

**Law Enforcement Interest
In Using Our Proposed
Training Facility**

Below is an email I sent to area law enforcement and their responses.

Chiefs,

The West Allis Police Department is exploring the possibility of building a Training Facility behind the main police station in West Allis (11301 W Lincoln Avenue). The structure would be utilized for various types of scenario-based training and would accommodate the use of Simunition rounds. The Training Facility is proposed to be a 3000 square foot two-story structure with a detached two-car garage. From the outside, the structure would look like a two-story home. On the inside, the structure would be configured with moveable walls on both floors. This would allow us the ability to modify the room configuration depending on the training and scenario desired. It is proposed to contain two separate staircases to mimic what is encountered in the real world. One staircase will be long and straight and the other will turn and have a landing half way up. We anticipate having furniture and other items included to create a real-world environment. We anticipate the structure to contain video cameras to record the scenarios for debriefing purposes.

As part of the process to seek approval from our Police and Fire Commission, they have asked us to gauge the level of interest other area law enforcement agencies may have in utilizing this facility through joint training exercises or through cooperative arrangements. With that said, could you please respond if you would be interested in utilizing the facility in the capacity I have described. (This is not a formal letter of intent, just a rough gauge of the level of interest out there.) For purposes of answering this question, assume that the training will be at no cost to your agency.

Next question...

It is NOT our intent to charge a fee; however, if a nominal fee were to be charged, would you be willing to pay a fee to utilize the facility.

I look forward to your response. Please respond via email to cbotsch@westalliswi.gov

Respectfully,

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Here are their responses:

The Wisconsin State Patrol would have an interest in utilizing such a facility. We may also be willing to pay nominal fees. Please let me know if I can assist with the PFC approval process in any way.

Regards,

Captain Timothy L. Carnahan
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Chris
We would be interested

Ann

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Good Morning Chris,

Sorry I missed your call yesterday. Regarding the email that went out about your training facility - we would be interested both for our Tactical Team, but for Patrol Officer training. We would also be willing to pay a fee, whether based yearly or on number of times used. I think this is a great idea, and would be a huge benefit to our County. We already pay a yearly fee for use of the Racine County Range for our Snipers. So budgeting additional funds to use a training facility like you described is easily done.

Timothy J. Sharpee

Captain of Police

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From: Brian Kaebisch [<mailto:brian.kaebisch@stfranwi.org>]
Sent: Tuesday, February 24, 2015 3:29 PM
To: Charles Padgett
Subject: RE: WAPD Training Facility

Definite interest

We would definitely be interested if there were no cost. We would most likely be interested if there were a nominal fee.

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Good Afternoon,

In answer to #1 – Yes.

In answer to #2 – Yes.

Best regards,
Eric
HCPD

Deputy Chief Botsch-

This opportunity is intriguing and we would be interested in joint training. Given the size of our agency, training budget for overtime, and geographical distance, the frequency of use will be significantly lower than an agency closer to you.

If a fee was charged, we would need to evaluate the type of training we are doing, access to other opportunities and benefit to our agency.

Sorry, not a very clear answer, but we are always looking for options to conduct training for our personnel and would add this to our list of options.

Chris Freedy

Christopher Freedy
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Glendale PD would probably utilize a facility of this kind and we would consider paying a reasonable fee for usage.

Chief Tom Czarnyszka
Glendale PD

The State Fair Park Police Department would be interested if the facility becomes available. As far as cost that would depend upon the fee and success I would have in getting it in the budget.

Sincerely,

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Brown Deer PD would be interested in utilizing the type of training facility your proposing. Additionally, we would be willing to pay a nominal fee if required. Fort McCoy has a similar facility with cameras and the ability to use live ammunition.....this truly lends to some quality training and learning.

Mike

Michael A. Kass

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Village of Brown Deer Police Department
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Chris,

We would certainly be interested in the ability to use this proposed space and likely the opportunity to pursue more joint training together as well. Free is always desired, but I fully understand the need to have a reasonable fee to maintain the facility. It's a great idea. One I continue to pursue every year in capital improvement monies, but have yet to be granted the monies.

Tobie

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Bayside would be interested as well as understand there may be fees involved. Thanks.

Scott

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Yes, I believe that the Shorewood Police Department would be interested. We would be willing, depending on the cost to a nominal fee.

With that said, we will have a new chief in 2 to 3 months but based on what you have to offer, I believe any chief would be willing.

Thank you

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(Greenfield PD – Chief Brad Wendlandt)

Interested in using: Yes

Willing to pay: Unlikely

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Chris:

We would be interested in training, either alone or joint, whether free or at a nominal cost.

David Budde

David E. Budde
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This type of training facility would be very beneficial. We may still be interested in utilizing it if there is a fee but cost is always a factor in determining whether training is feasible.

Tom

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Hi Chris,

I could see us using the facility several times a year. I think it would be a great addition. I'd be willing to pay a nominal fee down the road.

Chief Young

Whitefish Bay police