



# ILLINOIS MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT PREVENTION COUNCIL 2011 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 2011 Annual Report. This report describes the Council's accomplishments and challenges over the past year. The Council's partnership of public and private sectors is effectively fighting vehicle theft in Illinois. Illinois ranks 7<sup>th</sup> in the nation in terms of the largest reductions in motor vehicle theft offenses from 1990 to 2009.

Vehicle theft in Illinois has declined 64 percent since 1991, when the Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Act was passed by the General Assembly. From 1991 to 2009, the number of stolen vehicles decreased from 75,642 to 26,917. This is a decline of 48,725 vehicles, resulting in a savings of more than \$330 million in property losses.

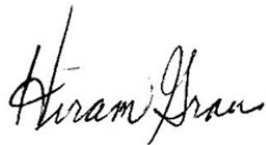
Grant funds awarded by the Council have improved motor vehicle theft law enforcement by establishing and supporting multi-jurisdictional task forces, investigative teams, and other anti-theft efforts throughout the state. These programs have produced impressive results over the past 19 years, including:

- 33,841 criminal investigations initiated.
- 60,230 audits of vehicle-related businesses.
- 13,380 violation letters issued to audited businesses.
- 16,135 arrests.
- 6,402 convictions obtained.
- 37,143 stolen vehicles recovered totaling approximately \$280 million.

Since inception, more than \$115 million has been granted to a variety of anti-theft programs and efforts which have resulted in the recovery of more than \$610 million in stolen vehicles, and reduced theft rates. These efforts have resulted in a return of more than \$5 for every \$1 spent.

We would like to thank the individuals who are 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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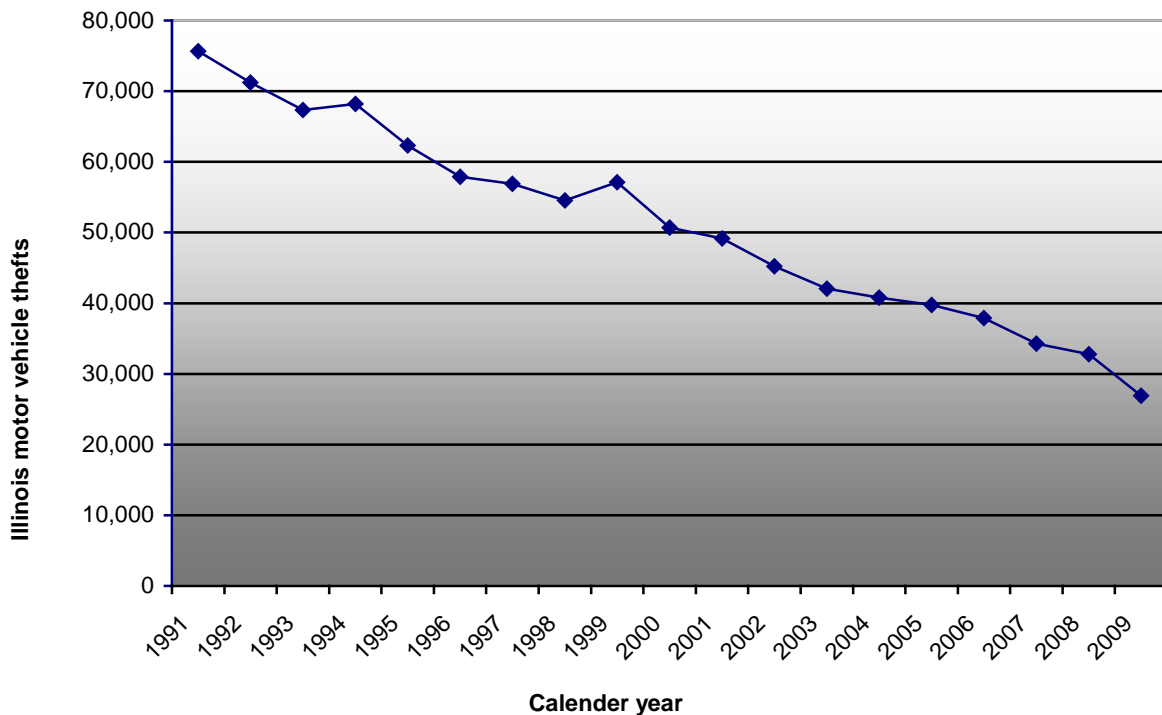
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***Decrease in Illinois motor vehicle thefts  
1991-2009***



## *The Illinois Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Council*

In 1991, the General Assembly established the Illinois Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Council, an 11-member coalition 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 \$1 into a special trust fund for each private passenger automobile insured for physical damage coverage. About \$6.5 million are annually collected and distributed by the Council. The funds are designated to support 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 grant proposals, budgets, and other information that must be brought before the Council.

### *Council members*

The following members serve on the Illinois Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Council:

#### **Honorable Anita Alvarez**

##### *Cook County State's Attorney*

Anita Alvarez was sworn in as Cook County's first female and first Hispanic state's attorney in December 2008. Ms. Alvarez began her career in the Cook County State's Attorney's Office in 1986 and steadily worked her way up through the ranks, handling hundreds of felony cases ranging from homicide, narcotics, armed robbery, criminal sexual assaults and domestic violence. Prior to her election as state's attorney, Ms. Alvarez served as chief deputy state's attorney; chief of staff to the state's

attorney; chief of the Special Prosecutions Bureau; deputy chief of the Narcotics Bureau, and supervisor of the Public Integrity Unit. Ms. Alvarez is past president of the Chicago Bar Association.

#### **Larry C. Cholewin**

##### *MetLife Insurance Company*

Larry Cholewin is a regional manager with the Special Investigative Unit of MetLife Insurance Co. Mr. Cholewin's insurance investigation career with MetLife began as an investigator working a multi-state region and was promoted to supervisor and subsequently regional manager. His current position followed a successful career as a police officer with the Evanston Police Department. Mr. Cholewin is an active member of the International Association of Special Investigation Units and the International Association of Auto Theft Investigators.

#### **Gerald M. Farina**

##### *State Farm Insurance Company*

Gerald M. Farina began his State Farm career as a fire claim representative in Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., in 1985. He was appointed to the Miami Special Investigative Unit (SIU) where he remained until he was promoted to SIU Claim Section Manager in Bloomington. Mr. Farina handles all auto SIU claims for Illinois and Indiana, as well as non-field auto property claims for Michigan. Mr. Farina also serves on the Illinois Fire Advisory Board and is a member of the International Association of Special Investigation Units Awards Committee.

**Brian B. Fengel**

*Chief, Bartonville Police Department*

Brian B. Fengel has been Bartonville Police Chief since 1998. He began his career with the Bartonville Police Department as an officer in 1990. He is a graduate of the 201<sup>st</sup> Session of the FBI National Academy. He served as a police officer assigned with the Secret Service at the 2002 Olympic Games in Salt Lake City, Utah.

**Hiram Grau**

*Director, Illinois State Police*

Hiram Grau was appointed director of the Illinois State Police in April 2011. As director, he oversees a staff of 3,200 with four major divisions, including the third largest crime laboratory system in the world, and an annual agency budget of approximately \$404 million. Prior to his appointment as director, Mr. Grau served as deputy chief of investigations for the Cook County State's Attorney's Office. In that position, he partnered with other law enforcement entities to ensure public safety in Cook County. Prior to that, Mr. Grau served 27 years in the Chicago Police Department, working his way from beat cop to deputy superintendent for the Bureau of Investigative Services. In addition to receiving numerous law enforcement commendations and management training certifications, Mr. Grau is a decorated Vietnam War Veteran. In 2003, he earned his master's in business administration from St. Xavier University.

**Larry D. Johnson**

*Farmers Insurance Group*

Larry D. Johnson is a special investigation unit manager responsible for SIU field operations in four states. He began his insurance career in 1985 as a multi-line claims representative in Springfield. He has held multiple positions in claims including claims investigation specialist, field claims supervisor, auto physical damage claims manager and national quality assurance claims consultant. Mr. Johnson has a bachelor's degree from Illinois State University and holds

the insurance designations of INS, AIC, and SCLA. He is a member of the National Society of Professional Insurance Investigators.

**Garry McCarthy**

*Superintendent, Chicago Police Department*

Garry F. McCarthy was named Chicago Police Department Superintendent in June 2011. In this role, Superintendent McCarthy employs crime fighting and prevention strategies that reduced violence and crime under his leadership in New York City, N.Y., and Newark, N.J., Superintendent McCarthy began his career in law enforcement with the New York Police Department (NYPD) in 1981, and steadily rose through the ranks. He was named NYPD Deputy Commissioner of Operations in 2000 and served as the principal crime strategist for the department. Under his leadership, NYPD saw a significant decline in homicides. That steady decline culminated in 2005 with its lowest murder rate since 1963. Superintendent McCarthy demonstrated strong leadership as a supervisor while commanding three separate precincts during a five-year period and bringing about significant positive changes. His success ultimately led him to a new assignment at the 70th precinct, where he helped diminish a double digit crime rate as well as decrease the number of complaints against police officers. These accomplishments garnered the praise of the U.S. Attorney's Office. In the fall of 2006, Superintendent McCarthy was chosen to lead the Newark Police Department, which achieved a 9 percent reduction in murder within his first year. Along with this reduction, the Newark Police Department experienced additional improvements in efficiency and professionalism, including a 17 percent increase in arrests and diminished complaints against police officers.

**Beau William Parrillo**

*United Automobile Insurance Company*

Beau William Parrillo is vice-president of Claims for United Automobile Insurance Company.

**Donald L. Sauzek**

*Country Companies*

Donald L. Sauzek is the manager of material damage claims for Country Companies, directing all aspects of physical damage claims in 10 states.

**Jesse White**

*Illinois Secretary of State*

Jesse White was first elected Illinois Secretary of State in 1998. Mr. 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. Secretary of State Police Department, Director Brad Demuzio is Mr. White's designee to the Council.

**Michael Golden**

*Cook County State's Attorney's Office*  
Represents Cook County State's Attorney  
Anita Alvarez

**Beau William Parrillo**

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*Council staff*

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*Grant Review Committee*

**Bruce L. Banks, Chairman**

*Lieutenant Colonel, Illinois State Police*  
Represents Illinois State Police  
Director Hiram Grau

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*Sergeant, Chicago Police Department*  
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## Motor vehicle theft trends in Illinois

### Vehicle thefts decline

The annual number of motor vehicle theft offenses in Illinois has declined 64 percent, from 75,642 in 1991 to 26,917 in 2009 (most current data available). Between 1991 and 2009, the vehicle theft rate declined 68 percent, from 656 to 209 offenses per 100,000 persons.

Figure 1 shows the number of vehicle theft offenses in 2009 for each county. The 10 counties with the most vehicle thefts were: Cook (19,896), St. Clair (886), Winnebago (664), DuPage (553), Will (535), Peoria (457), Lake (395), Kane (370), Madison (354), and Sangamon (347). Cook County vehicle thefts represented 74 percent of all vehicle thefts in Illinois. The areas where the seven Council-funded task forces operate are outlined in black.

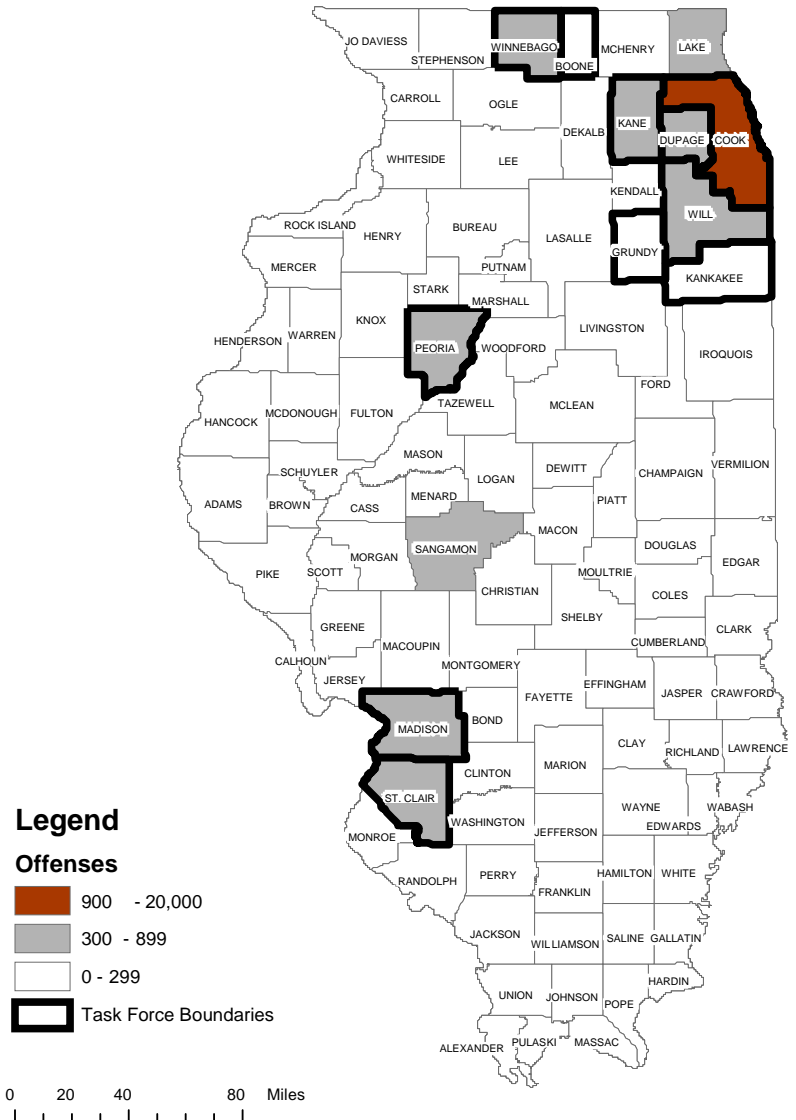
### Vehicle theft recoveries

Based on a statewide assessment of motor vehicle theft prepared by the Motor Vehicle Theft Intelligence Clearinghouse, 60 percent of the vehicles stolen in Illinois in 2010 were recovered.

### Vehicle theft arrest and convictions

In 2009, there were 4,950 arrests for vehicle theft in Illinois. In 2009, the average sentence length of offenders committed to IDOC for vehicle theft was 4.1 years.

**Figure 1**  
**2009 motor vehicle theft offenses**



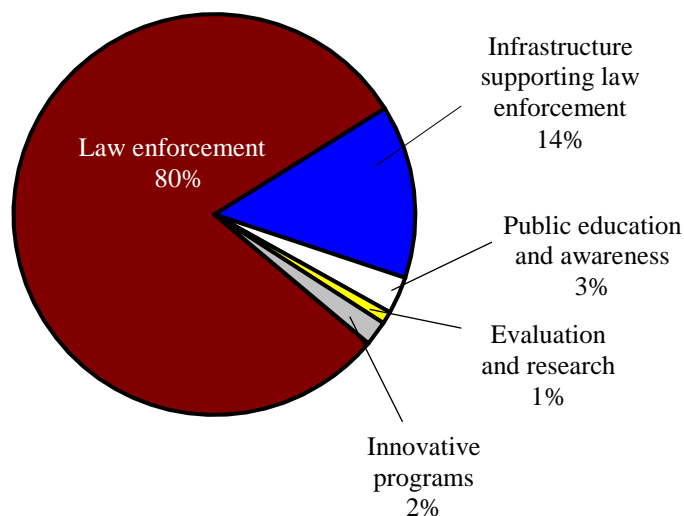
## Overview of Council programs 1992-2011

A variety of theft prevention efforts have been supported with MVTPC funding since the Council's inception in 1992. Funding emphasis has been placed law enforcement programs that enhance investigation and prosecution of vehicle theft-related crimes (*Figure 2*).

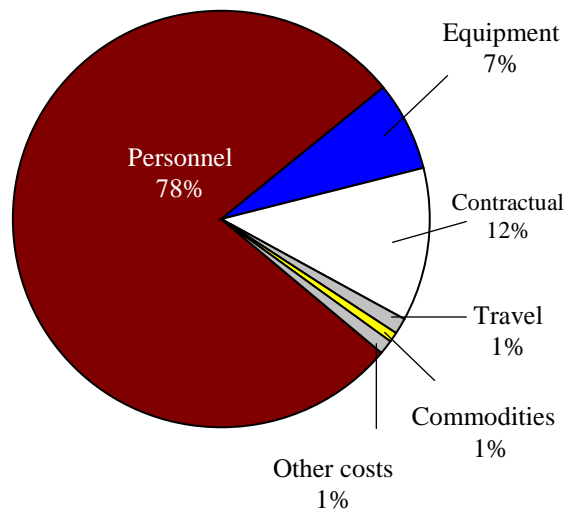
Since 1992, programs funded by the Council expended approximately \$116 million. Most funds pay the salaries and fringe benefits of personnel assigned to task forces and special investigative teams in the state (*Figure 3*). Remaining funds are utilized for equipment, commodities, travel, contractual agreements, and costs not covered by the other categories.

All programs are cooperative partnerships. Nearly all involve considerable support from participating agencies. Illinois State Police and the Secretary of State Police Department have assigned task force directors and personnel to these programs and absorbed costs for these personnel. The National Insurance Crime Bureau also has assigned agents to various efforts without requesting compensation. Illinois insurance companies have loaned approximately 450 vehicles for use by Council-funded law enforcement programs since the Council began.

**Figure 2**  
**Funding awarded by program area**  
**1992-2011**



**Figure 3**  
**Program expenditures**  
**1992-2011**



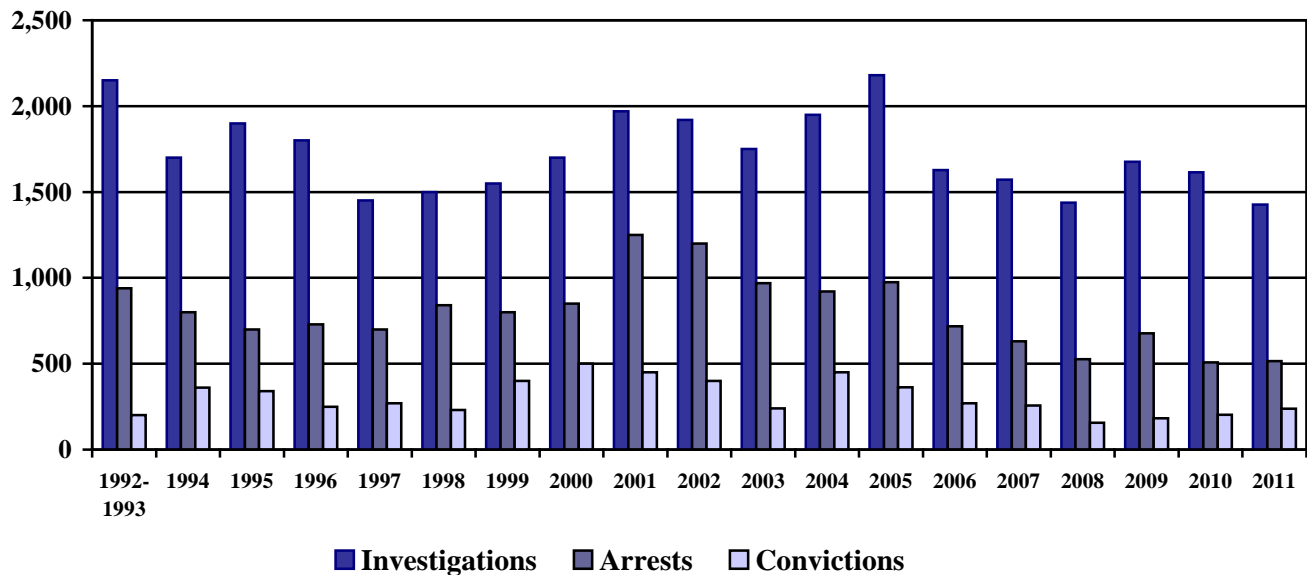
## 2011 Council programs

In 2011, the Council funded 12 programs, including seven task forces, a specialized prosecution program, specialized investigations program, vehicle theft training program, vehicle maintenance program, and data intelligence program. There were 104 personnel supported by, or assigned to, Council-funded programs in 2011.

### Law enforcement

Seven Council-funded task forces operated in 2011. Task forces consist of officers from both local and state law enforcement agencies. In 2011, 70 investigators and auditors were assigned to Council-funded task forces. During the year, the work of the task forces resulted in 1,427 investigations, 515 arrests, and 238 convictions (*Figure 4*).<sup>1</sup> There were 1,359 vehicles recovered, valued at about \$19.5 million. In addition, task force officers were involved in public awareness and motor vehicle theft prevention activities in their areas.

**Figure 4**  
**Task force program activity**  
**1992-2011\***



Source: Task Force Monthly Performance Reports

\*Data for September through December 1992 were added to 1993.

<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.

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

Grantee: DuPage County Sheriff's Office

Amount awarded for 2011: \$336,699

The DuPage County Auto Theft Task Force, also known as BATTLE (Beat Auto Theft Through Law Enforcement), operates in DuPage County. In a coordinated effort to identify and arrest offenders, officers work with local, county, and federal police agencies, insurance companies, and local vehicle rental companies. In 2011, BATTLE conducted 113 investigations resulting in 61 arrests. The task force referred 62 cases for prosecution that led to 26 convictions. BATTLE also recovered 145 stolen vehicles worth an estimated \$2.58million.

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

Grantee: Elgin Police Department

Amount awarded for 2011: \$458,048

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 2011, KCAT initiated 108 investigations that resulted in 28 arrests, 83 prosecutions, and 44 convictions. KCAT also recovered 223 vehicles worth \$5.53 million.

### **Metro East Auto Theft Task Force**

Grantee: Belleville Police Department

Amount awarded for 2011: \$742,639

The Metro East Auto Theft Task Force (MEATTF) operates in Madison and St. Clair counties. The task force combats vehicle theft by working closely with the many police departments in the two counties, as well as Missouri's St. Louis Police Department and St. Louis County Police Department. In 2011, MEATTF conducted 430 investigations resulting in 134 arrests. The task force referred 328 cases for prosecution that led to 63 convictions. The unit recovered 377 vehicles worth an estimated \$2.93 million.

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

Grantee: Illinois State Police

Amount awarded for 2011: \$424,552

The Northeast Metro Auto Theft Task Force (NEMAT) conducts enforcement operations to combat auto theft and insurance fraud in Cook County and in Chicago. They also assist federal, state, and local law enforcement agencies, perform undercover operations, provide training, and initiate investigations. In 2011, NEMAT conducted 148 investigations resulting in 58 arrests. The task force referred 49 cases for prosecution that led to 16 convictions. The unit recovered 178 stolen vehicles worth an estimated \$3.62 million.

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

Grantee: Winnebago County Sheriff's Office

Amount awarded for 2011: \$624,188

The Northern Illinois Auto Theft Task Force (NIATTF) 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 2011, NIATTF launched 156 investigations resulting in 78 arrests. The task force referred 80 cases for prosecution that led to 13 convictions. The unit recovered 161 vehicles worth an estimated \$1.09 million.

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

Grantee: City of Peoria Police Department

Amount awarded for 2011: \$400,784

The State and Local Auto Theft Enforcement Task Force (SLATE) serves Peoria County. During 2011, SLATE conducted 176 investigations resulting in 83 arrests. SLATE referred 66 of these cases for prosecution which led to 36 convictions. In addition, the task force recovered 100 vehicles worth an estimated \$929,177.

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

Grantee: Joliet Police Department

Amount awarded for 2011: \$801,305

The Tri-County Auto Theft Task Force (TCAT) 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 2011, the task force conducted 247 investigations resulting in 73 arrests. The task force referred 62 cases for prosecution. The unit recovered 175 vehicles worth an estimated \$2.81 million.

## *Specialized prosecution*

### **Cook County Motor Vehicle Theft Prosecution Unit**

Grantee: Office of the Cook County State's Attorney

Amount awarded for 2011: \$802,644

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 and individuals involved in chop shop operations, insurance fraud, organized street gang operations, carjacking, and 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.

The Cook County Motor Vehicle Theft Prosecution Unit accepted all of the 125 cases referred for prosecution, resulting in 104 convictions. The unit also obtained \$15,811 in restitution for victims in 2011.

## *Specialized investigation*

### **Secretary of State Special Audit Teams Program**

Grantee: Secretary of State, Department of Police

Amount awarded for 2011: \$1,282,036

The Secretary of State Special Audit Teams Program focuses on policing the marketplace for stolen vehicles and parts using special audit teams. There were four teams in operation during 2011 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 12 auditors, two auditor supervisors, one clerk, and one administrator.

In 2011, the teams performed 3,329 audits involving 31,916 vehicles and 6,272 essential vehicle parts. The team recovered nine stolen vehicles for a total estimated value of \$95,087. There were 402 violation letters issued which resulted in 841 charges. Their enforcement actions resulted in 74 contraband vehicles identified worth an estimated value of \$1.2 million. A contraband vehicle is a vehicle which does not have a public VIN plate.

Additionally, the special audit teams identified and tracked 10,490 vehicles at insurance salvage pools and entered the vehicles into a title alert system. The vehicles identified were classified as flood damaged, high theft, burned, and beyond economic repair.

## *Support programs*

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

Grantee: National Insurance Crime Bureau

Amount awarded for 2011: \$63,590

Insurance companies loan vehicles for use by Council-funded programs. In 2011, insurance companies loaned 35 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 2011: \$382,541

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 captain 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 clearinghouse prepares the Motor Vehicle Theft Task Force Quarterly Activity Summary, which provides to the Council performance reports of Council-funded task forces.

The clearinghouse processed 434 requests for information in 2011, which included intelligence alerts, geographic maps, intelligence summaries, statistical estimates, analytical charts, and presentations. Analytical link and communication analyses were also prepared in response to various complex tactical investigations conducted by the motor vehicle theft task forces, a joint federal task force, and the Illinois Secretary of State Police Special Audit Team. Clearinghouse analysts employed a communication workspace, sharing intelligence and work products with task force members involved in a large-scale motor vehicle theft investigation. A Law Enforcement Agencies Data System (LEADS) Daily Briefing instructing on proper stolen vehicle entry was created to enhance motor vehicle theft data quality. Resource acquisition and software updates enriched the intelligence product provided to requestors. The clearinghouse also provided instruction during the motor vehicle theft Advanced Investigator's training courses.

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

Grantee: Illinois State Police

Amount awarded for 2011: \$62,114

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

investigators, 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 2011, 12 training sessions were conducted totaling approximately 130 hours of instruction presented to 426 local, county, state, and motor vehicle theft prevention task force and insurance investigators.



## *Programs and participating agencies 2011*

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

1 Illinois State Police sergeant  
1 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  
1 Warrenville Police Department officer

### **Kane County Auto Theft Task Force**

1 Maywood Police Department investigator  
2 Hoffman Estates Police Department investigators  
1 Illinois State Police master sergeant  
1 Kane County assistant state's attorney  
1 Round Lake Park Police Department officer  
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 Columbia Police Department officer  
1 Madison County Sheriff's Department officer  
2 Illinois Secretary of State Police investigators  
1 Illinois State police officer  
1 St. Clair County Sheriff's Department officer  
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/office manager  
1 Secretary

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

2 Illinois State Police Criminal Intelligence Analysts II  
1 Illinois State Police office assistant

### **Motor Vehicle Theft Prosecution Unit**

4 Cook County assistant state's attorneys  
2 Cook County state's attorney investigators  
1 Cook County state's attorney administrative assistant

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

12 Auditors  
2 Auditor supervisors  
1 Correspondence Operator  
1 Administrator

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

1 Illinois State Police commander  
1 Illinois State Police lieutenant  
1 Illinois State Police master sergeant  
1 Administration clerk  
1 Fiscal clerk

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

1 Illinois State Police master sergeant  
1 Illinois State Police special agent  
1 Chicago Police Department detective  
2 Cook County State's Attorney investigators  
1 Stone Park Police Department officer  
1 Willow Springs Police Department officer  
1 National Insurance Crime Bureau investigator  
2 Clerks

### **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 Sheriff's Department officer  
2 Winnebago County State's Attorney investigators  
1 Winnebago County assistant state's attorney  
1 Winnebago County State's Attorney secretary  
1 Boone County assistant state's attorney  
1 Rockford Police Department officer

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

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

**TOTAL:** 104 personnel supported by or assigned to Council-funded programs.

*Financial statement 2011*

**Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Trust Fund**

Statement of revenues, expenditures, and fund balance for state fiscal year 2011  
(July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011)

REVENUES:	
Insurance company payments	\$6,309,097
Interest income	\$30,240
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$6,339,337</b>
EXPENDITURES:	
Transfers from trust fund	\$0
Administrative	\$255,081
Programs <sup>2</sup>	\$5,728,286
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$5,972,341</b>

BALANCE:	
BEGINNING BALANCE	\$5,352,296
ENDING BALANCE	\$5,719,292

*Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Council program grant awards*

	2009	2010	2011
Secretary of State Special Audit Teams Program	\$1,303,598	\$1,282,036	\$1,282,036
Motor Vehicle Theft Prosecution Unit	\$810,162	\$802,644	\$802,644
Tri-County Auto Theft Task Force	\$823,537	\$801,305	\$801,305
Metro-East Auto Theft Task Force	\$699,228	\$874,112	\$742,639
Kane County Auto Theft Task Force	\$390,485	\$458,048	\$458,048
Northeast Metro Auto Theft Task Force	\$351,131	\$351,590	\$424,552
Insurance Vehicle Expense Fund Program	\$63,590	\$63,590	\$63,590
Motor Vehicle Theft Intelligence Clearinghouse	\$381,796	\$432,541	\$382,541
DuPage County Auto Theft Task Force	\$433,199	\$433,199	\$336,699
Northern Illinois Auto Theft Task Force	\$617,132	\$624,188	\$624,188
Motor Vehicle Theft Investigation Training	\$110,641	\$110,641	\$62,114
State and Local Auto Theft Enforcement	\$394,508	\$424,624	\$400,784
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$6,379,007</b>	<b>\$6,658,518</b>	<b>\$6,381,140</b>

<sup>2</sup>Funds distributed during the fiscal year may differ from the total award received.

*Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Trust Fund totals SFY91 to SFY11*

	SFY 1991 - 2007	SFY 2008	SFY 2009	SFY 2010	SFY 2011	TOTALS
<b>REVENUE</b>						
Insurance company payments	96,661,709	6,400,746	6,420,651	6,541,239	6,309,097	122,333,442
Beat Auto Theft Program revenue	7,585	0	0	0	0	7,585
Interest on trust fund	3,436,905	139,430	83,632	26,296	30,240	3,716,503
Subtotal	100,106,199	6,540,176	6,504,283	6,567,535	6,339,337	126,057,530
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>						
Transfers from trust fund	(6,929,466)	0	0	0	0	(6,929,466)
Administrative expenditures	(4,733,025)	(326,590)	(282,541)	(265,574)	(255,081)	(5,862,811)
Grantee expenditures	(84,321,752)	(5,645,059)	(5,723,200)	(6,138,690)	(5,717,260)	(107,545,961)
Subtotal	(95,984,243)	(5,971,649)	(6,005,741)	(6,404,264)	(5,972,341)	(120,338,238)
Revenue less Expenditures	4,121,956	568,527	498,542	163,271	366,996	5,719,292
<b>TRUST FUND BALANCE</b>	4,121,956	4,690,483	5,189,025	5,352,296	5,719,292	5,719,292

**Note: Figures in parentheses are negative.**

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Foremost Insurance Company  
Founders Insurance Company  
Garrison Property & Casualty Insurance Co.  
Geico Casualty Company  
Geico General Insurance Company  
Geico Indemnity Company  
General Casualty Company of Illinois  
General Casualty Company of Wisconsin  
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Goodville Mutual Casualty Company  
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Grange Indemnity Insurance Company  
Grange Mutual Casualty Company  
Great Northern Insurance Company  
Grinnell Mutual Reinsurance Company  
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Infinity Insurance Company  
Infinity Standard Insurance Company  
Interstate Bankers Casualty Company  
Integon National Insurance Company  
Iowa Mutual Insurance Company  
Kemper Independence Insurance Company  
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Meridian Security Insurance Company  
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Metropolitan General Insurance Company  
Metropolitan Group Property & Casualty  
Metropolitan Property & Casualty Company  
Michigan Millers Mutual Insurance Company  
Mid-Century Insurance Company  
Midwest Family Mutual Insurance Co.  
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Victoria Select 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, 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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