



**ILLINOIS SHERIFFS' ASSOCIATION**



# NATIONAL POLICE WEEK

## MAY 9 - 15

**Respect. Honor. Remember.**



*Join us on May 6th: **Honor the Fallen***

Illinois Peace Officer Memorial, Springfield

- 6:30 am – Squad car motorcade lineup at the fairgrounds
- 8:30 am – Squad motorcade departs the fairgrounds
- 9:30 am – Church service, 524 E Lawrence Ave, Springfield, IL 62703
- 11:00 am – West lawn campus, 301 S 2nd St, Springfield, IL 62703

### *Wave your Flag*

Proudly display your Thin Blue Line Flag to show support for police officers in their fight for justice, freedom & safety.

Where to purchase: <https://www.ilsheriff.org/solidarity-package/>

"We Stand With Illinois Law Enforcement" Solidarity Kit includes (\$20):

- (1) Thin Blue Line Flag, 3x5
- (1) Thin Blue Line Bracelet
- (1) Special Edition Decal
- (5) Thin Blue Line Postcards

### *Light it Blue*

Purchase a Blue Light & place outside your home or business to recognize Police Officers who have died in the line of duty. By displaying your blue light(s) you send a message that you support America's Peacekeepers.

Where to Purchase: Ace Hardware or local hardware store

### *Virtual Events*

- May 9 - 14: Officer Safety & Wellness Product Showcase
- May 10: Built for Blue Art Installation Unveiling
- May 11: Suicide Prevention Program
- May 12: Hall of Remembrance 2021 Installation
- May 13: Police Unity Tour Ceremony & Candlelight Vigil

For more information or to attend Virtual Events, please visit:  
<https://nleomf.org/programs-events/national-police-week>

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**Meet Junior Deputy-Sheriff Casen!**



From Grundy County Facebook Page:

We would like to introduce you to the newest member of the GCSO. Meet Junior Deputy-Sheriff Casen! Casen is 4 yrs old and loves everything police. Casen won our Junior Deputy contest in December and he was finally able to report to work today. Deputy Casen fit right in with our crew, received an official duty shirt and hat, and even made his way to the Sheriff's chair. He loves donuts (just like we do), enjoyed lunch with Sheriff Briley and a few of the deputies, and he was able to see the jail and meet K9 Abel. Best of all, he's already planning on being Sheriff one day. We can't wait to see him grow into that chair. We sent Casen home with a few things to share with his pre-school class. Thanks for spending time with us today Casen!



## Illinois Sheriffs' Association 5K!

October 23rd, 2021

Rochester Community Park  
90 Wild Rose Land  
Rochester, IL 62563

8am - 12pm



Are you following our We Run Blue 5K Event page? If not, click [HERE!](#)

The ISA is now accepting vendor applications for its first annual We Run Blue 5K! The event will involve a 5K, 1 mile Fun Run, Children's area, Farmer's Market & Fall Festival (hosted by the Village of Rochester).

Click [HERE](#) for vendor application form!

## Sheriff's Deputies & K9 Dax Save Man's Life



From Lake County Sheriff's Office Facebook:

On April 19, 2021, at approximately 12:20 a.m., Lake County Sheriff's Deputies were dispatched to a home in the 35800 block of North Hunt Avenue, Ingleside, for a report of a suicidal person.

While responding to the scene, Lake County Sheriff's Telecommunicators ascertained a 37-year-old man sliced his wrists open and fled from the residence on foot. After learning the man left on foot and was in immediate need of medical help and mental wellness assistance, Sheriff's Deputy John Forlenza and K9 Dax responded to the scene.

The initial deputies arrived and located a large amount of blood in the home. A short time later Deputy Forlenza and K9 Dax arrived at the scene. K9 Dax conducted an immediate track. K9 Dax located the man's scent and tracked out the back door of the home and started initially tracking in a southwest direction. K9 Dax then turned and tracked to the north, directly to a shed in the rear of the property. Deputy Chase Skrypek opened the door to the shed and found the man inside, unconscious and not breathing. Deputy Forlenza and Deputy Skrypek carried the man out of the shed and began CPR. Deputy Michael McCarty arrived and assisted with CPR until paramedics arrived.

Just prior to the arrival of paramedics, the man began breathing and regained consciousness. He was transported to an area hospital due to his injuries and for a mental health evaluation.

Sheriff John D. Idleburg said, "This is yet another outstanding example of the dedication and devotion our sheriff's deputies have to the Lake County community. The number one priority of everyone working at the Lake County Sheriff's Office is to always maintain the respect and dignity of every human life - Deputies Forlenza, Skrypek, McCarty, and K9 Dax did just that and undoubtedly saved this man's life."

# WE STAND *in solidarity*

## *with* ILLINOIS LAW ENFORCEMENT

**\$20.00 Solidarity Package  
includes:**

### Thin Blue Line Flag (3x5)



Did you know that each stripe of the Thin Blue Line Flag has meaning? The top black stripe on the Thin Blue Line Flag represents the public. The Thin Blue Line represents law enforcement. The bottom black stripe of the Thin Blue Line Flag represents the criminals. This representation of the Thin Blue Line flag shows law enforcement standing between the violence of criminals and their victims. The black background of the Thin Blue Line Flag also acts as a constant reminder of fallen officers.

1 Flag Included

### Thin Blue Line Bracelet



### Special Edition Decal



Seeing your bumper stickers/decals, bracelets, t-shirts, flags, etc. lets IL Law Enforcement know that you stand with them and they are not alone.

1 Bracelet & 1 Decal Included

### Thin Blue Line Postcards



Sending a postcard thanking your local law enforcement officers for their dedication to your community speaks volumes. Those small touches often go far in encouraging officers during tough days and remind them of your support.

5 Postcards Included

### Additional Information

Also included in Solidarity Package is information on how to support IL Law Enforcement with a list of local resources.

**GET YOURS TODAY AT:**  
[WWW.ILSHERIFF.ORG](http://www.ILSHERIFF.ORG)

## Legislative Updates - Priority House Bills

### HB 3447 (Defelonizing Controlled Substances)

HB 3447 passed with 61 votes after failing on its first attempt and now will be considered in the Illinois State Senate.

Link to Full Bill [HERE](#)

### HB 111 (Changing Age of Juveniles)

Link to full bill [HERE](#)

### **HB 2784 (Dispatching Mental Health Responders)**

Link to full bill [HERE](#)

### **HB 3443 (Resentencing for Those Already Incarcerated)**

Link to full bill [HERE](#)

### **HB 3564 (Isolated Confinement - Counties Should be Excluded)**

Link to full bill [HERE](#)

### **HB 3767 (Decreasing Age of Juvenile for Detention)**

Link to full bill [HERE](#)

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## **Legislative Updates - Priority Senate Bills**

### **SB 626 (Criminal Traffic Assessment - Credit)**

Link to full bill [HERE](#)

### **SB 667 (Expansion of Trust Act, Elimination of ICE Contracts)**

Link to full bill [HERE](#)

### **SB 768 (No Knock Warrants)**

Link to full bill [HERE](#)

### **SB 1825 (Juveniles Must Always Have Counsel Present)**

Link to full bill [HERE](#)

### **SB 2079 (Denials of Victims under VOICES Act)**

Link to full bill [HERE](#)

### **SB 2122 (Deception with Minors)**

Link to full bill [HERE](#)

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