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Noblesville Police Department Statement on the Use of Automated License Plate Readers (ALPRs)

The Noblesville Police Department (NPD) recognizes the importance of both public safety and individual privacy in today's digital environment.

ALPR technology automatically reads license plates and records their time and location. This allows officers to efficiently identify stolen vehicles, locate suspects, and assist in criminal investigations and missing person cases. Because many crimes are mobile in nature, ALPRs provide law enforcement with a valuable tool to respond quickly and accurately while using fewer resources.

To ensure proper use and oversight, NPD has established strict policies, procedures, and accountability measures for all personnel with ALPR access:

Data Retention:

- ALPR images are stored for 30 days and are automatically deleted after that period.
- Images connected to active investigations may be retained for evidentiary purposes only.

Access Control:

- Only authorized, trained, and vetted NPD personnel can access ALPR data.
- Each user must complete required training and sign a user agreement prior to use.
- Data can only be searched as part of a criminal investigation and an associated reason must be entered as part of the search criteria.



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- All data collected by Flock Safety cameras in Noblesville is owned by NPD and stored securely on AWS GovCloud. Flock Safety does not have access to this data.

Audit and Oversight:

- The Professional Standards Division regularly audits ALPR usage to ensure compliance with policy and law.

Data Sharing:

- NPD shares ALPR data only with verified law enforcement partners to support regional crime prevention and investigation.
- No data is sold or purchased.
- These safeguards ensure ALPRs are used responsibly and only in ways that directly support law enforcement and community safety.

The Noblesville Police Department remains committed to transparency, accountability, and the responsible use of technology to protect our community while respecting individual rights.

