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Mayor, City Council, Elected Officials,

The 2022 Annual Report is provided as a summary of the accomplishments and details of the operations of the Peru Police Department. This report is a culmination of efforts of the 24 sworn police officers, 1 Community Service Officer, 1 Administrative Assistant Records Clerk, 1 Telecommunicator, and 1 janitor.

As we traversed the year 2022, we acquired some new officers and we lost some valued department members to well deserved retirement. We hired new officers Alec Lindemann and Damien Presthus while also hiring our previously part-time officer Bill Sommer to full-time status. This came on the heels of retirements made by Chief Robert Pyszka, Commander Dennis Hocking, Sergeant Rick Piscia, and Officer Adam Conness. All those careers are worth celebrating and we thank them for their service to the Peru Police Department. We also look forward to the success of the new hires and to what the future holds for them and their careers.

I, Chief Sarah Raymond, am pleased to express my own excitement in being promoted to this coveted position, one I do not take for granted. The opportunity to serve as the leader of this police department and for the community of Peru is an honor. I look forward to continued success and further progression of the department through new technology, new ideas, and new ways of thinking by our younger officers presenting new ideas to aid in our success.

The continued support of the Mayor, Council Members, and Elected Officials are what make this great police department even greater. Without all of you backing our mission, the accomplishments we have made would not be possible. The men and women of this department are true believers in the mission "Committed to Excellence" and strive to maintain that mission daily. We will continue to live and serve that mission and look forward to continued excellence in service for 2023.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Sarah Raymond".

Sarah Raymond  
Chief of Police

# Peru Police Department

## Department Roster (Serving Since)

### Sworn Personnel

RETIREED	Chief Robert Pyszka	10/2/1990
	Deputy Chief Sarah Raymond	6/20/2004
	Lieutenant Douglas Bernabei	7/1/2006
RETIREED	Detective Commander Dennis Hocking	9/25/1997
	Sergeant Edward DeGroot	12/28/1995
	Sergeant Scott DeGroot	1/9/2000
RETIREED	Sergeant Rick Piscia	6/15/2000
	Sergeant Arthur Smith	8/18/2002
	Sergeant Matt Peters	1/7/2008
RETIREED	Officer Adam Conness	9/16/1996
	Officer Mark Credi	9/23/1997
	Officer John Atkins	8/12/2002
	Detective Amy Sines	9/22/2003
	Officer Nick Biagioni	5/7/2007
	Officer Ben Bentley	7/30/2007
	Officer Brad Jones	10/1/2007
	Detective Jeff Paul	11/28/2007
	K-9 Officer Ryan Kowalczyk	9/1/2010
	Officer Brad Anderson	6/28/2015
	Officer Aaron Querciagrossa	9/12/2016
	Officer Josh Theisinger	7/31/2017
	Officer Brendan Sheedy	9/3/2019
	Officer Michelle Leary	9/14/2020
	Officer Hunter Wright	11/9/2020
	Officer Alec Lindemann	4/4/2022
	Officer William Sommer	1/13/2020 F/T 11/14/2022
	Officer Damien Presthus	11/28/2022

### Full-time Civilian Personnel

Administrative Assistant Michelle Wagner	5/10/1993 F/T 01/01/1996
Community Service Officer Blake Frund	2/26/2018
Public Safety TC Christie DeGroot	7/6/2021

### Part-time Civilian Personnel

Custodian Jeri Etscheid	12/7/2012
Crossing Guard Beverly Eich	1/14/2002
Crossing Guard Katherine Baker	9/3/2002
Crossing Guard Jacqueline Caputo	8/17/2009
Crossing Guard Debra Kurrle	8/23/2010
Crossing Guard Jeri Etscheid	8/21/2013
Crossing Guard Courtney Wagner	8/20/2014
Crossing Guard Paul Etscheid	8/17/2015
Crossing Guard Lisa Vondrehle	11/8/2016

## Operations Report

	2022
<b>Reports</b>	
Police-total calls for service/officer initiated activities	22,518
Total case reports written	1061
Total Accidents Investigated	669
(State reports) \$1500 damage / injuries	442
(CAD reports) under \$1500 damage	227
Motorist Assist	727
Alarms Received	321

## Fines / Fees / Grants / Reimbursements

	2022
Court Dispos/Traffic Fines (to general fund)	\$31,654.98
Administrative Adjudication Fines (to general fund)	\$24,974.00
D.U.I. Equipment Fund (to Midland fund)	\$8,032.12
Drug Enforcement Fund PPD Cases (to Peru Fed fund)	\$423.54
Drug Enforcement Forfeitures (to Peru Fed fund)	\$40,890.68
Court Supervision/Squad Car Fund (to Midland fund)	\$100.00
Vehicle Impound Fees (to Midland fund)	\$14,194.00
Photocopying Fees (to general fund)	\$2,104.91
Parking Ticket Fines (to general fund)	\$2,400.00
Warrant Fees (to general fund)	\$350.00
Grants Rec'd (to general fund)	\$30,367.36
Reimbursements Rec'd (to general fund)	\$28,308.94
Total Police Income for Year	\$183,800.53

## Traffic Enforcement

	2022
<b>Citations</b>	
Total Citations Issued including ADJ	870
Speeding Citations Issued	138
DUI Citations Issued	33
All Other Traffic Citations Issued	492
Parking Citations Issued	61
Total Number of Traffic Stops	1536
<b>Warnings</b>	
Vehicles stopped & driver given warning (written and verbal warnings)	1094

## Freedom of Information Act (FOIA)

	2022
Total Number of Requests	356
Manhours Expended	168.25
Total Employee Cost	\$8,368.79

# Administrative Adjudication Yearly Report

## Citations

	2022
<b>Traffic &amp; Non-Traffic Citations</b>	
Traffic Charges Filed	63
Non-Traffic Charges Filed	139
Total Charges Filed	202
<b>Non-Traffic Citation Break-Down</b>	
Animal Violations	18
Burning Violations	4
Criminal Trespass	0
Disorderly Conduct	5
Illegal Consumption/Possession Alcohol	5
Noise Violations	1
Parking	13
Property Maintenance	35
Retail Theft	24
All Other Miscellaneous	25

## Dispositions

	2022
Pre-Paid Prior to Hearing	77
Admitted Liable/Pled Guilty	45
Failed to Appear/Default	59
Continued	8
Contested Hearing/Found Liable	7
Contested Hearing/Found Not Liable	2
Contested Hearing/Dismissed For Cause	23

## Fines / Fees / Payments Collected

	2022
Impound Fees Paid	\$12,500.00
Adjudication Fees Paid	\$21,509.00
Fees Collected from Previous Months	\$3,465.00
Total	\$37,474.00

## Administrative Officer Fees Paid

	2022
Administrative Officer Fees Paid	\$6,000.00

## Community Presentations and Meetings

ROBERT PYSZKA	162
SARAH RAYMOND	101
DOUGLAS BERNABEI	137
DENNIS HOCKING	5
EDWARD DEGROOT	0
SCOTT DEGROOT	1
RICK PISCIA	0
ART SMITH	0
ADAM CONNESS	0
MARK CREDI	4
JOHN ATKINS	1
AMY SINES	5
NICK BIAGIONI	1
BEN BENTLEY	0
BRAD JONES	2
JEFF PAUL	2
MATT PETERS	1
RYAN KOWALCZYK	0
BRAD ANDERSON	1
AARON QUERCIAGROSSA	0
JOSH THEISINGER	0
BRENDAN SHEEDY	0
MICHELLE LEARY	0
HUNTER WRIGHT	0
ALEC LINDEMANN	0
WILLIAM SOMMER	0
DAMIEN PRESTHUS	0
MICHELLE WAGNER	32
BLAKE FRUND	18
CHRISTIE DEGROOT	0
JERI ETSCHIED (custodian)	0
Total Presentations and Meetings	473

## Community Service Officer Report

	2022
Abandoned Vehicles	49
Administrative Duties	190
All Other City Ordinances	55
Animal Complaints	73
Assisted Fire/EMS	172
Assisted Police	45
Assists	34
Building/Zoning	25
Burning Complaint	2
Car Seat Installations	49
Community Contacts/School Walk Through	233
Extra Patrol	262
Failure to Register (Warrant Issued)	1
Fingerprints	56
Follow-ups/Meetings	791
Found article/Lost article	9
High Grass/Clippings	91
IDOC Releases	6
Information CADs	46
Motorist Assists	104
Parade Details	4
Park Security Checks	870
Parking Complaints	91
Private Property Accidents	15
Property Maintenance	86
Public Works	22
Roadway Obstruction	11
Sex/Violent Offender Registrations/verification	137
School Crossing Guard	78
Shopping Detail	20
Special Details	61
Traffic Control	46
Training	16
Utilities Complaint	4
Vehicle Disposals	24
Vehicle Maintenance	172

**Total** 3,950

### Citations

ADJ	61
Parking	26

<b>Continuing Education Training Hours</b>	
2007	1900
2008	2817
2009	1745.5
2010	1768.5
2011	1462.5
2012	2468.5
2013	1909.5
2014	1705
2015	1625
2016	2281.5
2017	2022.5
2018	1575.5
2019	2711
2020	1837.5
2021	3187.5
2022	3388.75

Peru Police Officers are some of the most highly trained police officers in North Central Illinois. Above is the number of continuing education hours our officers have received in recent years.