

Crime Stoppers of the Quad Cities

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2022 IMPACT REPORT

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WHO WE ARE

What We Do

Crime Stoppers encourages members of the community to assist local law enforcement agencies in Rock Island County, Illinois and Scott County, Iowa, in the fight against crime. Crime Stoppers provides a telephone tip line (309) 762-9500, mobile application (P3 Tips) and Web Tips (qccrimestoppers.com) to encourage citizens in the community to volunteer vital information to help solve crimes. Callers remain anonymous and receive a cash reward if the information given leads to a felony arrest. Callers are eligible for rewards up to \$2,500.

Crime Stoppers is a not-for-profit organization, so your donation is tax deductible. A community volunteer Board of Directors provides direction as to the financial and promotional activities of the program. Our Crime Stoppers program is funded by private donations only. No tax dollars are used.



For the past 40 years, Crime Stoppers has played an integral role in making the Quad Cities a safer place. With the advancement of cell phone technology, submitting anonymous tips has become easier. Crime Stoppers continues to receive well over 1400 tips each year through traditional phone calls, texts and smartphone applications. In 2022 alone, Crime Stoppers tips solved two homicides and apprehended 55 fugitives. On behalf of the area police chiefs and sheriffs, we want to thank the board, the staff and of course the anonymous tips for their partnership in public safety.



-- Moline Chief of Police Darren Gault

Our Purpose

- To promote community welfare and assist law enforcement in the apprehension and conviction of criminals through making funds available for cash rewards.
- To help develop community offensives against crime.
- To inform and educate the public about criminal schemes and tactics to further protect the public from criminal activity.



How we do it

It's important to get the word out about unsolved crimes in the QCA in order to solve them! We do that through our partnerships with QCA law enforcement and local media, along with our on-line presence. Each

Wednesday evening, two wanted fugitives are featured on WHBF news at 5 pm. Each

Thursday, a crime of the week and two wanted fugitives are featured on the KWQC 4 pm news. Our partnership with Mediacom

Public Access channel features wanted fugitives that scroll several times each day. Crime Stoppers has a [website](#) and [Facebook page](#) to get the word out about unsolved crimes and wanted fugitives.

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Gun Crime Initiative

In 2022, Crime Stoppers of the Quad Cities aimed to help solve gun crimes and take guns off the streets of the Quad Cities. In 2020 The Board of Directors set aside \$20,000 to pay enhanced rewards from \$500- \$2,500 for information leading to gun-related arrests and the seizure of illegal guns. One gun was seized in 2022 and \$4,000 in rewards were paid for tips received solving gun crimes. Rewards totaling \$15,950 have been paid out.

Gun Buy-Back Program

On June 28, 2022, Crime Stoppers of the Quad Cities sponsored the Moline Police Department Gun Buy-Back Program by providing \$20,000 to pay people who turned in unwanted firearms, no questions asked. This was an anonymous program allowing those who wished to dispose of their firearms a safe and secure method, thereby preventing the firearms from potentially falling into the hands of criminals. The funds were expended in less than an hour, but citizens continued to turn over their guns without receiving compensation. The initiative took in 305 firearms that were destroyed.



The Numbers

TIPS RECEIVED - 1,486

ARRESTS MADE - 73

CRIMES SOLVED - 107

DRUGS/PROPERTY RECOVERED - \$112,400

REWARDS APPROVED - \$18,300



Solved Crime Highlight

A tip was received providing information that identified Shauntez Thomas as a suspect involved in the Blackhawk Tobacco/Vape store armed robbery that occurred in Rock Island on January 18, 2022. Three suspects entered the store. One pointed a gun at store employees while the other two started filling their bags with merchandise. The owner of the store fired his own weapon towards the three robbers and they fled the scene with the merchandise. Police later located two of them with gunshot wounds and one died. Shauntez Thomas, was convicted of Armed Robbery and is serving a 23-year prison sentence.





WHAT'S IN STORE . . .

Our Gun Crime Initiative will continue in 2023, offering enhanced cash rewards for tips leading to arrests in gun crimes and the recovery of illegal guns.

Door hangers will be printed and provided to each law enforcement agency to distribute in neighborhoods where there has been a major crime. The information on the hangers will encourage witnesses to contact police or Crime Stoppers with information.

Crime Stoppers will provide the P3 Campus school safety app to all school districts in Rock Island County.

The well-known segment WHEEL OF MISFORTUNE is coming back on WHBF! It is a valuable tool used to get the word out about wanted fugitives.

Crime Stoppers will be partnering with "Locals Love Us" to get our logo and contact information into local business in order to increase community awareness.

Crime Stoppers plans to meet with local city governments about speaking to landlords and tenants at Safe Housing events, informing them of the benefits of reporting information through Crime Stoppers.

2023 EVENTS

The 2023 John Bell Memorial Golf Outing benefiting Crime Stoppers of the Quad Cities will be held Monday, May 15, 2023 at Pinnacle Country Club, Milan.

The 2023 Crime Stoppers 5K benefiting the P3 Campus safety app for schools will be held Saturday, August 26, 2023 at Bass Street Landing, Moline.



THANK YOU!

The Board of Directors expresses their sincere gratitude to our donors, law enforcement and media partners. It's with your enduring support that we can continue this good work!