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Commissioner's Office

Within the Commissioner's Office there are individual staff members, as well as three bureaus which fulfill vital roles for the Department, and most importantly for the citizens of Iowa. Those staff members work as liaisons between Iowans, legislators, the Commissioner of Public Safety, and others. Every day the Commissioner's Office fields citizen inquiries, collaborates with local law enforcement and fire agencies, assists other state departments and branches of government, and coordinates critical training requirements for both civilian and sworn staff.

Commissioner of Public Safety

The Commissioner of Public Safety is the chief executive officer of the Department of Public Safety. The Commissioner is appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Iowa Senate.

Executive Officer

The Executive Officer is responsible for coordinating and consulting with the Commissioner of Public Safety related to Departmental priorities, initiatives, goals and objectives. The Executive Officer supervises the Governor's Traffic Safety Bureau, the Professional Standards Bureau and the Professional Development and Information Bureau, while also working closely with the Administrative Rules Coordinator and the Policy Advisor. The responsibilities of the Executive Officer also include collaborating and communicating with the Division Directors on day-to-day operations and activities. During FY 2012, the Executive Officer also worked diligently to coordinate the development and revisions related to the policies and procedures of the Department.

Administrative Rules Coordinator

The Administrative Rules Coordinator & Legal Trainer, is responsible for administrative rulemaking for the Department, for coordinating departmental planning efforts, for coordinating training on legal issues for personnel within the Department, and for addressing privacy, civil rights and civil liberties concerns in the department. In 2012, administrative rules were promulgated to update criminalistics laboratory requirements, authorize the issuance of departmental identification cards for retired officers, and update and expand electrical licensing standards. Websites were streamlined to facilitate easier access to frequently requested information. The department developed a new strategic plan, which was implemented in other departmental reports and policies. Special training updates were provided to sworn personnel on emerging issues.

Policy Advisor

The Policy Advisor works with a wide range of government officials, as well as governmental, non-profit, and private entities to refine legislation of interest to the Department. Additional duties include coordinating departmental efforts to implement new laws, which may involve assisting with administrative rulemaking; developing forms and resource documents; and training DPS personnel and other stakeholders. The Policy Advisor also assists with researching and resolving questions related to criminal laws, departmental operations generally, and interpretation of new or changed laws, and assists all divisions and bureaus with public relations, citizen inquiries, and public information requests related to public safety policy issues. During FY 2012, the Policy Advisor worked closely with citizens, legislators and stakeholders on a wide range of bills, including bills addressing metal theft, school bus safety, and synthetic drugs.



Governor's Traffic Safety Bureau

The Governor's Traffic Safety Bureau (GTSB) manages federal funds awarded to Iowa from the

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) for highway safety projects. The common goal of reducing deaths and serious injuries on Iowa's roadways remains strong due to collaboration with both enforcement and non-enforcement partners on the federal and local level. One example of success from efforts of enforcement and emphasis on safety belt usage is that Iowa recorded 360 traffic fatalities in 2011. This represented a 66-year record low.

Crash data is used to formulate the "Problem Identification" for each county. During FFY 2012, GTSB managed 340 contracts totaling over \$8.1 million--vital funding used to implement and monitor highway safety programs in every corner of our State.



Professional Standards Bureau

The Professional Standards Bureau (PSB) is the internal investigative unit for DPS. When a complaint is filed against one of the department's employees, PSB has the responsibility to conduct or supervise a thorough internal investigation. As a result of the 67 alleged misconduct investigations in fiscal year 2012, 34 were found to be sustained cases, meaning it was determined that the accused employee committed all or part of the alleged act(s) of misconduct. Additionally, PSB handled 306 other requests for service. Those requests included tracking progress on employee grievances, lawsuits, and civil rights claims filed against the Department of Public Safety. For statistical analysis, PSB also tracked all uses of force and vehicle pursuits conducted by members of the Department of Public Safety.

Professional Development & Information Bureau

During FY 2012, the vast majority of staff hours were expended preparing for and facilitating the 36th Department of Public Safety Basic Academy. Beginning in the fall of 2011, the Professional Development Bureau began accepting applications for employment from those interested in a career with the Department of Public Safety and the Department of Transportation, Motor Vehicle Enforcement Division. As time progressed, the application process continued with oral interviews, physical fitness testing and final offers. Seventeen recruits reported in for the first day of the academy on June 29, 2012. Upon successful completion of the basic academy, sixteen recruits took their oath of office and were sworn in on November 26, 2012.

In addition to the operation and coordination of the basic academy, the Professional Development Bureau is responsible for coordinating in-service training for approximately 600 sworn peace officers for the Department of Public Safety. This includes firearms, use of force, first aid, physical fitness and other topics related to officer safety and continuing education. The staff manages the departmental training committee and provides oversight for the yearly "Mandatory Departmental Training Requirements." The bureau also manages the staff inspection process and the property and evidence coordination for the Department of Public Safety. They also maintain departmental policies and facilitate the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA) efforts for the department.



Administrative Services Division

The Administrative Services Division is comprised of three bureaus and the human resources office. These units provide support services to DPS and provide direct services to the citizens of Iowa, law enforcement and other criminal justice agencies statewide.

Finance Bureau

The Finance Bureau provides basic support services to the Department, such as budget, accounting, payroll, human resources, and pension system administration services. In FY 2012, nearly 7,100 expense claims were processed on behalf of more than two thousand vendors, employees for non-payroll expenses totaling more than \$63 million. Also, nearly 3,800 deposits were made totaling more than \$69 million in revenue.

The Bureau also maintains the Department's fixed assets inventory valued at \$38.4 million and serves as the custodian of all seized cash and valuables until disposed of as directed by court order.

Technology Services Bureau

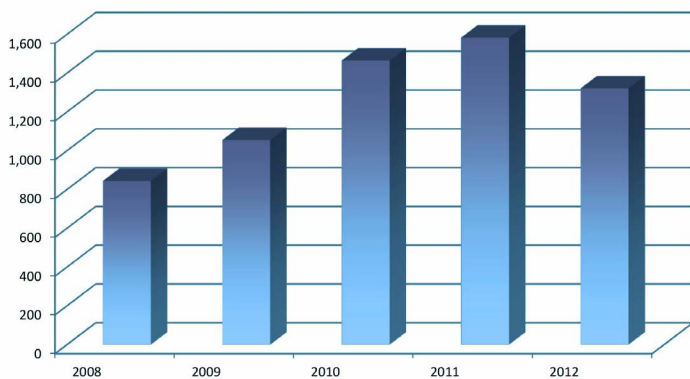
The Technology Services Bureau coordinates the computer-related needs by providing, maintaining and securing the data and telecommunications infrastructure for the Department. Additionally, the Bureau maintains the Iowa Online Warrants and Articles System (IOWA System), a computer system and network that provide access to a wide variety of criminal justice information for police departments, sheriff's offices, Iowa courts, county attorneys, federal law enforcement agencies and various other criminal justice and public safety agencies throughout Iowa. Such data includes wanted/missing persons, stolen vehicles and articles, protective orders, sex offenders, motor vehicle registration files, driver's license records, criminal history records and correctional information.





The network also provides a gateway to other states via, the International Justice and Public Safety Network (Nlets), and the FBI's National Crime Information Center (NCIC), and to other countries through INTERPOL. During fiscal year 2012, in cooperation with the Iowa Department of Transportation and the Iowa Department of Corrections, driver's license photos and recent correctional photos were made available to law enforcement via the IOWA System. This feature assists officers with identifying individuals they have detained and provides for additional officer safety. Law enforcement can also access these same types of photos from other states who have implemented and approved this access.

**Offline Search Activity
by Fiscal Year**



Program Services Bureau

The Program Services Bureau serves the criminal justice community and the general public through four statutory program areas, including Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program Administration; Weapons Permit Program Administration; Private Investigative Licensing; and Private Security and Bail Enforcement Licensing.

Private Investigative, Private Security, and Bail Enforcement Licensing

Chapter 80A of the Iowa Code stipulates that private security, private investigative and bail enforcement agencies and their employees doing business in Iowa must be licensed. The Private Investigative, Private Security and Bail Enforcement Licensing Section processes and issues licenses and renewals for such agencies and employees. This process includes fingerprint-based criminal history record checks, verification of bonding and proof of financial responsibility. At the end of FY 2012, there were 7,887 valid employee ID cards held by private security, private investigative, and bail enforcement employees. For the same period, there were 218 Private Investigative Agencies, 108 Private Security Agencies, and 4 Bail Enforcement Agencies.

Weapons Permit Program

This section develops permit to carry weapons related forms, issues nonresident professional permit to carry weapons, and issues state peace officer permits to carry weapons. This section also frequently researches and responds to firearms and other related questions from sheriff's offices and the general public.

In FY 2012, a great deal of time and attention was devoted to continued implementation of SF 2379 of 2010, which became effective January 1, 2011. This legislation made major changes in permit laws, most notably conversion from discretionary "may issue" permits to a new "shall issue" permits.

Before the law change, 40,747 permits to carry weapons were issued (calendar year 2010). Permit issuance more than doubled to 102,729 for calendar year 2011. In the first six months of calendar year 2012, approximately 30,000 permits were issued. Given that nonprofessional permits issued after January 1, 2011, are valid for five years (instead of one year under prior law), this decline in permit issuance volume was expected.



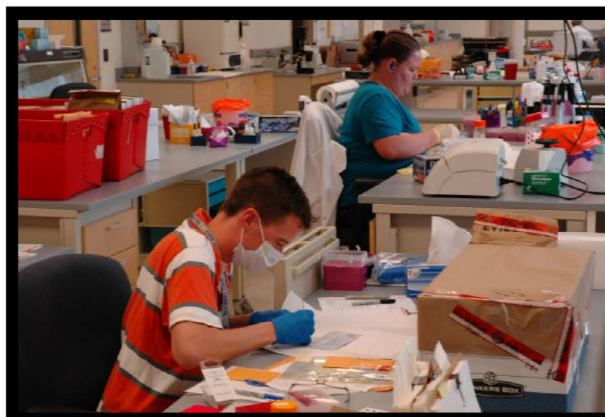
Division of Criminal Investigation

Criminalistics Laboratory

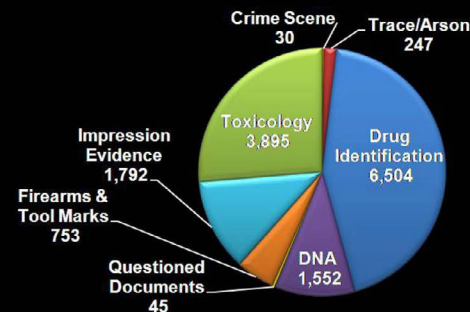
The DCI Criminalistics Laboratory has 51 employees who provide professional forensic scientific services and support to the criminal justice community throughout Iowa.

The Division of Criminal Investigation (DCI) was created to provide investigative support and expertise to law enforcement agencies across the state. Today, the division is comprised of four functional areas: Criminalistics Laboratory, Field Operations Bureau, Gaming Operations Bureau, and Support Operations Bureau

There are currently **165 sworn officers** and **99 civilian employees** handling the ever-increasing workload of the DCI.



DCI Criminalistics Laboratory
Case Assignments Completed for FY-2012



The lab is accredited under the American Society of Crime Laboratory Directors Laboratory Accreditation Board's International (ISO based) accreditation program, and provides forensic science capabilities to Iowa's criminal justice community in the following disciplines: Arson, Crime Scene Response, Breath Alcohol, Drug Identification, DNA, DNA Profiling of Convicted Offenders Program, Firearms and Tool Marks, Impression Evidence (latent prints, tire tracks, footwear), Photography and Video Enhancement, Questioned Documents, Toxicology, and Trace Evidence.

Field Operations Bureau

This bureau is comprised of 45 employees, 43 of whom are sworn officers, who work in areas of the Major Crime Unit (MCU), the Cyber Crime Unit (CCU) and the Missing Person Information Clearinghouse (MPIC). The MCU's primary function is to collaborate with local law enforcement in conducting criminal investigations into felony crimes against persons and property.



FY-2012 Cyber Crime Unit	
• Forensic Exams	856
• Technical Assists	860
• Cyber tips	868
Missing Person Information Clearinghouse	
Number of Adults Missing in Iowa	759
Number of Juveniles missing in Iowa	4510

The CCU conducts cyber crime investigations and digital forensic analysis and evaluation of evidence found on various electronic devices. The MPIC assists in helping to locate missing persons through public awareness, cooperation and education about missing person issues.

In FY-2012, there were 398 major cases opened, 66 of which were death investigations.

FIELD OPERATIONS MAJOR CRIME UNIT FY-2012	
Death	66
Assault	35
Sex Offense	34
Financial Crime	10
Theft	14
Clemency	72
Cell Phone Analysis	77
Officer-Involved Shooting	7
Background Investigations	15
Other	68
TOTAL:	398

Gaming Operations Bureau

This Bureau conducts criminal investigations and provides regulatory enforcement at 15 riverboat casinos and 3 race track casinos in Iowa. Within this bureau is also an Amusement Device Unit, consisting of 3 Special Agents who are dedicated to enforcement of amusement device and social/charitable gaming laws throughout the state. Currently, there are 110 sworn and 7 non-sworn personnel in this bureau.

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS	FY-12
Public Intoxication/Disorderly Conduct	184
Theft/Criminal Mischief	96
Forgery	14
Trespassing	150
Warrant Arrests	98
Executive Clemency Investigations	28
Possession/Delivery Controlled Substance/Drug Paraphernalia	74
Assault (not sexual)	30
Interference/Providing False Information/Disobedience to Peace Officer	68
Unlawful use of Driver's License	44
Entering casino under 21 years of age	36
Cheating	6
Falsifying IRGC application	2
TOTAL:	830
BACKGROUND INVESTIGATIONS	FY-12
O – Non-Gaming	3,837
C – Gaming low level	1,423
A – Gaming high level	64
D – Corporate & update	76
TOTAL:	5,400

Support Operations Bureau

This Bureau conducts a broad range of duties in support of the overall mission of the DCI, with 52 employees who work in the Transcription Unit, Records and Identification Unit, Sex Offender Registry Unit, Criminal History Dissemination Unit, AFIS (Automated Fingerprint Identification System)/Fingerprint Unit, and Administrative staff who perform, clerical, inventory, budgeting, purchasing, and logistical functions for the entire Division.

This Bureau is responsible for collecting and disseminating vital information to maintain the Sex Offender Registry and the central repository for criminal history and fingerprint records.

FY-2012 SUPPORT OPERATIONS BUREAU	
AFIS/Fingerprint Section	
AFIS 1 st Arrest Edits	122,076
Ten-Print Hits	56,823
Latent Print Hits	919
Dissemination Section	
Criminal History Checks Completed	238,886
National CCH Checks Completed	30,202
Identification Section	
Automated Records	651,772
Total Fingerprints Received	87,413
New Records Created	25,906
Sex Offender Registry	
Number of Registrants	5,593
Non-compliance Investigations	223
Public E-mail Notifications	283,768
Transcription Section	
Number of Cases Transcribed	3,200



Division of Narcotics Enforcement

Created in 1987, the Division of Narcotics Enforcement (DNE) serves as the lead state agency in providing public safety through investigative enforcement of laws relating to narcotics and other controlled substances. As DNE's mission statement indicates, our agents "With Pride and Integrity, Provide a Professional Service to the People in Significantly Reducing the Supply of Illicit Controlled Substances through Specialized Enforcement and Training."

The Division of Narcotics Enforcement has 41 sworn officers and three civilian employees at 17 offices throughout the state, including the headquarters office in Des Moines. Agents initiate investigations on major drug traffickers who supply controlled substances that are sold and used in Iowa. Additionally, agents respond to requests from local jurisdictions and task forces for assistance with their cases. Many investigations are also coordinated and conducted in cooperation with federal and out-of-state law enforcement agencies.

DNE primarily focuses its investigative efforts on methamphetamine, ICE methamphetamine, powder and crack cocaine, and marijuana trafficking. However, in 2012 agents also focused efforts to combat the emerging trends of increased heroin trafficking, synthetic substances and pharmaceutical diversions. In 2012, 135 Drug Trafficking Organizations (DTO's) were disrupted or dismantled.

Clandestine Laboratories



Since 2007, methamphetamine lab activity has doubled. Specifically, Division of Narcotics Enforcement agents

are witnessing the emergence of a new method of manufacturing methamphetamine, called "one-pot" cooks. This method generally uses less pseudoephedrine and produces methamphetamine in smaller quantities, but it is no less dangerous than other production methods.

The one-pot method has resulted in the emergence of a new type of criminal activity associated with these methamphetamine labs known as "smurfing". Smurfing is defined as several individuals acting in concert to collectively obtain enough pseudoephedrine to manufacture methamphetamine. In 2012, 186 individuals were charged with conspiring to manufacture methamphetamine, a majority of which were engaged in smurfing activities.

One-pot cooks are quicker to manufacture, portable, and very unstable. The waste from these cooks is highly toxic and each small container can unexpectedly cause flash fires. In addition to the environmental impact, they are a hazard to children and unsuspecting Iowans. Due to this public safety threat, a substantial amount of time and resources is directed toward responding to, neutralizing, and safely disposing of clandestine labs.

In addition to the division's enforcement efforts combating methamphetamine labs, DNE agents provide clan lab recertification training to 114 state and local officers throughout the state to ensure the safe mitigation of these labs and proper collection of evidence which results in successful prosecution of those individuals involved in the manufacture of methamphetamine within the State.



Drug Endangered Children Program

In fiscal year 2012, 64 children were found to be affected by exposure to drugs and drug usage. While children located at clan lab sites were the initial focus of the Drug Endangered Children Program (DEC), the program now also addresses children found where other drugs are being used, trafficked or disseminated. Exposure to these drugs can cause both short and long term effects— physically, mentally, and psychologically.

DEC leverages resources of the criminal justice system, human services, juvenile court, and the public health system to address the safety and well-being of children, and hold neglectful and abusive parents accountable.

In 2012, every sworn officer in the Department of Public Safety received DEC Awareness training expanding this program beyond its traditional scope in an effort to bring needed services to children exposed to substance abuse, clan labs and narcotics trafficking.

TIP HOTLINE: 800-532-0052
or dneinfo@dps.state.ia.us

DNE maintains a toll free “hotline” to allow citizens to report suspected drug activity. The hotline has proven to be a great benefit, garnering tips on drug activity, and providing a line of communication for individuals wishing to cooperate with DNE.

Every tip that comes into the hotline, or submitted to DNE via anonymous email, is distributed to one of the 17 field offices for evaluation and follow-up. In 2012, 43 hotline tips were called in or emailed to DNE, and information from five of those tips was utilized to open a narcotics investigation or aid an existing investigation.



Seizures

Fiscal Year 2012

Methamphetamine	18,453 g
Cocaine	41,498 g
Crack Cocaine	861 g
Heroin	101 g
Marijuana	36,444 oz
Marijuana Plants	754
Ecstasy	1,182 du
Parmaceuticals	2,807 du
Firearms	234
U.S. Currency	\$2,353,443

Investigations 533

Search Warrants 409

Defendants 919

DTO's (dismantled/disrupted) 135

Methamphetamine Labs

Labs Seized (all law enforcement) 382

Labs Seized (DNE personnel) 53

In addition to responding to meth labs, DNE agents provided lab re-certification training to 114 law enforcement officers in 2012.



Division of Intelligence

The Division of Intelligence (DOI) coordinates information sharing related to criminal activity and provides support to all enforcement divisions of DPS, as well as local, state, and federal law enforcement and homeland security partners in Iowa.

DOI serves as the Central Coordinating Agency for the Law Enforcement Intelligence Network and is designated as Iowa's Intelligence Fusion Center in accordance with the National Strategy for Information Sharing.

Intelligence Operations Bureau

This bureau is responsible for overall coordination of the Iowa Law Enforcement Intelligence Network (LEIN). LEIN's membership consists of law enforcement officers who have successfully completed a two-week Criminal Intelligence Course conducted by the Department. LEIN members work together with the department to accomplish two related objectives:

1. Develop and disseminate knowledge about significant criminal conditions that affect the state of Iowa; and,
2. Use this knowledge to identify, investigate, and remove these criminal conditions.

This bureau is also responsible for coordination of multi-jurisdictional task forces involving investigations of criminal activities conducted by criminal organizations targeting multiple jurisdictions. Sworn peace officers from this bureau are also participants in the FBI Joint Terrorism Task Force (JTTF) and the FBI's Field Intelligence Group.

The goal of this bureau is to proactively identify information of individuals, or groups of individuals, who are committing crimes and coordinate with many partners to develop a strategy to bring these groups to justice. In general, Special Agents assigned to the division engage in law enforcement planning and intelligence operational activities to prevent crime and terrorism. This is achieved through proactive information sharing, recognition of potential or developing threats, and developing intervention strategies.

Special Agents also provide field support to all divisions of the Department of Public Safety and to sheriff's offices,

police departments, and federal agencies in Iowa needing investigative and technical equipment support. In 2012, personnel assigned to this bureau participated in over 800 investigations in support of partners from various federal, state, and municipal agencies. These investigations included such things as Human Trafficking, multi-jurisdictional burglary/theft rings, fugitive apprehension, narcotics trafficking, and organized criminal activity that impacts multiple jurisdictions.

Intelligence Analysis Bureau

The Intelligence Analysis Bureau's core mission is to provide useful information to law enforcement agencies as well as private sector contacts in an effort to make Iowa a safer place. This area generally supports major investigations, products produced by this group require days, weeks, and sometimes months to complete. Usually the analysts will be asked to evaluate a great deal of information and attempt to gain investigative leads from that data and/or take case information and use visualization techniques to aid an investigator or prosecutor in explaining a complicated case to others. In addition, many analysts participate in regional and national groups and associations that set standards for professionals working in this field. This unit also includes collocated personnel from the FBI and U.S. Department of Homeland Security Intelligence and Analysis Unit.

One of the most fundamental functions this unit performs is a request for information "RFI"; generally these requests are called or emailed into the Division's Watch Center from a criminal justice agency that has an ongoing investigation.



These RFI's can range from being fairly simple in nature; such as just needing an address or phone number for a person or they can be quite time consuming when the request relates to research to find as much information on a subject as possible. The latter could result in the querying of as many as 40 data sources and could take hours to complete. In 2012 the average number of RFI's responded too each month was over 1000. In addition, analysts spent over 2500 hours conducting specific case support on ongoing major criminal investigations in 2012. This case support included investigations related to homicides, robberies, child abductions, missing persons, and multi-jurisdictional organized criminal activity.

On a monthly basis the Division of Intelligence briefs the Governor of the State of Iowa as well as other key leadership members on issues of importance. In addition, many analysts participate in regional and national groups and associations that set standards for professionals working in this field.

Homeland Security Bureau

The Homeland Security Bureau develops and assesses exercises and coordinates with the Iowa Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management Division (HSEMD) personnel assigned to the Division of Intelligence.

Job duties in this area of responsibility are very diverse and include a variety of different requests

for assistance. Some of the job duties currently undertaken by members of the Homeland Security Bureau include but are not limited to the following;

- Coordination of Weapons of Mass Destruction State Teams
- Bomb and Tactical Movement of Strategic National Stockpiles for the US Marshal's Office and the Iowa Department of Public Health
- Disaster Exercise design and development
- Intelligence Exercise design and development
- Staff State Emergency Operation Center during activations for all non and law enforcement related matters.
- Fulfilling mission ready package requests from local, state, and federal entities in anticipation of, during, and after a natural or manmade disaster.
- Updating all state COOP/COOG plans
- Developing or collaborating in Incident Action Plans for large events involving state assets such as State Fair and State Caucus Events.
- ACAMS on state facilities. (ACAMS is an automated critical asset management system) This program assesses, evaluates, and documents State Assets into a manageable database. Included in this evaluation are threats and vulnerabilities associated with the structures, environment, and all social impacts.

- Coordinate with state, local and federal partners on asset protection initiatives. In 2012, personnel partnered with HSEMD to develop and distribute the Iowa School Safety Flipchart. This tool is a one of a kind quick reference flip chart that provides potential lifesaving emergency response information to school staff on 17 different exigent circumstances that could occur in a school. Circumstances include Active Shooter, Assaults, Fire, Hostage Situations, Severe Weather, Suspicious Packages, and Bomb Threats.
- Maintain a liaison between USDHS, FEMA, other federal partners, and the Fusion Center/DOI.
- Provide advice and oversight on a joint DOI-HSEMD information sharing product known as the TIIPP report. The TIIPP (Threat Information and Infrastructure Protection Program) report is a weekly open source compilation of valuable information relevant to a variety of our public and private sector partners
- Coordinated with HSEMD, Local Law Enforcement and the US DHS to conduct threat assessments on identified critical assets including the State Capitol Complex, Iowa's Universities and Colleges, State Fair Grounds, Wells Fargo Arena, and The World Food Prize Headquarters and are in the process of implementing security measures to improve the safety of public areas.

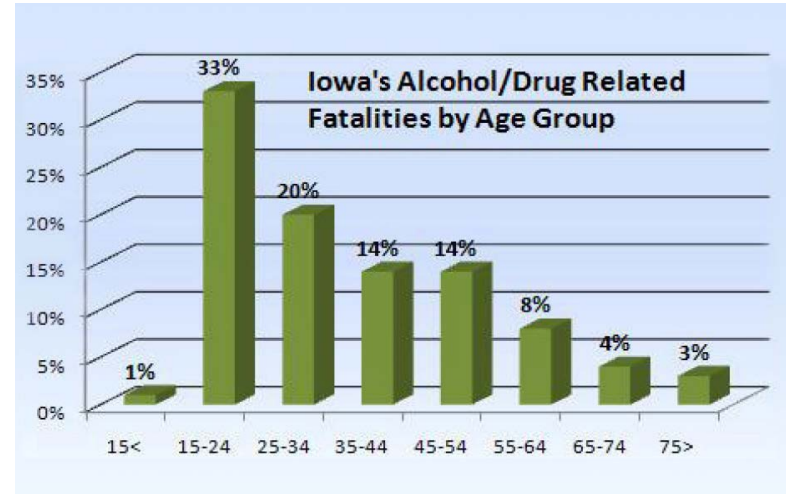


Iowa State Patrol Division

The Iowa State Patrol's primary mission is set on saving lives through traffic enforcement. Additionally however, the organization is uniquely positioned to respond and provide sustained assistance to local agencies during large scale events or natural disasters occurring in the state. Historically, these events have included prison disturbances, college campus unrest, high-risk warrant execution, tornados, flooding and domestic/international dignitary visits.

Safety Education Officers

The Safety Education Officers of the State Patrol had the opportunity to attend the Uniformed Safety Education Workshop that was held in Louisville, Kentucky. This training workshop was attended by 15 State Patrol agencies. Throughout this workshop Iowa had the opportunity to compete in the Traffic/Non-traffic public safety presentation and also TV and radio PSA's competition. Two topics that our Safety Education Officers presented were entitled "Motorcycle Safety" and "Teen Choices". At the awards ceremony Iowa received second place in the non-traffic public safety presentation and second place in the public service announcement. The Iowa State Patrol Safety Education Officers continue to be leaders in this annual workshop.



Alcohol/Drug Impaired Drivers

One of the core missions of the State Patrol is taking alcohol and drug impaired drivers off the roadways of Iowa. Troopers last year arrested 2,128 drivers for drunk and impaired driving. Your State Patrol has teamed up with the department of human rights and the department of health to reduce underage drinking among Iowa's youth and young adults. The State Patrol conducted compliance alcohol enforcement checks of 876 establishments across Iowa, of those establishments checked, 186 establishments or 21% of those businesses sold alcohol to an underage person. These efforts continue to reduce the sale of alcoholic beverages to underage people.



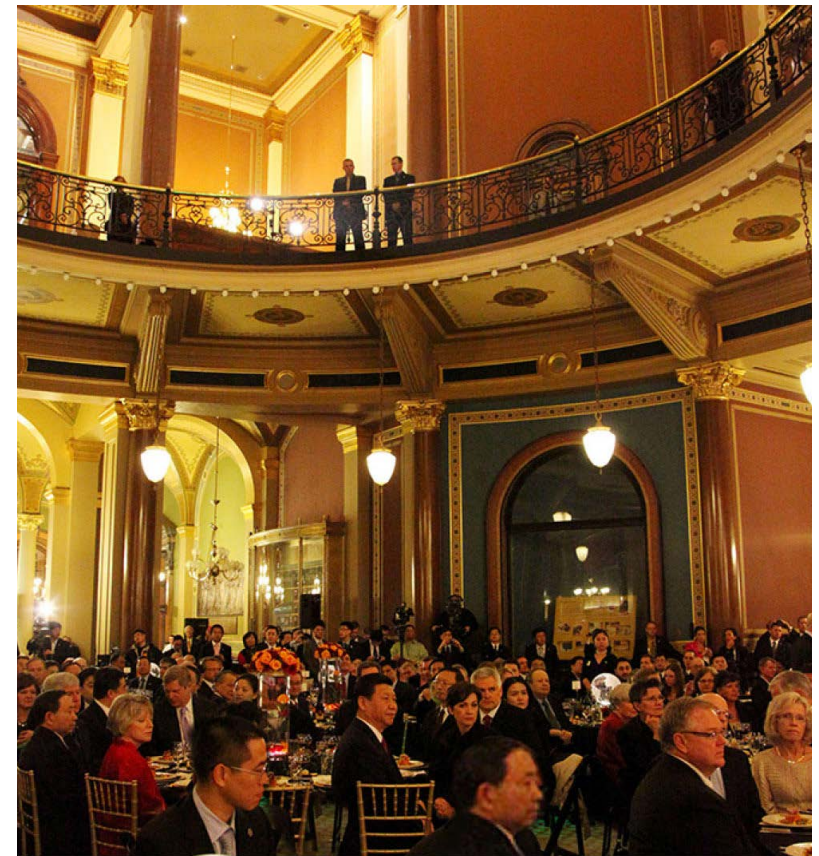
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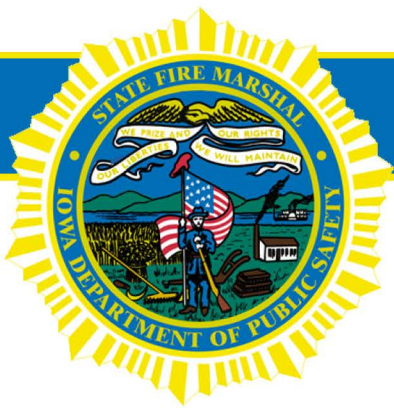
The Iowa State Patrol maintains two Forward Looking Infrared (FLIR) units attached to Cessna 182 fixed high wing airplanes. The first FLIR unit was placed into service in September 1998, and a new FLIR was purchased with Homeland security funds and placed into service in 2011. Each aircraft is equipped with a microwave downlink that, currently, can send the image to a handheld unit on the ground. The FLIR unit is a valuable asset in searching for lost persons or wanted fugitive suspects.



Dignitary Protection

The Iowa State Patrol provides Troopers for motorcade traffic security, traffic control points and security for visiting dignitaries. Chinese Vice President Xi Jinping visited Iowa during February 15 & 16, 2012. A State dinner to honor Vice President Xi was held at the Iowa State Capitol with State Peace Officers providing security.





State Fire Marshal Division

The State Fire Marshal Division, established in 1911, is the oldest of the six divisions within the Department. Our mission statement is “Through promotion and enforcement of fire safety regulations, training, building code provisions, and arson investigations, this division helps reduce the loss of life and property by fire.”

The State Fire Marshal Division is comprised of five Bureaus, employing 28 sworn officers and 44 civilian employees:

**Fire Prevention Bureau • Arson & Explosives Bureau
Building Code Bureau • Electrical Licensing & Inspection Bureau
Fire Service Training Bureau**

The State Fire Marshal Division, along with its many public and private partners, experienced a number of successes in FY 2012, including the installation of new smoke detectors throughout the state, 152 lives saved due to early warning detection; and the purchase of an explosives detection K-9, who worked at Presidential Campaign events for the Secret Service.

Fire Prevention Bureau

The Fire Prevention Bureau consists of eleven field fire inspectors, two flammable liquid inspectors, and one inspector assigned to the health-care inspection program.

The 2009 edition of the International Fire Code has been adopted as the current State Fire Code. It applies to all buildings in the State of Iowa except health care facilities that are enrolled in the federal Centers for Medicare/Medicaid Program, which has adopted the 2000 Life Safety Code which is applied nationwide.

During FY 2012, 3,559 Fire Code Inspections were conducted in a variety of facilities to ensure compliance with both federal and state laws and rules. Facilities inspected by our fire inspectors include:

Nursing Homes • Child Care Facilities
Schools, Colleges, & State Institutions • Hospitals
Residential Care Facilities • State Owned Buildings
Jails & Penitentiaries

Arson & Explosives Bureau

- Opened 377 cases
- 239 Fires Investigated
 - 60 Accidental Fires
 - Estimated loss: \$5,799,000
 - 62 Arson Fires
 - Estimated loss: \$2,629,500
 - 26 Arson Arrests
 - 10 Arson Convictions
 - 117 Undetermined Fires
 - Estimated loss: \$16,887,750
- 20 Fire deaths investigated
- 28 Accelerant Detection K-9 Deployments
- 80 Explosives Disposals Conducted
- 2 Bombing Incidents Investigated
- 1 Bomb Threat Investigated
- 21 Suspected Explosive Device Cases Investigated
- 2 Blasting Complaints Investigated
- 2 Illegal Possession of Explosive Devices Cases Investigated
- 94 Explosive Magazine Inspections conducted
- 36 Classes Taught Statewide
- 195,785 Miles Driven Statewide by Special Agent Investigators



Building Code Bureau

- Performed plan reviews on almost 740 sets of plans to ensure compliance with the State Building and Fire Codes.
- Projects Construction Value was almost \$300 million more than in 2011.
- Staff responded to the tornado disasters in Creston and Thurman, IA to assist in the post-disaster evaluation of damaged buildings.
- Increased public outreach, through the delivery of numerous presentations to design professionals, building contractors, local code officials, elected officials and the public.
- Updated the adoption of the State Accessibility Code from the ADAAG 1994 edition to the 2010 ADA Standards for Accessible Design.



Electrical Licensing & Inspection Bureau

The Electrical Licensing & Inspection Bureau is increasing public awareness on the importance of electrical safety by educating property owners, business owners and electricians on how to properly install electrical wiring that meets the minimum National Electrical Code requirements.

The Electrical Licensing and Inspection Bureau has 15 field inspectors, 3 field supervisors, 1 field supervisor/electrical board secretary, 3 clerical support staff, 1 Secretary II, and 1 chief electrical inspector.

In FY 2012 the Bureau has :

- Issued and Renewed approx. 15,000 Electrician Licenses
- Issued 17,767 Electrical Permits
- Completed 25,761 Electrical Inspections, with 97% of all inspections completed within 3 days of the requested inspection
- Signed Reciprocal Electrician Licensing Agreements with surrounding states
- Making enhancements to the on-line software for the permitting/inspection and licensing programs
- Established procedures for enforcement

Fire Service Training Bureau

- The Fire Service Training Bureau is Iowa's designated state fire academy, providing quality training and education for Iowa's fire and emergency services. In FY 12, the Bureau conducted 1,391 programs reaching 24,309 participants (including 1,185 classes with 20,700 students; and 206 certification test sites with 3,609 examinations).
- The Bureau maintains an "accredited" professional certification program. Accreditation is awarded to the Bureau on a five year cycle by the International Fire Service Accreditation Congress (IFSAC) and the National Board on Fire Service Professional Qualifications (ProBoard). The Bureau's certification program is based on the National Fire Protection Association's (NFPA) Professional Qualifications Standards.
- The Bureau continues to manage the "Firefighting Equipment Revolving Loan" program which has allowed a total of \$2,488,530 in loans to be granted to 30 fire departments.
- In addition to conducting the Annual State Fire School, the Bureau supported six regional fire schools (operated by local community colleges) during FY 2012.



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