



GRANT PARISH

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SHERIFF'S UPDATE

SHERIFF STEVEN M^CCAIN



OUR MISSION CONTINUES...

The Grant Parish Sheriff's Office is continuing its mission of serving the citizens of Grant Parish. Under the leadership of Sheriff Steven McCain and the professional law enforcement deputies who make up the organization, the Grant Parish Sheriff's Office is proud to be an active partner in the progress of our parish and our great quality of life.

"Our job and our mission is to support our citizens and to do our part to make Grant Parish the best place to live, work, and worship in our state," said Sheriff McCain.

This newsletter is an overview of the services provided by the office and a review of some of

the law enforcement related actions in 2021.

The Sheriff's Office encourages citizens to stay informed about important events and possible emergencies that may occur. See the back page of this newsletter to sign up for Emergency Text Alerts and take an online survey to voice opinions about important matters relating to Grant Parish.

All citizens are encouraged and welcomed to call the Sheriff's Office with their concerns anytime at (318) 627-3261.



Sheriff Steven McCain



The goal of the Grant Parish Sheriff's Office is to provide a service to the people of our community.

You deserve the very best service possible.

We have a tremendous team that works hard for our community.

Thank you for allowing us the opportunity to serve you.



CIVIL DIVISION

The Civil Division is responsible for most financial matters and services at the Sheriff's Office. Their duties include serving civil papers, collecting fines ordered by the court, collecting sales taxes remitted by local businesses, and collecting property taxes from property owners.

Each year, the Civil Division handles millions of taxpayer dollars which are dispersed to local governments. The Division is audited each year by an independent auditor whose job is to ensure no mistakes or errors have been made. Once again, there were "no findings" of the Grant Parish Sheriff's Office, meaning the auditor was not able to find any problems. The audit is evidence that the team in the civil office does a great job taking care of the public's money and that it is being handled responsibly and with accuracy.

CORRECTIONS DIVISION

The Corrections Division manages the Grant Parish Detention Facility, which houses those arrested for crimes in Grant Parish and some who are incarcerated with the Louisiana Department of Corrections.

Each year, the Department of Corrections inspects every jail in the state. In 2021, the Grant Parish Detention Facility was commended as a 'model for facilities' in Louisiana. The inspector reported that of all the facilities that he inspects throughout Louisiana, the Grant Parish Detention Facility is by far one of the cleanest and nicest facilities inspected.

The Corrections Division also manages inmate cleanup crews in the parish that include litter pickup, cleaning dumpster sites, and mowing and weed-eating along state roads.



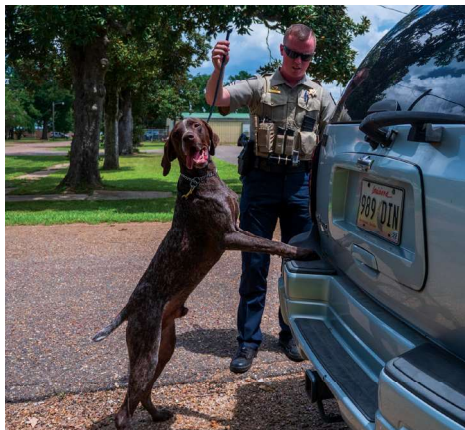


CRIMINAL PATROL AND INVESTIGATIONS

The Criminal Patrol and the Investigations Division of the Grant Parish Sheriff's Office are dedicated law enforcement professionals who work diligently to protect our citizens by enforcing our laws fairly and responsibly.

Patrol deputies with the Grant Parish Sheriff's Office are required to complete a 17 week police academy.

Deputies are trained to respond to and act upon numerous matters



including investigating traffic accidents, resolving conflicts, DWI enforcement, helping motorists in need of assistance, and partnering with our schools to mentor and educate our kids about the dangers of drug and alcohol use.

Investigators are tasked with felony and misdemeanor crime investigations, including violent

crimes, sex crimes, property thefts, and narcotics.

In 2021, there were 1,159 arrests in Grant Parish. Drug related arrests accounted for 65% of these, and 42% of the arrests involved out-of-parish suspects.

"We continue to fight illegal narcotics entering into our parish. We have no tolerance for drug dealers and will enforce the law to ensure they are removed from our parish. Our citizens deserve to live in a community without the ill-effects and related crimes due to illegal narcotics," said Chief Deputy Stacey Roberts.

You are encouraged to help in this fight by notifying the Sheriff's Office if you suspect drug activity in your community.





2021 TOYS 4 KIDS DISTRIBUTION



K-9 DEPUTY DEMONSTRATION COLFAX ELEMENTARY





MAKING A DIFFERENCE, TOGETHER!

COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAMS

Senior Citizens - TRIAD • Emergency Texting Alert System • NOMAD Program • Fatal Vision/ Impaired Driving Classes • Funeral Escorts • Kids Camps - Camp Grant Walker / Camp Hardtner • ATV Safety • Cyberbullying/Peer Pressure Awareness • D.A.R.E. Program • Fire Safety • Toys 4 Kids • Litter Abatement-Dumpster Cleanup • Church Safety Self-Defense Classes • Senior Citizens Commodities Distribution • New Resident Welcome Package

GPSO RESPONDS: THREE MAJOR WEATHER CATASTROPHES IN 2020-21



During the past 18 months, the citizens of Grant Parish experienced two major hurricanes and two extremely harsh winter storms. The Sheriff's Office responded to these events in numerous ways including responding to citizens in need, helping restore the infrastructure, and protecting businesses from potential looting.



HURRICANE DELTA

"In any weather event, having a plan in place prior to its impact is critical. We were able to have our resources ready to act and respond

effectively because of prior planning and working with other agencies," said Sheriff McCain.

"During the events, we executed our emergency contingency resources and went into action. With folks without power and without water, we responded to help the most vulnerable citizens when possible. Also, we had help from many citizens and other agencies who pitched in to cut trees, clear debris, and check on their neighbors."

In an effort to keep the parish informed, Sheriff McCain delivered weather updates frequently, prior to, and during the storms. By using the power of social media and news media outlets, these updates were immediately released to the public.



HURRICANE LAURA



WINTER STORM 2021

These notifications allowed the citizens to prepare ahead of time by getting their property secured as much as possible before the storms hit, which lessened the damages

in many cases.

As severe as the storms were, it truly brought out the best of our community. It was great to see everyone working together, to help others.

WORKING TOGETHER WITH OUR FIREFIGHTERS

The Sheriff's Office applied for a grant that provided medical kits to every fire department and police department in Grant Parish.

There are 7 Fire Districts throughout Grant Parish that respond to house fires, brush fires, wrecks with injuries, and medical emergencies.

Each of the fire departments in our parish are filled with volunteers that are willing to donate their time, effort, and risk their safety to help others.

The ones in Grant Parish are second to none, and our community truly appreciates this dedicated group that is willing to serve.



Sheriff Steven McCain Presenting an Advanced Life Saving Medical Kit to Pollock Fire Chief Clyde Lemmons

COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION

911

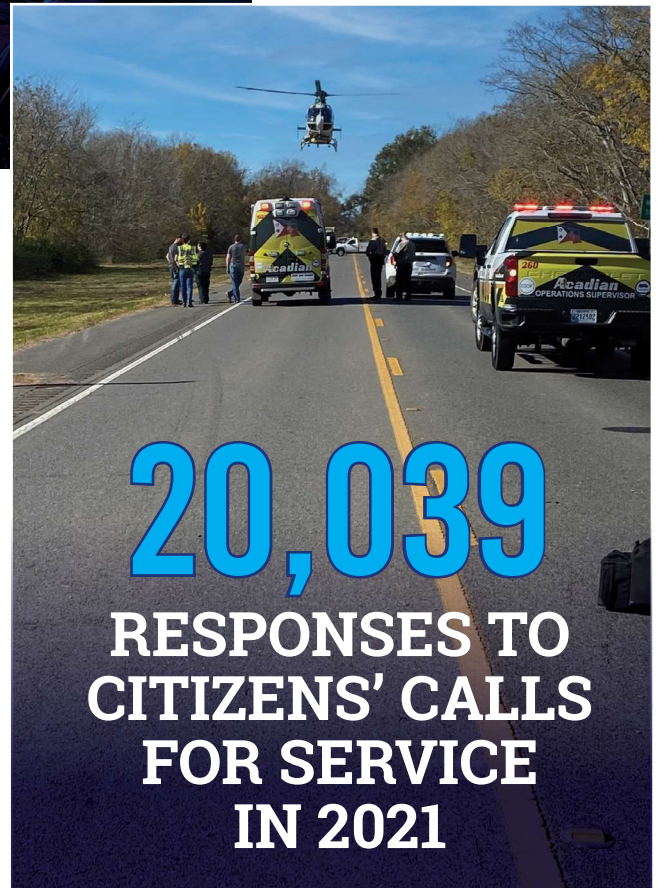
REAL-TIME EMERGENCY AND CRIME RESPONSE CENTER

The Communications Division works hard behind the scenes with the responsibility of receiving 911 calls and non-emergency calls from throughout Grant Parish. They are trained to determine the kind of help needed and then dispatch the fire department, ambulance, or law enforcement.

The Grant Parish Sheriff's Office is unique to many other parishes. In addition to being the 911 center for the parish, our communications division also dispatches for every town police department, fire district and monitors school bus radio traffic.



**SAVING
LIVES,
ONE
SECOND
AT A
TIME**



Dispatchers and Deputies work together to respond to a motorist in need of assistance.



BARCODE

CITIZEN SURVEY

We Want To Hear From You!

To participate in our online survey, scan barcode with your cell phone or visit bit.ly/grantso2022.

Or you may call (318) 627-2035 to request a survey be mailed to you.

CONTACT US:

FOR EMERGENCIES DIAL 911

NON-EMERGENCY CONTACT:

SHERIFF'S OFFICE (318) 627-3261

WEBSITE: GRANTSO.ORG

FACEBOOK.COM/GRANTPARISHSO

SIGN UP:

**EMERGENCY
TEXT ALERTS**

**TEXT
"GRANTPARISH"
TO 888777**

SUBMIT AN ANONYMOUS TIP

WWW.GRANTSO.ORG/TIPSUBMIT

YOUR SHERIFF'S OFFICE IN 2021 BY THE NUMBERS:

1,159

**ARRESTS
IN 2021**

65%

**OF ARRESTS ARE
DRUG RELATED**

42%

**OF PEOPLE
ARRESTED ARE
FROM ANOTHER
PARISH**

WE ARE WORKING FOR YOU!

