



# Jasper County Sheriff's Office Year End Report



# 2024



# Letter from the Sheriff

I was asked recently what has changed in law enforcement since I started in 1995. The truth is there has been a lot of changes. The community expectations of law enforcement come to mind as the most significant change. Now more than ever, communities have come to expect higher levels of transparency, higher levels of professionalism and for law enforcement officers to simultaneously have a sense of duty and compassion for the public they serve.

I want to start off this year end report by letting each of you know how much I appreciate the opportunity to serve our County for another term. I am grateful for the confidence that has been placed in me and it is my vow to continue the quality service we have seen over these past 12 years. I fully recognize that I have been blessed to be able to work alongside a great group of deputies who share my vision of service to our community.



On the Texas border this fall with Goliad County Sheriff Roy Boyd.

Overall, 2024 has been another busy year for our agency. As you make your way through the pages of this report, you will see firsthand some of the work that has been accomplished. Crime in Jasper County remains relatively unchanged and you can take pride in the diligent work of our Criminal Investigations Division.

This past year I took a short trip to the southern border along with Senator Carter and several others in law enforcement. It was a stark reality to what we have been hearing so much about over these past years. I am grateful for the legislators like Senator Carter and our law enforcement partners for their willingness to take proactive steps toward keeping our community safe.

We have spent a lot of time in recent years talking about our Jail Treatment Program. I would encourage you to check out that report to see the success of the program to date. While we measure the success of the program in dollars saved and reduction in crime, the story of the real impact of this program can not really be measured. Reunited families, children spending time in healthy relationships with their parents and men and women of our community living a life of hope rather than despair are the immeasurable results of this program.

As you look through these pages you will notice that we spend a lot of time on community engagement. I have always felt that modern policing principles has always been based on the idea that the community should approve of values by which they are policed, and to be involved in the process of keeping the community safe. In fact, one of my favorite sayings that I learned from the police chief that first hired me is, "A lawful society is a matter of individual responsibility." We take that seriously at the Jasper County Sheriff's Office and I am grateful that the community takes this role seriously as well. On behalf of myself and the 140 men and women at the Sheriff's Office, we are happy for the opportunity to continue to serve the community we live in.

Sheriff Randee Kaiser



# Patrol Division

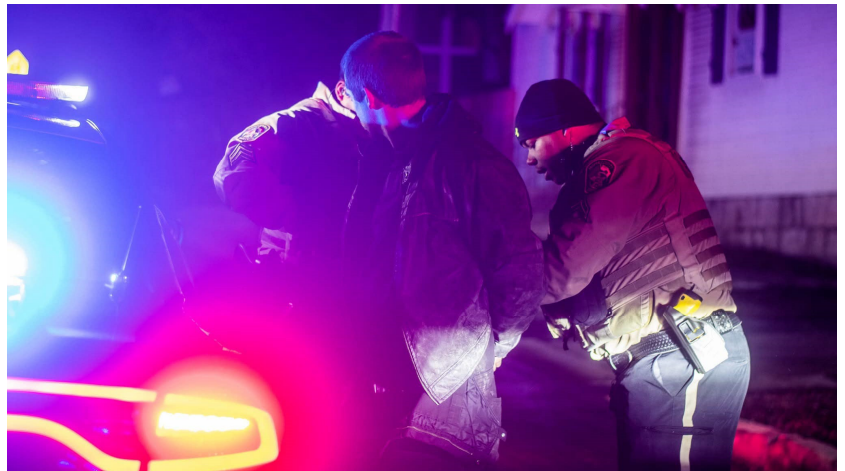


## JASPER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE CALLS FOR SERVICE

YEAR	CALLS
2018	29,649
2019	34,392
2020	34,972
2021	29,909
2022	29,133
2023	31,003
2024	34,741

The Patrol Division is comprised of twenty-eight sworn deputies, all full-time and uniformed. The Division is divided into four shifts, each 12 hours long. These deputies are the most visible representatives of the Jasper County Sheriff's Office. They are dedicated to patrolling and are first responders to all emergencies and calls for service in the county.

In 2024, the patrol division answered 34,741 calls for service. These calls included thefts, 911 hang-ups, medical calls, traffic accidents, assaults, animal complaints, and alarm calls, to name a few. Out of the 34,741 calls for service, there were 3,306 reports generated. The Patrol Division conducted 5,323 traffic stops, which resulted in 540 citations and 84 DWI arrests. The patrol deputies also made 713 custodial arrests for a variety of offenses. While effecting arrests, force was used only 32 times.



While patrolling Jasper County, the deputies conducted 26,408 extra patrols, community checks, and business checks to deter criminal activity. They also participated in DWI Wolf Packs and Hazardous Moving Violation enforcement throughout the County.

Deputies also help with a variety of community events throughout the year including the annual Community Safety Day, Shop with a Deputy, Salvation Army bell ringing, and the Jasper County Citizens Academy. These events allow the public to interact with deputies and provide some insight into the work that goes into the daily law enforcement work, all the while, building relationships with those in the community.

Patrolling the County resulted in 596,473 miles driven



# Detective Division

This past year was another busy year for the Jasper County Detectives. The unit continued to track registered sex offenders and remains under the national average of non-compliance for the year. Jasper County has maintained one of the highest compliance rates in the state for registered sex offenders at an average of over 97% compliant. Detectives continued to work on homicides, major assaults, crimes against children, burglaries, thefts, tampering, frauds, and, other various cases. The Detectives Division had several major cases this past year with virtually no leads with which to start, but through persistence were able to make identification and subsequent arrest of the suspects.



The Detectives continue to clear cases above the national average in nearly every category. The Detectives were assigned over 530 cases in 2024 not including warrant arrests, traffic stops, and other investigations. Often Detectives will help Patrol on calls with run-away children or missing people to better serve our community. The Detectives continue to go to trainings and learn the newest ways to help in our investigations.

Other responsibilities of the office include, but are not limited to, instruction for the Citizens Academy and Explorers Program, instruction for the 24-hour In-Service, assistance to other agencies, Tri-State Major Case Squad call outs and forensic phone extraction for the Sheriff's Office as well as for local municipalities. We also

have one Detective with the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force (ICAC) and one serving with the Ozark Drug Enforcement Team (ODET). Those two units provide an invaluable services to our citizens, protecting children from internet predators and working to keep drugs out of our county.

## 2024 CRIME CLEARANCE RATES

	JCSO	National Avg
BURGLARY	34%	14%
ASSAULT	90%	53%
THEFT	58%	19%
VEHICLE THEFTS	31%	14%
HOMICIDE	100%	58%

CASE TYPE	2021	2022	2023	2024
HOMICIDE	3	1	0	3
CRIMES AGAINST CHILDREN	85	122	86	117
BURGLARY	65	83	63	67
FELONY STEALING	149	137	138	153
TAMPERING	56	74	34	32
FELONY ASSAULT	10	12	12	21
ADULT SEX CRIMES	14	14	12	20
DOMESTIC ASSAULT	209	183	191	227
ASSAULT	92	86	93	101



# Detention Center



In 2024 the Jasper County Detention Center completed several key facility upgrades to enhance safety, functionality, and health standards for both staff and inmates. Notable improvements include:

- **Roof Vent Replacement:** A total of 13 roof vents were replaced, ensuring better ventilation and air circulation within the facility.
  - **Restroom and Sanitation Upgrades:** With the support of a grant from the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services, we retrofitted 100 toilets and sinks with new I-CON electronic flush and lavatory valves equipped with quick-connect solenoids. Additionally, we retrofitted 11 existing shower valves with new I-CON electronic shower valves with quick-connect solenoids. These enhancements are part of our ongoing efforts to mitigate the spread of viruses and maintain the highest hygiene standards.
- Shower Remodels and Resurfacing:** In total, 13 existing showers were remodeled to improve both functionality and cleanliness. Additionally, 4 showers were resurfaced, contributing to the overall upgrade of our inmate facilities.

## Inmate Booking and Population Statistics

Throughout the year, the Detention Center managed a significant volume of inmate bookings and releases:

- **Total Inmates Booked In:** 3,611
- **Total Inmates Booked Out:** 3,530
- **Monthly Average Booked In:** 301
- **Monthly Average Booked Out:** 294

These statistics reflect the facility's ongoing role in supporting local law enforcement and maintaining a safe and secure detention environment.

### Conclusion

The year 2024 has been a year of growth and improvement at the Jasper County Detention Center. From infrastructure up-

grades to meaningful contributions to the community and inmate rehabilitation, we have remained committed to providing a safe, supportive, and transformative environment for both our staff and those in our care. We look forward to continuing our work in the coming year, with ongoing initiatives aimed at further enhancing the services and opportunities available to our inmates.

AVERAGE NUMBER OF INMATES INCARCERATED MONTHLY—6 YEAR PERIOD

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
JAN	221	187	189	173	181	194
FEB	257	183	196	192	193	201
MAR	230	185	176	202	196	212
APR	192	131	182	204	205	222
MAY	195	141	190	207	199	217
JUN	202	159	182	221	219	217
JUL	187	165	182	215	223	225
AUG	178	202	189	222	209	230
SEPT	176	199	190	219	224	244
OCT	172	182	183	231	227	240
NOV	177	173	192	215	211	222
DEC	168	176	179	194	195	212
ANNUAL AVG	196	174	186	208	207	220



# Jail Treatment

In 2024, the Jasper County treatment program made significant strides in supporting addiction treatment, inmate education, personal development, and community service.

For graduates that have successfully complete the program they are 86% less likely to commit a felony.

- **HiSET Completion:** Our treatment program celebrated its first successful completion of HiSET, also known as the High School GED. This milestone underscores our commitment to providing inmates with the tools for educational advancement and reintegration into society. Jasper County is one of a handful of counties in Missouri that is a certified HiSET testing site.

- **Current Treatment Participants:** There are currently 14 active participants in our treatment programs, receiving essential support to enhance their addiction treatment.

- **Successfully Completed:** In 2024, 37 individuals successfully graduated from our addiction treatment program, demonstrating our facility's success in fostering personal growth and preparing individuals for life beyond incarceration. Our case management team has fostered many relationships within the community to offer the best possible transition for our program graduates.

- **Volunteer Hours and Community Service:** Our participants completed 510 hours of volunteer work, crafting essential items such as blankets, scarves, gloves, and hats for donation to local shelters and individuals in need.



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**Foster Care Partnership:** In a continued partnership with the Joplin Humane Society, our treatment program participants dedicated 4,403 hours to the care of foster kittens. This initiative not only provides much-needed support to the local animal welfare community but also teaches inmates valuable skills and responsibility.

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# SWAT



Over the past several years there have been discussions between the Jasper County Sheriff's Office and several local municipal police departments about the idea of a combined SWAT team.

A need was seen to expand and evolve the SWAT Team to better serve the citizens of Jasper County as well as our partner agencies in our community. This idea serves as a benefit on several levels. First, it benefits the SWAT team as more members can be added. Secondly, smaller agencies benefit by being able to have their members on a county-wide SWAT team.



From this need a new team was formed. The Jasper County Special Operations Group (JSOG). This group is comprised of Jasper County Deputies, and participating agencies, Webb City, Carthage and Carl Junction. This combined team makes personnel and resources readily available to better serve rural and urban citizens during high-risk situations in a safer and more effective manner. All members undergo a rigorous testing process prior to being awarded a spot on the team. JSOG has conducted 18 high-risk operations both in rural Jasper County and in cities throughout Jasper County since being formed in March 2024. JSOG currently has 31 team members which include entry team members, snipers, drone operators, medics and hostage negotiators from participating agencies in Jasper County.



JSOG PATCH



# Drone Division

The drone division consists of two recon drones which are the Autel EVO 2 Dual and Autel EVO 2 Pro. This year we have added the BRINC Lemur 2 which is the SWAT entry drone. These drones have been used in approximately 25 missions this last year. The drones were deployed for a total of 37 hours of flight time during these missions.

## **Drone Pilots**

Detective Corbett was assigned as the new Drone team leader as of 2024.

We currently have six pilots with the Part 107 certification and license to fly the drones for public safety purposes. We have six pilots total for the Autel Drones and five pilots for the Lemur 2.

## **Drones in the fleet**

The Autel EVO 2 Dual is a thermal capable drone that has the ability to fly under the use of thermal so this drone is utilized at night. This drone saw the majority of non SWAT deployments in 2024.

The Autel EVO 2 Pro is a drone that is used during the day with a high-definition optical camera. This allows for clear video during day time operations.

BRINC Lemur 2 has seen the most deployments of the drone fleet this year. This drone is operated by SWAT members only and is used as an entry tool. This drone has the ability to break through a glass window and enter a residence or car and provide real time information back to the SWAT team. This drone has also been used as an asset to assist other departments such as Joplin and Webb City.

## **The following are a few of the missions the drone division flew in 2024**

- \*Attempted to locate homicide suspects.
- \*Used to collect scene pictures from large crime scenes.
- \*Located a missing 3-year old autistic child.
- \*Used to help locate pursuit suspects.
- \*Used to help locate suicidal subjects.
- \*Used as visual surveillance on residences prior to search warrant service.
- \*JSOG operations.
- \*Demonstrations for community events such as Community Safety Day, Citizen Sheriff's Academy.



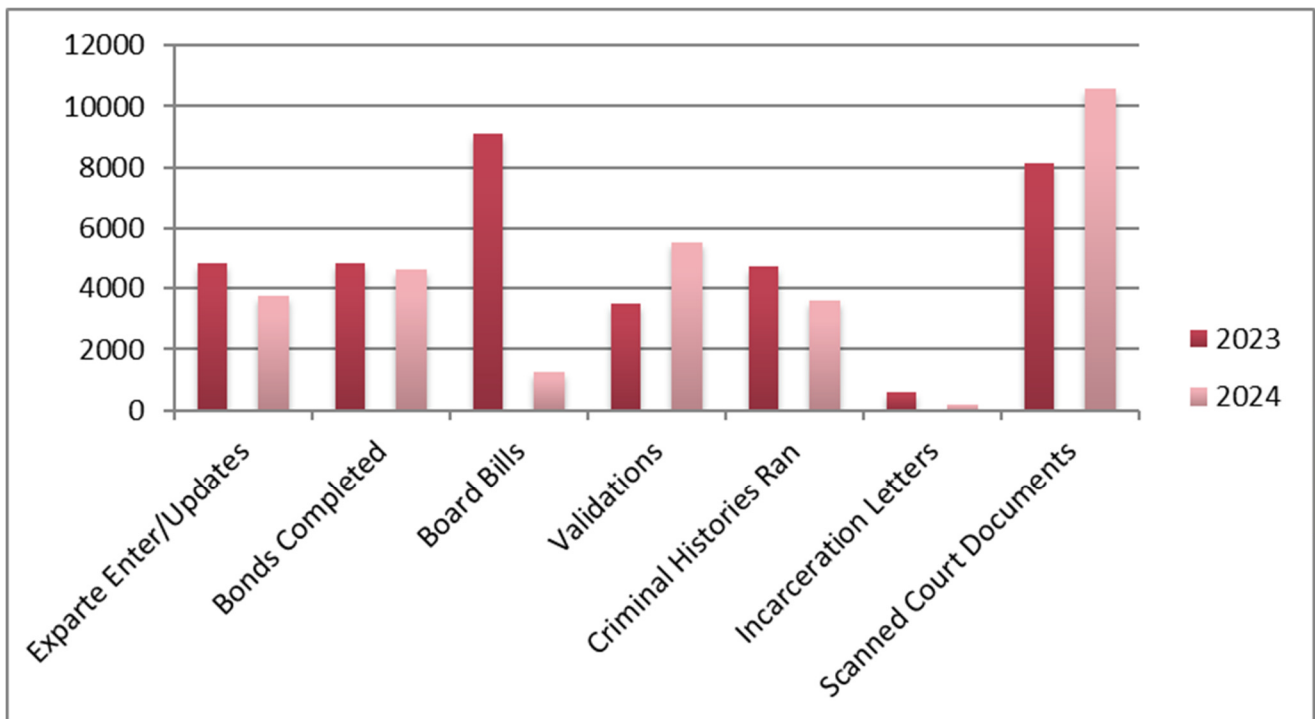
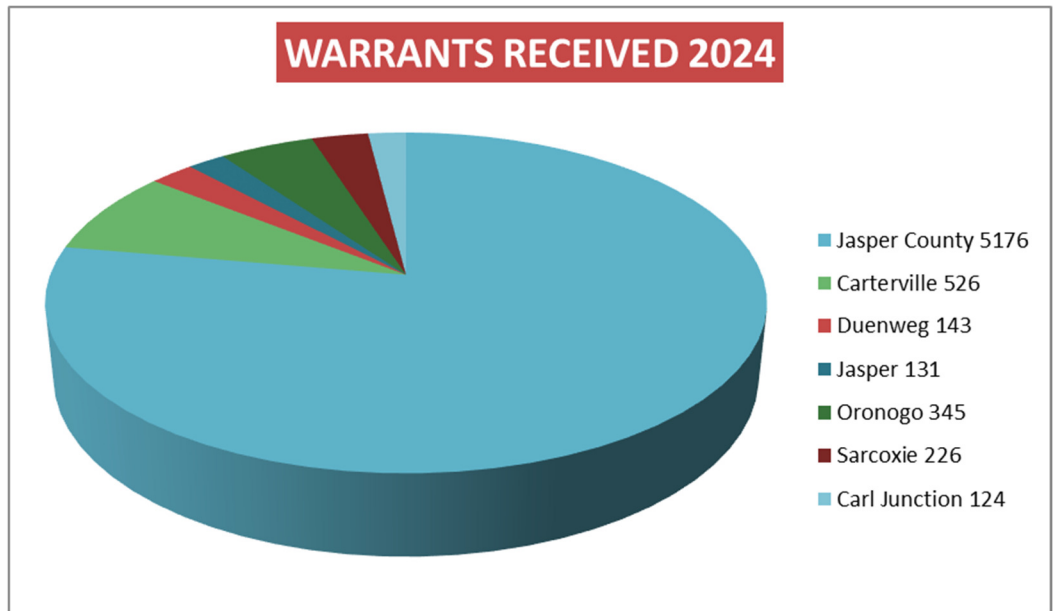


# Warrants Division



One of the main responsibilities of the Warrants Division is to keep an accurate count of inmates coming and going from the facility. The Warrant Deputies maintain door security of arrivals and releases, maintain the jail management system with accurate record keeping, registering sex offenders when needed, answering inmate correspondences, communicating with other agencies for pick up and release of inmates.

Other duties include managing the 6,853 outstanding warrants, entering and validating warrants, managing entries for expartes, stolen items, stolen guns, stolen vehicles and missing persons. These entries and validations are done for Jasper County and six city agencies within Jasper County. Our Court Clerk communicates with the courts on docket entries and inmate court lists. This year we received approximately 19,137 emails from the court.





# Community Outreach

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Lt. Peavler takes a minute to answer some questions about law enforcement from a young man at a recent special event at the Joplin Courts Building.

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(Above) Steadley second graders stopped by the Jasper County Sheriff's Office this fall and got the chance to see K-9 Arner and his handler Sgt. Deherrera. (Right) The Sheriff visits annually with students as they learn about the roles of local government, civic responsibility and the role of law enforcement in society.



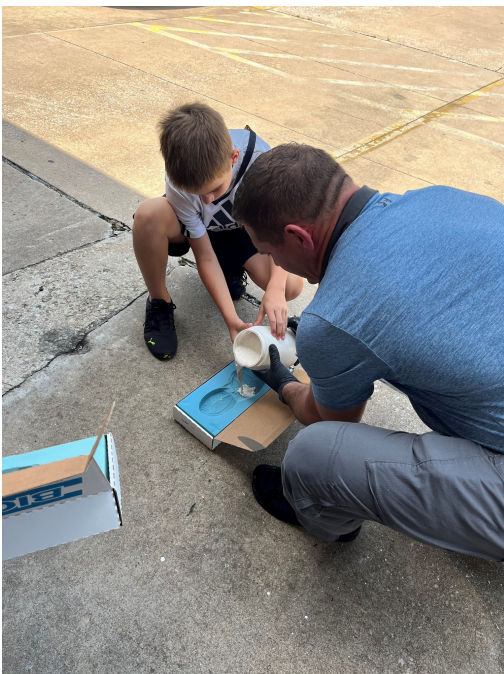
# Sheriff's Office Events



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Matt Stoller (left) and his son Dylan Stoller (right) have a proud history with the Sheriff's Office. Matt started working at the Sheriff's Office in 1994. He started in the detention center and has worked in patrol, SWAT, detectives and is currently the Lieutenant over the IT Division. Dylan started in 2019 with the Sheriff's Office in the detention center and graduated from the police academy this May. He is now working in the patrol division.

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## Junior Deputy Camp

One week each summer, the Sheriff's Office Junior Deputy Camp is held for youth ages 12-14 in our community. This summer camp gives these youngsters the opportunity to learn about law enforcement and experience a day in the life of a deputy. These fun and educational activities, gives participants insight into law enforcement duties, teamwork, and leadership.





# Airport Village

The Jasper County Sheriff's Office has provided contract law enforcement service to the Village of Airport Drive since 2008. We currently are staffed with one Sergeant and two Deputies who provide service to the many businesses and residents within the Village. Sgt. Tom Crossley, Deputy Ben Carrier and Deputy Justin Henry are the current deputies serving in that role.

Airport Drive has a heavy focus on maintaining traffic safety and accomplishes this through the use of visible traffic enforcement along with the use of the Stalker Radar Trailer. There have been 550 traffic stops within the city limits of the Village with 73 citations issued and 477 warnings being issued.

There were 1,113 calls for service within the boundaries of Airport Drive, these numbers do not include the self-initiated activities of traffic enforcement. These calls include 53 stealing, 6 assaults, 5 domestic assaults and 17 trespassing.

Training is essential for delivering proficient, compassionate and professional law enforcement services to the citizens. In 2024, all Deputies assigned to Airport Drive completed their required 24 hours of CLEE training through in-house training and outside training provided to the Sheriff's Office. Deputy Henry was also able to complete Instructor Development training and obtain his Missouri Generalist License which allows him to teach courses at the Sheriff's Office. Sgt. Crossley and Deputy Henry have provided many training hours to Deputies within the Sheriff's Office over the last year.

911 Hangups	82
Alarm Calls	62
Animal Complaints	42
Assaults	6
Burglary	0
Careless Driving Complaints	66
Check Well Beings	32
Disturbance	15
Domestic Disturbances	5
Drug Offenses	1
Fraud	11
Harassment	9
Indecent Exposure	1
Intoxicated Subject	3
Medical Calls (includes suicidal subject & 96 hour)	55
Motorist Assists	33
Motor Vehicle Accidents	93
Nuisance Complaints (includes sign ordinance violations)	62
Property Damage	6
Robbery	0
Stealing	53
Stolen Vehicle	2
Trespassing	17
Threats	3
Vehicle Lockouts	22
Weapon (Flourishing weapon & shots heard)	4
Department Assists (includes DFS assists)	15



Community policing events make up a large part of the role we serve at Airport Village. Deputies put on an Easter egg hunting every Spring, along with many other community events throughout the year.



# Sheriff Divisions



## TRANSPORTATION DIVISION

The Transportation Division, consisting of 7 deputies, often assists with duties that support the jail staff in the detention facility, with patrol duties, as well as bailiff duties and legal paper service when necessary. The Transportation Division is also responsible for arranging and handling all warrant and waiver extraditions to the Jasper County Detention Center and conducting the live video court for our county and other jurisdictions.

This includes transporting inmates to and from the courts in Jasper County, to and from other detention centers, hospitals, medical appointments, and mental health facilities in Missouri as well as from other states, and transporting convicted felons to and from the Missouri Department of Corrections. The transport officers drove more than 80,000 accident free miles in 2024.

## COURTS

The Courts Division is made up of three security deputies, and seven bailiffs to include the three circuit courts, associate divisions, treatment courts and family court. They are responsible for the Carthage Courthouse, as well as the Joplin Courts building. Deputies are responsible for the admission to the facilities, the security of jury members and court proceedings as well as safety of the elected officials and their staff. Extraordinary events including jury trials, elections, and other events where an elected official needs public access to the building, these deputies are present for the security and safety of our citizens.



## CIVIL PROCESS

The Civil Process Division serves summons, writs (wage garnishments or other Court ordered execution of judgments), and other legal documents. Some examples are:

- Landlord – Tenant disputes
- Divorce proceedings and child custody hearings
- Real estate attachments and seizures
- Sheriff sales of property
- Subpoena of witness
- Ex partes (restraining orders)
- Replevins and Levies

In 2024, 3,349 summons and writs, 656 Subpoenas and 759 ex-partes were served. In addition, the Civil Process Division attempted to serve 4,013 individuals with some form of legal process, but was unable to locate them.

Also, the Sheriff's Office handled 32 Civil Standbys. The Sheriff's Office serves court orders for the removal of persons from the residence or other places, so the property may be restored to the property owner. There were a total of 170 forcible evictions/foreclosures in 2024.





# SRO and DARE

This year has been another great year for the Jasper County Sheriff's Office S.R.O. program. Our resource officer, Sgt. West, has been very active with our public schools assisting with intruder drills and other school safety issues.

The Shop With A Deputy Program continues to grow thanks to all the support of our community and members of the Sheriff's Office donating to the program. We were able to serve 149 kids this year providing them with gifts this Christmas season. This program is a great way to show the youth of Jasper County that they matter and are loved by the community.

The D.A.R.E. (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) program lead by Sgt. West reached out to around 100 students this past year, teaching them to develop good decision making skills and saying NO to drugs.

Along with working in the school, the S.R.O. regularly assists the patrol division with calls for service and active traffic enforcement.

The purpose of the Jasper County S.R.O. is to provide students with positive interactions with law enforcement and assist schools with providing a safe learning environment for students and staff.



## Community Safety Day

The Annual Community Safety Day serves as an opportunity for residents to interact with deputies in a relaxed and informative environment. This event offers a variety of activities, including safety demonstrations, educational booths, and opportunities to ask questions about local law enforcement practices. By bringing the community together, we aim to enhance public safety awareness and promote positive relationships.



# Sheriff's Office K-9



The Jasper County Sheriff's Office K-9 Division consists of two teams, Sergeant Nathan Deherrera / K-9 Arner (Certified in Narcotics) and Deputy Darren Prater / K-9 Valor (Certified in Narcotics and Patrol).

During 2024, our K-9 teams were used to assist local, state, and federal agencies. All Jasper County Sheriff's Office K-9 teams must undergo yearly in-house testing to standards that have been set by the Sheriff of Jasper County. Each team is also required to complete a yearly accreditation through North American Police Work Dog Association (NAPWDA), a nationally recognized certifying organization. The team is trained bi-weekly by a (NAPWDA) Master Trainer.

Each year our K-9 teams educate the general public and community in the variety of resources on how a well-trained dog and handler can benefit our area. Some of the positive community relations the K-9 Division worked to build include demonstrations at schools, various public/ community events, the Jasper County Sheriff's Office Community Safety Day, and the Jasper County Sheriff's Office Citizen's Academy. Through demonstrations, handlers educate the public about how often a K-9 team can be utilized as well as communicate possible misconceptions the audience may have about how dogs are trained and used as a tool for detecting, deterring, or investigating criminal activities.

The Jasper County K-9 Unit assisted multiple agencies in locating methamphetamine, heroin, and multiple firearms. This resulted in multiple felony arrests.

