

City of Spring Lake Park  
Police Department  
2021 Reserve Unit



**Annual Report**

# **INTRODUCTION**

Spring Lake Park Police Department Reserve Program started in 2006 and has been very useful to our department over the last 15 years. During the past year, members of the Reserve Program have contributed 469.25 volunteer hours.

The Reserve Program had been talked about for years and was finally approved in 2006. We started with just 5 Reserve members and we currently have 3. This has been a re-building year for the reserve program. Sergeant Kramer and Officer Imig have taken on this task on re-building and striving to make better and enhance our reserve program. However, due to COVID and retirements within the police department we have not had the opportunity to recruit. We have lost 4 reserves this year due to job opportunities and moving out of State. We have trained in 1 new reserve this year and then was trained in as a licensed Peace Officer. We are currently accepting applications to have a grand total of 10 reserves.

The Spring Lake Park Police Department Reserve Unit is made up of individuals who volunteer their time to assist the Spring Lake Park Police Department with various needs and projects throughout the year. Without the help of our reserve program, the Police Department would likely incur additional overtime costs and be less responsive to the needs of our citizens and the community.

We have people from all walks of life in the reserve unit. Most members work in the civilian sector and just wish to assist the Police Department while still helping their community. Others are students in a Law Enforcement programs looking to gain valuable career experience. All members have or will complete the Anoka County Reserve Academy and/or a training period with the Spring Lake Park Police Department.

The primary responsibility of the Reserve Unit is to assist patrol officers in the delivery of quality service.

Specific tasks performed by Reserve Officers are:

- Assist at traffic accidents or traffic stops and overseeing the towing of impounded vehicles.
- Assist at crime scenes in securing the perimeter and searching for evidence.
- Transport prisoners to the Anoka County Jail and the two Detoxification Centers that we use; Ramsey County and Missions Detox in Plymouth.
- Assist at the City's Annual Tower Days Parade, which is a huge help to the City

and the Police Department.

- Assist with Nite to Unite, Santa Parade, Touch a Truck, Panther 5k, and other events that come up during the year.

In emergency situations, members may be called into City Hall to assist the Police and Fire Departments with a variety of duties.

Our current reserve unit has 3 members. We are currently accepting applications/recruiting to try and bring our unit's numbers up to 10 Police Reserve Officers.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Appointment Date</u>	<u>Position</u>
Robert Schmidt	02-2006	Reserve Lieutenant
Erik Hendrickson	12-2016	Reserve Sergeant
Steve Soderquist	03-2009	Reserve Officer

## SUMMARY OF SERVICE

Members of the Spring Lake Park Reserve Unit volunteered as of 12-31-2021, 469.25 hours to the program and the community. With our 6 active reserves in 2021, on average they each volunteered 78.2 hours. This equates to \$14,537.36 in wages saved based on 2020 Dollar Value of Volunteer Hours (see below).

The below information comes from the nonprofit: Independent Sector

**State Values for Volunteer Time**

<b>Value of a Volunteer Hour, by State: 2020</b>			
Alabama: \$25.25	Illinois: \$29.37	Montana: \$25.23	Rhode Island: \$28.24
Alaska: \$30.30	Indiana: \$25.67	Nebraska: \$26.40	South Carolina: \$25.47
Arizona: \$26.94	Iowa: \$25.16	Nevada: \$25.46	South Dakota: \$23.94
Arkansas: \$22.87	Kansas: \$25.48	New Hampshire: \$28.84	Tennessee: \$24.52
California: \$33.61	Kentucky: \$23.10	New Jersey: \$31.41	Texas: \$26.43
Colorado: \$30.31	Louisiana: \$24.80	New Mexico: \$23.34	Utah: \$27.82
Connecticut: \$33.28	Maine: \$25.56	New York: \$33.17	Vermont: \$26.85
Delaware: \$28.02	Maryland: \$31.29	North Carolina: \$25.98	Virginia: \$29.14
D.C.: \$48.67	Massachusetts: \$34.97	North Dakota: \$27	Washington: \$33.75
Florida: \$26.32	Michigan: \$26.93	Ohio: \$25.47	West Virginia: \$23.97
Georgia: \$26.77	Minnesota: \$30.98	Oklahoma: \$24.35	Wisconsin: \$26.96
Hawaii: \$30.55	Mississippi: \$21.83	Oregon: \$28.22	Wyoming: \$26.05
Idaho: \$24.24	Missouri: \$25.96	Pennsylvania: \$26.67	