# Racine County Sheriff's Office

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2021 Annual Report



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#### Sheriff Christopher Schmaling's Message

#### Greetings:

The Racine County Sheriff's Office is the chief law enforcement agency in Racine County. Our agency has full law enforcement authority throughout the county, including all the towns, villages, and cities, as well as the waters of Lake Michigan.

We provide the following specialized functions:

Metro Drug Unit

Civil Process Unit

Consumer Fraud Investigations

Criminal Investigations Bureau

Water Patrol

**SWAT Team** 

Dive/Rescue Team

Crisis Negotiators

The Sheriff's Office is also responsible for the operation of the Racine County Jail.

The jail's rated capacity of 876 persons makes it one of the largest in the state.



The professional staff of our agency remains dedicated to our mission of providing the core services that help maintain public safety, peace, and order in Racine County. We also remain committed to utilizing our resources in the most efficient and responsible manner possible. Our citizens expect these things, and deserve them. It is our great privilege to deliver these services to them.

Sincerely,

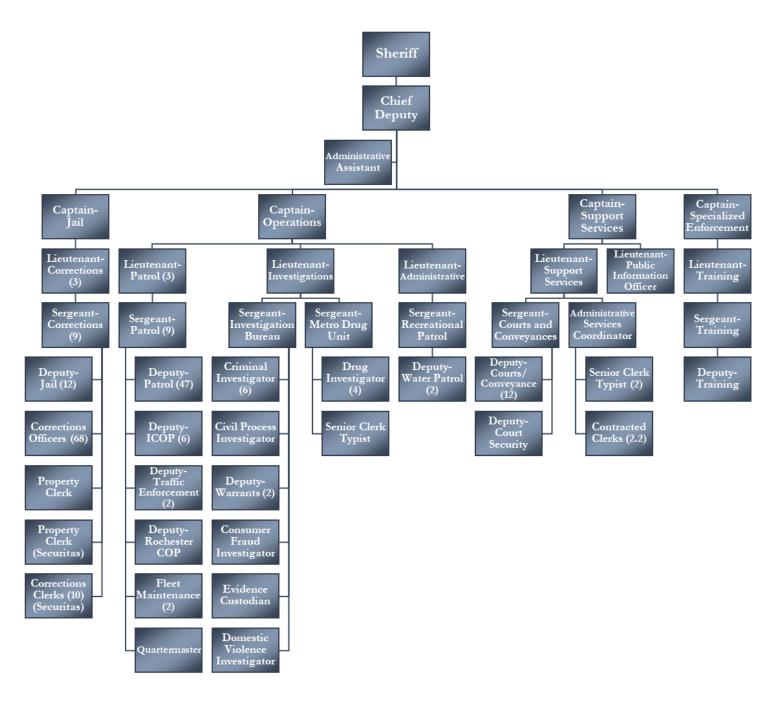
Christopher Schmaling, Sheriff

Racine County, Wisconsin





# Racine County Sheriff's Office 2021 Organizational Chart







## Racine County Sheriff's Office Mission Statement

In Partnership with the Citizens, and with the cooperation of the communities within Racine County, the mission of the Racine County Sheriff's Office shall be the preservation of public safety, peace and order. This goal shall be met through proper utilization of the available resources in the most efficient manner possible while maintaining the highest levels of professionalism.







# Racine County Sheriff's Office 2021 Crime Reporting Statistics

The Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program generates reliable statistics for use in law enforcement. It also provides information for students of criminal justice, researchers, the media, and the public. The program has been providing crime statistics since 1930. In 1989, the National Incident-Based Reporting System, or NIBRS, was implemented. NIBRS collects data about victims, offenders, property, and arrests. NIBRS provides statistic information for 52 offense classifications, with up to 10 offenses per incident. The Federal Bureau of Investigations (FBI) set a NIBRS— transitioning deadline for law enforcement agencies on January 1, 2021. The Racine County Sheriff's Office has successfully completed this transition and will include expanded data from NIBRS statistics in the 2022 Annual Report.

	Uniform Crime Reporting Statistics					
	Offenses	Clearan		rances		
Violent Crime	2020	2021	%	2020	2021	
Murder	1	3	+200	1	3	
Forcible Rape	1	1	0	1	0	
Robbery	3	2	-33	2	2	
Aggravated Assault	24	32	+33	23	31	
Total	30	38				
Property Crime	2020	2021	%	2020	2021	
Burglary	32	25	-22	23	18	
Larceny Theft	117	95	-19	98	75	
Motor Veh. Theft	23	25	+8	20	19	
Arson	2	3	+50	2	3	
Total	174	148				





# Racine County Sheriff's Office Community Involvement

The Racine County Sheriff's Office is proud to be involved in the community, raising awareness for law enforcement, the laws being enforced, and the citizens we protect and serve. This year's notable community events included:

The Racine County Fair
Shop With a Cop
Community Health Fair
The Racine County Explorer Post
Be The Hero Fundraiser
National Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over holiday campaign
Cops on a Rooftop for the Special Olympics
No Shave November-December for the Women's Resource Center







### Racine County Sheriff's Office Notable Events

Racine County Sheriff's Office notable public updates from this year include:

January 25, 2021– The Racine CO Sheriff's Office is selected by Emma Loves Dogs foundation to purchase and train a new canine for the K9 Unit through their grant program.

February 26, 2021– The Racine CO Sheriff's Office announces that NO staff, contractors, volunteers, or inmates have tested positive for the COVID-19 virus for the past 18 days.

April 1, 2021– The Racine CO Sheriffs' Office holds "No Shave Fundraiser" and raises \$3,724 in donations for the Veterans Outreach of Wisconsin.

April 30, 2021– The Racine CO Sheriff's Office announces the Sudden Violence Prevention Program, which is an initiative to educate local community groups – like businesses, schools, and churches – on how to prevent or react to a violent critical incident.

July 22, 2021– The Racine CO Sheriff's Office— and the Jail Chaplaincy of the Racine County Jail- have provided over 2000 food containers as well as hundreds of healthy snacks to the Hospitality Center.

August 3, 2021– The Racine CO Sheriff's Office participates in "National Night Out" with the Racine community.

August 27, 2021- Sheriff Christopher Schmaling presented Certificates of Commendation and Racine County Sheriff's Office Challenge Coins to the Racine CO Sheriff's Office Water Patrol Assistants for their dedication to service working on the Racine County Sheriff's Boat in the waters of Lake Michigan.

October 1, 2021– The Racine CO Sheriff's Office reminds its citizens of the '9PM Routine".

"Please remember to complete your 9PM routine! Take valuables out of your car, lock your home and all vehicles, and keep outdoor lighting on."

October 28, 2021—Sheriff Christopher Schmaling announces the results of an extensive investigation that demonstrates proof of State-wide Election Law and Voter Integrity Violations.

October 31, 2021- Sheriff Schmaling announces that Lt. Kelly Goetzke was recently recognized as the First Responder of the Year for the 63rd Assembly District of Wisconsin.

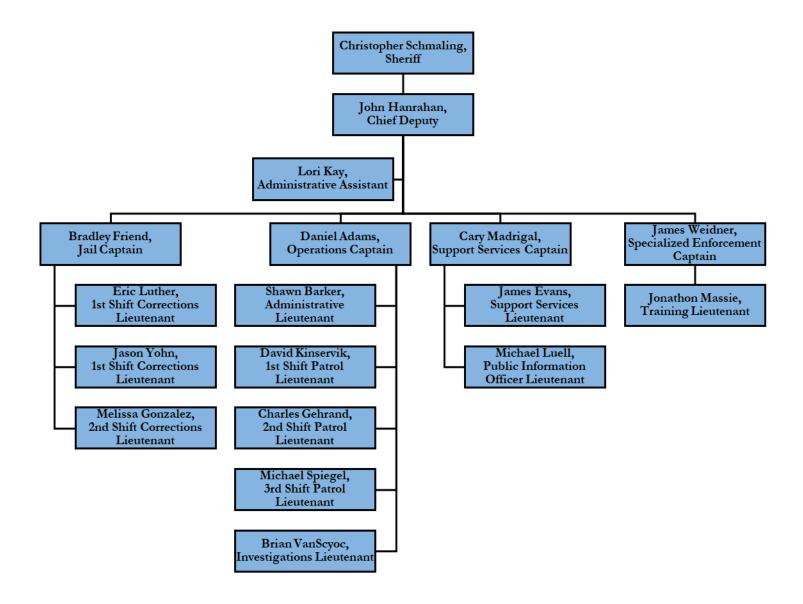
December 3, 2021– Kenosha CO Sheriff's Office investigation of death of Racine CO Jail inmate Ronquale Ditello-Scott is ruled an accidental overdose.

December 10, 2021– Sheriff Schmaling announces that "For the Fourth Time in Four Months, Racine CO Jail Staff Saved a Life by using NARCAN on an unresponsive subject."

December 16, 2021- Racine County K9 Handler Dep. Allard and K9 Zeke assist the River Meadows Home Owners Association judge the subdivision's 2nd Annual Holiday Decorating Contest.



#### 2021 Sheriff's Administration







#### 2021 Sheriff's Administration

The Sheriff's Administration is responsible for the management and direction of the entire Office, and ensures that the Office obtains its goals and objectives.

The Sheriff's Office is a large, dynamic organization with ever-growing responsibilities. The Office is composed of many specialized units. Our agency is comprised of one Sheriff, one Chief Deputy, four Captains, seven sworn Lieutenants, fourteen sworn Sergeants, twenty-five Investigators, one-hundred-eight Deputies, three Corrections Lieutenants, ten Corrections Sergeants, and over one-hundred Corrections Officers.

The Office's Administrative Staff provides support services to all operating units within the Office. Support and administrative services include creating policy and procedure, handling citizen's complaints, accounting, records, training, communications and clerical support.





Bradley Friend Jail Captain



Cary Madrigal Support Services Captain



Daniel Adams
Operations Captain



James Weidner
Specialized Enforcement
Captain





# Racine County Sheriff's Office Operations Division

The Operations Division of the Sheriff's Office consists of Patrol, Investigations and Metro Drug, along with other specialized units. They provide public safety services throughout Racine County.

The uniformed patrol operations of the Racine County Sheriff's Office strives to improve the quality of life in Racine County by providing a high level of public service and keeping civilians safe through enforcement, prevention, education, and community policing efforts in partnership with communities, other governmental entities, and schools.

The primary mission of the Investigative Bureau is to investigate time-consuming, complex, or specialized crimes that are not practical for patrol deputies to investigate.

The main goal of the Racine County Metro Drug Unit is to target drug distribution and disseminating drug intelligence, coordinating drug enforcement with other local, state, and federal agencies, and has a role in educating the community about current drug threats.

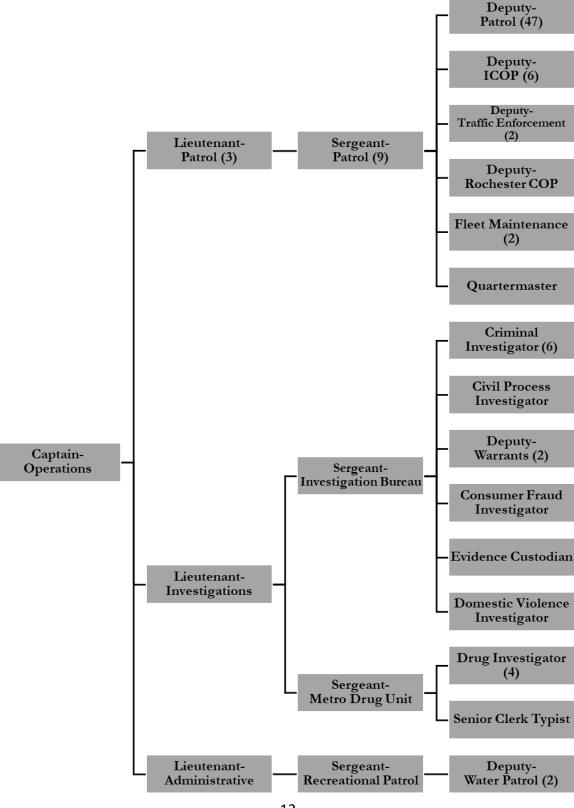
The Operations Division is commanded by Captain James Weidner.







# Racine County Sheriff's Office Operations Division







#### **2021 Arrests Statistics**

Racine County Sheriff Patrol Operations Statistics							
	2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020 2021					2021	
Miles Driven	1,505,943	920,610	1,200,538	1,262,623	1,214,040	1,199,605	1,313,256
Hours Worked	83,183	73,351	104,555	129,028	107,327	120,525	146,638

	Complaint Activity						
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Traffic Stops	29,894	33,004	30,158	28,718	29,438	17,722	20,132
Vehicle Crashes	1,276	1,067	1,068	1,476	1,366	985	1,028
Alarm Calls	517	430	502	521	527	479	549
Assist Other Agency Calls	2,516	2,526	2,307	2,468	2,262	1,558	1,318
Citizen Assist Calls**	4,900	4,290	4,165	4,330	4,831	3,728	4,388
<b>Total Calls</b>	81,806	81,123	74,238	73,927	76,279	65,592	70,953
	**Calls for Aid Motorist, Mental Health, Missing Adult or Child, and Rescue Run						

	Racine County Sheriff Patrol Operations Statistics						
	2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020 2021						2021
Warnings	7,549	7,084	9,812	10,875	11,508	7,403	8,945
Arrest Warrants	Arrest Warrants 618 548 582 708 546 571 652						652





#### **2021 Arrest Statistics**

Patrol Arrest Activity							
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Speeding Citations	11,953	12,407	10,226	9,088	10,390	11,117	8,025
Other Traffic Violations	8,527	17,987	19,178	17,212	16,222	5,180	9,083
OWI	450	466	411	386	621	489	508
Citations from Crashes	468	425	168	549	1,033	1,073	920
Felonies	171	114	372	169	178	126	195
Misdemeanor Arrests	604	487	741	327	371	267	407
Ordinance Arrests	683	791	1,803	918	1,813	406	451
TOTAL PATROL ARRESTS	23,878	33,025	33,261	29,192	31,149	18,658	19,589
*Stat Totals Corrected in Oct. 2022 due to RMS Data Issues; Previous reports were 18,469 and 19,498 respectively.							







#### 2021 Strategic Patrol Unit (SPU)

The Racine County Sheriff's Office has created the Strategic Patrol Unit (SPU), which combines the workforce of the I-94 Corridor Patrol (ICOPS) and STEU.

Deputies patrol the Interstate as well as property locations within one mile of I-94 in efforts to make the roadways and businesses in Racine County a safer place to operate motor vehicles and conduct commercial operations. This program has made a significant impact on safety in Racine County.

SPU Activity						
	2020	2021				
Base Fine	\$884,040	\$612,475.00				
Citation Fine	\$2,656,171.50	\$1,669,358.10				
Misc. Other Arrests/Citations						
OWI Arrests	317	147				
Criminal Traffic Citations	342	220				
Traffic Citations	8,183	5,198				
Ordinance Violations	505	968.4				
Weapons Violations	31	17				
Felony Arrests	127	123				
Misdemeanor Arrests	305	151				
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<b>Property Damage Accidents</b>	45	39				
Personal Injury Accidents	25	29				





#### 2021 SPU Stats

SPU Activity Continued					
	2020	2021			
Service of Warrants	106	56			
Persons to Jail on Warrants	47	27			
Drug Arrests	249	137			
Drugs Seized					
THC (grams)	5578.4	3081.1			
Cocaine (grams)	20.4	7.4			
Heroin (grams)	4.8	2.7			
Schedule II, IV, V Drugs	121	124			
Schedule III Drugs	27	0			
Pills (non-schedule) (tabs)	411	112			
Interstate Calls Summary					
Traffic Stops	0 102	E 100			
•	8,183	5,198			
Traffic Accidents	70	68			
<b>Driving Under the Influence</b>	317	147			
Weapons Violations	31	17			





# Racine County Sheriff's Office Criminal Investigations Bureau

The Racine County Sheriff's Office Investigative Bureau is comprised of one Lieutenant, one Sergeant, and fifteen Investigators. One Investigator is assigned to Civil Process and one is assigned to Consumer Fraud Investigations.

The Investigative Bureau has a number of specialized units staffed by highly trained and skilled Investigators. Crimes investigated by the Criminal Investigations Bureau include:

**Sexual Assault** 

Child Abuse

**Burglary & Theft** 

**Arson Investigations** 

White Collar & Financial Crimes

**Internet Crimes** 

**Traffic Investigations** 

**Consumer Fraud** 

**Death Investigation** 

**Cold Case Investigations** 

**Street Gangs** 





### Racine County Sheriff's Office Evidence Custodian

The Racine County Sheriff's Office Evidence Custodian is a position held by a Sworn Deputy responsible for the proper collection, identification, and preservation of evidence collected by Deputies and Investigators. The Evidence Custodian maintains the 'chain of custody' of evidence that may be sent to the Crime Lab for analysis.

Collection and processing of evidence is a constantly changing field that demands the Office be current in the latest technological procedures. Our Evidence Custodian and Investigators are highly involved in learning new processes and proper techniques for evidence collection.

In 2021, 379 items were held by the evidence department for safe keeping, 103 vehicles were processed, 140 guns were taken for safekeeping, and 2,976 items were entered by law enforcement officers and inventoried as evidence.

In addition to evidence of criminal activities, 420 blood samples of OWI investigations were processed through the industrious Evidence Section and the Wisconsin State Hygiene and Crime Lab.







# Racine County Sheriff's Office Metro Drug Unit

Seven Investigators, including one from the Caledonia Police Department, one supervising Sergeant, and a Senior Clerk Typist currently staff the Racine County Metro Drug Unit.

The Unit was created to provide a coordinated and comprehensive effort to investigate and arrest those who engage in the trafficking of illegal drugs within Racine County. The Unit works closely with the FBI, IRS, DEA HIDTA and the Federal Prosecutors Office, as well as other State and local law enforcement agencies such as SEADOG, a 5-county information and intelligence sharing cooperative.

During 2021, there were 905 arrests made for various drug charges in Racine County. There were 635 Felony charges, 172 Misdemeanors, and 60 classified Ordinance violations. The most notable quantities of confiscated substances were Marijuana—THC, Methamphetamine, Heroin, and Cocaine. The overall total street value of all confiscated substances in 2021 was \$1,419,804.70.

2021 Metro Drug Activity– Seizures				
Total Value of A	ll Confiscated Dru	ıgs: \$1,419,804.70		
Substance Quantity Street Value (US Dollars)				
Adderall (tablets)	122	610		
Alprazolam (tablets)	248	1,736		
Amphetamine (tablets)	56	392		
Cocaine (grams)	2,096	209,600		
Crack Cocaine (grams)	465.8	58,225		
Diazepam/Valium (tablets)	4	20		
Ecstasy/MDMA (tablets)	1,233	24,660		
Kratom	1,634.5	16,345		
Fentanyl (grams)	99.1	11,892		
Heroin (grams)	1,648	247,200		
Lorazepam (tablets)	54	540		





# **Metro Drug Unit Statistics**

2021 Metro Drug Activity- Seizures Continued				
Substance	Quantity	Street Value (US Dollars)		
Marijuana- THC (grams)	44,416.80	444,168		
Marijuana– Plant	20	20,000		
Marijuana- Wax (grams)	68.1	6,129		
Marijuana- Vape (cartridges)	513	15,390		
Methamphetamine (grams)	903.2	90,320		
Misc. tablets (grams)	684	3,420		
Oxycodone (tablets)	542	16,260		
Psilocybin Mushrooms (grams)	214.1	1,498.70		
Suboxone	227	5,675		

Metro Drug Unit Arrest Activity						
2016 2017 2018 2019 2020 2021						
<b>Felony Charges</b>	670	840	664	841	502	635
Search Warrants         95         80         79         33         81         48						







# Racine County Sheriff's Office Specialized Enforcement Division

The Racine County Sheriff's Office Specialized Enforcement Division oversees the Racine County Sheriff's Office Training Division, Racine County Emergency Management, and the specialty-assignment teams consisting of sworn and non-sworn personnel on the Racine County Sheriff's Office roster; these teams include Recreational Patrol, the Canine (K-9) Unit, Dive and Rescue, SWAT, Crowd Control, Jail CERT, and the Crisis Intervention Team. This division was created to assist the agency with optimizing the training efforts, utilized methods, and data-driven statistics for operations within the Racine County Sheriff's Office that require additional training and skillsets to perform at the highest levels of proficiency and functionality.





# Racine County Sheriff's Office Water Safety Patrol

The Racine County Sheriff's Office continues to operate the Water Safety Patrol on Lake Michigan and on inland lakes and rivers throughout Racine County. The Water Safety Patrol operates from April 1st until about the second week of November. During the summer months, Water Safety Patrol Deputies are assisted by approximately 5 college student summer employees.

The Water Safety Patrol continues to be partially funded by the Department of Natural Resources. Annually, up to 17% of the costs of operating the Water Safety Patrol are reimbursed to Racine County.

The Racine County Sheriff's Water Safety Patrol responds to assist boaters for a variety of incidents, including accidents, engine failures, and rescue as well as enforcement activities.

Water Safety Patrol Calls for Service 2021			
Search and Rescue	4		
Hazardous Navigation	7		
<b>Boating Citations Issued</b>	9		
<b>Boating Warnings Issued</b>	11		
Vessels Assisted	14		
<b>Assist Other Agencies</b>	1		
<b>Special Events</b>	3		
All Other Calls for Service	17		
TOTAL CALLS FOR SERVICE	66		









## Racine County Sheriff's Office Recreational Patrol

The Racine County Sheriff's Office Recreational Patrol is responsible for overseeing snowmobile safety and ATV safety, along with investigating accidents and complaints related to these recreational activities.

The Racine County Sheriff's Office Snowmobile Patrol is supported by the Racine County Snowmobile Alliance and the Department of Natural Resources. Our office submits a yearend report to the Department of Natural Resources after each snowmobile season, and we are reimbursed for a portion of the cost to operate the snowmobile patrol.





Our Motorcycle Patrol unit is made up of sworn officers who must complete an intensive training class before operating the motorcycle in an enforcement capacity.

The Sheriff's Office currently has two Harley Davidson police motorcycles. This unit performs traffic enforcement throughout the county and has assisted with escorting dignitaries and parades.





# Racine County Sheriff's Office K-9 Unit

The Racine County Sheriff's Office Canine Unit program was launched in 1999.

The Canine Unit is currently comprised of 5 K9's and their handlers, thanks to the overwhelming support of the Racine County community and several local businesses.

In 2012, K9 Friday was placed into service. Friday is a Belgian Malinois/German Shepherd mix. Friday is also a dual purpose K9, trained in narcotics detection, tracking, building and area searches, and articles and evidence searches. Friday is partnered with Deputy Edward Drewitz.

In 2013, additional donations were received, and the Sheriff's Office was able to add two K9's to the K9 unit. K9 Nitro and K9 Murphy were placed into service in November 2013. Both are Belgian Malinois's, and both are dual purpose K9's, trained in narcotics detection, tracking, building and area searches, and articles and evidence searches. Nitro is partnered with Deputy Troy Ruffalo and Murphy is partnered with Deputy David Fisher.

In 2014, K9 Nox, a German Shepherd trained in narcotics detection, tracking, building and area searches, and articles and evidence searches, was placed into service. Nox is partnered with Deputy Kurt Clemens.

In 2019, K9 Karma, a Labrador trained in electronics detection and therapy, was placed into service. Karma is partnered with Inv. Jon Bechman.

In 2020, K9 Zeke was placed into service with Deputy Allard as his handler. Zeke is a dual-purpose canine unit. In 2021, K9 Simba was added to our canine pack with Deputy Poelmann as his handler. Per his handler, "Simba is a dual purpose Belgian Malinois/Dutch Shepherd who just loves to work."







# Racine County Sheriff's Office Dive Rescue Team

The Racine County Sheriff's Office Dive Rescue Team is a member of the Racine County Dive Team (RCDT) which operates under the Mutual Aid Box Alarm System Agreement ("MABAS") Division 102 under the authority and oversight of the Sheriff. RCDT members are comprised of public safety agencies within Racine County including Sheriff's Deputies and Corrections Officers, Fire, Rescue and EMS personnel. RCDT members include rescue/recovery divers, surface rescuers and shore/boat support personnel. At the present time, the RCDT has approximately 60 members. The primary function of the RCDT is to make every reasonable attempt to save any person that may be drowning or has disappeared under the surface of any body of water within Racine County.

Additionally, the RCDT will make every reasonable effort to recover the body of any person that has been declared a drowning victim in any body of water within Racine County. The team also responds for evidence recovery operations and provides safety for water related events throughout Racine County. Because the RCDT is comprised of multiple agencies with numerous specialized assets and personnel, it is considered a regional response team and has assisted other agencies of Southeastern Wisconsin and Illinois with their waterborne operations.

RCDT member agencies schedule intensive practical trainings each month and open their respective trainings to other member agencies. All active divers must have a minimum of an advanced certification through a professionally accredited SCUBA certification agency. The RCDT has also obtained specialized equipment to make underwater searches safer and faster. This includes an underwater towable video system, diver to diver underwater communications, surface supplied air system, and a diver to surface video system. Rescue boats are staged east and west of I-94 for rapid deployment to any body of water in Racine County.

Many RCDT members have taken continuing education courses and are certified in such specialties as: Advanced Open Water, Rescue Diver 1 & 2, Medical Dive Specialist, Ice Diver, Wreck Diver, Night Diver, Computer Diver, Deep Diver, Cave Diver, Equipment Repair Specialist, Swift Water Rescue, Underwater Investigator, Underwater Death Investigator, Nitrox Diver, Staged Decompression Diver, Advanced Tri-Mix Diver, Advanced Gas Blender, Dive Master, and Dive Instructor.





# Racine County Sheriff's Office Dive Rescue Team

2021 Calls for Service		
Evidence Recovery	0	
Obstruction Removal	0	
Assisting Other Jurisdictions	2	
Water Safety Events	1	
Public Relations Events	0	
Additional Training Events	0	
Total Calls	3	





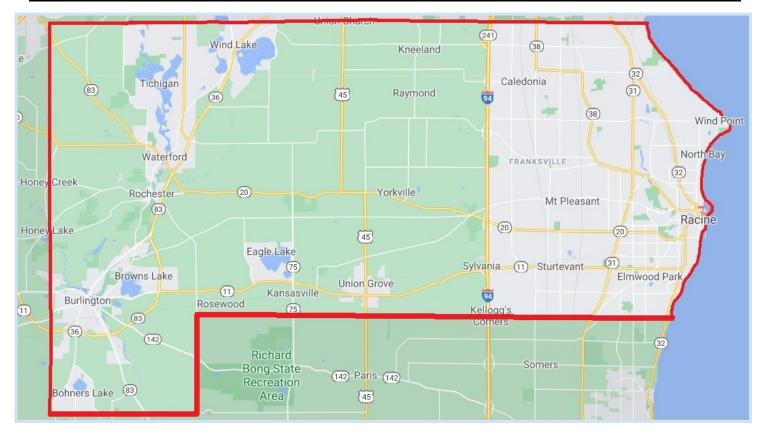


### Racine County Sheriff's Office Civil Process Unit

The Racine County Sheriff's Office Civil Process Division services citizens and businesses in Racine County with legal papers pursuant to Wisconsin Statute 59.27(4), which states "The Sheriff, personally or by the undersheriff or deputies, serve or execute all processes, writs, precepts and orders issued or made by lawful authority and delivered to the Sheriff." This office is responsible for serving legal papers on individuals such as Subpoenas, Summons and Complaints, Orders and various other papers throughout our jurisdiction.

Papers for service will be accepted at the Downtown Sheriff's Office Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. through 4:00 p.m. (excluding holidays), can be faxed in for service, or they may be mailed to the Sheriff's Office at the Law Enforcement Center. Only papers for service within Racine County will be accepted. We require two copies of the papers being served. Service Fees are dependent on the municipality and address of service.

Agency Service Numbers			
Year	2019	2020	2021
# of Service Requests	2,110	1,634	1,368
Evictions for Service	699	455	318







# Racine County Sheriff's Office SWAT Team

The Racine County Sheriff's Office SWAT Team is comprised of deputies, investigators and supervisors from all areas of the Sheriff's Office.

Team members train regularly to assist Racine County Law Enforcement agencies with serving high risk warrants, fugitive apprehensions, resolving barricaded suspects and hostage situations, and addressing other high risk law enforcement operations as needed.

Regular hands-on and classroom training combined keeps team members skills at the level needed to operate in these high risk environments.







# Racine County Sheriff's Office Crisis Negotiation Team (CNT)

The Racine County Sheriff's Office Crisis Negotiation Team (CNT), consists of 11 sworn members of various ranks throughout the Sheriff's Office. The primary goal of the CNT is to create a peaceful resolution to often extremely volatile situations. This is accomplished with empathy, active listening, and verbal de-escalation techniques. Typical calls may involve a person barricaded in a building, someone threatening harm to themselves or others, or a wide variety of other crisis events that threaten the safety of the community.

Upon joining the team all members attend an initial block of advanced training. From there they receive ongoing monthly training. All members also attend additional courses and seminars to enhance their skills. The CNT has received training from many sources, including, the FBI, National Tactical Officers Association (NTOA), and Wisconsin Crisis Negotiators Association.







### Racine County Sheriff's Office Crisis Intervention Team

Racine County started the current C.I.T. program in the April 2009 through the assistance of then County Executive McReynolds and the local branch of NAMI (National Alliance of Mental Illness) who saw a need to train local members of the Law Enforcement Community who were responding to calls for service involving those suffering from a mental disorder or in crisis.

Officers attending this course of study learn from local experts in the field of mental health and from consumers themselves on ways of better handling their crisis at the time of the call. In short, the CIT works to find better, safer ways to handle these calls.

The Racine County C.I.T. program, partnered with C.I.P. (Crisis Intervention Partner), conducts two 16-hour classes a year geared towards dispatchers, nurses, fire personnel, corrections, HSD and others dealing with people suffering from a mental disorder or in crisis.





### Racine County Sheriff's Office Honor Guard

The Racine County Sheriff's Office Honor Guard consists of 12 sworn members of the Racine County Sheriff's Office. The Honor Guard is called out for funerals for past and present members of the Racine County Sheriff's Office. The Honor Guard serves at these funerals as a show of respect and honor for the deceased Deputy's service as a Law Enforcement Officer to the county and the Racine County Sheriff's Office.

Using special Honor Guard uniforms and equipment, the Honor Guard performs a casket watch during the visitation, performs pall-bearer duties, sets up the squad procession to the burial site, folds and presents the flag to the family, and arranges the rifle salute, bugler, and bagpiper.

The Honor Guard also attends line-of-duty funerals for deceased officers from other law enforcement agencies throughout the State of Wisconsin and adjoining states as a show of respect for the fallen officer, their families and their law enforcement agency.







# Racine County Sheriff's Office Deputy Friendly Program



The Deputy Friendly program has been very successful for many years, providing the Sheriff's Office a strong connection to the communities in Racine County. Deputy Crystal Venegas reaches out to thousands of children, families, and citizens throughout Racine County by way of school visits and attending local events and family functions.

#### Deputy Friendly's objectives are:

- To provide students with the opportunity to develop an intelligent understanding of his or her rights, responsibilities and obligations as a junior citizen
- To establish a link between students of our communities and uniformed Law Enforcement Officers
- To develop a respectful image of the Sheriff's Office in the minds of students
- To provide a role model that is looked up to with respect and positivity

Deputy Friendly participates in the following programs for the community:

- Visiting preschools and day care centers
- Managing the annual Deputy Friendly Awards Contest
- Bicycle Rodeos
- Safety Town USA Instructor
- Child Passenger Safety Technician
- Tobacco Abatement Program
- Alcohol Awareness Program
- Visit elementary schools in Racine County, educating kindergarten through second grade students on a variety of topics: the job of a police officer, gun safety, stranger awareness, bicycle and pedestrian safety
- Representing the Racine County Sheriff's Office at local events such as the Racine County Fair and local public fundraisers





# Racine County Sheriff's Office Support Services Division

The Support Services Division is led by Captain Cary Madrigal. This division is comprised of the Racine County Courthouse and Law Enforcement Center security management and the Racine County Sheriff's Office Records Bureau.

The main objective of the Courthouse and Law Enforcement security management is to provide a safe and secure environment for all men and women who frequent our court facilities. The Courts and Conveyances roster is responsible for securely transporting incarcerated subjects from the Racine County Jail to their court appearances, assisting judges and their court staff with safety issues and precautionary measures, and responding to calls for service at the Racine County Courthouse and Law Enforcement Center to assist its citizens.

Records Bureau staff is responsible for the maintenance and storage of all paper and electronic records associated with incidents, investigations, arrests, traffic accidents and inmate records. Records Bureau staff also prepares and processes incoming court documents for Civil Process, Evictions and Sheriff's Foreclosure Sales.

The Support Services Division oversees the department's Records Management System, BadgerTracs citation issuing and crash reporting software, online Open Records Request Queue completion tracking program, and other electronic data systems utilized by the agency. The Racine County Sheriff's Office Support Services Division is one of its "behind the scenes" commands that provide a variety of services to all members of our agency, the public and other law enforcement and criminal justice agencies.







# Racine County Sheriff's Office Courts, Conveyances, and Security

The Sheriff's Office is responsible for providing a safe and secure environment for those visiting our courts facilities. The Courthouse and Law Enforcement Center are staffed with Reserve Deputies at security check points when you enter these buildings. Individual courtrooms are also staffed with Deputies for security.

Racine County Courthouse, 7:30am—5:00pm Monday—Friday 730 Wisconsin Avenue, Racine, WI 53403

The public entrance to the Racine County Courthouse is located on Wisconsin Avenue. All those entering the courthouse must go through the security check point are subject to search. Prohibited items are posted at the building.

Racine County Law Enforcement Center (LEC), 7:30am - 5:00pm Monday - Friday 717 Wisconsin Avenue, Racine, WI 53403

The public entrance to the Law Enforcement Center (LEC) is located off of Wisconsin Avenue across the street from the courthouse. All entering the LEC must go through a security check point and are subject to search. Prohibited items are posted at the building.







# Racine County Sheriff's Office Planning and Training

The Planning and Training Office organizes and schedules all trainings for correctional officers, sworn law enforcement officers and civilian staff of the Sheriff's Office in accordance with the Law Enforcement Standards Bureau and the Criminal Information Bureau agencies, offices overseen by the Wisconsin Department of Justice. It is the responsibility of the Training Lieutenant to make sure all mandated training requirements are met and recorded through the State of Wisconsin; the Training Sergeant and Training Deputy provide training and enrichment opportunities to law enforcement staff and civilian employees within Racine County.

In addition to scheduling trainings for all Sheriff's Office employees in accordance with the Law Enforcement Standards Bureau, the Planning and Training Office oversees operations at the Robert L. Rohner Training Center.

This facility is a joint venture between the FBI, the Racine County Sheriff's Office, and WE Energies. Discussions began during 2003/2004 culminating in a financial commitment by the FBI and WE Energies donating land under the terms of a zero-cost lease agreement. The FBI contributed approximately \$1.5 million for the construction of a building, grounds improvements and a range house to serve the training needs of the FBI, the Racine County Sheriff's Office, and other local police agencies. WE Energies contributed approximately 25 acres of land along with enough clean fill to erect the existing berms on the north end of the range property. The training center is also available to other Racine County Law Enforcement agencies & Gateway Technical College.

The Robert L. Rohner Training Center features traditional classroom space on the main level, additional classroom space with a well-cushioned floor and open space for use in dynamic training on the lower level, and a separate building for special scenario exercises with movable walls for dynamic training abilities. The grounds also contains safe-practice shooting space for both a pistol range and a rifle range to accommodate the different types of weapons systems typically in use by law enforcement. The pistol range is equipped with a range tower that provides a vantage point for observation and it also serves as a control center for the fully automated target system.

The architectural design of the training center along with the incorporated technologies ensure that Racine County Law Enforcement training needs are met well into the future.





### Racine County Sheriff's Office Records Bureau

#### **Office Hours:**

8:00am to 4:00pm, Monday thru Friday, excluding legal holidays.

#### Fingerprinting & Mugshot Hours:

9:00am to 3pm, Monday thru Friday, excluding legal holidays; last applicant is taken at 2:45pm.

#### **DNA Hours:**

9:00am to 3pm, Monday thru Friday, excluding legal holidays; last applicant is taken at 2:45pm.

The Racine County Sheriff's Office Records Bureau is responsible for the maintenance, computerization, and storage (both physical and digital) of all records generated by patrol, investigative and jail personnel in the course of their duties. These records include, but are not limited to; incident reports, accident reports, investigative reports, correspondence related to an incident, citations, and internal documents.

The Records Bureau maintains inactive jail files, fingerprint cards, mug shots, and supportive documents as part of its custodial duties. Most records are stored for seven years prior to the destruction process set forth by Racine County. Some records, due to their nature, are kept past the seven-year period with no possibility of destruction.

Records Bureau personnel are responsible for assisting citizens at our front counter, filing, data entry of pertinent information, and storage of Sheriff's Office records. Arrest paperwork is collected, processed, and disseminated to the Racine County Courts and District Attorney's Office as appropriate.

Records Bureau personnel respond to a wide range of requests from the general public, news media, and other law enforcement agencies, including records checks, open records requests, and general information or facility directions, while reporting to State and Federal agencies regarding crimes, arrests, and accident information.

All initial-contact clerical functions of the Civil Process Office are conducted by Records Bureau personnel. Fingerprinting of out-of-custody defendants, sex offender registrants, arrested juveniles, applicants for foster care or employment, and citizens requiring special licenses or certifications are also performed by Records Bureau staff.

The Records Bureau staff includes one supervisor, four full-time county-employed clerks, one full-time contracted clerk, and two part-time clerks. The supervisor is the Support Services Coordinator, who, under the supervision of the Support Services Lieutenant, is responsible for software application administration, records management, media-based open records requests, and citizen assistance. This includes troubleshooting software issues, training, drafting and implementation of procedures, quality control for data entry functions, overseeing long-term projects, and staying up-to-date on Wisconsin Open Records Law.





# Racine County Sheriff's Office Jail Division

The Racine County Jail (RCJ) is one of the largest pre-detention facilities in the state of Wisconsin, with a maximum bed space for 876 detainees. The facility covers an entire city block in the downtown area of Racine complete with it's own health and metal health services, privatized food and commissary services, one of the state's only in-house AODA programs, Chaplain's programming, law library, visiting area and newly innovated video visitation services.

Religious and educational needs are met through the Racine county Jail Chaplaincy Program. The Racine County Jail is committed to providing programs that aim to serve inmate's needs and the needs of the community.

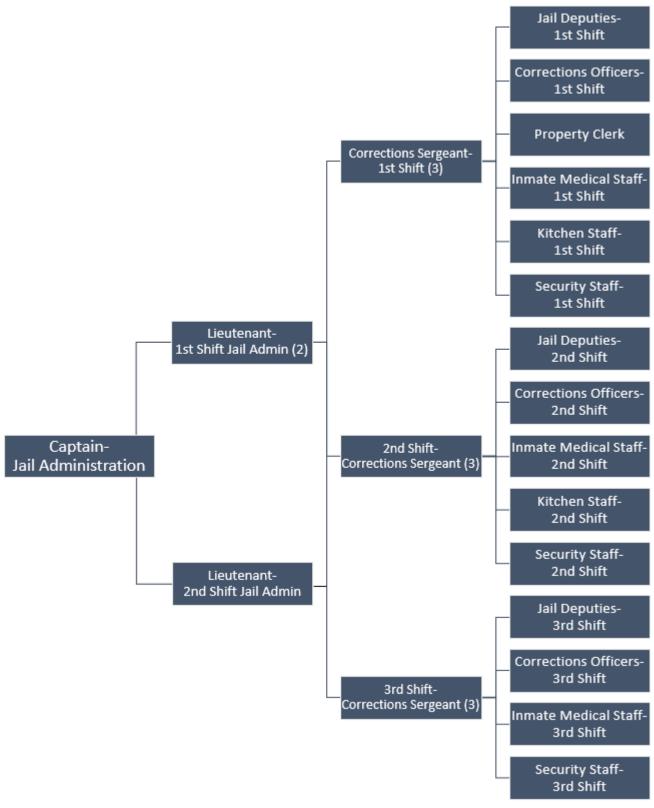
The Racine County Sheriff's Office Jail Division is overseen by the Jail Administrator, Captain Bradley Friend.







## Racine County Sheriff's Office Jail Staff







## Racine County Jail Chaplaincy Program



The Jail Chaplaincy Program provides a number of services and programs for inmates who request to be involved. Chaplaincy programs include:

- Religious Services
- Alcoholics Anonymous meetings
- One on One mentoring
- High School
- Life Skills Basic skills in good living
- Pre-Release Assistance how to obtain clothing, food, etc.
- Self Esteem Better understanding who you are / who you want to be
- Anger Management Men & Women

- Communication
- Story Time a DVD of a parent reading a story to their child
- Issues Women only
- Domestic Violence Women
- Library Services
- Drug Abuse Counseling
- Worship Services

Post Release Support @ 262-898-8585

The website: www.racinecounty.com/chaplain





#### Jail Revenues

The Racine County Jail generates revenue from a number of sources, detailed in the table below.

Revenue Source (\$)	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
SPO Holds	164,541	187,720	240,600	280,640	314,720	248,920	58,080
Comm. Sales	300,154	404,761	344,863	401,232	344,879	415,127.32	575,083.50
Bed Rentals	496,537	587,680	1,532,582	2,560,686	2,708,940	2,559,260.18	2,501,779.36
Inmate Phones	308,744	321,911	617,305	828,446	765,229	812,937.66	1,250,104.56
Municipalities	117,992	175,744	58,912	53,808	13,936	4,456	1,192
Huber Law	229,720	238,033	199,463	227,837	240,149	248,067.06	259,844.34
SS Reimbursement	28,000	65,800	40,400	15,478	18,652	11,010	14,826
D.O.P. Instruction Detention Lunch	75,085	67,457	63,986	60,365	60,623	29,605.40	99,734.99
Totals	1,720,773	2,049,106	3,098,111	4,428,492	4,467,128	4,329,383.62	4,760,644.75







### Jail Population

Persons are admitted to the Racine County Jail for numerous reasons. Some classifications are:

- Sentenced Inmates (Huber and General Population)
- Pre-trial Detainees
- State Probation Holds
- Holds for Other Jurisdictions
- Returned on Warrants, Writs

	Average Daily Jail Population									
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021			
Jan	640	653	683	770	697	728	581			
Feb	642	672	640	776	700	730	592			
Mar	667	702	627	763	721	506	614			
Apr	686	706	629	752	762	486	641			
May	668	732	650	773	765	461	671			
June	680	752	685	789	796	485	660			
July	697	748	704	777	776	537	633			
Aug	714	718	758	782	768	570	605			
Sept	686	701	791	793	779	565	560			
Oct	659	691	834	747	752	594	556			
Nov	675	670	825	740	723	562	534			
Dec	667	659	779	718	719	543	503			
Average	673	701	717	765	747	564	596			



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## Racine County Jail Admissions

Total Jail Admissions							
2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020 2021						2021	
9,045	8,705	8,140	8,846	8,928	4,739	5,337	

Average Length of Stay in Days							
2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020 2021						2021	
27.4	31.4	32.9	41.2	26.7	42	44	

Department of Corrections Inmates							
2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020 2021						2021	
2,626	2,413	2,237	2,236	2,131	50	109	

Juvenile Bookings							
2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	
407	386	301	309	260	293	223	







# Racine County Jail Correctional Emergency Response Team

The Racine County Sheriff's Office Correctional Emergency Response Team. C.E.R.T. is a specially trained tactical response team that responds to disturbances within the Racine County Jail. The team consists of 15 members including a team commander, an assistant team commander and two team leaders. All correctional staff that has successfully completed their probationary period are eligible to try out for the team. The team receives additional training in disturbance resolutions and use of force situations. C.E.R.T. members have access to and are trained with additional equipment that can be used during disturbance resolution. Types of disturbances that the Correctional Emergency Response Team responds to include: cell extractions, dayroom disturbances, riots, or large scale searches, possibly involving uncooperative or violent inmates. C.E.R.T. is based on a team concept where all members work as one unit to achieve a common goal.







# Racine County Sheriff's Office 2021 Financial Summary

Expenses (\$)								
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	
Personnel Costs	20,264,168	19,588,733	22,189,912	23,589,203	24,367,981	23,553,351	24,454,207	
Operating Expenses	4,849,592	5,493,530	6,019,394	6,232,696	6,712,489	10,063,184	10,780,841	
TOTAL	25,113,760	25,082,263	28,209,306	29,821,899	31,080,470	33,616,535	35,235,048	

	Revenue (\$)									
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021			
General Revenues	1,367,535	1,076,248	1,467,356	1,295,432	1,274,346	1,350,130	1,921,654			
Charges for Service	2,895,468	2,655,203	3,891,244	5,459,950	6,003,579	5,672,571	5,049,053			
Other Revenues	261,621	348,212	342,577	282,411	53,167	431,962	70,849.98			
TOTAL REVENUES	4,079,633	4,079,663	5,701,177	7,037,792	7,331,092	7,454,663	7,041,556			
Tax Levy	20,589,136	21,002,600	22,508,128	22,784,107	23,749,378	26,161,873	28,193,492			





## Racine County Sheriff's Office 2021 Promotions

#### **Promotions**

Captain James Weidner to Chief Deputy- Dec. 17, 2021 Lieutenant Cary Madrigal to Captain–Jan. 1, 2021 Lieutenant James Evans to Captain – Dec. 17, 2021 Sergeant Michael Spiegel to Lieutenant–Jan. 2, 2021 Sergeant Kelly Goetzke to Lieutenant–Dec. 17, 2021 Investigator James Spranger to Sergeant– Jan. 1, 2021 Deputy Christopher Rydelski to Sergeant– Apr. 12, 2021 Deputy Jarod Kroll to Sergeant–Sep. 30, 2021 Deputy Joseph Patla to Sergeant – Dec. 17, 2021 Deputy Steven Storm to Investigator—Jan. 1, 2021 Deputy Scott Radtke to Investigator—Apr. 20, 2021 Deputy Tommy Sharrett to Investigator – Apr. 26, 2021 Deputy Joseph Fazio to Investigator – Nov. 8, 2021 Deputy Brady Winger to Investigator – Nov. 8, 2021 Corrections Sergeant Felipe Ayala to Deputy–Jan. 4, 2021 Corrections Officer Gerad Barnes to Deputy–Feb. 10, 2021 Corrections Officer Spencer Seitz to Deputy–Feb. 10, 2021 Corrections Officer Kamaljit Saini to Deputy–Aug. 2, 2021 Corrections Officer Hertel Novasic to Deputy–Aug. 2, 2021 Corrections Officer Justin Brands to Corrections Sergeant – Jan. 4, 2021 Corrections Officer Todd Kosterman to Corrections Sergeant—Aug. 12, 2021 Corrections Officer Andrew Polasky to Corrections Sergeant–Aug. 19, 2021





### Racine County Sheriff's Office 2021 Retirements and In Memoriam

#### Retirements

Sgt. William Mattke-Jan. 25, 2021

Deputy Albert Mihelich-Feb. 26, 2021

Deputy Jeffrey Opichka-Mar. 17, 2021

Deputy Christopher Tatro- Apr. 1, 2021

Deputy William Embrey-Apr. 30, 2021

Deputy Kevin Kazmierski- Jun. 30, 2021

Deputy Bret McCord-Jul. 1, 2021

Deputy Chris Edwardson-Jul. 16, 2021

Sergeant Danielle Schulman-Sep. 30, 2021

Emergency Management Coordinator David Maack- Oct. 29, 2021

Corrections Officer Grant Dyess-Oct. 29, 2021

Corrections Officer Erlinda Rodriguez- Dec. 17, 2021

Chief Deputy John Hanrahan- Dec. 17, 2021

#### In Memory

Retired Matron Leona Mainland, DOD May 1, 2021

Retired Deputy Kristin Zakowski, DOD June 29, 2021

Retired Clerk Typist Anna Buchaklian, DOD October 4, 2021





## Racine County Sheriff's Office 2021 Sheriff's Active Military & Awards

#### **Active Military Personnel**

Inv. Andrew Willis— Army Reserves
Dep. Joseph Fazio— Army Reserves
Dep. Luke Jones— Army National Guard
Dep. Adam Payne— Army National Guard
Dep. David Sherrick— Army National Guard
Dep. Andrew Sparks— Army National Guard
CO Nicholas Castagna— Air Force National Guard
CO Jamie Donovan— Army Reserves
CO Romello Escobar— National Guard
CO Deontra Glosson— Army National Guard
CO Hertel Novasic— National Guard
CO Andrew Polasky— Army Reserves
CO Christopher Schultz— National Guard
CO Durell Smith— Army Reserves

#### Life Saving Award

Deputy Chris Edwardson





### Acknowledgements

It was with the cooperation of many that this report has come to fruition.

This report represents another year of the Racine County Sheriff's Office history, progress, and direction. We are moving forward.

Sincerely,

Christopher Schmaling,

Sheriff



