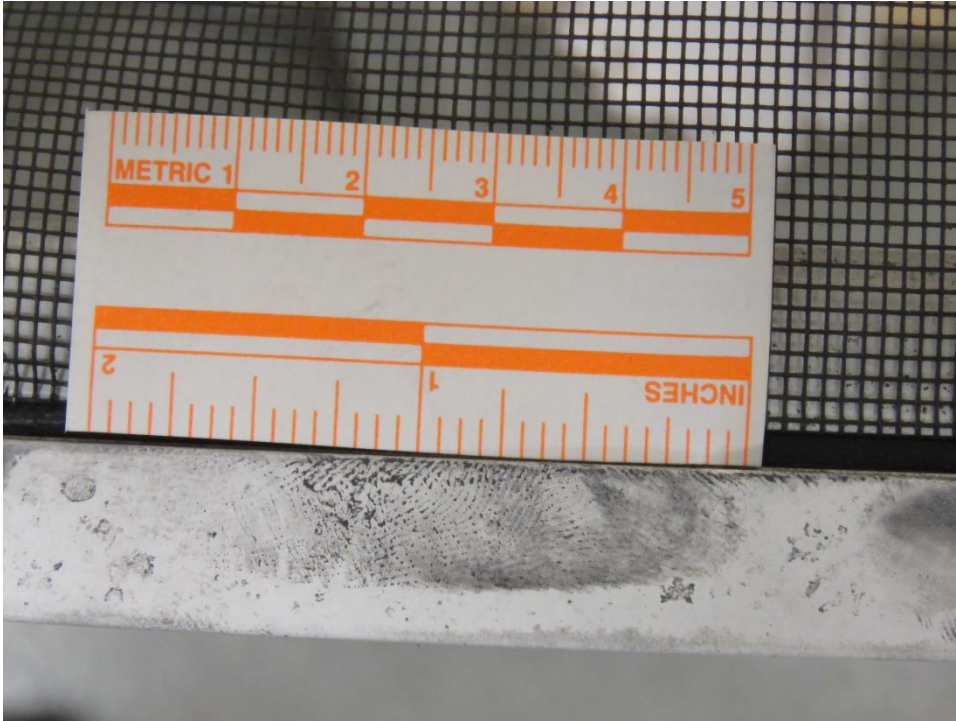
### **YEAR TO DATE**

This department has seized \$24,697 cash in four new cases in 2019 to date. One vehicle has been seized with an estimated value of \$7,000 during the first six months of 2019.



## Criminal Investigations Division

**Detectives / Tactical Response Unit / Community Policing**



**July / August 2019**

The Forest Park Police Department's (FPPD) Criminal Investigation Division (CID) is led by Lt. Ken Gross. Three detectives are assigned to CID; Det. Jarlath Heveran, Det. Rob Bryant, and Det. Adam Stasinopoulos. Det. George Hickey reports to the Criminal Investigations Division and is assigned to work with a Drug Enforcement Administration (D.E.A.) Task Force. Ofc. Mike O'Connor is the police department's Community Policing / Crime Free Housing Officer. LaShan Riggins, the Forest Park Police Department's Evidence Custodian, is a member of CID and aside from her evidence custodian duties performs administrative duties for the investigators, and assists the 24 hour desk, parking, and records when needed. Amita Health Behavioral Health Clinician and Police Crisis Services Worker, Elizabeth Budde, is outsourced to the Forest Park Police Department four days a week and has an office space within the CID building located at 501 Desplaines Ave.

Police incident reports are reviewed by the investigations division every working day. Incidents that have victims wishing to sign a complaint against an offender are assigned to a detective for further review in an effort to develop an offender(s), conduct interviews, and gather evidence to effect an arrest and present a winnable case in criminal court. Some incidents are turned over to Elizabeth Budde

should there seem to be a need for outreach from her organization, mainly in reference to mental health concerns. Other incidents, for example neighbor disputes or landlord tenant disputes, are forwarded to Ofc. Mike O'Connor so he could intervene and possibly mediate or offer eviction advice. Problem properties may be deemed a nuisance by Ofc. O'Connor should they meet the criteria established under the village ordinance.

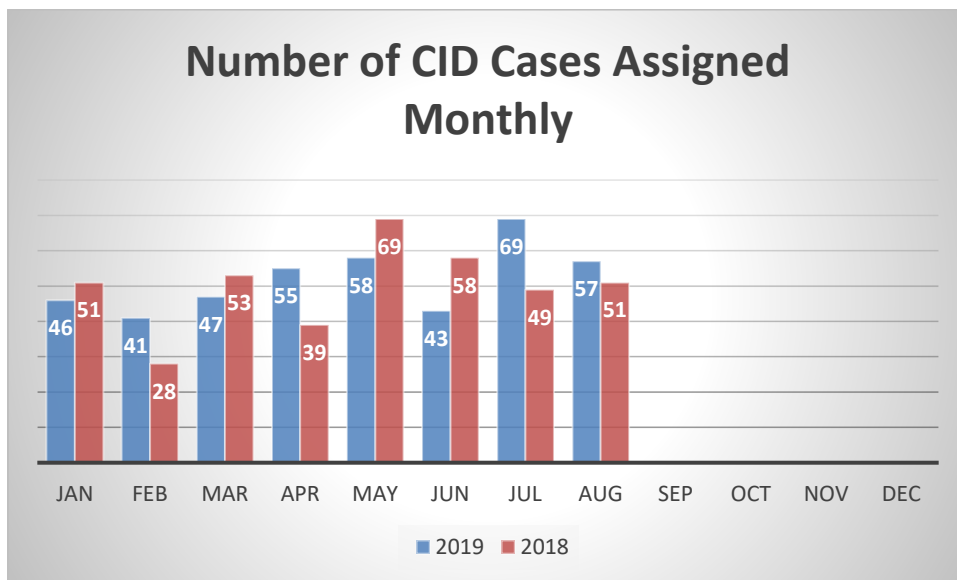
Detectives rotate on-call assignments weekly so a Forest Park Police Detective is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week should the need for CID assistance arise. If a major incident is encountered during off hours, the entire CID staff could be called upon to respond if needed.

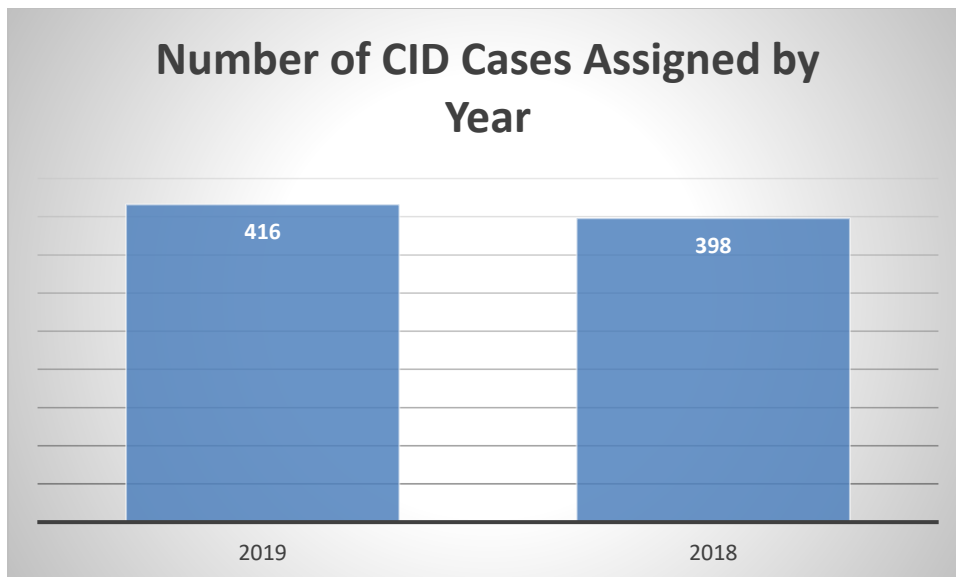
The detectives are members of the West Suburban Major Crimes Task Force (WESTAF) and are, at times, on call to assist member agencies should a homicide occur in a WESTAF jurisdiction. There were no callouts in July/August 2019.

Currently, the Forest Park PD is a member agency in the multi-jurisdictional West Suburban Drug and Gang Enforcement Task Force (WEDGE). Det. A. Stasinopoulos and Ofc. M. O'Connor are assigned to assist WEDGE. They did not assist WEDGE in this reporting period.

Trainings attended in July/August 2019 by CID personnel were: National Symposium on Sex Offender Management and Accountability (Gross), Computerized Voice Stress Analyzer Training (Heveran), and 40 Hour Basic Investigation Skills Program (Stasinopoulos).

There were 126 incidents assigned to investigators for follow-up in the July and August 2019 time period, 69 in July and 57 in August. This is 25% more than in May and June 2019 when 101 cases were assigned. There were 26 more incidents assigned to investigators in July/August 2019 than in the same two month time period in 2018 when 100 cases were assigned. There were a total of 54 incidents cleared in July/August 2019.





Through August 2019, there have been 416 incidents assigned to the detective division, up 18 incidents from 2018 when 398 incidents were assigned from January 2018 to August 2018.

Following are incidents of note in July/August 2019:

- CR# 1902095 – A subject was stopped by the Oak Park Police and charged with Burglary to Motor Vehicle. The subject possessed items taken in a Forest Park Burglary to Motor Vehicle when arrested by the Oak Park Police. Fingerprint evidence in the Forest Park incident matched the Oak Park car burglary offender. The subject, who was in Cook County Department of Corrections custody, was interviewed and charged in the Forest Park event.
- CR# 1902240 – A cell phone was taken from a charging table at the Forest Park Public Library. Investigations found a subject in possession of the stolen cell phone. The victim did not wish to pursue a complaint against the offender and just wanted their property returned. The offender was banned from the library for their act of thievery.
- CR# 1902220 – A missing adult incident was reported to this agency. It was learned that the missing subject had been committed to a mental health facility and had since been released. The subject was located and found to be staying in shelters in the northwest suburbs of Cook County.
- CR# 1902132 – A subject on parole fled from officers driving a vehicle involved in a retail theft. The subject was identified and known to the investigations division reference prior incidents. Detectives learned that the subject had an upcoming court date at a Cook County Courthouse. Detectives arrested the subject at the courthouse and charged him with two counts of Aggravated Fleeing to Elude.
- CR# 1902510, 1902512, 1902514, 1902515, 1902516, 1902517, 2902518, 1902601, 1902602, 1902604, 1902605, 1902606, 1902608, and 1902609: A Detective assisted an Inspector from the Illinois Liquor Control Commission on two dates in July/August 2019. The team performed Illinois Alcohol Compliance Enforcement for liquor license holders in the Village of Forest Park using a youth agent (subject under the age of 21). Citations were issued to fourteen of the thirty-four businesses checked.
- CR# 1902465 and 1902531: A subject was arrested by patrol for Criminal Damage to Property after shooting the windows of a neighbors' home with a BB gun, causing damage to the windows. CID assisted with interviewing the offender and contacting the Cook County States

Attorney's Office. The subject was charged with two felony counts of Criminal Damage to Property for damage done to the neighbors' home on two separate dates.

- CR# 1902559 – A subject was involved in a disturbance and stabbed in the arm a number of times. The subject did not wish for an arrest to be made or for police involvement. The subject signed a complaint refusal form.
- CR# 1902351 – A citizen was robbed at gunpoint in the early morning while walking home after leaving a 7-11 store. The assigned detective reviewed video and disseminated information to other police agencies. The suspects' vehicle and the offenders were identified. One subject was located, arrested, and charged with Armed Robbery. A warrant was issued for a second offender who was arrested by an FBI task force that learned of the active warrant. This subject was turned over to the Forest Park PD and they were also charged with Armed Robbery.
- CR# 1902623 – It was reported that a subject was pawning items that were stolen from a local company. The subject was an employee of the victim company. The subject was arrested, interviewed, and charged with felony theft. Many of the stolen items were recovered.

***Forest Park Criminal Investigations Division members are experienced and dedicated public servants who have built and continue to maintain professional relationships within the community and with neighboring agencies in an effort to quash criminal activity and to solve as many cases as possible.***

### **Firearms/Range**

The range staff continued to complete Department qualifications and practical training.

### **Accident Investigation**

Nothing to Report

### **LESO**

A single acquisition of 30 brand new combat trauma bags. The "Go" bags we acquired through a safety grant many years ago are in need of replacement. These should fit that or augment that role. The original cost paid by the military was \$130.73 each.

### **NIPAS**

July 12-13, 2019 - Callout to Waukegan for SCOOP event. Waukegan had a homicide the previous year outside of the event.

July 13, 2019 - Standby Broadview at ICE Detention Center.

July 24, 2019 - Standby Streamwood for their Summer Celebration.

July 29, 2019 - Standby Willowbrook for EPA meeting, Sterigenics.

Aug 7, 2019 - Standby Bellwood for their Village Fest

Aug 9, 2019 - Callout Skokie for large crowd outside their Walgreens

Aug 16, 2019 - Standby North Riverside for possible flash mob at mall

Aug 19, 2019 - Standby Riverwoods for Congressman Schneider meeting

Aug 29, 2019 - Standby Melrose Park for Taste of Melrose

### **Special Response Team (SRT)**

The SRT did not conduct training in July due to vacation time.

The SRT conducted training on August 21, 2019. SRT members preformed tactics and building entry searches focusing on room entries with 1, 2, 3, and 4 man room entries as well as full team entries.

There were no activations or search warrants for the months of July and August.

### **Neighborhood Watch**

Nothing to Report