

METROPOLITAN NASHVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT 2016 ANNUAL REPORT

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Message from the Chief



To the Citizens of Nashville:

On behalf of the nearly 2,000 committed police officers and professional support staff of the Metropolitan Police Department, it is my privilege to present the Annual Report for 2016. We are truly grateful for the partnerships that we share with citizens and community groups throughout Nashville as, together, we address issues to promote public safety and advance quality of life in our city's diverse neighborhoods.

Overall major crime (Uniform Crime Report offenses) decreased slightly, one half percent from 2015 to 2016. Burglary was at its lowest level since the inception of Metropolitan Government in 1963. Rape decreased 6.6%, and larceny was down slightly. Auto theft led the crime category increases at 21.1%. We continue to see an inordinate number of vehicles being taken with keys despite our continuing campaign to urge citizens to Park Smart, lock their doors, secure their valuables, and take their keys. Robbery was up in 2016 by 5.7%, homicide increased 5.1%, and aggravated assault showed a slight increase at 0.2%. The overall crime rate per 100,000 persons decreased by 1.7%, a sign of Nashville's continued strong growth.

Sixty-seven persons died in fatal crashes during 2016, a 10.7% reduction from 2015. Our growth will continue to further congest Nashville's roadways, requiring extremely careful and defensive driving by us all.

No police agency can be truly successful without the support and confidence of the community it serves. We ended 2016 serving 648 neighborhood and business groups. The men and women of the police department attended 2,265 community meetings during 2016, equating to an average of more than six meetings a day, every day of the year.

I am grateful to Mayor Barry for her leadership and support, as well as that of the Metropolitan Council. That support enabled October's groundbreaking for a new police headquarters on Murfreesboro Pike where Capital Chevrolet once stood. A new headquarters is a testament to our city's commitment to keep public safety a top priority. Working together, we will successfully meet the challenges of growth and other issues to ensure that Nashville remains the wonderful place that our citizens and visitors embrace.

Sincerely,

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Steve Anderson Chief of Police

Executive Command Staff



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DEPUTY CHIEF J. DAMIAN HUGGINS ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES BUREAU



DEPUTY CHIEF BRIAN JOHNSON FIELD OPERATIONS BUREAU

Command Staff



Captain Mike Alexander Specialized Investigations Division



Captain Gordon Howey **Youth Services** Division



Captain Greg Blair Field Supervisor Division



Captain Harmon Hunsicker Forensic Services Division



Captain Rita Brockman-Baker Support Services Division



Captain Dhana Jones **Special Operations**





Captain David Corman **Custom Services** Division



Captain Jason Reinbold **Criminal Investigations** Division



Captain Christopher Gilder Field Supervisor Division



Captain Michelle Richter Domestic Violence Division



Captain Mike Hagar Strategic Development Division





Records Division



Captain Randy Hickerson Warrants Division



Captain Keith Stephens Training Division



Captain Chris Taylor Park Police Division



Captain Kenneth Walburn FOB Executive Officer



Precincts & Commanders



Central Precinct Commander John Drake



601 Korean Vets Blvd East Precinct Commander David Imhof



East Precinct 936 E. Trinity Lane



Hermitage Precinct **Commander Preston Brandimore**



Hermitage Precinct 3701 James Kay Lane



Madison Precinct

Commander Sebastian Gourdin



Madison Precinct 400 Myatt Drive



Midtown Hills Precinct Commander Kay Lokey



Midtown Hills Precinct 1441 12th Ave. South West Precinct Commander Marlene Pardue



West Precinct 5300 Charlotte Pike



North Precinct



North Precincts 2231 26th Ave. North



South Precinct

Commander Paul Trickey

South Precinct 5101 Harding Place



Commander Terrence Graves

Organizational Chart



Executive Summary

In Nashville and Davidson County, the total number of reported Uniform Crime Report (UCR), Part I offenses decreased slightly by 0.5% from calendar year 2015 to 2016. During 2013 and 2014, offenses were reported to police at historically lower levels. Three of the seven Part I crime categories of UCR offenses demonstrated decreases while the remaining four showed increases from 2015 to 2016.

Of the three crime categories that demonstrated a decrease, Burglary had the largest percentage of change and decreased by 10.3% from 2015 to 2016. Burglaries were at their lowest level since inception of the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County. Rape also showed a decrease of 6.6% and Larceny went down 0.1%. Property Offenses decreased slightly at 1.0%. Motor Vehicle Theft demonstrated the largest percent of increase at 21.1%. Robbery had a 5.7% increase, Homicide increased 5.1%, and Aggravated Assault increased slightly at 0.2%. Violent Offenses increased slightly at 1.1%.

However, the overall crime rate per 100,000 decreased by 1.7%, Violent Crime decreased slightly by 0.5% and Property Crimes decreased 2.1% from 2015 to 2016. These decreases resulted in the lowest Overall Crime Rate and lowest Property Crime Rate since 1966. The 'Crime Rate' is determined by comparing the annual reported number of Forcible Homicides, Rapes, Robberies, Aggravated Assaults, Burglaries and Larcenies against population estimates for Davidson County per 100,000. In addition, the Motor Vehicle Theft crime rate is determined by using the number of registered motor vehicles in Davidson County. Burglary Offenses fell to their lowest rate in the history of the

Metropolitan Government.

Overall, physical arrests demonstrated a 6% decrease from 2015 to 2016. Adult arrests decreased 5.8% while juvenile arrests decreased by 7.7%.

In 2016, 67 persons died in 65 fatal crashes. This constituted a decrease of 5.8% in fatal crashes and a decrease of 10.7% in crash-related deaths from 2015 to 2016. 1966 was the year with the highest number of persons killed in motor vehicle crashes with a total of 129.

The average number of UCR Part I offenses per sworn personnel decreased 0.2% during 2016. The number of police-related incident calls (all call types) per sworn personnel received at the Metropolitan Emergency Communications Center decreased by 2.8%.

Crime Statistics

Part I Criminal Offenses Reported to Police. Overall, the

number of total Part I UCR offenses decreased slightly at 0.5% from 2015 to 2016. Offenses are reported inaccordance-with UCR guidelines and definitions. Violent crimes include homicide, forcible rape, robbery and aggravated assault. Property crimes include burglary, larceny, and motor vehicle theft.

Source:

Metropolitan Police Department's Advanced Records Management System (ARMS) and the Incident-Based Reporting System. 2016 counts are sourced from MNPD ARMS on 3/15/2017.

*The FBI definition of rape changed and was announced in 2012 and became effective nationwide on 1/1/2013. However, MNPD began implementation of the new rape definition in 2012. Prior to 2012, rape was defined under the category of forcible rape. The new expanded definition implemented in 2012 now includes forcible rape, forcible sodomy, and sexual assault with an object. The new definition also includes male victims.



| Trends: | <u>2006</u> | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | <u>2010</u> | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | <u>2014</u> | <u>2015</u> | <u>2016</u> |
|---------------------|-------------|--------|--------|--------|-------------|--------|--------|--------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Total Part I | 43,666 | 42,740 | 41,754 | 37,288 | 37,451 | 36,598 | 34,062 | 31,998 | 31,352 | 32,861 | 32,698 |
| Violent Crimes | 8,846 | 8,854 | 8,390 | 7,111 | 6,944 | 7,228 | 7,712 | 7,015 | 7,477 | 7,511 | 7,592 |
| Property Crimes | 34,820 | 33,886 | 33,364 | 30,177 | 30,507 | 29,370 | 26,350 | 24,983 | 23,875 | 25,350 | 25,106 |
| Murder | 81 | 73 | 74 | 80 | 60 | 51 | 62 | 40 | 41 | 79 | 83 |
| Rape | 333 | 339 | 317 | 286 | 330 | 378 | 554* | 540* | 607 | 606 | 566 |
| Robbery | 2,521 | 2,603 | 2,378 | 2,013 | 1,807 | 1,880 | 1,719 | 1,635 | 1,541 | 1,901 | 2,009 |
| Aggravated Assault | 5,911 | 5,839 | 5,621 | 4,732 | 4,747 | 4,919 | 5,377 | 4,800 | 5,288 | 4,925 | 4,934 |
| Burglary | 6,596 | 6,243 | 6,243 | 6,692 | 7,821 | 7,407 | 5,745 | 5,679 | 4,784 | 5,118 | 4,590 |
| Larceny Theft | 25,141 | 24,826 | 24,797 | 21,769 | 21,053 | 20,195 | 19,218 | 18,098 | 17,968 | 18,789 | 18,769 |
| Motor Vehicle Theft | 3,083 | 2,817 | 2,324 | 1,716 | 1,633 | 1,768 | 1,387 | 1,206 | 1,123 | 1,443 | 1,747 |

Crime Statistics

Crime Rate per 100,000. The Overall crime rate per 100,000 decreased by 1.7%, Violent Crime decreased slightly by 0.5% and Property Crimes decreased 2.1% from 2015 to 2016. These decreases resulted in the lowest Overall Crime Rate and lowest Property Crime Rate since 1966. (Murder, rape, robbery, aggravated assault, burglary and larceny are based on population estimates for Davidson County. Motor vehicle theft is based on the number of registered motor vehicles in Davidson County)

Sources: UCR Part I Offenses are derived from Metropolitan Police Department's Incident Based Reporting System. 2016 counts are sourced from MNPD ARMS on 3/15/2017.

Population figures are from the Metropolitan Planning Commission. Vehicle registration information from the TN Dept. of Safety, Title & Registration Division. A change in how motor vehicle registrations are classified has changed the Motor Vehicle Theft rate starting in 2014.



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| Trends: | <u>2006</u> | <u>2007</u> | <u>2008</u> | <u>2009</u> | <u>2010</u> | <u>2011</u> | <u>2012</u> | <u>2013</u> | <u>2014*</u> | <u>2015*</u> | <u>2016*</u> |
| Violent Crime Rate | 1,543.2 | 1,541.6 | 1,443.9 | 1,183.3 | 1,183.8 | 1,239.6 | 1,229.6 | 1,117.8 | 1,190.9 | 1,140.8 | 1,135.3 |
| Property Crime Rate | 5,751.8 | 5,565.6 | 5,426.5 | 4,743.8 | 4,866.2 | 4,677.5 | 4,197.6 | 3,980.2 | 3,850.2 | 3,909.5 | 3,829.1 |

*The Motor Vehicle Theft crime rate was recalculated for these years because of a change to how motor vehicle registrations are classified in Davidson County.

See next two pages for detailed listing of crime rates by UCR Part I offense from 1963 to current year.

Award for Excellence



Detectives Chad Gish and Mike Adkins on March 8th received the Award for Excellence from U. S. Attorney David Rivera for their roles in bringing a child predator to justice.

In 2011, a senior inspector with the U.S. Marshall's service went to the residence of Joseph Nichols to serve him with an outstanding warrant for violating the sex offender registry. Nichols, who was convicted of possessing child pornography in 2008, was sentenced to four years of supervised probation, required to register as a sex offender, prohibited from using the internet, and from living near a park or school.

Nichols, however, was living in a home within view of a Nashville playground. When the inspector entered Nichols' residence, he discovered that Nichols had fled and there was a movie still streaming on his computer. Nichols was found hiding behind sheet rock in a back room. The inspector immediately contacted MNPD Sex Crime's Detective Mike Adkins.

Detective Adkins already had an ongoing investigation involving Nichols aftter he got a report from a person who had purchased a used memory card, previously belonging to Nichols, that contained child pornography. After Nichols' arrest, Detective Adkins conducted an intereview with Nichols who admitted that he had collected and shared hundreds of thousands of images and videos of child pornography. During the interview, Nichols also disclosed to Adkins that some years ealier, he had inappropriate contact with two children while working on computers in their parents' homes. Adkins collected the electronic evidence and turned it over to MNPD Technical Support Detective Chad Gish.

Detective Gish conducted a forensic analysis of the computer and hard drive seized from Nichols. Gish, an experienced forensic analyst, performed a time-consuming and comprehensive analysis of the defentant's computers, finding well over 44,000 images and 160 videos of child pornography. Nichols, a relatively sophisticated computer user, had received and shared many of these images and videos using peer-to-peer file sharing programs via email.

Nichols was convicted of distribution of child pornography and sentenced to 18 years in jail, followed by a lifetime of supervised release. (Pictured above (l-r) are Detective Mike Adkins, U.S. Attorney David Rivera, and Detective Chad Gish)

Theodore Roosevelt Association Police Award



Chief Steve Anderson and the local chapter of the Theodore Roosevelt Association on November 2nd announced that Officer John Downs, who was seriously wounded in the line of duty and was told that he might never walk again, is the 2016 recipient of the Theodore Roosevelt Police Award for Nashville & Middle Tennessee. Pictured top left (1-r) are Rock Solid Roofing Company Owner/Operator Joe McEwen III, Officer John Downs and Chief Anderson; Officer Downs is pictured top right.

The Theodore Roosevelt Association Police Award is given to a police officer who has rendered outstanding and praiseworthy service to the department and the community despite a serious handicap, illness, or injury. On the night of December 14, 2014, Officer Downs, a member of the police department's Special Response Team, was on his way home after working a Tennessee Titans game when he was called to respond to the scene of a barricaded robbery suspect at a condominium on Long Hunter Court. He was among the officers who attempted to negotiate with the armed suspect, but was unsuccessful. He was outside near the front door of the condo with other Special Response Team members when the gunman emerged. The suspected robber fired his .40 caliber pistol in the direction of Officer Downs and other officers. Officer Downs was struck and seriously wounded in the hip/groin area and was rushed by his colleagues, who did not wait for an ambulance, to Vanderbilt University Medical Center. He was initially told that he might never walk again.

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However, after several surgeries, a hip replacement and months of rehabilitation, Downs did walk again and ultimately returned to full duty in the Metro Police Department, where he is now assigned to the Specialized Investigations Division.

"John Downs' grit and absolute determination to fully recover from the gunshot wound were amazing and an inspiration to many," Chief Steve Anderson said. "I remember visiting John in his home, where he was confined to a hospital bed in the living room. It was as clear then as it is now that his dedication to this police department and the citizens of Nashville never wavered."

The Theodore Roosevelt Association established the police awards program in honor of Roosevelt's distinguished service as President of the Board of Police Commissioners of New York City from 1895 to 1897, and in recognition of his lifelong admiration for the police.

Nashville is one of several cities in the United States to present the Roosevelt Award. Others include New York City, Metropolitan Washington, D.C., San Diego, Dallas, and Suffolk & Nassau Counties in New York.

Through the generosity of this year's award sponsor, Rock Solid Roofing Company, a Division of McEwen Home Improvements (RockSolidRoofingTN.com), and the Theodore Roosevelt Association, Officer Downs received a \$1,000 cash award, a medal and a bust of Theodore Roosevelt.

Past Metro Police recipients of the Theodore Roosevelt Award were Sgt. Phillip Sage (1998), Detective Clifford Mann (1999), Detective Frank Pierce (2000), Sergeant James (Jimbo) Allen (2001), Officer William Richardson (2002), Detective Joe Cooper (2003), Officer Horace Temple (2004), Officer Foster Hite (2005), Detective Jeff Ball (2006), Officer Dan Alford (2007), Sergeant Brenda Steinbrecher (2008), Officer James Duke (2009), Officer Faye Okert (2010), Lieutenant Joe McEwen (2011), Officer Cindy Huffines (2012), Officer Dennis Hamm (2013), and Officer Bridget Griepentrog (2014).

Annual Department Awards

Distinguished Service Award Officer Terrance McBride

Police Officer Award

Officer Joshua Hausman **Officer Terrance McBride**

Meritorious Service Award

Officer Ky Luu Officer Wesley McClelland

Efficiency Service Award

Lieutenant Charles Widener Sergeant Steve Linn **Dustin Summers**

Exemplary Service Award

Officer Matthew Cammarn Officer Jaime Scruggs Officer Jason Sweeney **Officer Cressie Prill** Officer Tyler Conrads Officer Joshua Baney Officer Colin Feeney **Detective Brittany Shoesmith Officer Justin Coker Detective Charles Fleming** Nicole Mason

Lifesaving Award

Detective Rachael Sacco Officer Russell Barr Officer John Anderson Officer Robert Morris **Officer Michael Evans** Officer Christopher Valdez Officer Andrew Maholland **Officer Edward Conrads** Officer Bryan Birdwell Officer Khalid Abbady

Officer Michael Moss Officer William Hamblen Officer Brandon Rardin **Officer Eric Graves** Officer Kimberly Brown Officer Jordan Donegan Officer James Murphy Officer Ky Luu Officer Kendra Cowper Officer Ryan Caulfield

Department Commendation

Officer Gerry Gann Officer Justin Coyle Officer Jared Jenkins **Officer Thomas Odom Officer Samuel White** Sergeant Viviyonne Lee Officer Keiara Ward Detective Christopher Cote Sergeant Sean Richmond Commander Kay Lokey Lieutenant Taylor Schmitz **Detective Kelly Cantrell** Officer Bradley Nave

Officer Jason Dudley Officer Torian Cox Officer Natalie Robinson Officer Stephen Fouche **Officer Steve Williams** Sergeant Robert Bandish Officer Darryl Morton **Officer William Caillouette Officer Jared Ruhlman** Lieutenant Carlos Lara **Officer Gilbert Ramirez Detective Brett Kenney**

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On June 14th, a graduation ceremony was held for 40 new officers after training for 5 ¹/₂ months. They then patrolled for the next 5-6 months with Field Training Officers before being released on their own.

CLASS AWARDS

Officer Michael Petrina Leadership Award Officer Daniel Wadham

> Academic Excellence Award Officer Anthony Rizo

Law Award Officer Geoffrey Sansone

Top Cop Award Officer Anthony Rizo **Officer Christy Deadman Spirit Award** Officer Juan Gonzalez

> **Physical Fitness Award** Officer Geoffrey Sansone

> > **Top Gun Award** Officer Hunter Fikes

Class President Officer Edward Holden

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On December 15th, a graduation ceremony was held for 60 new officers after training for $5\frac{1}{2}$ months. They then patrolled for the next 5-6 months with Field Training Officers before being released on their own.

CLASS AWARDS

Officer Michael Petrina Leadership Award Officer Ian Ward

> Academic Excellence Award Officer Shelby Hughes

> > Law Award Officer Nathaniel Myers

> > > **Top Cop Award** Officer Ian Ward

Officer Christy Deadman Spirit Award Officer Gary Peters

> **Physical Fitness Award** Officer Bradley Pope

> > **Top Gun Award** Officer Seth Vaughn

Class President Officer Ian Ward

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New Headquarters Ground Breaking





On October 27th, Chief Anderson along with community leaders led a ground breaking ceremony for the new MNPD headquarters building at 600 Murfreesboro Pike that will serve the department for decades to come. Construction on the new building is expected to be completed in the spring of 2018. At that time, the components at Massman Drive, to include Information Technology, the Criminal Investigations Division, and the Youth Services Division, will relocate to the new headquarters, as well as the Domestic Violence Division, currently located on 2nd Avenue South. Pictured above left are the renderings of the new headquarters building which will be located next to the city's first-ever Family Justice Center. Pictured above on the right are (1-r) Bobby Joslin, Owner of Joslin and Son Signs; Councilmember Karen Y. Johnson (District 29); Nancy Whittemore, Director of General Services; Chief Steve Anderson, MNPD; Mayor Megan Barry; Councilmember Freddie O'Connell (District 19); Diane Lance, Department Head of Metro Office of Family Safety; Barrington Moore, President of the Tony Sudekum Apartment Resident Association; June Turner, CEO of the Nashville Children's Alliance, and District Attorney General Glenn Funk.

Nashville's Guardians







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