



Bradley Police Department Special Needs Awareness Program



The Bradley Police Department is committed to the safety of all Village residents. The more information officers have when they respond to calls for service or conduct traffic stops, the better they can meet the needs of our residents.

The mission of the Special Needs Awareness Program in partnership with the Blue Envelope Program is to alert emergency responders that there may be a person with special needs in a home or vehicle. The program will help prepare responding units to draw on their training and understand that a person in the home/vehicle may not respond to or comply with verbal commands; may hide, or wander, or have no awareness of danger. These partnered Programs may be helpful for individuals with autism, dementia, PTSD, mental illness, intellectual disabilities, or other conditions that may cause them to respond differently in high-stress situations.

The Bradley Police Department Special Needs Awareness Program enrollment process consists of completing an application and a waiver form. After registration for the Program, we will request KanComm, our dispatch center, to note the address in their alert system with a brief description of the special needs of the individual. The information in address notations will be relayed to responding first responders if there is a call for service at the residence. The Bradley Police will also provide decals free of charge to Village of Bradley residents who enroll in the Program. These decals should be placed on all external entrance doors to the residence. These decals shall be removed if the individual with special needs no longer resides at the residence and notification made to Bradley Police Department. There is no requirement to display the decals if registered in the Program.

The Blue Envelope Program helps make traffic stops safer, calmer, and more predictable for individuals who may experience communication, processing, or sensory challenges. When paired with the Blue Envelope sticker placed on the lower corner of the rear window, officers are alerted to these needs before they even approach the vehicle. This proactive awareness reduces confusion, helps prevent unnecessary escalation, and supports dignity, independence, and safety for everyone involved.

Any questions regarding these partnered Programs, you may email Deputy Chief Adrian Provost at approvost@bradleyil.org. If you would like to register you may do so anytime at Bradley Police Department; 147 S. Michigan Ave., Bradley IL. 60915.