

Redwood County Sheriff's Office



Annual Activity Report

2016

Redwood County Sheriff's Office

The Redwood County Sheriff's Office consists of 13 sworn personnel serving a population of approximately 15,744 people and covering 882 square miles. There are multiple police departments located within the county consisting of the Redwood Falls Police Department, Lower Sioux Police Department, Morgan Police Department, Lamberton Police Department, and Walnut Grove Police Department. In 2009 the City of Wabasso discontinued their police department and contracted law enforcement services with the sheriff's office which is currently at 15 hours a week. In 2016 the City of Sanborn contracted for law enforcement services at 5 hours a week. The contract with Sanborn starts January 1, 2017.

The sheriff's office is responsible for a number of civil/law enforcement tasks including but not limited to: civil process, criminal investigations, traffic enforcement, jail transports, court security, court ordered civil transports, search/rescue and body recovery. The sheriff's office also maintains a 24/7 dispatch center and 21 bed jail.

This report is not all inclusive but rather a summary of the Redwood County Sheriff's Office community involvement and enforcement activity.



2016 Redwood County Sheriff's Office (Sworn Personnel)

Calls for Service

Description	2016	2015	2014
911 Hang up	11	19	6
Abandoned Vehicle	44	18	25
Accident	145	104	126
Alarm	82	61	70
Alcohol	5	7	11
Animal	119	111	79
Assault	10	30	9
Assist Other Agency	374	368	408
Assist/Other	43	24	20
Attempt to Locate	14	6	7
Burglary	18	6	16
Child Custody	7	10	6
Child Protection	105	71	40
Civil	6	2	0
Community Policing	10	5	6
Compliance Check	10	20	113
Criminal Damage to Property	29	27	15
Criminal Sexual Conduct	1	5	11
Death Investigation	14	11	7
Directed Patrol	566	516	505
Disorderly Conduct	4	9	5
Disturbance	55	47	32
Domestic	31	22	19
Driving Complaint	88	81	54
Drugs	31	7	12
ERU	2	6	3
Escort	5	4	3
Evidence Audit	3	3	0
Fire	108	96	79
Fraud	30	31	14
Garbage	11	6	9
Gun Permit	484	356	378
Homicide	0	0	0
Harassment	21	24	26
HRO/OFP	15	5	8
Information/Other	205	173	162
Juvenile	20	12	10
K9	4	8	8
License	34	28	29
Medical	1702	1530	1392
MI/MR	0	4	2
Missing Person	6	10	8
Motorist Assist	38	40	26
Noise Complaint	54	99	40
Obstructing	0	0	0
Officer Complaint	0	0	0

Description of calls continued	2016	2015	2014
Ordinance Violation	0	0	2
Parking	6	7	9
Pornography	0	0	2
Predatory Offender	103	76	90
Presentation	6	7	15
Project Lifesaver	0	9	33
Property	47	33	18
Property Crime	1	2	1
Property Exchange	11	6	1
Records Check	93	85	97
Repossession	10	0	0
Residence Check	13	11	25
Robbery	0	0	1
Runaway	2	3	2
Salvation Army	0	0	0
Suicidal Person	18	16	15
Suspicious	121	133	87
Terroristic Threats	8	8	8
Testing CAD	15	0	0
Theft – (Includes stolen vehicles)	59	57	76
Traffic	663	985	1274
Traffic Control	1	4	4
Transport	183	216	182
Trespass	8	11	9
Violate Court Order	16	8	7
Void	63	39	42
Vulnerable Adult	38	17	2
Warrant	285	336	381
Weapons	2	1	1
Weather	22	28	24
Welfare Check	53	61	48
Total Calls for Service	6429	6187	6294

Traffic Safety/Enforcement

Below is a breakdown of traffic enforcement activities. The chart does not contain an all-inclusive list of traffic violations just the more common violations.

Traffic Stops	2016	2015	2014
Traffic Citations	144	177	202
Traffic Warnings	519	812	1040
Total	663	985	1274

Violation	2016	2015	2014
Careless or Reckless Driving – 169.13	2	3	5
Driving After Cancellation – 171.24.3	4	2	4
Driving After Cancellation IPS – 171.24.5	4	3	4
Driving After Revocation - 171.24.2	32	13	21
Driving After Suspension – 171.24.1	7	13	10
DWI – 169A.20	26	18	13
Expired Registration -168.09.4	4	8	5
Fail to Yield Right of Way – 169.201	3	2	2
Instruction Permit Violation – 171.05.1(a)	1	6	4
Leave Scene of an Accident – 169.09	0	4	3
No Insurance/Proof of Insurance - 169.791.2(a)	20	24	23
No Valid DL – 171.02.1	4	13	13
Open Bottle – 169A.35.3	8	4	8
Possession of Marijuana/ MV – 152.027	6	16	6
Seatbelt Violation – 169.686	16	13	19
Speed Related Violations – 169.14	91	107	123
Stop Sign Violation – 169.20.3(b)	2	3	3
Under 21 Drink and Drive	0	2	1



Traffic Safety Grant



The Redwood County Sheriff's Office in 2016 continued to participate in the Towards Zero Deaths (TZD) traffic safety grant. As a grant member the sheriff's office is awarded overtime hours during specific traffic enforcement waves.

TZD Activity	2016	2015	2014
Hours Worked	114	138	228
Miles Driven	2,734	3,538	5,966
Arrests	1	0	7
DWI Arrests	1	0	1
Citations Issued	31	54	83

BLRR Drug Task Force/Drug Seizures

The Redwood County Sheriff's Office also has a deputy assigned to the BLRR task force. This is a multi-agency task force serving Brown, Lyon, Redwood, and Renville counties. Below are the amounts of drugs seized by the task force in Redwood County.

Redwood County

Drug	Weight	2016	2015	2014
Cocaine	Grams	0	3	17.1
Hash oil	Grams	1	n/a	n/a
Heroin	Grams	15.32	0	10.5
Marijuana	Grams	103.78	585.5	1,023
Marijuana Plants		6	n/a	n/a
Methamphetamine	Grams	6.3	23.12	64
Prescription/Pills		31	2	4
Unknown	Grams	0	0	17.28
Rocksalt	Grams	0	0	9.1
Firearms		4	4	5
Total Cases		53	22	27



Figure 1 Example of methamphetamine and paraphernalia

An incident not related to drug task force activity in western Redwood County resulted in the seizure of approximately 226 grams of marijuana and 4.5 grams of methamphetamine.

Drug Take Back Program

The sheriff's office also participates in the drug take back program. Here prescription drugs can be surrendered free of charge. The drop box is located in the lobby of the sheriff's office.

Year	2016	2015	2014
Total weight (lbs) of drugs taken back	346	266	N/A

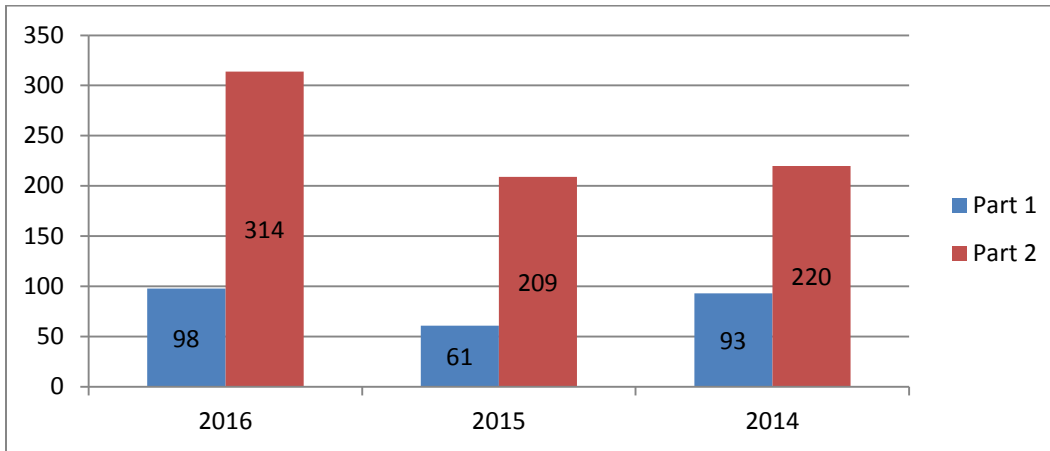


Crimes Reported/Charged

Below is a chart that shows the total number of part 1 and 2 crimes reported to the sheriff's office. The **Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR)** Program divides offenses into two groups, Part I and Part II crimes.

- **Part 1** offenses are: Criminal homicide, forcible rape, robbery, aggravated assault, burglary, larceny-theft, motor-vehicle theft, and arson.
- **Part 2** offenses are: other assaults, forgery and counterfeiting, fraud, embezzlement, stolen property, vandalism, weapons (carrying, possessing etc.), prostitution, sex offenses, drug abuse violations, gambling, offense against the family and children, driving under the influence, liquor laws, drunkenness, disorderly conduct, vagrancy, all other offenses (excluding traffic violations), suspicion, curfew and loitering laws, and runaways.

In 2016 there was a **52.5% increase** in UCR 1 & 2 crimes reported to the sheriff's office compared to 2015.



Below is a table showing criminal offenses that were charged out by the sheriff's office. The table is not all inclusive but merely a summary of criminal charges.

Charges	2016
Assault (Includes 1 st - 5 th Deg)/Domestic Assault	43
Burglary	3
Child Endangerment	2
Crimes Against Justice – (fleeing a peace officer, obstructing, etc..)	18
Criminal Damage to Property	12
Criminal Sexual Conduct	2
Disorderly Conduct	22
Drugs – Includes 1 st – 5 th Degrees	18
Drugs – Possession of Marijuana/Drug Paraphernalia	21
DWI	26
Indecent Exposure	5
Stalking	4
Terroristic Threats – Felony	6
Theft – Includes theft of MV	10
Under 21 Alcohol Consumption/Possession – 340A.503	5
Violate Court Order – HRO, OFP, DANCO, etc.	24
Weapons	3

Civil Process

Part of the duties of the Sheriff's Office includes processing/serving civil papers. These range from witness subpoenas to debt collections. Below is the number of papers that were submitted to the Sheriff's Office to be processed/served in 2016.

2016	2015	2014
677	599	503

Burn Permits

Part of the duties of the Sheriff's Office includes issuing Burn Permits to the residents of Redwood County. Below is number of permits that were issued by the Redwood County Sheriff's Office in 2016.

2016	2015	2014
702	756	762

Redwood County Jail

Redwood County has a 21 bed jail facility. We are able to hold up to 18 per MN Department of Corrections regulations. The majority of inmate overflow is housed at the Renville County Jail located in Olivia, MN.

Below is chart that shows the number of bookings the Redwood County Jail processed, along with the average daily inmate population.

Year	2016	2015	2014
Total number of jail bookings	578	564	582
Average daily jail inmate population (Housed in Redwood County Jail)	15.3	16.2	13.4
Average daily overall inmate population (Includes inmates housed in Renville County Jail)	33.4	35.3	32.5



BLRR ERU TEAM

The BLRR Emergency Response Unit (ERU) consists of four counties which are Brown, Lyon, Redwood and Renville (BLRR). There are a total of 18 members on the team from the four counties.

There was one ERU activation for Redwood County in 2016. A summary of each incident(s) is below:

- On 7-26-16 at 0450 hours, the Redwood Falls Police Department requested assistance with executing a search warrant in response to an armed robbery on Coon Street in the City of Redwood Falls. Upon entry 3 adult males and 2 adult females were located in the residence and secured. The search warrant yielded firearms, a large amount of narcotics (including methamphetamine, heroin, marijuana, and prescription pills), and cash.

ERU Activations by year

2016	2015
2	3

Community Involvement

Law Enforcement National Night Out

(Lower Sioux Community – August 2, 2016)

National Night Out is an annual community-building campaign that promotes police-community partnerships. National Night Out enhances the relationship between neighbors and law enforcement while bringing back a true sense of community and provides a great opportunity to bring police and neighbors together under positive circumstances.



Operation Law Enforcement Officer (LEO) Survival Kits

(Redwood County Sheriff's Office - July 28, 2016)

Two kids (9&12) from Sacred Heart decided they wanted to thank their local LEO's by making "Survival Kits" which consisted of candy.

