

Sauk County, Wisconsin
Sauk County Sheriff's Office Annual Report

2018 Mission: To protect and serve the citizens and visitors of Sauk County with professional, responsible, and timely law enforcement through the combined efforts of Patrol, Investigative, Administration, Clerical and Security personnel.

Departmental Program Summary:

The Sauk County Sheriff's Office programs consist of the following primary statutory duties and services:

- Courtroom Security
- Patrol activities for crime detection and prevention
- Response to citizen calls for assistance and complaint/conflict resolution
- Traffic Enforcement
- Accident crash investigations
- Criminal investigations
- Record and serve arrest warrants
- Record and serve civil process papers
- Maintain a County Jail & Huber facility
- Maintain a telecommunication terminal for law enforcement, police, and fire used in Sauk County (with the exception of Wisconsin Dells and Reedsburg)
- Provide water safety patrol and rescue services

In order to provide the statutory services required, the Sauk County Sheriff commands and oversees a law enforcement agency consisting of 152 full time positions and 17 part-time personnel. The duties and services are assigned to one of the following three divisions and are supervised by a Chief Deputy, 2 Captains and 2 Lieutenants.

- Administrative Division
- Security Division
- Field Services Division

2018 GOALS REVIEW		
GOAL	OBJECTIVE	COMPLETION DATE
Research Strategies to increase the supervisory staff in Field Services while minimizing the impact to the Budget	Add Supervisory staff in future years to cover shifts with lack of coverage.	07/01/2018
Continue to partner with outside agencies as well as in house positions to combat increasing drug sales, especially	Continued partnership with Agencies in the County with open lines of communication.	Ongoing

heroin and meth, within the County		
Enhance communications with continued improvement of interoperability with the upgrade to radios throughout the County.	Work with Building Services to improve radio communications	Ongoing
Maintain highway safety grants.	Minimize fatalities and reduce traffic crashes	Ongoing

Field Services:

The Sauk County Sheriff’s Office Field Services Division consists of 1 Lieutenant, 4 Sergeants and 26 patrol deputies to cover two shifts. Each shift is 12 hours long. The Sauk County Sheriff’s Office also has 1 Detective Lieutenant, 1 Detective Sergeant and 8 Detectives. The Detectives generally handle complaints that require more investigation than a patrol officer can complete during a normal shift. Detectives investigate all types of complaints and can spend anywhere from ½ an hour to 40+ hours on an investigation depending on what the complaint is about. They may have to travel outside of the County to conduct interviews and follow up on leads. Our Detectives attend conferences throughout the year to keep up to date on their training. Some of our detectives have special duties assigned to them. We have two detectives that are responsible for our Evidence Room and one detective that is our primary civil process server.

We provide coverage to the County 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. Baraboo, Lake Delton, Reedsburg and Sauk Prairie Police all provide 24/7 coverage in their respective jurisdictions. Village of Spring Green and Village of Plain provide intermittent coverage in their jurisdictions. The Township of LaValle has several part-time officers who provide intermittent coverage to the area of the Township as well as boat patrol on Lake Redstone. There are 22 townships, 13 villages and 2 cities in Sauk County. We also provide coverage to a few residences in Cazenovia and Wisconsin Dells but the majority of these areas lie in other counties. Sauk County is approximately 840 square miles with an estimated population in 2016 of 63,949.

Deputies are responsible for enforcing federal, state and local laws. They respond and investigate various complaints to include motor vehicle accidents, domestic violence, burglary, theft, robbery, criminal damage, sexual assault, juvenile neglect and abuse, juvenile runaways, other assaults, fire, burglar alarms, animal complaints, drug investigations, warrant services, harassment, as well as several other types of complaints. Deputies also assist motorists, check for open doors on businesses and residences when people are on vacation as well as serve civil papers.



K9 Deputies

We have two full time K9 deputies on staff and each deputy is assigned his own K9 partner. In 2018, K9 Ranger responded to 91 calls for service contributing to 43 narcotics arrests. K9 Fedor responded to 117 calls for service and contributed to 54 narcotics arrests. Both K9's are "dual purpose" K9's. They are trained in narcotics searching, evidence searching, building searching, tracking, suspect apprehension and handler protection. Each K9 unit trains sixteen hours per month throughout the year. Both K9 Ranger and K9 Fedor again successfully completed their "dual purpose" annual certifications in May of 2018.



K9 Fedor

Field Services Accomplishments:

2018 Highway Safety Grants

The Sauk County Sheriff's Office along with Baraboo Police Department, Lake Delton Police Department, Reedsburg Police Department, and Sauk Prairie Police Department make up the Sauk County Highway Safety Task Force as specified by the federally funded highway safety grant guidelines.

The Sauk County Sheriff's Office administers the grants which include Impaired Driving Enforcement, Seat Belt, and Speed by providing deputies to work the grants, scheduling and reporting on grant activity, and dispersing the reimbursements to the participating agencies.

1. The Sauk County Highway Safety Task Force received \$70,000.00 for the Impaired Driving Enforcement Grant. Collectively, this provided for 1,728 overtime patrol hours.
2. The Sauk County Highway Safety Task Force received \$70,000.00 for the Seat Belt Enforcement Grant. Collectively, this provided for 1800 overtime patrol hours.
3. The Sauk County Highway Safety Task Force received \$20,000.00 for the Speed Enforcement Grant. Collectively, this provided for 480 overtime patrol hours.

4. The Sauk County Sheriff's Department was awarded a \$4000.00 Equipment Grant for its participation in all three non-funded deployments.
5. The Sauk County Sheriff's Office participated in both of the non-funded "Drive Sober" campaigns which logged 2,331 hours of straight time patrol enforcement hours.
6. The Sauk County Sheriff's Office participated in the non-funded "Click It or Ticket" campaign that logged 1,018 hours of straight time patrol enforcement hours.

2018 Sauk County Highway Safety Task Force Enforcement (Funded)

Impaired Driving

Hours	1,728
Seatbelt Citations	87
Speeding	122
OWI	36
Driver's License	71
Other Citations	217
Total Citations	582
Written Warnings	823

Seat Belt

Hours	1,800
Seatbelt Citations	559
Speeding	163
OWI	1
Driver's License	105
Other Citations	330
Total Citations	1,206
Written Warnings	868

Speed

Hours	480
Seatbelt Citations	40
Speeding	131
OWI	1
Driver's License	24
Other Citations	70
Total Citations	277
Written Warnings	252

Sauk County Grant Enforcement (Non-Funded)

Click It or Ticket

Hours	1018
Seatbelt Citations	4
Speeding	24
OWI	5
Driver's License	21
Other Citations	16
Total Citations	93
Written Warnings	176

Drive Sober

Hours	2331
Seatbelt Citations	4
Speeding	51
OWI	19
Driver's License	62
Other Citations	85
Total Citations	272
Written Warnings	422

Court Security

Our Court Security is made up of four full time deputies. We have one sergeant and three deputies. There are four courtrooms in the Sauk County Courthouse and the three deputies and one sergeant are responsible for monitoring all four.

COURT SECURITY

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
INMATES TRANSPORTED	939	819	937	890	928
RESTRAINING ORDER HEARINGS	195	231	178	198	138
SPECIAL COURT SECURITY REQUESTS	76	34	70	73	88
COURT SECURITY ACTIVITY REPORTS				51	44
TOTALS	1,210	1,084	1,185	1,212	1,198

Clerical Staff

There are currently 16 clerks who assist staff in the Administrative, Field Services, Detective and Jail/Huber areas. These clerks perform various duties to include booking inmates, warrant entry and confirmation, setting up Huber inmate work schedules, answering questions from the public and other professionals, typing officer’s reports, data entry, distribution of reports, entry of civil process papers, license plate renewals and vehicle titles as well as several others duties.

Accomplishments/Programs 2018

Sauk County Emergency Response Team/CIN Team/Accident Reconstruction Team

ERT 6 Call Outs in 2018

- 1 Drug Warrant
- 2 Barricaded Subjects
- 3 Armed Suspects

The Sauk County Emergency Response Team (ERT) is a multi-jurisdictional tactical (SWAT) team. The team consists of 11 members from the Sauk County Sheriff’s Office, 4 members from the Baraboo Police Department, 3 members from the Reedsburg Police Department, 2 members from the Sauk Prairie Police Department, 2 members from the Lake Delton Police Department, 2 Paramedics and 1 Medical Doctor from the Baraboo Ambulance Service, for a total of 25 members. This includes the Team Commander, 3 Team Leaders, and 2 Assistant Team Leaders.

The mission of the ERT is to safely resolve high-risk situations through the professional utilization of specialized equipment, negotiation and tactics. ERT may be utilized for high-risk situations that exceed the capabilities of a standard police officer response. These types of responses may include high-risk warrant service, barricaded subjects, hostage situations, high-risk fugitive apprehension, dignitary protection, special events, crowd management/crowd control and other high-risk situations.

DIVE: 5 call outs

- 1 Clear culvert pipe dams
- 3 Search for missing people
- 1 Locate evidence

CIN: 4 call outs

- 2 - Barricaded Subject
- 1 - Mobile Suicidal Subject
- 1 - Search Warrant

The Sauk County Critical Incident Negotiations (CIN) Team has been established to provide skilled verbal communicators, who may be utilized to attempt to de-escalate and effect surrender in critical situations where suspects have taken hostages, barricaded themselves or have suicidal tendencies.

There are a total of 10 Deputies/Officers assigned to the CIN Team from the following Agencies:

- Sauk County Sheriff's Office
- Baraboo Police Department
- Lake Delton Police Department
- Sauk Prairie Police Department
- Reedsburg Police Department

RECON: 7 Call outs

The Sauk County Reconstruction Team (Recon Team) is responsible for responding to and investigating fatal traffic crashes, serious crashes that may involve criminal charges, and other crashes that may be complex enough to warrant additional resources to determine causality. The Recon Team also assists with the mapping of evidence at homicide and other major crime scenes.

The Recon Team consists of 5 members. A Lieutenant and Sergeant who are trained experts in the field of Accident Reconstruction and a Detective and two Patrolman who are trained in at scene crash investigations.

Honor Guard

2018 Sauk County Sheriff's Office Honor Guard Summary

TOTAL EVENTS: 4

OUTSIDE AGENCY CATEGORY I FUNERAL: 2

CEREMONY: 2

EVENTS ATTENDED

05/16/2018 Sauk County Law Enforcement Memorial Ceremony
Baraboo, WI. Rifle Team. 5 Deputies

06/16/2018 Funeral services for Officer Charles Irvine Jr. Milwaukee Police Department
Milwaukee, WI. Funeral services – Line of Duty Death. 2 Deputies

08/01/2018 Funeral services for Officer Michael Michalski, Milwaukee Police Department
Milwaukee, WI. Funeral services- Line of Duty Death. 2 Deputies

11/03/2018 Concerns of Police Survivors Winter Retreat
Lake Delton, WI. Memorial Ceremony, 2 Deputies

CURRENT TEAM MEMBERS

Sergeant Eric Van Den Heuvel (team leader)

Deputy Brian Schlough

Deputy Erik Knull

Deputy Scott Parkhurst

Dispatcher Randy Huelsemann

Sheriff's Boat Patrol Program



The Sheriff is responsible for water safety patrol and rescue. The primary waterways in Sauk County include Lake Wisconsin, Lake Redstone, Lake Delton, Dutch Hollow, White Mound Lake and the Wisconsin and Baraboo Rivers.

We currently have three boats that are utilized by Boat Patrol and the Dive Team:

1 - 2017 Lund Impact 1875- Main Patrol Boat - New as of July 2017– (2nd year of depreciation) (Traded the 2007 Lund ProV / Motor & Trailer)

1 - 2010 Kann – Patrol/Dive boat – fully depreciated

1 - 2015 Alumacraft VB 1860 w/ Mercury 90HP 4 stroke – (4th year of depreciation) We received this boat in November of 2015.

depreciation is on a 5 year schedule thru the DNR in which the purchase price is paid back to the county

Our Boat Patrol is made up of 8 active deputies and one sergeant. Our main activity is on Lake Wisconsin. For the last several years, we have been requested by the Lake Delton Boat Patrol to assist them with patrol on Lake Delton due to the high number of rentals on specific weekends. We worked the Wisconsin River during Fire on the River as well as White Mound Lake and the Wisconsin River by Spring Green over the 4th of July weekend.

Activity	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Hours Patrolled	204	144	228	385	197.5
Citations/Warnings	14/not tracked	10/11	11/7	19/15	7/13

*Participation in the Boat Patrol was limited in 2018 due to shortages in deputies / switch over to 12 hour shifts / weather related due to large amounts of rain and high water levels.

*We continue to have positive comments / interactions with the boating and lake public over seeing our patrols on the water.

Dive Team

The Sauk County Dive Team is currently made up of nine (9) departmental members; to include a captain, detective, three (3) patrol and four (4) jail deputies. This past year, two (2) new members were selected to replace retiring and/or vacant spots on the team. The new members attended basic open water dive training, allowing them to fully transition into their new roles. Additional training will continue this year.

The Dive Team was called out on January 30 to assist the Columbia County Dive Team with recovery efforts on Lake Wisconsin. A snowmobiler had broken through open water/ice near the railroad bridge on the Columbia County side. He was ultimately located on the bottom and pulled from the frozen water. On Father's Day, June 17, a 13-yr old boy was reported to have fallen off a raft in Silver Lake in Portage. All dive Team members assisted during this 3-day dive mission. He was ultimately found deceased on the fourth day. On June 25, the Vernon County Sheriff's Office requested the dive team respond to Runge Hollow Lake for an evidence collection sweep type detail after finding a deceased person partially submerged. On August 28, the dive team was called out to the Merrimac Ferry crossing for a vehicle that had driven off the launch in dense fog. Members assembled at the scene and were able to locate the subject outside of his car approximately 20 feet off shore. He was pronounced deceased at the scene. His vehicle was also located and removed from the Wisconsin

River. Once again, the dive team was asked by the Sauk County Parks Department to clear away debris from the lake dams at Lake Redstone and Hemlock Park.

The Dive Team generally tries to train once a month, weather permitting. They train in all different types of water and temperatures. In 2018, they did their first dive (ice) in late February/March and their last dive November 29. Some of the training each month includes gear cleaning and prep work for any upcoming call outs. The dive team continues to search for new training and is constantly looking to keep members up to date on their skills and techniques.



Sauk County Drug Task Force

Team Structure:

The Task Force is a multi-agency Task Force comprised of officers from several municipalities within Sauk County. The Sauk County Sheriff's Office has 2 members on the Task Force. There are currently 20 members on the Sauk County Drug Task Force who work together as one unit. Those members are from the following jurisdictions: Sauk Co. Sheriff's Office, Baraboo Police Department, Lake Delton Police Department, Reedsburg Police Department, Spring Green / Plain Police Department, Sauk Prairie Police Department, Wisconsin State Patrol and the Sauk Co. District Attorney's Office. They meet monthly for case status updates and for on-going training purposes.

The following statistics are the efforts of the Sauk County Drug Task Force:

- 30 controlled buys of illegal narcotics
- 23 search warrants
- 3 traffic stops/buy-busts.
- 4 Act 79 search. (Probation searches)
- 1 firearms recovered.
- 1 marijuana grows eradicated / 30 marijuana plants
- 3 Educational Presentations

As a result of investigations by the Sauk County Drug Task Force, \$3,160.00 in US Currency was seized.

Drug Seizure Amounts

Marijuana	1471.14 Grams or 3.25 Pounds
Methamphetamine	28.79 Grams
Cocaine / Crack	37.3 Grams
Heroin	62.83 Grams
Prescription Meds	166 Pills

The Sauk County Drug Task Force received 342 Drug Tips in 2018

*****Major Cases*****

Feb. / March 2018 Assisted the US Postal Service, Iowa Grant Richland Task Force with a multi-state Fentanyl Investigation that a Spring Green / Dodgeville resident was distributing, resulting in at least one death. Suspect was arrested and charged federally.

March 2018 On-going cocaine investigation resulting in arrests of 3 counts of delivery of cocaine and delivery of THC.

September 2018 Arrested subject on 3 warrants and discovered 14+ grams of cocaine and 32+ grams of heroin and tied subject into sales in the Baraboo / Delton area from Beloit. Arrest warrants were for armed robbery.

November 2018 Executed a search warrant at a Baraboo residence finding 31+ grams of THC and 63+ grams of liquid THC. Also located \$1,575.00 in US Currency. 1 suspect arrested and charged.

November 2018 Executed a search warrant at a Reedsburg residence resulting in a 30 plant Marijuana grow and over 1.58 pounds of processed Marijuana confiscated with 2 suspects charged.

December 2018 Executed a search warrant at ho Chunk Casino / Motel resulting in discovery of 23+ grams of heroin, .8 grams of Methamphetamine and 56 grams of liquid THC along with \$477.00 in US Currency and 1 .380 caliber handgun. 2 suspects charged, 1 federally.

Project Lifesaver:

Project Lifesaver is an international program. The goal of Project Lifesaver is to ensure that persons in this program who may become lost will be safely returned to their home and family. It is designed to assist in the tracking and locating of such persons in the event they were to leave their home unsupervised. Citizens enrolled in Project Lifesaver wear a small personal transmitter around the wrist or ankle that emits an individualized tracking signal. If a participant in the program goes missing, the caregiver notifies their local Project Lifesaver agency, and a trained emergency team responds to the wanderer's area.

We currently have 34 clients utilizing the Project Lifesaver Program. There are 20 deputies who are trained in Project Lifesaver. These same deputies not only conduct battery changes each month but are also responsible to respond to any call-outs for a Project Lifesaver search.

Training consists of the initial 16 hours of training in how the program works, the policies and procedures of the program through both Project Lifesaver Home and the Sauk County Sheriff's Office and most importantly how to utilize the search equipment in order to bring a faster resolution to a missing client. The deputies need to recertify in their search protocol every 2 years, if they have not been involved in a search during that timeframe.

In 2018, we had two significant searches for PLS clients. In the first, a client was reported missing at 1535 and was located 2 miles across town at approximately 1540.

In the second, the client was reported missing at 0834. PLS team activated and first responders were on scene at 0840. An officer who was not utilizing search equipment visually located the subject walking down the street and stopped the client. Client was reunited with caregiver within 30 minutes of being reported missing.



18-00262 – Burglary – Sheriff’s units responded to an intrusion alarm at Charlies Lakeside in the Town of Merrimac. Upon arrival, forced entry was found, and the Deputy on scene noticed a vehicle nearby fleeing the area. The Deputy gave chase and stopped the vehicle. One person fled on foot and two others were arrested. As of this report, one suspect has been charged and convicted. The remaining two persons have yet to be charged by the District Attorney.

18-00326 – Fatal Traffic Crash – The Sauk County Sheriff’s Office investigated a one-vehicle rollover accident in the Township of LaValle where a young woman from Reedsburg was killed. The surviving occupants of the vehicle initially gave false information to the investigating officers. Charges for Homicide by Intoxicated use of a Motor Vehicle were referred to the Sauk County DA’s Office for the suspected driver.

18-00470 – Fatal Traffic Crash – The Sauk County Sheriff’s Office investigated a one-vehicle crash where a 15-year-old girl from Middleton was killed. The operator of the vehicle was charged with five Felonies and two misdemeanors to include Homicide by Intoxicated use of a Motor Vehicle. A plea hearing is scheduled for April 2019.

18-00351, 18-00483, 18-00584, 18-01136, 18-01841, 18-01874 & 18-02140 – Theft/ID Theft – Multiple cases of Identity Theft stemming from theft of mail. Suspects drove around Sauk and other Counties, stealing mail and using information contained therein to commit multiple identify theft crimes. Sauk County Sheriff’s Detectives charged four suspects with thirty-three Felonies and three misdemeanors. These are pending in court, and new charges are likely for some of the same suspects and/or associates.

18-02019 – Hit & Run causing Injury – The Sauk County Sheriff’s Office responded to a crash on STH 58 in the Town of Ironton in which an Amish buggy was struck and the offending vehicle fled. The suspect was identified and arrested the following day. He admitting striking the buggy and then fleeing the scene, As well as drinking prior to the crash. He was charged with three counts of hit and run causing injury and a number of other traffic citations.

18-02160 - Theft – The Sauk County Sheriff’s Office was notified by the Marquette County Sheriff’s Office that during the course of a drug search warrant in their county, they recovered a snowmobile trailer and some taxidermy. Investigation revealed that both had been stolen from the Old Schoolhouse Restaurant in the Town of Merrimac months earlier. The property was returned to the owner and the suspect was charged with two counts of theft. That case is still pending.

18-02582 – Burglary – The Sheriff’s Office investigated unlawful entry and damage to buildings at the Bluffview Sanitation Property in the Town of Merrimac. Damage was caused to windows, and overhead garage door and a riding lawn mower. Investigation is still open.

18-02587 – Burglary – The Sheriff’s Office investigated unlawful entry and damage to buildings belonging to the U.S. Department of Agriculture in the Town of Merrimac. Damage was caused to multiple items amounting to over \$5,000.00 in damage. The investigation is still open.

18-02858 – Burglary – The Sheriff’s Office responded to a residence in the Town of Baraboo for a woman who reported that upon returning home, there was a man inside her home who she did not know and who claimed to be an FBI Agent. The suspect was located inside the home and arrested for Burglary, Impersonating

a Peace Officer to Aid in the Commission of a Crime, Criminal Trespass to a dwelling, Theft and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia.

18-04043 – Burglary/Theft of a Motor Vehicle – The Sheriff’s Office investigated after a property owner on CTH A in the Town of Baraboo reported a UTV stolen from a shed on his property. Investigation resulted in a male suspect being arrested and charged with burglary, and operating a motor vehicle w/o owner consent. The suspect was convicted.

18-05513 – Sexual Assault – Sheriff’s Detectives investigated after a woman reported being held against her will, sexually assaulted and otherwise injured at a residence in the Town of Franklin. The suspect was arrested the following day and the case is still pending with evidence still being tested at the WI State Crime Lab.

18-06055 – Hit & Run Traffic Crash Causing Injury – Sheriff’s Deputies responded to a vehicle vs. pedestrian crash on CTH A near Stand Rock Road in the Town of Delton. The vehicle involved struck a juvenile and her dog who were walking alongside the road and fled the scene. Investigation resulted in identification of the suspect driver. He was arrested and confessed his involvement. The juvenile sustained minor injuries however, the dog did not survive the crash. The suspect was convicted.

18-06837 – Sexual Assault – Sheriff’s Deputies and Detectives investigated a reported sexual assault in the Village of West Baraboo where a victim reported that two persons had sexually assaulted her. Both suspects were arrested and charged with multiple crimes related to the incident. A Jury Trial is scheduled for mid-2019.

18-06838 – Traffic Accident/False Report of Armed Carjacking – An unoccupied vehicle involved in a traffic crash was located on STH 33 near Twin Pine Rd. in the Town of Reedsburg. The operator was later discovered to have walked to the City of Reedsburg and provided a ride to Reedsburg Area Medical Center and then later transported via ambulance to UW Hospital in Madison for injuries sustained during the crash. The driver initially told deputies that he was carjacked at gunpoint in the Village of La Valle by two perpetrators and forced to drive towards Reedsburg. He stated he crashed his vehicle in an attempt to save himself. Further investigation cast doubt on this and in a later interview at UW Hospital, the driver admitted that he falsified that story in hopes of avoiding jail as he knew he was too intoxicated to drive. The suspect was arrested for Obstructing an Officer, OWI 1st offense, OWI w/ PAC ≥ 0.08 , < 0.15 first offense, as well as numerous other traffic citations. This case is still pending.

18-07154 – Theft – The Sheriff’s Office investigated a reported theft of \$5,000.00 cash, prescription medications and miscellaneous items from a vehicle at the Ho-Chunk Casino parking lot. Surveillance footage from the Casino showed a male and female suspect approach the victim’s vehicle, and the female suspect enter the victim’s vehicle, exit a short time later and leave the area in another vehicle with the male. A Wisconsin Crime Alert was sent out and law enforcement officers from Portage County and La Crosse County identified both suspects. Charges for both were sent to the Sauk County District Attorney’s Office and are pending.

18-08113 – Burglary – The Sauk County Sheriff’s Office investigated a Burglary at the SCAN school in the Village of Rock Springs. In excess of \$2,500 in electronics and other property were reported stolen. Investigation identified two suspects in this case, most of the property was recovered and returned to the school and the two suspects were charged with Burglary and Felony Theft.

18-08242 – Fraud – Sheriff’s Detectives investigated an elderly woman in the Lake Delton area who had been scammed out of roughly \$300,000 over a year and a half. The fraud was traced to South Africa. The woman was referred to the Sauk County Department of Human Services to assist further.

18-10142 – Fraud – Sheriff’s Detectives investigated an internet Fraud reported by a victim in the Town of Spring Green. The victim lost roughly \$1,500.00, and the scammers were traced back to a location in Texas. The case was turned over to the Texas City, TX Police Department.

18-10670 – Theft – The Sauk County Sheriff’s Office investigated the reported theft of one, 500-gallon LP tank from a property in the Town of Delton. The investigation identified one suspect who worked for an LP Company, and it is believed that he is responsible for many such thefts over the course of his employments with LP companies in several jurisdictions. The investigation is ongoing.

18-11497 – Suspicious Activity/Theft – Sheriff’s Deputies and Detectives responded to and investigated a report that a male had held another male at gunpoint and ordered him to steal an ATV in the Town of Dellona. Throughout the day of the reported crime, a manhunt was on to locate the suspect, who was reported to be armed and dangerous. The Sauk County Emergency Response Team was utilized twice at two separate locations, and the suspect was located and taken into custody that afternoon. The suspect was charged with crimes such as Possession of a Firearm as a Convicted Felon, Theft, Criminal Damage to Property, Resisting an Officer, Threats to injure/Accuse of Crime for the initial criminal activity. Subsequent investigation revealed that the suspect attempted to solicit another person to burglarize a location in the Town of Franklin in an attempt to retrieve and hide evidence from the prior case, which resulted in additional charges of solicitation to commit Burglary and Felony Theft. The suspect was also charged with several counts of Uttering a Forgery after receiving additional information and additional investigation. All criminal charges are still pending.

18-11584 – Sexual Assault/Vulnerable Adult – Sheriff’s Deputies and Detectives investigated a reported sexual assault of a vulnerable adult at a workplace in the Village of West Baraboo. The suspect was identified, arrested and charged with third Degree Sexual Assault. Court proceedings are pending.

18-13359 – Burglary – Sheriff’s Deputies and Detectives investigated the forced, unlawful entry to the Rock and Stop convenience store in the Village of Rock Springs. Investigation revealed that one suspect broke the glass entry door, entered the business and stole over 900 lottery tickets. He and his accomplice attempted to cash in winning tickets throughout Sauk and adjoining counties. Criminal charges are pending in this case.

18-13648 – Robbery – Sheriff’s Deputies and Detectives investigated the Armed Robbery of the Kwik Stop convenience store in the Village of Plain. Investigation resulted in the identification and arrest of the suspect, who was also found to be a suspect of other Robberies in other jurisdictions. He confessed to the crimes. Court proceedings are pending in this case.

18-14217 – Fire Investigation – Sheriff’s Detectives were called to the scene of a fire at the Barn Restaurant in the Town of Baraboo. The restaurant sustained major damage and the origin and cause of the fire remain under investigation.

18-14234 – Child Abduction – Sheriff’s Deputies and Detectives investigated a parental child abduction in the town of Merrimac. Grandparents and legal guardians of a 9-year-old boy reported that they allowed the birth mother to take the boy for a short time, but that she and the child never returned. Extensive investigation and collaboration with other Federal and State Law Enforcement agencies resulted in the child being recovered in the State of Virginia and the mother being arrested. She has been charged with a felony for Interference with Custody beyond Visitation. Court proceedings are pending.

General Information

Approximately 240 criminal follow-up investigations were handled by the six juvenile and general assignment Detectives of the Sauk County Sheriff's Office in 2018. Detectives also initiated an estimated 120 criminal investigations that were completed without a follow-up assignment being necessary.

The Detective Sergeant and Detective assigned primarily to drug investigations were very actively investigating and disrupting drug trafficking in Sauk County. Recovery of hundreds of pounds of unwanted prescription medications were received through the P2D2 program, keeping them out of the hands of abusers and dealers.

The Detective assigned primarily to Civil Process served approximately 1,900 papers, in addition to effecting all rental and mortgage foreclosure evictions and executing various writs to collect money and property from civil cases, pursuant to court orders. He also worked many criminal investigations in 2018, and, along with another Detective, effectively maintained the Evidence room and its contents.

Many additional investigations involving alleged child sexual assault or alleged child abuse were investigated during 2018, the details of which cannot be shared in this document due to confidentiality issues.

As was the case in 2017, fraud cases continued to become more prevalent in 2018, as scammers become more sophisticated and technology advances sometimes make these frauds easier to perpetuate. Citizens must continue educate themselves of frauds and stay aware when receiving phone calls or emails requesting personally identifying information.

Statistical Summary:

ACCIDENTS

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Fatal Accidents/Fatalities	10/10	7/7	8/8	7/7	8/8
Total Accidents	1,370	1,225	1,290	1,284	1,301

CIVIL PROCESS

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Papers Served	1,891	1,937	2,378	2,254	2,005
Fees Collected	\$78,477.40	\$93,243.80	\$118,652.50	\$111,485.30	\$101,371.75

JUVENILE

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Juvenile Arrests	151	105	89	108	96
Juvenile Runaway	27	63	44	35	25
Juvenile Misbehavior	110	126	104	102	109
Juvenile Neglect & Abuse	51	56	36	50	28
Total Activities	336	350	273	295	258

CITATIONS ISSUED

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Adult Non-Traffic	1,061	1,045	1,188	1,321	1,282
Adult Traffic Citations	4,409	3,294	4,364	5,002	3,564

Juvenile Non Traffic	171	120	106	146	110
Juvenile Traffic Citations	17	14	18	5	15
Total Citations	5,658	4,473	5,671	6,474	4,971

COMMUNICATIONS CENTER

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
ALL POLICE CALLS	70,286	71,442	75,847	73,352	75,118
ALL FIRE CALLS/ALARMS	749	793	740	734	843
ALL AMBULANCE CALLS	4,120	4,112	4,467	4,675	4,854
TOTALS	75,155	76,347	81,054	78,761	80,815

We currently have 13 full time dispatchers, 3 part time dispatchers and 1 Supervisor that run our Communications Center. There are three shifts. The dispatchers work a 4/2 schedule and work 8 hours in a shift. They dispatch for the Sauk County Sheriff’s Office as well as other local law enforcement, fire and ambulance departments with the exception of Reedsburg and Wisconsin Dells.

SECURITY DIVISION

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Bookings	3,222	2,938	2,859	3,039	3,092
Avg Daily Population All Inmates	176	175	163	147	166
Avg Daily Population Sauk Co Only	139	141	126	109	114
Community Service Hours	11,299	7,258	10,088	4,418	3,519

Our Security Division is made up of one Captain, 6 sergeants, 35 male deputies and 18 female deputies that perform daily duties in the jail and Huber Center. There are three shifts. Each deputy works a 4/2 schedule for 8 ½ hours a day.

The Sauk County Jail currently provides the following programs for incarcerated inmates through Attic Correctional Services. We currently have four programs for male inmates that change every month in a four-month rotation. The classes are for Parenting, Employability, AODA, and Anger Management. There are two classes for female inmates, those being AODA and Employability. The lower amount of classes is due to the significantly lower female population in the jail.

We have a partnership with Baraboo Schools where inmates who are 21 and under are able to receive in jail instruction and receive a HS diploma, depending on where they are in relation to graduation.

This year we partnered with FSET, a training program funded by the State of Wisconsin Department of Health Services. FoodShare Employment and Training came into the jail, provided classes wherein inmates worked on resumes and did interview training. They then provided community leaders who came in and conducted mock interviews.

The Jail has allowed Sauk County Health Department to access inmates interested in being trained how to use

NARCAN. While this may seem controversial, not all inmates are addicts and if they are able to save a life having been trained on how to use NARCAN and having access to it, we felt it was worth it.

This year, we had a 40 hr/week Masters level Behavioral Health Specialist position approved. This position has been absolutely crucial to providing MH access to incarcerated inmates. He has also provided some programming, such as coping skills classes.

The classification officer at the jail shares information with inmates about the drug court program, as well as the community connections program wherein the Health Department tries to reach out to families who are caring for an incarcerated parents children. We also maintain a relationship with the nurse family partnership for pregnant inmates in jail.

In addition to these programs, Huber inmates participate in community service work at the Sauk County Highway shop, the Humane Society, and the Habitat Restore. Huber inmates also work completing landscaping around the LEC and WS/Courthouse area, in the kitchen at the LEC, and washing laundry for the LEC.

Religious study and AODA classes are offered in the jail on different occasions throughout the week, by volunteers from the area.

Jail Revenues

The Sheriff's Department received additional revenues of \$1,016,271.30 by renting out available jail beds to other agencies outside of the County.

Sauk County Jail/Huber Center 2018 Annual PREA Report

The Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) is a federal law that was established in 2003 to help with the elimination, reduction, and prevention of sexual assault, abuse, and harassment in all correctional facilities.

The Sauk County Sheriff's Office (SCSO) has established a zero-tolerance policy for the incidence of any type of sexual misconduct involving inmates or staff in accordance with the Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA). The SCSO policy and Sauk County Jail rules prohibit sexual intercourse, contact, or conduct between inmates. Violations will result in disciplinary sanctions. Inmate on Inmate sexual assaults will also be prosecuted according to Wisconsin State Statutes.

In addition, any sexual acts between staff and inmates are ALWAYS prohibited and are a violation of SCSO policy and Jail rules, as well as against the law. Violators are subject to departmental discipline as well as prosecution punishable by prison sentences and fines. It is also inappropriate and against the rules for an inmate to approach a staff member for the purpose of sexual activity.

Sexual assault is a serious crime. The SCSO will thoroughly investigate all reported incidents of sexual misconduct, including sexual assault and sexual harassment, to determine the merits and validity of the allegations under scrutiny. Any false reports or allegations of staff or inmate sexual misconduct that are determined to be deliberately malicious may result in discipline and potential prosecution.

After the investigation, all cases will be assigned a result of either substantiated, unsubstantiated or unfounded.

Substantiated - The event was investigated and determined to have occurred, based on a preponderance of the evidence.

Unsubstantiated - The investigation concluded that evidence was insufficient to determine whether or not the event occurred.

Unfounded - The investigation determined that the event did NOT occur.

In compliance with PREA standards, here is published data for January 1 - December 31, 2018.

Male inmates on December 31, 2018 = 153

Female inmates on December 31, 2018 = 19

Male ADP from January 1, 2018 – December 31, 2018 = 146

Female ADP from January 1, 2018 – December 31, 2018 = 20

Total inmate-on-inmate non-consensual sexual acts reported = 1

of inmate-on-inmate non-consensual sexual acts unsubstantiated = 1

Total inmate-on-inmate non-consensual abusive sexual contacts reported = 3

of inmate-on-inmate non-consensual abusive sexual contacts substantiated = 2

of inmate-on-inmate non-consensual abusive sexual contacts unsubstantiated = 1

Total inmate-on-inmate sexual harassment incidents reported = 0

Total staff sexual misconduct allegations reported = 2

of staff sexual misconduct allegations unfounded = 2

Total staff sexual harassment allegations reported = 1

of staff sexual harassment allegations unfounded = 1

Overall, the number of reported PREA complaints increased from 4 in 2017 to 7 in 2018. All data was collected and reviewed in order to assess and improve the effectiveness of our sexual abuse prevention, detection and response policies, practices and training.

We have identified areas for improvement and have implemented the following corrective actions:

PREA Audit

We had a PREA audit conducted for our facility. By law, every correctional facility is required to have a PREA audit done every 3 years. This was the first PREA audit at our facility and we were found to be in compliance. We will continue to maintain compliance of the PREA standards.

Blind Spot Identification

We identified several blind spot areas throughout the facility. We added security mirrors to those areas to make blind spot areas visible to staff and inmates.

Inmate Education

We increased the number of inmate education posters in the facility. The posters explain our zero tolerance policy and provides ways the inmates can report sexual abuse and sexual harassment.

Additional information explaining our zero tolerance policy and ways the inmates can report sexual abuse and sexual harassment were added to the Inmate Handbook.

Inmate Programs

Advocates from Hope House of South Central Wisconsin come to the facility to provide group support for the female inmates.

PREA Screening

When new Inmates/Detainees are booked into our facility, they are asked a set of screening questions to determine risk of sexual victimization and abusiveness. We are asking these questions again after an inmate/detainee has been in custody for 30 days to determine if there has been any changes in status.

Youthful Offenders

In compliance with the PREA Standards, we developed a housing area for inmates that are 17 years of age and younger to be housed in that provides sight and sound separation between them and adult inmates.

Policies & Procedures/Staff Training

Through the course of the PREA Audit process, facility policies and procedures were reviewed and adjusted to increase and maintain compliance. In addition, required staff training on PREA related items was expanded with greater focus on responding, detecting and investigating allegations of sexual misconduct.

**Annual report has been reviewed and approved by the Sheriff.