



*City of Countryside*

**Police Department**

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### **Countryside Police Department - ILETSB FY2020 In-Car Video Camera Grant Report**

The following is the annual report for the in-car cameras provided to the Countryside Police Department under the 2020 ILETSB Camera Grant Program:

The Countryside Police Department is comprised of twenty-four (24) sworn police officers. The patrol division consists of 18 sworn officers that share a fleet of seven (7) patrol vehicles. The Countryside Police Department received seven (7) WatchGuard 4RE In-Car Camera systems under the ILETSB Camera Grant Program and all seven (7) cameras are installed in the Countryside Police Department patrol vehicles.

Every patrol sergeant is tasked with performing a review of at least two (2) videos from members of their squad every week. These reviews, as well as any issues arising from them, are documented on a checklist of the sergeant's weekly required duties.

The only technical issue that has been encountered is that one of the radios that transmits recorded footage to the remote server for viewing, stopped functioning. A replacement radio was immediately sent to the Countryside Police Department by WatchGuard. The radio is easily accessible and was replaced by police department staff. There was no interruption in the functionality of the camera as any videos recorded while the broken radio was installed were manually transferred to the remote server via a USB stick.

A log of cases in which the cameras were used for the prosecution of criminal, traffic, and municipal ordinance violations is attached.

**Attachments:**

CS In-Car Ticket Report.xlsx

CS In-Car Cases.xlsx

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