

CHICAGO HEIGHTS POLICE



My name is Steve Bakowski and I am the Commander of Investigations for the Chicago Heights Police Department. The Chicago Heights Police Department currently employs 78 Full time officers and two civilian community service officers. All sworn officers and civilian community service officers are required to use body worn cameras. At time of the submission of this report there are no technical issues regarding the body cameras. The Chicago Heights Police Department has received 81 body worn camera using the ILETSB camera grant.

Chicago Heights Police Department supervisory personnel are required to review 20 minutes of randomly selected officers body worn camera footage a week.

I have attached a separate excel spread sheet detailing the time, date, location of the incident, the offences charged and the date charges were filed for any criminal or civil proceedings.

The internal affairs division has utilized the body worn cameras for 23 internal investigations. Currently there are 4 open pending internal investigations in which body camera footage has been utilized. The nature of the complaints is attached to the excel spread sheet which includes officer activity.

There are currently 6 pending civil lawsuits involving the City of Chicago Heights. Body camera footage is used in those suits.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Steve Bakowski", followed by the number "#4".

Commander Steve Bakowski