

# BROOKFIELD POLICE



*Annual Report 2010*

**Steven L. Stelter - Chief of Police**



# Village of Brookfield

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## Police Department

**TO:** President Michael Garvey & Village Board

**FROM:** Chief Steven L. Stelter

**DATE:** April 7, 2011

**RE:** 2010 Annual Report / Letter from the Chief

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As the Chief of Police for the Village of Brookfield, it is an honor and a privilege to present the 2010 Annual Report on behalf of the Brookfield Police Department.

The men and women of the Brookfield Police Department, through their dedication and professionalism, continue to work in partnership with the community to fight crime and enhance the quality of life, even after being tasked with maintaining their high level of service with fewer resources.

2010 was in many ways a challenging year, yet it ultimately served to reinforce the tremendous pride I have in the work that the Brookfield Police Department employees do every day. For me personally, the highlight of 2010 was the completion of the FBI National Academy. The National Academy is known worldwide as the premiere training facility for law enforcement executives. I want to thank you, the Village Board and the Village Manager for allowing me to attend this prestigious institution.

I have always believed there is no nobler profession than that of providing safety and security to the community. As we reflect back on our accomplishments of 2010, let us not forget our law enforcement brethren who continue to unselfishly protect our future at home and abroad. The continued support by the Village Manager and staff, elected officials and the community has enabled the Brookfield Police Department to effectively and efficiently police the Village. It has been my pleasure to work with this Village and I as well as all police department employees look forward to continue working with the community in 2011.

# **Our Mission Statement**



**The mission of the Brookfield Police Department is:**

*To preserve and improve the quality of life making the Village a safer, more pleasant place to live, work or visit. The Brookfield Police Department continues to strive to enhance our tradition of providing excellent police service while possessing a mutual respect with the community. This is achieved by maintaining the highest standards of honesty and integrity through consistent and impartial enforcement of the law. We believe that public safety and crime reduction can only occur when the police and the community work together as a team*

**The mission will be accomplished while adhering to the following values:**

- *Excellence in our employees*
- *Community involvement*
- *Fostering a team effort*
- *Meeting community needs*
- *Competent and effective delivery of service*

## ***New Employees, Retirements, and Assignments***

### ***New Employees:***

**Officer Kevin Hartnett** hired September 27, 2010.

**Officer Frank White** hired September 27, 2010.

### ***Retirements:***



**Deputy Chief Jeff Leh** retired on June 30<sup>th</sup>. A police officer since 1977, Leh had been with Brookfield for 26 years. He grew up in the village, where his father was one of Brookfield's original auxiliary police officers. He attended Lyons Township High School and early during his police career, he earned a Master's Degree in Public Administration from Northern Illinois University. He was promoted to lieutenant in 2005 and named deputy chief in 2008.

### ***Resignations:***

**Officer Eddy Copot** left the department on June 11, 2010. He had been an officer with the department since January 2008.

**Officer Vince Esposito** left the department on September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2010. He had been with the department since September 2008.

**Officer Matthew Burke** left the department on December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2010. He had been an officer with the village since July 2008.

## **New Assignments:**

**Officer David Harrison** assigned to investigations unit (detective).

**Officer Terry Schreiber** State certified evidence technician.

**Lieutenant James Episcopo** named department range master.

## **Welcome Back Officer Alvarado!**



Brookfield Police **Officer Rafael Alvarado** was called to active duty with the U.S. Army's Military Police Company in July 2009 and later deployed to serve in Afghanistan. Officer Alvarado was back patrolling the streets of Brookfield in July 2010. He's been a member of our department since 2007. Thank you for your service Ralph !



## **Commendations**

Many times during the course of performing their duties, officers go above and beyond their daily responsibilities and receive written proclamations that acknowledge their contributions. This year the following officers were recognized for their exceptional work.

- ❖ Sergeant James Burdett, Officer Martin Mitera, Officer Terry Schreiber and Officer Kevin Berry for their actions taken during a two-hour standoff with an armed suicidal subject on January 31<sup>st</sup> 2010.
- ❖ Sergeant Kent Kross and Officer Matthew Burke for their bravery and sound judgment displayed on October 30<sup>th</sup> 2010, in dealing with a personal injury accident near Ehlert Park. With three subjects trapped in a burning vehicle, they cast aside thoughts of their own personal safety to remove the passengers from a fiery scene. Their actions resulted in the prevention of serious injury and possible loss of life.



## **Training**

The Brookfield Police Department furthers its overall professionalism and increases the efficiency of service to the community by providing continuous training to all department personnel. The goal of department training is to provide employees with the necessary, basic, advanced and specialized needs in order to better prepare them for the performance of their duties in the field of law enforcement.

During the 2010 calendar year, Brookfield Police Department personnel received a total of 2598 hours of training. These training totals include recruit training, in-service and roll-call training, career development programs, firearms training and management-level programs.

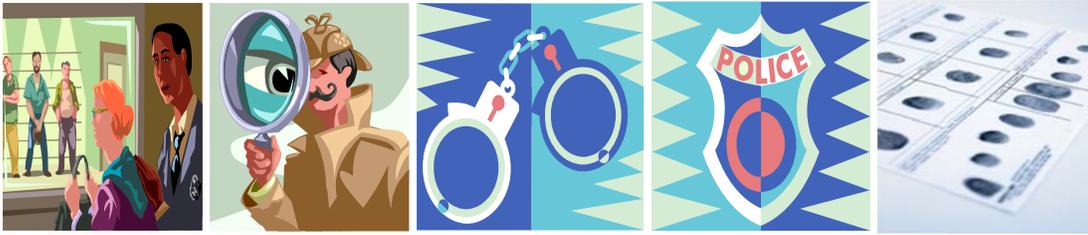
Brookfield Police Chief Steven Stelter graduated from the FBI's National Academy in June. He participated in the prestigious 10-week law enforcement executive program on U.S. Marine base at Quantico, Virginia. Past Brookfield police chiefs attending the academy have included Arthur Kuncl and Herbert Livermore.



Two new officers were hired and received basic recruit training last year. That basic training program includes 400 hours of police academy training and an additional 480 hours of training with their department field training officer. Upon successful completion of those phases of training, the recruit is assigned to one of three patrol shifts.

Bi-annual in-service training was provided to all sworn personnel. This included annual review of the use of force, defensive tactics, and .223 rifle training.

Many other sources were used to provide training for department personnel. Some of those venues included the Suburban Law Enforcement Academy (SLEA), Northeast Multi-Regional Training (NEMRT), Intergovernmental Risk Management Agency (IRMA), the Police Law Institute and the Cook County Sheriff's Police Training Academy.



## **MID 2010 STATISTICS**

Brookfield Police Department has one Detective Sergeant and two Detectives who are the Investigation Unit (Major Investigations Division). This unit responds to in-progress calls for police assistance and in-depth follow-up investigations on major cases.

The detectives participate in three multi-jurisdictional task forces: The West Suburban Detectives Association, the Felony Investigation Assistance Team (FIAT) and the Major Case Assistance Team (MCAT). By our department participating in these task forces, we are provided with additional investigative resources to assist our department with major crimes/investigations. Reciprocally, our Detectives assist other member agencies for calls for assistance with major crime/investigations.

**Forensic Investigations:** The Brookfield Police Evidence Technicians are highly dedicated to the examination and investigation of all crime scenes for the identification, preservation, collection and evaluation of evidence. Our department maintains strict protocol with the handling, securing, storing and disposing of evidence.

The Brookfield Police Forensic Investigation Team is comprised of the following Evidence Technicians:

### **MID**

Det. Sgt J. Burdett #106      J/O D. Kudla #418

Det. D. Harrison #423

### **Patrol**

Sgt. P. Lanzi #110

Sgt. M. Ryan #105

Sgt. P. Coffelt #404

Ofc. N. Hahn #408

Ofc. D. Burrell #415

Ofc. D. McCarthy #42

Ofc. T. Schreiber #425

**In 2010:**

Sixty-six (66) criminal offenders were arrested and processed by Investigations Unit. Thirty-four (34) of these offenders were arrested for misdemeanor violations while thirty-two (32) were arrested for felony violations.

***MID INVESTIGATIONS 2010***

<b>CASES</b>	<b>ASSIGNED</b>	<b>CLEARED</b>	<b>FELONY ARREST</b>	<b>MIS ARREST</b>	<b>CLRD EXCPTINLY</b>
<b>HOMICIDE</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>ROBBERY</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>BURGLARY</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>RES BURGLARY</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>VEH BURGLARY</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>SEX OFFENSES</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>THEFT</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>FORGERY</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>DEC PRACTICE</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>BATT/ASSAULT</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>NARCOTICS</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>MCAT ASSISTS</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>FIAT ASSISTS</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>VEH THEFTS</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>ARSON</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>DEATH INVST</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>WARRANTS</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>CRIM DAM PROP</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>MISCELLANEOUS</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>BACKGROUNDS</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>FORFEITURES</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>20</b>



## **Brookfield Juvenile Division 2010**

The Brookfield Police Department has one officer assigned full time to the juvenile division. Juvenile officers have the power to handle youth cases through station adjustments or juvenile petitions. A station adjustment occurs when a juvenile offender is brought into the police station for criminal activity. Officers are able to use both formal and informal station adjustments. Informal station adjustments consist of a verbal warning without any record documentation. Formal station adjustments consist of a written contract between the juvenile and the police department for a determined amount of time at the discretion of the youth officer. For more serious offenses, or for a juvenile that has had multiple criminal contacts with the police, an officer may choose to petition the subject. A petition is a juvenile criminal complaint.

The Juvenile Division is involved in many extra curricular activities within the Village of Brookfield and the Brookfield School System. Each year a Bicycle Rodeo is held for area youths. Various officers help in the event which encourages proper bike riding and safety. The rodeo is the largest event held each year by the police department. The rodeo also helps youths meet officers and begin to have a good relationship with them which may have a longer lasting effect on their future. The rodeo provides children with bicycle helmets and even gives multiple children new bicycles. Programs such as "LETS WIN", which takes place at S.E. Gross Middle School, encourage officer/juvenile relationships through officers helping students with their school work or participating in sporting activities. Other activities such as station tours, multiple school safety talks, and an Iron Oaks Field Trip that help the juvenile division grasp a better relationship with the community and youths in particular. As juvenile officers make more positive

contact within the community, juveniles are more likely to avoid making bad criminal decisions.

The Juvenile Division is also responsible for teaching D.A.R.E to area schools and students. D.A.R.E. is a program that is taught in over 40 countries worldwide. D.A.R.E encourages a partnership between schools, parents, and police. Students learn decision making skills and familiarize themselves with the negative effects of drugs. The juvenile division feels that though D.A.R.E. we can reduce the amount of juvenile offenders in the juvenile justice system. The Youth Division's overall goal is to reduce the amount of juveniles in the justice system.

### Arrest/Delinquency Totals

<u>Crime Category</u>	<u>Petition</u>	<u>Station Adj./Referral</u>
Assault	2	2
Aggravated Arson	1	0
Aggravated Assault	0	0
Aggravated Battery	0	0
Attempted Burglary	0	0
Arson	1	0
Battery	2	10
Burglary	0	4
Criminal Damage To Property	2	7
Criminal Damage To Motor Vehicle	2	0
Criminal Defacement	0	2
Criminal Sexual Abuse	2	0
Criminal Trespass	3	5
Domestic Battery	1	0
Disorderly Conduct	0	1
Mob Action	0	0
Obstructing Police Officer	0	0
Possession of Cannabis	2	3
Filing a False Police Report	0	0
Retail Theft	0	1
Robbery	0	0
Telephone Harassment	0	0
Theft	0	1
U.U.W.	0	0
Filing a False Police Report	0	0
<b>TOTALS</b>	18	36



## **2010 Juvenile Status Offenses**

<b><u>OFFENSE</u></b>	<b><u>ARRESTS</u></b>
Curfew Violation	20
Criminal Defacement of Property	0
Disorderly Conduct	3
Disorderly House	3
Damage To Village Property	0
Carry Concealed Weapons (knife)	0
Interfering With a Police Officer	0
Possession of Alcohol by Minor	20
Possession Of Cannabis	10
Possession Of Drug Paraphernalia	3
Possession Of Tobacco by Minor	20
Public Intoxication	0
Village Park Usage After Close	2
<b><u>TOTALS</u></b>	<b><u>81</u></b>

## **Bicycle Rodeo**



On Saturday, May 22<sup>nd</sup> the Brookfield Police Department hosted its eleventh annual bicycle rodeo. Brookfield Police Officers offered bicycle registration and safety inspections during this event. Participants completed a bicycle safety course and were given free bicycle helmets and shirts. Two lucky children also won brand new bicycles.

## **Citizens Police Academy**



In October 2010 the Brookfield Police Department conducted its third Citizens Police Academy (CPA). The class of seven Brookfield residents met on Thursday evenings starting on October 7<sup>th</sup> and graduating on December 9<sup>th</sup>. The topics covered in this 30 hour program included auto theft investigation, drug and gang awareness, traffic enforcement, police use of force and firearms training.

# State of Illinois “DARE Day”



On Wednesday, November 17, 2010, two students from Brook-Park Elementary School won a special trip to the State Capitol in Springfield, IL to celebrate Illinois DARE Day. The trip was coordinated by Brookfield Police DARE Officer Dave Kudla. The trip was organized by the Illinois DARE Officers Association and House Republican Leader Tom Cross, which brought a total of 40 police officers and their students from throughout the state to Springfield for this special day.

Students were given a behind the scenes tour of the Capitol Building, met with State Representatives, and were greeted by and spoke with Governor Pat Quinn. Students were then taken to several local historic sites including the Old State Capitol and Lincoln Tomb.

## *Shop with a Cop*



On Saturday, December 10<sup>th</sup> fourteen children from Brookfield whose families had been negatively impacted by the struggling economy, were escorted from the Brookfield Police Department to Wal-Mart in Hodgkins. Each child was paired with representatives from the Brookfield Police Department and provided with a \$125 shopping allowance. After shopping they returned to the Brookfield Police Department to wrap their gifts and end enjoy some additional treats.

## Arrest Summary for 2010

The chart below provides a summary of all arrests made by the Brookfield Police Department during the 2010 calendar year. Custodial arrests include situations where the offender is fully processed and assigned a mandatory court appearance. Traffic arrests include various circumstances where a driver is pulled over and issued citations that may require a court appearance. Parking and village ordinance citations are issued for local violations some of which may be referred to an administrative hearing.



### Brookfield Police Department Year End Arrest Summary for 2010

#### **Custodial Arrests**

Felony	80
Misdemeanor	215
Warrant Arrests	65

#### **Traffic Arrests**

DUI	61
Moving Violations	1,800
Equipment	788
Radar	422

#### **Parking and Ordinance Violations**

Vehicle Tag	1,026
Parking / Ordinance Violations	6,076
Village Ordinance	372

<b>Total Arrests</b>	<b>10,905</b>
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# Accident Statistics



	2007	2008	2009	2010
Property Damage	332	384	315	303
Personal Injury	21	14	28	31
Fatality Only	2	0	0	0
Hit & Run Property Damage	119	114	105	103
Hit & Run Personal Injury	1	1	1	1
Hit & Run Fatality	0	0	0	0
Total	474	513	449	438

## Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR)

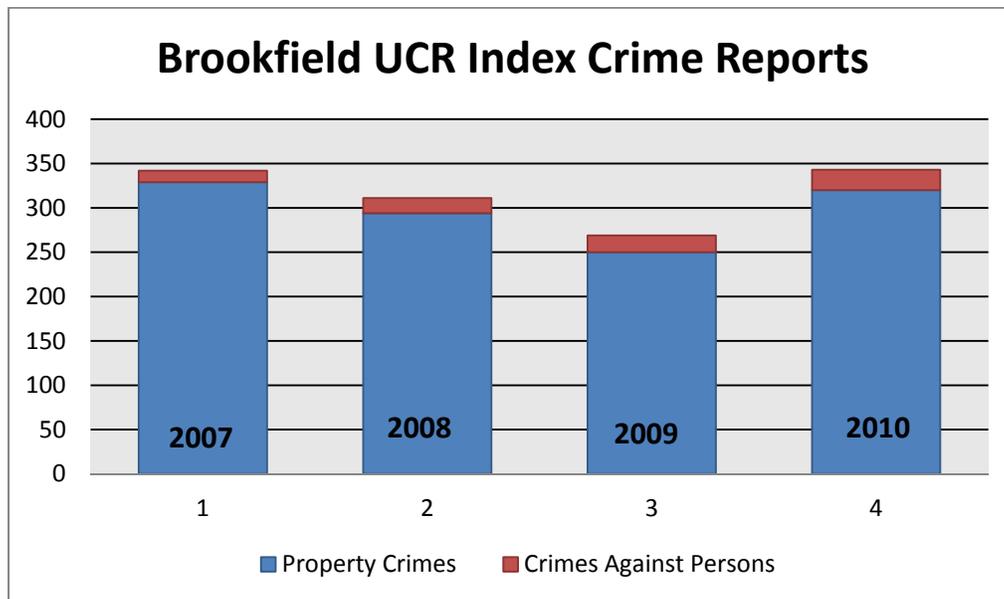
UCR is a city, county, and state law enforcement program which provides a nationwide view of crime based on the submission of statistics by law enforcement agencies throughout the country. The UCR Program's primary objective is to provide a reliable set of criminal justice statistics for law enforcement administration, operations and management, as well as to indicate fluctuations in the level of crime in America. Only eight (8) selected, serious crimes are included in the UCR report because they are the crimes most likely to occur with sufficient frequency to provide an adequate basis for comparison.

## UCR Crimes Against Person

Homicide  
Sexual Assault  
Robbery  
Aggravated Battery

## UCR Crimes Against Property

Burglary  
Theft  
Vehicle Theft  
Arson



This graph represents trends in index crimes against person and property crimes occurring in Brookfield over the last four years (2007-2010). These crimes are reported to the Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program on a monthly basis. These numbers indicate that index property crimes increased 28% in 2010 while crimes against person dropped 16% over the same period. Overall we had a 24.9% increase in UCR index crimes for 2010. Listed below is a comprehensive list of UCR crime numbers reported in monthly increments over the past four years.



