Bourbonnais Police Department

In- Car Camera Report

Calendar Year 2020

The Bourbonnais Police Department is made up of 26 sworn officers (Chief, Deputy Chief, **6**-Sergeants, **2**-Detectives, **1**-SRO, **1**-Special Agent and **14**-Patrolmen). Our fleet used **10**- Panasonic Arbitrator In-Car camera systems with a front and back seat view from January 1, 2020 through September 2020. In September 2020 we installed **4**-GETAC VR-X20-Mobile Video Systems and then **4** more GETAC systems in December 2020 replacing the older Panasonic Arbitrator units. By December 2020 we were using **8**-GETAC and **6**-Panasonic Arbitrator DVR systems.

We have used the Arbitrator or GETAC In-Car video systems to document all traffic stops, criminal prisoner transports, ordinance violations and response to emergency calls for service.

**GRANT PURCHASED CAMERAS**

The Bourbonnais Police Department received a grant to purchase four **(4)** Panasonic Arbitrator in-Car Camera DVR systems in 2019. All four of these In-Car camera systems were installed in June/July 2019. Three **(3)** of these Panasonic cameras are still being used today in the patrol vehicles.

**TECHNICAL ISSUES**

Prior to the switch over to GETAC, we had experienced limited technical issues with intermittent wireless mic connectivity, dead battery in wireless mics and occasional uploading to server issues. Since the switch over to GETAC we have experienced very minimal technical issues with our In-Car video systems.

**REVIEW PROCESS**

The Bourbonnais Police Department shift supervisors and administrators have the ability to review in-car camera videos at any time they are investigating alleged misconduct or reports of meritorious conduct or whenever such recordings would be beneficial in reviewing an officer’s performance or for a training exercise. Patrol Officers can only view their own videos.

The Bourbonnais Police Department provides In-Car camera footage to the Kankakee County State’s Attorney for all criminal and traffic arrests requested by the S/A. It is unknown as to how many videos are used in prosecutions and what the dispositions are for each case, and at this time the States Attorney does not keep records for such use. Please see additional report for types of cases recorded by in-car camera videos.

Respectfully submitted,

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