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ILLINOIS MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT PREVENTION COUNCIL 2007 ANNUAL REPORT

A private and public partnership effectively combating motor vehicle theft and related crimes in Illinois since 1991.



To the Governor and the Members of the Illinois General Assembly:

We are pleased to present the Illinois Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Council 2007 Annual Report. This report describes the Council's achievements and challenges over the past year. The Council's partnership of public and private sectors is effectively fighting vehicle theft in Illinois.

Since 1991, the year the Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Act was enacted by the General Assembly, vehicle theft in Illinois has declined 47 percent. From 1991 to 2006, the number of stolen vehicles decreased from 75,642 to 38,018. This is a decline of more than 38,500 – resulting in a savings of more than \$263 million in property losses.

The grant funds awarded by the Council have improved motor vehicle theft law enforcement by establishing and supporting multijursdictional task forces, investigative teams, and other anti-theft efforts throughout the state. These programs have produced impressive results over the past 16 years, including:

- 28,889 criminal investigations initiated.
- 46,826 audits of vehicle-related businesses.
- 11,883 violation letters issued to audited businesses.
- 13,911 arrests.
- 5.415 convictions obtained.
- 32,116 stolen vehicles recovered totaling nearly \$222 million.

The \$90 million granted by the Council since its inception has resulted in the recovery of more than \$482 million in stolen vehicles and reduced theft rates. This amount in savings, divided by the amount awarded to operate the programs, yield a return of more than \$5 for every \$1 spent.

We would like to thank the individuals who remain dedicated and committed to the Council's mission to decrease motor vehicle theft in Illinois, and congratulate those carrying out this successful work.

Very respectfully,

Larry G. Trent Chairman

Illinois Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Council

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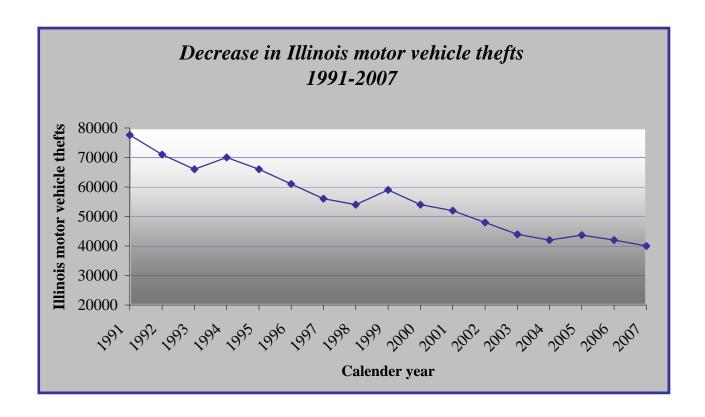
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The 2007 Illinois Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Council

In 1991, the General Assembly established the Illinois Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Council. The Council is an 11-member coalition composed of representatives from the insurance industry, state's attorneys, and law enforcement officers. The Council's mission is to reduce vehicle theft, insurance fraud, and motor vehicle theft-related crimes in Illinois.

The Illinois Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Act requires insurance companies to pay into a special trust fund \$1 for each private passenger automobile insured for physical damage coverage. About \$6 million each year, are collected and distributed by the Council. The designated funds are to support enforcement programs that increase investigation and prosecution of vehicle theftrelated crimes.

Members of the Council appoint Grant Review Committee members. The Grant Review Committee reviews grant proposals, budgets, and other information that must be brought before the Council.

2007 Council Members

The following members served on the Illinois Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Council in 2007:

Larry G. Trent (Chairman)

Director, Illinois State Police

Director Trent was appointed to head the Illinois State Police (ISP) in March 2003. He has an extensive law enforcement background, having served ISP for 22 years prior to his retirement in 1993. During his early ISP career, he held a variety of investigative and management positions, receiving six promotions and numerous departmental commendations.

Philip J. Cline*

Superintendent, Chicago Police Department Philip J. Cline was appointed superintendent of the Chicago Police Department in October 2003. Superintendent Cline joined the Chicago Police Department in 1968, starting as a cadet and working through the ranks. He was promoted to deputy chief of the Organized Crime Unit, chief of detectives, and first deputy superintendent before being appointed department superintendent. Superintendent Cline retired from the post in August 2007.

Honorable Richard A. Devine

Cook County State's Attorney

Mr. Devine was first elected Cook County State's Attorney in 1996. Mr. Devine has more than 30 years of experience in both public and private practice. He served as first assistant state's attorney from 1980 to 1983. Today, he serves on boards of the National District Attorneys' Association and is a past president of the Illinois State's Attorney's Association.

Brian B. Fengel

Chief, Bartonville Police Department

Chief Fengel has been Bartonville Police Chief since 1998 and began his career with the department as an officer in 1990. He is a graduate of the 201st Session of the FBI National Academy. He has a B.S. in criminal justice, and served as a police officer assigned with the Secret Service at the 2002 Olympic Games in Salt Lake City, Utah. He was appointed to the Council in 2003.

Rodney Fisher

State Farm Insurance Companies

Rodney P. Fisher, CPCU, CLU, ChFC, CIFI, is a section manager with State Farm Insurance Companies. Mr. Fisher leads the Chicago Metro Special Investigative Units, which investigate a variety of claims, including those involving motor vehicle thefts. Mr. Fisher

^{*}Former Interim Chicago Police Department Superintendent Dana Starks served on the Council from August 2007 to December 2007.

has held this position since 1998. Prior to holding this position, Mr. Fisher was team manager with State Farm's Special Investigative Unit. Mr. Fisher has also held various other claims management and claim handling positions with State Farm and other major insurance companies. Mr. Fisher is a graduate of Indiana State University with B.S. degrees in economics and political science. He was appointed to the Council in 2003.

Bradley T. Paisley

Christian County State's Attorney's Office Mr. Paisley was a private defense attorney prior to becoming the Christian County State's Attorney in 2004. Mr. Paisley served as the foundation representative for the Taylorville School District in Christian County to better serve indigent families in the community. He was appointed to the Council in 2005.

Beau William Parrillo

United Automobile Insurance Company
Mr. Parrillo is vice president of claims for
United Automobile Insurance Company. He
was appointed to the Council in 2000.

Donald L. Sauzek

Country Companies

Mr. Sauzek has been a Council member since 1996. He is the manager of material damage claims for Country Companies, directing all aspects of physical damage claims in 10 states.

Honorable Jesse White

Illinois Secretary of State

Secretary White was elected the 37th Illinois Secretary of State in 1998. Secretary White served as Cook County Recorder of Deeds from 1992 to 1998. Before being elected as recorder of deeds, he served in the Illinois General Assembly for 16 years. Brad Demuzio, director of the Secretary of State Police Department, has served as Secretary White's designee to the Council since October 2003.

Grant Review Committee Members

Daniel J. Roach, Chairman

Captain, Illinois State Police Represents Council Chairman Larry G. Trent

Brad Demuzio

Illinois Secretary of State Department of Police Represents Secretary of State Jesse White

Brian B. Fengel

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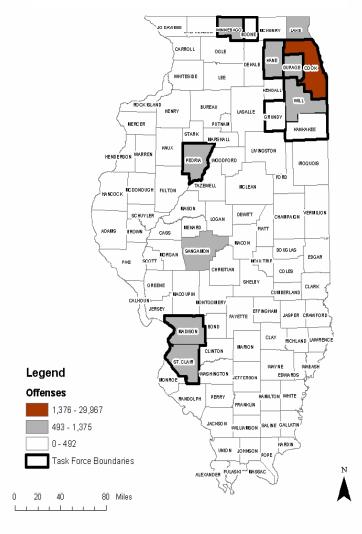
Motor vehicle theft trends in Illinois

Vehicle thefts decline

Since the Council's inception in 1991, the annual number of motor vehicle theft offenses in Illinois has declined 47 percent, from 75,642 in 1991 to 38,018 in 2006. At the time of this report, the most recent data available from the Illinois Uniform Crime Reporting Program was from 2006. The annual vehicle theft rate in Illinois decreased approximately 55 percent between 1991 and 2006, from 656 to 296 offenses per 100,000 population. When the number of vehicle thefts in Illinois was compared to the rest of the states, Illinois ranked fifth in the U.S. in 1991 with 75,642 vehicles stolen, seventh in 2002 (45,219), eighth in 2003 (42,201), 10th in 2004 (40,355) and eighth in 2006 (38,018).

Figure 1 shows the number of vehicle theft offenses in 2006 for each county. The 10 counties with the most vehicle thefts were: Cook (28,014), St. Clair (1,199), Winnebago (1,015), DuPage (763), Kane (721), Peoria (682), Lake (628), Will (616), Madison (573), and Sangamon (504).Cook County represented nearly 74 percent of vehicle thefts in Illinois. The areas where the Council-funded task operate are outlined in black (Figure 1).

Figure 1
2006 motor vehicle theft offenses



Vehicle theft recoveries

Based on a statewide assessment of motor vehicle theft prepared by the Motor Vehicle Theft Intelligence Clearinghouse, 72 percent of the vehicles stolen in Illinois in 2006 were recovered. The average number of days between theft and recovery was 15.

Vehicle theft arrest and convictions

In 2006, there were 7,365 arrests for vehicle theft in Illinois. The most recent data indicates the average sentence length of the 768 offenders committed to IDOC was four years.

Overview of Council programs 1992-2007

Since 1992, when grants were first awarded, the Council has funded 30 vehicle theft programs in Illinois. The majority of funds went to law enforcement programs that increase investigations and prosecutions of vehicle theft-related crimes (*Figure 2*).

Through 2007, the programs funded by the Council expended approximately \$84 million. Most funds pay the salaries and fringe benefits of personnel assigned to task forces and special investigative teams in the state (*Figure 3*). Remaining funds are utilized for equipment, commodities, travel, contractual agreements, and costs not covered by the other categories.

Programs funded by the Council are cooperative partnerships. Nearly all of the funded programs involved considerable support from participating agencies. ISP and the Secretary of State Department of Police assigned task force directors and personnel to the programs and absorbed costs for these personnel. The National Insurance Crime Bureau also assigned agents to the programs without requesting compensation. Illinois Insurance companies have loaned 349 vehicles for use by Councilfunded law enforcement programs since the program began.

Figure 2
Funding awarded in targeted program areas
1992-2007

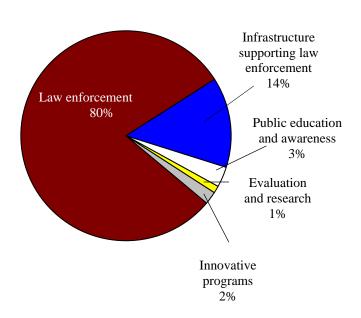
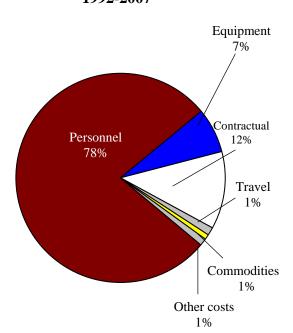


Figure 3
Program expenditure categories
1992-2007



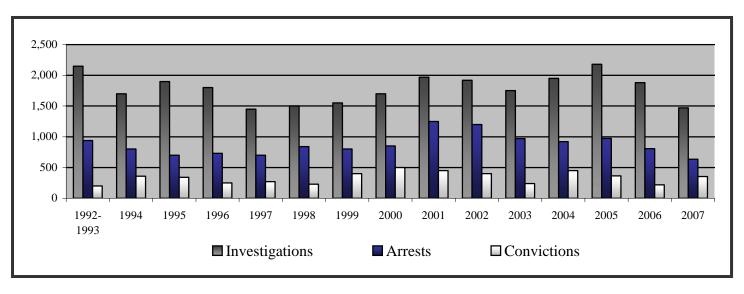
2007 Council programs

In 2007, the Council funded 12 programs: seven task forces, one specialized prosecution program, one specialized investigations program, one vehicle theft training program, one vehicle maintenance program, and one data intelligence program. There were 113 personnel supported by, or assigned to, Council-funded programs in 2007.

Law enforcement

There were seven Council-funded task forces operating in Illinois during 2007. The task forces consist of officers from both local and state law enforcement agencies. In 2007, 78 investigators and auditors were assigned to the Council-funded task forces. During the year, the work of the task forces resulted in 1,470 investigations, 635 arrests, and 355 convictions (*Figure 4*). There were 1,447 vehicles, valued at approximately \$9.6 million, recovered. In addition, the task force officers were involved in public awareness and motor vehicle theft prevention activities in their areas.

Figure 4
Task force program activity
1992-2007*



^{*}Data for September through December 1992 were added to 1993.

¹Due to the time lapse between arrest and conviction, the number of convictions during a year does not directly reflect the number of arrests during the same year.

DuPage County Auto Theft Task Force

Grantee: DuPage County Sheriff's Office Amount awarded for 2007: \$455,179

The DuPage County Auto Theft Task Force, known as BATTLE (Beat Auto Theft Through Law Enforcement), operates in DuPage County located in northeastern Illinois. In a coordinated effort to identify and arrest offenders, the officers work with numerous agencies such as local, county, and federal police agencies, insurance companies, and local vehicle rental companies. In 2007, BATTLE conducted 52 investigations resulting in 27 arrests. The task force referred 27 cases for prosecution that led to 15 convictions. BATTLE also recovered 93 stolen vehicles worth an estimated \$618,357.

BATTLE provided training to law enforcement agencies on 47 occasions in 2007. This number includes training provided while participating in West Chicago Police Department's Commercial Vehicle Registration Enforcement Days and commercial truck inspection detail conducted by the ISP. During 2007, BATTLE hosted eight ISP 36-Hour Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Training Programs in Wheaton, Tinley Park, Springfield, Bellville, Norridge, Algonquin, Downers Grove, and at the Chicago Training Academy. BATTLE also provided training to 19 business and citizens groups in DuPage County, including Citizen Police Academies.

Kane-Cook Auto Theft Task Force

Grantee: Elgin Police Department Amount awarded for 2007: \$450,634

The Kane-Cook Auto Theft Task Force (KCAT) is headquartered in Elgin and covers Kane County and the northwestern Chicago metropolitan area. The unit's central activities include intelligence gathering and dissemination, investigation of auto theft and insurance rings, assistance to federal, state, and local law enforcement agencies with auto theft and insurance fraud investigations, and providing training to local law enforcement. In 2006, KCAT initiated 64 investigations that resulted in 24 prosecutions. KCAT also recovered 98 vehicles worth about \$651,602.

During 2007, KCAT continued to innovate and improve both in operations and training. KCAT investigators provided training to several law enforcement agencies, which included hosting and developing an eight-hour block of advanced auto theft detection training for patrol officers. KCAT has also expanded its use of computer databases to assist in the detection of altered or retagged vehicles and in tracking suspects. Expanded use of databases is credited for the high percentage of retagged stolen vehicles recovered by KCAT.

Metro East Auto Theft Task Force

Grantee: Belleville Police Department Amount awarded for 2007: \$673,218

The Metro East Auto Theft Task Force (MEATF) operates in Madison and St. Clair counties located in southern Illinois. The task force combats vehicle theft by working closely with the many police departments in the two counties, as well as the St. Louis Police Department and St. Louis County Sheriff's Office in Missouri. In 2007, MEATF conducted 449 investigations resulting in 278 arrests.

The task force referred 278 cases for prosecution that led to 71 convictions. The unit recovered 366 vehicles worth an estimated \$2.4 million.

Northeast Metro Auto Theft Task Force

Grantee: Illinois State Police

Amount awarded for 2007: \$493,014

The Northeast Metro Auto Theft Task Force (NEMAT) conducts enforcement operations to combat auto theft and insurance fraud in Cook County and Chicago. They also assist federal, state, and local law enforcement agencies, perform undercover operations, provide training, and initiate investigations. In 2007, NEMAT conducted 88 investigations resulting in 20 arrests. The unit recovered 104 stolen vehicles worth an estimated \$691.496.

Northern Illinois Auto Theft Task Force

Grantee: Winnebago County Sheriff's Office

Amount awarded for 2007: \$637,277

The Northern Illinois Auto Theft Task Force continues to assist all local police departments and Illinois State Police District 16 in recovering and processing stolen vehicles. NIATTF covers Winnebago and Boone counties. In 2007, NIATTF launched 75 investigations resulting in 69 arrests. The task force referred 69 cases for prosecution that led to 30 convictions. The unit recovered 248 vehicles worth an estimated \$1.6 million.

State and Local Auto Theft Enforcement Task Force

Grantee: City of Peoria Police Department Amount awarded for 2007: \$442,788

The State and Local Auto Theft Enforcement Task Force (SLATE) serves Peoria County in central Illinois. During 2007, SLATE conducted 304 investigations. The task force referred 97 of these cases for prosecution that led to 120 convictions. In addition, the task force recovered 219 vehicles worth an estimated \$1.4 million.

Officers from the task force attended area neighborhood watch meetings throughout 2007, participated in the Peoria Police Citizen Police Academy, Peoria Police Department Rookie School, and staffed an informational booth at the Greater Peoria Area New Car Show.

Tri-County Auto Theft Task Force

Grantee: Joliet Police Department Amount awarded for 2007: \$806,652

The Tri-County Auto Theft Task Force serves Will, Kankakee, and Grundy counties. The task force links the efforts of the Illinois State Police, the sheriff's offices of Will, Grundy, and Kankakee counties, and the police departments of Joliet, Bolingbrook, Romeoville, and Kankakee. In 2007, the task force conducted 280 investigations resulting in 78 arrests. The unit recovered 281 vehicles worth an estimated \$1.9 million. The Tri-County Task Force sponsored or attended 10 intelligence meetings with numerous local and federal law enforcement agencies concerning motor vehicle, truck, motorcycle, and construction vehicle thefts. The unit provided eight auto theft presentations to various local agencies, including the Bolingbrook and Joliet citizen's police academies. Several members of

the task force attended an insurance industry special investigative units fraud seminar and the regional International Association of Auto Theft Investigators Conference.

Specialized prosecution

Cook County Motor Vehicle Theft Prosecution Unit

Grantee: Office of the Cook County State's Attorney

Amount awarded for 2007: \$739,829

The Cook County Motor Vehicle Theft Prosecution unit is comprised of one supervising and three specially trained prosecutors, two state's attorney's investigators, an administrative assistant, and two part-time law clerks. The four senior attorneys prosecute career auto thieves as well as individuals involved in chop shop operations, insurance fraud, organized street gang operations, carjacking, and the illegal rebuilding and scrap dealing. The prosecution team vertically prosecutes targeted vehicle theft cases and related crimes in Cook County. In vertical prosecution, an attorney is assigned a case from submission through trial, a method considered critical for prosecuting vehicle theft cases. Two Cook County State's Attorney's investigators augment police work by tracking documents, locating witnesses, and conducting detailed background investigations.

Specialized investigation

Secretary of State Special Audit Teams Program

Grantee: Secretary of State, Department of Police

Amount awarded for 2007: \$1,238,654

The Secretary of State Special Audit Team program focuses on policing the marketplace for stolen vehicles and parts using special audit teams. There were four teams in operation during 2006 located in Chicago, Rockford, Peoria, and East St. Louis. The teams travel throughout Illinois monitoring salvage yards, rebuilders, repairers, insurance pools, and scrap processors for compliance with regulations governing record-keeping of vehicle and vehicle part transactions. They also perform reverse role sting operations to help identify dealers who may be engaged in illegal activities. The teams are comprised of 14 auditors, two auditor supervisors, one clerk, and one administrator.

In 2007, the teams performed 3,838 audits involving 64,381 vehicles and 7,551 essential vehicle parts. The team recovered 38 stolen vehicles for a total estimated value of \$252,662. There were 448 violation letters issued which resulted in 858 charges. Their enforcement actions resulted in 39 arrests and 241 contraband vehicles identified worth an estimated value of \$1.6 million.

Infrastructure supporting programs

Insurance Vehicle Expense Fund Program

Grantee: National Insurance Crime Bureau

Amount awarded for 2007: \$63,590

Insurance companies loan vehicles for use by Council-funded programs. In 2007, insurance companies loaned 49 vehicles. Most of these vehicles were recovered stolen vehicles obtained from insurance salvage pools in the Chicago metropolitan area. Program funds are used to repair these vehicles and obtain required Illinois titles and license plates. The Council, through the National Insurance Crime Bureau, has designated trust funds for repairing or purchasing parts for these vehicles to make them safe for operation. Task force officers are assigned these vehicles for surveillance and undercover activities.

Motor Vehicle Theft Intelligence Clearinghouse

Grantee: Illinois State Police

Amount awarded for 2007: \$374,596

The Motor Vehicle Theft Intelligence Clearinghouse provides focused statewide analytical support for motor vehicle theft task forces and the Illinois law enforcement community. The unit consists of three criminal intelligence analysts and one clerical personnel and is directed by a lieutenant assigned by the Illinois State Police. The clearinghouse annually publishes the *Illinois Motor Vehicle Theft Statewide Assessment*, which includes theft and recovery trends, theft rates by county, and a geographic analysis of the motor vehicle theft problem during the previous year. The report is distributed to the Councilfunded task forces, the Council, and the Illinois State Police Training Academy. The Clearinghouse prepares the *Motor Vehicle Theft Task Force Quarterly Activity Summary*, which provides to the Council performance reports of Council-funded task forces. In addition, the Clearinghouse prepared the Illinois State Police response to the Illinois Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Council's request for public input on the development of the Statewide Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Strategy 2008-2011.

The Clearinghouse processed 569 requests for case assistance in 2007. Intelligence alerts, geographic maps, theft assessments, statistical estimates, analytical charts, and presentations were developed in response to the array of requests received. The Clearinghouse also supplied statewide statistical data to the Council for strategy formulation.

Motor Vehicle Theft Investigation Training Program

Grantee: Illinois State Police

Amount awarded for 2007: \$108,241

The Motor Vehicle Theft Investigation Training Program is administered by the Illinois State Police. The goal of the program is to increase awareness and understanding of motor vehicle theft in the law enforcement community and the insurance industry in Illinois. The program offers classes for investigations, patrol officers, and insurance industry officials. The training classes cover important characteristics of vehicle theft cases and investigation techniques specific to vehicle theft-related cases. In 2007, the program conducted twenty eight training courses and trained 621 police officers at twenty five locations around the state.

2007 programs and participating agencies

DuPage County Auto Theft Task Force

- 1 Illinois State Police sergeant
- 2 DuPage County Sheriff's Department officer
- 1 DuPage County State's Attorney investigator
- 1 Carol Stream Police Department officer
- 1 DuPage County assistant state's attorney
- 1 DuPage County Sheriff's Office secretary

Kane County Auto Theft Task Force

- 2 Elgin Police Department investigators
- 1 Aurora Police Department investigator
- 1 Illinois State Police master sergeant
- 1 Kane County Sheriff's Department investigator
- 1 Kane County assistant state's attorney
- 1 Investigative support personnel

Metro East Auto Theft Task Force

- 1 Belleville Police Department officer
- 1 Cahokia Police Department officer
- 1 East St. Louis Police Department officer
- 1 Collinsville Police Department officer
- 1 Illinois Secretary of State police investigator
- 1 Illinois State police officer
- 1 Fairview Heights Police Department officer
- 2 St. Clair County Sheriff's Department officers
- 1 S.I.U. Edwardsville Police Department officer
- 1 Madison County assistant state's attorney
- 1 St. Clair County assistant state's attorney
- 1 fiscal officer (part-time)

Motor Vehicle Theft Intelligence Clearinghouse

- 1 Illinois State Police officer
- 2 Illinois State Police Criminal Intelligence Analysts II
- 1 Illinois State Police Analyst Specialist
- 1 Illinois State Police office assistant

Motor Vehicle Theft Prosecution Unit

- 4 Cook County assistant state's attorneys
- 2 Cook County state's attorneys investigators
- 2 law clerks (part-time)
- 1 Cook County state's attorney administrative assistant

Secretary of State - Special Audit Team

- 14 auditors
- 2 auditor supervisors
- 1 clerk
- 1 administrator

Motor Vehicle Investigation Training Program

- 1 Illinois State Police commander
- 1 Illinois State Police lieutenant
- 1 Illinois State Police sergeant
- 1 administration clerk
- 1 fiscal clerk

Northeast Metro Auto Theft Task Force

- 1 Illinois State Police master sergeant
- 2 Illinois State Police sergeant
- 1 Illinois State Police special agent
- 1 Blue Island Police Department officer
- 2 Chicago Police Department detectives
- 2 Cook County Sheriff's Department officers
- 1 Cook County State's Attorney investigator
- 1 Cicero Police Department officer
- 1 National Insurance Crime Bureau investigator
- 1 clerk

Northern Illinois Auto Theft Task Force

- 1 Illinois State Police master sergeant
- 1 Cherry Valley Police Department officer
- 1 Belvidere Police Department officer
- 1 Winnebago County Sheriff's Department officer
- 1 Boone County deputy
- 1 Winnebago County State's Attorney investigator
- 1 Winnebago County assistant state's attorney
- 1 Winnebago County State's Attorney secretary
- 1 Boone County assistant state's attorney
- 1 Boone County State's Attorney investigator
- 1 clerk

State and Local Auto Theft Enforcement

- 1 Illinois State Police master sergeant
- 1 Illinois Secretary of State Police sergeant
- 1 Illinois State Police special agent
- 2 Peoria County deputies
- 2 Peoria County Police officers
- 1 Peoria County assistant state's attorney
- 1 office assistant

Tri-County Auto Theft Task Force

- 1 Illinois State Police master sergeant
- 2 Joliet City Police Department officers
- 1 Grundy County deputy
- 2 Will County deputies
- 1 Romeoville Police Department officer
- 1 Bolingbrook Police Department officer
- 2 Kankakee County deputies
- 1 Kankakee City Police Department officer
- 2 secretaries
- 1 Will County assistant state's attorney
- 1 Kankakee County assistant state's attorney
- 1 National Insurance Crime Bureau agent

TOTAL: 113 Personnel supported by or assigned to Council-funded programs.

2007 financial statement

Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Trust Fund

Statement of revenues, expenditures, and fund balance for state fiscal year 2007 (July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007)

| REVENUES: | | |
|----------------------------|-------------|--|
| Insurance company payments | \$6,251,369 | |
| Interest income | \$141,026 | |
| TOTAL | \$6,392,395 | |
| EXPENDITURES: | | |
| Transfers from trust fund | \$1,492,679 | |
| Administrative | \$327,023 | |
| Programs ² | \$6,490,230 | |
| TOTAL | \$6,813,165 | |

| BALANCE: | |
|-------------------|-------------|
| BEGINNING BALANCE | \$4,542,726 |
| ENDING BALANCE | \$4,121,956 |

Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Council program grant awards

| | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 |
|--|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Secretary of State Special Audit Teams Program | \$1,143,302 | \$1,196,236 | \$1,238,654 |
| Motor Vehicle Theft Prosecution Unit | \$589,315 | \$715,797 | \$739,829 |
| Tri-County Auto Theft Task Force | \$783,124 | \$800,124 | \$806,652 |
| Metro-East Auto Theft Task Force | \$619,176 | \$691,940 | \$673,218 |
| Kane County Auto Theft Task Force | \$425,633 | \$407,608 | \$450,634 |
| Northeast Metro Auto Theft Task Force | \$746,345 | \$618,589 | \$493,014 |
| Insurance Vehicle Expense Fund Program | \$63,590 | \$63,590 | \$63,590 |
| Motor Vehicle Theft Intelligence Clearinghouse | \$320,667 | \$335,876 | \$374,596 |
| DuPage County Auto Theft Task Force | \$298,534 | \$414,735 | \$455,179 |
| Northern Illinois Auto Theft Task Force | \$500,933 | \$540,733 | \$637,277 |
| Motor Vehicle Theft Investigation Training | \$88,049 | \$88,049 | \$108,241 |
| State and Local Auto Theft Enforcement | \$318,278 | \$380,778 | \$442,788 |
| TOTAL | \$5,896,946 | \$6,254,055 | \$6,483,672 |

 $^{^{2}}$ Funds distributed during the fiscal year may differ from the total award received.

Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention trust funds SFY 1991 to date

| | SFY 1991 - 2003 | SFY 2004 | SFY 2005 | SFY 2006 | SFY 2007 | TOTALS |
|------------------------------------|--------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|
| REVENUE | | | | | | |
| Insurance company payments | 71,702,139 | 6,497,668 | 5,952,904 | 6,257,629 | 6,251,369 | 96,661,709 |
| Beat Auto Theft Program revenue | 7,585 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 7,585 |
| Interest on trust fund | 3,048,483, | 32,098 | 79,487 | 135,811 | 141,026 | 3,436,905 |
| Subtotal | 74,758,207 | 6,529,766 | 6,032,391 | 6,393,440 | 6,392,395 | 100,106,199 |
| EXPENDITURES | | | | | | |
| Transfers from trust fund | (4,159,112) | (769,337) | (501,400) | (1,492,679) | 4,088 | (6,918,440) |
| Administrative expenditures | (3,651,869) | (278,055) | (209,701) | (277,403) | (327,023) | (4,744,051) |
| Grantee expenditures | (63,714,027) | (4,351,973) | (4,529,746) | (5,175,776) | (6,490,230) | (84,321,752) |
| Subtotal | (71,585,008) | (5,399,365) | (5,240,847) | (6,945,858) | (6,813,165) | (95,984,243) |
| Revenue less Expenditures | 3,173,199 | 1,130,401 | 791,544 | (552,418) | (420,770) | 4,121,956 |
| TRUST FUND BALANCE | 3,173,199 | 4,303,600 | 5,095,144 | 4,542,726 | 4,121,956 | |

Note: Numbers in parentheses are negative.

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The Illinois Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Act

20 Illinois Complied Statutes 4005

4005/1. Short title. This Act shall be known as the Illinois Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Act.

4005/2. Purpose. The purpose of this Act is to prevent, combat and reduce motor vehicle theft in Illinois; to promote and support motor vehicle theft law enforcement, prosecution and administration of motor vehicle theft laws by establishing statewide capabilities for and coordination of financial resources.

4005/3. Definitions. As used in this Act

- (a) "Authority" means the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority.
- (b) "Council" means the Illinois Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Council, established within the Authority by this Act.
- (c) "Trust Fund" means the Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Trust Fund.

4005/4. Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Council—Members—Chairman—Terms—Meetings. There is hereby created within the Authority an Illinois Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Council, which shall exercise its power, duties and responsibilities independently of the Authority. There shall be 11 members of the Council consisting of the Secretary of State or his designee, the Director of the Department of State Police, the State's Attorney of Cook County, the Superintendent of the Chicago Police Department, and the following 7 additional members, each of whom shall be appointed by the Governor: a state's attorney of a county other than Cook, a chief executive law enforcement official from a jurisdiction other than the City of Chicago, 5 representatives of insurers authorized to write motor vehicle insurance in this State, all of whom shall be domiciled in this State.

The Governor from time to time shall designate the Chairman of the Council from the membership. All members of the Council appointed by the Governor shall serve at the discretion of the Governor for a term not to exceed 4 years. The initial appointed members of the Council shall serve from January 1, 1991 until the third Monday in January, 1995 or until their successors are appointed. The Council shall meet at least quarterly.

- **4005/5. Compensation of members.** Members of the Council shall serve without compensation. All members shall be reimbursed for reasonable expenses incurred in connection with their duties.
- **4005/6. Personnel.** The Executive Director of the Authority shall employ, in accordance with the provisions of the Illinois Personnel Code, such administrative, professional, clerical, and other personnel as may be required and may organize such staff as may be appropriate to effectuate the purposes of this Act.
- **4005/7. Powers and duties of council.** The Council shall have the following powers, duties and responsibilities:
- (a) To apply for, solicit, receive, establish priorities for, allocate, disburse, contract for, and spend funds that are made available to the Council from any source to effectuate the purposes of this Act.
- (b) To make grants and to provide financial support for federal and State agencies, units of local government, corporations, and neighborhood, community and business organizations to effectuate the purposes of this Act.
- (c) To assess the scope of the problem of motor vehicle theft, including particular areas of the State where the problem is greatest and to conduct impact analyses of State and local criminal justice policies, programs, plans and methods for combating the problem.
- (d) To develop and sponsor the implementation of statewide plans and strategies to combat motor vehicle theft and to improve the administration of the motor vehicle theft laws and provide an effective forum for identification of critical problems associated with motor vehicle theft.
- (e) To coordinate the development, adoption and implementation of plans and strategies relating to interagency or intergovernmental cooperation with respect to motor vehicle theft law enforcement.
- (f) To promulgate rules or regulations necessary to ensure that appropriate agencies, units of government, private organizations and combinations thereof are included in the development and implementation of strategies or plans adopted pursuant to this

Act and to promulgate rules or regulations as may otherwise be necessary to effectuate the purposes of this Act.

- (g) To report annually, on or before April 1, 1992 to the Governor, General Assembly, and, upon request, to members of the general public on the Council's activities in the preceding year.
- (h) To exercise any other powers that are reasonable, necessary or convenient to fulfill its responsibilities, to carry out and to effectuate the objectives and purposes of the Council and the provisions of this Act, and to comply with the requirements of applicable federal or State laws or regulations; provided, however, that such powers shall not include the power to subpoena or arrest.
- **4005/8. Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Trust Fund.** (a) A special fund is created in the State Treasury known as the Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Trust Fund, which shall be administered by the Executive Director of the Authority at the direction of the Council. All interest earned from the investment or deposit of monies accumulated in the Trust Fund shall, pursuant to Section 4.1 of the State Finance Act, be deposited in the Trust Fund.
- (b) Money deposited in this Trust Fund shall not be considered general revenue of the State of Illinois.
- (c) Money deposited in the Trust Fund shall be used only to enhance efforts to effectuate the purposes of this Act as determined by the Council and shall not be appropriated, loaned or in any manner transferred to the General Revenue Fund of the State of Illinois.
- (d) Prior to April 1, 1991, and prior to April 1 of each year thereafter, each insurer engaged in writing private passenger motor vehicle insurance coverages which are included in Class 2 and Class 3 of Section 4 of the Illinois Insurance Code [FN2] as a condition of its authority to transact business in this State, may collect and shall pay into the Trust Fund an amount equal to \$1.00, or a lesser amount determined by the Council, multiplied by the insurer's total earned car years of private passenger motor vehicle insurance policies providing physical damage insurance coverage written in this State during the preceding calendar year.
- (e) Money in the Trust Fund shall be expended as follows:
- (1) To pay the Authority's costs to administer the Council and the Trust Fund, but for this purpose in an amount not to exceed ten percent in any one fiscal year of the amount collected pursuant to paragraph (d) of this Section in that same fiscal year.
- (2) To achieve the purposes and objectives of this Act, which may include, but not limited to, the following:
- (A) To provide financial support to law enforcement and correctional agencies, prosecutors, and the judiciary for programs designed to reduce motor vehicle theft and to improve the administration of motor vehicle theft laws.
- (B) T provide financial support for federal and State agencies, units of local government, corporations and neighborhood, community or business organizations for programs designed to reduce motor vehicle theft and to improve the administration of motor vehicle theft laws.
- (C) T provide financial support to conduct programs designed to inform owners of motor vehicles about the financial and social costs of motor vehicle theft and to suggest to those owners methods for preventing motor vehicle theft.
- (D) To provide financial support for plans, programs and projects designated to achieve the purposes of this Act.
- (f) Insurers contributing to the Trust Fund shall have a property interest in the unexpended money in the Trust Fund, which property interest shall not be retroactively changed or extinguished by the General Assembly.
- (g) In the event the Trust Fund were to be discontinued or the Council were to be dissolved by act of the General Assembly or by operation of law, then, notwithstanding the provisions of Section 5 of the State Finance Act, any balance remaining therein shall be returned to the insurers writing private passenger motor vehicle insurance in proportion to their financial contributions to the Trust Fund and any assets of the Council shall be liquidated and returned in the same manner after deduction of administrative costs.
- ${f 4005/12.}$ Repealer. Sections 1 through 9 and Section 11 are repealed January 1, 2012.

(Source: Public Act 86-1408, effective January 1, 1991. Amended by Public Act 89-277, effective August 10, 1995, Public Act 91-85, effective July 9, 1999, and Public Act 93-172, effective July 10, 2003. Amended by Public Act 95-0212, effective January 1, 2008)



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