



FROM THE CAPTAIN'S DESK

A MONTHLY NEWSLETTER FROM THE NOPD'S EIGHTH DISTRICT

THE CAPTAIN'S MESSAGE

"I want to thank our community members for the overwhelming support for Officers Abney and Duncan. Officer Duncan will return to work in the very near future. Officer Abney will have a longer rehabilitation. Please keep ALL police offices and first responders in your prayers and thoughts."



October Crime Statistics

OFFENSE	10/4—10/10	10/11—10/17	10/18—10/24	10/25—10/31
Shooting	0	1	0	1
Armed Robbery	2	1	4	4
Simple Robbery	1	4	1	1
Business Burglary	1	1	0	3
Vehicle Burglary	4	3	5	8
Auto Theft	3	6	5	8
Shoplifting	7	7	5	2

2020 vs. 2019 Trends

CRIME TYPE	2020 TO DATE	2019 TO DATE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
PROPERTY CRIMES	1705	2768	-1164	-38%
PERSON CRIMES	217	318	-101	-32%
ALL CRIME	1922	3086	-1164	-38%

COVID-19 UPDATES

As we continue to stay in Phase 3.2 of COVID-19 re-opening guidelines within the city, we encourage everyone to continue checking ready.nola.gov for the most up-to-date restrictions in place. In particular, ALL package liquor sales in the French Quarter and CBD must end by 11PM each night. Alcohol sold in restaurants and bars must also end at 11PM. Both indoor and outdoor live entertainment need a special event permit to perform.



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DISTRICT HAPPENINGS

This past month, the 8th District added 2 new members to our Quality of Life team. The team includes (left to right) Sergeant Luster, Officer Gettridge, and Officer Brumfield. Our QoL team responds to various different calls in the district—from aggressive solicitation to illegal vending to habitual trespassers and everything in-between. Give them a wave if you see them on their foot patrols in the district!



The Superintendent's Message

"After the events on October 30th, I wanted to keep the community updated on the officers who were attacked that Friday evening in the French Quarter. At about 4:30pm, Officer Trevor Abney and Brook Duncan were ambushed while in their patrol vehicle, and Officer Abney was shot in the cheek. He was immediately taken to UMC hospital where he remains in stable condition. Officer Duncan sustained minor injuries but was not struck by any gunshots. He was discharged from the hospital the same night of the incident.



Mayor Cantrell and I have both visited Officer Abney, he is in the best spirits that you can expect given the circumstances. The perpetrator is in custody, and our FIT unit is working with our Federal Partners to determine a motive in this senseless act of violence. So far, we are able to rule out domestic terrorism, and any connections to known anti-police or government groups.

I commend the officers on the scene that evening for keeping cool in a very intense and dangerous situation. Our officers did not fire a single shot during this attack. This is a testament to our commitment to training and providing Constitutional Policing no matter the circumstances. I also want to thank members of our community who rendered aid to our injured officers and for providing information that helped in the swift apprehension of the suspect.

#NOPDSTRONG!"