



# 2006 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 2006 Annual Report. This report describes the challenges we've faced and documents the positive results we achieved this 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 2005, the number of stolen vehicles decreased from 75,642 to 39,750. This is a decline of more than 35,892 vehicles annually – resulting in a savings of more than \$240 million.

The grant funds awarded by the Council have improved motor vehicle theft law enforcement by establishing and supporting multijurisdictional task forces, investigative teams, and other special efforts throughout the state. These programs have produced impressive results during the past 15 years, including:

- 25,717 criminal investigations initiated.
- 4,075 audits of vehicle-related businesses.
- 493 violation letters issued to audited businesses.
- 12,632 arrests.
- 5,215 convictions obtained.
- 29,207 stolen vehicles recovered worth approximately \$196 million.

The \$77.8 million granted by the Council from 1991 through 2005 has resulted in the recovery of more than \$436 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,



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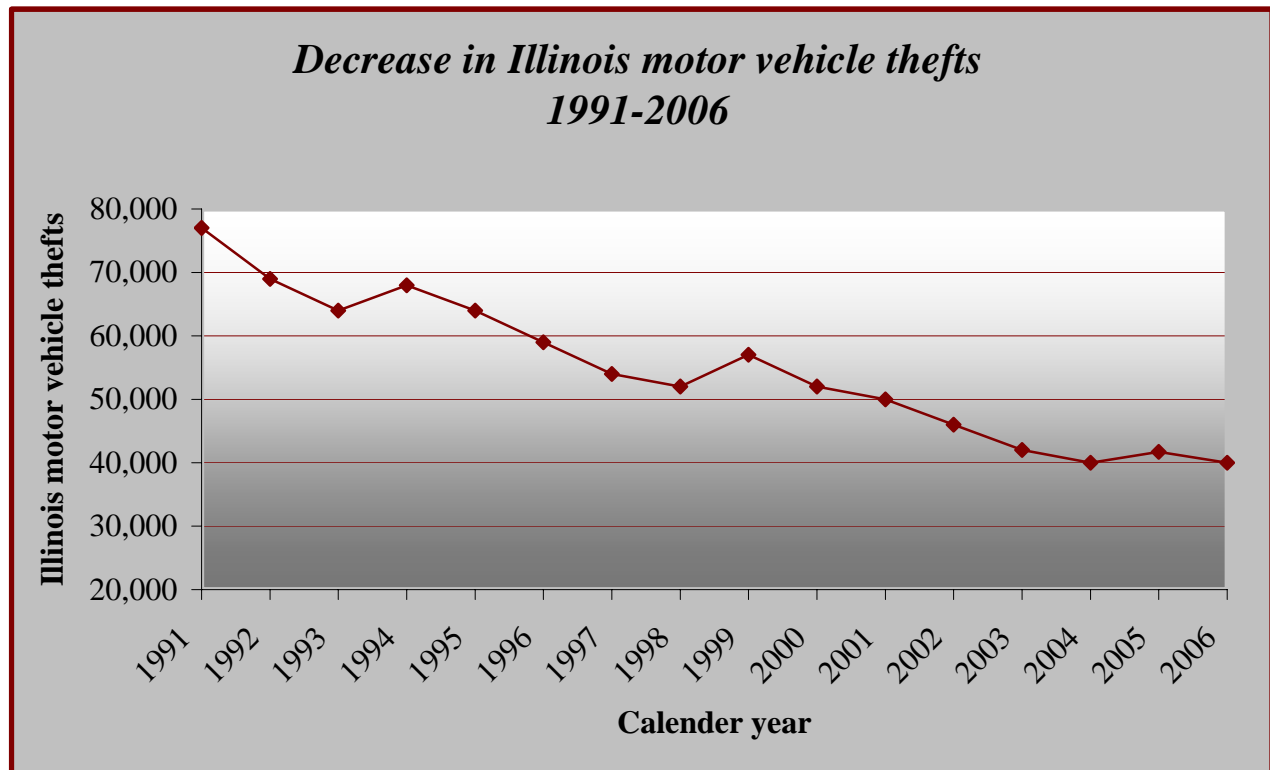
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## The 2006 Illinois Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Council

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. 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. These funds, \$6 million each year, are collected and distributed by the Council. The funds are designated to law enforcement programs that increase investigation and prosecution of vehicle theft-related crimes.

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

### 2006 Council Members

The following members served on the Illinois Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Council in 2006:

#### **Larry G. Trent (Chairman)**

*Director, Illinois State Police*

Mr. Trent was appointed director of the Illinois State Police (ISP) in March 2003. Mr. Trent 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 2003. Mr. Cline has been with the Chicago Police Department since 1968, starting as a cadet and working through the ranks. In 1998, he became commander of the Narcotics and Gang Investigation Section. He later was promoted to deputy chief of the Organized Crime Unit, chief of detectives, and first deputy superintendent before being appointed to his current post.

#### **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 the 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*

Mr. Fengel has been the chief of police in Bartonville since 1998 and began his career with the department as an officer in 1990. He is a graduate of the 201<sup>st</sup> 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

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*

Mr. White was elected the 37<sup>th</sup> Illinois Secretary of State in 1998. Mr. White served as Cook County Recorder of Deeds from 1992-1998. 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 Mr. White's designee to the Council since October 2003.

**Grant Review Committee Members**

**Daniel J. Roach, Chairman**

*Captain, Illinois State Police*

Represents Council Chairman Trent

**Brad Demuzio**

*Illinois Secretary of State Department of Police*

Represents Secretary of State Jesse White

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# Motor vehicle theft trends in Illinois

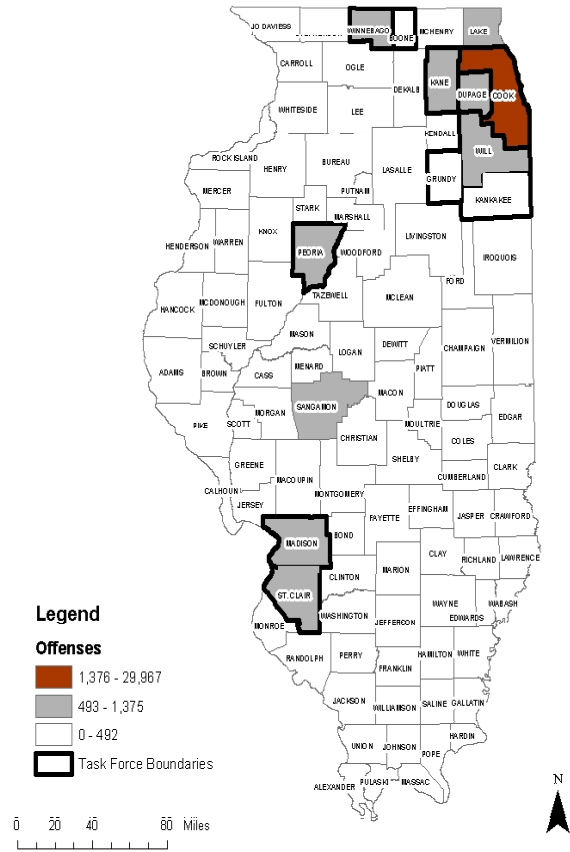
## *Vehicle thefts decline*

Since the Council's inception in 1991, the annual number of motor vehicle theft offenses in Illinois have declined 44 percent, from 71,213 in 1991 to 39,750 in 2005. At the time of this report, the most recent data available from the Illinois Uniform Crime Reporting Program was from 2005. The annual vehicle theft rate in Illinois decreased approximately 53 percent between 1991 and 2005 from 656 to 311 offenses per 100,000 population. When the number of vehicle thefts in Illinois was compared to the rest of the states, Illinois ranked seventh in 2002 (45,219), eighth in 2003 (42,201), 10<sup>th</sup> in 2004 (40,355) and 28<sup>th</sup> in 2005 (39,385). In 1991, Illinois ranked fifth in the U.S. with a total of 75,642 motor vehicle thefts.

Figure 1 shows the number of vehicle theft offenses in 2005 for each county. The 10 counties with the most vehicle thefts are: Cook (29,206), Winnebago (1,211), St. Clair (1,161), DuPage (779), Lake (591), Peoria (907), Madison (650), Will (625), Kane (803), and Sangamon (436). Cook County represented nearly 73 percent of vehicle thefts in Illinois. The areas where the seven Council-funded task forces operate are outlined in black.

**Figure 1**

**2005 motor vehicle theft offenses**



## *Vehicle theft recoveries*

Based on a 2005 statewide assessment of motor vehicle theft prepared by the Motor Vehicle Theft Intelligence Clearinghouse, 75 percent of the vehicles stolen in Illinois in 2006 were recovered. The average number of days between theft and recovery was 18.

## *Vehicle theft arrest & convictions*

In 2005, there were 8,645 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.

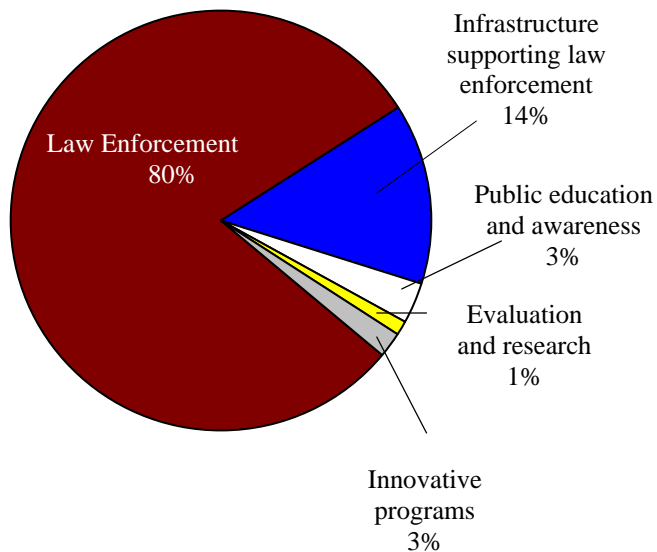
## Overview of Council programs 1992-2006

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).

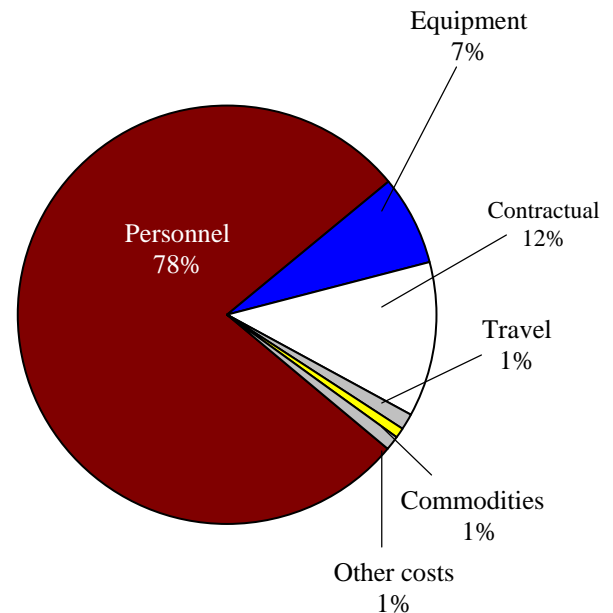
Through 2006, the programs funded by the Council expended approximately \$81 million. Most funds pay the salary and fringe benefits of personnel assigned to task forces and special investigative teams in the state (Figure 3). Remaining funds are utilized for equipment, commodities, travel, contractual 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. In addition, the National Insurance Crime Bureau assigned agents to the programs without requesting compensation and many Illinois Insurance companies have loaned more than 300 vehicles for use by Council-funded law enforcement programs since the program began.

**Figure 2**  
**Funding awarded in targeted program areas**  
**1992-2006**



**Figure 3**  
**Program expenditure categories**  
**1992-2006**





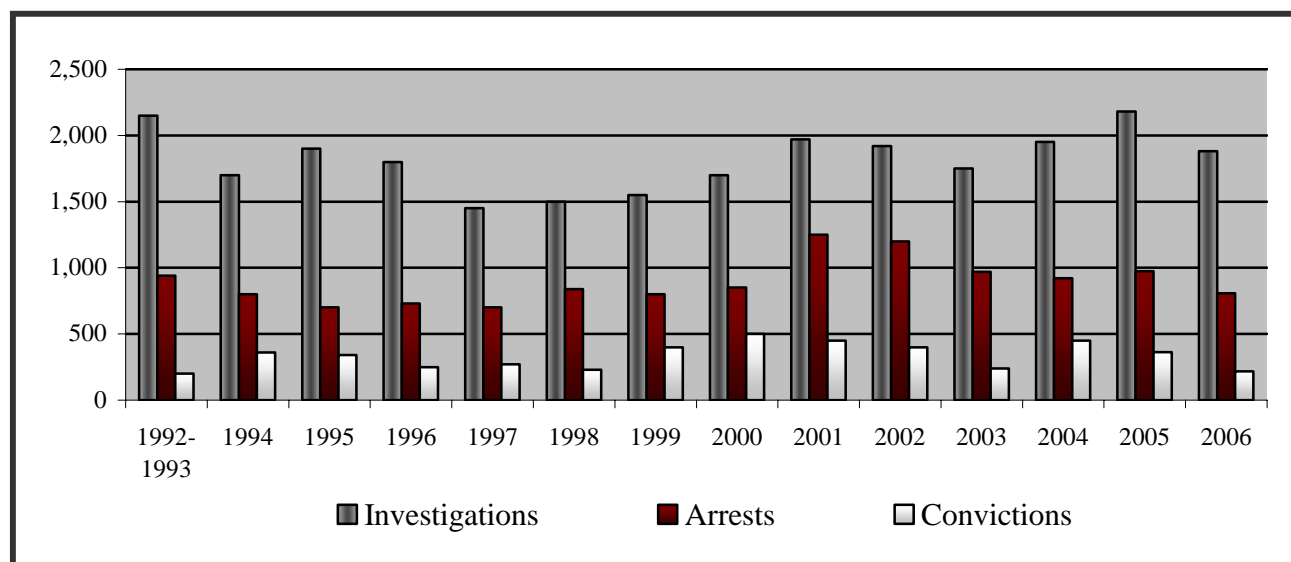
## 2006 Council programs

In 2006, 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 114 personnel supported by, or assigned to, Council-funded programs in 2006.

### Law enforcement

There were seven Council-funded task forces operating in Illinois during 2006. The task forces consist of officers from both local and state law enforcement agencies. In 2006, 81 investigators and auditors were assigned to the Council-funded task forces. During the year, the work of the task forces resulted in 1,880 investigations, 807 arrests, and 218 convictions<sup>1</sup> (Figure 4). There were 1,272 vehicles, valued at approximately \$8.5 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<sup>2</sup>-2006**



<sup>1</sup>Due 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.

<sup>2</sup>Data for September through December 1992 were added to 1993 data.

### **DuPage County Auto Theft Task Force**

Grantee: DuPage County Sheriff's Office

Amount awarded for 2006: \$414,735.00

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 2006, BATTLE conducted 87 investigations, resulting in 61 arrests. The task force referred 48 cases for prosecution that led to 26 convictions. BATTLE also recovered 85 stolen vehicles worth an estimated \$1.4 million.

BATTLE provided training to law enforcement agencies on 18 occasions during 2006. This number includes training provided while participating in the Wheaton Police Department's Commercial Vehicle Registration Enforcement Days and the Illinois State Police commercial truck inspection detail. During 2006, BATTLE hosted the Illinois State Police 36-Hour Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Training Program in Wheaton and participated in 36-hour programs held in Park Ridge and at the Chicago Police Training Academy. BATTLE also provided training to 20 business and citizens groups in DuPage County, including Citizen Police Academies, and participated in the DuPage County Sheriff's Safety Saturday.

### **Kane-Cook Auto Theft Task Force**

Grantee: Elgin Police Department

Amount awarded for 2006: \$407,608

The Kane-Cook Auto Theft Task Force (KCAT) is headquartered in Elgin and covers Kane County and the northwestern Chicago 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 59 investigations that resulted in 20 arrests where the suspect was charged. KCAT also recovered 86 vehicles worth about \$2.3 million.

During 2006, 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 2006: \$619,176

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 2006, MEATF conducted 599 investigations, resulting in 316 arrests.

The task force referred 143 cases for prosecution that led to 56 convictions. The unit recovered 403 vehicles worth an estimated \$2.7 million.

### **Northeast Metro Auto Theft Task Force**

Grantee: Illinois State Police

Amount awarded for 2006: \$618,589

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 2006, NEMAT conducted 178 investigations, resulting in 32 arrests. The unit recovered 146 stolen vehicles worth an estimated \$2.9 million.

### **Northern Illinois Auto Theft Task Force**

Grantee: Winnebago County Sheriff's Office

Amount awarded for 2006: \$618,589

The Northern Illinois Auto Theft Task Force (NIATTF) covers Winnebago and Boone Counties. In 2006, NIATTF launched 254 investigations, resulting in 75 arrests. The task force referred 111 cases for prosecution that led to 41 convictions. The unit recovered 75 vehicles worth an estimated \$747,990.

NIATTF continues to assist all local police departments and the Illinois State Police District 16 in recovering and processing stolen vehicles. The task force was able to obtain four bait vehicles through various insurance companies in 2006 including; one passenger vehicle, one motorcycle, and two ATV's.

### **State and Local Auto Theft Enforcement Task Force**

Grantee: City of Peoria Police Department

Amount awarded for 2006: \$311, 778

The State and Local Auto Theft Enforcement Task Force (SLATE) serves Peoria County in the central region of Illinois. During 2006, SLATE conducted 335 investigations. The task force referred 96 of these cases for prosecution that led to 20 convictions. In addition, the task force recovered 199 vehicles worth an estimated \$1.1 million.

SLATE conducted two motor vehicle theft training classes and 12 roll call training sessions. Officers from the task force attended area neighborhood watch meetings throughout 2006 and participated in the Peoria Police Citizen Police Academy, Peoria Police Department Rookie School, and worked an informational booth at the Greater Peoria Area New Car Show.

### **Tri-County Auto Theft Task Force**

Grantee: Joliet Police Department

Amount awarded for 2006: \$776, 624

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 sheriffs offices of Will, Grundy, and Kankakee counties, and the police departments of Joliet, Bolingbrook, Romeoville, and Kankakee. In 2006, the task force conducted 368 investigations, resulting in 109 arrests. The unit recovered 278 vehicles worth an estimated \$4.6 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 2006: \$589, 315

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 activities of rebuilders and scrap dealers. 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 2006: \$1,196, 236

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 roll sting operations to help identify dealers who may be engaged in illegal activities. The teams are comprised of 14 auditors, three supervisors, one clerk, and one administrator.

In 2006, the teams performed 4,075 audits involving 51,476 vehicles and 8,773 essential vehicle parts. They also conducted eight reverse roll sting operations. In all, 44 stolen vehicles were recovered, for a total estimated value of \$327,880. There were 500 violation letters issued, which resulted in 959 charges. Their enforcement actions resulted in 26 arrests and 179 contraband vehicles identified worth an estimated value of \$1,872,228.

## Infrastructure supporting programs

### **Insurance Vehicle Expense Fund Program**

Grantee: Illinois Anti-Car Theft Committee

Amount awarded for 2006: \$0<sup>1</sup>

To support Council-funded law enforcement efforts, insurance companies have loaned vehicles for use by Council-funded programs. In 2006, insurance companies loaned 51 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 Illinois Anti-Car Theft Committee, 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 2006: \$334,251

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 Council-funded task forces, the Council, and the Illinois State Police Training Academy. The Clearinghouse also prepares the *Motor Vehicle Theft Task Force Quarterly Activity Summary*, which provides to the Council performance reports of Council-funded task forces.

The Clearinghouse completed 414 requests for case assistance in 2006. Intelligence alerts, geographic maps, theft assessments, statistical estimates, analytical charts, and presentations, were developed in response to the array of requests received.

### **Motor Vehicle Theft Investigation Training Program**

Grantee: Illinois State Police

Amount awarded for 2006: \$88,049

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.

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<sup>1</sup> The program was not granted additional funding in calendar year (CY) 2006, but continued to operate during a portion of SFY06 with funds granted in calendar year 2005. In CY06 the National Insurance Crime Bureau became the implementing agency for the program.

## 2006 programs and participating agencies

### **DuPage County Auto Theft Task Force**

1 Illinois State Police master sergeant  
1 DuPage County Sheriff's Office lieutenant  
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 Lake County deputy sheriff's investigator  
1 Illinois State Police master sergeant  
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 Granite City Police Department officer  
1 Illinois Secretary of State police investigator  
1 Illinois State police sergeant  
1 Madison County Sheriff's Department deputy  
1 St. Clair County Sheriff's Department master sergeant  
1 S.I.U. Edwardsville Police Department officer  
1 Madison County assistant state's attorney  
1 St. Clair County assistant state's attorney  
1 Secretary  
1 fiscal officer (part-time)

### **Motor Vehicle Theft Intelligence Clearinghouse**

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**

5 Cook County assistant state's attorneys  
2 Cook County state's attorneys investigators  
2 Law Clerks (part-time)

### **Secretary of State – Special Audit Team**

19 Secretary of State Police Department inspectors

### **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  
1 Illinois State Police sergeant  
1 Illinois State Police special agent  
2 Chicago Police Department detectives  
1 Cook County Sheriff's Department officer  
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 senior deputy  
1 Boone County deputy  
1 Winnebago County state's attorney investigator  
1 Winnebago County assistant state's attorney  
1 Boone County assistant state's attorney  
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  
1 Secretary  
1 Joliet financial officer  
1 Will County assistant state's attorney  
1 Kankakee County assistant state's attorney

**TOTAL PERSONNEL: 110**

## 2006 financial statement

### **Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Trust Fund**

Statement of revenues, expenditures, and fund balance for state fiscal year 2006  
(July 1, 2005, to June 30, 2006)

<b>REVENUES:</b>	
Insurance company payments	\$6,257,629
Interest income	\$135,811
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$6,393,440</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES:</b>	
Transfers from trust fund	\$1,492,679
Administrative	\$277,403
Programs	\$5,175,776
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$6,945,858</b>

<b>BALANCE:</b>	
BEGINNING BALANCE	\$5,095,144
ENDING BALANCE	\$4,542,726

### **Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Council program grant awards**

	2004	2005	2006
Secretary of State Special Audit Teams Program	\$1,062,112	\$1,143,302	\$1,196,236
Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Unit	\$589,315	\$589,315	\$715,797
Tri-County Auto Theft Task Force	\$776,624	\$783,124	\$800,124
Metro East Auto Theft Task Force	\$619,176	\$619,176	\$691,940
Kane County Auto Theft Task Force	\$407,608	\$425,633	\$407,608
Northeast Metro Auto Theft Task Force	\$746,345	\$746,345	\$618,589
Insurance Vehicle Expense Fund Program	\$63,590	\$63,590	\$63,590
Motor Vehicle Theft Intelligence Clearinghouse	\$271,554	\$320,667	\$335,876
DuPage County Auto Theft Task Force	\$298,534	\$298,534	\$414,735
Northern Illinois Auto Theft Task Force	\$421,586	\$500,933	\$540,733
Motor Vehicle Theft Investigation Training	\$88,049	\$88,049	\$88,049
State and Local Auto Theft Enforcement	\$311,778	\$318,278	\$380,778
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$5,656,271</b>	<b>\$5,896,946</b>	<b>\$6,254,055</b>

## Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention trust funds SFY 1991 to date

	SFY 1991	SFY 1992	SFY 1993	SFY 1994	SFY 1995	SFY 1996	SFY 1997	SFY 1998	SFY 1999
<b>REVENUE</b>									
Insurance company payments	3,679,729	6,477,645	5,187,604	5,269,417	5,306,781	5,427,486	5,554,590	5,599,576	5,697,892
Beat Auto Theft Program revenue	0	0	0	0	1,590	4,625	1,120	250	0
Interest on trust fund	0	253,170	328,170	280,204	310,915	263,376	222,737	240,659	236,526
Subtotal	3,679,729	6,730,815	5,515,774	5,549,621	5,619,286	5,695,487	5,778,447	5,840,485	5,934,418
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>									
Transfers from trust fund	0	(100,000)	0	(736)	0	(11,441)	0	(12,456)	0
Administrative expenditures	(8,068)	(205,021)	(328,170)	(399,627)	(461,547)	(408,141)	(329,393)	(268,400)	(179,910)
Grantee expenditures	0	(70,000)	(4,944,103)	(6,757,497)	(8,227,976)	(5,779,684)	(5,465,088)	(5,240,955)	(5,325,023)
Subtotal	(8,068)	(375,021)	(5,272,273)	(7,157,860)	(8,689,523)	(6,199,266)	(5,794,481)	(5,521,811)	(5,504,933)
Revenue less Expenditures	3,671,661	6,355,794	243,501	(1,608,239)	(3,070,237)	(503,779)	(16,034)	318,674	429,485
<b>TRUST FUND BALANCE</b>	3,671,661	10,027,455	10,270,956	8,662,717	5,592,480	5,088,701	5,072,667	5,391,341	5,820,826
	SFY 2000	SFY 2001	SFY 2002	SFY 2003	SFY 2004	SFY 2005	SFY 2006	SFY 2007	TOTALS
<b>REVENUE</b>									
Insurance company payments	5,836,878	5,762,127	5,928,202	5,974,212	6,497,668	5,952,904	6,257,629	6,486	90,416,826
Beat Auto Theft Program revenue	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7,585
Interest on trust fund	286,037	343,728	217,782	65,179	32,098	79,487	135,811	85,220	3,381,099
Subtotal	6,122,915	6,105,855	6,145,984	6,039,391	6,529,766	6,032,391	6,393,440	91,706	93,805,510
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>									
Transfers from trust fund	(22,766)	11,226	(13,738)	(4,009,201)	(769,337)	(501,400)	(1,492,679)	4,088	(6,918,440)
Administrative expenditures	(151,500)	(254,219)	(335,345)	(322,528)	(278,055)	(209,701)	(277,403)	(123,873)	(4,540,901)
Grantee expenditures	(5,481,428)	(4,901,941)	(4,621,844)	(6,958,488)	(4,351,973)	(4,529,746)	(5,175,776)	(3,383,930)	(81,215,452)
Subtotal	(5,655,694)	(5,144,934)	(4,970,927)	(11,290,217)	(5,399,365)	(5,240,847)	(6,945,858)	(3,503,715)	(92,674,793)
Revenue less Expenditures	467,221	960,921	1,175,057	(5,250,826)	1,130,401	791,544	(552,418)	(3,412,009)	1,130,717
<b>TRUST FUND BALANCE</b>	6,288,047	7,248,968	8,424,025	3,173,199	4,303,600	5,095,144	4,542,726	1,130,717	

Note: Numbers in parenthesis are negative.



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Erie Insurance Company  
Erie Insurance Exchange  
Esurance Insurance Company  
Farmers Automobile Insurance Association  
Farmers Union Company NE  
Federal Insurance Company  
Fidelity National Property & Casualty Insurance  
Financial Indemnity Company  
First Liberty Insurance Company  
First National Insurance Company of America  
Foremost Insurance Company  
Foremost Signature Insurance Company  
Founders Insurance Company  
Geico Casualty Company  
Geico General Insurance Company  
Geico Indemnity Company  
General Casualty Company of Illinois  
General Casualty Company of Wisconsin  
General Insurance Company of America  
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Metropolitan Group Property & Casualty  
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Mid-Century Insurance Company  
Middlesex Insurance Company  
Midwest Family Mutual Insurance Co.  
Millers Classified Insurance Company  
Millers First Insurance Company  
Milwaukee Casualty Insurance Co.  
National General Assurance Company  
National General Insurance Company  
National Heritage Insurance Company  
National Interstate Insurance Company  
National Surety Company Corporation  
National Union Fire of Pittsburgh  
National-Ben Franklin Insurance of IL  
Nationwide General Insurance Co.  
Nationwide Mutual Fire Insurance Co.  
Nationwide Mutual Insurance Co.  
Northbrook Indemnity Company  
Northern Assurance Co. of America  
Ohio Casualty Insurance Company  
Ohio Farmers Insurance Co

Ohio Indemnity Company  
Ohio Security Insurance Company  
Omni Indemnity Company  
Omni Insurance Company  
OneBeacon America Insurance Co.  
Owners Insurance Company  
Pacific Indemnity Company  
Pacific Specialty Insurance Company  
Pekin Insurance Company  
Pharmacists Mutual Insurance Co.  
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United Automobile Insurance Company  
United Equitable Insurance Company  
United Financial Casualty Company  
United Fire & Casualty Company  
United Services Auto Association  
Unitrin Auto & Home Insurance Company  
Unitrin Direct Property & Casualty Company  
Unitrin Preferred Insurance Company  
Universal Casualty Company  
USAA Casualty Insurance Company  
USAA General Indemnity Company  
Usagencies Direct Insurance Company  
Usauto Insurance Company  
Victoria Fire & Casualty Company  
Victoria Select Insurance Company  
Vigilant Insurance Company  
Viking Insurance Company of Wisconsin  
Virginia Surety Company, Inc.  
Warner Insurance Company  
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# The Illinois Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Act

## 20 Illinois Compiled 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) To 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) To 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.

**4005/12. Repealer.** Sections 1 through 9 and Section 11 are repealed January 1, 2008.

(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.)

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