

# Illinois Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Council

## *1999 Annual Report*

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



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

The Council's partnership of the public and private sectors is effectively fighting vehicle theft in Illinois. I'm proud to present this annual report documenting our accomplishments in 1999. In this report, we'll describe the challenges we've faced and the positive results we've achieved in 1999.



Vehicle theft in Illinois has declined by 31% since 1991, the year the Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Act was enacted by the General Assembly. Between 1991 and 1999, the number of stolen vehicles dropped by more than 23,000 – resulting in a savings of over \$139 million.

The grant funds awarded by the Council have dramatically improved motor vehicle theft law enforcement by establishing task forces, investigative teams and other special efforts around the state. These programs have generated impressive results:

- 11,073 criminal investigations initiated;
- 21,264 audits of vehicle-related businesses conducted;
- 5,972 persons arrested;
- 2,439 convictions obtained; and
- Over 18,000 stolen and contraband vehicles recovered worth nearly \$117 million.

In short, the \$49 million granted by the Council from 1991 through 1999 has resulted in \$256 million from recovered stolen vehicles and reduced theft rates - *a return of more than \$5 for every dollar spent.*

I join with the insurance industry and the law enforcement community in applauding your action to extend the Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Act to January 1, 2004, by enacting Public Act 91-85. In so doing, you have allowed us to continue the successful fight against vehicle theft in Illinois.

Very respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sam W. Nolen".

Sam Nolen, Chairman

## **The 1999 Illinois Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Council**

Sam Nolen (Chairman), Director  
**Illinois State Police**

Mr. Nolen, a 38-year veteran of the State Police, began his professional career as a state trooper. He served as acting director of the Illinois State Police from January to March 1991, and became director in January 1999.

Michael Burnside  
**Allstate Insurance Company**

Mr. Burnside has been employed with Allstate Insurance Company since 1974. He currently serves as an external communications consultant. He was appointed to the Council in November 1998.

Ronald R. Brown  
**State Farm Insurance Companies**

Mr. Brown has 29 years of service with State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Company, where he currently serves as Vice President of Operations. He was appointed to the Council in 1996.

Hon. Richard A. Devine  
**Cook County State's Attorney**

Mr. Devine was elected Cook County State's Attorney in 1996. Mr. Devine has served as president of the Chicago Park District and as assistant to Chicago Mayor Richard J. Daley. He has also served on numerous commissions, boards, and committees on the legal profession.

Chief William Doster  
**Kankakee Police Department**

Mr. Doster, a retired Lieutenant Colonel with the Illinois State Police, became Chief of the Kankakee Police Department in 1994. He was appointed to the Council in 1999. (Mr. Doster left his position as Chief of the Kankakee Police Department in 2000).

Terry G. Hillard  
**Superintendent,  
Chicago Police Department**

Mr. Hillard has over 31 years of service with the Chicago Police Department. From 1979 to 1984, he was assigned to the security detail of Chicago Mayors Jane Byrne and Harold Washington. He was Commander of the 6<sup>th</sup> District from 1991 to 1993, and served as Deputy Chief of Area 2 from 1993 to 1995. He was appointed chief of the Detective Division in 1995. Mayor Richard M. Daley appointed Mr. Hillard superintendent of police in 1998.

Linda Laurich  
**American Family Insurance**

Ms. Laurich was appointed to the Council in 1998. Ms. Laurich is government affairs counsel for American Family Insurance. Her responsibilities include lobbying the Illinois General Assembly and serving as corporate liaison to the Illinois Department of Insurance and the National Association of Insurance Commissioners.

Hon. Paul A. Logli

**Winnebago County State's Attorney**

Mr. Logli was elected Winnebago County state's attorney in 1986. He has been elected to the office four times, and was appointed to the Council in 1993.

Ronald L. Sauzek

**Country Companies**

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

Hon. Jesse White

**Illinois Secretary of State**

Mr. White was elected the 37<sup>th</sup> Illinois Secretary of State in 1998. Prior to being elected as the Illinois Secretary of State, Mr. White served as Cook County Recorder of Deeds. He was elected to the position in 1992 and reelected in 1996. Before being elected as Recorder of Deeds, he served in the Illinois General Assembly for 16 years. Mr. White was chairman of the Illinois House Committee on Human Services and was an active member of the Education Committee and Select Committees on Children and Aging.

Robert Howlett, Director of the Secretary of State Department of Police, is Mr. White's designee to the Council.

**Grant Review Committee Members**

Members of the Grant Review Committee are appointed by members of the Council. The Grant Review Committee reviews all grant proposals, submitted budgets, and any other information that must be brought before the Council. They present their recommendations to the Council for discussion and vote.

Asst. Deputy Director Kenneth Bouche, Chairman

**Illinois State Police**

represents Council Chairman Nolen.

Paula Daleo

**Cook County State's Attorney's Office**

represents Cook County State's Attorney Richard A. Devine.

Brad DeMuzio

**Illinois Secretary of State Department of Police**

Mr. DeMuzio is appointed to represent Secretary of State White.

Tom Lilla

**Allstate Insurance Company**

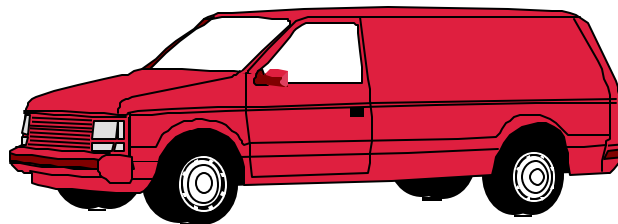
Mr. Lilla represents Council member Michael Burnside on the Committee.

David E. Ward

**State Farm Insurance Company**

Mr. Ward represents Council member Ronald Brown on the Committee.

(Mr. Ward recently retired from State Farm).



## About the Council

In 1991, the General Assembly established the Illinois Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Council, an 11-member coalition uniquely comprising law enforcement and insurance industry officials, which has worked tirelessly to curtail vehicle theft, insurance fraud, and related crimes.

The Illinois Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Act requires insurance companies to pay into a special trust fund an amount equal to \$1 for each private passenger automobile insured for physical damage coverage. This amount collected and administered by the Council totals approximately \$5.4 million each year. Funds are designated primarily for law enforcement programs that increase the investigation and prosecution of vehicle theft-related crimes.

### Vehicle thefts reduced

The number of vehicle thefts declined 31 percent from 1991 to 1999, according to the Illinois State Police, Uniform Crime Reporting Program. More than 23,000 fewer vehicles were stolen during 1999 than in 1991, which equates to over \$139 million saved.<sup>1</sup>

In those counties where a Council-funded auto theft task force operates, the motor vehicle theft rate declined 33 percent from 1991 to 1999. Counties without a task force experienced a six percent increase in the motor vehicle theft rate during this same period.

### Increased arrests

Illinois arrest rates for motor vehicle theft have increased by 26 percent since 1991. In counties served by a Council-funded auto

theft task force, the arrest rate has increased by 36 percent since 1991. In 1999, juveniles accounted for 38 percent of motor vehicle theft arrests in Illinois.<sup>2</sup>

### Stolen vehicles recovered

According to the Illinois State Police, 81 percent of the vehicles stolen in 1999 were recovered. Of those vehicles that were recovered, 79 percent were recovered within 14 days.

### Parts market audited

Council-funded programs have successfully attacked the 'black market' for stolen vehicles and contraband parts. Special auditing teams scrutinized the forms that track essential parts from buyers and sellers to determine whether the purchases were for other than legitimate rebuilding purposes. In 1999, more than 3,800 audits of vehicle-related businesses were conducted, bringing the statewide total to more than 20,000 since 1992. An estimated \$7.4 million in stolen and contraband vehicles have been recovered by the audit teams to date and over 200 persons arrested. The word is out that dealing in stolen parts isn't worth it in Illinois.



<sup>1</sup> The FBI estimates the average value of a stolen car at the time of theft to be \$6030. *Crime in the United States 1998*. Washington, DC.

<sup>2</sup> *Juvenile Crime and Justice System Activities in Illinois: An Overview of Trends*. Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority, June 2000.

## 1999 Financial Statement

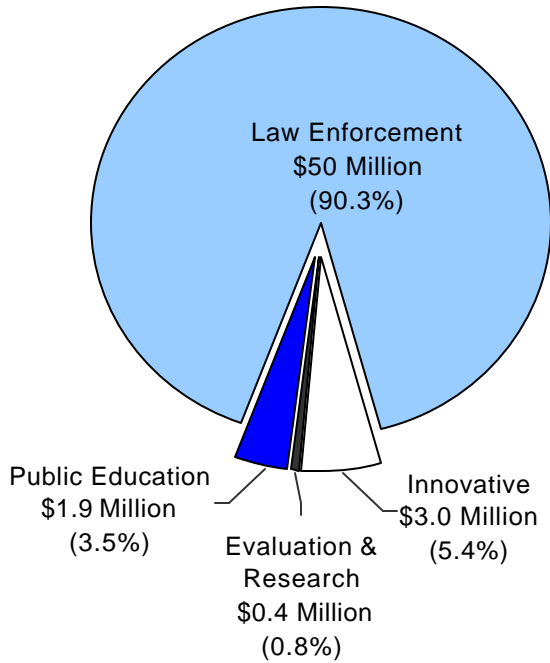
Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Trust Fund  
Statement of revenues, expenditures, and fund balance for  
State Fiscal Year 1999 (July 1998 to June 1999)

<b>REVENUES:</b>	
Insurance Company Payments	\$5,697,892
Interest Income	\$236,526
<b>TOTAL</b>	\$5,934,418
<b>EXPENDITURES:</b>	
Administrative	\$179,910
Programs	\$5,325,023
<b>TOTAL</b>	\$5,504,933
<b>BALANCE:</b>	
<b>BEGINNING BALANCE</b>	\$5,391,341
<b>ENDING BALANCE</b>	\$5,820,826

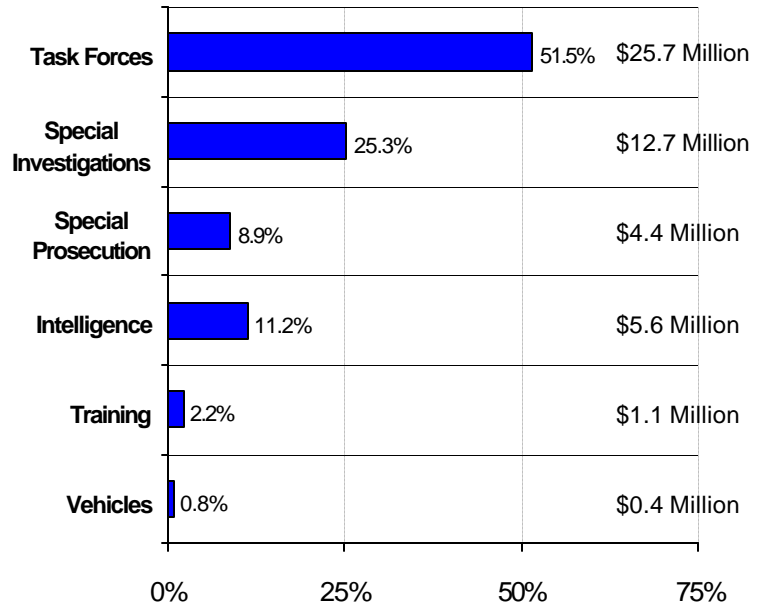


# Statistical Snapshots

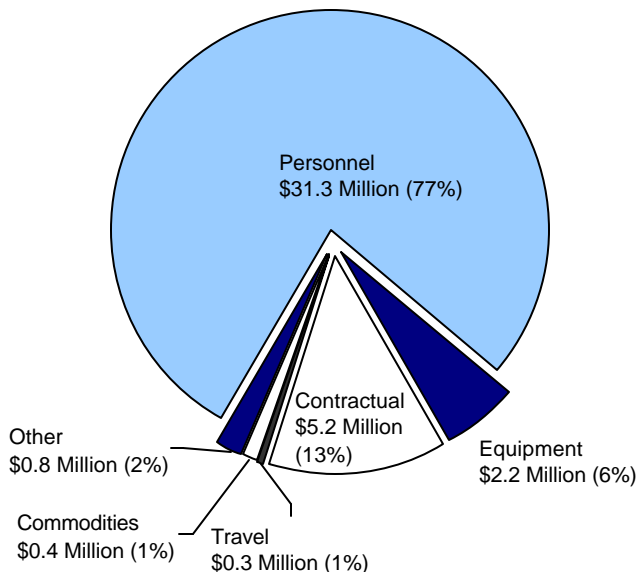
**Program Areas Funded 1992-1999**



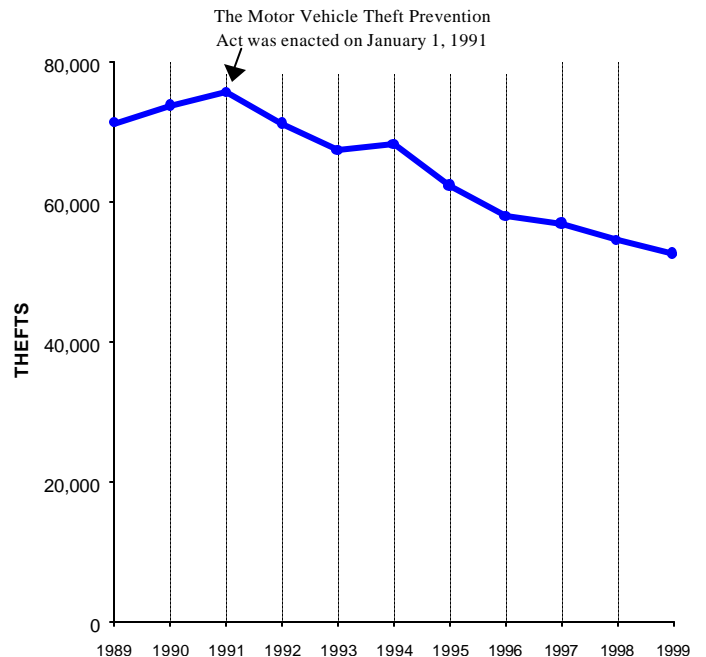
**Law Enforcement Funding by Activity 1992-1999**



**Grantee Expenditures 1992-1999**



**Illinois Motor Vehicle Thefts 1989-1999**



Source: Illinois State Police, *Uniform Crime Reports*

## 1999 PROGRAMS FUNDED

The Council funded fourteen programs in 1999.<sup>3</sup> The purposes, activities, and results of each program are summarized below as tallied in mid-year 2000. Unless otherwise noted, awards were made for calendar year 1999, based on the strategy adopted by the Council.

The program descriptions below each include a chart that summarizes program expenditures during 1999. Expenditures are divided into six categories:

**Personnel**—includes salaries, social security, and fringe benefits for program staff.

**Equipment**—includes computers, communication devices, and other equipment with a cost greater than \$50.

**Commodities**—includes consumable supplies (such as office supplies) and equipment costing less than \$50.

**Travel**—includes lodging, food, and transportation expenses incurred by program staff while conducting official program-related business.

**Contractual**—includes facility costs, utilities, telephone service, equipment rentals, and wages for hourly personnel.

**Other**—includes any costs not covered by the above categories.

Due to rounding, the percentages of expenditures by category may total more than 100 percent.

## Law Enforcement Programs

### SOUTH SUBURBAN AUTO THEFT INTERDICTION NETWORK

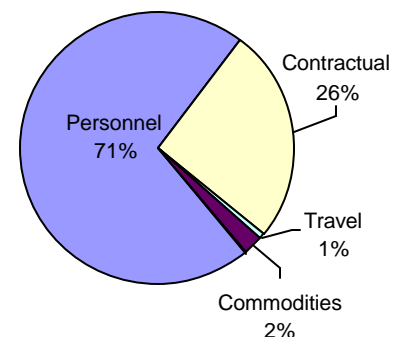
**Grantee:** Illinois State Police

**Type of Program:** Multijurisdictional vehicle theft task force

**Amount Awarded for 1999:** \$472,491

Known as SSATIN, this task force serves the south suburban Cook County metropolitan area. The unit employs numerous theft detection techniques, such as surveillance and informant development. In 1999, SSATIN conducted 197 investigations that resulted in 104 arrests and 139 convictions.<sup>4</sup> The unit recovered 245 stolen vehicles worth an estimated \$5.5 million.

1999 SSATIN Expenditures



<sup>3</sup> The *Vehicle for Change* program, which consists of two separate grants, is counted here as a single program (see page 14).

<sup>4</sup> Due to the time lapse between an arrest and a 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

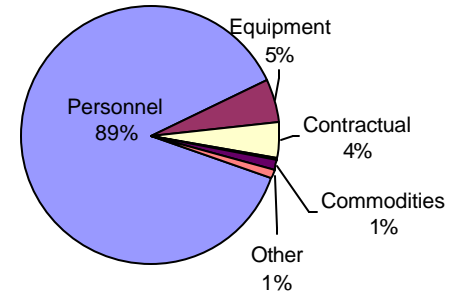
**Type of Program:** Multijurisdictional vehicle theft task force

**Amount Awarded for 1999:** \$389,542

The DuPage County Auto Theft Task Force, known as BATTLE (Beat Auto Theft Through Law Enforcement), addresses vehicle theft and fraud through a variety of resources such as Crime Stoppers programs, insurance companies, and local, county, and federal police agencies, in a coordinated effort to identify and arrest offenders.

In 1999, BATTLE conducted 205 investigations resulting in 104 arrests and 96 convictions.<sup>5</sup> These 96 convictions included 40 convictions of individuals arrested for motor vehicle related charges in 1998 and brought to trial in 1999. The unit also etched Vehicle Identification Numbers (VIN) on 150 vehicles, making them unattractive targets for theft. BATTLE recovered 126 stolen vehicles worth an estimated \$2.4 million dollars.

1999 DuPage County Expenditures



## METRO EAST AUTO THEFT TASK FORCE

**Grantee:** Collinsville Police Department

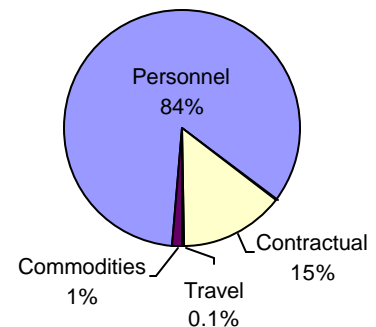
**Type of Program:** Multijurisdictional vehicle theft task force

**Amount Awarded for 1999:** \$594,477

Unique problems face the southern Illinois task force outside the East St. Louis metropolitan area. With 11 local police officers on special assignment, the task force battles vehicle thieves who cross the Illinois-Missouri border. The task force thwarts the thieves' efforts by working closely with the police departments of St. Louis and St. Louis County. Headed by a lieutenant from the Secretary of State's Department of Police, the task force concentrates its efforts in Madison and St. Clair counties.

In 1999, the Metro East Auto Theft Task Force opened 438 investigations and made 165 arrests, resulting in 63 convictions.<sup>5</sup> The unit recovered 170 vehicles worth an estimated \$2 million.

1999 Metro East Expenditures



<sup>5</sup> See Note 4.

## KANE COUNTY AUTO THEFT TASK FORCE

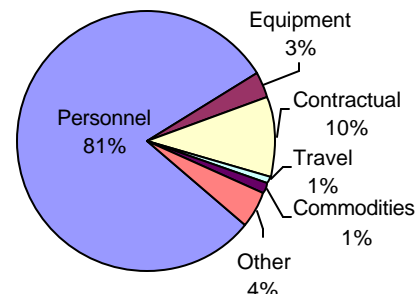
**Grantee:** Elgin Police Department

**Type of Program:** Multijurisdictional vehicle theft task force

**Amount Awarded for 1999:** \$352,187

This task force, known as KCAT, serves Kane County. Intelligence gathering, surveillance, and monitoring areas prone to thefts are central to the unit's activities. In 1999, KCAT launched 84 investigations, resulting in 70 arrests and 42 convictions.<sup>6</sup> In addition, the task force recovered 109 vehicles worth an estimated \$1 million.

**1999 KCAT Expenditures**



## NORTHERN ILLINOIS AUTO THEFT TASK FORCE

**Grantee:** Winnebago County Sheriff's Office

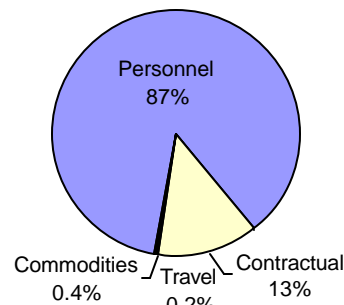
**Type of Program:** Multijurisdictional vehicle theft task force

**Amount Awarded for 1999:** \$405,940

This task force, headed by a lieutenant from the Secretary of State's Department of Police, covers Winnebago and Boone Counties. The task force conducts criminal investigations, gathers intelligence, processes recovered vehicles, apprehends offenders, and shares information with all law enforcement agencies in the two-county area.

In 1999, the Northern Illinois Auto Theft Task Force launched 261 investigations, resulting in 122 arrests and 117 convictions.<sup>6</sup> The task force also recovered 386 stolen vehicles worth an estimated \$1.8 million.

**1999 Northern Illinois Expenditures**



## TRI-COUNTY AUTO THEFT TASK FORCE

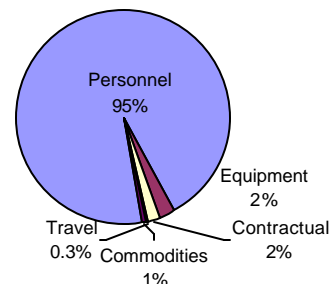
**Grantee:** Joliet Police Department

**Type of Program:** Multijurisdictional vehicle theft task force

**Amount Awarded for 1999:** \$694,025

This task force serves the Joliet metropolitan area, including Will, Kankakee, and Grundy counties. In 1999, the task force initiated 344 investigations, resulting in 113 arrests and 47 convictions.<sup>6</sup> In addition, the unit recovered 315 vehicles worth an estimated \$1.6 million.

**1999 Tri-County Expenditures**



<sup>6</sup> See Note 4.

## Specialized Prosecution

### MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT PROSECUTIONS UNIT

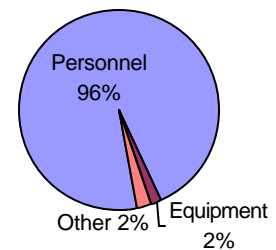
**Grantee:** Office of the Cook County State's Attorney

**Type of Program:** Vehicle theft prosecutions unit

**Amount Awarded for 1999:** \$582,502

In addition to supporting prosecutors dedicated to each task force, the Council funds an eight-person prosecution unit comprised of attorneys, investigators, legal and clerical staff that 'vertically' prosecutes targeted vehicle theft cases and related crimes in Cook County. 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. Each attorney is assigned to a case from charging through disposition, a method considered superior for prosecuting complex cases. Two investigators augment police work by tracking documents, locating witnesses, and conducting detailed background investigations. The specialized unit also provides important legal expertise on consensual wiretaps to officers.

**1999 Prosecutions Unit Expenditures**



In 1999, 137 vehicle theft-related cases were referred for prosecution; two of these cases required additional follow-up investigation by the unit. Of the 93 cases disposed of in 1999 (which include some cases from 1997 and 1998), all but two resulted in guilty pleas or findings of guilty. Forty-five defendants were sentenced to prison or jail; 33 received felony probation, boot camp or other sentences. Restitution and court costs totaling \$107,913 were also ordered.

## Special Investigative Activities

### SECRETARY OF STATE SPECIAL AUDIT TEAMS PROGRAM

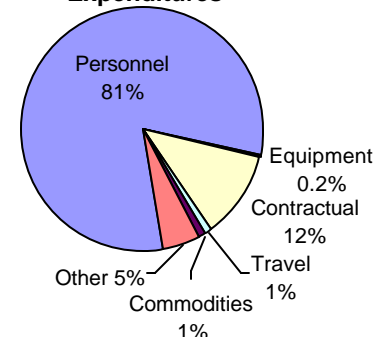
**Grantee:** Secretary of State, Department of Police

**Type of Program:** Statewide auditing of salvage yards, rebuilders, repairers, and scrap processors

**Amount Awarded for 1999:** \$1,509,208

This program focuses on policing the "marketplace" for stolen vehicles and parts using special audit teams. Located in Cook, Will, Winnebago, Peoria, Madison, and St. Clair counties, 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. The teams comprise 20 non-sworn auditors and supervisors, as well as 8 clerical personnel, supervised by 3 administrators.

**1999 SOS Audit Teams Expenditures**



In-depth, intensive audits are designed to:

- Reduce the number of stolen vehicles disposed of through salvage yards, rebuilders, repairers and scrap processors;
- Reduce the number of stolen and contraband essential vehicle parts sold to and through these businesses;
- Eliminate chop shop, retagging, and other organized theft operations in the state, and
- Track the flow of salvage titles and force their conversion to junking certificates when appropriate.

In 1999, the teams performed 3,841 audits on 5,191 licensed dealers. These audits involved 58,342 vehicles and 13,510 essential vehicle parts. In all, 58 stolen vehicles and 191 contraband (illegally imported) vehicles were recovered for a total estimated value of \$387,000. Of the 13,510 essential parts inspected, 28 were found to be stolen and eight were contraband, for an approximate value of \$16,000.

The work of the Audit Teams also resulted in:

- Inspection of 5,571 certificates of title and 2,863 salvage certificates
- Issuance of 603 violation letters
- Issuance of 32 warning tickets
- Twenty-five businesses voluntarily surrendering their licenses
- Revocation of three licenses by the Audit Teams
- Three arrests

## Infrastructure Supporting Law Enforcement

### MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT INTELLIGENCE CLEARINGHOUSE

**Grantee:** Illinois State Police

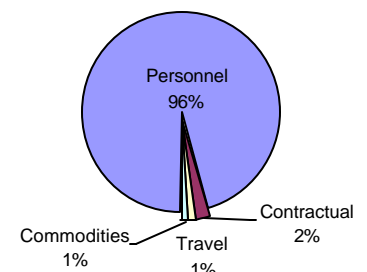
**Type of Program:** Statewide motor vehicle theft information clearinghouse

**Amount Awarded for 1999:** \$256,592

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 two support personnel, and is directed by a sergeant assigned by the Illinois State Police.

During 1999, the Clearinghouse received 181 requests for information, crime analysis, mapping, charting, case assistance, and the production of strategic and tactical products. These requests included 66 inquiries from auto theft task forces, 66 from the Illinois State Police, 3 from federal agencies, 21 from local law enforcement, and 25 from other criminal justice entities. The requests varied from simple name checks and title histories to the production of detailed motor vehicle theft regional assessments and lengthy analyses of auto theft conspiracy cases.

**1999 Motor Vehicle Clearinghouse Expenditures**



## CHICAGO POLICE DEPARTMENT MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT PREVENTION PROGRAM

**Grantee:** City of Chicago, Department of Police

**Type of Program:** Information and technology support

**Amount Awarded for 1999:** \$100,197

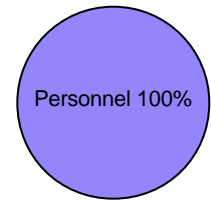
This program, launched in 1993, assists the Chicago Police Department with additional personnel and equipment to combat motor vehicle theft in Chicago. The department reports significant improvements in information processing and dissemination. In 1999, the Council provided funds for four data entry operators in the following sections:

**Field Inquiry Section.** This section verifies all information on stolen/recovered vehicles entered into LEADS and other computer data systems. In 1999, the field inquiry section made 37,101 computer entries on stolen/recovered vehicles, private tows, and repossessions.

**Auto Pound Section.** This section conducts confidential vehicle identification number (VIN) investigations. In 1999, the auto pound section conducted 11,842 confidential VIN investigations, resulting in the recovery of 1,129 stolen vehicles.

**Auto Theft Section.** This unit conducts crime analysis and provides investigative support to law enforcement personnel.

**1999 CPD Theft Prevention Program Expenditures**



## CHICAGO POLICE DEPARTMENT MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT PREVENTION DATA ANALYSIS

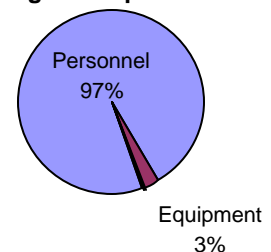
**Grantee:** City of Chicago, Department of Police

**Type of Program:** Information and technology support

**Amount Awarded for 1999:** \$207,538

The increasing sophistication of auto thieves and auto theft rings requires an equally sophisticated response. This Chicago Police Department program brings computer-based forecasting and analysis tools to the problem of auto theft. The data analysis team, which consists of two research analysts, employs complex data analysis and mapping techniques to identify auto theft hot spots and trends. Once the team identifies a trend or pattern, it develops a directed auto theft mission, which helps district tactical units target their responses to this criminal activity in a timely and coordinated manner. In 1999, its first year of operation, the program devoted its attention to searching for qualified staff. With this limited program activity, the unit expended only \$32,594 of granted funds.

**1999 CPD Data Analysis Program Expenditures**



## **INSURANCE VEHICLE EXPENSE PROGRAM**

**Grantee:** Illinois Anti-Car Theft Committee

**Type of Program:** Maintenance of insurance industry-loaned vehicles

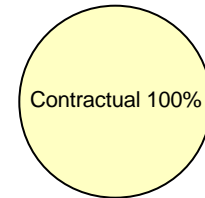
**Amount Awarded for 1999:** \$50,000

To support Council-funded law enforcement efforts, insurance companies have loaned vehicles for use by Council-funded programs. To date, 28 different insurance companies have loaned over 200 vehicles. The vast majority of these vehicles are recovered stolen vehicles obtained from the insurance salvage pools in the Chicago metropolitan area. About three-quarters of the loaned vehicles require repair. Funds are used to repair these often-damaged vehicles as well as to 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 grantee's operation. Most loaned vehicles are used by the task forces for surveillance and undercover activities. Funds that would have been used to purchase or lease new vehicles at many times the cost are being used instead to fund other grant expenses.

During 1999, expenditures from the fund totaled \$38,768. Approximately \$1,500 of this amount has been for the cost of licensing and registering vehicles. In 1999, there were approximately 90 vehicles in use. The estimated cost of leasing 90 vehicles for the year is more than \$600,000.

**1999 Insurance Vehicle Expense Program Expenditures**



## **MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT INVESTIGATION TRAINING PROGRAM**

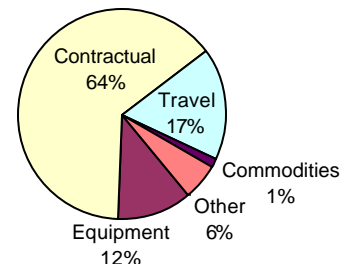
**Grantee:** Illinois State Police, Training Academy

**Type of Program:** Statewide officer motor vehicle investigation training

**Amount Awarded for 1999:** \$95,212

Officer training is crucial to the success of vehicle theft detection and prosecution. This program, administered by the Illinois State Police, developed and conducted five 36-hour auto theft investigator courses, targeting Council-funded vehicle theft task forces. The courses were held in Chicago, Rockford, Hodgkins, Collinsville, and Springfield. Sixty-seven officers participated in the training. The program also conducted 23 one-day training sessions for patrol officers, with a total of 395 participants, and four half-day training sessions for 13 prosecuting attorneys. Overall, the training received favorable remarks from the participants and the instructors. To assist in teaching the program, Illinois State Police officers, National Insurance Crime Bureau task force officers, and Secretary of State Police officers were used as instructors.

**1999 Investigation Training Program Expenditures**





## Innovative Programs

### VEHICLE FOR CHANGE

**Grantees:** Office of the Cook County State's Attorney; Metropolitan Family Services

**Type of Program:** Alternative sanctions program for youth

**Amount awarded for 1999 for Cook County State's Attorney:** \$46,585

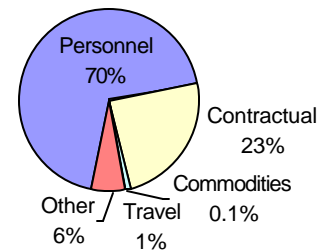
**Amount awarded for 1999 for Metropolitan Family Services:** \$303,466

The Vehicle for Change Program targets first-time juvenile offenders between the ages of 13 and 16 charged with Possession of a Stolen Motor Vehicle and other auto related crimes, such as Criminal Trespass to Vehicle and Burglary to Auto. Working together, the Office of the Cook County State's Attorney and Metropolitan Family Services provide the necessary screening, selection, and services to the teenagers. The program is designed to divert them from the court system into an intensive nine-month counseling program with an eight-week group session (Teen Reach Program) during the nine months.

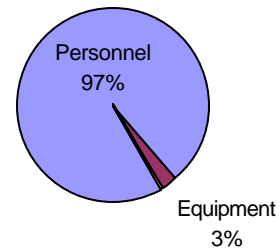
Each client is assigned a counselor and the counseling sessions are conducted at least once a week. Counseling begins with two or three assessment sessions with both the client and a parent. Each client is assigned a case manager, who visits the client's school and communicates with the school regularly about the client's attendance and performance in school.

Eighty-five minors were referred to the Vehicle for Change program in 1999. Of the 85 referred, 55 were enrolled in the program. During 1999, 29 juveniles graduated from the program, 31 were dropped for non-compliance, and five were pulled for subsequent arrests.

**1999 Vehicle for Change Expenditures  
Metropolitan Family Services**



**1999 Vehicle for Change Expenditures  
Cook County State's Attorney's Office**



## **PROGRAMS**

South Suburban Auto Theft Interdiction Network

DuPage County Auto Theft Task Force (BATTLE)

Metro East Auto Theft Task Force

Kane County Auto Theft Task Force

## **PARTICIPATING AGENCIES**

1 Illinois State Police Master Sergeant  
7 Illinois State Police Investigators  
1 Calumet City Officer  
1 Chicago Heights Officer  
1 Dolton Officer  
1 Steger Officer  
1 Orland Park Officer  
1 National Insurance Crime Bureau Investigator  
1 South Holland Officer  
1 Secretary of State Police Investigator  
2 Clerical staff

1 Illinois State Police Master Sergeant  
2 DuPage County Deputies  
1 Winfield Officer  
1 Naperville Officer  
1 Woodridge Officer  
1 DuPage County State's Attorney Investigator  
1 DuPage County Assistant State's Attorney  
1 Clerical staff – DuPage County

3 Secretary of State Police Investigators  
1 St. Clair County Deputy  
1 Southern Illinois University - Edwardsville Officer  
1 Cahokia Officer  
1 Collinsville Officer  
1 East St. Louis Officer  
2 Illinois State Police Troopers  
1 Madison County Deputy  
1 Fairview Heights Officer  
1 Madison County Assistant State's Attorney  
1 St. Clair County Assistant State's Attorney  
1 Secretary - Secretary of State of Police  
1 Clerical staff  
1 Fiscal officer (Part Time Position) – St. Clair County Sheriffs' Office

1 Illinois State Police Master Sergeant  
2 Elgin Officers  
1 Aurora Officer  
2 Kane County deputies  
1 Kane County Assistant State's Attorney  
1 Clerical Staff  
1 National Insurance Crime Bureau Agent



Tri-County Auto Theft Task Force	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 Illinois State Police Master Sergeant</li> <li>2 Joliet Officers</li> <li>2 Will County Deputies</li> <li>1 Bolingbrook Officer</li> <li>2 Grundy County Deputies</li> <li>1 Romeoville Officer</li> <li>1 Kankakee City Officer</li> <li>2 Kankakee County Deputies</li> <li>1 Kankakee County Assistant State's Attorney</li> <li>1 Will County Assistant State's Attorney</li> <li>1 Clerical Will County Sheriff's Office</li> <li>2 Clerical – Will County State' Attorney's Office</li> <li>1 National Insurance Crime Bureau Agent</li> </ul>
Northern Illinois Auto Theft Task Force	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2 Secretary of State Investigators</li> <li>1 Loves Park Officer</li> <li>1 Cherry Valley Officer</li> <li>2 Belvidere Officers</li> <li>1 Winnebago County Deputy</li> <li>1 Boone County Deputy</li> <li>1 Winnebago County Assistant State's Attorney</li> <li>1 Illinois State Police Trooper</li> <li>1 Clerical staff Winnebago County</li> <li>1 National Insurance Crime Bureau Agent</li> </ul>
Motor Vehicle Theft Prosecution Unit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4 Cook County Assistant State's Attorneys</li> <li>2 Cook County State's Attorney Investigators</li> <li>1 Administrative Assistant – Cook County</li> <li>1 Clerical – Cook County</li> </ul>
Secretary of State Special Audit Team	38 Secretary of State Department of Police personnel
Motor Vehicle Theft Intelligence Clearinghouse	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4 Illinois State Police Intelligence Bureau Analysts</li> <li>1 Executive Staff</li> <li>2 Office Associates</li> </ul>
Motor Vehicle Theft Investigation Training	3 Illinois State Police personnel
Insurance Vehicle Expense Program	1 County Company Insurance personnel
Vehicle for Change – Cook County State's Attorney's Office	1 Cook County personnel
Vehicle for Change – Metropolitan Family Services	9 Metropolitan Family Services staff
Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Data and Analysis	2 Chicago Police Department staff
Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Program	4 Chicago Police Department staff

*The Illinois State Police and the Secretary of State Department of Police assigned six task force directors and 10 other agents to the programs without requesting funding. Likewise, the National Insurance Crime Bureau was not compensated for the four agents it assigned to the programs.*

## 1999 Program Activity

Program	Investigations	Arrests	Convictions	Vehicles Recovered	Value
DuPage County Auto Theft Task Force	205	104	96	126	\$2.4 million
South Suburban Auto Theft Interdiction Network	197	131	29	245	\$5.5 million
Kane County Auto Theft Task Force	84	70	42	109	\$1.0 million
Metro East Auto Theft Task Force	438	160	63	170	\$2.0 million
Tri-County Auto Theft Task Force	344	113	47	315	\$1.6 million
Northern Illinois Auto Theft Task Force	261	122	117	386	\$1.8 million
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,531</b>	<b>707</b>	<b>676</b>	<b>1,351</b>	<b>\$14.3 million</b>

Cook County Motor Vehicle Theft Prosecutions Unit	
Number of Indictments	137
Number of Defendants	182
Sentences	80
Illinois Dept. of Corrections	33
Felony Probation	45
Nolle Pros / Not Guilty/ Boot Camp	2
Restitution Costs	\$107,913

The 33 defendants sentenced to IDOC totaled 542 years.  
The 45 defendants that received felony probation totaled 56 years.

Motor Vehicle Theft Intelligence Clearinghouse	
<i>Source of Information Requests</i>	<i>Number</i>
Auto Theft Task Forces	66
Illinois State Police	66
Federal Agencies	3
Local Law Enforcement	21
Other Criminal Justice Agencies	25
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>181</b>

Chicago Police Department Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Program	
Computer Entries	37,101
Confidential VIN Investigations	11,842
Resulting vehicle recoveries	1,129

Secretary of State Audit Teams	
Stolen vehicles recovered	58
Value of stolen vehicles	\$214,700
Contraband vehicles recovered	191
Value of contraband vehicles	\$172,300
Audits conducted	3,841
Warning tickets issued	32
Licenses revoked	3
Business licenses surrendered	25
Violation letters issued	603
Certificates of titles inspected	5,571
Salvage certificates inspected	2,863
Arrests	3

Vehicle for Change	
Referred	85
Enrolled	55
Dropped*	31
Pulled**	5
Graduated	29

\* Those who were non-compliant

\*\* Those who were rearrested

Motor Vehicle Theft Investigation Training	
Auto Theft Investigator Courses	5
<i>Participants</i>	67
Patrol Officer Training Sessions	23
<i>Participants</i>	395
Prosecutor Training Sessions	4
<i>Participants</i>	13

### Amount of funding authorized for 1999-2001

	1999	2000	2001
South Suburban Auto Theft Interdiction Network	\$472,491	\$825,866	\$778,800
DuPage County Auto Theft Task Force (BATTLE)	\$389,542	\$397,631	\$409,553
Metro East Auto Theft Task Force	\$594,477	\$589,172	\$589,172
Kane County Auto Theft Task Force	\$352,187	\$365,979	\$377,043
Northern Illinois Auto Theft Task Force	\$405,940	\$391,706	\$401,563
Tri-County Auto Theft Task Force	\$694,025	\$726,293	\$746,575
Motor Vehicle Theft Prosecution Unit	\$582,502	\$582,316	\$594,290
Secretary of State Special Audit Teams Program	\$1,509,208	\$1,175,000	\$1,030,000
Motor Vehicle Theft Intelligence Clearinghouse	\$256,592	\$257,162	\$255,546
Chicago Police Department Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Program	\$100,197	\$104,946	\$0
Insurance Vehicle Expense Program	\$50,000	\$65,000	\$65,000
Motor Vehicle Theft Investigation Training	\$95,212	\$80,546	\$79,579
Vehicle for Change – Cook County State’s Attorney’s Office	\$46,585	\$50,618	\$0
Vehicle for Change – Metropolitan Family Services	\$303,466	\$200,000	\$0
Chicago Police Department Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Data Analysis	\$207,538	\$35,000 *	\$120,490
State and Local Auto Theft Enforcement (SLATE) – City of Peoria	n/a**	\$189,075	\$91,093
Public Awareness/Innovations/Evaluation – Various	\$200,000***	\$0***	\$334,996
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$6,259,962</b>	<b>\$6,036,310</b>	<b>\$5,873,700</b>

\*This program has been extended to December 31, 2000.

\*\*This program began in 2000.

\*\*\*Funds granted for this program in 1999 were not expended, and carried over into year 2000.

## Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Trust Funds SFY 1991 to Date\*

	SFY 1991	SFY 1992	SFY 1993	SFY 1994	SFY 1995	SFY 1996
<b>REVENUE</b>						
Insurance company payments	3,679,729	6,477,645	5,187,604	5,269,417	5,306,781	5,427,486
Beat Auto Theft Program revenue	0	0	0	0	1,590	4,625
Interest on Trust Fund	0	253,170	328,170	280,204	310,915	263,376
Subtotal	3,679,729	6,730,815	5,515,774	5,549,621	5,619,286	5,695,487
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>						
Transfers from Trust Fund	0	(100,000)	0	(736)	0	(11,441)
Administrative expenditures	(8,068)	(205,021)	(328,170)	(399,627)	(461,547)	(408,141)
Grantee expenditures	0	(70,000)	(4,944,103)	(6,757,497)	(8,227,976)	(5,779,684)
Subtotal	(8,068)	(375,021)	(5,272,273)	(7,157,860)	(8,689,523)	(6,199,266)
<b>REVENUES vs. EXPENDITURES</b>	3,671,661	6,355,794	243,501	(1,608,239)	(3,070,237)	(503,779)
<b>TRUST FUND BALANCE</b>	3,671,661	10,027,455	10,270,956	8,662,717	5,592,480	5,088,701

	SFY 1997	SFY 1998	SFY 1999	SFY 2000**	TOTALS
<b>REVENUE</b>					
Insurance company payments	5,554,590	5,599,576	5,697,892	0	48,200,720
Beat Auto Theft Program revenue	1,120	250	0	0	7,585
Interest on Trust Fund	222,737	240,659	236,526	146,449	2,282,206
Subtotal	5,778,447	5,840,485	5,934,418	146,449	50,490,511
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>					
Transfers from Trust Fund	0	(12,456)	0	(22,766)	(147,399)
Administrative expenditures	(329,393)	(268,400)	(179,910)	(62,148)	(2,650,425)
Grantee expenditures	(5,465,088)	(5,240,955)	(5,325,023)	(1,503,689)	(43,314,015)
Subtotal	(5,794,481)	(5,521,811)	(5,504,933)	(1,588,603)	(46,111,839)
<b>REVENUES vs. EXPENDITURES</b>	(16,034)	318,674	429,485	(1,442,154)	4,378,672
<b>TRUST FUND BALANCE</b>	5,072,667	5,391,341	5,820,826	4,378,672	

\*SFY = State Fiscal Year = July 1<sup>st</sup> through June 30<sup>th</sup>.

\*\*July 1, 1999 through December 31, 1999.

Numbers in parentheses are negative.

## 1999 Trust Fund Contributors

Acceptance Insurance Company  
Addison Insurance Company  
Adriatic Insurance Company  
Affirmative Insurance Company  
All America Insurance Company  
All Nation Insurance Company  
Allied Mutual Insurance Company  
Allied Property & Casualty Insurance Company  
Allstate Indemnity Company  
Allstate Insurance Company  
Alpha Property & Casualty Insurance Company  
AMCO Insurance Company  
American & Foreign Insurance Co  
American Ambassador Casualty Company  
American Bankers Insurance Company of Florida  
American Casualty Company of Reading  
    Pennsylvania  
American Country Insurance Company  
American Economy Insurance Company  
American Family Mutual Insurance Company  
American Fire & Casualty Company  
American Fire & Indemnity Company  
American Heartland Insurance Company  
American Indemnity Company  
American International Insurance Company  
American International South Insurance Company  
American Manufacturers Mutual Insurance Company  
American Modern Home Insurance Company  
American Motorists Insurance Company  
American National Fire Insurance Company  
American National General Insurance Company  
American National Property & Casualty Company  
American Premier Insurance Company  
American Protection Insurance Company  
American Security Insurance Company  
American Select Insurance Company  
American Service Insurance Company Incorporated  
American Spirit Insurance Company  
American Standard Insurance Company of Wisconsin  
American States Insurance Company  
American States Preferred Insurance Company  
AMEX Assurance Company  
AMICA Mutual Insurance Company  
Apollo Casualty Company  
Armed Forces Insurance Exchange  
Assurance Company of America  
Atlanta Casualty Company  
Atlanta Specialty Insurance Company  
Atlantic Mutual Insurance Company  
Auto Club Family Insurance Company  
Automobile Club Interinsurance Exchange  
Auto-Owners Insurance Company  
Badger Mutual Insurance Company  
Bituminous Fire & Marine Insurance Company  
Centennial Insurance Company  
Central Mutual Insurance Company  
Charter Oak Fire Insurance Company  
Chicago Insurance Company  
Chicago Motor Club Insurance Company  
Chicago Mutual Insurance Company  
Cincinnati Casualty Company  
Cincinnati Indemnity Company  
Cincinnati Insurance Company  
Citizens Insurance Company of America  
Citizens Insurance Company of Illinois  
Clarendon National Insurance Company  
Classic Fire & Marine Insurance Company  
Colonial Insurance Company of Wisconsin  
Colonial Penn Franklin Insurance Company  
Colonial Penn Insurance Company  
Columbia Mutual Insurance Company  
Consolidated Insurance Company  
Constitutional Casualty Company  
Contemporary American Insurance Company  
Continental Insurance Company  
Continental Western Insurance Company  
Country Casualty Insurance Company  
Country Mutual Insurance Company  
CUMIS Insurance Society, Incorporated  
Dairyland Insurance Company  
Deerbrook Insurance Company  
Depositors Insurance Company  
Direct Auto Insurance Company  
Eagle American Insurance Company  
Economy Fire & Casualty Company  
Economy Preferred Insurance Company  
Economy Premier Assurance Company  
Electric Insurance Company  
EMCASSO Insurance Company  
Employers Fire Insurance Company  
Employers Mutual Casualty Company  
Fairmont Insurance Company  
Farmers Automobile Insurance Association  
Farmers Union Cooperative Insurance Company  
Federal Insurance Company  
Federated Mutual Insurance Company  
Fidelity & Casualty Company of New York  
Fidelity & Guaranty Insurance Company  
Fidelity & Guaranty Insurance Underwriters  
First American Insurance Company  
First National Insurance Company of America  
Foremost Insurance Company  
Foremost Property & Casualty Insurance Company  
Foremost Signature Insurance Company  
Gallant Insurance Company  
GEICO Casualty Company  
GEICO General Insurance Company  
GEICO Indemnity Company  
General Accident Insurance Company of America  
General Casualty Company of Illinois

General Casualty Company of Wisconsin  
 General Insurance Company of America  
 General Star Indemnity Company  
 Glens Falls Insurance Company  
 Globe American Casualty Company  
 Globe Indemnity Company  
 Goodville Mutual Casualty Company  
 Government Employees Insurance Company  
 Grange Guardian Insurance Company  
 Grange Mutual Casualty Company  
 Granite State Insurance Company  
 Great American Insurance Company  
 Great Northern Insurance Company  
 Greenwich Insurance Company  
 Grinnell Mutual Reinsurance Company  
 Grinnell Select Insurance Company  
 Guaranty National Insurance Company  
 Guidant America Insurance Company  
 Guidant Elite Insurance Company  
 Guidant Mutual Insurance Company  
 Guidant Specialty Mutual Insurance Company  
 Hanover Insurance Company  
 Hartford Accident & Indemnity Company  
 Hartford Casualty Insurance Company  
 Hartford Fire Insurance Company  
 Hartford Insurance Company of Illinois  
 Hartford Insurance Company of the Midwest  
 Hartford Underwriters Insurance Company  
 Hastings Mutual Insurance Company  
 Hawkeye-Security Insurance Company  
 Horace Mann Insurance Company  
 IGF Insurance Company  
 Illinois Emcasco Insurance Company  
 Illinois Farmers Insurance Company  
 Illinois Founders Insurance Company  
 Illinois Insurance Company  
 Illinois National Insurance Company  
 IMT Insurance Company Mutual  
 Indiana Insurance Company  
 Infinity Insurance Company  
 Insura Prop & Casualty Insurance Company  
 Incorporated  
 Insurance Company of Illinois  
 Integon Casualty Insurance Company  
 Integon Indemnity Corporation  
 Integon National Insurance Company  
 Interstate Bankers Casualty Company  
 Iowa Mutual Insurance Company  
 Kansas City Fire & Marine Insurance Company  
 Lake States Insurance Company  
 Liberty Insurance Corporation  
 Liberty Mutual Fire Insurance Company  
 Liberty Mutual Insurance Company  
 Lumbermens Mutual Casualty Company  
 Lyndon Property Insurance Company  
 Madison Mutual Insurance Company  
 Markel American Insurance Company  
 Markel Insurance Company  
 Maryland Casualty Company  
 Massachusetts Bay Insurance Company  
 Mendakota Insurance Company  
 Merastar Insurance Company  
 Mercury Indemnity Company of Illinois  
 Mercury Insurance Company of Illinois  
 Meridian Mutual Insurance Company  
 Metropolitan Casualty Insurance Company  
 Metropolitan General Insurance Company  
 Metropolitan Group Property & Casualty Insurance  
 Company  
 Metropolitan Property & Casualty Insurance  
 Company  
 MIC General Insurance Corporation  
 Mid-Century Insurance Company  
 Midland Risk Insurance Company  
 Midway Insurance Company of Illinois  
 Millers Classified Insurance Company  
 Millers Mutual Insurance Association  
 Milwaukee Guardian Insurance Incorporated  
 Milwaukee Mutual Insurance Company  
 Milwaukee Safeguard Insurance Company  
 Minnesota Fire & Casualty Company  
 National Alliance Insurance Company  
 National Ben Franklin Insurance Company of Illinois  
 National Farmers Union Property & Casualty  
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 National General Insurance Company  
 National Heritage Insurance Company  
 National Insurance Underwriters  
 National Interstate Insurance Company  
 Nationwide General Insurance Company  
 Nationwide Mutual Fire Insurance Company  
 Nationwide Mutual Insurance Company  
 Niagara Fire Insurance Company  
 North American Specialty Insurance Company  
 Northern Insurance Company of New York  
 Northland Insurance Company  
 Northwestern National Casualty Company  
 Ohio Casualty Insurance Company  
 Ohio Farmers Insurance Company  
 Ohio Security Insurance Company  
 Old Republic Minnehoma Insurance Company  
 Omaha Property & Casualty Insurance Company  
 Omni Indemnity Company  
 Omni Insurance Company  
 Pacific Indemnity Company  
 Pekin Insurance Company  
 Pembridge General Insurance Company  
 Pennsylvania General Insurance Company



Pharmacists Mutual Insurance Company  
 Phoenix Insurance Company  
 Potomac Insurance Company of Illinois  
 Progressive Casualty Insurance Company  
 Progressive Premier Insurance Company of Illinois  
 Progressive Universal Insurance Company of Illinois  
 Prudential General Insurance Company  
 Prudential Property & Casualty Insurance Company  
 Redland Insurance Company  
 Regent Insurance Company  
 Rockford Mutual Insurance Company  
 Royal Indemnity Company  
 Royal Insurance Company of America  
 Safeco Insurance Company of America  
 Safeco Insurance Company of Illinois  
 Safeco National Insurance Company  
 Safeguard Insurance Company  
 Safeway Insurance Company  
 Sagamore Insurance Company  
 Security National Insurance Company  
 Selective Insurance Company of the Southeast  
 Sentry Insurance A Mutual Company  
 Shelby Casualty Insurance Company  
 Shelby Insurance Company  
 Shelter General Insurance Company  
 Shelter Mutual Insurance Company  
 Southern Heritage Insurance Company  
 Specialty Risk Insurance Company  
 Springfield Fire & Casualty Company  
 St Paul Fire & Marine Insurance Company  
 St Paul Guardian Insurance Company  
 St Paul Insurance Company of Illinois  
 St Paul Mercury Insurance Company  
 Standard Mutual Insurance Company  
 State Auto National Insurance Company  
 State Auto Property & Casualty Insurance Company  
 State Automobile Mutual Insurance Company  
 State Farm Fire And Casualty Company  
 State Farm Mutual Auto Insurance Company  
 Superior Insurance Company  
 Teachers Insurance Company  
 TIG Countrywide Insurance Company  
 TIG Indemnity Company  
 TIG Insurance Company  
 TIG Insurance Company of Michigan  
 TIG Insurance Corporation of America  
 TIG Premier Insurance Company  
 Tokio Marine & Fire Insurance Company Ltd. US  
 Branch  
 Tower Insurance Company Incorporated  
 Travco Insurance Company  
 Travelers Home & Marine Insurance Company  
 Travelers Indemnity Company  
 Travelers Indemnity Company of America  
 Travelers Indemnity Company of Illinois  
 Travelers Prop & Casualty Insurance Company  
 of Illinois  
 Tri State Insurance Company of Minnesota  
 Trinity Universal Insurance Company  
 Twin City Fire Insurance Company  
 Unigard Security Insurance Company  
 Union Automobile Indemnity Company  
 Unique Insurance Company  
 United Equitable Insurance Company  
 United Fire & Casualty Company  
 United Security Insurance Company  
 United Services Auto Association  
 Universal Casualty Company  
 Universal Underwriters Insurance Company  
 US Fidelity & Guaranty Company  
 USAA Casualty Insurance Company  
 USAA General Indemnity Company  
 Valiant Insurance Company  
 Valley National Insurance Company  
 Valor Insurance Company  
 Victoria Fire & Casualty Company  
 Victoria Select Insurance Company  
 Vigilant Insurance Company  
 Viking Insurance Company of Wisconsin  
 Warner Insurance Company  
 West American Insurance Company  
 West Bend Mutual Insurance Company  
 Western States Insurance Company  
 Westfield Insurance Company  
 Westfield National Insurance Company  
 Windsor Insurance Company  
 Worldwide Direct Auto Insurance Company  
 Yasuda Fire & Marine Insurance Company of  
 America  
 York Insurance Company

# 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 improve and support motor vehicle theft law enforcement, prosecution and administration of motor vehicle theft laws by establishing statewide planning 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 powers, 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 be 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 designed 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, 2004.

(Source: Public Act 86-1408, effective Jan. 1, 1991. Amended by Public Act 89-277, effective Aug. 10, 1995 and Public Act 91-85, effective July 9, 1999.)

