



# St. Louis County Police Department Valley Park Detail Community Newsletter

May 2022

## Neighborhood News



The Valley Park Police Detail has temporarily moved to make way for renovations being completed inside our station. Our temporary location is inside City Hall, in the space formerly occupied by the library.

In the month of April several residents in the City of Valley Park were victim to overnight thefts from their vehicles. Some of the items stolen included money, car keys, clothing, personal documents, and a firearm. Other vehicles were rummaged through with nothing taken. All of the vehicles targeted were left unlocked by their owners. Don't make it easy for the criminals. Close your garage door, remove valuables and ensure your vehicle is locked before going to bed.

Warmer weather means more activity in our parks and along the Meramec Greenway Trailhead. To maintain your safe use of the parks and trails, and prevent thefts from parked vehicles, our officers have begun ATV patrols in the parks and along the Trailhead. If you see them out patrolling, give them a wave.

## Meet Your Officers

**Officer Geiger** has been a police officer for 16 years, 12 years in the City of Valley Park.

### Favorites

- Food- Carne asada burritos
- Drink- Carbonated bottles
- Team- Cardinals/Blues
- Movie- First Blood
- Hobbies- lifting weights, hiking, traveling with the family



## Lieutenant's Corner

Thank you Glen Eagles Subdivision for inviting me to your HOA meeting. I enjoyed meeting and speaking with your residents. Speeding, stop sign violations, and parking issues, especially after school hours, were some of the concerns brought up at the meeting. I've relayed your concerns to my officers to ensure extra patrols be conducted during those hours to help deter and prevent these issues from occurring.



Lt Shanna Ostendorf  
Commander  
Valley Park Detail

## Crime Stats/Activity - April

Calls for Service .....	418
Traffic Citations Issued .....	91
Auto Accidents .....	39
DWI Arrests .....	2
Assaults .....	3
Burglary .....	1
Larceny .....	17
Stolen Autos .....	1



## NOW HIRING

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or call 314.222.1234



Police Officer starting salary:  
**\$55,390.40** annually  
plus Education Incentives

QUALIFICATIONS:  
High School diploma or GED  
27 college credit hours or 27 semester hours  
2 years of law enforcement or 24 months of law enforcement or 24 months of law enforcement or 24 months of law enforcement or 24 months of law enforcement

## Upcoming Events

- May 19th - North St. Louis County Torch Run
- May 21st - 17th Annual Police Explorer Trivia Night

## Contact Us

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The St. Louis County Police, Valley Park Detail, hosted its first annual Coffee with a Cop event on Friday, April 29<sup>th</sup>. The event was a way to bring local officers, and the community members they serve, together over a cup of coffee to discuss issues and learn more about each other. Our officers enjoyed meeting everyone who stopped by, and enjoyed some good conversations about a variety of topics.

The event was attended by officers from the Valley Park Police Detail, the St. Louis County Police Community Engagement Unit, Police Chief Ken Gregory, City of Valley Park Councilwoman, Betty Halker, City Administrator, Dusty Hosna, and Deputy City Clerk, Rose LaGrand.



We would like to thank Hardee's (902 Meramec Station) for helping host the event, and thank all the employees for their hospitality, good food, and hot coffee.



## ST. LOUIS COUNTY DRUG TASK FORCE DRUG HOTLINE

314-863-DOPE (3673)

The anonymous telephone hotline is to report drug activity in St. Louis County. All information reported will be treated as confidential and will be investigated as such. The Hotline is active 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Help keep your neighborhood drug free!



April 30<sup>th</sup> was DEA National Drug Take Back Day. The drug overdose epidemic in the United States is a clear and present public health, public safety, and national security threat. The event

reflects the DEA's commitment to Americans' safety and health, encouraging the public to remove unneeded medications from their homes as a measure of preventing medication misuse and opioid addiction from ever starting.

For more information visit:  
[dea.gov/takebackday](http://dea.gov/takebackday)