

# BROADVIEW POLICE DEPARTMENT



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## POLICE WATCH

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### OFFICERS SEIZE 2 KILOS OF COCAINE



On August 10th, while assisting in the apprehension of a man accused of sexual assault, Broadview Officers discovered 2 kilos of cocaine in the property of the arrestee. Officers took possession of the brick-sized bundles and

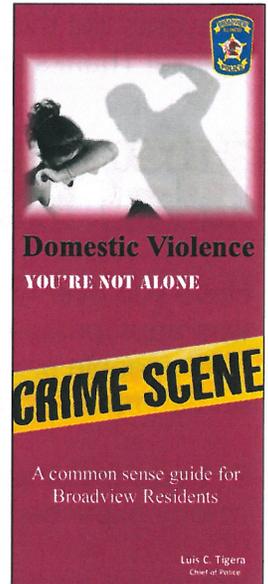
charged the man with Possession of a Controlled Substance with Intent to Deliver.

The suspect appeared before a Judge and bond was set at \$350,000.00

Drug arrests like this are part of our continuing effort to be a pro-active police department. If criminals know that Broadview is actively coming after them, it is likely that they'll find somewhere else to commit their crimes.

When criminals come into Broadview to break the law, they should know that the residents and the Police Department won't tolerate it.

**All suspects are considered innocent until proven guilty.**



Domestic Violence is the next topic in our series of crime brochures, which are created to inform and educate the public. You can find this and other crime prevention brochures at the Village Hall.



Next Meeting is Sept 27th, 7pm @ Village Hall

**ANONYMOUS**  
Crime Tips can be Sent to:  
[COPS@Broadview-il.gov](mailto:COPS@Broadview-il.gov)

Sign up for free **NIXLE Connect** text alerts from the Broadview Police Department by visiting Your village website: [www.Broadview-il.gov](http://www.Broadview-il.gov)

Dial 911 for emergencies (708) 345-6550 for non-emergency police assistance

### Broadview Officers attend Proviso School and Community Safety Forum

Recently, Deputy Chief of Police Kevin Wagner and Community Outreach Sergeant Tom Kostka joined with several other community leaders for the **Proviso School and Community Safety Forum** at The Proviso Mathematics and Science Academy in Forest Park. Attendees took part in a panel discussion dealing with all elements of safety for our children and adults in our neighborhoods. Audience members provided critical input to school officials and the Officers who are responsible for the children's safety.

We were happy to have been invited and we look forward to continuing a close working relationship with this group.

## Next Community Meeting: The "Acres" Sept.12th

The second in our series of Community Meetings will be held for the residents of "The Acres" (from Roosevelt Rd. to I290, and from 13th Ave.- 17th Ave.) on September 12th, 7pm at St.James Community Baptist Church. This is an opportunity for residents to meet members of the Police Department Command Staff and learn about our efforts to deter and combat crime in this area of town. These meetings are also a great opportunity to voice your concerns and be heard by your police department.

Residents are encouraged to attend this important meeting and invite their neighbors. Participation at events like this are key in our efforts to keep crime out of Broadview.

Special Thanks to Pastor Joseph Richardson for hosting this event!

### Emergency Dial 911

## When NOT to call 911...

Have you ever wanted to speak with a Police Officer about a troublesome issue, but wondered if it was appropriate to dial 911?

Many people are confused since 911 has become synonymous with police response. This article is an attempt to clarify the issue from the perspective of a police agency.

911 was first implemented here in the US in 1968 as a way to easily report an emergency. As technology expanded, more and more police and fire agencies came on board. **It wasn't until the mid-90's that Broadview had 911 capability.** Until then, Broadview residents had to hope they'd remember the seven digit number in their time of need. Even more troubling was the fact that because 911 had already become somewhat ubiquitous in our culture, residents assumed that dialing 911 would put them directly through to an emergency dispatcher, which wasn't yet the case.

Today, you can dial 911 from just about anywhere and be assured that you'll receive emergency assistance immediately. A problem occurs however when people misuse the system for non-emergencies.

In a small village like Broadview, there are only a few available 911 lines, which means that if they're tied up with non-emergencies, someone calling for a *real* emergency, might not get through.

So please remember, calling the non-emergency police number (708) 345-6550 still puts you in touch with a Police Dispatcher, but it doesn't tie up the 911 lines. **Witness a car accident? Dial 911. Someone assaulting you? Dial 911. See someone breaking into your neighbor's house? Dial 911. Having a medical emergency? Dial 911.** Want to report a car blocking your driveway? Dial (708) 345-6550.

Although your non-emergency call *will* be prioritized, that does not necessarily mean a longer response time. It simply means that emergency calls will get to our officers without delay. When you need emergency assistance, we want to provide you with a quick and seamless response. You can help by dialing the appropriate number. Please take a moment to cut the emergency phone numbers at the bottom of this page and post them near you telephone. We hope this helps.

Thank you!

**EMERGENCY Dial 911**  
**Police Non-Emergency #(708) 345-6550**



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