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## WSU Police Saving Gas Money and the Environment

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Wichita State University is said to be on the cutting edge. It has a renown business school, a nationally ranked baseball team and that's not all. WSU is turning into a pretty high tech campus, but not just in the classroom, it's also happening on the street.

Walking around campus you might catch a glimpse of what could be the fuel efficient future for the University Police Department. It's called a T3. The fully electric scooter can hit 20 miles per hour, is environmentally friendly, and can turn on a dime...which is also what it costs to run it for a whole day.

Officers have been using the scooter for about year now and have no doubt that the nearly \$10,000 tool is worth the price tag.

"For every eight hours we're on this it save us eight hours worth of fuel. So, over the year, I'm sure it will pay for itself," says Sgt. Gary Bequette.

While the T3 seems to be the change that's catching everyone's eye, the department is doing more than just that to save on gas. They're trading in all of their old SUV patrol vehicles for more fuel efficient cars.

Sgt. Bequette adds, "When you run these things 24/7 every dime in gas prices hurt us just as much as it does every other family and anyone else who drives a vehicle. So part of this is cost savings, part of this is environment."

A move to join a college on the cutting edge. Officers rolling towards savings, while the old gas guzzlers prepare to roll right off the property.



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