# **2018 Community Policing and Engagement**

## **Second Quarter Report**

NOPD agrees to prepare a publicly available report on at least a quarterly basis detailing its community policing efforts in each District, including developing community partnerships and participating in public meetings, and its problem-solving activities, including specific problems addressed and steps taken by NOPD and the community toward their resolution. This report also shall identify obstacles faced and recommendations for future improvement. At least annually, NOPD agrees to issue a publicly available report that summarizes these problem-solving and community policing activities. [Consent Decree ¶228]

The purpose of this report is to assess the effectiveness of NOPD's community partnership and problemsolving strategies in accordance with Consent Decree paragraph 228.

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# POLICY STATEMENT<sup>1</sup>

- The New Orleans Police Department (NOPD) shall promote and strengthen community partnerships, work constructively with the community, ensure collaborative problem solving, ensure ethical and bias-free policing, and work to increase community confidence in the Department.
- 2. The New Orleans Police Department will effectively engage the community in collaborative problem solving. NOPD will partner with residents and stakeholders to identify and solve problems that contribute to crime, fear of crime and quality of life problems in communities. The Department is committed to proactively solving problems as well as reacting to their harmful consequences.
- 3. The mission of the New Orleans Police Department is to provide professional police services to the public to prevent crime, maintain order and protect life and property. NOPD is committed to the philosophy and practice of community problem-oriented policing as a means to inform organizational decisions, shape policies, identify training needs, and prioritize crime fighting by engaging each neighborhood and community organization in collaborative problem-solving partnerships. Community problem-oriented policing, and community policing and engagement are critical methods toward achieving NOPD's mission.
- 4. The New Orleans Police Department will collaborate with community stakeholders and partners on policing and engagement efforts. The Department encourages its members to develop problem solving partnerships with community residents.
- 5. NOPD recognizes that it serves many diverse communities. Communities arise not only from shared geography but also social ties, common perspectives, and shared circumstances (for example, the LGBTQ or LEP community). NOPD shall seek to engage all communities in its community policing and engagement efforts.
- 6. NOPD's recruitment efforts shall focus on hiring officers who can build relationships and work collaboratively with all communities.

## DEFINITIONS<sup>2</sup>

**Community Engagement**—Activities that foster positive interactions between citizens and officers, employ community policing ideals, create opportunities for constructive exchanges, and foster substantive collaboration with the community, while enhancing trust and legitimacy.

**Community Liaison Officer (CLO)** —The CLO engages in problem identification and problem-solving activities with community members around the community's priorities and works proactively with other City departments to address quality of life issues. CLOs also work with platoon officers in problem identification and problem-solving. CLOs will not be assigned to answer calls for service absent exigent circumstances.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Information From NOPD Chapter 10.0 Community Engagement and Policing

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Information From NOPD Chapter 10.0 Community Engagement and Policing

**Community Partnerships** — Collaborative problem-solving activities and engagement activities between the Department and the individuals and organizations the Department serves to develop solutions to problems and increase trust in police.

**Community Policing**—A philosophy and operational strategy that promotes organizational practices that support the systematic use of partnerships and problem-solving techniques to work with the community to address the immediate conditions that give rise to public-safety issues such as crime, social disorder and fear of crime.

**Community Policing Plan**—A district-specific blueprint of collaborative partnerships with the community. The Community Policing Plan addresses the unique needs of the communities serviced in each District. Each district's Commander is responsible for the development of the plan.

**Community Policing Signals**—Community policing signals allow the Department to document specific tasks for proactive and community policing. The signals are Area Check, Business Check, Directed Patrol, Residence Check, Quality of Life, and Walking Beats. When dispatched on community policing signals, officers will employ procedural justice techniques.

**Area Check**—Officers will utilize the area check signal when patrolling an area within the District that has been pre-determined as an important area either by the community or the Department.

**Business Check**—Officers will utilize the business check signal to engage occupants at a business within the District.

**Directed Patrol**—Officers will utilize the directed patrol signal to execute a focused collaborative problem-solving, departmental problem-solving, or community policing and engagement in the targeted area.

**Residence Check**—Officers will utilize the residence check signal when the officers physically exit the patrol car and engage occupants at a specific residence absent a call-for-service.

**Quality of Life**—Officers will utilize the quality of life signal when responding to any type of quality of life problem.

**Walking Beat**—Officers will utilize the walking beat signal while executing a defined and assigned walking beat.

**New Orleans Neighborhood Police Anti-Crime Council (NONPACC)**—NONPACC is a partnership amongst the community, district commanders, and officers to create conversations, identify problems, and devise solutions. Members of the public voice their concerns directly to the District Commander during face-to-face meetings.

**Police Community Advisory Board (PCAB)**—A board consisting of five to seven citizen volunteers from their respective police districts. PCAB members serve a two-year term and meet quarterly to address

community issues. The City's Office of Neighborhood Engagement coordinates the application and selection process for PCAB volunteers. The Superintendent has final approval on the selection of members to serve on PCABs.

**Problem**—Something that concerns or causes harm to citizens, not just the police. A problem generally involves repeat incidents occurring in a community with related characteristics (time, place, behavior, victim(s), offender(s) that concern the community.

**Problem-Oriented Policing**—A proactive problem-solving approach that uses the SARA model to focus on proactive solutions, specific crime problems and achieving crime and fear reduction results. The problems should be those that the community recognizes as important.

**Procedural Justice**—Procedural justice refers to the idea of fairness in the processes that resolve disputes and allocate resources and specifically how the characteristics of police-community interactions shape the public's trust of the police. Procedural justice speaks to four principles, often referred to as the four pillars:

- (a) Fairness in the processes
- (b) Transparency in actions
- (c) Opportunities for voice
- (d) Impartiality in decision making

**Scanning, Analysis, Response, Assessment (SARA) Model**—An approach wherein the community and the department work together to scan for problems, analyze information, respond through implemented strategies, and assess the effectiveness of implemented strategies.

## **FINDINGS**

Per Consent Decree ¶448(c), the Department shall provide collection and analysis of community engagement including the number and variety of community partnerships, including particular partnerships with youth.

During the second quarter of 2018, NOPD partnered with multiple organizations to continue to problemsolve and address crime within the community.

The purpose of the partnerships is to engage with the community and youth and to problem-solve with the community to address crime and quality of life issues. Many partnership activities listed below can be reviewed on Nopdnews.com, NOPD's YouTube page, or NOPD's District Facebook pages.

## A. COMMUNITY GROUPS

Community groups continue to partner with the New Orleans Police Department to solve community problems and build lasting relationships. See the community group partnerships below.

## <u>CITYWIDE</u>

- New Orleans Neighborhood Police Anti-Crime Council (NONPACC) Meetings: The NONPACC meeting is held monthly, facilitating conversation and providing a forum for residents to voice their concerns directly to the District Commander and other key NOPD personnel. In particular, the District Commander presents key activities and information related to crime prevention and community policing in order to receive feedback and additional information from the community.
- Police Community Advisory Board (PCAB) Meetings: Each District is assisted by a Police Community Advisory Board (PCAB). The PCAB consists of five to seven members who are citizen volunteers from their respective police districts. PCAB members serve a two-year term and meet quarterly to address crime and quality of life issues. In 2018, the PCABs continued to host quarterly meetings to problem-solve with NOPD leaders. PCABs provide written recommendations to NOPD Commanders.

#### FIRST DISTRICT

- 3. In May 2018, the First District Task Force had nine members of a drug trafficking gang that was operating in the 2500 and 2600 block of Dumaine Street indicted on drug and racketeering charges. The citizens in the community had been complaining for months about the gangs taking over those two blocks.
- 4. On June 23, 2018, the First District held their officer appreciation picnic/barbeque community event.

## SECOND DISTRICT

- 5. On January 9 and June 19, 2018, Second District Officers attended the Maple Area Residents Incorporated (MARI) General Meeting.
- 6. On January 18, 2018, Second District Officers attended the Maple Street Quality of Life Meeting.
- 7. On January 23 and May 13, 2018, Second District Officers attended the COPS2 Awards Luncheon.
- 8. On January 24, 2018, Second District Officers attended the FANA (Faubourg Avart Neighborhood Association) Meeting.
- 9. On February 26, 2018, Second District Officers attended the Freret Street Festival Meeting.
- 10. On March 1, May 2 and June 27, Second District Officers attended the Audubon Riverside Neighborhood Association general membership meeting.
- 11. On March 8, 2018, Second District Officers attended the Carrollton Riverbend Neighborhood Association Board Meeting.
- 12. On March 13, April 10 and June 12, Second District Officers attended the COPS2 Meeting.
- 13. On March 14, 2018, Second District Officers attended the Central Carrollton Association meeting.
- 14. On March 19, 2018, Second District Officers attended the Broadmoor Community Meeting.
- 15. On April 3, 2018, Second District Officers met with members of the faith community.
- 16. On April 5, 2018, Second District Officers attended a luncheon with the residents of Lambeth House.

- 17. On April 5, June 8, 2018, Second District Officers attended the Carrollton United Association Meeting.
- 18. On April 10, 2018, Second District Officers attended the 2018 Hurricane Task Force Site meeting.
- 19. On April 14, 2018, Second District Officers attended the Hollygrove Neighbors Association meeting.
- 20. On April 22, 2018, Second District Officers attended the Faubourg Avart Neighborhood Association (FANA) Neighborhood Walking Tour and Ice Cream Social.
- 21. On April 25, 2018, Second District Officers attended the Uptown Triangle Neighborhood Association "Spring Meeting".
- 22. On May 15, 2018, Second District Officers received a donation from Attorney Morris Bart of two police bikes for the Second District.
- 23. On May 16 and December 13, 2018, Second District Officers attended the Bouligny Improvement Association meeting.
- 24. On May 21, 2018, Second District Officers attended the Broadmoor Improvement Association meeting.
- 25. On May 23, Second District Officers attended the Upper Audubon Association meeting.
- 26. On June 2, 2018, Second District Officers participated in the Right the Wrong Together Community Picnic.
- 27. On June 4 and Jun 6, 2018, Second District Officers conducted community outreach with City Hall QOL Agencies at the Keller Community Center.
- 28. On June 8, 2018, Second District Officers attended the Army Corps of Engineers Picnic.
- 29. On June 11, 2018, Second District Officers attended the City's Community Office Hours at Robert Smith Library.
- 30. On June 20, 2018, Second District Officers participated in the Ice Cream for Cops event at the Second District Station.
- 31. On June 25, Second District Officers participated in the Carrollton Area Network meeting.
- 32. On June 26, 2018, Second District Officers participated in a discussion on Housing in District B.
- 33. On June 26, 2018, Second District Officers held a meeting with business owners at the Second District Station.

## THIRD DISTRICT

- 34. Commander Walls and Community Liaison Officer Hogan attended approximately 35 Homeowner Association Meetings to discuss crime trends and actions being taken to reduce crime. Other issues covered were Safe Cams NOLA, protecting property, registering cameras and any other concerning issues they may have had.
- 35. Community Liaison Officer Hogan attended the Palm Air Civic Association "300 Year Celebration" celebrating 300 years of New Orleans.
- 36. Community Liaison Officer Hogan attended the District A Coffee on Your Corner hosted by the City of New Orleans Neighborhood Engagement Office, and spoke with attendees about crime trends and prevention.
- 37. Third District Officers participated in a backpack giveaway sponsored by the Rotary Club.

- 38. Third District Officers, as well as the NOPD Mounted Unit, attended a potluck sponsored by the Hollygrove/Dixon Homeowners Association. The officers played volleyball, football and frisbee with the youth.
- 39. Third District Officers, accompanied by WDSU, R&R Music Group/Secondline band, participated in a Crime Walk and Family Event with New Beginnings Church. It was a great time with the community and children with face painting, snowballs and bounce house.
- 40. Third District Officers supported the Hollygrove Neighborhood Association with a NOPD Crime Walk. The walk aided in bridging the gap with the community in one of the Third District's major hot zones.
- 41. On April 24, 2018, the Third District received two new fully equipped police bicycles, generously donated by Fair Grounds Race Course and Slots and the Desaix Area Neighborhood Association. These new bicycles will be used by certified NOPD bicycle officers in patrolling local neighborhoods and at large-scale events in the Third District, such as the New Orleans Jazz & Heritage Festival.

## FOURTH DISTRICT

- 42. The Fourth District utilized patrol strategies to address persons willfully impeding traffic. The Fourth District focused its efforts based on "hot spots" identified by community members. The Fourth District dispatched directed patrols to General De Gaulle and Holiday Drive, General De Gaulle and Behrman Highway, General De Gaulle and Kabel Drive and General De Gaulle and Lennox Blvd.
- 43. The Fourth District focused on patrol strategies to address speeding based on "hot spots" identified in collaboration with community members. Fourth District Officers were dispatched to conduct directed speeding enforcement in the 5100 block of General De Gaulle in front of the Bocage area, Tullis Drive and Timber Ridge Court, Mac Arthur Blvd. and the Holiday-Kabel Drive intersections. The directed speeding enforcement data, including the time spent on scene was available and presented to the community at monthly NONPACC meetings.

## FIFTH DISTRICT

44. The Fifth District assigned officers to areas of concern for increased visibility and patrol. The Fifth District continues to partner with the St. Roch Neighborhood Association, South 7th Ward Neighborhood Association, St. Claude Neighborhood Association, Faubourg Marigny Neighborhood Improvement Association, Rock of Ages Church, Pastor Everett and Mount Carmel Baptist Church.

## <u>SIXTH DISTRICT</u>

- 45. On January 16 and February 20, 2018, Commander Stevens meet with the Delachaise Neighborhood Association to discuss current issues within the neighborhood. The meeting was to collect community feedback to address priorities set in the Community Policing Plan.
- 46. On January 26, 2018, Sixth District Officers distributed flyers for policy updates of the NOPD's Language Assistance Plan, Immigration Status policy, and forms and brochures related to NOPD's complaint process that were translated in English, Spanish and Vietnamese. Community

Liaison Officer Blackman distributed it to various places across the city, to be made publicly available to anyone who might be interested.

- 47. On March 6, 2018, Commander Stevens along with Sergeant Woods and Community Liaison Officer Blackman spent a fun day, including lunch with the staff of the Eden House. This facility is used as a safe house for battered woman.
- 48. On March 17, 2018, Sixth District Officers were tasked with providing a safe environment for the cultural event, St. Joseph Night. Mardi Gras Indians filled the streets in Central City while chanting to other Indians and spectators.
- 49. On April 4, 2018, Sergeant Woods and Community Liaison Officer Blackman visited King Rampart Apartments to engage the staff and residents.
- 50. On April 6, 2018, Community Liaison Officer Blackman and Sergeant Woods visited Mercy Endeavor to spend time with the senior citizens. The officers then played bingo with the senior community as a way to build a rapport with them.
- 51. On April 20, 2018, Sixth District Officers participated in the Keller Community (Earth Day) Clean-Up. This event was to build trust and legitimacy with the community. Officers of the Sixth District partnered with members of the community, business owners and community organizations to clean-up the Keller neighborhood, clean catch basins, remove debris and fight blight, while trying to uplift the community.
- 52. On April 26, 2018, Sixth District Officers were invited to play bingo with the senior citizens at Mercy Endeavor. The officers purchased pastries for them to have while playing the game. The officers also purchased prizes from their own money to give to the winners of each game played.
- 53. On May 11, 2018, Sixth District Officers participated in a Mother's Day brunch at Mercy Endeavor. The officers helped serve the guests while engaging in dialogue. The officers played games with the senior citizens. The idea was to build a relationship with each of the members of the facility.
- 54. On May 19, 2018, the Sixth District held the Community Reserve Walk (Zone I), where New Orleans Police Reserve Officers conducted a park and walk in various Central City neighborhoods. The officers walked the beat while introducing themselves to stakeholders within the community. This initiative was put in place to boost public trust with the citizens.
- 55. On June 4, 2018, Sixth District Officers participated in Community Office Hours with the Neighborhood Engagement Office. Sixth District Officers partnered with other city agencies for office hours. Office hours was an initiative lead by Mayor Cantrell's office as a way for citizens within the community to come out and ask questions directly to respective department agencies about issues with their neighborhood.
- 56. On June 10, 2018, Sixth District Officers and firefighters were invited to an appreciation service at Rayne Church. The event was designed to show their appreciation for the dedication put forth by the men and woman each day, while keeping the City of New Orleans safe.

## <u>SEVENTH DISTRICT</u>

57. In February 2018, NOPD leaders and Seventh District Officers participated in the opening ceremony during the 2018 Tet Vietnamese New Year celebration at Mary Queen of Vietnam

Church. The three day event included food, carnival games, dragon dances, concerts and other surprises to celebrate the Lunar New Year and the ancient traditions of Vietnamese heritage.

- 58. On February 24, 2018, Seventh District Officers engaged with NOLA East citizens at the annual Back to Nature Heart Walk at Joe Brown Park, which included a visit to the Audubon Louisiana Nature Center. The event was presented by the Friends of Joe Brown Memorial Park and the NO East Hospital, and organized by Ms. Tangy Wall.
- 59. In March 2018, the Seventh District leadership team met with the 55 and Faster Club from St. Paul the Apostle Church; they gave care packages and goodies to the officers. The mission of the group is civic and youth engagement.
- 60. In March 2018, Seventh District leadership team met with the Oak Island Neighborhood Association; they provided a delicious lunch in appreciation of the hard work that the men and women of the Seventh District do on a daily basis.
- 61. In March 2018, Seventh District Officers got to meet some new four-legged friends at the annual Palm Sunday rabies drive, sponsored by the Louisiana SPCA and Southeast Veterinary Association. The event was held at the police station.
- 62. On April 25, 2018, School Resource Officer Ambrose attended the remodel reveal event at McDonald's on Bullard Avenue that was hosted by owners Henry and Karen Coaxum. The upgrades provide the most modern dining atmosphere around. Mr. and Mrs. Coaxum are wonderful partners of the Seventh District and New Orleans East.
- 63. On May 1, 2018, School Resource Officer Ambrose, along with Councilmembers Gray and Brossett, as well as community members participated in the dedication ceremony of the new walking path in the Rosedale and Melia subdivisions along Dwyer Road from Downman to Academy Park. The walking path was dedicated in memory of Cheryl Diggins, former resident of the Melia subdivision and former member of ENONAC.
- 64. On May 25, 2018, the Seventh District was presented with a giant appreciation card from Ms. Kendra with Dollar General on Morrison Road, in appreciation for their service to the community.
- 65. On May 25, 2018, the Seventh District and the family of fallen Seventh District Officer McNeil attended the Peace Officer Memorial Ceremony at the Ascension Parish Sheriff's Office Training Center. Officer McNeil and three other fallen officers from Louisiana were recognized.
- 66. On June 9, 2018, Officers Caliste and McGee participated in the 1908 Playground Mobilization Day that was sponsored by the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Incorporated, Omicron Lambda Omega Chapter. The officers were hands on and helped with gardening.
- 67. In June 2018, Officers Huguley and Lewis observed a group of kids from the Sommerset subdivision in NOLA East playing a game of basketball, however there was only one problem. The kids were playing with a deflated basketball. The officers sprang into action and purchased on their own, a basketball and gave it to the kids, and then played a quick game with the kids.
- 68. In June 2018, Commander Dupree and Officer Mosely participated in ENONAC's Litter Free kickoff event which included debris removal from various sites in NOLA East.
- 69. On June 22, 2018, the Seventh District ranking officers recognized the officers and staff for their dedication each day in making NOLA East safer.

- 70. In June 2018, Community Liaison Officer Dema and Detective Guient discussed updates on crime and community issues with residents of the Lake Barrington Homeowners Association during their monthly meeting.
- 71. On June 29, 2018, the Seventh District received a special treat from the NOLA East Domino's Pizza, which was delicious pizzas for officers to enjoy, just because.

## EIGHTH DISTRICT

- 72. On January 19, 2018, The Eighth District collaborated with ATC, Major Case Narcotics and officers from various districts to perform a nuisance (ordinance enforcement) sweep on various bars in the Eighth District.
- 73. On January 24, 2018, Eighth District Officers collaborated with Sanitation and Health Departments and conducted a sweep of homeless encampments to clean and rid the target areas of debris and disease.
- 74. On January 31, 2018, Community Liasion Officers Joia, Valentino and Sergeant Luster attended the Auto Pound Mardi Gras Kick-Off. It was a community meeting which was held at the Treme Center; also in attendance were Rico Sterling and Dani Galloway (Director of Public Works). Sergeant Luster spoke to the attentive group regarding safety in regards to towing vehicles and gaining NOPD assistance when they encounter problems near the parade route.
- 75. On February, 26, 2018, Commander Gernon and Community Liaison Officer Valentino attended a community meeting and met with BARE (Bourbon Alliance Responsible Entertainers) along with Commissioner Lombard to develop a plan where dancers could dance safely in clubs within the French Quarter.
- 76. On February 27, 2018, a sound check was performed in conjunction with the Music and Culture Coalition of New Orleans (MaCCNO) and the Health Department, to educate musicians on the importance of self-monitoring in regards to sound decibel levels.
- 77. On March 1, 2018, Eighth District Officers along with the assistance of the Fifth District Community Liaison Officer Dace, Officer Shupe of the Louisiana SPCA, and the Sanitation Department conducted an enforcement sweep of the French Quarter and Marigny, along the Eighth and Fifth Districts.
- 78. On April 2, 2018, Members of the Eighth District's Bourbon Promenade and Second Platoon, accompanied by Louisiana State Police, French Quarter Task Force and NOPD's Mounted Unit hosted a community meeting with the nightlife industry (bouncers, operators, bartenders, MACCNO). Topics of discussion were crime maps, making nightlife workers feel safer in the French Quarter and what to expect from police when filing a police report.
- 79. On April 9, 2018, members of the Eighth District assisted about 25 volunteers in the organized cleanup of the 600 through 900 block of Esplanade Avenue. The Eighth District is committed to improving the quality of life for the citizens of the city. This includes not only combating crime, but working with our community to make our neighborhoods more welcoming.
- 80. On April 21, 2018, Eighth District Officers assisted the Vieux Carre' Graffiti Abatement Program (VC-GAP) clean-up; it was a success and thanks to all the volunteers who came out.

#### **B. YOUTH PARTNERSHIPS**

The Department has continued to bolster its youth engagement efforts. NOPD continues to conduct youth dialogues at various schools throughout the city where students and police meet to discuss methods to build relationships. In addition to the implementation of many district-specific youth-police dialogues, the Department has also formed a Youth Advisory Council. The Youth Advisory Council is a group of high school students who represent the city's young people in relating information and ideas to police. Another recent youth initiative is the Department's new Cadet Program. The Cadet Program is comprised of young individuals who are interested in pursuing a career in Law Enforcement and are between the ages of 17-20 years of age.

#### <u>CITYWIDE</u>

- In January 2018, Sergeant Gregory Johnson and Officer James Caire, who have been featured on national outlets for their work and service on and off the job, were contacted by a viewer who offered to purchase brand new equipment for their band students at McDonogh 35 Senior High School, right before the peak of Mardi Gras season. Both officers, who are also brothers, have volunteered their time for the last three to five years teaching students who play percussion instruments and participate in the school's color guard team. The anonymous donor purchased a total of 20 gold helmets and 32 drum heads for members of the band. The brothers were featured on the CNN Special: *Beyond the Call of Duty* and the NBC Nightly News with Lester Holt.
- 2. Youth Advisory Council: The Superintendent's Youth Advisory Council is designed to foster dialogue and create a stronger relationship between the City's youth and the NOPD. Members of the YAC facilitate meetings with peers to identify issues and craft solutions together. They meet with the Superintendent periodically, discussing issues related to the city's youth, interactions between youth and police and projects and solutions to address identified issues. On March 20, 2018, Superintendent Harrison and members of the NOPD held a youth-police dialogue with the YAC at Benjamin Franklin High School.
- 3. CADET Program: The New Orleans Police Department created the CADET program in June 2017. The CADET program focuses on youth who are interested in pursuing a career in Law Enforcement and are between 17-20 years of age. The participants receive educational training on law enforcement for 10 weeks. Once the CADETs graduate, they are paired with police districts in order to assist in administrative capabilities until they are eligible to join the police force. The goal is to build relationships with youth who are too young to join the police department and offer a recruitment track for once they become of age.
- 4. GW Fins Little Free Libraries: GW Fins reached out to NOPD for partnership in a youth engagement program; they provided little free library structures inside of the 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> District stations. The program consists of three parts: (1) Officers in the 1st, 3rd and 6th Districts will read books to students at schools in their respective districts; (2) GW Fins will supply books for officers' police vehicles in the 1st, 3rd and 6th districts, to be given to kids on critical scenes/for community policing; and (3) little free library structures with books placed in the 1st, 3rd and 6th District Stations.

- 5. Red Nose Day Celebration with NOPD and Walgreens: NOPD Officers across the department participated. Second District Officers rocked red noses with the kids at KIPP Believe Primary on May 24, 2018. The fundraiser launched in 2015 is dedicated to ending child poverty, both in the U.S. and in some of the poorest communities in the world.
- 6. In June 2018, NOPD Officers participated in the annual Pride parade and festivities.

## SECOND DISTRICT

- 11. On March 23 and April 13, 2018, Second District Officers participated in NORDC's Movies in the Park, at the Latter Library.
- 12. On May 30, 2018, Second District Officers met with Cub Scouts Pack 48 who visited the NOPD SOD Complex.
- 13. On June 6, 2018, Second District Officers participated in the Dominican Peace Center Summer Camp.

#### THIRD DISTRICT

- 14. Third District Community Liaison Officers Hogan and Slates met with the A's and Aces Tennis Summer Camp and gave an anti-bullying presentation.
- 15. Third District Officers participated in the NORDC Annual Family 5K Run/Walk.

#### FOURTH DISTRICT

16. In April 2018, in partnership with community members and organizations, the NOPD collected more than 100 dresses for 60 junior and senior high school girls to choose from for their prom this year. NOPD Fourth District Officer Qiana Lewis first started collecting dresses in 2017 with the help of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Omicron Nu Zeta Chapter, where she provided 25 high school seniors from Algiers Charter Technological Academy with prom dresses. This year, Officer Lewis partnered with local entrepreneurs, entertainers, Senator Troy Carter and NOPD school resource officers to expand the drive and seek donations from the community. Because of those efforts and partnerships, the NOPD was able to provide dresses for girls attending 10 different schools in the state and host an event fashion show at the Alice Harte Charter School. 60 girls not only received a free prom dress, but they were also given the option to get their hair and make-up done by volunteered stylists and artists. Students were also given the opportunity to hit the runway and show off their gowns to their family and friends in attendance. During the event, Superintendent Harrison and Senator Carter also shared words of motivation and encouragement to the students. The fashion event was sponsored by The New Orleans Police Department, Carter, iHeart Media, InspireNOLA Charter Schools, Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc., Anointed Cutts by Sam and Face by Jiya Janae.

## <u>FIFTH DISTRICT</u>

17. Fifth District Officers had a presence at events for children including NORDC Movies at the Park.

18. On June 28, 2018, Fifth District Officers participated in a back to school community event with Councilmembers Moreno and Brossett, in partnership with Rock of Ages Baptist Church and Bethany United Methodist Church.

## <u>SIXTH DISTRICT</u>

19. On April 21, 2018, Sergeant Woods along with Officers Blackman, Montz, Conway and Black attended the Healthy Kids Day (YMCA), dedicated for youth. The program was designed as way to promote healthy eating within the community. The event offered learning activities, crafts and health screenings. They were also given healthy snacks to eat while enjoying the day.

#### <u>SEVENTH DISTRICT</u>

- 20. On January 10, 2018, Sergeant Anika Glover was recognized by NORDC for her dedicated commitment to volunteering at NORDC community events.
- 21. On February 7, 2018, Officers Tattershall and Caliste enjoyed an impromptu game of football with kids on the Mardi Gras parade route.
- 22. In March 2018, Lieutenant Kim Lewis-Williams participated in the ASCEND Program with Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Incorporated, Omicron Lambda Omega Chapter via outreach to youth in attendance.
- 23. In March 2018, Sergeant Anika Glover participated in the Save Our Daughters 2 Program with NORDC. Sergeant Glover's presentation with Constable A. Broussard and Judge T. Anderson-Trahan included safety tips for the youth.
- 24. In March 2018, Lieutenant Christina Watson spoke to participants and spectators at Midnight Basketball about the benefits of being a police officer. Sergeant Rudy Thomas, who works on Lieutenant Watson's platoon, also came out to show support.
- 25. In March 2018, Community Liaison Officer Dema and Officer Lamothe drove around the Seventh District with the sole mission of providing smiles to youth by passing out stuffed animals. The Seventh District continues to seek positive community engagement opportunities because it is simply the right thing to do.
- 26. On March 31, 2018, six new officers who graduated from the NOPD Training Academy the prior week and began their field training program in the Seventh District got to have some fun. The reason Commander Dupree assigned the new members to the NORDC Easter Eggstravaganza was to show them that community engagement, especially with kids, is a top priority. The officers got a chance to engage with kids and adults in a fun, non-traditional setting.
- 27. On April 24, 2018, Officer Kounlavong visited with families at the NORDC Movies in the Park at Joe Brown Park, in an effort to continue to foster positive community interactions.
- 28. On April 21, 2018, Seventh District Officers had the opportunity to engage with the members of Boy Scouts of America Southeast Council at Joe Brown Park.
- 29. In April 2018, School Resource Officers Ambrose and Dabney, along with Field Training Officer McLaurin wanted to adopt two seniors from Marion Abramson Sci Academy for their prom. When the officers presented the idea to other Seventh District Officers, they were

happy to help. Seventh District Officers, staff and civilian volunteers personally accepted the challenge to provide the ultimate experience. It all started with a personal shopping day where the young ladies were able to pick out new dresses, shoes and accessories, followed by Officer McLaurin adding flair to their hair, makeup and nails. Finally, when the big day arrived, the young ladies were surprised with spending money for prom photos and dinner.

- 30. On April 24, 2018, Officer Mills and VoCAL member Mr. Draper participated in the NOPRDC Global Youth Service Day and Family Bike Ride. The focus of the service day was to collect food and clothing donations for those in need.
- 31. On April 28, 2018, Officer McGee and members of the Traffic Unit met two young motorcyclists (on Power Wheels) at the Jazz Fest. They had sweet moves on their motorcycles and parked perfectly amongst the NOPD bikes. These two junior NOPD Traffic Officers were officially on patrol at the Jazz Fest.
- 32. On May 5, 2018, Seventh District Officers visited several lemonade stands for Lemonade Day 2018 and met some great young entrepreneurs. Lemonade Day helps youth to become the business leaders, social advocates, community volunteers and forward-thinking citizens of tomorrow, one lemonade stand at a time.
- 33. In June 2018, School Resource Officers Ambrose and Dabney visited VIET Summer Camp and held a brief session to poll the youth on issues concerning them in today's society. After gathering the results, they will be returning to the camp to provide a presentation and initiate a youth dialogue.
- 34. In June 2018, School Resource Officers Ambrose and Dabney were serenaded by kindergarten students at Catapult Summer Camp hosted by St. Mary's Academy, on their last day of summer camp. The kindergarteners performed the poem, Stop Thief.
- 35. In June 2018, School Resource Officers Ambrose and Dabney went back to VIET Summer Camp to participate in a youth-police dialogue on the topics previously provided by the campers. Each group selected one spokesperson to speak; the teens provided topics about real life issues, including peer pressure, stereotypes, sexual harassment, teen suicide and sexting. The officers then elaborated on the topic from the police perspective.

#### <u>EIGHTH DISTRICT</u>

36. On May 12, 2018, members of the Eighth District appeared at a Cub Scout Meet and Greet where they had the opportunity to engage and share inspirational stories with the Cub Scouts. It was an enjoyable experience for all.

## C. SCHOOL PARTNERSHIPS

#### <u>CITYWIDE</u>

1. Sweet Fridays at various schools across the City where students provide sweet treats for officers to enjoy, as a token of appreciation.

## SECOND DISTRICT

- 2. On January 22, 2018, Second District Officers attended Tulane University Student Safety Seminar at the LBC Quad on Tulane University's campus.
- 3. On March 1, 2018, Second District Officers participated in Tulane Safety Day, at Tulane University's Main Campus "The Quad".

## THIRD DISTRICT

- 4. Third District Officers attended a school supply giveaway with Life Transformation Center.
- 5. Third District Officers attended "Blue Day" at a local daycare, meeting and eating lunch with preschoolers.
- 6. Third District Officers attended Black History Programs conducted by Lake Area High School, Bethune Elementary School, Capdau Elementary School and Landry-Walker High School.
- 7. Third District Officers attended lunch with students at the International School of Louisiana.

## <u>SIXTH DISTRICT</u>

- 8. On April 6, 2018, Community Liaison Officer Blackman was given a tour of McMillian Academy School with Secretary Jordan Bittner and read a book to the students. Officer Blackman then met with the staff to provide safety tips for the campus.
- 9. On May 22, 2018, the Sixth District participated in the Breakfast with Champs at Hoffmann Learning Center. The breakfast was a way for the school to give back to the officers who worked so hard throughout the school year to ensure each student and staff member was safe each day.
- 10. On June 4, 2018, Sixth District Officers participated in a safety seminar with Inspirational Academy, to give a safety briefing to the students and staff. The main focus was to inform each person on how to stay safe by reporting any suspicious activities seen on and around the school property. This took place after recent school shootings in other states.

## SEVENTH DISTRICT

- 11. In February 2018, Seventh District Officer Scruggs and Detective Kish engaged with administrators at Dolores T. Aaron Academy and were invited to participate in their student Mardi Gras parade. The officers returned and participated.
- 12. On March 24, 2018, School Resource Officer Ambrose attended the KIPP Morial Spring Fest that was open to the community and school. This was KIPP's first year in NOLA East and they are looking forward to having more activities with the community. The Seventh District continues to engage with youth outside of the classroom.
- 13. In April 2018, Lieutenant Lewis-Williams and Officer Gilbert attended the program for Women's History Month at KIPP Morial School.
- 14. On April 25, 2018, School Resource Officer Ambrose engaged with students, parents and faculty of KIPP Primary School during their annual Donuts with Dads program. The school welcomes the support of parents throughout the year. The program started out with a poem from two students to their dads. After everyone received their donuts, Officer Ambrose spoke about her role as the SRO. Earlier in the year, the school held the Muffins with Moms event and Grits with Grandparents event.

- 15. On May 4, 2018, School Resource Officer Ambrose participated in the Foundation Preparatory Charter School's celebration for its designation as "No Place for Hate" by the Anti-Defamation League. No Place for Hate is a self-directed program helping all stakeholders take the lead on improving and maintaining a school climate so all students can thrive. Everyone, whether a student, educator or family member, has a role to play in combating bias and bullying as a means to stop the escalation of hate.
- 16. On May 18, 2018, School Resource Officer Ambrose engaged with students and staff at KIPP East Primary's Spring Festival.

## EIGHTH DISTRICT

17. On March 16, 2018, Community Liaison Officer Valentino met with Principal Berger of the International High School regarding safety concerns of faculty, staff and students. It was decided to have the day watch tour of the campus as a way to familiarize the officers with the school layout. This is beneficial now as opposed to learning the layout in the midst of a crisis.

## D. ADVOCATE GROUPS

The Department continues to partner with community advocate groups and organizations to increase community trust and solve community problems. Advocate groups are groups that have a social mission to improve the community. Advocate group partnerships are listed below.

- Music and Culture Coalition of New Orleans (MaCCNO) partnership: MaCCNO is a nonprofit organization that advocates for musicians' rights in New Orleans. Eighth District Commander Gernon and Community Liaison Officer Valentino partnered with MaCCNO to educate French Quarter street musicians on ordinances concerning street musicians and to help address the issues of the music and cultural community in the area.
- 2. Family Justice Center: The NOPD has partnered with the New Orleans Family Justice Center to provide a "one-stop-resource" to victims of sexual and domestic crimes. The NOPD Special Victims and Domestic Violence Units are housed at the location, along with attorneys, social workers, and victim advocates. All of the partners can work proactively in close quarters to assist victims of sexual and domestic crimes.

## E. NOPD PARTNERSHIPS

The New Orleans Police Department initiates many partnerships with the community. Below are some of the NOPD-initiated partnerships.

 Public Safety Partnership: NOPD participates in the DOJ's Public Safety Partnership designed to leverage and align Federal Law Enforcement involvement in addressing violent crime. As part of NOPD's effort, NOPD has identified target areas impacted by gun violence and is focusing their efforts in two primary areas: Central City (Sixth District) and along the St. Bernard corridor in the First and Fifth Districts. Community policing plays an essential role in the strategy. First, patrol officers are directed to spend any unallocated time in the target area to enhance police presence and conduct area checks. Second, the community liaison officers will conduct residence checks after residential burglaries in the block around the area of the incident. Third, the Reserve Unit will be deployed monthly to conduct walking beats in the area. Finally, officers will be assigned "Park and Walk" calls for service in which they are on dedicated calls designed to get out of the car and walk the beat.

- 2. SafeCam Platinum: The NOPD, New Orleans Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness (NOHSEP) and the New Orleans Police and Justice Foundation (NOPJF) encouraged residents and business owners to participate in the SafeCam Platinum program, which connects private, public-facing security cameras with the City's Real-Time Crime Center (RTCC). Managed by the NOPFJ, SafeCam Platinum builds on the existing SafeCam NOLA registry program that provides a list of privately-owned cameras and their locations to the NOPD. Now with the Platinum program, residents and business owners have the option to install exterior, publicfacing cameras that share footage directly with the RTCC. That means that when a 9-1-1 call for service is made, cameras near the incident—including both City-owned cameras and SafeCam Platinum cameras—are automatically identified, alerting RTCC technicians to communicate what they see on the scene directly with the responding public safety personnel.
- 3. Partnering with City Agencies: The NOPD continues to utilize a holistic approach for aligning community policing efforts where crime is occurring, as well as partnering with City government to address issues in neighborhoods that have a direct influence on crime or the perception of crime. This method guides the NOPD on how to utilize community policing ideals, create opportunities for substantive engagement with the community and substantive collaboration with the community. A pilot program to address quality of life issues that lend to crime and disorder began in the Hardin Park (5<sup>th</sup> District) and Hoffman Triangle (6<sup>th</sup> District) neighborhoods.
- 4. Police and Community Mediation: The NOPD's goal in participating in a mediation process is to increase the level of trust between the Department and the community at large. Mediation provides NOPD employees with a mechanism to resolve complaints outside the investigation process.
- 5. Victim Witness Unit: The Consent Decree requires immediate and ongoing support to families of victims of homicides and other serious crimes [Consent Decree ¶227]. The Victim Witness Assistance Unit provides the following assistance: Safety Planning, Victim Advocacy, Crisis Intervention, Crime Victims Reparations, Grief and Trauma Counseling, Community Resource, Referrals, Case Update Information and Information on the Criminal Justice Process.
- 6. Community Policing Plans: The Department's every-day community policing and engagement are guided by each district's community policing plans. The Plans are a district-specific collaborative partnership with the community. Monthly updates are posted online and presented monthly at each District's NONPACC meeting. To view the Community Policing Plans and extensive monthly updates by district, visit nopdnews.com.
- 7. Interfaith Committee Meeting: Superintendent Harrison met quarterly with a group of local pastors to discuss policing issues and community relations.

- 8. In January 2018, members of the NOPD, City officials and the community participated in the Annual Memorial March in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.
- 9. On June 2, 2018, members of the NOPD participated in the Love and Law Basketball Tournament in which members of the NOPD played a friendly game of basketball against members of City of Love Church. The event included other activities for officers to engage with the community.

# COMMUNITY POLICING PLAN DATA

NOPD continued to update community policing and engagement efforts in 2018. NOPD tracks implementation of each district's initiatives to address community concerns. The Department will continue to reach out to a broad cross-section of community stakeholders to reassess community priorities and continually update each district's Community Policing Program to reflect current community sentiments. In 2018, NOPD solicited community feedback to determine the top community concerns and sentiments in each District and created district-specific Community Policing Plans based on the responses. These Community Policing Plans address the priorities listed below. To view the existing data for the Community Policing Plans, please visit nopdnews.com.

## FIRST DISTRICT

The First District's priorities include the following: Armed Robbery, Narcotics and Prostitution.

- <u>Armed Robbery:</u> First District Officers proactively patrolled zones L and M in the First District. The proactive patrols were captured through data and the number of times a unit was dispatched to highlighted zones.
- <u>Narcotics</u>: The First District concentrated on the narcotics trade while partnering with our Federal partners and Narcotics Unit to combat the narcotics issues within the district.
- <u>Prostitution</u>: The First District has given a number of overtime hours to Major Case Narcotics to enforce prostitution violations and perpetrators especially along the North Claiborne corridor.

## <u>SECOND DISTRICT</u>

The Second District's priorities include the following: Attendance at Community Meetings, Walking Beats and Youth-Police Dialogues.

- <u>Attendance at Community Meetings:</u> The Second District Commander and Community Liaison Officer increased attendance at community meetings and neighborhood association meetings within the district.
- <u>Walking Beat:</u> The Second District Officers increased police visibility by deploying officers to conduct walking beats in designated areas, hot spots, and district zones. Hot spots are locations within an area where a specified violation or activity occurs at a higher rate than other locations in the district.
- <u>Youth-Police Dialogues:</u> Second District Officers developed district level police youth dialogue programs within the district schools and youth organizations.

## THIRD DISTRICT

The Third District's priorities include the following: Address Violent Crime, Community and Youth Engagement and Social Media Presence.

- <u>Address Violent Crime</u>: The Third District will assign officers to proactive area patrols of violent crime hot spots and capture CAD data based on GPS coordinates when directed patrol signal is initiated in the District.
- <u>Community and Youth Engagement:</u> The Third District will announce the Community Liaison who will conduct NONPACC meetings, the Community Liaison will attend at least three monthly community meetings and keep the community abreast on crime trends for the district and address community concerns alike, and twice a month, officers will have breakfast, lunch or visit with kids to build trust, demonstrate friendliness, conduct youth-police dialogues, allowing the youth to address major concerns to the officers.
- <u>Social Media Presence</u>: Officers will document activities and send to the Public Information Office to be posted as well as live stream all weekly MAX meetings.

## FOURTH DISTRICT

The Fourth District's priorities include the following: Narcotics Enforcement, Traffic Enforcement and Youth Engagement.

- <u>Narcotics Enforcement:</u> Fourth District Officers displayed an increased presence in designated areas to control narcotics activity.
- <u>Traffic Enforcement:</u> The Fourth District dispatched directed patrols and deployed traffic enforcement vehicles to defined intersections.
- <u>Youth Engagement:</u> The Fourth District School Resource Officer developed a district level police-youth dialogue program with district schools. The School Resource Officer reported outcomes of youth dialogues and included school and district participants.

## <u>FIFTH DISTRICT</u>

The Fifth District's priorities include the following: Community Partnerships, Directed Patrols and Safe Spaces for Children.

- <u>Community Partnerships:</u> The Community Liaison Officer (CLO) fostered current partnerships with Daughters of Charity, Rock of Ages Church, Police Community Advisory Board and the Seventh Ward Neighborhood Association by: encouraging officers to attend public meetings held by the organizations, meeting with leaders of each organization to identifying current needs and providing monthly updates on partnership progress with each organization.
- <u>Directed Patrols</u>: The Fifth District increased visibility in the violent crime "hot spots". The Fifth District partnered with local violence reduction organizations on strategies to diminish persons and property crimes in the district.
- <u>Safe Spaces for Children:</u> The Fifth District prioritized safe spaces for children, specifically parks and playgrounds by directing a minimum of three signal 22As (area

checks) each day at Hardin Park and maintaining a 24-hour surveillance at specified locations where children and community members gather.

## <u>SIXTH DISTRICT</u>

The Sixth District's priorities include the following: City Agency Invitations, Walking Beat and Youth-Police Dialogues.

- <u>City Agency Invitations:</u> The Sixth District invited various city agencies to each New Orleans Neighborhood Police Anti-Crime Council (NONPACC) meeting to discuss Quality of Life Issues. All agencies that participated were documented.
- <u>Walking Beat:</u> The Sixth District conducted Park and Walks. Officers parked vehicles and conducted walking beats in the area immediately surrounding it. Park and Walks were documented by the Community Policing Signal 22W (walking beat).
- <u>Youth-Police Dialogues:</u> The Sixth District hosted monthly Youth-Police Dialogues in schools.

## <u>SEVENTH DISTRICT</u>

The Seventh District's priorities include the following: Community Outreach and Relationships with Youth.

- <u>Community Outreach:</u> The Seventh District expanded community outreach by enhancing social media presence. Information on social media was updated at least once a week.
- <u>Relationships with Youth:</u> The Seventh District improved relationships with the youth by collaborating with schools in the district. Multiple meetings and assemblies were conducted on a regular basis throughout the year.

## <u>EIGHTH DISTRICT</u>

The Eighth District's priorities include the following: Aggressive Panhandling and Solicitation, Homeless Assistance and Ordinance Enforcement.

- <u>Aggressive Panhandling and Solicitation:</u> The Eighth District improved vagrancy, aggressive panhandling and aggressive solicitation through partnerships with many agencies and organizations.
- <u>Homeless Assistance</u>: The Eighth District mitigated homelessness by addressing root causes of homelessness. The district dispatched the Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) to respond to calls concerning vagrancy and homelessness. Throughout the year, the district engaged in collaborative problem-solving meetings with the Health Department, the Mayor's Office, Sanitation, and other policy advisors on both short-term and longterm solutions to homelessness.
- <u>Ordinance Enforcement:</u> The Eighth District enforced ordinances in the district by conducting sound checks and business checks.

# **OBSTACLES AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

NOPD is working to develop additional tracking mechanisms for documenting community policing activities more consistently and thoroughly. Improving the collection of community engagement and policing data, reporting on this data in internal and external meetings, and utilizing this data to improve our community engagement and policing are critical goals for NOPD in 2018 as we strive to improve our partnerships with the community and our community engagement efforts.