

Redwood County Sheriff's Office

Annual Activity Report



2018

Redwood County Sheriff's Office

The Redwood County Sheriff's Office consists of 13 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 city of Sanborn did not renew contract services for 2018.

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

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Redwood Falls, MN 56283**

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

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

Calls for Service

Description	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
911 Hang up	25	10	11	19	6
Abandoned Vehicle	41	31	44	18	25
Accident	81	142	145	104	126
Alarm	72	57	82	61	70
Alcohol	7	4	5	7	11
Animal	131	110	119	111	79
Arson	0	0	1	n/a	n/a
Assault	17	18	10	30	9
Assist Other Agency	No agency assigned - 32	458	374	368	408
- Ambulance Service	0				
- Fire Department	0				
- Lamberton Police Department	15				
- Lower Sioux Police Department	72				
- Morgan Police Department	33				
- Other Law Enforcement Agency	87				
- Redwood Falls Police Department	192				
- Walnut Grove Police Department	31				
Assist/Other	27	23	43	24	20
Attempt to Locate	13	9	14	6	7
Burglary	14	23	18	6	16
Child Custody	6	9	7	10	6
Child Protection	117	135	105	71	40
Civil	52	18	6	2	0
Community Policing	17	9	10	5	6
Compliance Check	98	48	10	20	113
Criminal Damage to Property	17	20	29	27	15
Criminal Sexual Conduct	3	9	1	5	11
Death Investigation	11	16	14	11	7
Directed Patrol	677	837	566	516	505
Disorderly Conduct	7	10	4	9	5
Disturbance	52	64	55	47	32
Domestic	21	20	31	22	19
Driving Complaint	86	88	88	81	54
Drugs	41	55	31	7	12
ERU	9	6	2	6	3
Escort	2	5	5	4	3
Evidence Audit	3	0	3	3	0
Expunged Record	3	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Fire	102	98	108	96	79
Fleeing	3	3	2	0	1
Fraud	17	15	30	31	14
Garbage	5	14	11	6	9
Gun Permit	427	338	484	356	378
Homicide	0	0	0	0	0
Harassment	18	15	21	24	26
HRO/OFP	19	7	15	5	8
Information/Other	159	198	205	173	162
Juvenile	10	5	20	12	10
K9	3	11	4	8	8
License	34	38	34	28	29
Medical	1837	1706	1702	1530	1392
MI/MR	5	1	0	4	2
Missing Person	5	7	6	10	8
Motorist Assist	44	56	38	40	26
Noise Complaint	44	12	54	99	40
Obstructing	3	0	0	0	0
Officer Complaint	1	0	0	0	0

Description of calls continued	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
Ordinance Violation	9	15	0	0	2
Parking	13	5	6	7	9
Pornography	4	2	0	0	2
Predatory Offender	140	106	103	76	90
Presentation	10	6	6	7	15
Project Lifesaver	0	0	0	9	33
Property	23	31	47	33	18
Property Crime	1	0	1	2	1
Property Exchange	15	12	11	6	1
Records Check	116	102	93	85	97
Recover Stolen Property	2	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Repossession	9	13	10	0	0
Residence Check	174	209	13	11	25
Ride Along	4	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Robbery	0	1	0	0	1
Runaway	4	4	2	3	2
Salvation Army	0	1	0	0	0
Suicidal Person	20	27	18	16	15
Suspicious	138	166	121	133	87
Terroristic Threats	6	9	8	8	8
Testing CAD	2	2	15	0	0
Theft	56	63	53	56	72
- Stolen Vehicle	3	10	6	1	4
Traffic	891	986	663	985	1274
Traffic Control	3	1	1	4	4
Transport	368	232	183	216	182
Trespass	11	13	8	11	9
Vehicle Off Road **Added in 2017**	52	45	n/a	n/a	n/a
Violate Court Order	9	10	16	8	7
Void	59	60	63	39	42
Vulnerable Adult	61	41	38	17	2
Warrant	396	379	285	336	381
Weapons	3	3	2	1	1
Weather	24	26	22	28	24
Welfare Check	62	47	53	61	48
Total Calls for Service	7540	7410	6429	6187	6294

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 2018.

Year	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
Total Civils	788	726	677	599	503



Criminal Charges

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

Criminal Charges	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
Alcohol & Juvenile Crimes					
- Contributing to Delinquency of a Child - 260B.425.1(a)	0	1	0	1	0
- Driving While Impaired (DWI) – 169A.20	19	25	26	18	13
- Furnish Alcohol to Person Under 21 Years of Age - 340A.503.2(1)	2	1	0	0	3
- Social Host Ordinance – 05.06.14	0	1	1	1	1
- Under 21 Alcohol Consumption – 340A.503.1(a)(2)	16	20	5	16	8
- Under 21 Alcohol Possession – 340A.503.3	0	2	0	2	3
Assault & Related Crimes					
- 1 st Degree Assault – 609.221	0	0	0	0	0
- 2 nd Degree Assault – 609.222 (Dangerous weapons)	2	5	4	6	1
- 3 rd Degree Assault – 609.223	1	1	1	5	2
- 4 th Degree Assault – 609.2231 (Assaults a Peace Officer)	1	1	3	4	1
- 5 th Degree Assault – 609.224	15	10	3	12	11
- Child Endangerment – 609.378	4	8	2	0	3
- Disorderly Conduct – 609.72	12	10	23	22	11
- Domestic Assault – 609.2242	18	11	39	23	11
- Domestic Assault Strangulation - 609.2247.2	2	1	3	3	3
- False Imprisonment - 609.255.2	1	0	0	1	0
- Interfere with 911 call - 609.78.2(1)	1	1	3	1	1
- Kidnapping – 609.25	1	0	0	1	0
- Malicious Punishment of a Child – 609.377	0	0	0	1	1
- Terroristic Threats – 609.713.1	2	5	6	7	6
Crimes Against Justice					
- Escape custody – 609.485	0	1	1	0	0
- False Name and DOB – 609.506	2	4	2	0	1
- Falsely Reporting a Crime - 609.505	0	1	1	1	0
- Fleeing a Peace Officer – On Foot – 609.487.6	3	1	3	0	2
- Fleeing a Peace Officer – In a Motor Vehicle - 609.487.3	4	4	0	0	0
- Obstructing the Legal Process – 609.50	7	3	4	3	3
- Use of Police Radio During Commission of Crime – 609.856	0	1	0	0	0
Criminal Sexual Conduct & Related Crimes					
- 1 st Degree Criminal Sexual Conduct – 609.342	3	3	2	0	4
- 2 nd Degree Criminal Sexual Conduct – 609.343	4	7	2	2	2
- 3 rd Degree Criminal Sexual Conduct – 609.344	3	2	0	2	9
- 4 th Degree Criminal Sexual Conduct – 609.345	0	2	1	2	3
- 5 th Degree Criminal Sexual Conduct – 609.3451	1	4	0	0	2
- Indecent Exposure - 617.23.3	0	0	4	0	0
- Interfere With Privacy - 609.746	0	3	0	0	1
- Possession of Pornographic Works Involving Minors – 617.247	0	0	0	0	12
- Prostitution - 609.324	0	3	0	0	1
- Solicit child to engage in sexual conduct - 609.352	0	1	0	1	0
- Stalking - 609.749	4	4	3	3	1
Drug Charges – See Page 8 for breakdown	73	93	38	50	33
Homicide & Criminal Vehicular Operation					
- Criminal Vehicular Homicide - 609.2112.1(a)(1)	0	1	0	1	1
- Criminal Vehicular Operation – 609.2113	0	4	0	1	3
- Attempted Murder / Manslaughter	0	0	0	1	0
- Murder / Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0
Theft & Related Crimes					
- 1 st Degree Burglary – 609.582.1	9	12	1	0	0
- 2 nd Degree Burglary – 609.582.2	2	3	0	2	1
- 3 rd Degree Burglary – 609.582.3	1	2	2	2	1
- 4 th Degree Burglary – 609.582.4	0	2	0	0	0
- Check Crimes (Forgery, Counterfeit, etc.) – 609.631	0	23	1	0	6
- Criminal Damage to Property – 609.595	1	3	11	5	7
- Financial Exploitation – 609.2335	0	0	1	2	10

Criminal Charges Continued	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
- Financial Transaction Card Fraud – 609.821	1	0	0	2	4
- Possession of Burglary Tools – 609.59	1	1	0	0	1
- Receiving Stolen Property - 609.53.1	3	4	1	3	7
- Robbery – 609.245	5	0	1	0	0
- Theft - 609.52	3	22	10	7	24
- Theft of Motor Vehicle - 609.52.2(a)(17)	2	4	2	0	2
- Trespass - 609.605	0	2	1	0	4
Violate Court Order					
- Domestic Abuse No Contact Order (DANCO) - 629.75.2	12	7	22	2	5
- Harassment/Restraining Order (HRO) - 609.748.3	1	0	1	3	8
- Order For Protection (OFP) - 518B.01.14	4	5	11	1	3
Weapons Offenses & Related Crimes					
- Carrying Weapon without Permit – 624.714	0	1	1	0	0
- Dangerous Weapons (Reckless Discharge Etc.) – 609.66	2	2	1	0	1
- Illegal Possession of Firearm – 624.713	4	1	0	0	0
- Illegal Transport of a Firearm – 97B.045	1	0	0	0	0
Total	254	339	247	220	241

****Note: Multiple charges can result from a single incident****

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. The ADP for the Redwood County Jail was lower in 2018 due to plumbing/sewer maintenance that closed the jail for over 2 months.

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

Year	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
Total number of jail bookings	725	779	578	564	582
Average daily jail inmate population (Housed in Redwood County Jail)	13.4	**Unavailable**	15.3	16.2	13.4
Average daily overall inmate population (Includes inmates housed in Renville County Jail)	32.4	28.33	33.4	35.3	32.5
Total Population – Male	553	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Total Population – Women	200	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Total days confined	7,170.23	n/a	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	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
Driver's License Violations					
- Driving After Cancellation – 171.24.3	2	4	4	2	4
- Driving After Cancellation Inimical to Public Safety – 171.24.5	6	4	4	3	4
- Driving After Revocation - 171.24.2	50	51	32	13	21
- Driving After Suspension – 171.24.1	21	15	7	13	10
- Instruction Permit Violation – 171.05.1(a)	4	3	1	6	4
- No Valid Driver's License – 171.02.1	20	19	4	13	13
Moving Violations					
- Careless / Reckless Driving 169.13	3	6	2	3	5
- Failure to Drive in Single Lane - 169.18.7(a)	2	5	3	0	0
- Failure to Drive with Due Care – 169.14.1	1	4	3	2	4
- Fail to Yield Right of Way & Stop Sign Violations – 169.20	3	7	5	5	5
- Speeding Violations – 169.14	130	162	91	107	123
- Unlawful Passing – 169.18	1	1	0	3	4
- Use of Wireless Communications Device - 169.475.2(a)	1	3	0	4	3
DWI / Drug & Alcohol Violations					
- DWI – 169A.20	19	25	26	18	13
- Ignition Interlock Violation – 171.09.1(g)	1	0	1	0	0
- Open Bottle – 169A.35.3	12	13	8	4	8
- Possession of Marijuana in a Motor Vehicle – 152.027.3	6	6	4	6	3
- Under 21 Drink and Drive - 169A.33.2	2	0	0	2	1
- Violation of Restricted License – Alcohol/Drugs – 171.09.1(f)(1)	0	1	1	1	0
Equipment/Non-Moving Violations					
- Leave Scene of an Accident – 169.09	2	5	0	4	3
- Muffler Required – 169.69	0	0	0	1	0
- No Child Restraint Violation – 169.685.5	2	2	0	2	1
- Seatbelt Violation – 169.686	21	24	16	13	19
- Tint too dark – 169.71	0	3	1	0	0
- Unsafe Equipment – 169.47.1	0	1	0	0	0
Registration/Insurance Violations					
- Alter/Deface Registration – 168.36.3	4	2	2	1	0
- Expired Registration -168.09.4	7	12	4	8	5
- Fail to Register MV W/In 10 Days – 168.101.2a	1	0	0	0	0
- Intent to Escape MV Tax (Gross Misd) - 168.35	1	1	1	0	0
- Motor Vehicle Title – Fail to Transfer Title - 168A.30.2(2)/168.101.2a	2	1	0	0	1
- No Proof of Insurance – 169.791	38	60	20	23	21
- Operate Unregistered Vehicle – 168.09.1	1	0	1	1	0
- Uninsured Vehicle – 169.797.2	3	4	0	1	2
Total	366	444	241	259	277

Traffic Safety Grant

The Redwood County Sheriff's Office in 2018 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	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
Hours Worked	93.5	107.75	114	138	228
Miles Driven	1,813	2,869	2,734	3,538	5,966
Arrests	7	1	1	0	7
DWI Arrests	1	1	1	0	1
Citations Issued	42	44	31	54	83
Total Traffic Stops	126	141	140	246	486
Vehicles Towed	6	0	1	0	5



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. The sheriff's office has one K-9 trained in narcotics detection. 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 2018 (this includes all four counties).

Note: 28.3495 grams = 1 ounce

Drug	Weight	2018	2017
Cocaine	grams	11	n/a
Ecstasy	doses	2	n/a
Hash oil	grams	14	274
Heroin	grams	54	4
Marijuana	grams	9,157	856
Marijuana Wax	grams	129	n/a
MDMA (Molly)	grams	0	1
Methamphetamine	grams	1,312	1,426
Mushrooms	grams	11	n/a
Prescription Pills	pill	201	727
Synthetic Marijuana	grams	3,584	0
Unknown Substance	grams	34	n/a

Other Stats	2018	2017
Children involved	33	27
Drug arrests	63	64
Non drug arrests	24	42
Search warrants	36	46
Total cases	129	136
Weapons seized	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	2018	2017
Acid	units	0	5
Heroin	grams	0	.24
Marijuana	grams	2,341.4	36.77
Marijuana Wax	grams	.38	4.7
Methamphetamine	grams	13.6	16.72
Prescription Pills	pill	70	31
THC Candy	grams	0	56
THC Edibles	grams	0	15.1
THC Oil	grams	2	2

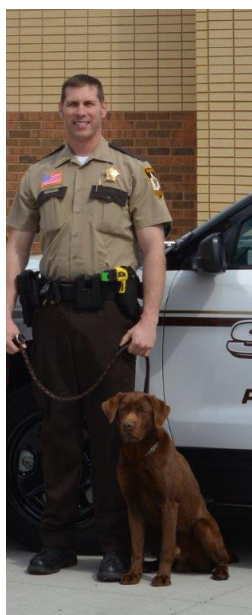


(Crystal Methamphetamine)

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	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
Drugs – 1 st – 5 th Degree Possess/Sell Schedule I-V					
• 1 st Degree Controlled Substance – 152.021	2	0	0	0	4
• 2 nd Degree Controlled Substance – 152.022	7	0	3	1	3
• 3 rd Degree Controlled Substance - 152.023	3	3	2	2	0
• 4 th Degree Controlled Substance - 152.024	5	4	1	0	0
• 5 th Degree Controlled Substance - 152.025	20	36	11	9	10
Legend Drugs – Unlawful to possess/sell – 151.37.1	2	2	1	0	0
Methamphetamine – Store/possess in presence of children – 152.137	8	5	3	3	0
Possession of Drug Paraphernalia – 152.092	14	23	11	20	9
Possession of Hypodermic Needles – 151.40.1	0	3	0	0	0
Possession of a Small Amount of Marijuana - 152.027.4(a)	6	10	2	9	3
Possession of a Small Amount of Marijuana in a Motor Vehicle - 152.027.3	6	7	4	6	4
Note: Multiple charges can result from a single incident					
Total	73	93	38	50	33



K-9 Program

The Redwood County Sheriff's Office has one K-9, Rolo and his handler Deputy Mike Campbell. Rolo is a 7 year old chocolate lab. Rolo is trained and certified in narcotics detection. Rolo is currently trained to detect 13 controlled substances. Rolo has been in service with the Redwood County Sheriff's Office since July of 2013. Rolo is utilized for school searches, search warrants, traffic stops and other incidents where controlled substances may be or are suspected to be present.

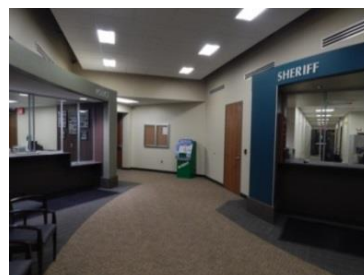
Deputy Campbell has been a K-9 handler for 18 years. He is also certified as a master trainer/instructor for K-9 handlers.

Deputy Campbell's squad is specially equipped to accommodate his K-9 partner Rolo. The squad is equipped with a "hot dog" temperature monitoring system that will alert the handler if the interior of the vehicle hits a certain temperature.

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	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
Total weight (lbs) of drugs taken back	360.72	472	346	266	N/A



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 ten times in 2018. Seven of the call-outs required a tactical response. Two of the call-outs were mutual aid in the City of Granite Falls in Chippewa County. A summary of the activations are below:

January 15, 2018 – The BLRR ERU was activated to assist the Brown-Lyon-Redwood-Renville Drug Task (BLRR DTF) and Minnesota River Valley Drug Task Force with the execution of a search warrant in the City of New Ulm. Two males, a female, and two pit-bulls were secured, and the scene was turned over to the DTF.

February 14, 2018 – The BLRR ERU was activated to assist the Redwood County Sheriff's Department with the execution of a search warrant in rural Milroy related to a domestic assault with a firearm investigation. Prior to the team's arrival the suspect fled on an ATV and barricaded himself inside a storage building in the City of Milroy. The suspect failed to respond to negotiations. The suspect was ultimately taken into custody after chemical munitions, a less lethal impact munition, and taser were used.

February 16, 2018 – The BLRR ERU was activated to assist the Marshall Police Department with a suicidal male with a hunting rifle. The situation was resolved by the Marshall Police Department prior to the ERU's arrival, and the team was cancelled.

May 24, 2018 – The BLRR ERU was activated to assist the BLRR DTF with a search warrant in the City of Olivia. One male was secured, and the scene was turned over to the DTF.

June 5, 2018 – The BLRR ERU was activated to assist the Renville County Sheriff's Department with a suicidal male barricaded in a house in Sacred Heart with a rifle. The Renville County Sheriff's Department resolved the situation prior to the ERU's arrival, and the team was cancelled.

June 21, 2018 – The BLRR ERU was activated to assist the Redwood Falls Police Department with the execution of a search warrant involving a barricaded assault suspect. Crisis Negotiators were able to talk the suspect into coming out of the house, where he was secured and turned over to the Redwood Falls Police Department. The house was cleared by the ERU. Nobody else was found inside.

July 2, 2018 – The BLRR ERU was activated to assist the Fairfax Police Department and Renville County Sheriff's Department with a barricaded DANCO Violation suspect, and execution of a search warrant in the City of Fairfax. The suspect had also made a threatening statement to Law Enforcement while brandishing a knife. Crisis

Negotiators were able to talk the suspect into coming out of the house, where he was secured. ERU members cleared the house, finding no additional people.

October 6, 2018 – The BLRR ERU was activated to assist the Granite Falls Police Department with a barricaded suspect with a firearm. The Granite Falls Police Department resolved the situation prior to ERU's arrival, and the team was cancelled.

November 30, 2018 – The BLRR ERU was activated to assist the Renville County Sheriff's Department with the execution of a search warrant in the City of Sacred Heart. The suspect was a fugitive with a history of assaulting law enforcement and resisting arrest. The suspect was arrested without incident. Another male was found inside the residence.

December 7, 2018 – The BLRR ERU was activated to assist the Granite Falls Police Department with a search warrant. Three males and two females were secured, and the scene was turned over to the Granite Falls Police Department.



(ERU Team members exiting the MRAP during a training scenario)



Community Involvement

August 7, 2018 – National Night Out

National Night Out is an annual community-building campaign that promotes police-community partnerships. National Night Out enhances the relationship between neighbors and law enforcement while bringing back a true sense of community and provides a great opportunity to bring police and neighbors together under positive circumstances.



December 6, 2018 - Shop with a Cop

The Redwood County Sheriff's Office participated in the annual Shop with a Cop. Funds were donated by Bernick's Pepsi. Agencies that also participated were the Redwood Falls Police Department, Morgan Police Department, Lamberton Police Department and the Lower Sioux Police Department.



The Redwood County Sheriff's Office also participated in other community events, including leading parades, school demonstrations, and Farmfest.