



# LAFAYETTE PARISH SHERIFF'S OFFICE

## ANNUAL REPORT



### A YEAR OF CHALLENGES, INNOVATION AND PERSEVERANCE AMID A SWEEPING PANDEMIC

The Sheriff's Office and the entire Lafayette Parish community navigate the COVID-19 outbreak together.

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# SHERIFF'S MESSAGE



The year 2020 was undoubtedly unlike any other thus far in my tenure as Sheriff of Lafayette Parish.

The outbreak of the COVID-19 pandemic challenged and reshaped our operations as a law enforcement agency as well as those within the confines of the Lafayette Parish Correctional Center. Knowing that every deputy would be a critical resource to the people of this parish, our agency adapted and never faltered in its mission to protect and serve.

I'm proud of the flexibility and willingness to innovate displayed by our agency to find solutions during a time of stringent health and safety protocols and uncertainty.

Moving forward, we will take all of the lessons learned from overcoming every obstacle thrown our way, using that knowledge to continue to thrive and excel in service to our community.

To our Enforcement employees, to everyone in the Corrections Division and to all on our staff here at the Lafayette Parish Sheriff's Office—thank you for the hard work you do every day, and all year round.

Your commitment, courage and compassion for every citizen we serve in Lafayette Parish does not go unnoticed.

A handwritten signature in green ink that reads 'Matt'.

A photograph of the exterior of the Lafayette Parish Sheriff's Office building. The building is a two-story structure with large windows and a sign that reads 'SHERIFF LAFAYETTE'. The number '316' is visible on the building's facade.

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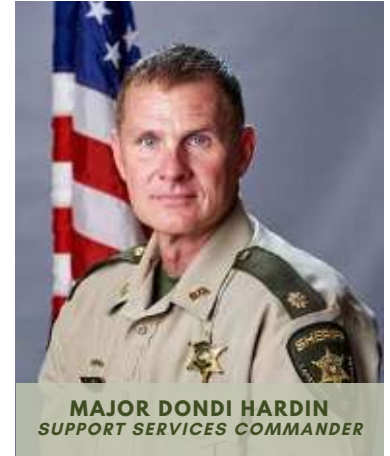
# COMMAND STAFF & DIVISIONS



**MAJOR TOBY LANDRY**  
*ENFORCEMENT COMMANDER*

## ENFORCEMENT

Uniformed Patrol  
Criminal Investigations  
Narcotics  
Metro Crime Scene  
Community Services  
School Resource Officers  
Communications



**MAJOR DONDI HARDIN**  
*SUPPORT SERVICES COMMANDER*

## SUPPORT SERVICES

Training  
Information Systems  
SWAT  
Search and Rescue  
Fleet Services  
Facilities Management  
Research and Development



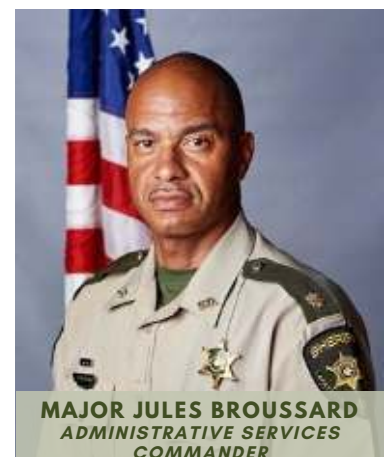
**COLONEL CARLOS STOUT**  
*CHIEF DEPUTY*



**MAJOR PAULA SMITH**  
*COMMANDER OF CORRECTIONS*

## CORRECTIONS

LPCC  
Direct Supervision Unit  
Youth Services  
Community Corrections



**MAJOR JULES BROUSSARD**  
*ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES COMMANDER*

## ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

Finance  
Human Resources  
Civil  
Tax  
Warrants  
Bailliffs

# ENFORCEMENT

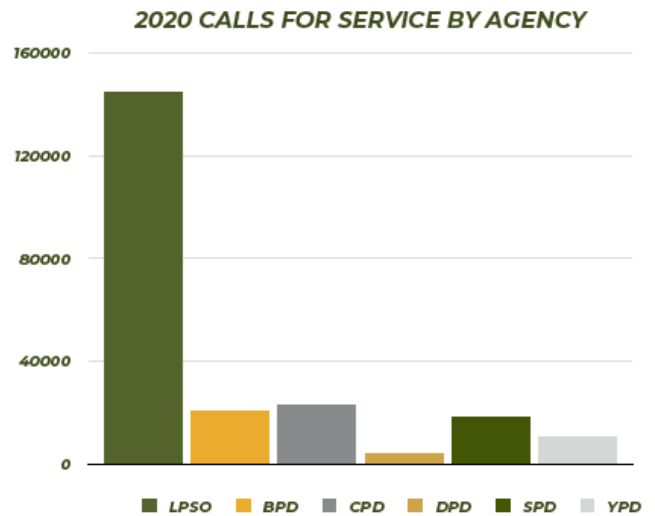
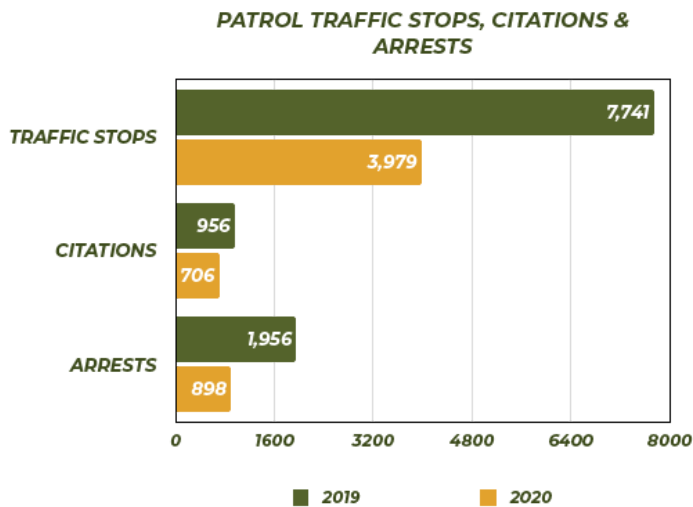
The Enforcement Division is tasked with performing those duties pertaining to Patrol, Narcotics, Criminal Investigations, Communications, School Resource Officers and the Community Services Unit. The division also includes juvenile investigations and the K-9 Unit, and serves as the front line of service and interaction with the community.

## SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS

LPSO SROs conducted **2782** student counseling sessions, made **1474** parental contacts and attended **470** school meetings in 2020.

### PATROL

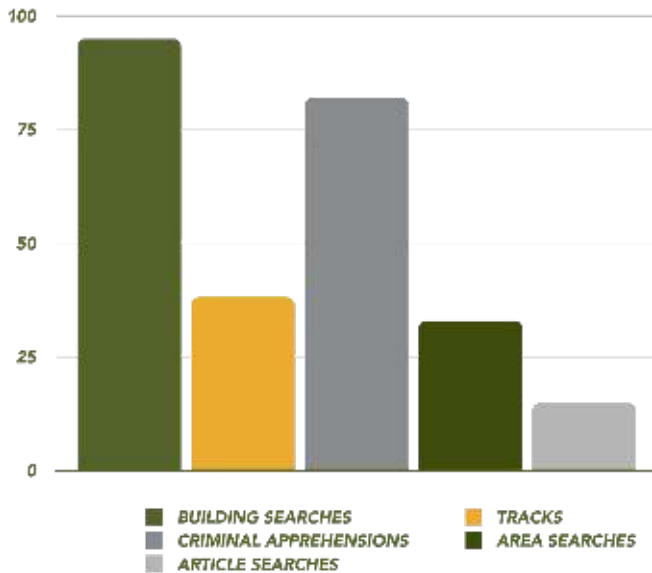
### COMMUNICATIONS





LPSO ALETA cadets graduate the academy, move on to POST certification.

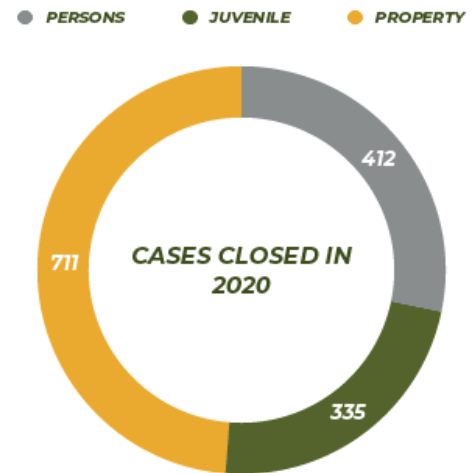
K9 DUTIES PERFORMED



CRIMINAL PATROL UNIT

In 2020, the Criminal Patrol Unit (CPU) was created within the Narcotics Unit to stop the flow of illegal narcotics being transported through Lafayette Parish. The CPU unit consists of three Criminal Patrol Unit Agents, one of which being a K-9 Deputy. The CPU initiated 26 cases and recovered five weapons and \$103,520.00 in U.S. currency last year.

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS DIVISION



CID Detectives closed 1458 cases in 2020

NARCOTICS

In 2020, the Sheriff’s Narcotics Unit initiated 206 cases—seizing illegal narcotics, U.S. currency and assets worth approximately \$6,531,313.50.

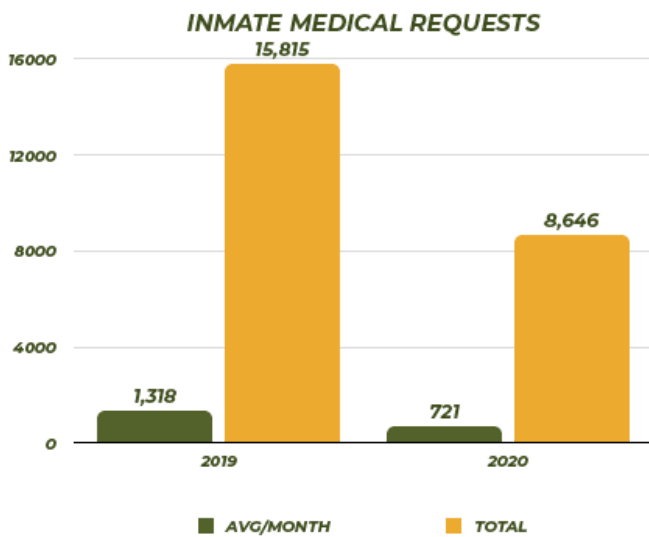
Since the inception of the Lafayette Parish Sheriff’s Office Narcotics Unit, the LPSONU has prospered by targeting mid- to upper-level drug dealers in Lafayette Parish.

The K-9 Unit was responsible for the apprehension of **104** suspects in 2020.

# CORRECTIONS

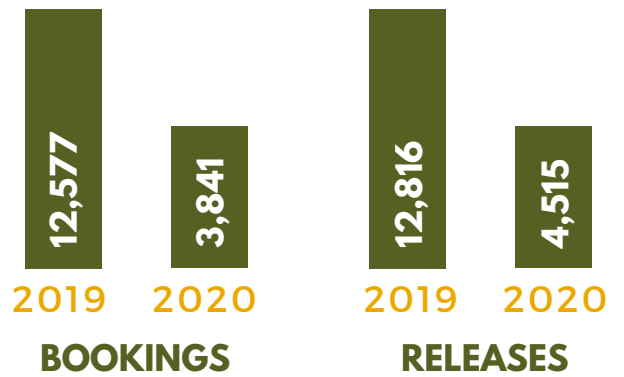
The Corrections Division is comprised of hundreds of LPSO employees at multiple facilities and is responsible for providing services ranging from security and inmate programming, to medical and food services. There were many obstacles in 2020 within the Corrections Division, however, our staff worked as a team to adapt efficiently and continued to provide services to our offender population and our community.

## MEDICAL

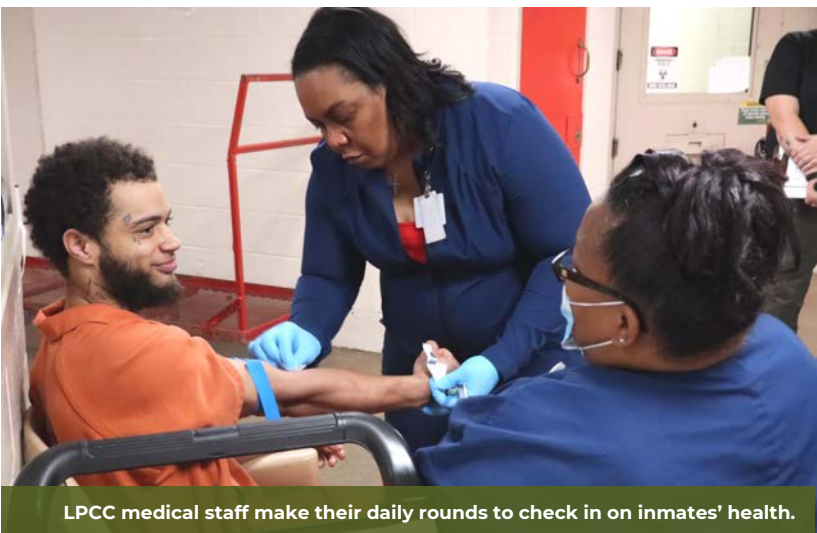


LPCC medical staff processes an average of 24 medical requests per day.

## LAFAYETTE PARISH CORRECTIONAL CENTER (LPCC)



The number of bookings decreased from 12,577 in 2019 to 3,841 in 2020. That's 8,736 less inmates booked into LPCC during 2020. The number of inmates released through intake went from 12,816 in 2019 to 4,515 in 2020. This is a decrease of 8,300 inmates.



LPCC medical staff make their daily rounds to check in on inmates' health.

**Bookings dropped from a daily average of 48 to 5 offenders per day.**



COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS

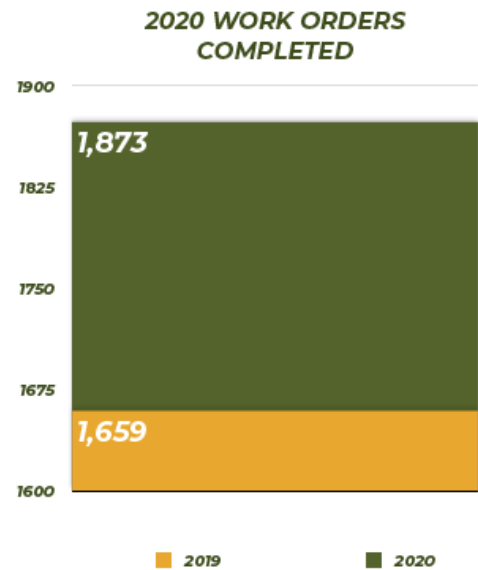
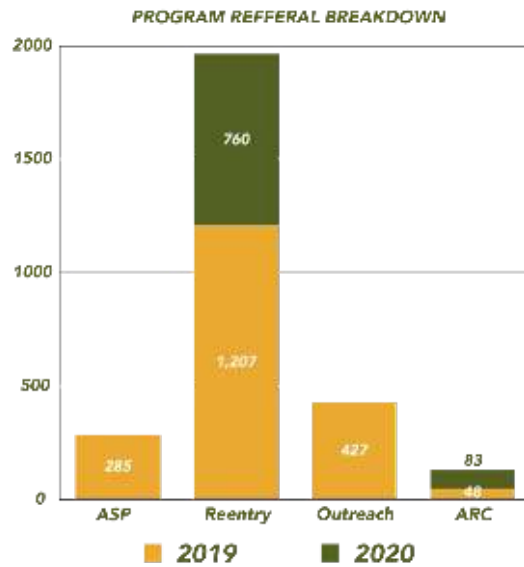


Offenders complete South Louisiana Community College's welding certification program.

HOSPITALITY



LPCC Offenders, UL Lafayette Hospitality Management students cook and serve meals in jail.



LPCC K9 Trix and her handler, Deputy Douglas Robin.

The Corrections K-9 and Handler conducted **1,070** searches throughout LPCC in 2020

# SUPPORT SERVICES

The Support Services Division is responsible for assisting all other sections within the Lafayette Parish Sheriff's Office. It supports the Sheriff's mission through cost effective resources and progressive innovations to improve our law enforcement objectives and reach our agency goals.



Sheriff Garber implements use of red dot sights on duty weapons at the agency.

## TRAINING STATS

- 1276 hours of in-service training
- 1278 hours of specialized training
- 120 hours of supervisor training
- 26 hours of National Incident Management (NIMS) training
- 178 hours of online training
- 266 hours of outside training

## 2020 SWAT SPECIAL OPERATIONS

- 117 SWAT Unit Special Operation Details which included the following:
- 17 Attorney General Search Warrants executed
- 44 Violent Offender Apprehensions
- 10 activations for civil unrest



LPSO SWAT operators assist Broussard Police Dept. with execution of high-risk warrant.



Search & Rescue Team members train for high-angle and confined space rescue missions.

The Information Systems Department completed various HelpBox requests for hardware, software, network and user issues in 2020. In total **5,249** HelpBox requests were resolved by I.S. technicians.

# ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

The Administrative Services Division provides a supportive role for the agency through units such as Bailiffs, Crime Stoppers, Finance, Human Resources and Tax. These units are critical components in the overall efficiency of the services the Sheriff's Office provides.

## HUMAN RESOURCES

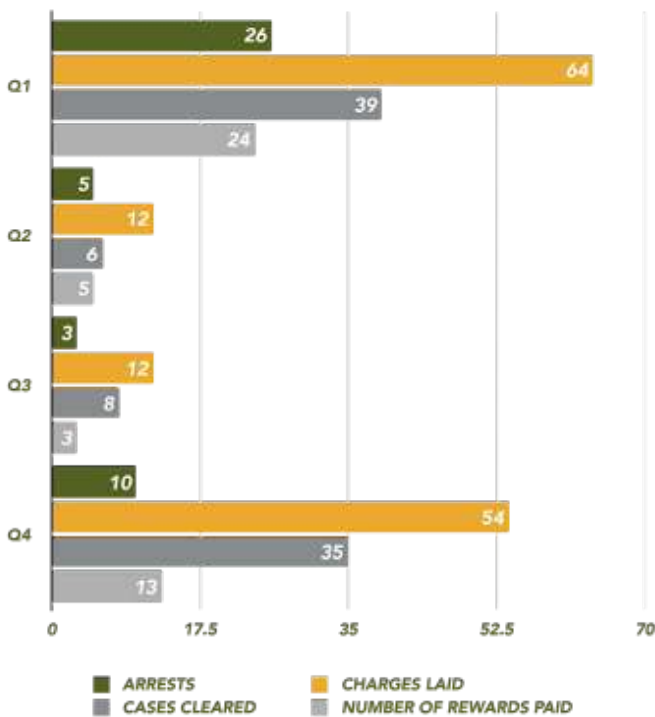
January 2020 began with a new pay scale structure for the agency and providing a competitive benefits package for all employees. This was a huge goal to accomplish and was a high priority for Sheriff Garber and the Command staff.

In March, Congress enacted the Families First Coronavirus Act which provided paid time leave requirements. With the assistance of the Lafayette Parish Sheriff's Office legal affairs team, HR was able to comply with this legislation and provide administrative guidance to the entire agency.

## CIVIL

- 134,466 papers served
- 11,205.5 per month

CRIMESTOPPERS



LPSO Bailiffs persevered and adapted well to COVID-19 restrictions at the courthouse.

**The Tax Department collected \$193,952,806 in property taxes for the year 2020 which generated a revenue of \$38,750,760 for the Sheriff's Office.**

# COMMUNITY





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# ALETA GRADUATES

The Acadiana Law Enforcement Training Academy graduated **42** cadets who went on to serve in various law enforcement agencies throughout the region.



## **Congratulations to Sheriff Garber & 14 LPSO command staff & supervisors who recently received the FBI-LEEDA Trilogy Award!**

These recipients completed a series of three core education programs consisting of intensive instruction, from executive level law enforcement experts, in the latest management concepts & practices faced by today's law enforcement professionals.

# NAVIGATING COVID-19



**THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC BROUGHT NEW CHALLENGES IN 2020.**



**COMMUNITY MEMBERS AND BUSINESS OWNERS STEPPED UP TO SUPPORT LAW ENFORCEMENT.**

**LPSO RECEIVED DOZENS OF DONATIONS OF FOOD, SWEETS AND OTHER GOODIES.**





**THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE ALSO DID ITS PART TO SUPPORT THE COMMUNITY.**



**LPSO ASSISTED WITH COVID TESTING SITES AND WORKED HARD TO KEEP EMPLOYEES HEALTHY.**



**SPECIAL PRECAUTIONS WERE ALSO TAKEN TO PROTECT THE INMATE POPULATION AT LPPC.**





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