

# **LAFAYETTE PARISH SHERIFF**



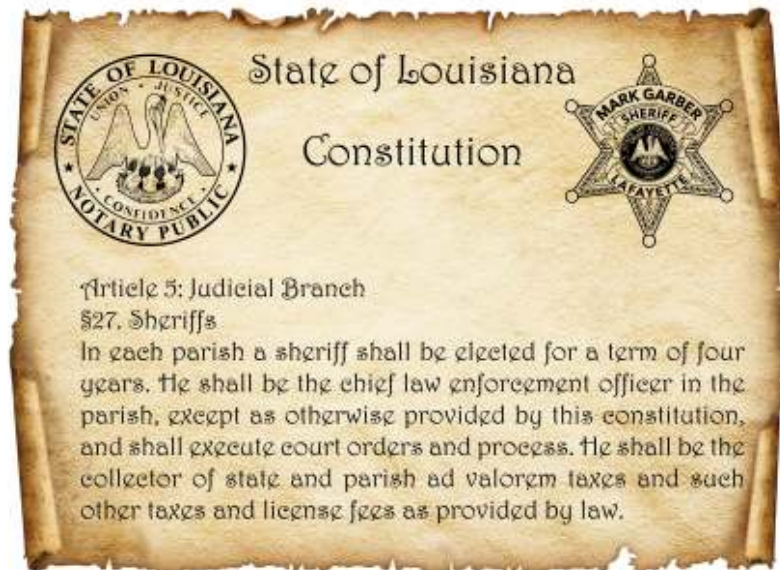
## **2016 Annual Report**



### **A NEW ERA FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT BEGINS IN ACADIANA**

**On July 1st, 2016, Mark Garber was sworn in  
as the 27th Sheriff of Lafayette Parish**

- **The New Look of the LPSO**
- **Sanctuary City?**
- **The Flood of 2016**



Sheriff Garber calls for a return to the core functions of law enforcement and directs his employees to “focus on the fundamentals.”

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# SHERIFF'S MESSAGE

Mark Garber  
Sheriff

LAFAYETTE PARISH  
**SHERIFF**



The Lafayette Parish Sheriff's Office is an organization comprised of a team of approximately 850 committed and dedicated public servants to the people of Lafayette Parish. The office has many components and facets that perform what can be considered essential and non-essential services. Since taking office, I have chosen to direct the efforts of my team to achieving perfection in what can be termed our "core functions." Those functions are criminal law enforcement, tax collection, service of process, and management of our three correctional and re-entry facilities. As part of our journey toward perfection, I have refocused our attention toward fundamental skills and practices that will better allow my team to execute these core responsibilities.

I have reorganized this agency so it is better staffed and equipped for law enforcement operations. As a result of this reorganization, the number of deputies patrolling the parish has doubled and that has in turn helped foster an environment that allows for quicker response to requests for service and more proactive citizen contacts. The patrol model changed from a traditional approach to a geographic model wherein the same deputies and supervisors are assigned to the same area each shift; this approach has seen quick success with increased apprehensions and greater cooperation and participation from victims and witnesses. A byproduct of the increased staffing of the Patrol Division has also served to alleviate pressure from the Criminal Investigations Division because patrol deputies are able to follow through with the investigation to the point of conclusion, thereby allowing my investigators to spend more time and resources on major, complex cases.

Reorganization has also had a positive impact on my Corrections Division. Shifts are now manned with the appropriate number of deputies to supervise inmates and manage the various facilities. This has created a better and safer working environment for my staff and has helped reduce employee turnover. We are seeing an increase in the number of deputies who want to stay in corrections instead of transitioning into patrol or leaving for oilfield jobs.

The re-entry program, which supervises and equips offenders with essential skills to re-enter society has also seen great success. There were a total of 62 HiSET (High School Equivalency Test) graduates for the 2016 fiscal year, more than any other local facility. The 2017 fiscal year has already produced 37 HiSET graduates, more than any other local facility so far. Inmate Industries has increased production of current supplies such as filters and trash bags and has also began manufacturing some office supplies, such as our staff business cards. Fabricating these items in-house and with the use of inmate labor drives down costs saving the agency and other government entities taxpayer money.

As public servants in Lafayette Parish, we are humbled by the level of support we receive from our community and we are proud to protect and serve this community. On behalf of myself and the dedicated men and women of the Lafayette Parish Sheriff's Office, we thank you for allowing us the privilege of serving and protecting you and your family.

Mark Garber  
Sheriff  
Lafayette Parish Sheriff's Office



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# COMMAND STRUCTURE



**Mark Garber**  
**Sheriff**

## EXECUTIVE STAFF

**Major Dondi Hardin**  
Special Assistant to Sheriff

**Jason Boudreaux**  
General Counsel

**Alanna Young**  
Executive Secretary

**John Mowell**  
Public Information Officer

## COMMAND STAFF

**Colonel Carlos Stout**  
Chief Deputy

**Major Art LeBreton**  
Commander, Enforcement

**Major Cathy Fontenot**  
Warden

**Major Rick Chargois**  
Commander, Special Services

**Major Jules Broussard**  
Commander, Administrative Services

## INTERNAL AFFAIRS

**Captain Todd Credeur**  
Commander, Internal Affairs

## CHIEF DEPUTY



**COLONEL CARLOS STOUT**  
**CHIEF DEPUTY**



Colonel Carlos Stout began his law enforcement career with the Lafayette Parish Sheriff's Office in 1990 as a corrections deputy. He then went on to work at the Lafayette Airport, on the Lafayette Metro Street Unit as an undercover detective and as a patrol supervisor. He left the Lafayette Sheriff's Office in 2001 to run for Chief of Police in the community of Carencro. In 2002, he was elected as the Carencro Chief of Police and went on to win four re-elections.

Colonel Stout has also served as President of the Louisiana Association of Chiefs of Police, Louisiana Attorney General Command College, and the President of the Southwest Louisiana Chiefs of Police. Colonel Stout was also appointed by multiple Louisiana Governors to serve on the Council of Peace Officers Standards Training, Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement, Louisiana Violent Crime and Narcotics Task Force, Drug Control and Violent Crime Policy Board and the Louisiana Domestic Violence Board.

Colonel Stout rejoined the Lafayette Parish Sheriff's Office in 2016 after being selected by Sheriff Mark Garber to serve as his Chief Deputy.



## ABOUT SANCTUARY CITIES



Sheriff Mark Garber was the first community leader in the country to have his jurisdiction removed from the “Sanctuary City” list that was created by the Washington D.C. organization known as the Center for Immigration Studies.



Note: While the Center for Immigration Studies is a private and non-profit organization, being classified as a “sanctuary city” did threaten federal grants the sheriff’s office could be eligible to receive.

# ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DIVISION

## DEPARTMENTS

### PERSONNEL

### CIVIL

### FINANCE

### WARRANTS

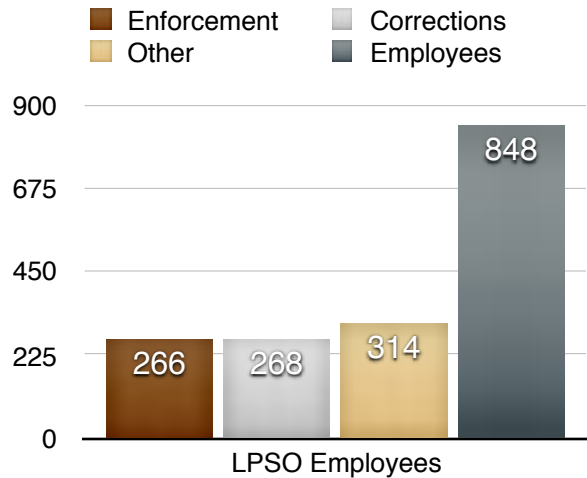


**Major Jules Broussard**  
Commander, Administrative Services

The Lafayette Parish Sheriff's Office is made up of a diverse group of individuals who share the common goal of serving the community we live in.

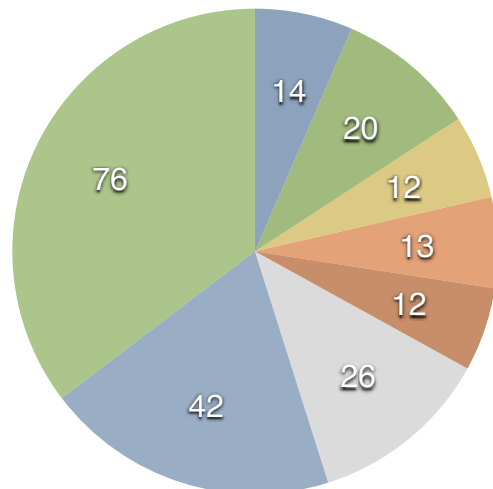
## Employment

In 2016, the Lafayette Parish Sheriff's Office employed 848 people. Of those, 123 were new hires during that year.



## Positions Available

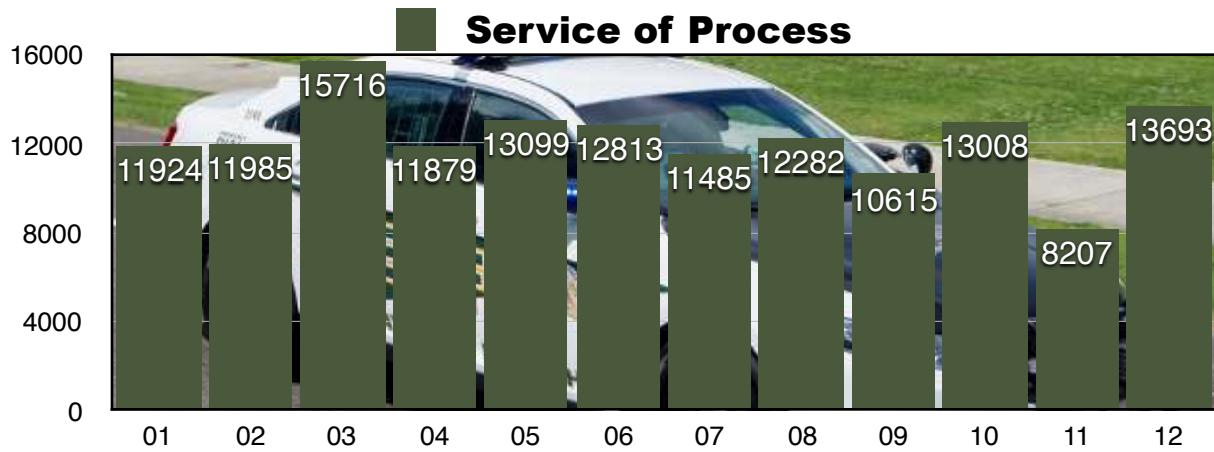
- Admin
- Community Svc.
- Support Svc.
- Admin Svc.
- Patrol
- Investigations
- Special Svc.
- Corrections



The Lafayette Parish Sheriff's Office employs over 840 people who are working within the 215 positions that are available.

# CIVIL & WARRANTS

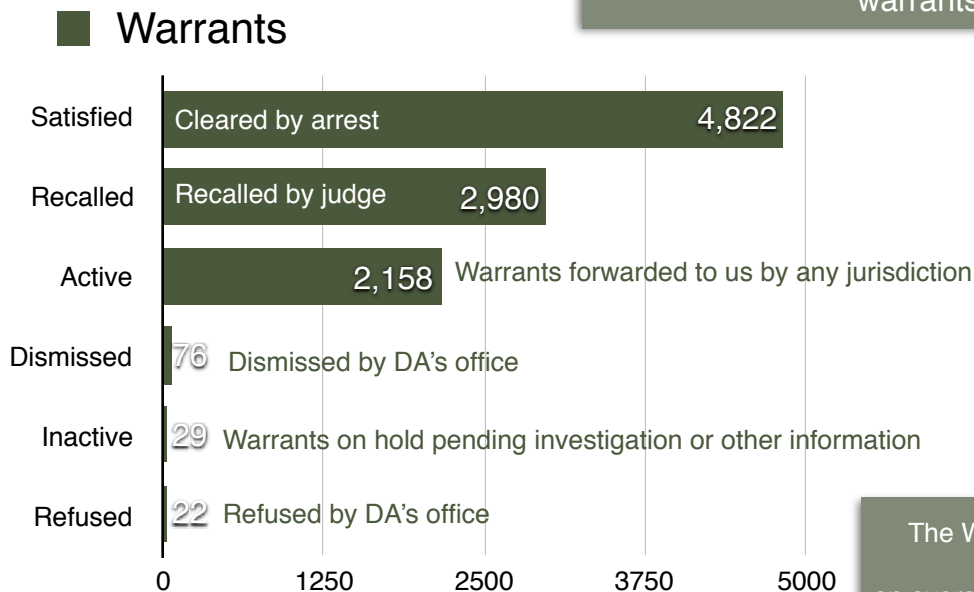
## Civil Department



**Deputies with the Lafayette Parish Sheriff's Office Civil Department serve an average of 10,600 legal documents per month.**

## Warrants Department

In 2016, the Lafayette Parish Sheriff's Office Warrants Department processed 10,087 warrants.



The Warrants Department processes an average of 840 warrants per month.



## ENFORCEMENT DIVISION

The black hoods on the Sheriff's vehicles have become symbolic of the Lafayette Parish Sheriff's Office.



Dpy. Matthew Soileau (L)  
SSGT. Kevin Williams (M)  
Det. Shelley Landry (R)



**Major Art LeBreton**  
Commander, Enforcement

Upon taking office, Sheriff Mark Garber updated deputies uniforms and vehicle graphics. Many deputies report improved visibility because of the light absorbing qualities of the matte black hoods.

### DEPARTMENTS

#### PATROL

#### CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS

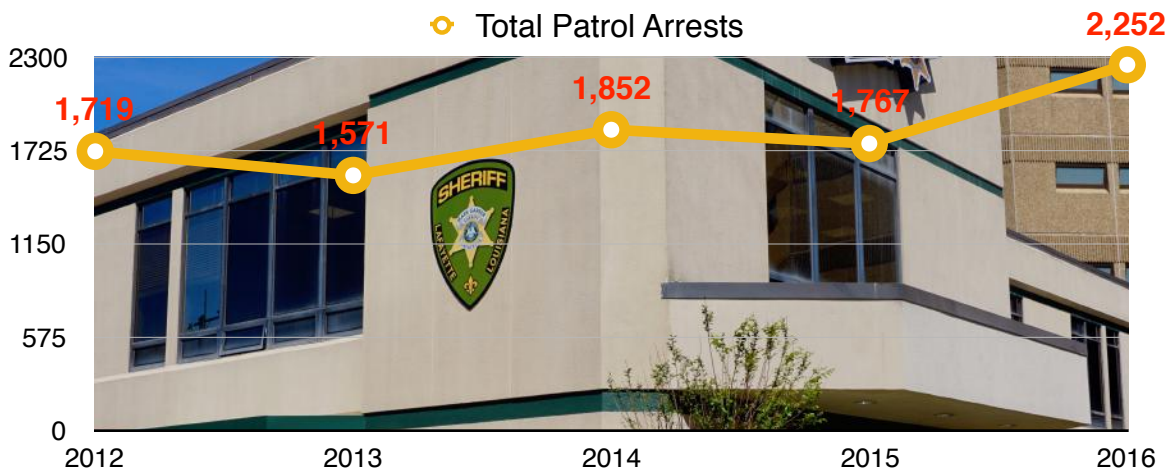
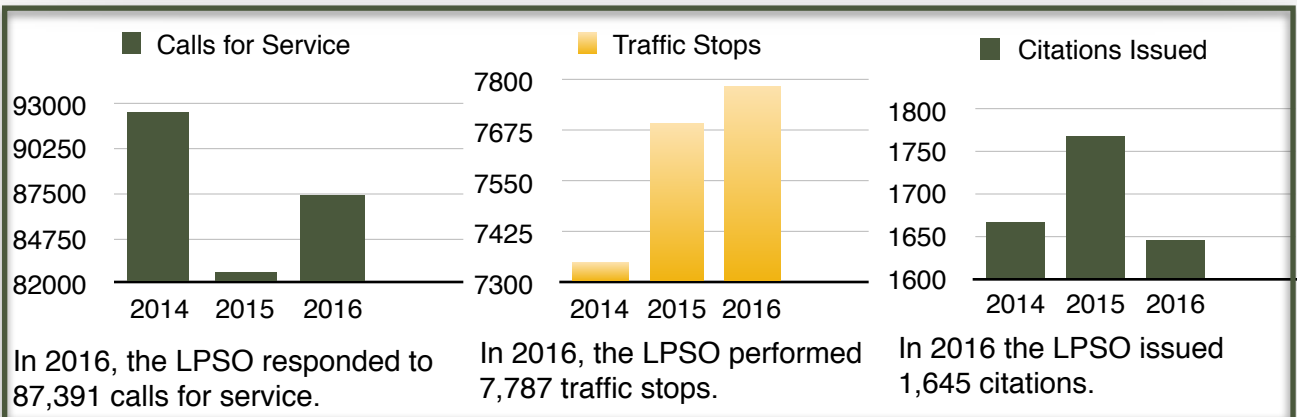
#### COMMUNITY SERVICES

The Enforcement Division is comprised of Louisiana POST (Peace Officers Standards Training) certified deputies.

# UNIFORMED PATROL

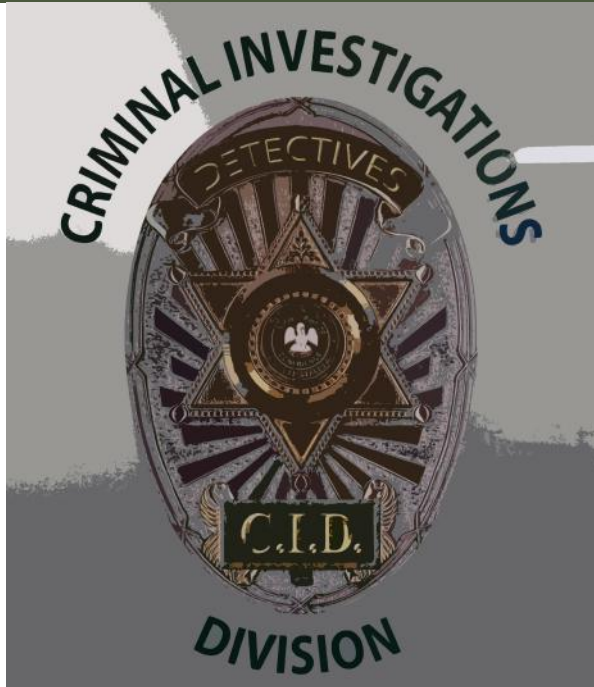


Sheriff Mark Garber with the Lafayette Parish Sheriff Uniformed Patrol Division



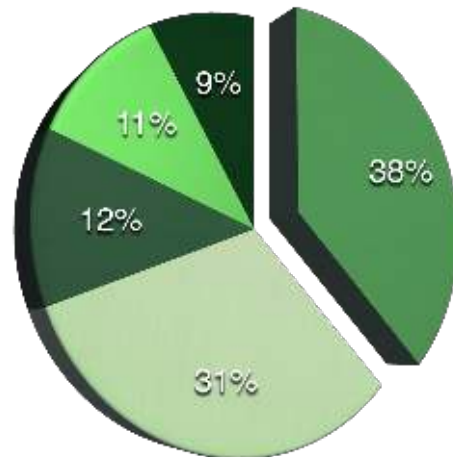


# CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS



- Cleard by Arrest
- Cleard by Exception
- Cleard by Warrant
- Suspended
- Unfounded

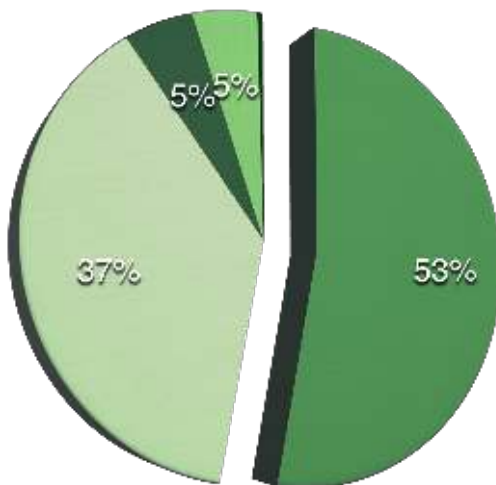
## Crimes Against Persons



**In 2016, CID detectives investigated 1,593 cases. Of those cases, 569 resulted in arrests.**

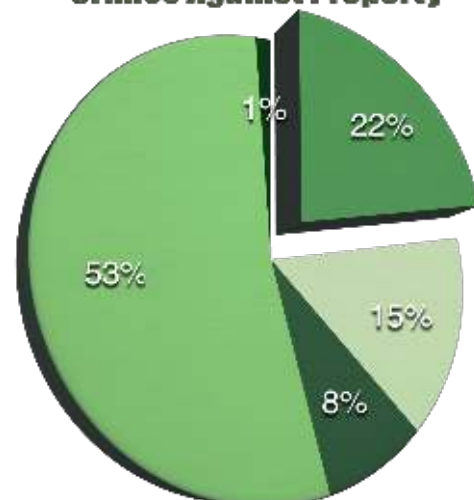
- Cleard by Arrest
- Cleard by Exception
- Suspended
- Unfounded
- Death Investigations

## Juvenile



- Cleard by Arrest
- Cleard by Exception
- Cleard by Warrant
- Suspended
- Unfounded

## Crimes Against Property





# COMMUNITY SERVICES

## CSU Responsibilities

SERVICE	STATISTIC	NOTE
<b>Escorts</b>	545	Escorts provided for funerals and other
<b>Radar</b>	220	Traffic enforcement zones
<b>Neighborhood Watch Groups</b>	42	Groups monitored and services
<b>Community Events</b>	47	Events attended
<b>School Resource Officers</b>	2	Two full-time deputies monitor three schools (Judice Middle, Youngsville Middle and Milton Elementary)
<b>University Health Center</b>	30,144	Number of hours deputies spent providing security
<b>Lafayette Regional Airport</b>	18,048	Number of hours deputies spent providing security



Dpy. Donna Perkins



Dpys. James Fontenot (L) & Brett Pryor (R)



SSGT. Tommy Hebert

### CSU COMMUNITY EVENTS

Walk of Hope 2016

No Fear No Future

Cub Scout Pack 162 Presentation

ULL Fingerprinting Event

Celebrate Life Event

Christmas Story Reading @ Charles Burke Elementary

Hearts & Hugs @ Amelia Manor Nursing Home

K4 Meet & Greet @ Westminster Christian Academy

Color with a Cop @ Various Schools

Women's & Children's Pediatric visit

Easter Basket for Children @ Faith House

Special Olympics Torch Run

Elderly Expo @ Robicheaux Center

Autism Family Day

National Night Out (Carencro & Broussard)

Babies R Us Fingerprinting event

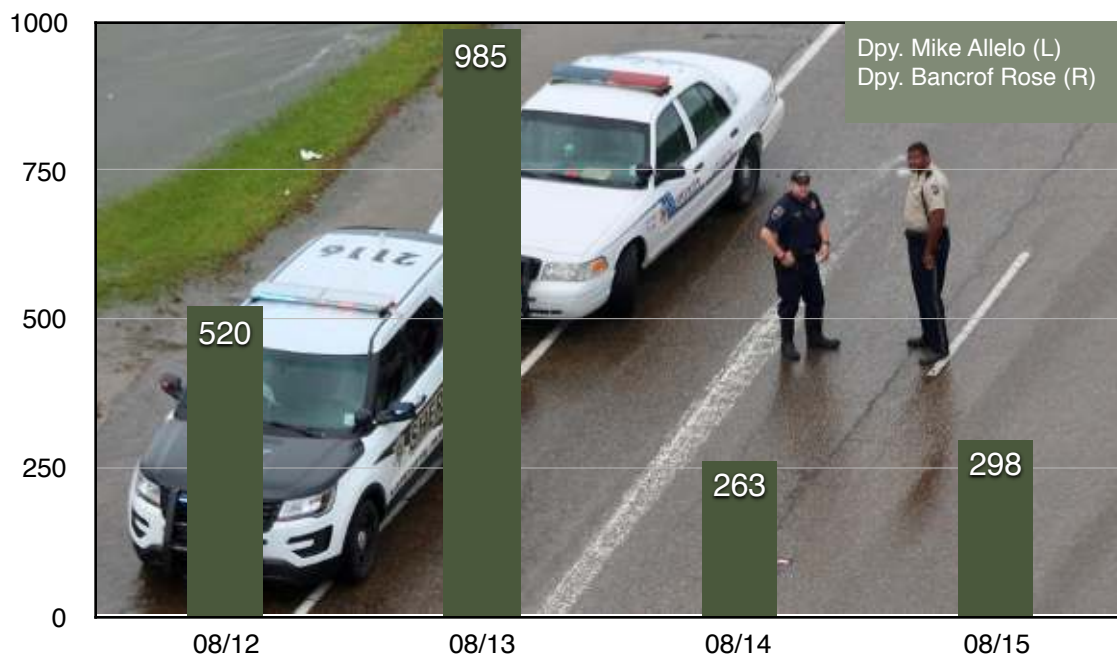
31 other events

## 2016 STORM



**In September 2016, the Lafayette Parish Sheriff's Office responded to the historic storm, that affected our area. During the four-day period surrounding the storm the sheriff's office handled 2,066 calls for service.**

### Calls for Service





## 2016 STORM

Verot School Road at East Milton



Youngsville Farm



Searching Neighborhoods with the Louisiana National Guard



SSGT. Michael Porch (L) with unidentified guardsman

Dpy. Clint Campbell



Caring for the Community

Dpy. Donna Perkins



Assisting Residents Evacuate



## SPECIAL SERVICES



**Major Rick Chargois**  
**Commander, Special Services**

The LPSO Criminal Intelligence Unit provides investigative support to other sheriff's units along with outside agencies in the surrounding area.

### SPECIAL SERVICES

### TRAINING

### INTELLIGENCE UNIT

### METRO NARCOTICS

**"As Lafayette Parish continues to become the community of choice for new residents and businesses, the Lafayette Parish Sheriff's Office will be a model agency for public safety as we lead the law enforcement community by example in our actions as well as by community partnerships built on a foundation of public service and trust." ~ Sheriff Mark Garber**

## TRAINING



The Lafayette Sheriff's Training unit operates a regional training center for law enforcement officers from around the state. It offers professional development courses along with many different types of certification courses to include corrections and enforcement.

21,369  
LPSO



Lt. John Babin (R)

1,672  
Outside  
Agencies

The training center staff hosted 23,041\* students during the 2016 calendar year.

\* Many students attended more than one training class at the center.



# ACADIANA LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING ACADEMY

Abbeville Police Department
Acadia Parish Sheriff's Office
Boyce Police
Bunkie Police Department
Chitimacha Tribal Police
Cottonport Police Department
Crowley Police Department
Delcambre Police Department
Eunice Police Department
Evangeline Police Department
Franklin Police Department
Iberia Parish Sheriff's Office
Jennings Police Department
Kaplan Police Department
Lafayette City Marshal
Lafayette Fire Department
Lafayette Parish Sheriff's Office
Lafayette Police Department
Louisiana Department of Justice
Louisiana Office of Juvenile Justice
Louisiana State Fire Marshal
Mamou Police Department
Mansura Police Department
Opelousas City Marshal
Opelousas Police Department
Rayne Police Department
Scott Police Department
Sunset Police Department
University of Louisiana @ Lafayette Police
Ville Platte Police Department
Washington Police Department



## LOCAL TRAINING • REGIONAL IMPACT

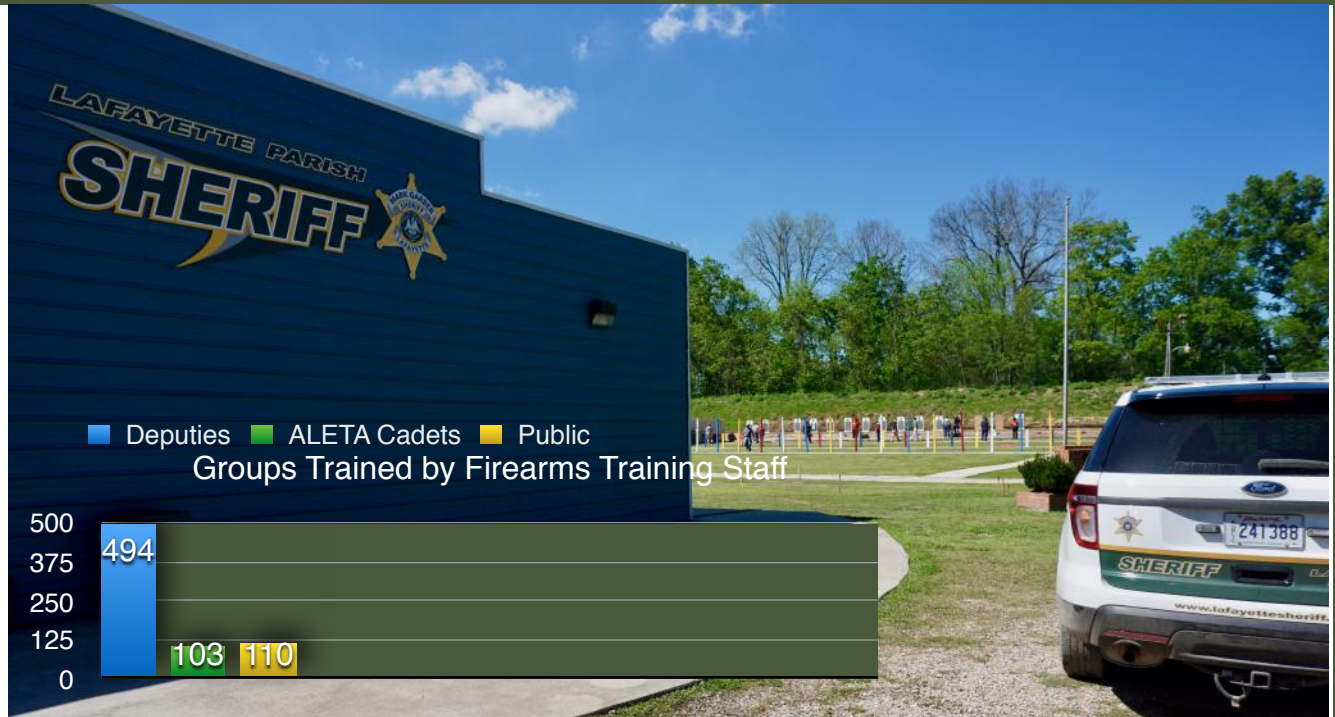
The Lafayette Parish Sheriff's Office and its training center are host of ALETA. The Acadiana Law Enforcement Training Academy provides basic enforcement training and POST (Peace Officer Standards Training) certification for many of the law enforcement agencies in the region. The academy staff trained 103 cadets in 2016. The staff also trains corrections deputies to POST Level III standards.

**ALETA Class 152 was the first class trained under the administration of Sheriff Mark Garber.**





# SHOOTING RANGE



Sgt. Chris Guidry (L), Sheriff Mark Garber (R)

**Sheriff Mark Garber authorized the use of the sheriff's firing range and training staff to offer hunters safety training to the general public.**

The Lafayette Parish Sheriff's Office partnered with the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries and provided two opportunities for area residents to obtain their hunters safety training certification. Sheriff's deputies worked with NRA certified volunteers to train 110 people.

**LPSO Firearms Instructors provide a wide range of training for enforcement deputies.**

## **FIREARMS IN SERVICE TRAINING**

**Remedial firearms training**

**Firearms proficiency**

**Patrol rifle course**

**Advanced patrol rifle course**

**Handgun qualification**

**Rifle qualification**

**Low light qualification**



Maj. Jules Broussard

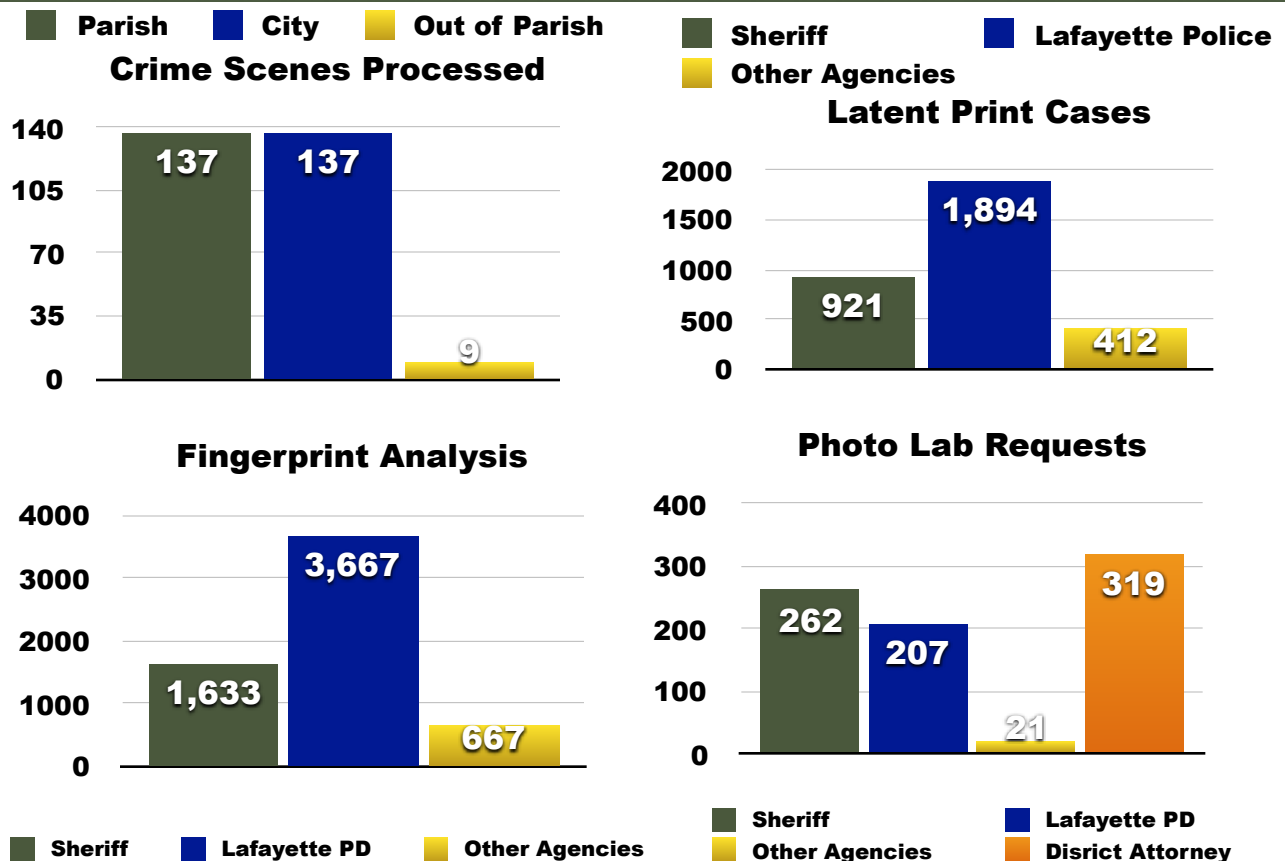
## WORKING TOGETHER TO PROTECT THE PARISH

The Lafayette Parish Sheriff's Office provides valuable support to enforcement agencies throughout the area. This helps to ensure the best quality law enforcement is available to the people of Lafayette Parish and the surrounding area.

As "chief law enforcement officer" of the parish, the sheriff is the only individual authorized to commission deputies who have jurisdictional enforcement authority throughout the entire parish, (including within the municipalities of Broussard, Carencro, Duson, Lafayette, Milton, Scott and Youngsville). This gives the sheriff the unique ability to create task forces and specialized units.

JOINT ENFORCEMENT EFFORTS	
City University Sheriff Patrol (CUSP)	The CUSP unit is a joint enforcement effort between the sheriff, Lafayette City Police and University Police. This unit limits its focus to the UL Campus and areas students reside or frequent.
Lafayette Metro Crime Scene Unit	The Metro Crime Scene Unit provides technical support for the processing of crime scenes and the collection of evidence throughout the parish and in surrounding areas upon request.
Lafayette Metro Narcotics Unit	The Metro Narcotics Unit conducts narcotics-related investigations throughout the parish.

### LAFAYETTE METRO CRIME SCENE UNIT





SUPPORTING LAW ENFORCEMENT THROUGHOUT THE REGION



Dispatchers with the Lafayette Parish Sheriff's Office provide 24-hour dispatching services to the police departments of Broussard, Carencro, Duson, Scott and Youngsville. This is done at no cost to the departments or individual communities.

Lafayette Sheriff dispatchers process an average of 472 calls for service each day.



■ Sheriff ■ Broussard ■ Carencro ■ Duson ■ Scott ■ Youngsville

2016 Calls for Service





## SUPPORTING LAW ENFORCEMENT THROUGHOUT THE REGION



**Automated Fingerprint Identification System**

The Lafayette Parish Sheriff's Office operates the AFIS system for a 25-parish area and the law enforcement agencies within them.

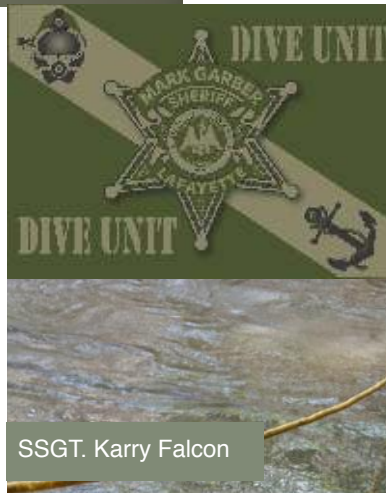
Our AFIS unit is responsible for the quality control and overall verification of fingerprints and other relevant descriptor data submitted from 56 livescans in a 25-parish area on a 24-hour-a-day basis. We also assist law enforcement agencies in apprehending criminals by supplying mug shots, drivers license photos, fingerprint cards, and photo lineups as requested.

### Dive Unit Operations

In 2016, the Sheriff's Dive Unit deployed on seven occasions with six of those resulting in brown water dives. Five of those dives were in Lafayette Parish and one was assisting another agency in Vermilion Parish.

The Vermilion Parish dive was in reference to a homicide that resulted in a vehicle recovery.

The Lafayette dives included the recovery of three human remains, one vehicle and the recovery of a firearm that was connected to a homicide investigation.



**SSGT. Karry Falcon**



**Dpy. Shelby Lafitte (L), Off. Jon Suter (ML), Sgt. Lance Frederick (MR), Off. Ricky Fontenot (R)**

The CUSP (City•University•Sheriff's•Patrol) is a joint effort by the three departments that focuses on providing security and enforcement to the areas students are known to frequent and live.

## VICTIM SERVICES



The Lafayette Parish Sheriff's Office has dedicated a full-time deputy who works in Victim Services and is assigned to the Family Justice Center of Acadiana.

### SERVICES

Assisting victims to receive prompt emergency, social and medical services.

Distributing the Victim Notice and registration form to victims who are eligible for registration.

Providing private settings for the interviewing of victims.

Notifying properly registered victims of the release of those accused or convicted from custody.

Informing employers that victim cooperation in investigations may require them to miss work.

Maintaining the confidentiality of all victims.

Assisting in the return of stolen or other personal property to victims or their families when it is no longer needed as evidence.

Referring victims to local service organizations for counseling and financial services.



## CORRECTIONS



**Major Catherine Fontenot**  
Warden



### DEPARTMENTS

**LAFAYETTE PARISH  
CORRECTIONAL  
CENTER**

**COMMUNITY  
CORRECTIONS**

**LAPCORR  
INMATE INDUSTRIES**

**ACADIANA  
RECOVERY CENTER**

**TRANSITIONAL  
WORK PROGRAM**

**YOUTH  
SERVICES**



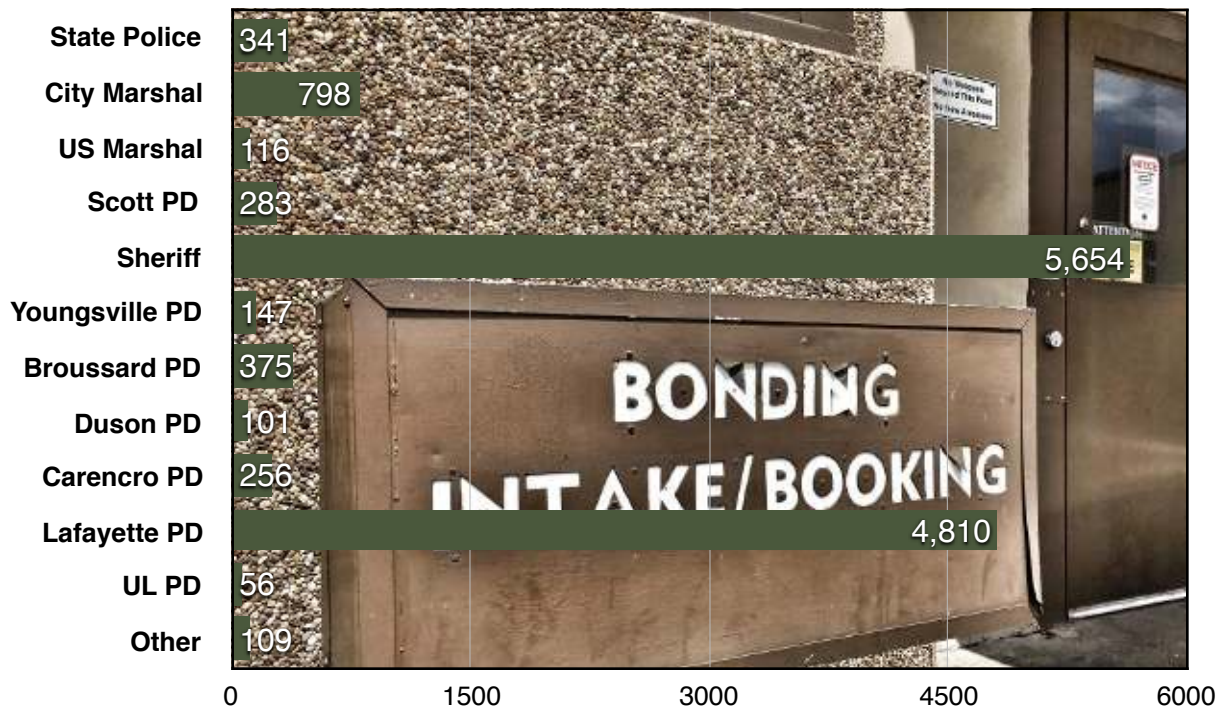
# LAFAYETTE PARISH CORRECTIONAL CENTER



**LPCC has an average daily offender population of 845 inmates.**

**In 2016, the Lafayette Parish Correctional Center booked 12,835 offenders.**

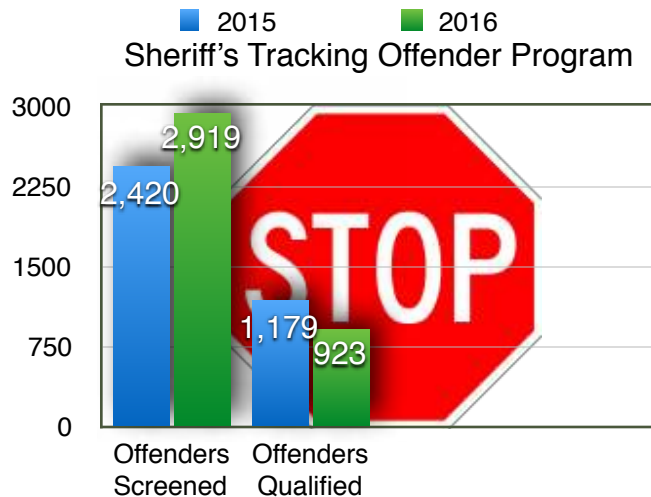
## 2016 Arrests by Agency





## COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS

Combined, the Sheriff's Tracking Offender Program and Court Liaison Program screened 3,621 offenders in 2016. Of those screened, 984 qualified for diversion programming.



### Sheriff's Tracking Offender Program "STOP"

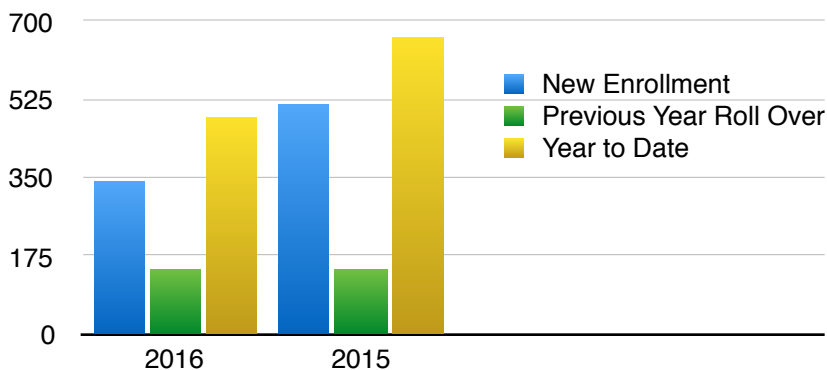
11,822 offenders were pre-assessed by STOP in 2016 for eligibility in our diversion programs.

### Alternative Sentencing Program

ASP diverts qualified offenders from incarceration in the Lafayette Parish Correctional Center and places them under the supervision of Community Corrections.

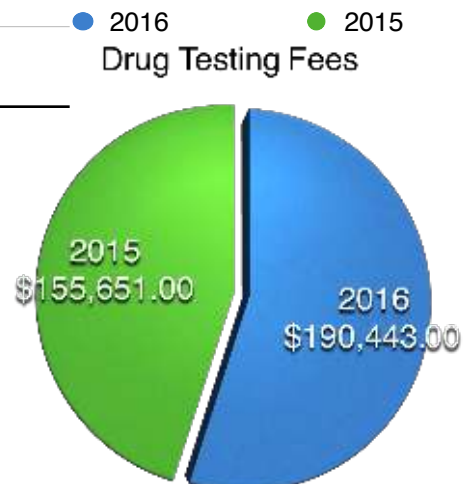
With the cost of incarceration above \$50 a day, the Alternative Sentencing Program uses drug testing, GPS monitoring and rehabilitative programs to track offenders progress in a more cost-effective manner than incarceration alone.

### Alternative Sentencing Program



### Drug Testing Services

In 2016, the drug testing service collected from 4,057 donors, tested 24,215 different specimens and 252,257 assays.



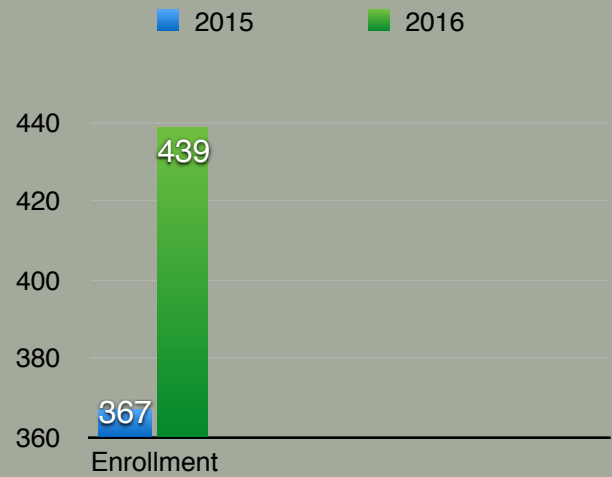
# COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS

## Reentry Program

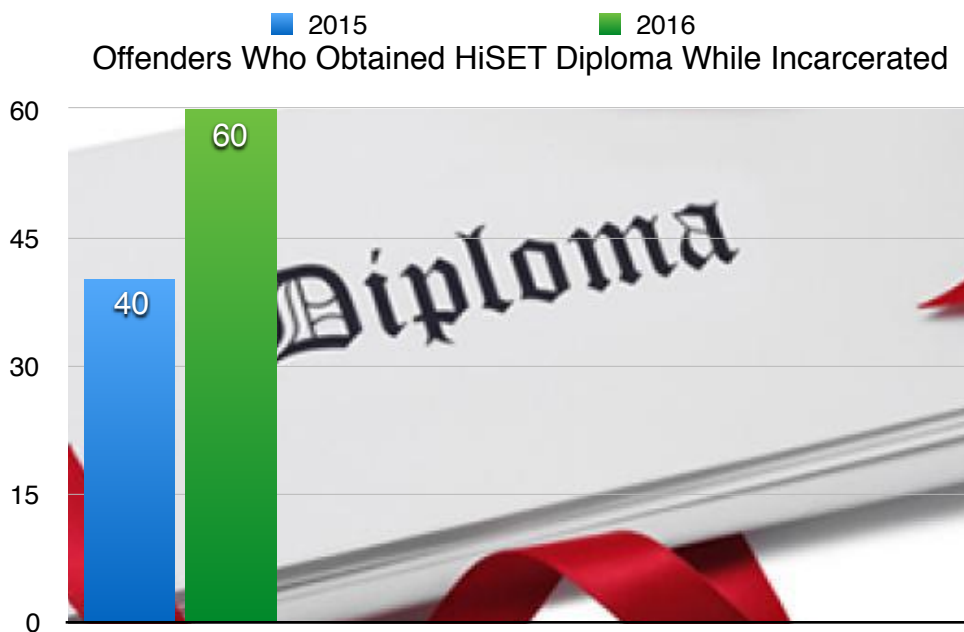
The Lafayette Parish Sheriff's Office offers offenders a wide range of useful educational and training courses through its reentry programs.

### Reentry Programs

- MRT
- 100 hour includes substance abuse, anger management, resume, drivers license and victim awareness courses
- Fork lift~ fork lift operations
- ServeSafe~ restaurant kitchen training
- IOP~ intensive outpatient rehabilitation
- Driving the right way
- GED/HiSET
- CMI



**351 offenders successfully completed a reentry program in 2016.**





# INMATE INDUSTRIES

The Lafayette Sheriff's Office Inmate Industries Section consists of six multi-purpose units.

**OUTSIDE WORK CREWS**

**LAPCORR INDUSTRIES**

**FARM SERVICES**

**CENTRAL LAUNDRY**

**CENTRAL SUPPLY**

**PRINTING/EMBROIDERY**

## OWC~ OUTSIDE WORK CREWS



Outside Work Crews provide various labor services to both the Lafayette Sheriff's Office as well as to other local municipalities and non-profit agencies.

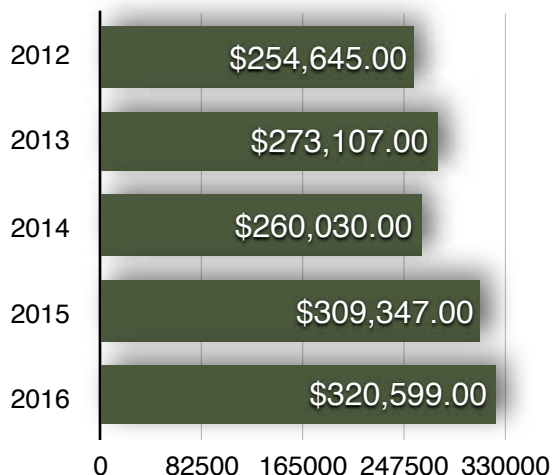
In 2016, OWCs provided 148,592 hours of labor-related services to those organizations.

LAPCORR Industries is a jail industry under the Lafayette Parish Sheriff's Office that manufactures and sells items made by offender workers to any non-profit or government agency in Louisiana.



## LAPCORR INDUSTRIES

### ■ LAPCORR Sales~ 5-year trend



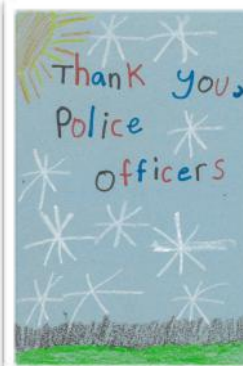
### THE GOALS OF INMATE INDUSTRIES

- ~ Keeps offenders busy and productive
- ~ Helps offenders learn marketable skills
- ~ Provides cost-effective labor to local government and non-profit organizations
- ~ Saves tax payers money by helping offset the cost of incarceration

## COMMUNITY SUPPORT

It is impossible for us to name and thank all of the individuals, businesses and organizations who constantly demonstrate their love and support to law enforcement in this area.

The increased violence against law enforcement officers made 2016 a very difficult year for both officers and their families. The historic flood also tested a new administration at the Lafayette Sheriff's Office and pushed the resources of many first responders to their limit. Throughout those trying circumstances, we were humbled to learn the full extent of support we have from the people of this community.



Front row left: Dpy. Cortland Marix, SSGT. Christopher Trahan, Lt. Willis Arceneaux, Dpy. Cody Shiers, Dpy. Sam Johnson, Dpy. Lam Bui, Sheriff Mark Garber, Colonel Carlos Stout, SSGT. Art Marullo, SSGT. Andy Prothro. Back row left: Dpy. Simon Wolfsen, Dpy. Merlin Lavergne, Dpy. Jordan Ancelet, Dpy. Alex Marks. Dpy. Wesley Vanmeighan, Dpy. Kasey Boudreaux, Dpy. Michael McQuade.

With the help of local businesses, organizations and citizens, the Lafayette Parish Sheriff's Office was able to purchase ballistic helmets, external plate carriers and individual first aid kits (IFAKS) for patrol deputies. The sheriff's office was also able to update its aging mobile field force protective equipment. Community members helped raise \$98,029.78. Sheriff Mark Garber was able to use 100% of the amount donated to go toward the purchase of \$187,000 worth of equipment.





## COMMUNITY SUPPORT

Crime Stoppers Board with Dpy. Whitney Rogers & K9 Thunder



**1-337-232-8477**  
Hotline

**Web Tips**  
Submit a Tip Online

**Text-a-Tip**

Text "LCS plus your message" to 274637 (CRIMES)

Lafayette Crime Stoppers provides assistance to local law enforcement agencies to fight crime by helping to overcome the two elements that inhibit public involvement: fear & apathy.

Lafayette Crime Stoppers helps local law enforcement develop leads on cases by disseminating information and encouraging community involvement through anonymous tips.

Crime Stoppers also takes every opportunity available to assist local law enforcement in other ways. In 2016, Lafayette Crime Stoppers donated a fully trained, dual purpose (patrol functions and narcotics) to the Lafayette Sheriff's Office. K9 Thunder is a Dutch Shepherd that is valued just under \$14,000.



On July 18, 2016, the employees of the Lafayette Parish Sheriff's Office were surprised by the delivery of snack packs. Julie Newberg, Michelle Melchior, and many of their friends and family members, along with several Lafayette businesses (Walk-Ons, McDonalds, Gladiators Academy, and Uncle B's Gunsmithing), prepared and donated approximately 250 snack packs to the Sheriff's office. They also prepared an additional 260 packs for the Lafayette Police Department and 25 packs for the UL Police Department. The sheriff's office shared their gift packs with several of the surrounding agencies within the parish. These packs included water, energy drinks, snacks, and even treats for our K9s. Each snack pack also included some individually prepared artwork that was created by area children. Sheriff Mark Garber and all the employees of the Lafayette Parish Sheriff's Office are deeply moved and appreciative of the continued acts of kindness demonstrated by our community.

## COMMUNITY SUPPORT



2016 Back the Blue Barbecue

Jean Ouellet, owner of Performance Cleaning Services, said he was struck by Dallas Police Chief Brown's comments when he said, "we don't feel the support most days." Brown was talking about the way he perceived the relationship between the Dallas Police Department and the residents of Dallas. Ouellet decided to do something about it locally and with the help of Planet Ice owner Danny Smith, along with many other volunteers, they decided to host a local law enforcement appreciation barbecue. The "Back the Blue" barbecue was very well attended by local law enforcement and their family members in spite of the tragic events unfolding in Baton Rouge. The "Back the Blue" barbecue is only a small part of a larger campaign that Ouellet spearheaded to show support for local law enforcement by helping raise money for protective equipment.



Sheriff Mark Garber said, "Today we pray for those officers and deputies who have paid the ultimate price for their community and our hearts go out to the family members they leave behind. We are also reminded at how fortunate we are here in Acadiana to have such great support from our community. The Back the Blue campaign is such a blessing to us because it will allow us to give our deputies some much needed personal protective equipment upgrades quicker than we thought possible."

Sheriff Mark Garber was honored to receive a check for \$3,000 on behalf of the Lafayette Parish Sheriff's Office from a local chapter of Woodmen of the World. Woodmen of the World made the donation in support of the sheriff's efforts to upgrade the personal protective equipment worn by deputies who respond to high-risk situations. Sheriff Garber and the employees of the Lafayette Parish Sheriff's Office are grateful for the level of support we receive from our community and organizations such as Woodmen of the World.



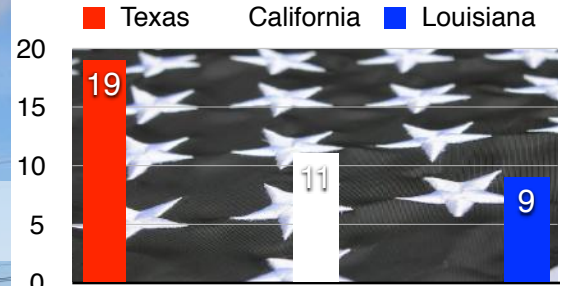


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**In 2016, Louisiana ranked third highest in the nation for “line of duty deaths” by law enforcement officers.**



Louisiana Law Enforcement Officers Memorial  
New Orleans, Louisiana



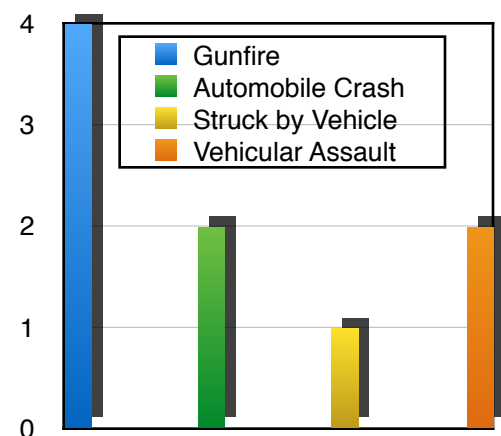
145 law enforcement officers died in the line of duty in the United States.

“Every day in Lafayette Parish, men and women put on protective vests and go to work serving this community. They are your **brothers** and **sisters**, **mothers** and **fathers**, **aunts** and **uncles**, **friends** and **neighbors**. They go to your church and their children and yours are in school together. You see them at ball games and any number of places around the community. They gladly wake up everyday and put on that uniform to protect you and the ones you love.”

*Sheriff Mark Garber*



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