Redwood County Sheriff's Office

Annual Activity Report



2022

Redwood County Sheriff's Office

The Redwood County Sheriff's Office consists of 17 full-time and 2 part-time sworn personnel serving a population of approximately 16,059 people and covering 882 square miles. There are multiple police departments located within the county consisting of the Redwood Falls Police Department, Lower Sioux Police Department, Morgan Police Department, Lamberton Police Department, and Walnut Grove Police Department. The Sheriff's Office also provides contract law enforcement services to the City of Wabasso.

The Sheriff's Office is responsible for a number of civil/law enforcement tasks including but not limited to: civil process, criminal investigations, traffic enforcement, jail transports, court security, court ordered civil transports, search/rescue and body recovery. The Sheriff's Office also maintains a 24/7 dispatch center and 21 bed jail.

This report is not all inclusive but rather a summary of the Redwood County Sheriff's Office community involvement and enforcement activity.

Sheriff Randy Hanson retired after 38 years of law enforcement. Jason Jacobson was elected and will take over as Sheriff of Redwood County in 2023.



Sheriff Jason Jacobson

Redwood County Sheriff's Office 303 E 3rd St Redwood Falls, MN 56283

Emergency Number: 911 Non-Emergency Dispatch: 507-637-4036

Website: https://redwoodcounty-mn.us/departments/sheriffs-department/

Description	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
911 Hang up	48	42	25	16	25	10	11	19
Abandoned Vehicle	62	42	35	19	41	31	44	18
Accident	120	118	113	123	81	142	145	104
Active Shooter	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Alarm	55	58	61	57	72	5 7	82	61
Alcohol	1	19	5	5	7	4	5	7
Animal	159	156	111	137	131	110	119	111
Arson	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	n/a
Assault	14	15	4	9	17	18	10	30
Assist Other Agency No agency assigned -	84	69	40	50	32	458	374	368
- Ambulance Service	1	1	1	0	0			
- Fire Department	0	0	0	1	0			
- Lamberton Police Department	34	14	28	13	15			
- Lower Sioux Police Department	68	61	68	74	72			
- Morgan Police Department	36	34	44	19	33			
- Other Law Enforcement Agency	43	49	38	50	87			
- Redwood Falls Police Department	182	224	173	202	192			
- Walnut Grove Police Department	10	7	20	13	31			
Assist/Other	161	49	32	42	27	23	43	24
Attempt to Locate	10	25	21	10	13	9	14	6
Banishment	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Burglary	11	8	15	13	14	23	18	6
Burn Permit	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Child Custody	4	7	4	4	6	9	7	10
Child Protection	138	107	93	126	117	135	105	71
Civil	62	31	36	36	52	18	6	2
Community Policing	26	33	7	15	17	9	10	5
Compliance Check	100	19	3	28	98	48	10	20
Contempt of Court	0	2	3	0	1	1	3	0
Counterfeit	0	3	1	3	1	3	0	0
Criminal Damage to Property	10	25	25	14	17	20	29	27
Criminal Sexual Conduct	8	9	3	8	3	9	1	5
Death Investigation	17	21	12	9	11	16	14	11
Directed Patrol	706	696	697	611	677	837	566	516
Disorderly Conduct	0	1	2	5	7	10	4	9
Disturbance	57	66	37	73	52	64	55	47
Domestic	18	28	25	22	21	20	31	22
Driving Complaint	87	112	72	84	86	88	88	81
Drugs	25	23	17	25	41	55	31	7
Emergency Message	6	5	4	2	1	3	5	0
ERU	6	0	5	4	9	6	2	6
Escort	3	6	5	0	2	5	5	4
Evidence Audit	3	0	0	0	3	0	3	3
Expunged Record	7	1	3	4	3	0	0	0
Fire	122	110	99	94	102	98	108	96
Fleeing	4	4	1	0	3	3	2	0
Forgery	1	2	1	1	2	2	1	0
Fraud	16	16	12	16	17	15	30	31
Garbage	3	15	15	6	5	14	11	6
Gun Permit	392	563	517	353	427	338	484	356
Harassment	33	31	21	17	18	15	21	24

Homicide	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
HRO/OFP	5	25	7	6	19	7	15	5
Information/Other	243	263	214	158	159	198	205	173
Juvenile	16	18	17	15	10	5	20	12
K9	1	1	1	6	3	11	4	8
Kidnapping	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Description of calls continued	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
License	33	35	32	32	34	38	34	28
Medical	1293	1180	1343	1852	1837	1706	1702	1530
Mental Health	13	10	1	3	5	1	0	4
Missing Person	8	7	7	6	5	7	6	10
Motorist Assist	107	140	41	48	44	56	38	40
Noise Complaint	5	16	25	12	44	12	54	99
Obstructing	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0
Officer Complaint	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
Ordinance Violation	11	21	4	5	9	15	0	0
Parking	12	10	5	8	13	5	6	7
Pornography	1	1	2	1	4	2	0	0
Predatory Offender	109	117	126	95	140	106	103	76
Presentation	5	2	2	10	10	6	6	7
Prior Incident	0	0	0	10	13	14	7	5
Project Lifesaver	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9
Property	43	32	24	23	23	31	47	33
Property Crime	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	2
Property Exchange	5	9	7	13	15	12	11	6
Prostitution	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Records Check	119	137	118	86	116	102	93	85
Recover Stolen Property	3	8	7	4	2	0	0	0
Repossession	5	1	3	5	9	13	10	0
Residence Check	225	93	90	121	174	209	13	11
Ride Along	15	7	4	2	4	0	0	0
Robbery	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Runaway	1	1	2	0	4	4	2	3
Salvation Army	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Scam	42	25	21	23	20	13	1	0
Suicidal Person	14	19	11	10	20	27	18	16
Suspicious	168	153	144	115	138	166	121	133
Terroristic Threats	10	8	9	9	6	9	8	8
Testing/Training	2	44	11	13	2	2	15	0
Theft	56	94	63	43	56	63	53	56
- Stolen Vehicle	2	9	3	5	3	10	6	1
Traffic	2375	2793	881	1035	891	986	663	985
Traffic Control	3	4	2	5	3	1	1	4
Transport	270	244	207	333	368	232	183	216
Trespass	6	6	6	9	11	13	8	11
UAV (Unmanned Aerial Vehicle)	11	9	13	15	0	0	0	0
Vehicle Off Road	75	50	48	76	52	45	0	0
Violate Court Order	6	12	9	6	9	10	16	8
Void	55	57	54	81	59	60	63	39
Vulnerable Adult	28	55	23	45	61	41	38	17
Warrant	420	520	398	430	396	379	285	336
Weapons	3	11	6	2	3	3	2	1
Weather	45	23	29	32	24	26	22	28
Welfare Check	64	63	40	53	62	47	53	61
Total Calls for Service	8887	9280	6615	7275	7574	7421	6431	6186

Civil Process

Part of the duties of the Sheriff's Office includes processing/serving civil papers. These range from witness subpoenas to debt collections. Below is the number of papers that were submitted to the Sheriff's Office to be processed/served in 2020.

Year	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Total	735	615	564	588	788	726	677	599
Civils								

Criminal Charges

The table below is a summary of criminal charges that resulted from the enforcement activity of the Sheriff's Office.

Criminal Charges	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Alcohol & Juvenile Crimes								
- Contributing to Delinquency of a Child - 260B.425.1(a)	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
- Driving While Impaired (DWI) – 169A.20	28	22	15	22	19	25	26	18
- Furnish Alcohol to Under 21 Years of Age - 340A.503.2(1)	1	0	0	0	2	1	0	0
- Social Host Ordinance – 05.06.14	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	1
- Under 21 Alcohol Consumption – 340A.503.1(a)(2)	3	9	3	10	16	20	5	16
- Under 21 Alcohol Possession – 340A.503.3	2	1	0	0	0	2	0	2
Assault & Related Crimes								
- 1st Degree Assault – 609.221	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2 nd Degree Assault – 609.222 (Dangerous weapons)	4	6	1	3	2	5	4	6
- 3 rd Degree Assault – 609.223	4	4	1	1	1	1	1	5
- 4 th Degree Assault – 609.2231 (Assaults a Peace Officer)	3	3	1	0	1	1	3	4
- 5 th Degree Assault – 609.224	23	36	17	6	15	10	3	12
- Child Endangerment – 609.378	0	5	0	8	4	8	2	0
- Disorderly Conduct – 609.72	14	11	11	11	12	10	23	22
- Domestic Assault – 609.2242	15	26	12	20	18	11	39	23
- Domestic Assault Strangulation - 609.2247.2	2	0	4	3	2	1	3	3
- False Imprisonment - 609.255.2	1	2	0	1	1	0	0	1
- Interfere with 911 call - 609.78.2(1)	1	1	1	0	1	1	3	1
- Kidnapping – 609.25	0	3	0	0	1	0	0	1
- Malicious Punishment of a Child – 609.377	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	1
- Terroristic Threats – 609.713.1	9	7	4	3	2	5	6	7
Crimes Against Justice		-	-		_			
- Escape custody – 609.485	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0
- False Name and DOB – 609.506	0	5	5	3	2	4	2	0
- Falsely Reporting a Crime - 609.505	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1
- Fleeing a Peace Officer - On Foot - 609.487.6	2	4	2	1	3	1	3	0
- Fleeing a Peace Officer – In a Motor Vehicle - 609.487.3	5	4	2	0	4	4	0	0
- Obstructing the Legal Process – 609.50	1	8	6	3	7	3	4	3
- Use of Police Radio Commission of Crime –609.856	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Criminal Sexual Conduct & Related Crimes					Ŭ		Ü	Ů
- 1st Degree Criminal Sexual Conduct – 609.342	2	2	2	4	3	3	2	0
- 2 nd Degree Criminal Sexual Conduct – 609.343	1	3	0	5	4	7	2	2
- 3 rd Degree Criminal Sexual Conduct – 609.344	1	3	0	0	3	2	0	2
- 4 th Degree Criminal Sexual Conduct – 609.345	0	4	0	1	0	2	1	2
- 5 th Degree Criminal Sexual Conduct – 609.3451	4	2	1	5	1	4	0	0
- Indecent Exposure - 617.23.3	0	0	0	5	0	0	4	0
- Interfere With Privacy - 609.746	1	0	0	0	0	3	0	0
- Possession of Pornographic Works Minors – 617.247	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
- Prostitution - 609.324	0	0	0	1	0	3	0	0
- Solicit child to engage in sexual conduct - 609.352	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
- Stalking - 609.749	-	_	•		,			
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Homicide & Criminal Vehicular Operation								
- Criminal Vehicular Homicide - 609.2112.1(a)(1)	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
- Criminal Vehicular Operation – 609.2113	0	0	0	1	0	4	0	1
- Attempted Murder / Manslaughter - 609.19	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
- Murder / Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Theft & Related Crimes								
- 1st Degree Burglary – 609.582.1	0	0	1	0	9	12	1	0
- 2 nd Degree Burglary – 609.582.2	1	3	3	1	2	3	0	2
- 3 rd Degree Burglary – 609.582.3	6	5	8	0	1	2	2	2
- 4 th Degree Burglary – 609.582.4	0	0	1	0	0	2	0	0
- Check Crimes (Forgery, Counterfeit, etc.) – 609.631	1	2	0	0	0	23	1	0
- Criminal Damage to Property – 609.595	19	17	17	8	1	3	11	5
- Financial Exploitation – 609.2335	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2
Criminal Charges Continued	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
- Financial Transaction Card Fraud – 609.821	2	2	1	0	1	0	0	2
- Possession of Burglary Tools – 609.59	20	17	17	0	1	1	0	0
- Receiving Stolen Property - 609.53.1	7	8	4	3	3	4	1	3
- Robbery – 609.245	1	0	0	0	5	0	1	0
- Theft - 609.52	39	73	32	4	3	22	10	7
- Theft of Motor Vehicle - 609.52.2(a)(17)	5	7	5	2	2	4	2	0
- Trespass - 609.605	3	1	1	4	0	2	1	0
Violate Court Order								
- Domestic Abuse No Contact Order (DANCO) - 629.75.2	3	7	4	4	12	7	22	2
- Harassment/Restraining Order (HRO) - 609.748.3	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	3
- Order For Protection (OFP) - 518B.01.14	1	9	2	1	4	5	11	1
Weapons Offenses & Related Crimes								
- Carrying Weapon without Permit – 624.714	2	4	3	4	0	1	1	0
- Dangerous Weapons (Reckless Discharge Etc.) – 609.66	1	2	2	1	2	2	1	0
- Illegal Possession of Firearm – 624.713	5	2	0	3	4	1	0	0
- Illegal Transport of a Firearm – 97B.045	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
- Prohibited possession tear gas/stun gun – 624.731.3(b)	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0
Note: Multiple charges can result from a single incident Total	308	405	213	221	254	339	247	220

Redwood County Jail

Redwood County has a 21 bed jail facility but the MN Department of Corrections requires the county to keep the average daily population (ADP) of the jail at just below 17. The majority of inmate overflow is housed at the Renville County Jail located in Olivia, MN.

Below is a chart that shows the number of bookings the Redwood County Jail processed, along with the average daily inmate population.

Year	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Total number of jail bookings	625	718	670	822	725	779	578	564
Average daily jail inmate population (Housed in Redwood County Jail)	19.29	14.26	13.49	16.47	13.4	**Unavaila ble**	15.3	16.2
Average daily <u>overall</u> inmate population (Includes inmates housed in Renville County Jail)	26.53	27.29	Unavailable	30.3	32.4	28.33	33.4	35.3
Total Population – Male	465	506	466	612	553	n/a	n/a	n/a
Total Population – Women	158	194	204	224	200	n/a	n/a	n/a
Total days confined	7,040.22	5,204	4,935	6,012	7,170	n/a	n/a	n/a



(Main Entrance to the Redwood County Jail)

Traffic Safety/Enforcement

Below is a breakdown of traffic enforcement activities. The chart is not an all-inclusive list of traffic violations.

Traffic Citations	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Driver's License Violations								
- Driving After Cancellation – 171.24.3	3	10	2	7	2	4	4	2
- Driving After Cancellation Inimical to Public Safety – 171.24.5	6	9	6	6	6	4	4	3
- Driving After Revocation - 171.24.2	70	54	45	56	50	51	32	13
- Driving After Suspension – 171.24.1	23	35	8	31	21	15	7	13
 Instruction Permit Violation – 171.05.1(a) 	3	1	1	4	4	3	1	6
- No Valid Driver's License – 171.02.1	37	44	15	13	20	19	4	13
Moving Violations								
- Careless / Reckless Driving 169.13	7	5	1	4	3	6	2	3
- Failure to Drive in Single Lane - 169.18.7(a)	0	0	8	2	2	5	3	0
- Failure to Drive with Due Care – 169.14.1	9	9	0	1	1	4	3	2

- Fail to Yield Right of Way & Stop Sign Violations – 169.20	13	27	11	2	3	7	5	5
- Speeding Violations – 169.14	229	415	147	76	130	162	91	107
- Unlawful Passing – 169.18	3	5	0	2	1	1	0	3
- Use of Wireless Communications Device - 169.475.2(a)	3	8	2	0	1	3	0	4
DWI / Drug & Alcohol Violations								
- DWI – 169A.20	28	22	15	22	19	25	26	18
- Ignition Interlock Violation – 171.09.1(g)	4	1	0	0	1	0	1	0
- Open Bottle – 169A.35.3	12	13	4	4	12	13	8	4
 Possession of Marijuana in a Motor Vehicle – 152.027.3 	14	10	8	2	6	6	4	6
- Under 21 Drink and Drive - 169A.33.2	0	0	1	1	2	0	0	2
 Violation of Restricted License – Alcohol/Drugs – 171.09.1(f)(1) 	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	1
Equipment/Non-Moving Violations								
- Leave Scene of an Accident – 169.09	2	1	3	2	2	5	0	4
- Muffler Required – 169.69	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	1
 No Child Restraint Violation – 169.685.5 	1	6	1	6	2	2	0	2
- Seatbelt Violation – 169.686	11	16	4	5	21	24	16	13
 Tint too dark (50% or lower) – 169.71 	2	4	10	1	0	3	1	0
- Unsafe Equipment – 169.47.1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Registration/Insurance Violations								
- Alter/Deface Registration – 168.36.3	1	1	2	4	4	2	2	1
- Expired Registration -168.09.4	39	34	28	13	7	12	4	8
- Fail to Register MV W/In 10 Days – 168A.30	0	0	3	1	1	0	0	0
- Intent to Escape MV Tax (Gross Misd) - 168.35	2	0	0	1	1	1	1	0
- Motor Vehicle Title – Fail to Transfer Title - 168A.30.2(2)/168.101.2a	0	0	3	0	2	1	0	0
- No Proof of Insurance – 169.791	28	22	29	37	38	60	20	23
- Operate Unregistered Vehicle – 168.09.1	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	1
- Uninsured Vehicle – 169.797.2	2	0	3	5	3	4	0	1
Total	554	754	365	308	366	444	241	259

Traffic Safety Grant

The Redwood County Sheriff's Office in 2022 continued to participate in the Towards Zero Deaths (TZD) traffic safety grant. As a grant member the Sheriff's Office is awarded funds for traffic enforcement.

TZD Activity	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Hours Worked	91.10	58.25	21	91.75	93.5	107.75	114
Miles Driven	1750	1439	402	2,213	1,813	2,869	2,734
Arrests	0	2	0	1	7	1	1
DWI Arrests	0	2	0	0	1	1	1
Citations Issued	34	31	8	24	42	44	31
Total Traffic Stops	132	106	33	141	126	141	140
Vehicles Towed	0	0	0	0	6	0	1

Drug Enforcement & Activity

Like many communities in Minnesota and across the country Redwood County has drug activity that occurs within its borders. To help combat drug activity the Sheriff's Office is part of the BLRR Drug Task Force which consists of Brown, Lyon, Redwood, and Renville counties. Deputies also carry Naloxone (Narcan) in their squads for responding to incidents of opioid overdoses. Naloxone is a medication designed to rapidly reverse the potentially lethal effects of an opioid overdose.

BLRR Drug Task Force/Drug Seizures

The Redwood County Sheriff's Office has one full-time deputy assigned to the BLRR task force. Below are the amounts of drugs seized by the task force in 2022 (this includes all four counties). **Note: 28.3495 grams = 1 ounce**

Drug	Weight	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
Cocaine	grams	539	29	0	22	11	n/a
Fentanyl Pills	Pill	40	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Fentanyl Powder	grams	1	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Heroin	grams	13,211	1	5	0	54	4
Marijuana	grams	1,067	27,562	7,942	4,678	9,157	856
Marijuana Concentrate (wax/oil)	grams	384	1,994	467	122	143	274
MDMA (Molly/Ecstasy)	grams	0	18	0	31	2	1
Methamphetamine	grams	737	37,483	360	3,700	1,312	1,426
Mushrooms	grams	0	46	0	2	11	n/a
Prescription Pills	pill	159	3,934	355	161	201	727
Synthetic Marijuana	grams	0	0	18	308	3,584	0
Unknown Substance	grams	5	0	3	12	34	n/a
Edibles	per one	0	1,170	200	N/A	N/A	N/A
LSD	grams	7	44	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Vape Cartridges	per one	10	882	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

Other Stats	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
Children involved	3	11	4	18	33	27
Drug arrests	35	64	31	47	63	64
Non drug arrests	14	9	15	27	24	42
Search warrants	114	108	44	34	36	46
Total cases	118	142	132	139	129	136
Weapons seized	5	34	60	50	9	12

Drug Seizures - Not Task Force Related

Below are the amounts of drugs seized in Redwood County by Deputies through traffic stops or calls for service.

Drug	Weight	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
Acid	units	2	0	0	0	0	5
Heroin	grams	0.8	1.1	0.5	0	0	.24
Marijuana	grams	236.72	305.4	98.5	28.21	2,341.4	36.77
Marijuana Wax	grams	3.9	1	0.8	.24	.38	4.7

Methamphetamine	grams	33.666	93.7	5.1	43.61	13.6	16.72
Prescription Pills	pill	Uknown	unknown	26	18	70	31
Psilocybin (Shrooms)	grams	11	0	0	2.63	0	0
THC Candy	grams	0	0	3	0	0	56
THC Edibles	grams	0	0	0	0	0	15.1
THC Oil	grams	4	0	0	2	2	2
Suboxone	Sheets	7	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A



Crystal Methamphetamine

Drug Enforcement & Activity Continued

Below is a breakdown of drug related charges stemming from the enforcement activity of the Redwood County Sheriff's Office.

Drug Charges	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Drugs – 1 st – 5 th Degree Possess/Sell Schedule I-V								
□ 1st Degree Controlled Substance – 152.021		1	0	1	2	0	0	0
□ 2 nd Degree Controlled Substance – 152.022		2	0	1	7	0	3	1
□ 3 rd Degree Controlled Substance - 152.023		0	0	2	3	3	2	2
□ 4 th Degree Controlled Substance - 152.024	1	0	0	6	5	4	1	0
□ 5 th Degree Controlled Substance - 152.025	24	12	5	26	20	36	11	9
Legend Drugs – Unlawful to possess/sell – 151.37.1	0	1	1	2	2	2	1	0
Methamphetamine – Store/possess in presence of children – 152.137	0	0	0	1	8	5	3	3
Possession of Drug Paraphernalia – 152.092	29	29	11	8	14	23	11	20
Possession of Hypodermic Needles – 151.40.1	6	2	3	6	0	3	0	0
Possession of a Small Amount of Marijuana - 152.027.4(a)	14	16	4	7	6	10	2	9
Possession of a Small Amount of Marijuana in a Motor Vehicle - 152.027.3	14	10	8	2	6	7	4	6
Note: Multiple charges can result from a single incident Total	92	73	32	62	73	93	38	50

Drug Take Back Program

The Redwood County Sheriff's Office also participates in the drug take back program. Here prescription drugs can be surrendered free of charge. The drop box is located in the lobby of the sheriff's office.

Year	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Total weight (lbs) of drugs taken	288.51	330.51	387.5	397.25	360.72	472	346
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Emergency Response Unit

(SWAT – Special Weapons And Tactics)

The Brown-Lyon-Redwood-Renville Emergency Response Unit (BLRR ERU) consists of deputies/officers from participating agencies within the four counties. Team members are provided with specialized equipment and training to handle high risk incidents.

Examples for activating the Emergency Response Unit are:

- High risk arrests and search warrants (armed and dangerous subjects)
- Hostage rescue
- Barricaded subjects
- Active shooter response
- Other high risk incidents where the subject is likely armed and dangerous



The Brown-Lyon-Redwood-Renville Emergency Response Unit (BLRR ERU) was activated a total of <u>6</u> times in 2022. A summary of the activations are below:

February 23rd, 2022- The BLRR ERU was activated to assist the Lac Qui Parle County Sheriff's Office and West Central SWAT team for a barricaded subject. The BLRR ERU team was limited to the usage of the MRAP and a team member to operate it. After entry was made into the residence, the subject was located deceased.

June 9th, 2022- The BLRR ERU was activated to assist the Brown-Lyon-Redwood-Renville Drug Task Force with the execution of a search warrant within Redwood County. The DTF had prior knowledge of weapons and drugs within the residence. The suspect was apprehended without any issues.

July 30th, 2022- The BLRR ERU was activated to assist the New Ulm Police Department with a male wanted for terroristic threats with an AR style rifle. The suspect was hailed to come out and was taken into custody without incident.

September 1st, **2022-** The BLRR ERU was activated to assist in Balaton, MN for a male who was wanted for violating an order for protection. The male suspect was already known to have a weapon and racked it with deputies on scene. While barricaded inside the home, the RC car was used to locate the suspect. After entry was made, a gun was located next to him. After commands were given, the male surrendered.

September 13th, 2022- The BLRR ERU was activated to assist the Redwood Falls Police Department for a wanted male barricaded within a residence. The male was wanted for obstructing legal process, interfering with a 911 call, and 5th degree assault. The Kandi/Meeker SWAT team was also activated to assist. After multiple phone call attempts with negotiators, chemical munitions were introduced. After 14 hours, the suspect surrendered and was taken into custody.

October 29th, 2022- The BLRR ERU was activated to assist the Renville County Sheriff's Office for a male suspect wanted for domestic assault and was in possession of a handgun. After hails from the MRAP and phone calls from the negotiators, the residence was cleared by the RC car without locating the suspect. The male was later located by Redwood Falls Police Department.



A robot equipped (RC Car) with a camera is deployed during a training scenario. The robot was acquired by the Renville County Sheriff's Office through the 10-33 program.





2022 BLRR ERU TEAM

Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV)

In 2019 Redwood County was able to acquire a DJI Matrice 200 Series (M210) UAV. It has a DJI Zenmuse ZT2 flir camera as well as the Z30 30x optical zoom camera. The UAV cost was approximately \$30,000 of which the majority was covered by grants from the State of Minnesota. The UAV can be used for bridge inspections, mapping, and engineering.

The Redwood County Sheriff's Office primarily uses the UAV for search & rescue type applications, including searching for missing persons, people that have fled law enforcement, and mapping crime scenes.

The UAV was deployed by the Redwood County Sheriff's Office 11 times in 2022. 5 of the 11 were actual deployments described below, the rest were for training purposes.

- 08/31/22- Deployed to locate a missing 2 year old in a corn field.
- 09/15/22- Deployed to assist the ERU Swat Team with a barricaded subject within the City of Redwood Falls.
- 10/29/22- Deployed to assist the RWFPD with locating a subject within Ramsey Park.
- 11/03/22- Deployed to assist the ERU Swat Team with training within Ramsey Park.
- 12/08/22- Deployed to locate a subject from a vehicle pursuit who had fled into a field.



Community Involvement

December 21st, 2022- Shop with a Cop

Unfortunately, the annual Shop with a Cop event was cancelled this year due to weather. The snow may have made it difficult, but we still wanted to make this holiday season special for as many participants as possible. Local law enforcement officers from our area came together to personally deliver gift bags and gift cards to numerous children in our area. We would like to thank Bernick's Pepsi and the Redwood Falls Walmart for their donations, and Southwest Health and Human Services for their assistance in coordinating the event.

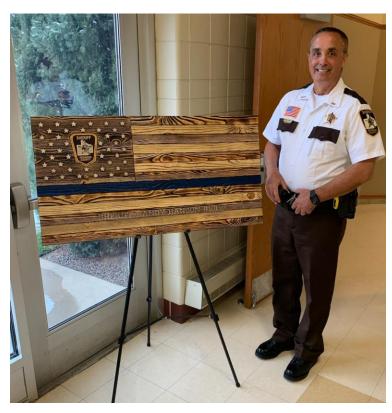


Deputy Labat, Investigator Torgerson, Chief Deputy Jacobson and Deputy Campbell pictured above with officers of the Redwood Falls Police Department.



Chief Deputy Jacobson delivering gifts to local families.

Sheriff Randy Hanson retires after 38 years in law enforcement.



Chief Deputy Mark Farasyn retires after 30 years in law enforcement.

