



1989 Seattle Police Gran Fury

Throughout the 1980's the most widely recognized police vehicles in the United States were the square bodied Plymouth Gran Fury and its counterpart, the Dodge Diplomat. Aside from their names, these cars were identical in every way. Commonly known as "America's Police Car" these vehicles were the workhorse of police fleets throughout the country beginning in 1981 and in use for nearly a decade. Specially designed to reduce emissions and save fuel following the energy crisis of the 1970's, the Gran Fury's "police package" boasted a more efficient 318 cubic inch engine, four-barrel carburetor and A999 Torque Flite transmission.

This 1989 Gran Fury was manufactured at Chrysler's Kenosha, Wisconsin assembly plant and was the last production year for the rear wheel drive, "M" body series. Purchased by the City of Seattle for \$13,346, vehicle #546J was placed into service on August 29, 1990 and assigned to the Police Department's South Precinct patrol fleet. After four years of duty, this car was taken out of service in 1994 and sold at auction. After sixteen years of retirement, this vehicle was donated to the Police Museum in March of 2010. Following two years of restoration, this car was added to the Museum's historic fleet of police vehicles in March of 2012.

This historically significant police vehicle is a mobile component of the Seattle Metropolitan Police Museum and used to enhance positive interaction between local law enforcement and the community. This car is also used to educate the public by generating interest in historic preservation and restoration. For more information regarding this car, please contact the Police Museum at #206-748-9991.



Special Thanks-Organizations



SPD Gran Fury after purchase



*Tony VanBuren
bead blasting the Gran Fury*



*Pedro Rodriguez & Ricky Johnson
repair body damage*



*Freshly painted Gran Fury
at Showcase Auto Rebuild*



Robin Ford making the door decals

ACME Auto Electric, *Seattle*
 Accurate Engine, *Kirkland*
 Alternative Blasters, *Marysville*
 Blanchard Electric, *Seattle*
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 Service Auto Glass, *Kirkland*
 Sherwin-Williams Auto Paints, *Bellevue*
 Showcase Auto Rebuild, *Kirkland*
 Wesco Autobody Supply, *Burien*



Jim Garner installing prisoner screen



Jim Ritter applying door shields



Tom Leahy installing first in-car computer



*Tom Leahy installing
vintage "AeroDync" light bar*



*Jarrold Bryant from Les Schwab
making front end repairs*

Special Thanks-Individuals

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