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2022 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 GATA:685432

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 incar 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. All video is retained for a two-year period.

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.

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After the implementation of this camera system, we never experienced FOIA requests for videos that are retained. Other agencies stressed they receive numerous FOIA request

and that has not happened with our agency. We are finding great success with the camera system and its use in prosecution for court and officer safety training and awareness.

Currently the department is in the process of implementing body worn cameras

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

Jim Varolimek Chief of Police June 9, 2023