

John D. Lakin
Sheriff of Madison County

Sheriff Lakin began his law enforcement career in 1986 with the Madison County Probation Department. In 1989, he accepted a position as a deputy sheriff with the Madison County Sheriff's Office. In 2005, Sheriff Lakin graduated from the F.B.I. National Academy, Quantico, VA. He retired as a Major, serving as the department's Chief Deputy Sheriff, with the Madison County Sheriff's Office in 2011. Sheriff Lakin was then hired by the Village of Glen Carbon where he served as the Chief of Police from 2011—2014. In 2014, Sheriff Lakin was elected as the Sheriff of Madison County. In addition to serving as a Madison County Child Advocacy Center board member, Sheriff Lakin is also a board member for the Major Case Squad of Greater St. Louis and the Southern Illinois Law Enforcement Commission.

During his extensive career as an investigator and law enforcement professional, Sheriff Lakin continues to support the mission of the Child Advocacy Center. "By providing the proper intervention and supportive services to children, law enforcement officials are better able to prosecute abuse cases through a child-sensitive investigative process. This process not only addresses the need of an interview for prosecution purposes, but also the need of the victim and family for additional services to aid in their recovery." –John Lakin

