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Iowa Department of Public Safety



Message from the Commissioner

On behalf of the Iowa Department of Public Safety, (DPS), I want to thank you for your interest in learning about those who dedicate their lives to keeping Iowans safe. This report seeks to highlight the efforts and successes put forth by all members of the Department as they strive to provide public safety services with leadership, integrity, and professionalism. It is my sincere hope that after reading this report, you will have a greater understanding and appreciation for the countless ways these public servants honor their call to protect and serve.

Drivers and passengers depend on the Iowa State Patrol to keep our roadways safe with courtesy, service, and protection. The Division of Criminal Investigation works tirelessly in the pursuit of justice for victims and their families, ensures the integrity of our gaming industries, maintains Iowa's Sex Offender Registry, and safeguards employment decisions through background checks. The Division of Narcotics Enforcement remains committed to stemming the flow of illegal drugs into our communities. Finally, the State Fire Marshal provides arson and explosives expertise throughout the state, inspects a wide variety of facilities for safety code compliance, and ensures that volunteer firefighters in our rural locales are trained and prepared to protect their communities.

We are incredibly grateful to Governor Reynolds, the legislature, and the citizens of Iowa for their unbending support. As you review this report, do not hesitate to contact us with any questions regarding our efforts to provide world-class public safety services. It is truly a privilege and honor to serve the citizens of Iowa.

Sincerely,

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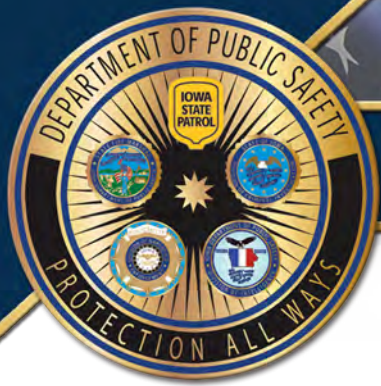
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COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE



Within the Commissioner's Office, there are individual staff members as well as five bureaus that fulfill vital roles for the Department - and more importantly, for the citizens of Iowa. The members of the Commissioner's Office serve as liaisons between Iowans, the media, legislators, and Department personnel. Every day, the Commissioner's Office fields inquiries from both citizens and media, collaborates with local law enforcement and fire agencies, and assists other state departments and branches of government.

Commissioner of Public Safety, Stephan K. Bayens

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

Stephan K. Bayens was appointed Commissioner of the Department of Public Safety on January 14, 2019. Prior to joining the Department, he served as an Assistant United States Attorney for the Southern District of Iowa where he was assigned to combat violent crime as the coordinator for the Department of Justice's Project Safe Neighborhood Initiative.



General Counsel

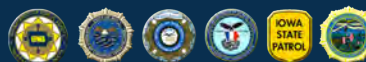
General Counsel serves as in-house counsel, reviewing contracts, providing training, assisting in planning efforts, and serving as the privacy officer for the Fusion Center by addressing privacy, civil rights, and civil liberty concerns. General Counsel also advises on legal issues and privacy concerns related to record dissemination. In FY2022, legal training was provided to sworn and non-sworn members of the Department on topics that included unbiased policing and interactions with the public. General Counsel serves on a number of inter-agency committees, such as the Iowa Advisory Council on Automated Transportation.

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, the Interoperable Communications Bureau, the Strategic Communications Bureau, and the School Safety Bureau, while also working closely with the Department's General Counsel and Policy Advisor. The responsibilities of the Executive Officer also include collaborating and communicating with the Division Directors on day-to-day operations and activities.

Legislative Liaison/Policy Advisor

The duties of the Legislative Liaison/Policy Advisor are focused primarily on legislation of interest to the Department, including budgetary appropriations. In FY2022, the Liaison successfully drafted and advocated for legislation that extended the time sex offenders must remain on the registry prior to applying for modification. The Liaison also operates as the Department's administrative rules coordinator.





Interoperable Communications Bureau

The Department of Public Safety's Interoperable Communications Bureau is responsible for the administration of the Iowa Statewide Interoperable Communications System (ISICS). The Department of Public Safety's Interoperable Communications Bureau is responsible for the administration of the Iowa Statewide Interoperable Communications System (ISICS), which includes the daily monitoring of over 30,467 radios as well as overseeing the health of 140+ tower sites. In April of 2021, the state accepted the ISICS System from the manufacturer. The statewide system was designed to provide interoperable communication for the entire state, with mobile radio coverage for at least 95% of the state at no cost to users. The DPS Interoperable Communications Bureau includes four strategically-placed Communications Centers that provide dispatch services to emergency responders. State Communication Dispatchers provide training on ISICS, to include: system access, interoperability through patching, and best practices regarding policies/protocols. The Communications Bureau is responsible for issuing all Amber Alerts as well as assisting local agencies with Amber Alert submissions.



Governor's Traffic Safety Bureau

The Governor's Traffic Safety Bureau (GTSB) administers the State of Iowa's allocation of federal highway safety funds from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) as authorized by the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act. In partnership with public and private entities, highway safety programs are developed and implemented to reduce traffic crashes and resulting fatalities, injuries, and property damage. These programs include enforcement, education, media/outreach, data, and engineering. Statewide crash data are utilized for a performance-based approach with the goal of encouraging safe driving behaviors. The GTSB hosts an annual Highway Traffic Safety Conference for traffic safety stakeholders and has recently leveraged local, state, and private partnerships to form a statewide Fatality Reduction Task Force. In FY2022, the GTSB allocated \$8,860,735 in federal highway safety funds and managed 385 contracts with traffic safety partners across Iowa.



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. Of the 43 alleged misconduct investigations in FY2022, 16 were sustained (meaning PSB determined that the accused employee committed all or part of the alleged act of misconduct). PSB also tracks instances where a member of the public contacts PSB to praise the efforts of an employee. In FY2022, PSB received 32 commendations. In FY2022, PSB also managed an Early Intervention System (EIS). The EIS flags employee behaviors that may suggest an underlying concern if not proactively addressed by a supervisor.

Strategic Communications Bureau

The Strategic Communications Bureau directs overarching strategic communication plans designed to enhance the public image of the Department. The Bureau coordinates special events and manages the messaging and content process for print and digital tools, including the website, social media, and photo/video production. The Bureau assists with the recruiting process and also coordinates responses to general information and Iowa Chapter 22 public records requests. The Bureau develops the media relations program and collaborates with Public Information Officers (PIOs) throughout the Department and the Iowa State Patrol's team of Public Resource Officers. It works closely with the Commissioner and the Policy Advisor to help communicate the vision, monitor current events and opportunities, and identify issues. The Bureau consists of a Strategic Communications Bureau Chief and Strategic Communications Information Specialist who work closely with the Iowa State Patrol Public Information Officer.





Division of Professional Development and Support Services

This division was created in September 2021 and encompasses the Professional Development Bureau, Peer Support Program, Critical Incident Stress Management Team, Crisis Response/Therapy K9 Program, employee wellness, recruiting, mentoring, CALEA accreditation, and community engagement.

The Division of Professional Development and Support Services (PDSS) is responsible for training the Department’s employees, to include its 550 sworn peace officers. In FY2022, the Division coordinated and provided the following training sessions: Ethics, Mental Health Awareness, Preventing Sexual Harassment, Emergency Response Plan, Taser Recertification, Legal Update, and Blood-Borne Pathogens. All sworn officers also receive life-like scenario training via the MILO Range firearms training simulator. In addition, PDSS coordinated two in-service trainings. Spring In-service was held at Camp Dodge in Des Moines and included Firearms Qualifications, CPR, Fair & Impartial Policing, De-Escalation Techniques, Defensive Tactics and Advanced Individual First Aid Kit (IFAK) Tactical Medical Training. Fall in-service was conducted in the field and focused on firearms and defensive tactics training. The Division of Professional Development and Support Services also coordinates annual physicals and fitness testing. Further, this Division coordinates the background investigations of all new sworn and non-sworn members of the Department.

The Division of Professional Development and Support Services is responsible for conducting the sworn hiring process and operating the DPS Basic and Certified Training Academies. During FY2022, this Division and its dedicated staff of Drill Instructors conducted the 46th Certified Academy which began on January 24, 2022 and concluded on April 1, 2022 with the graduation of 17 Troopers and one Special Agent. The 47th Basic Academy began on July 11, 2022 and will conclude on December 2, 2022. There are nine recruits in the 47th Basic Academy.



CALEA Accreditation

The Iowa Department of Public Safety is accredited through the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA) and has held this accreditation since 2011. The Accreditation Manager is responsible for the continual review and updating of the Department’s policies and procedures to ensure compliance with CALEA standards. Maintaining our accreditation requires us to continually examine our policies and undergo cyclical reviews by CALEA assessors to ensure we are operating in accordance with nationally-recognized standards and best practices in law enforcement. During 2021, the four-year review cycle concluded with a virtual on-site assessment conducted by CALEA. Iowa DPS received its third re-accreditation award in November 2021 which is effective through November of 2025. The award of accreditation represents our commitment to professional excellence in the areas of policy and procedures, administration, operations, and support services. Iowa DPS is one of only 11 Iowa law enforcement agencies with CALEA accreditation.





Recruiting

The lifeblood of any public service agency lies in the quality of its people. Law enforcement agencies across the nation are struggling to find high-character individuals with a heart for public service. Cultural perceptions, lagging benefits, and the inherent danger in our duties are deterring individuals from considering a career in law enforcement. Over the last 10 years, DPS has seen a 74% drop in applications. Additionally, nearly 50% of our sworn personnel are eligible to retire within the next decade. With this in mind, our recruitment efforts continue to focus on adapting to the changing views held by younger generations on the value of dedication, leadership and justice, and evolving notions of job satisfaction that drive their career decisions. During CY2022, the Department received funding to enhance our recruiting efforts. The Department contracted with a company experienced in police recruiting to assist in developing a marketing strategy, produce recruiting videos, develop a dedicated recruiting website and administer our social media recruiting campaign. These assets will be in place for the Department’s recruiting campaign beginning in December 2022 to solicit interest for the 49th Basic Academy which will begin in July 2023.



Peer Support Team

The Iowa Department of Public Safety Peer Support Team is made up of 49 peers trained in basic peer support and assisting individuals in crisis. Many team members were also trained in advanced peer support in early 2022. The goal of peer support is to provide all DPS employees the opportunity to receive emotional and tangible support through times of personal or professional crisis and to help anticipate and address potential difficulties. DPS Peer Support extends their services and support to other first responder agencies throughout the state on an as-needed basis. During FY2022, Peer Support Team Members had a total of 645 contacts, spent 1,179.5 hours assisting others, and made 21 mental health referrals stemming from peer support interactions. Categories of peer support provided included issues with career progression, death/dying/bereavement, job-related stress, medical/health issues, support provided to outside agencies, relationship issues, financial issues, injury/disability, shootings, supervisor issues, critical incident stress, disciplinary, retirement, alcohol, depression, military, suicide, COVID, post-traumatic stress, children, and therapy K-9 peer support deployments.



Critical Incident Stress Management Team

The purpose of the Critical Incident Stress Management Program and Team (CISM) is to provide employees and other law enforcement agencies and their personnel with mental health support associated with their involvement in certain highly traumatic events and to provide support and education about critical incident stress management. The Iowa DPS CISM team currently has 29 team members trained in assisting individuals in crisis and group crisis intervention.

In FY2022, the CISM Team conducted a total of 50 debriefings: 35 were conducted at the request of local law enforcement agencies, fire departments, and EMS personnel; four were requested by other state agencies; six were initiated for DPS employees; and five were requested/offered by DPS to crime witnesses. Of the 50 CISM debriefings conducted in FY2022, five focused on multiple critical incidents that occurred in a short period of time (to include deaths of children, stabbings, murders, and shootings); two involved murder/suicide; 12 focused on officer-involved shootings; two involved COVID-19 line-of-duty deaths; nine were in response to the line of duty deaths of officers; one suicide; four infant deaths; one hunting fatality; four in response to fatality accidents (involving children); one "other" critical incident involving an officer; two in response to a tornado; one anniversary of two line of duty deaths; and five in response to a domestic assault murder that occurred at the workplace. A total of 641 people attended CISM debriefings conducted by the DPS CISM team.

Crisis Response/Therapy K9 Program

In November of 2021, DPS Crisis Response/Therapy K9 Matt obtained his certifications and began working with Special Agent in Charge Kristin Kotrous in her CISM/Peer Support duties. Matt is available to provide support not only to DPS personnel, but first responders throughout the state following critical incidents, and victims and witnesses of violent crimes. Matt has enhanced our relationship with the public by attending community events, and visiting schools and various conferences and functions. Matt's presence has provided positive interactions between the DPS and the communities we serve. Matt also engages in regular wellness visits to various law enforcement and first responder offices/stations throughout the state.

Since being placed in service, Matt has attended nine school visits/community events; eight training events; 25 CISM/Peer Support interactions; eight meetings/presentations; and visited 17 local first responder agencies, dispatch centers, and court houses.

In May of 2022, Matt attended the National Law Enforcement Memorial in Washington D.C. with the surviving families and co-workers of Iowa State Patrol Sergeant Jim Smith and Iowa State Patrol Trooper Ted Benda. While at the National Peace Officer Memorial events, Matt provided a comforting presence not only to the DPS families and co-workers, but to other survivors attending the memorial and members of the COPS organization. Matt attended breakout sessions, including one specifically for co-workers of officers who died by felonious assault. Multiple comments were made throughout the trip praising Matt's presence and the comfort he brought to those who were hurting. Law enforcement/first responder partners throughout Iowa and the nation have contacted DPS for information on our Therapy K9 program due to the undeniable impact he has made.



Therapy K9 Matt's new trading cards, complete with a QR code users can scan to pull up his email instantly.



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 direct services to the citizens of Iowa, law enforcement, and other criminal justice agencies.

Finance Bureau

The Finance Bureau provides support services to all divisions within the Department through centralized budget preparation, accounting, and claims processing. In FY2022, over \$72 million in non-payroll expenses were processed on behalf of all the divisions. The Bureau also maintains the Department's fixed-assets inventory, valued at over \$98 million, and serves as the custodian of all seized cash and valuables until disposed of as directed by court order or other mandate.

Human Resources and Peace Officer Retirement

The Human Resources and Peace Officer Retirement areas ensured the proper payment of salaries and benefits to employees and retirees during FY2022. The Human Resources Office paid more than \$110 million in salaries and more than \$37 million in retirement benefits.

Information Technology Solutions Bureau

The Information Technology Solutions Bureau coordinates technology 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 provides access to a wide variety of criminal justice information for police departments, sheriffs' offices, Iowa courts, county attorneys, federal law enforcement agencies, and various other criminal justice and public safety agencies throughout Iowa. Such information 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 (NIets) and the FBI's National Crime Information Center (NCIC), and to other countries through INTERPOL.



Program Services Bureau

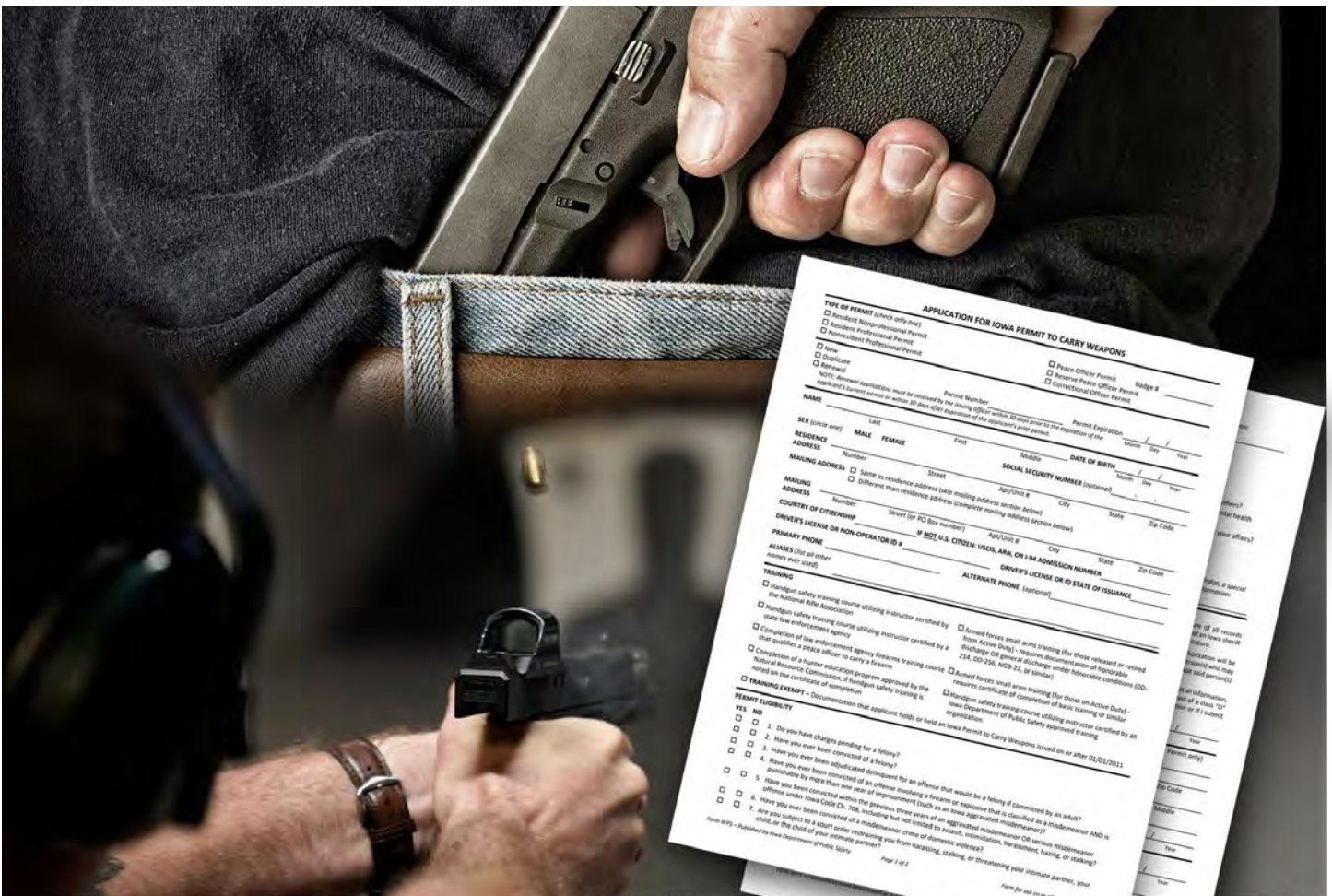
The Program Services Bureau serves the criminal justice community and the general public through three statutory program areas, including: Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program Administration; Weapons Permit Program Administration; and Private Investigative, Private Security and Bail Enforcement Licensing.

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 FY2022, there were approximately 5,746 valid employee ID cards held by private security, private investigative, and bail enforcement employees. For the same period, there were 361 active agency licenses (Private Investigative, Private Security, and Bail Enforcement).

Weapons Permit Program

This program develops permit to carry weapons-related forms, issues the non-resident 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 sheriffs' offices and the general public. In FY2022, 97,764 five-year permits were issued. In addition to the permits issued in FY2022, permits issued in the prior four years remain valid, except for a small number that were revoked or suspended for cause. In all, approximately 380,000 Iowans hold a Permit to Carry Weapons, most of which are issued by the county sheriff.





DIVISION of CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION

The Division of Criminal Investigation (DCI) was created in 1921 to provide investigative support and expertise to law enforcement agencies across the state. Today, the division is comprised of five areas:

- Criminalists Laboratory
- Cyber Crimes Bureau
- Field Operations Bureau
- Special Enforcement Operations Bureau
- Support Operations Bureau

2022 DCI Staffing

Sworn Personnel 137
 Crime Lab Personnel . . . 64
 Other Civilian Staff 40

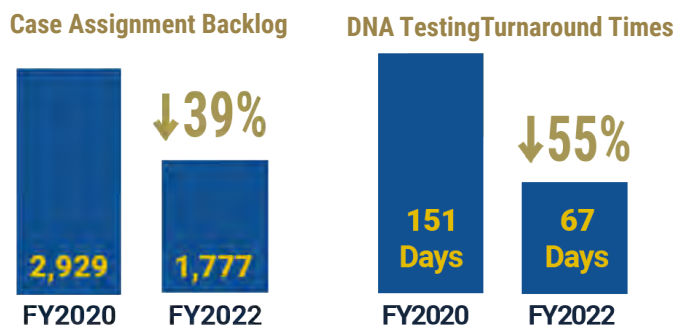
DCI Vacancies

Sworn 3
 Crime Lab 5
 Other civilian staff 3
Total 11

Criminalistics Laboratory

The DCI Criminalistics Laboratory provides professional forensic scientific services and support to the criminal justice community throughout Iowa. The Lab is accredited through the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) ISO-based Forensic Accreditation Program (formerly the ASCLD-LAB International Accreditation Program). The Lab provides forensic science capabilities to the Iowa criminal justice community in the following disciplines: Arson and Explosives, Crime Scene Response/Processing, Breath Alcohol, Drug Identification, DNA (casework and offender profiling), Impression Evidence (latent prints, tire tracks, footwear), Firearms and Tool Marks, Photography and Video Enhancement, Questioned Documents, Toxicology, and Trace Evidence.

DCI Case Backlog & DNA Testing Turnaround Times Have Decreased



DCI Lab Reports/Leads in FY2022:

DCI Lab processed 6,542 convicted offender DNA profiles and 645 forensic profiles into CODIS (Combined DNA Index System), which resulted in **392 HIT REPORTS**

Crime Lab by the Numbers in FY2022

Case Assignments Created 19,303
 Case Assignments Completed 19,515
 Case Assignment Backlog 1,777
 Case Assignment Average Turnaround 44 days

DCI Lab made 1,021 entries into NIBIN (National Integrated Ballistic Information Network), resulting in **178 LEADS**



Special Enforcement Operations Bureau (SEOB)

The Special Enforcement Operations Bureau (SEOB) is responsible for the investigation and enforcement of Iowa’s gambling laws. The activities of the SEOB include conducting criminal investigations, licensing background investigations, and regulatory activities at 19 state-licensed casinos and racetracks in Iowa as well as other gambling-related investigations.

Special Agents assigned to this bureau carry out a wide range of duties, including criminal investigations related to gambling violations, fraud, theft and money laundering; due diligence investigations related to companies and individuals involved with casinos, sports wagering companies, and fantasy sports operators in Iowa; and regulatory reviews and investigations in conjunction with the Iowa Racing and Gaming Commission.



FY2022 SEOB Investigations and Inspections

Felony charges	69
Misdemeanor charges	303
Other calls for service	2,288
Business entity backgrounds	18
Key personnel backgrounds	118
Other personnel backgrounds	5,063
Regulatory reviews	16,413

Field Operations Bureau

This bureau is best known as Iowa’s “Detective Bureau” and conducts and coordinates complex investigations collaboratively with local law enforcement agencies regarding felony crimes against persons and property. Employees assigned to this bureau work in the Major Crime Unit, and the Missing Person Information Clearinghouse.

Major Crime Unit

Major Crime Unit (MCU) special agents investigate high-level felonies throughout the state of Iowa. These agents work death investigations, child abductions, kidnappings, sexual assaults, public corruption, officer-involved shootings, major thefts and frauds, and more. MCU agents provide expertise during the investigative process, which includes major case coordination, witness testimony, search warrant execution, witness and suspect interviews, crime scene searches, and evidence collection.

FY2022– Major Crime Unit

- Total Sworn Special Agents 31
- Reassigned to Other Duties 7
- Major Crime Cases Opened 273

Technology Support – Because the Major Crime Unit required dedicated Special Agents to assist with investigative technology support, new positions were created this year. We selected four current Special Agents for this role – one assigned to each DCI zone – to assist not only DPS, but also our local and federal partners across the state. The requests for assistance cover a broad spectrum of technological issues. Investigations that the Special Agents assist with include homicides, sex abuse, abductions, missing persons, child pornography and exploitation, arson, robbery, burglary, serious assaults, and human trafficking. The Special Agents also receive requests for support on harassment, stalking, and domestic abuse investigations. These Special Agents must have the ability not only to apply for and execute search warrants on digital devices, but also to interpret the data found. Digital forensic evidence can often take them anywhere from a few days to hundreds of hours to interpret for one investigation. Technical case support falls primarily into three areas: emergency requests to locate a missing/endangered person, data analysis from major crimes, and the location of felony fugitives.

In FY2022, the first year this role has existed, the following technology assistance was provided:

- Outside agency requests 312
- DCI/DPS requests 273



Missing Person Information Clearinghouse (MPIC)

The MPIC Coordinator assists in helping to locate missing persons through public awareness, social media, and cooperation, and also educates law enforcement officers and the general public about missing persons. The clearinghouse maintains a close liaison with the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

FY2022 Total historical number of missing adults in Iowa734

FY2022 Total historical number of missing juveniles in Iowa 4,099

Cyber Crime Bureau

In 2021, the General Assembly created the Cyber Crime Bureau within the Division of Criminal Investigation.

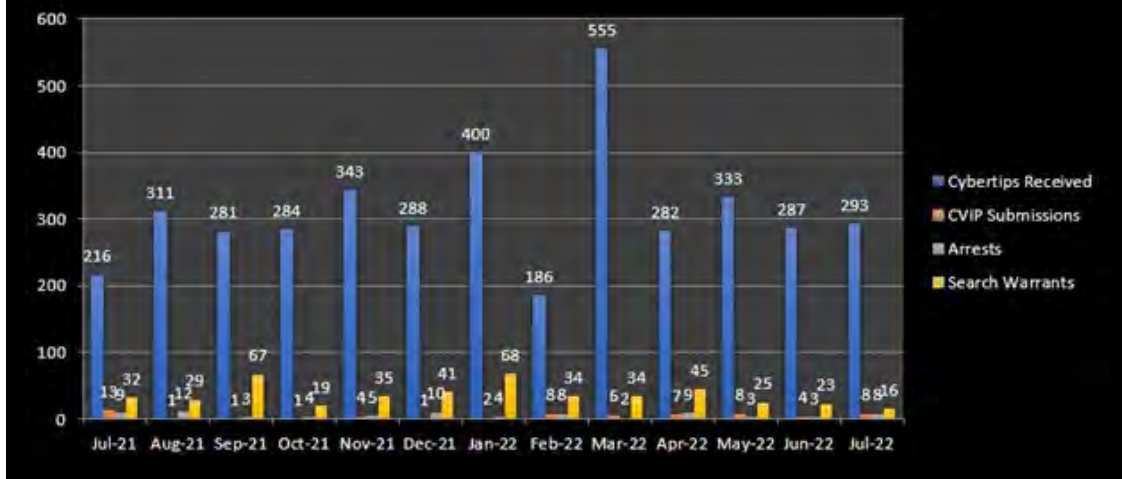


Cyber Crime Bureau K9s are trained to play a valuable role in locating cyber evidence. They include K9 Mousse (right) and Special Agent Mike McVey, and K9 Cruze (left) and Special Agent Chad Standard.

The Cyber Crime Bureau is tasked with investigating crimes with a significant cyber, technological, or digital nexus. Almost every major investigation - from homicide, to fraud, to child exploitation - involves voluminous digital data. Analyzing and retrieving evidence from digital sources (e.g., smart phones, computer hard drives, optical media, etc.) requires a comprehensive forensic examination. These examinations are conducted by digital forensic examiners assigned to the Cyber Crime Bureau, and often take months to complete. The successful resolution of these high-profile investigations commonly hinges on the recovery of key evidence during the forensic examination of electronic devices and storage.

Cyber crime is rapidly becoming a principal element of criminal activity nationally and in the state of Iowa. Law enforcement must have the requisite specialized services to meet the growing need for cyber investigation and analysis. Although these investigations present increasingly novel and daunting challenges as technology advances, law enforcement must stay one step ahead in order to remain effective at thwarting digital threats to our national security, our children’s safety, our financial integrity, and more.

FY2022 Cyber Tips Received by the ICAC Task Force



Electronic detection K9 Mousse is trained and ready to respond to cyber search requests.

Cybertips, child victim identification program (CVIP) submissions, arrests, and search warrants received/ executed by the ICAC Task Force from July 2021 through July 2022.



Support Operations Bureau

The Support Operations Bureau consists of Administration/ Transcription, AFIS/ Fingerprint Section, Criminal History Dissemination Section, Records and Identification Section, Sex Offender Registry, and DCI Internship Opportunities.

Administration/Transcription

Administration - Employees in this area provide administrative support for DCI leadership and are responsible for processing travel requests and subsequent requests for reimbursement and payroll for employees.

Transcription - Employees in this unit process pieces of dictation from multiple types of media. Many of these are for high profile cases that demand a tight turnaround time and high levels of accuracy. On average, the unit prepares over 2,600 pieces of dictation a year. The unit is moving toward electronic storage and is in the process of digitizing existing paper files. This will allow for faster document retrieval for agents and staff, as well as provide safe long-term storage and redundancy. Also in process is the acquisition of software that will speed up transcription time considerably via electronic conversion of audio data to text. This software will allow for multiple audio files to be transcribed in less time than it now takes for just one to be completed.

Criminal History Dissemination Section

For a nominal fee, this section provides criminal history record information to various entities including: businesses, schools, daycares, healthcare facilities, and county attorneys. In addition to providing Iowa criminal history records to the public upon proper request, this section is responsible for Iowa's compliance with rules promulgated by the National Crime Prevention and Privacy Compact that allows access to national criminal history record information for non-criminal-justice purposes when there is state or federal legislation authorizing such access.

AFIS/Fingerprint Section

This section supports the fingerprint database utilized by all law enforcement agencies in the state of Iowa and carries the responsibility of submitting arrest fingerprints to the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI). Additionally, this section submits fingerprints to the FBI for non-criminal-justice national criminal history record checks.

New Criminal Records Created	17,846
Automated Criminal Records	836,182
State Criminal History Checks	276,182
National Criminal History Checks	47,137
Subjects Expunged	4,000
Total Subjects w/Felony Arrests	131,276
FBI NICS Requests Processed	356





The Records and Identification Team is responsible for maintaining Iowa criminal history records at the highest possible level of completeness, accuracy, and timeliness. There are currently more than 823,000 Iowa criminal history records.

Records and Identification Section

The Criminal History Records Unit (Records Team) is the central criminal history records repository for all Iowa fingerprint-backed criminal history records. These records contain criminal history data regarding arrests, court dispositions, custody data, and movements within correctional institutions for adults and juveniles. The Records Team maintains this data and the integrity of all criminal history records in addition to training/educating criminal justice stakeholders (law enforcement agencies, county attorneys, judicial branch personnel, etc.) throughout the state on the extreme importance of criminal history records and the role fingerprints play in the process. The data maintained is always based on fingerprints provided at the time of booking.

Criminal justice agencies use these records to assess potential danger to law enforcement and the public. Members of the public also use this information in hiring employees, volunteers, and others who have access to children or other vulnerable populations, and in filling positions of authority and trust. Accuracy, completeness, and timeliness always has and continues to be of paramount importance.

During FY2022, the three Criminal History Auditors assigned to the Records Team continued to build relationships with stakeholders through continuous contact. The three Criminal History Auditors also provided training to a variety of agencies/entities to include: the Iowa Law Enforcement Academy, the Iowa Sex Offender Symposium, the DPS Academy, and a host of local law enforcement agencies. Finally, the Criminal History Auditors assisted in rewriting the Department’s Compliance Program. The benefits and objectives of the Compliance Program include: improving the quality of Iowa criminal history information, enhanced information sharing, greater statutory and regulatory compliance, communicating best practices, and maintaining continuous contact with our stakeholders.



Sex Offender Registry

Chapter 692A of the Iowa Code established the Iowa Sex Offender Registry (SOR) in July of 1995. The registry lists the name and current address of offenders convicted or adjudicated of a criminal offense against a minor, sexual exploitation, or a sexually violent crime. Special agents assigned to the SOR work in coordination with Iowa sheriffs’ offices to track and monitor current registered sex offenders to ensure their compliance with registration requirements set forth in the Iowa Code. The civilian employees of the unit are responsible for maintaining a central repository of SOR records for the state, assisting and collaborating with registering agencies, and working with associated legal issues.

FY2022 Total number of registered sex offenders 6,549

FY2022 Total sex offender non-compliance cases 64

DCI Internship Opportunities

In 2022, two college juniors and one senior were afforded internships with the DCI. They came from Waldorf University, Iowa State University, and Drake University. We are planning to offer continued opportunities in 2023.





DIVISION of NARCOTICS ENFORCEMENT

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. DNE's mission statement indicates that 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."

Special Agents

The Division of Narcotics Enforcement has 34 Special Agents, four Special Agents in Charge, an Assistant Director, and two civilian employees at 17 offices throughout the state. The primary duty and responsibility of these Special Agents is to conduct complex criminal investigations of major drug trafficking organizations. These criminal organizations are responsible for the vast majority of the supply of illicit controlled substances distributed and abused in Iowa. In FY2022, agents disrupted or dismantled 94 Drug Trafficking Organizations.

The division primarily focuses its investigative efforts on methamphetamine, heroin, fentanyl, powder and crack cocaine, and marijuana. Pharmaceutical diversion and synthetic substances also require investigative resources and enforcement efforts due to their devastating effects.

In FY2022, Special Agents observed an alarming trend in terms of bulk seizures and purity levels of methamphetamine. In addition, the distribution and consumption of heroin, fentanyl and other opioids are also rising in parallel with national trends and yielding deadly consequences.

Protecting Iowa's Children

The National Alliance for Drug Endangered Children defines drug-endangered children as those who are at risk of suffering physical or emotional harm as a result of illegal drug use, possession, manufacturing, cultivation, or distribution. They may also be children whose caretaker's substance abuse interferes with the caretaker's ability to parent and provide a safe and nurturing environment.

Special Agents are committed to identifying drug-endangered children, and ensuring that appropriate interventions occur for the children's health and safety.

Supporting Local Law Enforcement

Currently, there are 17 state-grant-funded drug task forces and four federal task forces operating in the state. Special Agents are assigned to these task forces or work in collaboration with them on a regular basis. In addition, Special Agents respond to all requests for drug investigative services from counties and municipalities without established task forces, along with all law enforcement divisions within DPS.



Focus on Rural Iowa

Special Agents continue to investigate and seize large quantities of highly pure methamphetamine throughout the state. Recently, we have seen an increase in methamphetamine trafficking in our rural communities. Many of these large seizures are now occurring in communities with populations of less than 10,000.

The increase in methamphetamine purity followed Iowa's success in limiting clandestine labs. A negative corollary of that victory, however, was an influx of highly pure methamphetamine from super labs located predominantly in Mexico. This high-purity form of the drug has migrated to smaller communities because of a saturated Iowa market that has driven prices down, and the attraction of a smaller law enforcement presence in sparsely populated areas.

Impact on Corollary Crime

The proactive work of agents has a significant impact on other crime that naturally follows or results from drug use, abuse, and distribution. In FY2022, there were numerous crimes committed with a direct nexus to drug use, abuse, dependency, and distribution. These crimes included: forgery, theft, robbery, fraud, accidental overdose deaths, assault, murder, child abuse, prescription fraud, vehicular accidents/homicide, home invasion, and burglary. The amount of resources we dedicate to narcotics enforcement efforts in Iowa has a direct and positive impact on the safety of all citizens.



Left: 48 pounds of methamphetamine, 2 kg of cocaine, 7,000 Adderall pills, and 21 guns seized in Independence, IA.



10 pounds of methamphetamine purchased in an undercover deal in Iowa City, IA.

FY2022 Seizures

Methamphetamine	457,466 (g)
Cocaine	193,114 (g)
Crack Cocaine	121 (g)
Heroin	6,086 (g)
Fentanyl	52,589 (g)
Marijuana	349,546 (g)
Marijuana Plants	146
MDMA/Ecstasy	503 (g)
	105 (du)*
Pharmaceuticals	2,356 (g)
	1,572 (du)*
Firearms	285
Investigations	555
Search Warrants	509
Drug Trafficking Organizations (dismantled/disrupted)	94
Drug Endangered Children	76

Methamphetamine Labs

Labs Seized	7
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*dosage units

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

DNE maintains a toll-free "hotline" to allow citizens to report suspected drug activity. The hotline has been successful in 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 that is submitted to DNE via anonymous email, is distributed to one of the 17 field offices for evaluation and follow up.





DIVISION of INTELLIGENCE and FUSION CENTER

The Division of Intelligence and Fusion Center (DOI/FC) is designated as Iowa’s Intelligence Fusion Center in accordance with the National Strategy for Information Sharing. The Iowa DCI/FC is unique compared to other Fusion Centers as it consists of Special Agents assigned to regions throughout Iowa, as well as Criminal Intelligence Analysts.

The DOI/FC serves as the central coordinating agency for the Law Enforcement Intelligence Network (LEIN). DOI/FC 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.

Intelligence Operations Bureau

The Iowa Law Enforcement Intelligence Network (LEIN) is an award-winning program established by the Department of Public Safety in 1984. State, county, and local law enforcement agencies from across the state provide support to LEIN operations. LEIN’s membership consists of law enforcement officers who have successfully completed a two-week criminal intelligence course conducted by the DOI/FC. LEIN members work together to accomplish two related objectives:

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

One of the DOI/FC’s core missions is to proactively identify individuals or groups who are committing crimes and to coordinate with our partners to bring these groups to justice. Another 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.

In order to fulfill the DOI/FC’s core missions, Special Agents assigned to the DOI/FC engage in law enforcement planning, intelligence collection, and operational activities to prevent crime and terrorism. This is achieved through sharing information proactively, identifying existing or emerging threats, and developing intervention strategies. Special Agents also provide field support to all divisions of DPS and to police departments, sheriffs’ offices, and federal agencies in Iowa that need investigative and technical equipment services. Special Agents assigned to the DOI/FC also participate in the FBI Joint Terrorism Task Force (JTTF), the FBI’s Field Intelligence Group, and the U.S. Marshal’s Fugitive Task Force.

Accolades

The Division of Intelligence was awarded the 2021 Midwest HIDTA “Outstanding Cooperative Effort Award” along with members of the State Patrol, DCI, DNE, and the Muscatine County Task Force for their efforts in dismantling a multi-state drug organization. Law enforcement seized approximately 278 pounds of methamphetamine, 3 kilograms of cocaine, 4 pounds of psilocybin mushrooms, 6 grams of DMT, 1.5 pounds of marijuana, and \$410,000 in U.S. currency during the investigation.



DOI/FC Analysts assisted in the identification of a Dominican criminal organization perpetrating a Grandparent Scam throughout the U.S. The criminal organization stole \$673,050 from elderly Iowans. DOI/FC Analysts identified suspects and assets in Iowa, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Kentucky, Ohio, New Jersey, Connecticut, and Maryland. DOI/FC Analysts, along with the Attorney General’s Office, issued a press release to educate and protect the public from the Grandparent Scam. In 2021, the Dominican criminal organization was dismantled, and officers seized \$3,000,000 stolen during the Grandparent Scam.



Analysis and Homeland Security Bureau

Criminal Intelligence Analysts support major investigations by evaluating information to gain leads and/or to employ visualization techniques to help investigators and prosecutors explain complex cases to others.

One of the core functions of a Criminal Intelligence Analyst is fulfilling requests for information (RFIs). RFIs can range from the fairly simple, such as a request for an individual’s address or phone number, to the time-intensive, as when the request requires finding as much information as possible on a subject. The latter could result in the querying of as many as 40 data sources and could take hours to complete. This case support includes investigations related to homicides, drug trafficking, robberies, child abductions, missing persons, and multi-jurisdictional organized criminal activity.

The Division of Intelligence applies the intelligence cycle to accomplish the tasks outlined above. The intelligence cycle, as it pertains to criminal intelligence, is the process of developing raw information into finished intelligence for key consumers, including policymakers, homeland security officials, law enforcement executives, investigators, and patrol officers. These consumers use this finished intelligence for decision making and action. Intelligence may be used, for example, to further an ongoing investigation, or to plan the allocation of resources. The intelligence cycle consists of the following five steps: planning and direction, collection, processing, analysis and production, and dissemination.

DOI/FC personnel participate in regional and national associations that set standards for professionals working in this field. On a monthly basis, the DOI/FC briefs the Governor as well as other key leadership members on issues of importance. The DOI/FC remains committed to offering a highly collaborative service to enhance the safety of Iowans.

FY2022 Intelligence Activity

Requests for Information	16,580
Project Hours	3,567
Shift Briefs Issued	250
Shift Brief Items	3,215

Intelligence Operations Support

Investigative Case Support	546
Technical Support	371

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Office to Combat Human Trafficking

The DOI/FC also houses the Iowa Office to Combat Human Trafficking (OCHT). Recently, the OCHT created a website to provide a training platform, resource information, tip line, and approved lodging provider information.

To date, OCHT has certified more than 600 lodging providers and facilitated human trafficking prevention training to 18,100 employees in the lodging industry.

OCHT is currently producing a multi-media and outreach campaign to educate the public/private sectors and law enforcement partners on how to identify human trafficking victims. Since January 2022, OCHT has provided in person training to over 300 people from various public and private entities.

The graphic features a circular logo with 'HUMAN TRAFFICKING' at the top, 'SEE IT • REPORT IT' at the bottom, and a red octagon with 'HT' in the center. The background shows a close-up of a person's eye and a silhouette of a person sitting on a ledge. The text 'HUMAN TRAFFICKING stophiowa.org' is prominently displayed. At the bottom, it says 'Together, using knowledge and tools WE CAN PREVENT HUMAN TRAFFICKING because even one victim is one too many.' and provides contact information: 'call 888-373-7888', 'text "HELP" to 233733', 'EMERGENCY call 911', and 'Report a HT tip' with a mouse cursor icon.





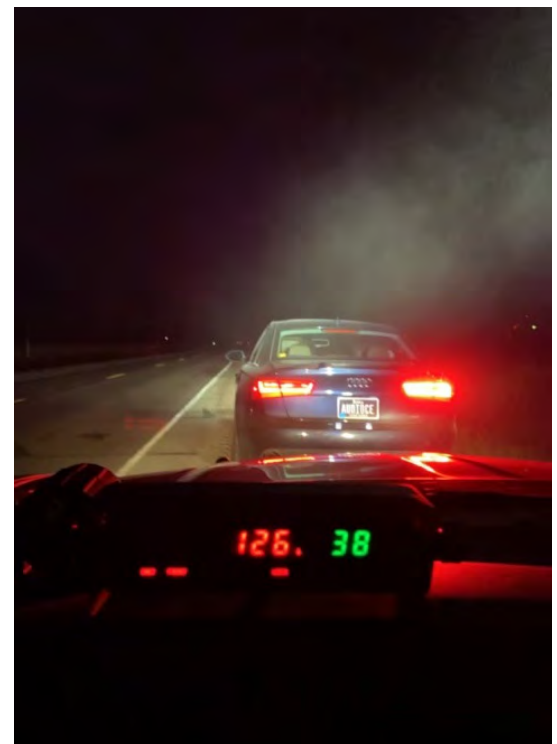
IOWA STATE PATROL DIVISION

The Iowa State Patrol's primary mission is saving lives through traffic enforcement. The State Patrol is uniquely positioned to respond and provide sustained assistance to local agencies during large-scale events or natural disasters occurring in our state. These events have included prison disturbances, civil unrest, the Iowa State Fair, high-risk warrant services, sporting events, VIP/dignitary visits, and specialty unit support.

The Iowa State Patrol is responsible for providing law enforcement services throughout Iowa. The Iowa State Patrol is divided into four field operations areas and 15 statewide districts. District 16 provides executive protection services and capitol complex and legislative security. Each of our district offices houses not only the State Patrol but other DPS divisions as well. Each district has a Lieutenant who serves as the District Commander and Sergeants who serve as Assistant District Commanders. Captains are assigned to supervise each of the four areas and report to the Field Operations Major. Administrative Operations are also overseen by a Major. The chief of the Iowa State Patrol is Colonel Nathan Fulk. The Iowa State Patrol is authorized to employ 399 troopers. However, current staffing levels sit at 348 troopers due to retirements and ongoing recruitment and retention challenges.

Troopers patrol and conduct traffic enforcement on Iowa's highways and the interstate systems. Additionally, our personnel provide police services throughout the state for many special events, including the Iowa State Fair, county fairs, town festivals, and large sporting events. During the fall, Troopers assist the University of Iowa, Iowa State University, and University of Northern Iowa with security due to increased vehicle and pedestrian traffic associated with football gameday. The Iowa State Patrol provides support services to other law enforcement agencies and government entities including state, federal, county, and municipal partners. Examples include Technical Collision and Reconstruction Investigations, Vehicle Theft, Crisis Negotiators, Critical Incident Debrief Teams, a Police Service Dog (K9) Unit, Tactical Response Teams, Honor Guard, Public Resource Officers, and Motor Carrier Safety Assistance Program Officers. The Iowa State Patrol also provides enforcement, search, and surveillance capabilities with the only law enforcement aircraft assets available in Iowa. Troopers receive extensive training in order to operate in these specialty areas.

Every calendar year, the Iowa State Patrol establishes traffic safety goals. In FY2022, our goals focused on Seatbelts, Impaired driving, Distracted driving, and Excessive speeding, (S.I.D.E.). By getting the public to "S.I.D.E. With Us," we hope to reduce our traffic fatalities below 300. The Iowa State Patrol works with the Iowa Governor's Traffic Safety Bureau and local agencies in addressing our goals. In CY2021, Iowa fatalities jumped to 356 from 343 in CY2020. Like many other states, Iowa continues to experience many egregious (over 100 mph) and excessive (25 mph over limit) speed violations, pursuits, and fatal crashes. We continue to partner with our local and county agencies and our Midwest state police counterparts to drive crashes down.



Road Troopers

Although the duties of a State Trooper have increased, the motto and mission of the Iowa State Patrol remain the same. Our motto of “Courtesy, Service, and Protection” provides the framework for how our personnel approach their duties. Ola Babcock Miller’s mission statement of save lives first guides our enforcement efforts. In FY2022, the Iowa State Patrol developed initiatives based upon crash data. Unbelted drivers, impaired drivers, distracted driving, and excessive speed were identified as leading causes of crashes resulting in personal injury and death. With traffic volumes returning to pre-COVID-19 levels, recurring excessive and egregious speeding and other dangerous driving behaviors continue to be the primary causal factors of our traffic fatalities. The development of a Fatality Reduction Task Force and Traffic Enforcement Advisory Teams have assisted in developing strategies to mitigate the driving behaviors responsible for motor vehicle crashes and to focus our enforcement efforts.

Troopers issued 9,280 seatbelt, 74,667 speeding, and 1,090 distracted driving citations; arrested 1,282 impaired drivers; investigated 4,309 crashes; and assisted 12,620 motorists in need. During FY2022, Troopers patrolled 15,390,588 miles on Iowa roadways and stopped 179,856 vehicles. Iowa State Troopers worked 396,755 hours of “Special Assignment” time. These assignments included disaster response, crowd management and demonstrations, sporting events, training, dignity protection, and other special events throughout the state in FY2022.



Road Trooper Stephanie Smith from District 1 directs traffic.



Technical Collision Investigation

The Technical Collision Investigation Unit and Reconstructionist Program within the Iowa State Patrol consists of Troopers who receive advanced training in collision investigation and reconstruction. These Troopers are called to investigate collisions involving serious injury or death. Troopers assigned to the unit also provide expert witness testimony concerning crash dynamics and provide assistance to other law enforcement agencies when requested. The unit coordinator provides basic, advanced, and technical collision investigation instruction at the Iowa Law Enforcement Academy. They also provide updated training for all Trooper Technical Collision Investigators and Reconstructionists.

Technical Investigators and Reconstructionists are trained in crash scene evidence collection, algebraic speed calculations, crash data recording retrieval, and the use of Total Station mapping and drawing software. The Iowa State Patrol Technical Collision Investigators use a number of advanced tools and equipment to accurately map and measure collision scenes. The Technical Collision Investigation Unit also utilizes Bosch Crash Data Retrieval kits. This technology has the capability to assist Troopers in explaining how a crash occurred by indicating how fast the vehicle may have been traveling. Crash Reconstruction Troopers also utilize Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAVs) to complete photogrammetry, scene measurements, and vehicle exams and are all FAA-Certified Remote Pilots.

Iowa State Patrol Investigators also respond to requests from the Division of Criminal Investigation and the State Fire Marshal’s Office for crime scene measurements and aerial photography. In September of 2022, the ISP hosted the annual MATAI conference which provides training to technical investigators from around the country. In FY2022, there were 355 fatality crashes. Of those, ISP Technical Collision Investigators conducted 141 technical crash investigations.



Crisis Negotiators

During FY2022, the ISP Crisis Negotiation Teams (CNT) responded to approximately 73 calls for service. Of those, 23 were requests for negotiation assistance only and 50 were joint negotiation/tactical team callouts. These callouts resulted in 19 lives saved. The calls included armed and unarmed suicidal and barricaded subjects, armed subjects with hostages, high-risk warrants, and suicidal and mentally-ill subjects. Notable callouts include a double murder suspect from Omaha who barricaded himself in a church in Winterset, four suicidal subjects threatening to jump off of interstate/river overpasses (all positively resolved), and a barricaded former police officer.

Law enforcement partners throughout the state, including the FBI and the Department of Corrections, rely on the expertise of the ISP CNT for assistance. During FY2022, the ISP CNT modernized its equipment through a Homeland Security grant. The state now has 10 new rescue phones strategically located throughout Iowa that can be immediately deployed when crisis situations arise. Today's negotiators also serve as Critical Incident Stress Management Team members, Verbal Defense and Influence (de-escalation) Instructors, and Crisis/Hostage Negotiation Instructors and teach others these skills throughout the nation.

Disaster Response

When disaster strikes, the Iowa State Patrol can assist by providing Troopers, equipment, and aircraft. The State Patrol also rescues stranded motorists during heavy snow events and oversees the removal of stranded vehicles. When other weather-related disasters arise, such as floods or tornadoes, the Iowa State Patrol provides Troopers for traffic control, aircraft surveillance, and general law enforcement duties in coordination with the Iowa Department of Homeland Security. In 2020, the Iowa State Patrol relayed PPE, provided Test Iowa site security, and developed guidance for local law enforcement and Midwest state agencies on pandemic issues. After a derecho/tornado event in December of 2021, Troopers assisted in response and recovery efforts statewide. The State Patrol also came to the aid of Madison County following the March 5, 2022, EF-4 tornado event that resulted in the loss of six lives.



Administrative Operations

The Iowa State Patrol Administrative Operations oversees all support functions for the division. This includes budgeting, procurement, vehicle upfitting, managing our Fleet & Supply building, meeting the Patrol's technology needs, and maintaining the Patrol's district offices. Administrative Operations maintains the Patrol's vehicle fleet, conducts testing, and makes recommendations for new equipment purchases. All of this is done with a strong focus on fiscal responsibility, providing the best customer service to our Troopers, and being at the forefront of technology for Iowa law enforcement.



Air Wing

The Iowa State Patrol Air Wing is available to assist city, county, state and federal agencies in a multitude of ways. Since the unit's inception, the primary mission has been to assist in enforcing Iowa's traffic laws from the air. In FY2022, Trooper Pilots generated 2,735 traffic enforcement contacts using the aircraft. This was an increase from FY2021's 2,234 contacts. As the only law enforcement air asset in the state, they are increasingly called upon to provide specialty flights for criminal investigations, relaying emergency medical supplies, providing traffic control during large public events, safely monitoring vehicle pursuits, assisting DNR with criminal investigations and providing government officials the opportunity to assess natural and man-made disasters from above.



The Air Wing currently consists of five fixed-wing aircraft, five full-time Trooper Pilots, and one part-time Trooper Pilot. The unit has dedicated much of its time in FY2022 implementing the new Cirrus SR 22 Perception aircraft and two MX-10 camera systems into operation. With these additions, the Air Wing has seen a significant increase in special mission calls and the ability to conduct traffic enforcement at night.

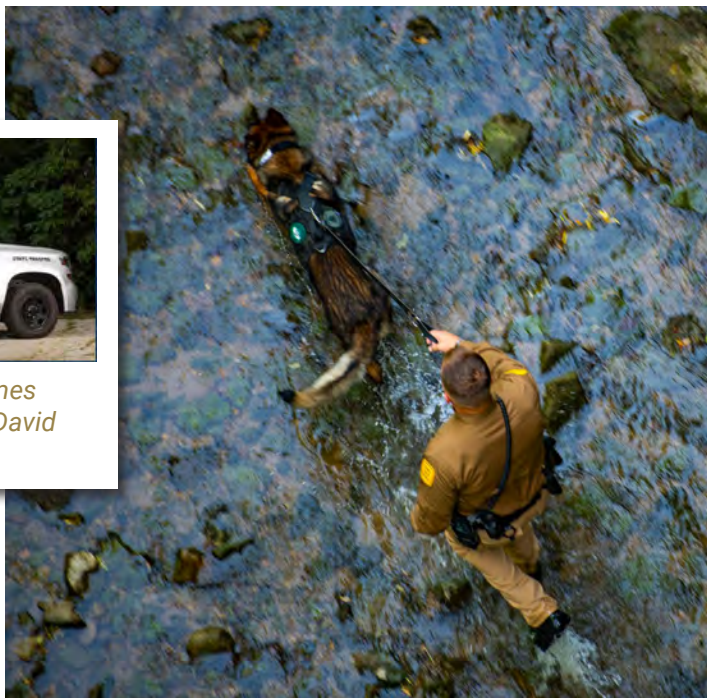
Police Service Dogs

The Iowa State Patrol continues to deploy Police Service Dogs (PSD) throughout the state. The PSDs and their handlers have undergone extensive training and are certified to conduct patrol and narcotics-related duties. The State Patrol has recently acquired additional PSDs assigned to this dual purpose role and there are now seven stationed across Iowa. The PSD/handler teams train with the tactical units and with other law enforcement PSD teams to improve their skills.

During FY2022, the PSD unit deployed 248 times. The deployments included 160 narcotics missions and 88 patrol (tracking, apprehension and evidence recovery) missions. They also conducted presentations at the Iowa State Fair on the unit's capabilities.



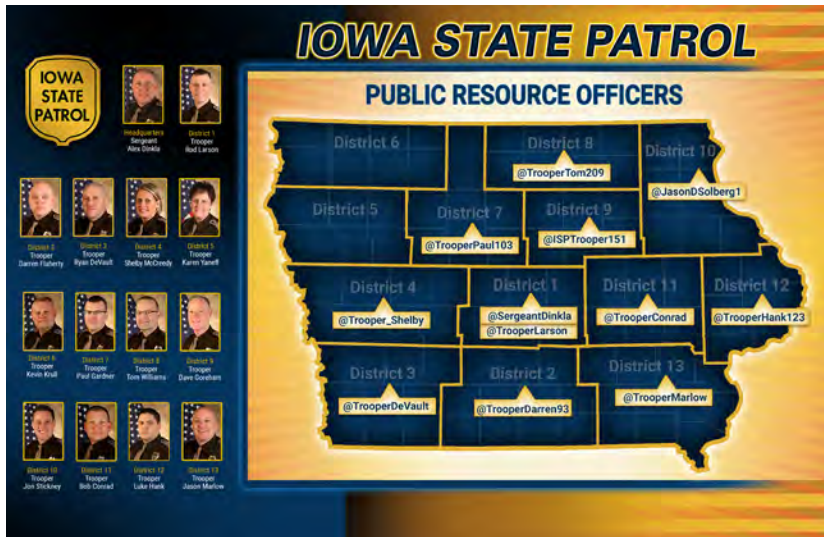
ISP Police Service K9 James with his handler Trooper David Wonders out of District 1.



ISP Police Service K9 Bosco, handled by Trooper Heather Keach out of District 8.

Public Resource Officers

The Public Resource Officers (PRO) of the Iowa State Patrol were established to provide educational presentations for the public on motor vehicle safety. These topics have expanded over the years to include: internet, bicycle, pedestrian, and campus safety programs. The State Patrol PROs provided over 2,696 presentations in FY2022 to schools, places of worship, service clubs, and businesses throughout the state and conducted 526 school bus inspections. The Public Resource Officers continue to promote the message of the Iowa State Patrol and traffic safety through local media contacts and social media. In FY2022, they had the opportunity to participate in 908 public service announcements or interviews with the media. Social media continues to be a great tool to keep the Iowa State Patrol in contact with the public and get the message out regarding traffic safety. The PROs' roles are instrumental in providing education to the public on safety issues.



Honor Guard

The Iowa State Patrol Honor Guard performs one of our most honoring roles. They have the humble responsibility to represent the Iowa State Patrol at any function when appearance and professionalism are called upon. They represent the Department when a Trooper is killed in the line of duty. They also represent the State of Iowa, in and out of state, at services for officers killed in the line of duty. They provide flag folding and burial services for our retired members. Every May, the State Patrol Honor Guard plays a significant role at the State Peace Officers Memorial Ceremony located at the Oran Pape State Office Building. The Honor Guard trains on a yearly basis. Currently, 26 Troopers and six Supervisors serve on the ISP Honor Guard.

The Honor Guard participated in more than 30 events this past calendar year. Members represented the Iowa State Patrol in Iowa as well as in two other states for law enforcement officers killed in the line of duty. Honor Guard members represented the Iowa State Patrol by providing services at six retiree funerals, one ISP line of duty death, and one deputy line of duty death. The Honor Guard members represented the Iowa State Patrol along with local and county law enforcement at the 2022 Peace Officer Memorial.



ISP Honor Guard at the Peace Officer Memorial in May 2022.

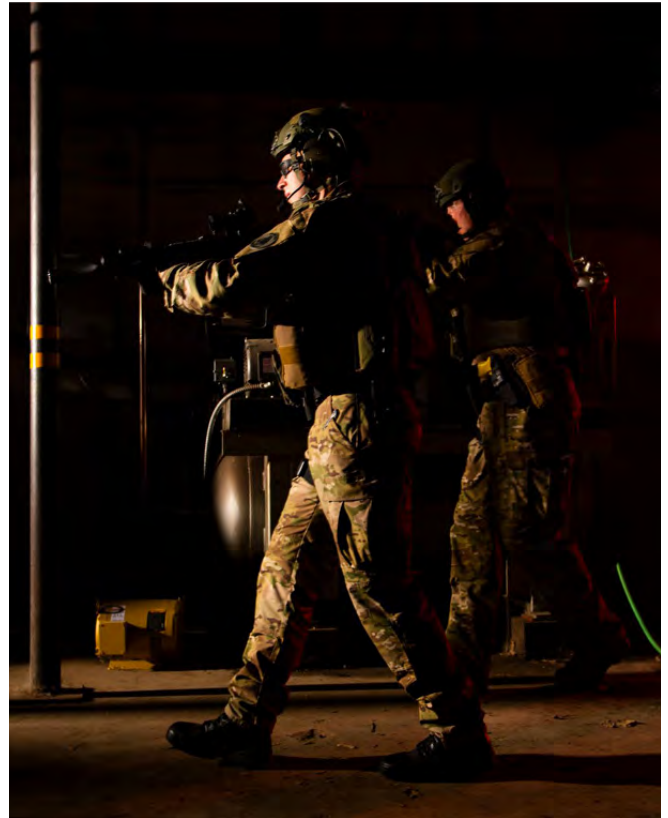


Implicit Bias Training

DPS and the Iowa State Patrol are proactive in providing implicit bias training to our personnel. This is conducted through our own certified instructors. This training enabled the Iowa State Patrol to ensure fair and impartial policing as we serve the state of Iowa. All department personnel received this training in FY2022.

Tactical Units

The mission of the Iowa State Patrol Tactical Teams is to “Save Lives.” This is accomplished by resolving, through teamwork and special tactics, situations that are beyond the normal scope of “routine” law enforcement. The Iowa State Patrol Tactical Teams, consisting of 48 Troopers from across the state, are available to assist federal, state, county and local agencies when requested, and when specially trained and equipped personnel are necessary for a successful resolution. In FY2022, the Iowa State Patrol Tactical Teams responded to 55 high-risk calls for service, down from 65 last year. The Tac Teams respond to: high-risk search warrants, clandestine lab warrants, arrest warrants for high-risk suspects, civil and institutional disturbances, barricaded suspects and hostage situations, field searches for fugitives and missing persons, surveillance operations, natural disaster response, VIP security details, homeland security operations, and response to mass casualty incidents. In addition, Iowa Homeland Security and Emergency Management Division (HSEMD) has mandated response protocols to potential weapons of mass destruction (WMD) events involving chemical, biological, radiological, nuclear or explosive (CBRNE) threats that include a tactical response capability. Our Tac Teams meet this need by conducting high-risk tactical missions in a CBRNE environment. The Iowa State Patrol dedicates two of the four tactical teams (24 operators) to this response capability.



Iowa State Patrol Area A Tactical Unit at the former Franklin Middle School in Des Moines.





STATE FIRE MARSHAL DIVISION

The State Fire Marshal Division, established in 1911, is the oldest of the seven divisions within the DPS.

Mission Statement

“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 (SFM) Division is comprised of the Fire Prevention Bureau, the Arson & Explosives Bureau, the Building Code Bureau, the Electrical Licensing & Inspection Bureau, and the Fire Service Training Bureau. The SFM Division employs 28 sworn officers and 38 civilian employees.

The duties of the State Fire Marshal’s Office play an integral part in economic development in the state of Iowa. Preliminary reviews performed by the office, with stakeholders, aid in making important decisions about construction projects, which can affect everything from the feasibility of the project to the end cost. Also, the timeliness of plan reviews and inspections can ensure that projects meet deadlines, which usually translates into budgets being met and stakeholders being able to occupy on schedule, saving everyone time and money.

Fire Prevention Bureau

The Fire Prevention Bureau consists of 12 field fire inspectors, two flammable liquid inspectors, and one secretary assigned to the Fire Prevention Program.

The 2015 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 2012 Life Safety Code.

During FY2022, 2,780 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, hospitals, residential care facilities, state-owned buildings, and jails and penitentiaries.



Electrical Licensing & Inspection Bureau

The Electrical Licensing & Inspection Bureau provides 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 safety standards set forth in the National Electrical Code. The Electrical Licensing and Inspection Bureau has 19 field inspectors, including two lead workers, one Chief Electrical Inspector/Executive Secretary, and three clerical support staff.

In FY2022, the Electrical Bureau

- Issued 17,159 electrical permits, up 604 from FY2021
- Completed 24,814 electrical inspections, up 687 from FY2021



Fire Service Training Bureau

The Fire Service Training Bureau (FSTB) is recognized as Iowa's designated state fire academy, providing quality education, training, national certification, and consultation to Iowa's fire and emergency services. The FSTB is located at the Camp Dodge Joint Maneuver Training Center in Johnston, Iowa. This facility, including the expansive training grounds, has allowed for additional growth in the delivery of educational and training programs. The strong partnership between the Iowa Department of Public Safety and the Iowa National Guard has been instrumental in advancing the mission of the FSTB, and will be an asset in the next development phase of the FSTB planned in FY2023.

In FY2022, the FSTB coordinated 667 training programs with a total enrollment of 10,710 students. This amounted to students receiving over 98,150 contact hours with FSTB programs. These courses consisted of a blend of both basic and advanced specialty training. The FSTB had 305 mobile training adjunct deployments to local fire departments across the state. Some of these training adjuncts included pump panel simulators, mobile breathing apparatus training trailer, mobile training tower, mobile interior fire attack simulator, vehicle fire prop, tanker rollover simulator, and our confined space rescue prop. The FSTB maintains this fleet of 12 mobile training props and is proud to continue to provide many educational and training opportunities to Iowa's fire service.



The FSTB is accredited by the International Fire Service Accreditation Congress (IFSAC) and National Board on Fire Service Professional Qualifications (ProBoard®). The FSTB is accredited to award 12 levels of national certification, which include Hazardous Materials-Awareness, Hazardous Materials-Operations, Firefighter I, Firefighter II, Fire Apparatus Driver/Operator-Pumper, Fire Apparatus Driver/Operator-Aerial, Fire and Emergency Services Instructor I, Fire and Emergency Services Instructor II, Fire Officer I, Fire Officer II, Fire Inspector I, and Fire Investigator. The FSTB coordinated 208 certification exam sites across the state in FY2022, administering a total of 2,520 written and 1,192 psychomotor skills certification examinations. A total of 1,105 national certifications were awarded from the various disciplines.

The Bureau was again successful in obtaining the Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) in FY2022 in the amount of \$470,300. This federal grant money will be applied towards the purchase of a fire apparatus driving simulator. This new simulator will help train firefighters in emergency vehicle driving and operations in a controlled virtual environment while exposing them to various hazards and conditions. The FSTB continues to manage the Firefighting Equipment Revolving Loan Program. During FY2022, the FSTB managed seven loans to local municipalities and fire departments with funding totaling \$848,540. A majority of the loan requests have been for the replacement of old and NFPA non-compliant fire apparatus.



Building Code Bureau

The Building Code Bureau went through a staff rebuilding following the retirement of its long-time bureau leader. The Building Code Bureau also welcomed three new Senior Construction Design Engineers as well as a Project Coordinator. FY2022 has been a busy year with project valuations of \$1,609,560,000 and \$1.6 billion of construction projects reviewed. New people means new energy in the bureau, and the ability to participate more in building code community groups and industry-wide associations.



Arson and Explosive Bureau

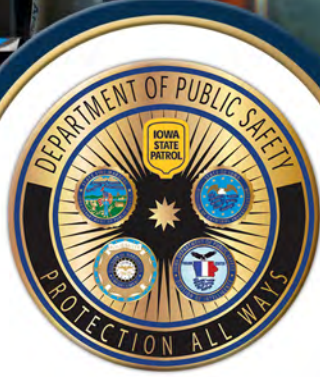
The Arson and Explosives Bureau has one Special Agent in Charge and 10 Special Agents that investigate fire and explosion scenes to determine cause and whether that cause has any nexus to criminal activity. The Bureau also has statewide responsibility for the investigation of bombings and other explosive devices and inspects and licenses explosive storage facilities throughout the state. Each Special Agent of the Arson and Explosives Bureau is required to complete six weeks of training and recertification every three years to be certified as a bomb technician through the FBI Hazardous Devices School in Huntsville, Alabama.



Arson & Explosives Bureau

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