

LAFAYETTE PARISH
SHERIFF



2021 Annual Report

LAFAYETTE PARISH SHERIFF'S OFFICE

TAKING ON 2021

Trailblazing technology, treacherous weather & tighter ties to the community.

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SHERIFF'S MESSAGE



Mark Garber

*“ We never
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From the ongoing COVID-19 crisis, to devastating hurricanes, to overwhelming nationwide civil unrest—2021 was a challenging road to navigate. Still, the brave and compassionate men and women of the Lafayette Parish Sheriff’s Office forged on, never wavering.

Amid a crippling pandemic, businesses closed their doors, schools shut down and millions remained holed up in their homes for weeks. Among the cries for police reform and defunding and under the dark shadow cast over every peace officer in the U.S. by manifestations of police brutality, countless law enforcement agencies remained silent, stagnant and changeless.

It would have been understandable for us to slow things down and do the bare minimum in fulfilling our duty to protect and serve this parish—but that’s not my style, and every member of this agency has proven it’s not theirs either.

Instead, the sheriff’s office made huge strides in technology through the cultivation and mobilization of a Real Time Crime Center, the integration of a new records management system, the implementation real-time corrections documentation software and more.

Armed with supplies, equipment and well-prepared deputies, we were also able to protect and lift up our neighbors when they needed it most, after Hurricane Ida ravaged parts of Louisiana’s coastline.

Despite the obstacles and setbacks that have come our way over the last couple of years, we never stopped moving, progressing or striving every day to be the best we can be and I am incredibly proud of that.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark Garber".

Command Staff & Divisions



COLONEL CARLOS STOUT
CHIEF DEPUTY



MAJOR TOBY LANDRY
ENFORCEMENT COMMANDER

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



MAJOR PAULA SMITH
COMMANDER OF CORRECTIONS

LPCC
Direct Supervision Unit
Youth Services
Community Corrections



MAJOR DONDI HARDIN
SUPPORT SERVICES COMMANDER

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



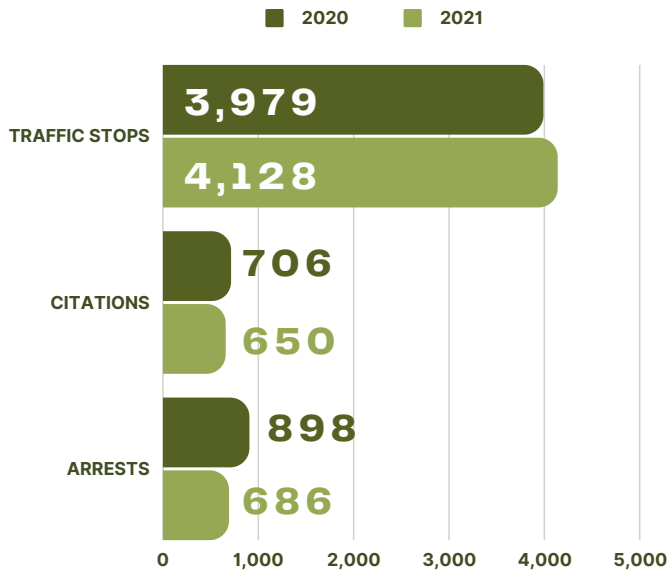
MAJOR JULES BROUSSARD
**ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES
COMMANDER**

Finance
Human Resources
Civil
Tax
Warrants
Bailiffs

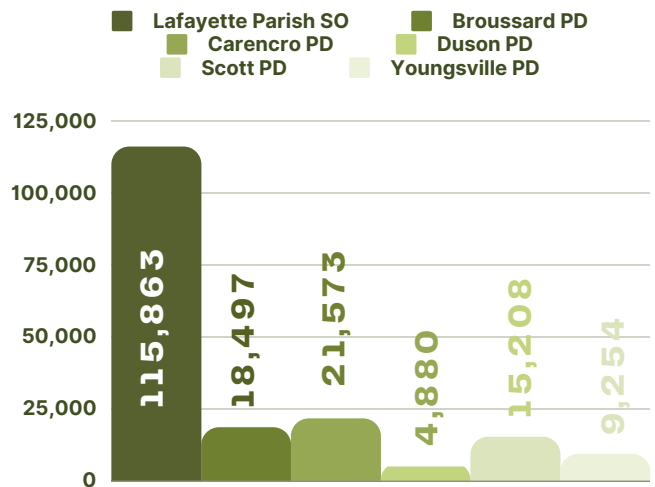
ENFORCEMENT

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.

PATROL TRAFFIC STOPS, CITATIONS & ARRESTS



2021 CALLS FOR SERVICE BY AGENCY



CRIME SCENE & EVIDENCE

Metro Crime Scene
 Detectives processed approximately **9,357** pieces of evidence in 2021.

SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS

<p>CONDUCTED</p> <h1>6169</h1> <p>STUDENT COUNSELING SESSIONS</p>	<p>MADE</p> <h1>3760</h1> <p>PARENTAL CONTACTS</p>	<p>ATTENDED</p> <h1>600</h1> <p>SCHOOL MEETINGS</p>
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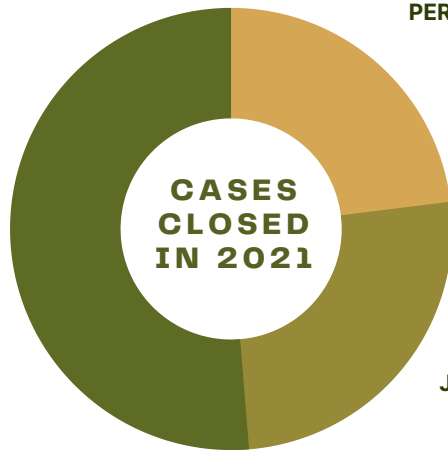
ENFORCEMENT



NARCOTICS

In 2021, the Sheriff's Narcotics Unit initiated **330 cases**—seizing illegal narcotics, U.S. currency and assets worth approximately **\$4,449,337,71**.

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.



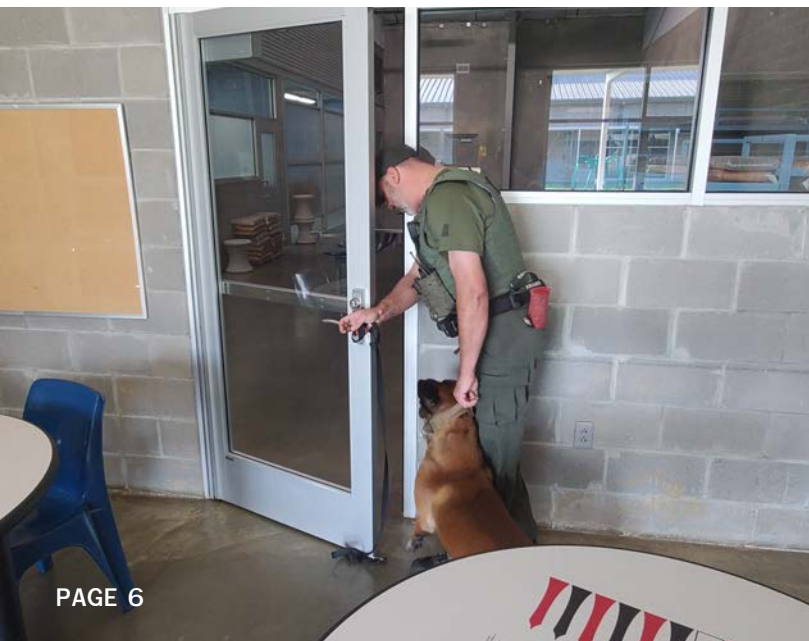
PROPERTY CRIMES
853

PERSONS CRIMES
383

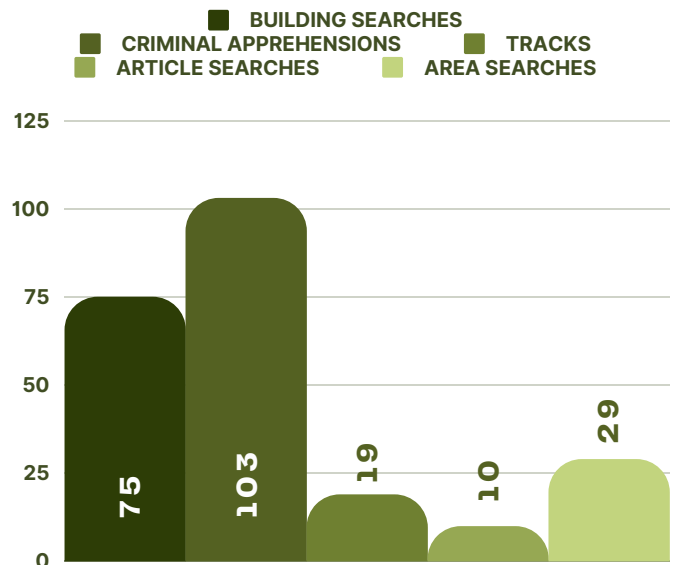
JUVENILE CRIMES
427

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION

CID Detectives closed **1,663** cases in 2021.



K9 DUTIES PERFORMED



CORRECTIONS

THE LAFAYETTE PARISH SHERIFF'S OFFICE CORRECTIONS DIVISION strives to keep true to its mission to "Challenge ourselves to be the best at providing innovative services for a safer community." While changes remained from the pandemic which began in 2020, our staff remained consistent and vigilant in working together to answer each challenge that was brought to us in 2021.



PARISH PROUD INMATE WORK CREWS

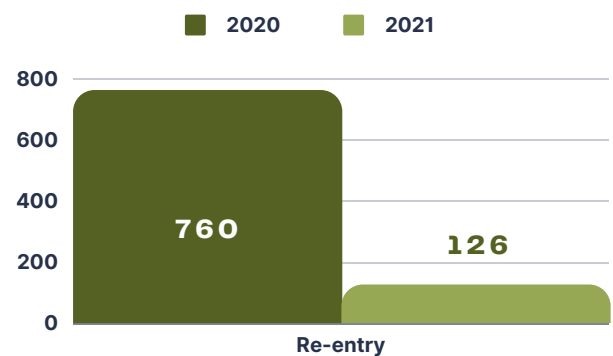
The sheriff's office is committed to improving quality of life for residents by working with its partner, Parish Proud, to beautify the parish. Since May 2021, Sheriff Garber has dedicated the manpower of several inmate workers and supervising deputies to providing daily litter abatement services. From May to December, more than 2,850 bags of trash and other litter was removed from our streets.

RE-ENTRY PROGRAM REFERRALS

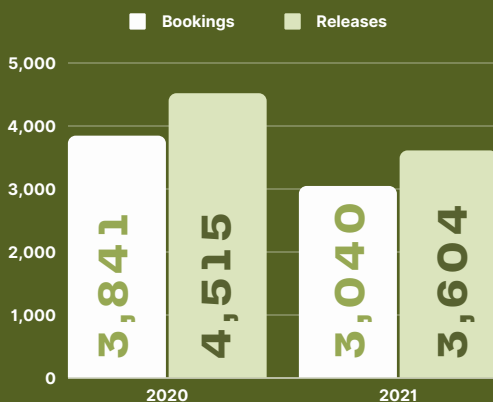
The Re-Entry Program staff works closely with DOC offenders that are close to the end of their sentence by providing life skills, discharge planning, and resource connections so they have a better chance of being a productive citizen in the community upon their release.

LAFAYETTE PARISH CORRECTIONAL CENTER (LPCC)

2021 was the first complete year that the LPCC had access to a full body scan x-ray device, used for 2,136 offender scans. Contraband was discovered six times throughout the reporting period, indicating the use of the body scans has acted as a deterrent to inmates attempting to introduce contraband into the facility.



LPCC BOOKINGS & RELEASES



BOOKING STATS

Bookings raised from a daily average of

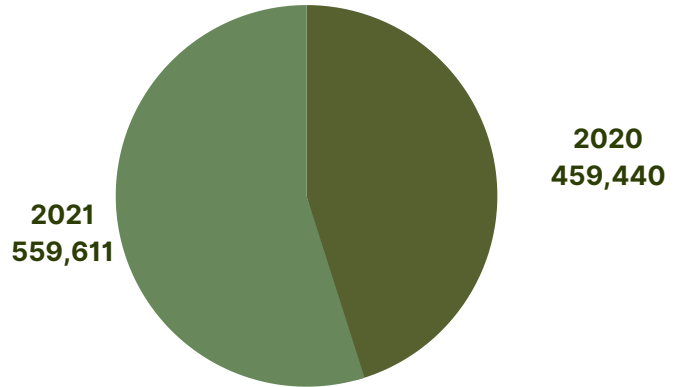
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offenders per day

CORRECTIONS

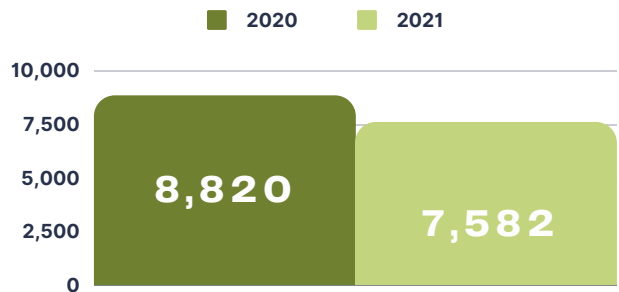


INMATE MEDICAL ENCOUNTERS



2021 WORK ORDERS COMPLETED

The LPCC Maintenance Dept. maintains the operation and function of all the jail's components by making sure all equipment and devices are in working order.



MASS DISASTER DRILL

Corrections deputies and medical staff are trained to respond to an array of different mass disaster situations. The 2021 drill was designed to simulate an emergency situation in which several offenders exhibited reactions to the COVID-19 vaccination and required immediate medical attention.

SUPPORT SERVICES

THE SUPPORT SERVICES DIVISION 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.

TRAINING STATS

- **1267** HOURS OF IN-SERVICE TRAINING
- **1580** HOURS OF SPECIALIZED TRAINING
- **240** HOURS OF SUPERVISOR TRAINING
- **62** HOURS OF NATIONAL INCIDENT MANAGEMENT (NIMS) TRAINING
- **250** HOURS OF ONLINE TRAINING
- **674** HOURS OF OUTSIDE TRAINING

SWAT SPECIAL OPERATIONS

- **119** SWAT UNIT SPECIAL OPERATION DETAILS WHICH INCLUDED THE FOLLOWING:
- **5** ATTORNEY GENERAL SEARCH WARRANTS EXECUTED
- **71** VIOLENT OFFENDER APPREHENSIONS
- **4** ACTIVATIONS FOR CIVIL UNREST

*The Information Systems Department completed various HelpBox requests for hardware, software, network and user issues in 2021. In total **4,842** HelpBox requests were resolved by I.S. technicians.*



Command Range

Women's Self Defense Class



2021 SWAT Team



SUPPORT SERVICES



FACILITIES MANAGEMENT

The Facilities Management Section completed five major projects, over **3,600** maintenance work orders and several other notable projects over the course of 2021. The Facilities Management Section is responsible for key and electronic access control, general maintenance, new construction and renovation of all physical plants owned and occupied by LPSO, covering **15** sites and more than **360,000** square feet.

LIBRS

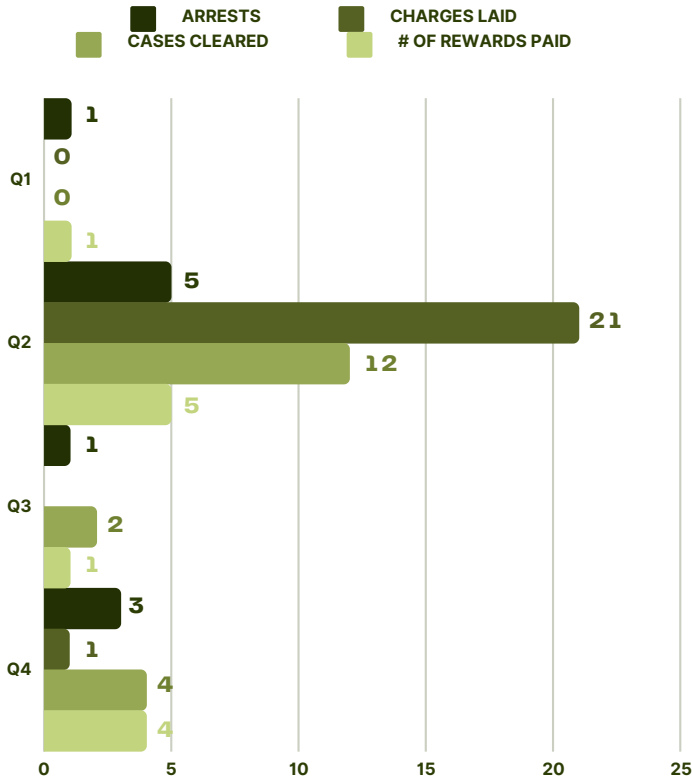
The Lafayette Parish Sheriff's Office is one of only **86** law enforcement agencies in the state to be LIBRS, or *Louisiana Incident-Based Reporting System*, certified. LIBRS is a reporting standard that allows Law Enforcement Agencies in Louisiana to submit their data to satisfy both Louisiana State Law, and Federal Reporting requirements.



ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

THE ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DIVISION 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.

CRIMESTOPPERS



HUMAN RESOURCES

In 2021, Lafayette Parish Sheriff's deputies and employees gained a new way to access mental health resources, self-assessments, family support and several other wellness tools with the mobilization of the Cordico Shield App.

LPSO employees can use the app to improve their overall wellness and seek assistance with navigating many different life situations law enforcement personnel often face.

Some of the resources available on the app include: "Get Help Now" phone numbers and text message connections, EAP approved therapist finder, EAP contact information, Peer Support Members and Contact Information and Chaplain Support and more.

CIVIL PROCESSING

- **126,159** papers served
- **10,170** per month

*The Tax Department collected **\$193,388,462** in property taxes for the year 2020 which generated a revenue of **\$37,913,142** for the Sheriff's Office.*

CORDICO SHIELD

DOWNLOAD THE LAFAYETTE PARISH SHERIFF'S OFFICE WELLNESS APP

CORE FEATURES AND BENEFITS:

- Confidential
- On-Demand 24/7
- In-Hand Wellness Tools
- For Lafayette Parish Sheriff's Office Employees and Your Significant Others
- Includes Peer Support, Therapist Finder, Employee Assistance Program and Much More

TECHNOLOGY

REAL TIME CRIME CENTER

Pairing advanced technology and cutting-edge software, the real time crime center helps to improve the efficiency and accuracy of investigations as well as enhance officer and public safety. The system is made up of a combination of hundreds of public and voluntarily-provided private video surveillance systems, body-worn and dash cameras and other integrative data technologies that can be accessed live by Real Time Crime Center Agents.



MARK 43

LPSO is the first law enforcement agency in the region to implement the cutting edge technology Mark43, a cloud-based record management system, has to offer. Mark43's intuitive technology drastically reduces redundancy in report writing and day-to-day tasks for patrol deputies. The software provides a centralized hub for deputies to input all available information, then uses that data to generate specialized reports like affidavits, warrants, property and evidence reports.



NOTEACTIVE

The NoteActive platform provides Lafayette Parish with instant access to jail intelligence displayed on a visual analytics dashboard with reporting capabilities. Further, access to their customized dashboard affords command staff the ability to use data to better manage risk and accountability issues, inmate welfare, accreditation and compliance requirements and other goals.



SPECIAL OPERATIONS

HURRICANE RESPONSE

For 16 nights, more than 20 LPSO Deputies and SWAT Team members assisted the Terrebonne Parish SO— providing some relief to the deputies serving their severely impacted parish. LPSO Deputies responded to 14 calls involving narcotics, several domestic calls and 147 calls for suspicious persons, vehicles and circumstances. Deputies also recovered 13 weapons, three of which were stolen, as a result of more than 60 traffic stops conducted. A total of 11 arrests were executed over the span of a little more than two weeks, including nine arrests for felony looting in the area.



COVID-19

As COVID-19 infection numbers declined, the LPSO was able to safely re-open to the public in March 2021. However, a second surge of positive cases nationwide prompted the reinstatement of strict health and safety protocols and the sheriff's office was forced to shut its doors to the public once again in August. In the LPCC, offender quarantining and other mitigating procedures remained steadfast throughout the year.

ALETA GRADUATES

THE ACADIANA LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING ACADEMY graduated **77** cadets who went on to serve in various law enforcement agencies throughout the region.



ALETA CLASS 164



ALETA CLASS 165



ALETA CLASS 166

ALETA TRAINING

HANDS-ON TRAINING

Cadets receive **579** hours of training during the 15-week academy, exceeding the LA POST Council requirements by **83** hours. Cadets are trained in:

- **Legal procedure**
- **Firearms**
- **Active Shooter**
- **Mobile Field Force**
- **First Response Medical**



AWARDS & COMMUNITY



LPSO's Training Center re-accredited by Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA)



LSA Scholarship Program Winner Maya Castaneda with Sheriff Garber



Det. Kim Fontenot and Lt. Karry Falcon Awarded Deputy of the Year by American Legion Post 241



Backpack donation for offender use upon release



Search & Rescue Team Members prep equipment ahead of Hurricane Nicholas



Sheriff Garber chats with neighbors on 2021 community walk



The Lafayette Parish Correctional Center re-accredited by American Correctional Association

COMMUNITY



2021 Lafayette Parish Sheriff's Office Honor Guard Team



SROs choose Halloween pumpkin contest winners at Ossun Elementary



Community Services Unit deputies assist with bookmobile neighborhood literacy event



2021 Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run



Deputies pose with thank you message in Terrebonne Parish while assisting with enforcement services following Hurricane Ida



SRO teaches student how to properly tie his necktie

COMMUNITY



A group of St. Thomas More students accept LPSO's Citizen of the Year award for their efforts to help others following a hurricane in Calcasieu Parish



Deputies greet neighbors and pass out goodies during community walk



A Safe Exchange Zone was established outside LPSO's main office in 2021



Students from UL Lafayette Athletics stop by the sheriff's office to share some sweet treats



Students receive custom water bottles from SRO who used his own money and personal donations to purchase them for every student at the school



Deputies teach student volunteers how to raise and lower the American flag

COMMUNITY



Partnering with Sid's One Stop to donate holiday turkeys to those in need



Deputies shop till they drop at annual Shop with a Cop event at Target



Deputies with future heroes of Lafayette Parish



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