



MEMORANDUM

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE

14 March 2017



To: Manager Jessica Frances, President Ben Sells and Board of Trustees

From: Chief Thomas Weitzel

Re: **PRELIMINARY 2016 CRIME INDEX AND POLICE ACTIVITY REPORT (SUMMARY)  
OVERALL CRIME DOWN 6.4% FOR 2016**

Crime statistics, released today by Chief Thomas Weitzel, show the overall crime rate in Riverside is **down 6.4%** for 2016. Statistics are based on preliminary numbers submitted to the Illinois State Police Uniform Crime Reports (UCR) System.

Riverside Police would like to thank the community for its assistance in reducing crime by taking the responsibility and initiative to call police when crimes or suspicious activity is observed. RPD received many tips and other information from the public in 2016 that helped track down criminals, stop ongoing crime and prevent future crime.

CLASSIFICATION	2015	2016	+ / -	% Change
Murder	-	-	-	-
Criminal Sexual Assault	1	2	+1	<b>100</b>
Robbery	0	0	-	-
Aggravated Assault/Battery	57	12	-45	<b>-78.9</b>
Burglary	11	24	+13	<b>+118.2</b>
Theft	71	90	+19	<b>+26.8</b>
Motor Vehicle Theft	1	2	+1	<b>+100</b>
Arson	0	2	+2	<b>+200</b>
<b>TOTAL Reportable Crimes</b>	<b>141</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>-9</b>	<b>-6.4%</b>

*“In order to be successful at keeping crime down, various factors come into play. It has to be a team effort between officers, other law agencies, our citizens, and our judicial system. If any one of these factors falls short, it affects all of us. We’ll continue community outreach efforts to maintain citizen trust.”* said Chief Weitzel.

A full review/report on all police activity will be detailed in the RPD Annual Report to be released at the end of March or early April.

Residents with questions, concerns or suggestions in regard to any police operations can contact Chief Tom Weitzel at [tweitzel@riverside.il.us](mailto:tweitzel@riverside.il.us). Community feedback is always welcomed and we incorporate suggestions from our residents into our daily police mission.

Preliminary Patrol Activity	2015	2016	% Change
CALLS FOR POLICE Service	15,184	15,491	<b>7.1</b>
ACCIDENT REPORTS Taken	294	373	<b>26.8</b>
FELONY Arrests	58	75	<b>29.3</b>
MISDEMEANOR Arrests	414	378	<b>(8.6)</b>
DUI Arrests	129	136	<b>5.4</b>
COMPLIANCE Citations	478	560	<b>17.1</b>
TRAFFIC Citations	2,666	2,473	<b>(17.1)</b>
PARKING Tickets	1,410	2,008	<b>42.4</b>
CITATIONS (Total) (traffic/compliance/parking)	4,906	5,041	<b>2.75</b>
JUVENILE Arrests	61	49	<b>(19.6)</b>
TOTAL ARREST BOOKINGS	533	502	<b>(5.8)</b>

9-1-1 Activity	2015	2016	% Change
Administrative phone calls	13,000	13,172	<b>1.3</b>
9-1-1 phone calls	4,869	3,532	<b>(27.4)</b>