



Working to raise community awareness of domestic violence

Springfield was continually reminded of its severe problem with domestic abuse earlier this year. In a span of four months, seven people were killed by their own family members.

The Springfield area's Family Violence Task Force (established in late 2012 and originally led by the Springfield Police Department) had many objectives to explore upon its formation, but one central goal was to educate the community about the issues of family violence and the overall effect this issue has on the quality of life, businesses, education and civic reputation.



The majority of aggravated assaults Springfield police respond to are domestic in nature. With the goal of prevention and education mind, the Family Violence Task Force hosted the third annual Stop the Violence conference on Oct. 29 at Missouri State University's Plaster Student Union. The conference brought in nationally known speakers and attracted over 400 attendees from around the region.

"The Stop the Violence conference is all about stopping family violence: domestic violence, child abuse and even human trafficking. What we want to do at this conference each year is get people information about these issues and empower them to make a difference in the areas that they work," said Captain David Millsap of the Springfield Police Department.

For more information on the annual Stop the Violence conference, visit stoptheviolenceSGF.org. If you or someone you know is a victim of domestic violence, call the 24-hour crisis hotline at 417-864-SAFE (7233). If outside the Springfield area, call 1-800-821-6863.

Community Engagement

Springfield Police Department offers a variety of programs and services that engage citizens in public safety initiatives.

- Police Area Representative (PAR) Officers
- Crime Prevention
 - Neighborhood Watch
 - Business Watch
 - Night Watch
 - CPTED
 - Apartment Watch
 - Citizens Alert Patrol
- Targeted awareness campaigns
- Crime Stoppers
- Citizens Police Academy
- Coffee with the Chief
- Volunteers in Police Service (VIPS)

Police Engagement

Springfield Police Department is organized to maximize effective deployment and utilization of resources.

- Highly trained and specialized teams
- Targeted enforcement efforts
 - people - places - crime
- Annual beat surveys
- Spirit of service
- Commitment to transparency
- Crime trend analysis
- Daily officer deployment based on crime data

See Something. Say Something.

There's no information that's insignificant. Don't hesitate. Call 911.

Report criminal activity anonymously to Crime Stoppers.

(417) 869-TIPS

Text a Tip: Text 417SPD plus your message or photo to CRIMES (274637)

Headquarters:

321 E. Chestnut Expressway
Springfield, MO 65802

South District Station:

2620 W. Battlefield Rd.
Springfield, MO 65807

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Learn more about how you can be involved in crime prevention efforts:

(417) 874-2113 or www.goSPD.com

Springfield Crime Statistics

Third Quarter 2015 (July - Sept.)

↑ **3%**

Overall increase
in crime in 3rd Qtr.
(Compared to 3rd Qtr. 2014)

CRIMES AGAINST PERSONS

July - Sept.	2014	2015
Homicide	2	0
Rape	62	104
Robbery	107	115
Aggravated Assault	362	428
Total Against Persons	533	647

THERE WAS AN **21% TOTAL INCREASE IN CRIMES AGAINST PERSONS** FROM THIS PERIOD IN 2014.

CRIMES AGAINST PROPERTY

July - Sept.	2014	2015
Burglary	491	518
Larceny/theft	2,747	2,742
Stolen Vehicle	389	389
Total Against Property	3,627	3,649

THERE WAS A **1% TOTAL INCREASE IN CRIMES AGAINST PROPERTY** FROM THIS PERIOD IN 2014.

NO!

Reports of rape
ROSE by nearly

68%

Most victims know their abuser. Many of them decline to prosecute.

Aggravated
assaults, still
driven by domestic
violence, **ROSE BY**

18%



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