The Joplin Police Department expertly utilized four Harley-Davidson Road Kings in 2011. These specialized vehicles are primarily used for traffic enforcement, with the ultimate goal of traffic crash reduction. They are also extensively used for funeral escorts, dignitary escorts, and parades. The motorcycles continue to be great tools to present a highly visible aspect of Joplin Police Department presence. The motorcycles have logged more than 25,000 miles of patrol in the City of Joplin.

With the partnership of the Fraternal Order of Police Lodge #27, the Joplin Police Department was able to send two motor officers and motorcycles to Washington D.C. during National Law Enforcement Memorial Week in 2011. This was a huge honor for the police department, and plans are underway to make this a yearly event with the goal to send all four officers and motorcycles in the near future.