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Agencies that use the K9 providers below	JESO / RCSO / Beloit PD / UWWPD	Janesville PD	Janesville PD	WCSO	None	**Bob Wierengea** (Retired Walworth County Deputy K9 handler)
Company	**F.M.K9** 7563 Pokagon Rd. Berrien Center, MI **#1 Recommendation** 574-326-6108 Mike Breeds available: -Dutch Shepherd -Malinois -German Shepherd -or mixture (15-25 dogs in kennels at all times) Fits to handler and community Pick the dog out 1 month prior to training start date.	**Southern Coast K9.** 690 Meta Ln, New Smyrna Beach, FL 877-903-3647 K9 selected in Europe Breeds available: -Dutch Shepherd -Malinois -German Shepherd -or mixture	**Pacesetter K9** 555 Co Rd 200, Liberty Hill, TX 78642 **#2 Recommendation** 512-969-8883 Gina Breeds available: -Dutch Shepherd -German Shepherd -Malinois Come out a month early to select the dog prior to training (15-20 dogs come from Europe)	**Kane County SO, IL SO.** 37W755 IL-38 Ste a, St. Charles, IL Nick Wolfe at 630-334-4173 All done through the Kane County SO. Breeds available: -Dutch Shepherd -German Shepherd -Malinois Meets with the handler before he goes to Europe to procure	**AKTIVdog.com** W1338 Lake Geneva Hwy, Lake Geneva Mark Cassity (262) 955-7220 mark@aktivdog.com Breeds available: -Dutch Shepherd -Malinois -German Shepherd -or mixture	Male Dutch Shepherd Gus 2 years old Breeds available: (only has one dog to provide) Trains in various locations
# of weeks of training	6 weeks long	6 weeks long	4 weeks of training	8-week handler course	8-week handler course	6 weeks long
Cost	$16,500 (includes dog, housing, basic equipment package,	Dog fully trained ahead of time. $22,000 + $6,000 additional to train	$16,000 dog, Stays in dorm facility.	All equipment, remote collar, etc. **Total Cost: $20,500.00**	Dual Purpose Patrol Narcotics Detection Dog 8 weeks pre-training.	Dog and K9 **Total Cost: $10,000**

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	everything except e-collar) **Total Cost: $16,500.00**	6 weeks with handler **Total Cost: $28,000**	Only has to provide food for handler. **Total Cost: $16,000 (4 weeks)** **$18,000 (6 weeks)**		320-hour handler course, equipment **Total: $21,000**	
Hotel Cost	N/A – has a dorm	Home to Suites $99 a night **($2,970)**	N/A – has a dorm	Holiday Inn and Express, Yorkville $109 a night **($4,360)**	N/A - Local	N/A - Local
Upon completion of the training – Certifications the canine and handler will have	-National Detection Narcotics Association -NAPWADA if we want it they will arrange for it before leaving	In-house certification included. -NNDDA Certification **$50**	-In-house cert -NNDDA certification	-Illinois Standards -Narcotics Detection (Look into getting NAPWADA)	-Would want you to find a 3rd party for official certification	PSA certification Foundation for dog training out of Germany
Health Guarantee Included	-2-year warranty hips, health -1-year trainability, workability	-1 year skeletal -30-day workability guarantee	-1-year genetic health and train ability guarantee	6 months workability 1-year hips, elbows, health guarantee	1 year health and workability	1 year health guarantee
Recommendation: Family Pet VS. Work Dog	-work dog only, not a family pet	-work dog only, not a family pet	-work dog only, not a family pet	-work dog only, **NEVER** a family pet	-work dog only, not a family pet	Able to interact with family but living outside is recommended.
Training dates	Last week of February 2027 (will post dates in October)	Works around our schedule	-January 11, 2027 -February 22, 2027	May do a January 2027 – Worst case August of 2027	Open to agency but looking towards Spring of 2027	Works around our schedule
At home dog crate, bedding, bowls, and dog toys	Initial cost of **$500.00** for the first year. Then budget **$150.00** for the following years for replacement as needed.					

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Dog food per year	$120.00 a month – we should budget around **$1,500.00** a year for price fluctuation (will mostly likely be donated).
Whitewater Veterinary Hospital – Janesville St. 262-473-2930	Whitewater Veterinary will give a 20% discount on all services. Distemper, rabies, kennel cough, lime, yearly physical, basic blood panel, liver, kidney, electrolytes, heartworm test and meds (12 doses) **$638.52** – includes discount. *Emergency kit, pain, bandages can be provided at a current unknown cost (TBD by Vet as it's in the planning stages)
Animal Medical Center Hwy N 262-473-5800	**Animal Medical Center will waive all fees**. Covers all basic treatment, vaccinations, preventative, flee, tick, heartworm, etc. All blood testing, yearly visits, etc. **Recommendation – we used the Animal Medical Center with our previous canines at no cost**
Advanced UW Vet care budget	As needed but provides a 50% discount on Police K9 services. Plan to budget around **$2,000.00** a year.
ACE K9 Radiotronics Hot and Pop Door system	Installed by the vehicle build vendor (one time cost) – see vendors quotes for pricing.
PackTrack K9 Record keeping software	**$140.00** a year for the subscription cost.
Kips White Dog Inn Boarding – 608-295-4337 Jolynn 2400 E Manogue Rd, Milton, WI 53563	$35.00 a day for boarding costs. City agreement will cover a maximum of 15 days per year. Total budget amount of **$525.00**
ACE K9 Radiotronics Watchdog Service (Cell Phone	**$899.00** for the ACE K9 Radiotronic box which includes the first-year subscription for free. Then a **$168.00** subscription cost for the following years. The box is installed by the vehicle vendor we choose for installation (no additional cost for install if done at time of build)

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monitoring of heat in car)						
K9 Training Fuel	2,580 miles About **$516.00** in fuel at $4 a gallon.	1,274 miles each way. Would have to stay entire time. About **$510.00** in fuel at $4 a gallon.	1,150 miles each way. Would have to stay entire time. About **$460.00** in fuel at $4 a gallon.	1,584 miles. About **$320.00** in fuel at $4 a gallon.	2,720 miles. About **$544.00** in fuel at $4 a gallon.	720 miles. About **$144.00** in fuel at $4 a gallon.
K9 handler Training Meals (Contractual)	**$1,620.00**	**$1,620.00**	**$1,620.00**	**$2,160.00**	**$1,120.00**	**$840.00**
Officer Overtime costs	Case law requires we send the handler home 30 minutes early, when possible, for "K9 maintenance," during shift overlap. 30 minutes of OT would cost $30.48 per day based off 72-month employee at top pay. If they work 200 shifts a year, subtracting approximately 15 days of vacation/comp leave, we will figure the handler works 185 shifts a year. A good estimate would be to say the handler cannot get out early about half the time. So, I'm estimating $30.48 x 93 shifts = $2,834.64. I would budget about **$3,000.00** a year to cover this expense.					
Current Amount in PD K9 fund	**$22,944.38 as of 09/10/2026 per Jeremiah in the Finance Dept.**					
First Year & Initial Startup Costs	**$27,838.52**	**$42,352.52**	**$29,282.52**	**$36,542.52**	**$31,866.52**	**$20,186.52**
Year-over-year budget cost	**$8,121.52**					
CVMIC	Liability is fully covered. Also provides coverage for the officer at their residence due to most individual homeowners insurance not wanting to cover the police canines.					
Property Insurance Company (MPIC Property Insurance) They	Under the MPIC policy, a police K9 would be covered. You would not need to "schedule" the K9 on the policy either. MPIC will pay the lesser of $50,000 or the total of the expenses for the replacement of the dog plus the care or treatment of the dog. A $1,000 deductible applies. **Below is a screenshot taken directly from the MPIC Policy.**					

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consider the canine property	The maximum amount we will pay per service dog or horse is the lesser of $50,000 or the total of the expenses related to the replacement of the dog or horse plus expenses for the care or treatment of the service dog or horse. A deductible of $1,000 will apply to this coverage on a per "occurrence" basis.

Purchase Options for Canine and K9 Officer Training, equipment costs, etc. for first year

	F.M.K9 7563 Pokagon Rd. Berrien Center, MI • #1 Recommendation	**Pacesetter K9** 555 Co Rd 200, Liberty Hill, TX 78642 • #2 Recommendation
Total Startup Cost for Canine	$27,838.52	$29,282.52
Current funding available in K9 Fund	- $22,944.38	- $22,944.38
Total Cost in 2026	**$4,894.14**	**$6,338.14**

Purchase Options for Squad car:

Option 1: Purchase of a new 2026 K9 Squad

** PRO: Squad would last lifetime of the K9 ~ about 8 – 10 years
** CON: Initial cost of the squad car

	F.M. K9 with purchase of Karl Emergency Vehicle for K9 Squad	**F.M. K9 with purchase of Ewald Automotive for K9 squad and 10-33 as the squad Upfitter**	**F.M. K9 recommendation with purchase of Ewald Automotive for K9 squad and GenComm as the squad Upfitter**
Squad Car Cost (2026 Chevy Tahoe PPV)	**$54,740.20** (Karl Emergency Vehicle is willing to honor 2025 pricing for the rest of	**$57,140.00** (2026 pricing)	**$57,140.00** (2026 pricing)

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	2026 only due to previous quantity of squads purchased through them.)		
K9 Upfit Cost to squad car	$28,667.23	$37,842.84	$35,627.87
Decal Cost	$0.00 (is included in "K9 Upfit Cost" quote)	$1,463.81	$1,463.81
Sierra Wireless Router and Antena	$1,697.24	$1,697.24	$1,697.24
Total Cost for K9 Squad Car	**$85,104.67**	**$98,143.89**	**$95,928.92**

Option 2: Not purchasing a new squad, but rather pulling a squad car from our Police Administration that was purchased and built in March of 2026 and reallocating it as the K9 vehicle

** PRO: Squad would still last lifetime of the K9 ~ about 8 – 10 years

** CON: We would need to then purchase a new Police Administration vehicle at the beginning of 2028 to replace the Police Administration vehicle that was repurposed at the unknown inflation cost of vehicle at the time.

** CON: We would be losing money in labor and price inflation to tear down and rebuild this squad car and turn it into a K9 vehicle along with cost to rebuild a squad in 2028 estimated pricing.

	F.M. K9 recommendation with Karl Emergency Vehicle as the squad Upfitter	**F.M. K9 recommendation with 10-33 as the squad Upfitter**
Pulling current Police Administration Vehicle and converting to K9 Squad.	No cost initially in 2026/2027 due to pulling from existing fleet, however, the Administration vehicle will need to be replaced and expect this vehicle to cost	No cost initially in 2026/2027 due to pulling from existing fleet, however, the Administration vehicle will need to be replaced and expect this vehicle to cost

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	closer to $58,000-$59,000 +/- to repurchase in 2028.	closer to $58,000-$59,000 +/- to repurchase in 2028.
K9 Upfit Equipment Cost	**$20,369.35**	Was only verbally advised by 10-33 Upfitter that he wouldn't recommend doing this option. Advised that after he looked into the labor and expenses and the city would only save between $5,000 - $7,000 in total cost upfront, but cost far more with having to repurchase the replacement Administration squad. Advised this would be putting damage on the vehicle being converted due to causing damage/holes from previous equipment that was installed that now needs to be replaced with different K9 equipment. **This estimate doesn't factor in repurchasing the administrative vehicle in 2028 and the yearly inflation cost increases.
K9 Decal Cost	**$0.00 (is included in "K9 Upfit Cost" quote)**	**$1,224.41**
Sierra Wireless Router and Antena	**$0.00 (is included in "K9 Upfit Cost" quote)**	**$1,697.24**
Total K9 Vehicle Build Cost	**$20,369.35**	Due to verbal estimate only provided by vendor due to him not recommending this option, I would not recommend using this vendor for repurposing this vehicle. Very costly.
**** Cost to rebuild Police Administration vehicle in 2028**	* Estimated to cost **$78,064.04** +/- to rebuild squad in 2028 due to regular yearly cost increases. * We would lose out on the labor costs that were used to originally build the police administration squad. * Note we previously built this squad in 2026 for $70,620.43)	

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Projected Cost to Run entire K9 Program for 10 years (approximate life of the K9).

	Option 1 (purchase of new K9 Squad)	Option 2 (Repurpose Police Admin Squad)
2026 Total Costs for K9 Squad and K9	$89,998.81	$25,263.49
2027 Total Costs	(K9 budget) $8,121.52	(K9 Budget) $8,121.52
2028 Total Costs (factoring 3% increase)	$8,365.17	(K9 budget) $8,365.17 (Estimate to replace Admin Squad) $78,064.04 (labor install money lost) $5,015.00 **Total Cost: $91,444.21**
2029 Total Cost (factoring 3% increase)	$8,616.13	$8,616.13
2030 Total Cost (factoring 3% increase)	$8,874.61	$8,874.61
2031 Total Cost (factoring 3% increase)	$9,140.85	$9,140.85
2032 Total Cost (factoring 3% increase)	$9,415.08	$9,415.08
2033 Total Cost (factoring 3% increase)	$9,697.53	$9,697.53
2034 Total Cost (factoring 3% increase)	$9,988.46	$9,988.46
2035 Total Cost (factoring 3% increase)	$10,288.11	$10,288.11
2036 Total Cost (factoring 3% increase)	$10,596.75	$10,596.75
Total Estimated 10 Year Costs for K9 program	**$183,103.02**	**$201,446.74**

Important notes:

* K9 squads do cost more to outfit when compared to traditional squad cars. In 2026 the cost to purchase a fully marked squad car from Karl Emergency Vehicle cost $81,948.41.

** The expected lifetime of this K9 squad for either option 1 or 2 would be 8-10 years.

*** The PD was scheduled to replace two (2) squads in 2028. The PD can delay those vehicle purchases into at least 2029, possibly 2030 providing a cost savings to assist in absorbing the K9 program.

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**** The PD will be auctioning off two (2) older squads at the end of 2026/beginning of 2027. This is the old CSO squad (2017 Ford Explorer with 140,778 miles) and the old K9 squad (2014 Ford Taurus with 86,253 miles). We will expect to receive an estimated amount of around $8,000 (total) for the sale of these two vehicles. The CSO squad is being replaced by an old squad car (2020 Ford F150 with 64,349 miles on it in 2027).

***** There will be a price increase for the vehicle and all upfitting equipment starting around December 2026/January 2027. The vendors and vehicle suppliers are estimating it to be about a 3% to 5% overall increase.