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The Effingham County Sheriff's Office began using Axon body worn cameras (BWC's) in June of 2024. 31 BWC's were purchased and are currently being used by Corrections, Patrol and Investigations personnel. There are 22 full-time law enforcement officers, 3 part-time law enforcement officers, 13 full-time correctional officers and 5 part-time correctional officers.

Each full-time law enforcement officer is assigned their own BWC, and there is a spare BWC for use by part-time law enforcement personnel, or if there is a malfunction with one of the assigned BWC's. 8 BWC's are assigned to Correctional staff for use by on-duty personnel. At any given time there are at least 1-2 spare BWC's available in the Jail, which can be used to supplement any needs for breakdowns or additional staffing by part-time law enforcement personnel. BWC's are worn at all times by on-duty staff in the previously mentioned job descriptions, and activation/de-activation is regulated by policy.

Supervisors review BWC footage during complaint and use of force investigations. Additionally, supervisors can access and review any subordinate camera footage at any time for random reviews to identify acts of good conduct, potential training issues, or any improper activity needing addressed.

There were no known technical issues mitigated in 2025, the first full year the BWC's were in service at our agency.