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News from the Chief



Earlier this afternoon, I presented the police department's budget request to Mayor Barry for fiscal year 2016-17 that begins on July 1. We are proposing a \$12.1 million budget increase that I believe will allow public safety in our city to continue moving forward in the months and years ahead. The proposed increase is highlighted by growing the police department by 62 additional officers, which would raise our sworn strength from 1,431 to 1,493. This increase is necessary as we make plans for a new 9th precinct south of downtown, propose to expand the investigative capacity of the Domestic Violence Division, and, for the first time, assign School Resource Officers to the charter middle and high schools. Our request also includes 33 additional fulltime equivalent professional support staff positions for the continued success of the police department's "behind the scenes" operations.

As I told Mayor Barry, to keep pace with our city's growth, it is time to begin planning for a 9th precinct, which I suggested should open during fiscal year 2018-19. A new 9th precinct would cause several other precincts to shrink in size, likely including South, Midtown Hills and Hermitage. This would mean even better service and stronger partnerships between citizens and officers. A new 9th precinct will require approximately 60 additional officers. We propose bringing one third on board this fiscal year, 20 more the next, and the final 20 in fiscal year 2018-19.

Other highlights of our budget request include:

- Increasing the effectiveness of our Domestic Violence Division through 8 additional detectives and 2 sergeants. The 17 detectives in DV were tasked with working or reviewing more than 26,000 cases in 2015. DV has not seen an appreciable increase in investigative staffing in several years.
- Increasing staffing in Youth Services by 2 detectives to help in the implementation of a Youth Recidivism Reduction Program we will be undertaking in partnership with Juvenile Court and some of our very committed Youth Intervention pastors.
- Increasing funding to staff special events by an additional \$1.8 million. The police department uses extra-duty officers to staff special events such as the Country Music

Marathon, 4th of July Celebration, New Year's Eve Bash, SEC Tournament, Nashville Christmas Parade and traffic plans for major concerts and sporting events. Nashville's incredible popularity is attracting more and large special events that require increased public safety resources.

- Increasing funding for the Crime Laboratory by \$1.7 million to hire 5 additional scientists, 2 forensic technicians and 1 information systems analyst. Also, to remain competitive with similar laboratory positions in other agencies, we are seeking to upgrade 20 existing jobs. The ability to prioritize our own cases at the new crime laboratory, which has been in full operation since last May, is resulting in quicker scientific results and more expedient arrests. We want to do even better in the areas of DNA and Firearms. Additional staff will aid in even greater turnaround time and help in our effort to use DNA science to solve property crimes.
- Increasing the number of School Resource Officers by 27 to, for the first time, staff charter middle and high schools. We are also proposing to increase the number of School Crossing Guards by 25 to staff charter schools and 2 new Metro schools.
- Increasing funding in a number of other areas to allow for what we believe are necessary improvements to further the mission of the MNP.

Mayor Barry assured us that public safety and Metro employees will be among her top priorities as she prepares her budget submission for the Metro Council. We should learn more about the Mayor's proposed budget during her State of Metro address in late April.

Mayor Barry was very complimentary of the men and women of the police department both at the start and at the conclusion of our budget hearing this afternoon. Clearly, the credit goes to you. Thank you all very much for your professionalism and all that you do to enhance the safety of Nashville's families and visitors.



Happenings

Mayor Barry on March 7th welcomed 45 Nashvillians as they began the latest session of the Citizen Police Academy. This is the 33rd session of the program which began in 1995.



Domestic Violence Awareness Campaign

Chief Anderson and MNPD officers taped a public service announcement for the YWCA's MEND domestic violence awareness campaign. The spot will air during the March 31st Nashville Predators hockey game. MEND aims to engage men and boys in the conversation and effort to prevent domestic violence.



NAACP Nashville Youth Council School Resource Officer Forum

MNPD took part in the NAACP Nashville Youth Council School Resource Officer Forum on March 12th at Midtown Hills Precinct. The meeting focused on educating young people on the importance of engaging with law enforcement and what a young person can expect when encountering officers.



Detectives Receive Excellence Award

Detectives Chad Gish and Mike Adkins on March 8th received the Award for Excellence from U.S. Attorney David Rivera for their roles in bringing a child predator to justice.

In 2011, a senior inspector with the U.S. Marshal's Service went to the residence of Joseph Nichols to serve him with an outstanding warrant for violating the sex offender registry. Nichols, who was convicted of possessing child porn in 2008, was sentenced to four years of supervised probation, required to register as a sex offender, prohibited from using the Internet, and from living near a park or school.

Nichols, however, was living in a home within view of a Nashville playground. When the inspector entered Nichols' residence, he discovered that Nichols had fled and there was a movie still streaming on his computer. Nichols was found hiding behind sheet rock in a back room. The inspector immediately contacted MNPD Sex Crime's Detective Mike Adkins.

Detective Adkins already had an ongoing investigation involving Nichols after he got a report from a person who had purchased a used memory card, previously belonging to Nichols, that contained child pornography. After Nichols' arrest, Detective Adkins conducted an interview with Nichols who admitted that he had collected and shared hundreds of thousands of images and videos of child pornography. During the interview, Nichols also disclosed to Adkins that some years earlier, he had inappropriate contact with two children while working on computers in their parents' homes. Adkins collected the electronic evidence and turned it over to MNPD Technical Support Detective Chad Gish.

Detective Gish conducted a forensic analysis of the computer and hard drive seized from Nichols. Gish, an experienced forensic analyst, performed a time-consuming, comprehensive analysis of the defendant's computers, finding well over 44,000 images and 160 videos of child pornography. Nichols, a relatively sophisticated computer user, had received and shared many of these images and videos using peer-to-peer file sharing programs and via email.

Nichols was convicted of distribution of child pornography and sentenced to 18 years in jail, followed by lifetime supervised release.



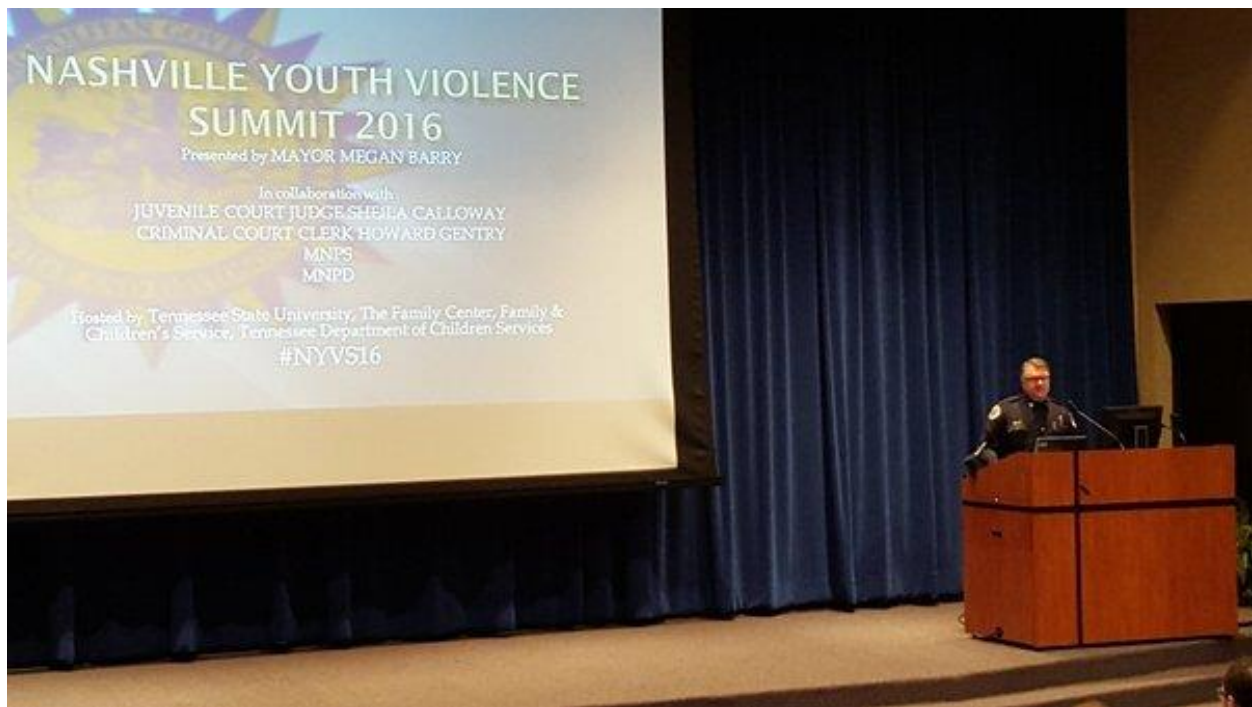
Pictured (l-r) are Detective Mike Adkins, U.S. Attorney David Rivera, and Detective Chad Gish.

Youth Violence Summit

Mayor Barry's Youth Violence Summit on February 27th centered on intervention from birth to age 12 at Tennessee State University's downtown Avon Williams campus.



Mayor Barry addresses attendees at Youth Violence Summit.



Youth Services Division Captain Gordon Howey opened Mayor Barry's February 27th Youth Violence Summit.

Trainees Visit Civil Rights Room

MNPD officer trainees received special instruction on March 16th in the Civil Rights Room of the Nashville Public Library.



Session 79 in the Civil Rights Room at the downtown library.

Metro Night Out

Mayor Barry on March 8th launched the first in a series of community events designed to connect residents with local elected officials, Metro departments and services available to them. The first event at the Bellevue Library was very well attended.





Community Coordinator Sergeants (l-r) James Vivrette, Rafael Fernandez, John Bourque, and Steve Linn.

Officers Take Part in Music Video

Country artist Randy Houser chooses Nashville for a new video of his #1 song “We Went”. MNPD officers were retained to take part during the March 10th filming on the Korean Veterans Memorial Bridge.





Precinct News

East

Officer Alex Moore makes this “junior” honorary officer’s day with a seat on his motorcycle.



We all have had a shoe malfunction at one time or another. Officer Audrean Manquero helps a 2-year-old with hers.



Community Coordinator Sergeant Mike Fisher and Officer Whitney Arnold read to children at Kirkpatrick Elementary School during Read Across America week.



Officer Whitney Arnold



Sgt. Mike Fisher

Madison

A vehicle stop just after midnight Saturday, led to the arrest of Donalson Carter, 46, and the seizure of ten grams of cocaine packaged for resale, various pills, and \$5,940 cash.

Officer Sam Corkins stopped Carter who was driving on Gallatin Pike near E. Webster without headlights on. As Officer Corkins approached the car, Carter is accused of tossing narcotics out of the passenger side window. He was taken into custody without incident.

Carter is currently on probation and has pending felony cocaine/weapon possession charges from this January.

Carter is now charged with felony drug possession and tampering with evidence.



Seized drugs & cash

Community Coordinator Sergeant James Vivrette visits local schools



Sgt. Vivrette on March 4th visits Stratton Elementary School.



Sgt. Vivrette on March 1st reads to students at Amqui Elementary School.

Hermitage

Lieutenant Matt Pylkas attends the annual Harding Academy event where first-graders earn money through household chores to buy stuffed animals for less fortunate children.



Midtown Hills

The first community mural art project, completed by Tennessee State University graduate and MNPS art teacher Lashayn Jones, is now on display at the Midtown Hills Precinct.

Artist Statement: *Painting is a form of expression that has always been enjoyable for me. I find the process of researching, planning, and producing work to be very therapeutic. I am inspired by life, people, places, and experiences. This painting is inspired by community events organized by the Midtown Hills Precinct in 2015. I value the hard work, dedication, professionalism, and integrity of the men and women of the Metropolitan Nashville Police Department.*



Artist Lashayn Jones

The Belmont University\ Midtowns Hills Precinct Art Project also continues with a grand unveiling of the mural to be announced.



Chief Anderson and Midtown Hills Precinct Commander Kay Lokey spoke to a packed house at the February 25th annual Crieve Hall Neighborhood Association meeting.



Specialized Investigations Division

Months of work by narcotics detectives assigned to the Specialized Investigations Division led to the takedown of a Nashville heroin distribution group with ties to Honduras. The alleged leader of the Nashville group, Victor Cardoza-Martinez, 24, admits to being a felon who had previously been deported from the United States.

This investigation began in mid-2015 after the police department received information that this group was distributing heroin and methamphetamine in the South Nashville area. Extensive surveillance was conducted and multiple undercover buys were made from the group. Contemporaneous search warrants were executed at a number of locations, including 5319 Nolensville Pike, apartment D-107 (where Cardoza-Martinez was arrested), 298 Cedarcreek Drive, 331 Wallace Road, 535 Raymond Street, 885 Irma Drive, 268 Coral Court, and 365 Paragon Mills Road. Seizures included \$10,717 cash, 7 vehicles, 7.5 ounces of methamphetamine, 6 ounces of heroin and 15 grams of cocaine.

At the 365 Paragon Mills apartment location, Carlos Ochoa, 26, was pulling out in a 2009 Infiniti sedan as officers arrived. Ochoa quickly accelerated, crossed the street and crashed the Infiniti into a tree line. Ochoa kicked his way out of the vehicle and fled on foot. Officers arrested him minutes later on Tampa Drive. Cocaine packaged for resale was recovered from the vehicle wreckage.

The 7 persons charged in this case are:

- Victor Cardoza-Martinez, who is charged with engaging in a heroin distribution conspiracy and 3 counts of selling methamphetamine. His bond is set at \$300,000.
- Walter Chinchilla, 21, of 885 Irma Drive, who is charged with engaging in a heroin distribution conspiracy. His bond is set at \$150,000.
- Juan Bonilla, 30, of 331 Wallace Road, who is charged with engaging in a heroin distribution conspiracy. His bond is set at \$150,000.
- Ruby Perez, 23, of 885 Irma Drive, who is charged with engaging in a heroin distribution conspiracy. Her bond is set at \$150,000.
- Josselyn Caceres-Barahona, 22, of 365 Paragon Mills Road, who is charged with possessing cocaine for resale.
- Carlos Ochoa, 26, of 4404 Tennessee Avenue, who is charged with possessing cocaine for resale, evading arrest, leaving the scene of a crash, and driving without a license.
- Fredy Reyes, 20, of Bridgeway Circle (not yet in custody), named in an outstanding warrant charging that engaged in a cocaine conspiracy.

The Specialized Investigations Division continues to make heroin interdiction a priority, fully realizing that heroin abuse is both a law enforcement issue and a public health threat. Heroin overdoses and deaths are significant concerns in cities across America, large and small, Nashville included.



In the first but likely not the last prosecution of its kind, an accused Nashville heroin dealer has been arrested on charges of 2nd degree murder and attempted 2nd degree murder for allegedly supplying fentanyl laced heroin that caused the death of one man and serious medical issues to another.

Derrick Huey, 18, of Meadow Court, was arrested on the homicide counts, one day after being charged with selling heroin.

East Precinct officers responded to a death call at 3 Fern Avenue on the afternoon of Tuesday, January 26th. James Roy Richardson Jr., 41, was found deceased on the floor of the residence. Jack F. Delocatera, 42, was found inside the living room and reported to police that he could not walk. A white powder that field tested positive for heroin was found in Delocatera's bedroom. Autopsy findings from the medical examiner showed that Richardson died from a lethal dose of fentanyl, an extremely potent substance some suppliers mix with heroin.

Delocatera acknowledged purchasing \$50 worth of heroin and splitting it with Richardson. The ensuing investigation by Detectives Jeannine Hale and Forest Drake, which involved the use of cell phone information, led to the identification of Derrick Huey as the suspected heroin dealer who sold to Delocatera. During an interview, Huey admitted that he sold cocaine and heroin in the area of Fern avenue.

Heroin interdiction continues to be a priority for the police department. Dealers should know of the potential for overdose deaths becoming homicide investigations. Likewise, users should be cognizant that any heroin they buy could, unknowing to them, contain an illicit form of fentanyl that is contributing to deaths across the nation.

Investigations similar to the one involving Huey are continuing by MNPd detectives.

Specialized Investigations Division narcotics detectives and federal Drug Enforcement Administration agents are continuing their investigation into a marijuana distribution conspiracy involving a 64-year-old South Nashville woman.

Deborah Carol Berrelleza of 141 Neese Drive was stopped by a Tennessee Highway Patrol trooper on I-40 east near Bellevue. Concealed in the vehicle were 265 pounds of packaged marijuana. Following the stop, search warrants were executed at Berrelleza's home and another residence on Brenda Lane. An additional 11 pounds of marijuana, 2 pounds of methamphetamine, more than \$30,000 cash and 3 vehicles were seized.

Berrelleza is charged with possession of marijuana for resale. She is being held in lieu of \$100,000 bond.



A three-week investigation into illegal drug sales on the Vanderbilt University campus led to the arrest of two students.

Edward William Letzer, 22, is charged with selling cocaine and possessing cocaine for resale. Tyler Igoe, 18, is charged with possession of marijuana for resale.

The MNPDP's Major Case Task Force led this investigation after receiving word from Vanderbilt Police that Letzer was suspected of dealing drugs from his dorm room in Carmichael Towers East. An undercover detective subsequently made two controlled buys on separate occasions, the first for a felony amount of marijuana, the second for a felony amount of powder cocaine. During the execution of a search warrant of Letzer's room, more than 100 pills, including Adderall and Xanax, 1 gram of cocaine, and \$3,130 cash were recovered.

Further investigation of Letzer led to the identification of Igoe as a person also suspected of being involved in the drug trade. Detectives discovered a quarter pound of marijuana concealed in his backpack.



Convicted murderer Nakia Knott is back in jail after he was found to be carrying 5 baggies of cocaine weighing a total of 6 ounces in the car he was driving.

Detectives from the Major Case Task Force of the Specialized Investigations Division today were conducting surveillance on Dickerson Pike near Briley Parkway when they noticed that Knott appeared to be involved in a suspicious transaction. Knott was stopped a short time later for operating the car without headlights in the rain and weaving. He was driving on a revoked license and placed under arrest. Knott declined to let officers search the interior of the 2010 Nissan Maxima, prompting a call for police dog Boston to check the vehicle. Boston alerted to an odor of narcotics. The cocaine was then discovered on the backseat of the car.

Knott, 41, was convicted of second-degree murder in 2014 and received a 10-year probated sentence. He was also convicted of possessing cocaine for resale in 2005, for which he received an 8-year sentence.

Knott is being held in lieu of \$210,000 bond on charges of possessing cocaine for resale and driving on a revoked license.

Identification Division

Lieutenant Frank Ragains on February 26th graduated from the 40th Session of the National Forensic Academy (NFA).

Lieutenant Ragains received the Dr. William Bass Award which recognizes the most outstanding student.

The NFA is an intensive 10-week program that is nationally recognized as the premier training program for crime scene investigations.



Pictured (l-r) are Program Manager Dr. Jeff Lindsay, Lt. Ragains, and Dr. William Bass.

From the Office of the D.A.

Director of Communications Dorinda Carter

A Nashville man convicted of rape, kidnapping, and robbery has received the maximum sentence of 150 years in prison. Davidson County Criminal Court Judge Cheryl Blackburn sentenced Peterpal Tutlam to 25 years in prison on each of the six counts of aggravated rape, especially aggravated kidnapping and especially aggravated robbery. In January, a Davidson County jury found Tutlam guilty of attacking two men outside a south Nashville apartment complex in 2012. The victims were beaten, stabbed repeatedly, robbed and forced to perform sex acts on each other by Tutlam and three other armed men.

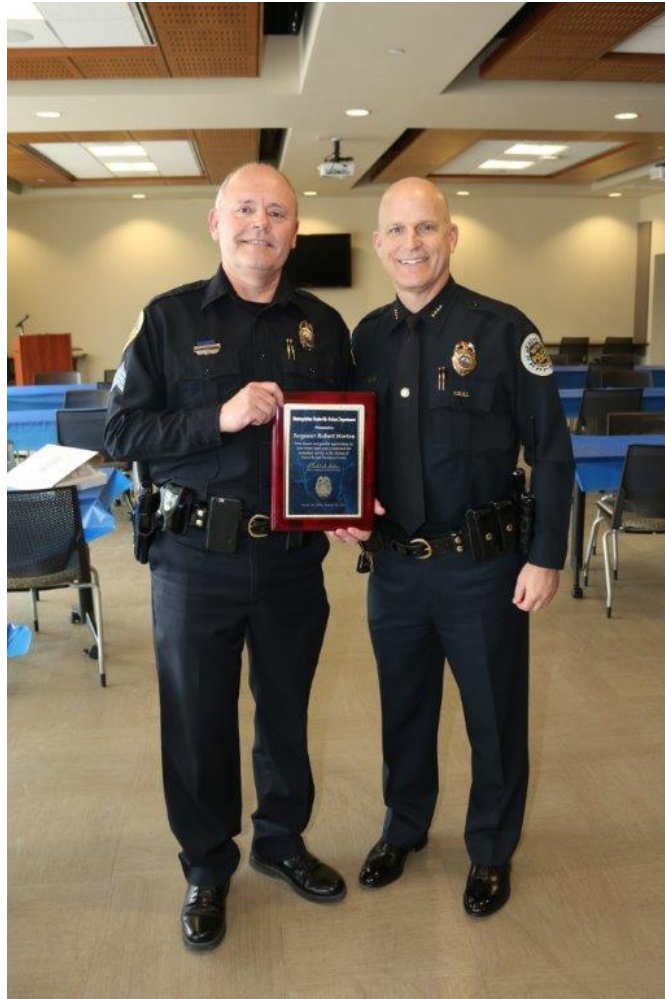
A man with a history of violence has been found guilty in the home invasion robbery of a Marine Corps veteran and could spend the rest of his life in prison. A Davidson County jury returned guilty verdicts against Mack Loyde, 37, on charges of aggravated robbery and aggravated burglary.

The victim in this case was a Marine Corps veteran who served in Afghanistan. He was asleep when the defendant and others broke into his home in Donelson in 2012. When the victim awoke, he found that his hands and feet were both bound together. A gun was held to the victim's head as he was robbed of rifles, computers, and his wallet. Assistant District Attorney Vince Wyatt said the defendant's history of violence shows that he is a danger to our community and should be off the streets. He faces life in prison without the possibility of parole under the "three strikes law."

The defendant will be sentenced in Davidson County Criminal Court on April 13, 2016.

Retirement Celebration

Sergeant Robert Norton celebrated 28 years of service



Pictured (l-r) are Sgt. Norton and Deputy Chief Brian Johnson

Congratulations:

Officer Edward Draves, Madison Precinct, and his wife, Catherine, welcomed their daughter Adalyn born on February 24th.

Officer Ashley Coon, Madison Precinct, and his wife welcomed their daughter Addison Claire born on March 5th.

Detective Gilbert Mana, Domestic Violence Division, and his wife welcomed their daughter Keza Hope Mana born on March 5th.

Officer George Oden, Madison Precinct, and his wife, Allison, welcomed their son born on March 10th.



Condolences:

Retired Captain Hilary D. Baker, the father of Officer Michael Baker, Hermitage Precinct, passed away. Captain Baker served from 1969-1996.

Dagney Bunkoske, the grandmother of Officer Kenneth Thomas, Madison Precinct, passed away on February 23rd.

Bobbie Gibson, the father of Canine Sergeant Brent Gibson and father-in-law of Training Academy Sergeant Tiffany Gibson, passed away on February 24th.

Dr. Lorraine W. Greene, retired Behavioral Health Services Manager, passed away on February 25th. Dr. Greene served from 1996-2012.

Retired Lieutenant William Satterfield, the uncle of Detective Danny Satterfield, Homicide/Cold Case, passed away on March 2nd. Lieutenant Satterfield served from 1962-1992.

Retired Officer Vester Ray Walden, who served from 1977-2001, passed away.

Tom Hilton, the grandfather of Sergeant Chris Turner, South Precinct, passed away on March 9th.

Walter Clemons, the father of Officer Eddie Clemons, East Precinct, passed away.

Ann Jones, the grandmother of Officer Steven Jones, Identification Division, passed away on March 14th.

Bruce Peebles, the son of Katie Peebles, Domestic Violence Division volunteer, passed away on March 16th.