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CPD Announces Next Police Districts to Receive Body-Worn Cameras

CPD is taking the next step to deliver on last week's announcement that every patrol officer in the city will have a body camera by 2018 by outlining the next police districts that will receive body-worn cameras - the majority of which are on the South and West sides of the city.

Superintendent Eddie Johnson chose the districts based on a review of calls for service, officer activity and consultation with CPD command staff.

The districts are:

- 7 - Englewood
- 11 - Harrison
- 8 - Chicago Lawn
- 3 - Grand Crossing
- 25 - Grand Central
- 1 - Central
- 18 - Near North

"Over the next 24 months, CPD will make significant investments and strategy enhancements to make our neighborhoods safer," said Superintendent Eddie Johnson. "With the Mayor's strong support, we are adding nearly 1,000 officers to patrol neighborhoods and proactively fight crime; better training to foster stronger community partnerships; technology to allow us to police smarter and more effectively and creating a culture of accountability within our criminal justice system to hold repeat violent offenders accountable."

Beginning this fall, districts will undergo infrastructure improvements to accommodate the increased bandwidth and technology associated with the AXON II cameras. By the end of 2018, every patrol officer in the department will be outfitted with body cameras.

The body camera expansion will be part of Mayor Emanuel's upcoming annual budget.

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