



FROM THE CAPTAIN'S DESK



A MONTHLY NEWSLETTER BROUGHT TO YOU BY THE NOPD'S FIRST DISTRICT



Greetings,

Happy Holidays to all of our community supporters, neighborhood associations, and men and women of the First District. Thanks for all that you do for the department, the district, the community, and the great City of New Orleans.

Throughout the 2020 year, the men and women of the First Police District have continued to emulate professionalism, ethical policing, and courage in the wake of a global pandemic, social injustices, and budget constraints. I am very proud to say that we are in the final quarter of the year and we have a 13% overall reduction in crime in the First District. This is due to the relentless investigative work by the detectives, hard and diligent work by the patrol officers, and excellent leadership by their supervisors. I am confident that the First District will have an even bigger decrease in overall crime in 2021, and that all of our goals set in the First District will be achieved. My sincerest appreciation goes to our First District officers and community supporters for doing their parts in an effort to make the New Orleans Police Department great, and City of New Orleans safe.

May God continue to bless you and your families this holiday season!

Captain LeJon M. Roberts

CRIME STATISTICS/INFORMATION

Year to date there is a -13% decrease in overall crime in the First District.

The most notable decrease in crime year to date in the First District, is simple burglaries (-38% decrease; -33 less simple burglaries year to date).

Year to date in the First District, 48 handguns have been reported stolen as a result of auto burglaries, with 16 stolen from unsecured vehicles.

For year to date totals of all reported persons and property crimes in the First District, please [click here](#).

To view the names of some individuals wanted for violent crimes in the First District, please [click here](#).

To gain access to the First District's Hot Sheet, [click here](#). Remember that you can turn in the completed Hot Sheet to the First District via mail or fax (see sheet for further details).

PUBLIC SAFETY ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Tuesday, December 8, 2020 The First District will hold its virtual district MAX meeting at 1pm on Facebook live.
- Tuesday, December 15, 2020 The First District will hold its virtual NONPACC meeting. I will send out the link as the date approaches to all the neighborhood associations and community members on the listserv.
- Remember to adhere to Mayor Cantrell's proclamation by practicing social distancing, wearing masks in public, practicing frequent hand washing, and not gathering socially in large groups.
- Remember if you see a crime occurring, DO NOT post it on social media first, call 9-1-1 immediately, and give a detailed description of the crime, and perpetrator information (e.g., race, sex, clothing description, direction of flight, height, & weight).
- Do not engage perpetrators, call 9-1-1 and let the police handle the situation.
- Do not leave weapons (guns) in vehicles in an unsecure place. Lock all guns in the glove box or trunk if you must leave it in your vehicle. Also, remember this is the holiday season, so be vigilant of your surroundings while out shopping and traveling.

FIRST DISTRICT NEW ADDITIONS

Sgt. Michael Hamilton recently assumed the position of Detective Sergeant of property crimes in the First Police District. Sgt. Hamilton is a 23-year veteran of the police department. Prior to his new assignment in the First District, he served as investigator in the Public Integrity Bureau (PIB).

SPO Miquel Aubert will be assuming the role of the First District's Community Liaison Officer. He is a 16-year veteran of the department. Prior to his new assignment he was assigned to the Third District's third platoon.



Welcome Detective Sgt. Mike Hamilton and SPO Aubert!!!

FIRST DISTRICT OFFICER OF THE YEAR



Keesler Federal Credit Union recently honored Officer Kelsey Poole from the First District as Officer of the Year. Officer Poole was presented a plaque by the CEO of the Orleans Avenue branch for her tireless service and dedication to the citizens of the First District and City of New Orleans.

Officer Poole was instrumental in making many key arrests and aiding in the apprehensions of numerous violent criminal offenders throughout the year that were plaguing the district. Congratulations Officer Kelsey Poole for a job well done! Keep up the excellent police work, and stay safe!

Message from Superintendent Shaun D. Ferguson, [click here to view.](#)

COMMUNITY ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS & APPRECIATION

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate SPO Edwin Cooper on his 21 years of service to the New Orleans Police Department. SPO Cooper retired from the NOPD as the First District's CLO on December 3, 2020. Thank you SPO Cooper for your service, dedication, and your wonderful sense of humor. May you enjoy your retirement and may God bless you in all of your future endeavors. Job well done!



Lastly, to all of my community supporters and neighborhood associations, Thank You for all of the support, donations, and kind words you all have shared with the men and women of the First Police District this year, and throughout this holiday season. May you all have a very blessed Christmas and a Happy New Year! *"Kindness is like snow- It beautifies everything it covers."* – Kahlil Gibran