Illinois Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Council

2000

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

Annual Report

Park in well-lighted areas

Car and take keys
Turn wheels toward curb and apply emergency brake to avoid towing

Close windows and lock storage compartments

Avoid Becoming a Victim of Vehicle Theft

Hide packages and valuables
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Printed by the authority of the state of Illinois, printing order number 01-276. 1200 copies at a cost of $1.83 per copy. June, 2001.
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, which describes the challenges we’ve faced and documents the positive results we achieved this past year.

Vehicle theft in Illinois has declined by 25 percent since 1991, the year the Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Act was enacted by the General Assembly. Between 1991 and 2000, the number of stolen vehicles dropped by more than 19,000 – resulting in a savings of over $116 million.

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

- 12,828 criminal investigations initiated;
- 24,045 audits of vehicle-related businesses conducted;
- 6,801 persons arrested;
- 3,049 convictions obtained; and
- 20,077 stolen and contraband vehicles recovered worth nearly $136 million.

In short, the $53 million granted by the Council from 1991 through 2000 has resulted in $276 million from recovered stolen vehicles and reduced theft rates – a return of more than $5 for every dollar spent.

The Council’s partnership of the public and private sectors is effectively fighting vehicle theft in Illinois. I am proud to present this annual report documenting our accomplishments in 2000.

Very respectfully,

Sam Nolen, Chairman
The 2000 Illinois Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Council

Sam Nolen  
(Chairman), Director,  
Illinois State Police

Mr. Nolen, a 39-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.

Ronald R. Brown  
State Farm Insurance Companies

Mr. Brown has 30 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.

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.

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.

Terry G. Hillard  
Superintendent, Chicago Police Department

Mr. Hillard has over 32 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 6th 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.

Beau William Parillo  
United Automobile Insurance Company

Mr. Parillo is Vice President of Claims for United Automobile Insurance Company. He was appointed to the Council in 2000.
Donald 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.

Charles Schofield  
Peoria County Sheriff  
Mr. Schofield was elected Sheriff in 1994. Prior to being elected Sheriff, he served as Director of the Multi-County Enforcement Group, a narcotics task force. Mr. Schofield was appointed to the Council in 2000.

Hon. Jesse White  
Illinois Secretary of State  
Mr. White was elected the 37th 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.

Assistant Deputy Director Kenneth Bouche, Chairman  
Illinois State Police  
Assistant Deputy Director Bouche represents Council Chairman Nolen.

Steve Aguilar  
State Farm Insurance Companies  
Mr. Aguilar represents Council member Ronald R. Brown

Paul Bluethner  
Allstate Insurance Company  
Mr. Bluethner represents Council member Michael Burnside.

Paula Daleo  
Cook County State’s Attorney’s Office  
Ms. Daleo represents Cook County State’s Attorney Richard A. Devine.

Brad DeMizio  
Illinois Secretary of State Department of Police  
Mr. DeMizio represents Secretary of State White.
Vehicle thefts reduced

The number of vehicle thefts declined 25 percent from 1991 to 2000.¹ More than 19,000 fewer vehicles were stolen during 2000 than in 1991, which equates to over $116 million saved.²

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.³

Stolen vehicles recovered

According to the Illinois State Police, 81 percent of the vehicles stolen in 2000 were recovered. Of those vehicles that were recovered, 75 percent were recovered within 14 days.⁴

Increased prison sentences

According to the most recent information available, the average sentence length imposed for motor vehicle theft at the Illinois Department of Corrections has increased eight percent since 1991, from 4.0 years to 4.3 years.⁵

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 2000, more than 2,700 audits of vehicle-related businesses were conducted, bringing the statewide total to more than 24,000 since 1992. An estimated $10.4 million in stolen and contraband vehicles have been recovered by the audit teams to date and over 220 persons arrested.

The word is out that dealing in stolen parts isn't worth it in Illinois.

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¹ Illinois State Police, Uniform Crime Reports.
² The FBI estimates that the average value of a stolen car at the time of theft is $6,104. Crime in the United States 1999. Washington, DC.
⁴ Law Enforcement Agencies Data System (LEADS) as of February 7, 2001.
Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Trust Fund
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Fund Balance for
State Fiscal Year 2000 (July 1999 to June 2000)

Revenues

Insurance Company Payments $5,836,878
Interest Income $286,037
Total $6,122,915

Expenditures

Programs $5,481,428
Administrative $151,500
Total $5,655,694

Balance

Beginning Balance $5,820,826
Ending Balance $6,288,047
Statistical Snapshots

Program Areas Funded 1992-2000

Law Enforcement $50 Million (90.3%)

Public Education $1.9 Million (3.5%)
Evaluation & Research $0.4 Million (0.8%)
Innovative $3.0 Million (5.4%)


Personnel $34.7 Million (75%)

Commodities $0.5 Million (1%)
Travel $0.3 Million (1%)
Equipment $3.6 Million (8%)
Contractual $5.7 Million (13%)
Other $0.8 Million (2%)

Law Enforcement Funding by Activity 1992-2000

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The Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Act was enacted on January 1, 1991

Source: Illinois State Police, Uniform Crime Reports
The Council funded fifteen programs in 2000. The purposes, activities, and results of each program are summarized below. Unless otherwise noted, awards were made for calendar year 2000, based on the strategy adopted by the Council.

The program descriptions below each include a summary of program expenditures during 2000. 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

#### DuPage County Auto Theft Task Force

*Grantee: DuPage County Sheriff’s Office*

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

**Amount Awarded for 2000:** $397,631

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 2000, BATTLE conducted 174 investigations resulting in 100 arrests and 34 convictions. BATTLE recovered 100 stolen vehicles worth an estimated $1.2 million dollars.

#### Kane County Auto Theft Task Force

*Grantee: Elgin Police Department*

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

**Amount Awarded for 2000:** $365,979

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 2000, KCAT launched 54 investigations, resulting in 57 arrests and 50 convictions. In addition, the task force recovered 91 vehicles worth an estimated $822,385.

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6 The Vehicle for Change program, which consists of two separate grants, is counted here as a single program (see page 13).

7 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.
Unique problems face the southern Illinois task force in 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 2000, the Metro East Auto Theft Task Force opened 436 investigations and made 234 arrests, resulting in 218 convictions. The unit recovered 251 vehicles worth an estimated $3.8 million.

This task force, known as SLATE, serves Peoria County. During 2000, its first year of operation, SLATE launched 124 investigations, resulting in 94 arrests and 23 convictions. In addition, the task force recovered 83 vehicles worth an estimated $420,600.

Known as SSA TIN, this task force serves the south and west suburban Cook County metropolitan area. From 1992 to 1999, SSA TIN’s service area included 53 communities within suburban Cook County. In 2000, the task force expanded its service area to include 18 additional communities in Cook County’s western suburbs, an area known as the I-290 Eisenhower Corridor. The unit employs numerous theft detection techniques, such as surveillance and informant development. In 2000, SSA TIN conducted 318 investigations that resulted in 152 arrests and 86 convictions. The unit recovered 354 stolen vehicles worth an estimated $5.5 million.

This task force serves the Joliet metropolitan area, including Will, Kane, and Grundy counties. In 2000, the task force initiated 327 investigations, resulting in 103 arrests and 46 convictions. In addition, the unit recovered 333 vehicles worth an estimated $2.9 million.
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 2000: $582,316

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 offices.

In 2000, 159 vehicle theft-related cases were referred for prosecution; eight of these cases required additional follow-up investigation by the unit. Of the 148 cases disposed of in 2000 (which include some cases initiated in 1998 and 1999), 129 resulted in guilty pleas or findings of guilty. Fifty-eight defendants were sentenced to prison or jail and 28 received felony probation. Restitution and court costs totaling $37,804 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 2000: $1,175,000

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 are comprised of 19 non-sworn auditors, 8 clerical personnel and supervisors.

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 2000, the teams performed 2,781 audits involving 51,241 vehicles and 6,522 essential vehicle parts. In all, 119 stolen vehicles and 341 contraband vehicles were recovered, for a total estimated value of $2,655,000. Of the 6,522 essential parts inspected, six were found to be stolen and forty-one were contraband, for an approximate value of $25,900.

The work of the Audit Teams also resulted in:
- Inspection of 3,361 certificates of title and 4,075 salvage certificates;
- Issuance of 599 violation letters;
- Issuance of 43 warning tickets;
- Fifty-eight businesses voluntarily surrendering their licenses;
- Revocation of 12 licenses by the Audit Teams; and
- Five 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 2000: $257,162

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 con-
sists of three criminal intelligence analysts and two support personnel, and is directed by a sergeant assigned by the Illinois State Police.

During 2000, the Clearinghouse received 233 requests for information, crime analysis, mapping, charting, case assistance, and the production of strategic and tactical products. These requests included 128 inquiries from auto theft task forces, 55 from the Illinois State Police, 8 from federal agencies, 20 from local law enforcement, and 22 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.

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 2000: $104,949

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 2000, 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 2000, the field inquiry section made 27,625 computer entries on stolen/recovered vehicles, private tows, and reposessions.

Auto Pound Section. This section conducts confidential vehicle identification number (VIN) investigations. In 2000, 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.

This program ended December 31, 2000.

Chicago Police Department Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Data and Analysis
Grantee: City of Chicago, Department of Police
Type of Program: Information and technology support
Amount Awarded for 2000: $242,538

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 hotspots and trends. In 2000, the unit enhanced its crime mapping capabilities by automating aspects of the mapping system, allowing analysts to spend less time simply generating maps and more time identifying theft patterns.

*The Data and Analysis Program was awarded $207,538 in 1999; the program agreement was extended for a second year with a $35,000 budget addition, bringing the two-year grant award total to $242,538.

Insurance Vehicle Expense Fund Program
Grantee: Illinois Anti-Car Theft Committee
Type of Program: Maintenance of insurance industry-loaned vehicles
Amount Awarded for 2000: $80,000

To support Council-funded law enforcement efforts, insurance companies have loaned vehicles for use by Council-funded programs. To date, 34 different insurance companies have loaned 271 vehicles. The vast majority of these vehicles are recovered stolen vehicles obtained from the insurance salvage pools in the Chicago metropolitan area. Program funds are used to repair these 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 2000, expenditures from the fund totaled $80,000. Approximately $6,500 of this amount has been for the cost of licensing and registering vehicles. In 2000, there were 105 vehicles in use. The estimated cost of leasing 105 vehicles for the year is more than $500,000.

Motor Vehicle Theft Investigation Training Program
Grantee: Illinois State Police Academy
Type of Program: Statewide officer motor vehicle investigation training
Amount Awarded for 2000: $80,546

Officer training is crucial to the success of vehicle theft detection and prosecution. This program, administered by the Illinois State Police, developed and conducted four 36-hour auto theft investigator courses, targeting Council-funded vehicle theft task forces. Sixty-two officers participated in the investigator training. The program also conducted 20 one-day training sessions for patrol officers, with a total of 353 participants. The courses were held in locations throughout Illinois, including Chicago, Rockford, Peoria, and Springfield. Overall, the training received favorable remarks from the participants and the instructors. In 2000, the training program, along with the Cook County State’s Attorney’s Office, produced a training video to assist state’s attorneys in prosecuting motor vehicle theft cases.

Innovative Programs

Vehicle for Change
Grantees: Office of the Cook County State’s Attorney; Westside Association for Community Action
Type of Program: Alternative sanctions program for youth
Amount awarded for 2000 for Cook County State’s Attorney: $50,618
Amount awarded for 2000 for Westside Association for Community Action: $200,000

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 Westside Association for Community Action 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.

Fifty-six minors were referred to the Vehicle for Change program in 2000. Of the 56 referred, 31 were enrolled in the program. During 2000, 33 juveniles graduated from the program, nine of whom had enrolled in 1999. Eight youths were dropped from the program for non-compliance; none were pulled from the program due to subsequent arrests.

This program ended December 31, 2000.
South Suburban Auto Theft Interdiction Network

1 Illinois State Police Master Sergeant
9 Illinois State Police Investigators
1 Bellwood Officer
1 Calumet City Officer
1 Chicago Heights Officer
1 Cicero Officer
1 Dolton Officer
1 Maywood Officer
1 Orland Park Officer
1 South Holland Officer
1 Steger Officer
1 Stone Park Officer
1 University of Illinois at Chicago Officer
2 National Insurance Crime Bureau Investigators
1 Secretary of State Police Investigator
2 Clerical Staff

DuPage County Auto Theft Task Force (BATTLE)

1 Illinois State Police Master Sergeant
1 Illinois State Police Special Agent
2 DuPage County Deputies
1 Winfield Officer
1 Naperville Officer
1 Elmhurst Officer
1 DuPage County State’s Attorney Investigator
1 DuPage County Assistant State’s Attorney
1 Clerical Staff - DuPage County

Metro East Auto Theft Task Force

2 Secretary of State Police Investigators
2 Illinois State Police Troopers
1 Southern Illinois University - Edwardsville Officer
1 Cahokia Officer
1 Collinsville Officer
1 East St. Louis Officer
2 St. Clair County Deputies
1 Madison County Deputy
1 Fairview Heights Officer
1 Madison County Assistant State’s Attorney
1 St. Clair County Assistant State’s Attorney
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|                                                 | 1 Senior Administrator  |
| Motor Vehicle Theft Investigation Training       | 2 Illinois State Police personnel |
| Insurance Vehicle Expense Program               | 1 Country Companies Insurance personnel |
| Vehicle for Change – Cook County State’s Attorney’s Office | 2 Cook County personnel |
| Vehicle for Change – Westside Association for Community Action | 6 Westside Association for Community Action Staff |
| Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Data and Analysis | 2 Chicago Police Department Staff |
| Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Program           | 4 Chicago Police Department Staff |
| **TOTAL**                                       | **156 Personnel supported by or assigned to Council-funded programs** |

The Illinois State Police and the Secretary of State Department of Police assigned seven task force directors and 21 other personnel to the programs without requesting funding. Likewise, the National Insurance Crime Bureau was not compensated for the three agents it assigned to the programs.
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<td>84</td>
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<td>94</td>
<td>23</td>
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<td><strong>1,755</strong></td>
<td><strong>824</strong></td>
<td><strong>610</strong></td>
<td><strong>1,410</strong></td>
<td><strong>$16.3 million</strong></td>
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Cook County Motor Vehicle Theft Prosecutions Unit

- Number of Indictments: 159
- Number of Defendants: 190
- Sentences: 101
  - Illinois Dept. of Corrections: 58*
  - Felony Probation: 28**
  - Nolle Pros/Not Guilty/Boot Camp: 15

Restitution Costs: $37,804

Cook County Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Program

- Confidential VIN Investigations: 5,173
- Resulting Vehicle Recoveries: 751
- Computer Entries: 23,561

Motor Vehicle Theft Intelligence Clearinghouse

- Source of Information Requests: Number
  - Auto Theft Task Forces: 128
  - Illinois State Police: 55
  - Federal Agencies: 8
  - Local Law Enforcement: 20
  - Other Criminal Justice Agencies: 22
  **TOTAL**: 233

Secretary of State Audit Teams

- Audits conducted: 2,781
- Stolen vehicles recovered: 119
- Value of stolen vehicles: $930,000
- Contraband vehicles recovered: 341
- Value of contraband vehicles: $1,724,300
- Warning tickets issued: 43
- Licenses revoked: 12
- Business licenses surrendered: 58
- Violation letters issued: 599
- Certificates of title inspected: 3,361
- Salvage certificates inspected: 4,075
- Arrests: 5

Motor Vehicle Theft Investigation Training

- Auto Theft Investigator Courses: 4
  - Participants: 62
- Patrol Officer Training Sessions: 20
  - Participants: 353

*Those who were non-compliant
**Those who were rearrested
+ Includes 9 youths who enrolled in 1999.
## Programs Funded for 2000–2002

Amount of funding authorized for 2000–2002

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<td>$ 594,290</td>
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<td>South Suburban Auto Theft Interdiction Network</td>
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<td>DuPage County Auto Theft Task Force (BATTLE)</td>
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**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*

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### SFY 1997 SFY 1998 SFY 1999 SFY 2000 SFY 2001** TO TOTALS

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*SFY=State Fiscal Year = July 1st-June 30th  
** July 1, 2000 through December 31st 2000  
Numbers in parentheses are negative
2000 Trust Fund Contributors

Ace Insurance Company of Illinois
Addison Insurance Company
Affirmative Insurance Company
All America Insurance Company
All Nation Insurance Company
Allied Property & Casualty Insurance Company
Allmerica Financial Alliance Insurance Company
Allmerica Financial Benefit Insurance Company
Allstate Indemnity Company
Allstate Insurance Company
Alpha Property & Casualty Insurance Company
AMCO Insurance Company
American & Foreign Insurance Company
American Ambassador Casualty Company
American Bankers Insurance Company of Florida
American Country Insurance Company
American Economy Insurance Company
American Family Mutual Insurance Company
American Fire & Casualty Company
American Fire & Indemnity Company
American Freedom Insurance Company
American Heartland Insurance Company
American Horizon Property & Casualty 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 Motorsports 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
American Surety & Casualty Company
American Union Insurance Company
AMEX Assurance Company
Anica Mutual Insurance 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
Auto-Owners Insurance Company

Automobile Club Interinsurance Exchange
Badger Mutual Insurance Company
Bituminous Casualty Corporation
Centennial Insurance Company
Central Mutual Insurance Company
CGU Insurance Company
CGU Insurance Company of Illinois
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
Colonial Penn Franklin Insurance Company
Colonial Penn Insurance Company
Columbia Mutual Insurance Company
Commerce & Industry Insurance Company
Commercial Union Insurance Company
Constitutional Casualty Company
Contemporary American Insurance Company
Continental Insurance Company
Continental Western Insurance Company
Country Casualty Insurance Company
Country Mutual Insurance Company
Country Preferred Insurance Company
CUMIS Insurance Society Incorporated
Dairyland Insurance Company
Deerbrook Insurance Company
Depositors Insurance Company
Direct Choice Insurance Company
Eagle American Insurance Company
Economy Fire & Casualty Company
Economy Preferred Insurance Company
Economy Premier Assurance Company
Electric Insurance Company
EMCASCO Insurance Company
Employers Fire Insurance Company
Employers Mutual Casualty Company
Erie Insurance Exchange
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
Financial Indemnity Company
First American Insurance Company
First Liberty Insurance Company
First National Insurance Company of America
Foremost Insurance Company
Foremost Property & Casualty Insurance Company
Foremost Signature Insurance Company
Founders Insurance Company
Gallant Insurance Company
GEICO Casualty Company
GEICO General Insurance Company
GEICO Indemnity Company
General Accident Insurance Company
General Casualty Company of Illinois
General Casualty Company of Wisconsin
General Insurance Company of American
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
Globe American Casualty Company
Grinnell Mutual Reinsurance Company
Grinnell Select Insurance Company
Guaranty National Insurance Company
GuideOne America Insurance Company
GuideOne Elite Insurance Company
GuideOne Mutual Insurance Company
GuideOne Specialty Mutual Insurance Company
Hannover 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
Heritage Mutual Insurance Company
Horace Mann Insurance Company
IGF Insurance Company
Illinois EMCASCO Insurance Company
Illinois Farmers Insurance Company
Illinois National Insurance Company
IMT Insurance Company Mutual
Indiana Insurance Company
Infinite Insurance Company
Insura Property & Casualty Insurance Company
Integon Casualty Insurance Company
Integon Indemnity Corporation
Integon National Insurance Company
Interstate Bankers Casualty Company
Interstate Indemnity 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
Madison Mutual Insurance Company
Markel American 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
Meridian Security 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
Midway Insurance Company of Illinois
Millers Classified Insurance Company
Millers Insurance Company
Millers Mutual Insurance Association
Milwaukee Mutual Insurance Company
Milwaukee Safeguard Insurance Company
Minnesota Fire & Casualty Company
Motors Insurance Company
National Alliance Insurance Company
National Ben Franklin Insurance Company of Illinois
National Farmers Union Property & Casualty
National Farmers Union Standard Insurance Company
National General Assurance Company
National General Insurance Company
National Interstate Insurance Company
National Union Fire Insurance Company of Pittsburgh
Nationwide Assurance Company
Nationwide General Insurance Company
Nationwide Insurance Company of American
Nationwide Mutual Fire Insurance Company
Nationwide Mutual Insurance Company
New Hampshire Insurance Company
Nobel Insurance Company
North American Specialty Insurance Company
North Pointe Insurance Company of Illinois
Northern Assurance Company of America
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
Owners Insurance Company
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.


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:

(i) 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.

(ii) 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.

(iii) 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.

(iv) 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.

(v) 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.

(vi) 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.

(vii) 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.

(viii) To exercise any other powers that are reasonable, necessary or convenient to fulfill its responsi-