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Perry County Sheriff's Office receives State Grant to purchase in-car Video Systems

Sheriff Steve Bareis announced today that the Perry County Sheriff's Office has received a State Grant from the Illinois Law enforcement Training Standards Board in the amount up to \$42,800, to purchase in-car video cameras and to train the deputies to use them. Camera systems have arrived and are due to be installed by the end of June. Bareis states "he is excited to be chosen to be a recipient of this grant and the new technology that it will bring to the Sheriff's office. The new equipment will record all traffic stops and other incidents where a deputy chooses to turn the recording unit on to protect himself from false accusations or physical harm". Bareis states, "Cameras bring a protection to the officer and the community". "Video evidence often is indisputable evidence to be used in DUI prosecution, Public disturbances, and officer safety situations", states Sheriff Bareis.

The systems to be installed are from Provision and will have a forward facing camera and rear facing camera that will record the back seat when a suspect is being transported to the Perry County Jail.

“We live in a day and age where everything seems to be video recorded. It is my hope that with this additional tool in our tool box we will see the professionalism of our excellent staff of the Perry County Sheriff’s Office caught on tape”, Bareis concludes.

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