

## Police Department

The Vassar Police Department was established with the City of Vassar in 1952 as a one man department and has grown thru the years to become a full service police agency. The police department experienced several changes with schedules and staffing during the past year. The department lost its K-9 unit and an officer during 2009 reducing the full-time staff to 4 officers including myself. In doing so, the department went to an 8 hour work schedule to maintain a 24/7 365 police department. Starting in January of 2011, the department has now made another schedule change, placing all full-time staff on a 12 hour rotating shift schedule. This was done to reduce part-time hours utilized by the department and stay within the boundaries of a shrinking budget. The police department stays actively involved in community projects and events such as the Vassar Pumpkin Roll, Community Pride City Wide, Vassar River fest, Vassar High School Homecoming Parade and the city's newest event Chill on the Hill. The Vassar Police Department continually strives to make Vassar a safe and enjoyable community to live in.