

Grand Chute Police Department

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K-9 Fram Diagnosis & Fundraising Campaign Announcement

In August 2011, the Grand Chute Police Department launched its first police K-9 program when Officer Shawn Enneper and his K-9 partner Fram entered service. During their 7½ years together, they have achieved immense success. Fram has been deployed 1,344 times and has accounted for 447 arrests and the discovery of 6,185.88 grams (13.63 lbs.) of marijuana, 178.02 grams of methamphetamine, 5.43 grams of heroin, 88.33 grams of cocaine, and 8.3 grams of ecstasy. In addition, they have been instrumental in the seizure of 401 pieces of drug paraphernalia, four firearms, and \$77,314.34 in cash. The team has also performed 68 tracking missions and 25 public demonstrations. Fram is a beloved member of our Grand Chute Police family and a great ambassador for our agency.

The average service life for a police K-9 is 7-10 years. Two years old when he joined our family, Fram is now approximately 9½ years old. While he possesses the drive of a much younger dog, he has begun to show a reduction in stamina, especially as it relates to tracking. Unfortunately, this is likely due to more than just age. In late 2017, we received some heartbreaking news that Fram was diagnosed with a tumor on his bladder. At the time, the veterinarian speculated he might have only six months to live, and couldn't say how long he might be able to continue working. To say we have been both surprised and pleased that he has continued to serve since that diagnosis nearly 18 months ago would be a tremendous understatement. This amazing dog has certainly defied the odds.

Nevertheless, we know that the time has come for us to plan for his retirement. When we launched the K-9 program in 2011, we did so almost exclusively through funds donated by the Grand Chute community. As of today, we are once again seeking the community's support as we look to "hire" Fram's replacement and continue this exceptional program. Tax-deductible donations can be made to the Grand Chute Police K-9 Fund, mailed to and/or dropped off at the Grand Chute Police Department, 1900 Grand Chute Blvd, Grand Chute, WI 54913. Thank you in advance for your support and shared dedication to keeping Grand Chute safe.

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