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Governor Blagojevich announces \$1.6 million for in-car police computers in Northern Illinois

Police, sheriff's departments will use new mobile data systems to instantly update police records, enhance public and police safety

CHICAGO — Governor Rod Blagojevich today announced \$1.6 million in federal grants to allow Illinois municipal, county, and statewide law enforcement agencies in Northern Illinois acquire in-car computer data equipment to help improve access to criminal records during traffic stops and enhance public and police safety.

“These grants will help hundreds of law enforcement agencies acquire state-of-the-art technology that will provide them with critical information whenever they make a traffic stop. This will in turn help improve public safety across Northern Illinois,” Governor Blagojevich said.

The funds are part of a \$3.6 million grant administered by the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority (ICJIA). Anti-Drug Abuse Act funding will be distributed to 295 police and county sheriff’s departments across the state, and Illinois State Police (ISP).

Nearly \$1.6 million was allocated to agencies in Northern Illinois. Another \$898,676 was granted to ISP for use statewide.

With in-car data entry capability, these systems can provide up-to-the-minute access to information that can ensure both police and public safety. In addition to data access, law enforcement officers can use the terminals for note taking and report writing, as well as wirelessly entering incident, accident, and arrest information. Data entered becomes instantly available to other officers using LEADS.

Funding was allocated on a first-come, first-served basis. Some agencies that received funding had no in-car computers and relied on radio communication to obtain vital information during traffic stops and other police situations. Other departments will use the funding to upgrade equipment they already have or purchase additional systems.

“It is important for police to be able to exercise appropriate discretion in handling individuals they confront,” said ICJIA Executive Director Lori G. Levin. “We will continue to develop and support funding initiatives that will keep police safe in their efforts to protect the public.”

The following Northern Illinois police and sheriff’s departments received grant funding:

BOONE COUNTY

Belvidere Police Department--\$14,257

BUREAU COUNTY

Neponset Police Department--\$6,294

Princeton Police Department--\$13,830

Spring Valley Police Department--\$11,669

Walnut Police Department--\$11,382

COOK COUNTY

Arlington Heights Police Department--\$10,602

Barrington Police Department--\$12,719

Bedford Park Police Department--\$4,200

Village of Bellwood--\$9,398

Berkeley Police Department--\$12,125

Blue Island Police Department--\$9,686

Broadview Police Department--\$6,780

Brookfield Police Department--\$6,765

Burnham Police Department--\$11,424

City of Calumet City--\$10,972

Countryside Police Department--\$7,668

Crestwood Police Department--\$8,710

Des Plaines Police Department--\$11,895

Evanston Police Department--\$10,199

Forest Park Police Department--\$11,561

Glencoe Department of Public Safety--\$7,100

Hanover Park Police Department--\$10,017

City of Harvey--\$13,658

Hillside Police Department--\$8,376

Hodgkins Police Department--\$7,506

Hoffman Estates Police Department--\$12,000

Hometown Police Department--\$7,744

Homewood Police Department--\$7,268

Inverness Police Department--\$9,524

Justice Police Department--\$3,900

Lansing Police Department--\$12,584

Lincolnwood Police Department--\$11,265

Lynwood Police Department--\$7,474

Lyons Police Department--\$9,846
City of Markham--\$10,644
Matteson Police Department--\$12,922
Village of Maywood--\$7,923
Midlothian Police Department--\$8,336
Morton Grove Police Department--\$10,355
Norridge Police Department--\$8,751
North Riverside Police Department--\$6,469
Oak Forest Police Department--\$7,987
Village of Oak Park--\$8,335
Orland Park Police Department--\$10,106
Park Ridge Police Department--\$9,622
Posen Police Department--\$8,494
Prospect Heights Police Department--\$9,169
Richton Park Police Department--\$7,372
River Forest Police Department--\$8,145
River Grove Police Department--\$8,237
Riverdale Police Department--\$11,157
City of Rolling Meadows--\$11,540
Village of Schiller Park--\$10,444
South Holland Police Department--\$11,206
Steger Police Department--\$10,723
Stone Park Police Department--\$10,915
Summit Police Department--\$10,855
Western Springs Police Department--\$13,748
City of Wheeling--\$7,800
Willow Springs Police Department--\$10,395
Wilmette Police Department--\$11,157
Winnetka Police Department--\$9,509

DEKALB COUNTY

DeKalb County Sheriff's Department--\$12,630
Kingston Police Department--\$10,530
Sycamore Police Department--\$12,698

DU PAGE COUNTY

Addison Police Department--\$7,013
Carol Stream Police Department--\$7,714
City of Darien--\$7,752
Franklin Park Police Department--\$10,658
Hinsdale Police Department--\$6,890
LaGrange Police Department--\$10,963
Village of Lombard--\$10,152
Oak Brook Police Department--\$9,129
Oakbrook Terrace Police Department--\$6,153
Roselle Police Department--\$8,303
Warrenville Police Department--\$5,250
Wood Dale Police Department--\$8,306

GRUNDY COUNTY

Grundy County Sheriff's Department--\$6,813

Minooka Police Department--\$11,083

HENRY COUNTY

Alpha Police Department--\$3,935

Galva Police Department--\$16,749

Geneseo Police Department--\$17,400

Kewanee Police Department--\$11,092

JO DAVIESS COUNTY

East Dubuque Police Department--\$1,053

KANE COUNTY

Batavia Police Department--\$14,400

Carpentersville Police Department--\$8,233

East Dundee Police Department--\$11,685

Elgin Police Department--\$11,390

Geneva Police Department--\$9,998

Hampshire Police Department--\$9,185

St. Anne Police Department--\$14,303

St. Charles Police Department--\$8,700

West Dundee Police Department--\$10,412

KANKAKEE COUNTY

Bradley Police Department--\$13,806

Bourbonnais Police Department--\$12,055

Grant Park Police Department--\$6,861

Herscher Police Department--\$11,359

Kankakee Police Department--\$8,818

Kankakee County Sheriff's Department--\$9,179

Manteno Police Department--\$6,861

KENDALL COUNTY

Kendall County Sheriff's Department--\$7,955

Oswego Police Department--\$12,336

Yorkville Police Department--\$11,914

LAKE COUNTY

Bannockburn Police Department--\$7,595

Chicago Heights Police Department--\$8,313

Deerfield Police Department--\$7,950

Highland Park Police Department--\$8,054

Lake Bluff Police Department--\$10,182

Libertyville Police Department--\$7,147

Lincolnshire Police Department--\$9,431

Mundelein Police Department--\$12,303

City of North Chicago--\$9,896

Park City Police Department--\$11,255
South Barrington Police Department--\$9,608
Vernon Hills Police Department--\$9,044
Waukegan Police Department--\$11,233
Zion Police Department--\$8,003

LA SALLE COUNTY

La Salle Police Department--\$6,089
Mendota Police Department--\$8,766
Naplate Police Department--\$4,826
Oglesby Police Department--\$12,249
Peru Police Department--\$11,668
Streator Police Department--\$9,340
Tonica Police Department--\$5,638

LEE COUNTY

Amboy Police Department--\$7,765

MCHENRY COUNTY

Bull Valley Police Department--\$7,272
Cary Police Department--\$8,367
Fox Lake Police Department--\$9,010
Gilberts Police Department--\$8,948
Huntley Police Department--\$8,443
Johnsburg Police Department--\$6,044
Lakemoor Police Department--\$8,761
Marengo Police Department--\$7,755
McCullom Lake Police Department--\$4,636
McHenry County Sheriff's Department--\$8,537
Oakwood Hills Police Department--\$2,966
Richmond Police Department--\$8,724
Round Lake Beach Police Department--\$7,097
Union Police Department--\$9,307

MERCER COUNTY

Aledo Police Department--\$10,935
Mercer County Sheriff's Department--\$10,155

OGLE COUNTY

Byron Police Department--\$11,879
Ogle County Sheriff's Office--\$12,706
Oregon Police Department--\$12,631
Rochelle Police Department--\$12,633

PUTNAM COUNTY

Granville Police Department--\$5,615

ROCK ISLAND COUNTY

City of East Moline--\$8,503

Milan Police Department--\$11,792
Moline Police Department--\$8,022
Rock Island County Sheriff's Department--\$10,646

STEPHENSON COUNTY

Freeport Police Department--\$9,972

WILL COUNTY

Crest Hill Police Department--\$8,233
Elwood Police Department--\$10,925
Frankfort Police Department--\$9,236
Joliet Police Department--\$9,012
Lockport Police Department--\$8,595
Manhattan Police Department--\$8,818
Mokena Police Department--\$12,420
Rockdale Village Police Department--\$8,565
Will County Sheriff's Department--\$9,704

WINNEBAGO COUNTY

South Beloit Police Department--\$12,574
Cherry Valley Police Department--\$12,574
Durand Police Department--\$10,849
Rockton Police Department--\$9,750
Roscoe Police Department--\$2,396
Winnebago County Sheriff's Department--\$11,704

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