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ON THE BEAT IN DISTRICT ONE

Captain Michael John District One Commander Sergeant Elena Moton District One Neighborhood Liaison Supervisor

## Message from Captain Mike John



At this time, we are happy to report the success of the **OTR Neighborhood Enhancement Program**. We have enjoyed a 90 focus of city services to the area, coupled with tremendous financial support, the result of community fund raising to support the initiative. There are just too many people to thank for all the work that was done, but it is clear, nothing could have been accomplished without collaboration with the community. Throughout the 90 days of the Over-The-Rhine NEP, District One recorded a **37% decrease** in reportable offenses compared with the same 90 day time period in 2014. **Violent crime decreased 53%**. Calls for service also showed a significant decrease – **down 24%** compared with March 1<sup>st</sup> through May 31<sup>st</sup> 2014. In addition to the numerous friendships created, probably the most visible indicator of change was the makeover of Grant Park.



To see the construction of the park from start to finish please access the link below:

Our Thanks to the following:

Harry Black; Mayor John Cranley; Cincinnati City Council; Chief Jeffrey Blackwell; Ethel Cogen; Amy Silver; Matt Andrews; Lt. Col Dave Bailey; Barbara Bell; Becky Costello; Bill Jacoby; Marissa Burroughs; Daniel Kalubi; Emilie Johnson; Tim Eppstein; Steve Gerth; Linda Holterhoff; John Wulsin; Jude Johnson; Dan Jones; Edwina Lyttle; Matt Jacob; Elena Moton; Steve Pacella; Patrick Dunn; Fred Prather; Jason Richards; Ryan Messer; Al Taylor; Pastor John Suguitan; countless volunteers; et. al.

## **Traffic Stop Nets Drugs**

On May 31, 2015, at approximately 7:10 p.m., Police Officer Tammy Hussels and Police Officer Adam Heine conducted a traffic stop at 15<sup>th</sup> Street at Moore Street in Over-the-Rhine. Officer Hussels summoned a narcotic detection canine to assist. Mr. Robert Carter exited his vehicle and Officer Heine noticed contraband on Mr. Carter's person. Officer Heine recovered 59 ecstasy pills from Mr. Carter. Mr. Carter was charged with Felony Drug Trafficking and Felony Drug Possession.



Mr. Robert Carter

## **Recovered Stolen Bikes**

At **845 Findlay Street** in the West End, District One officers recovered five bicycles they believed to be stolen. So far, we've only been able to match two of the five with owners. Of the more at least **twenty five bicycles** stolen in District One so far this year, only about twenty were reported to police. Of those twenty, only one owner had his serial number on hand to give to the police when he made a police report. That is how we verify ownership and match bicycles to offense reports.

**Jackie Irvin at Accell North America**, the parent company of Raleigh and Diamondback bicycles among others, said her companies ship hundreds of thousands of bikes each year but do not record to what distributors they sell which bicycles. They do however offer a service where bike buyers can register their bikes with the manufacturer. Had the owners of the bicycles we'd recovered this past weekend, done that, or had they had their serial numbers when they made a police report, they would have their bicycles back by now.

**Please record your serial numbers for all expensive and important purchases, not just your bicycles**. Also, consider using the manufacturer's registration service so we can go through them to return stolen property to its rightful owner.

### Trivia Question:

True or False? The Roebling Suspension Bridge, named after its designer – John A. Roebling, was the longest suspension bridge in the world in 1866. (Answer near the end of newsletter)

## Social Services

#### What is the **Freestore Foodbank**?

The Freestore Foodbank of Cincinnati, Ohio is the largest emergency food and services provider in the Tri-State area, providing more than 20 million meals annually over a 20 county region in Ohio, Kentucky and Indiana. We purchase, solicit and collect donated food from manufacturers, wholesalers, retailers and government agencies and distribute it to about 260 community partner agencies. The Freestore Foodbank is a member of Feeding America, the national network of food banks and food rescue programs. The Freestore Foodbank is an independent nonprofit 501(c) (3) organization.

#### What is the Freestore Foodbank's mission?

Their mission is to provide food and services, create stability and further self-reliance for people in crisis.

#### Where is the Freestore Foodbank located in District One?

Jeff and Darlene Anderson Family Building 1141 Central Parkway Cincinnati OH 45202 \*This location houses administrative offices and the Rosenthal Community Kitchen, which is the home to Cincinnati Cooks Catering and our Cincinnati COOKS! Culinary job training program

Customer Connection Center 112 E. Liberty Street Cincinnati OH 45202 \*This location houses administrative offices, as well as our Food Room and additional services for our customers.

#### How does the Freestore Foodbank get food?

National and local food manufacturers, wholesalers, retailers, brokers and food distributors donate food and supplies to the Freestore Foodbank, including packaged, canned, perishable and non-perishable food, which meet all food safety and nutrition standards. In order to supply the food programs with specific products, the Freestore Foodbank also purchases large quantities of staple foods and basic supplies at wholesale prices, utilizing donated funds. Additionally, traditional canned food drives total thousands of meals donated by the community.

#### How is the **food distributed**?

Food arrives at the Freestore Foodbank on pallets from retailers or wholesalers or in barrels from community food drives. The food is inspected, sorted, labeled and stored at our Distribution Center for repacking and distribution. Community partner agencies order food based on their needs and are able to pick up their orders or have them delivered.

Additionally, our Mobile Food Pantry delivers food to rural areas, where there are gaps in our service; and our Power Pack and Kids Cafe programs provide thousands of meals monthly to hungry children.

#### How can someone receive assistance Freestore Foodbank?

The Freestore Foodbank provides emergency food and other services at our Customer Connection Center in Over-the-Rhine. We also distribute food through our network of 260 community partner agencies located in our Tri-State area.

#### Does the Freestore Foodbank sell food?

The Freestore Foodbank does not and cannot sell donated food. In addition, our network of community partner agencies are prohibited from selling food intended for those in need. Community partner agencies do contribute a small shared maintenance fee to cover operational costs; the rate is charged by the pound and varies by type of food.

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#### Did you know?

# (CMC) Sec. 910-13. Interference With Pedestrian or Vehicular Traffic

No one may interfere with pedestrian traffic on a public sidewalk. This means that a person may not walk, stand, sit, lie, or grab, touch or approach another person, in a public place so as to block, interfere with, or impede the passage of any person.

Whoever violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor of the fourth degree which means that a physical arrest and trip to the justice center is an option for the officer.

Please do not block sidewalks and be courteous to people using the walkways. Sidewalks are for everyone to walk safely from one destination to another.

Safety Tips

# Criminals look into cars.



## Crime Triangle

There are three elements necessary for a crime to occur. You have to have a likely offender and a suitable victim coming together in a time/place. If you don't have any one of these three parts: offender, victim, and place, a crime won't occur. Taking action on any of the sides of the crime triangle will prevent a crime. For example placing a light in an otherwise dark alley may make a criminal feel more exposed and therefor choose to not commit a crime at that location.



## **Trivia Question Answer:**

#### True.

It maintained this status until completion of the Brooklyn Bridge in 1883 also designed by John A. Roebling.

## **District One Safety Sector Meetings (Please Note Changes)**

District One facilitates monthly Safety Sector Meetings for the local neighborhoods. Safety Sector Meetings give the citizens and business owners a chance to talk one on one with police officers and supervisors regarding crime and safety issues in their neighborhoods. Everyone is invited to attend.

- Over-the-Rhine/Washington Park/Art Academy Safety Sector Meeting 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the Month at 2:00 p.m. Over-the-Rhine Chamber of Commerce 1431 Walnut Street
- West End Safety Sector Meeting 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the Month at 6:00 p.m. City West Community Room – 1202 Linn Street
- Pendleton Safety Sector Meeting (May 21<sup>st</sup> is First Meeting) 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the Month at 6:00 p.m.
  430 Reading Road (Verdin Building)

# **Contact Us**

All District One Officers continue to work cooperatively to reduce crime and disorder. Anyone with information on any crime or disorder issues in the District One area, please call (Non-Emergency) (513)765-1212. If a crime is in progress, call 911.

Anyone who has information pertaining to any felony investigation, or offense of violence, is asked to call CRIMESTOPPERS at (513)352-3040 or text "CINTIP" plus your message to CRIMES (274637). Callers may remain anonymous and receive compensation for their information.

If you need to discuss any community issues call Sergeant Elena Moton at (513) 352-1210 or email her at <u>elena.moton@cincinnati-oh.gov</u>.

