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**2024 Report under the provisions of the
Illinois Law Enforcement Camera Grant Act 50 ILCS 707/1
Grant awarded \$40,000.00 SAIN: 1669-6105**

**Chicago Ridge Police Department FEIN:366009194 DUNS:867642548
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There were 11 in-car dash cameras systems that were purchased under the grant and installed in April, 2018. The Chicago Ridge Police did not have an existing in-car camera system prior to receiving this grant. The camera system project was completed in 2018 after the car installations of the 11 dash camera systems that are still in operation currently. The inventory of the camera systems is attached. Previously all officers and newly hired officers attended a 4-hour in-service training session before being authorized to use the system. The department adopted a General Order in the application and required use of the new camera system.

Stated in the General Orders, Supervisors are required to review sporadic videos of each officer assigned to their respective shifts. Supervisor's must log the videos that were reviewed and submit a monthly report to the Commander of Patrol. Each video reviewed requires the supervisor to critique the video with notes of violations or compliance in department general orders and asses training needs for the officers involved. Videos also allow training officers to use the system for in-service department training.

After the implementation of this camera system, we have received FOIA requests for videos that are retained. Other agencies stressed they receive numerous FOIA request and our agency is being to experience that. We are finding great success with the camera system and its use in prosecution for court and officer safety training and awareness.

In May of 2023 our department purchased 35 V300 Body Worn Cameras. Each Sworn Officer was issued on, and currently wear them throughout their shift. We did not receive any grant funding for the BWCs.

Attached is the summary of traffic stops and criminal arrests that were conducted and the use of the in-car camera system was utilized.



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