

MEMORANDUM

LOUISVILLE METRO POLICE DEPARTMENT

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TO: All Personnel

FROM: Yvette Gentry
Chief of Police



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RE: Personnel Action Report (3rd Qtr 2020)
Personnel Memorandum #20-042

This report is produced on a quarterly basis and provides personnel with accurate information concerning personnel actions that occur throughout the year. Included are commendations, recognitions, appreciations, disciplinary actions, and complaint dispositions for sworn and civilian personnel.

Division, section, and unit commanders are requested to ensure that all personnel are made aware of this information and that a copy of this report is posted in each division/section/unit for the next ten (10) days.

**Commendations / Recognitions / Appreciations
July – September 2020**

Officers Aaron Flannery and Jason Woods	7/17/2020	Appreciation letter for their admirable resolution of a problem.
Officer Ricky Miller	7/17/2020	Appreciation letter for his estimable assistance to a woman who was assaulted and couldn't speak English.
Officers Kent Rusch, Brian Hamblen, and Phillip Hamm	7/17/2020	Appreciation letter for their excellent assistance to a citizen involved in an incident.
Ms. Meghan Ware	7/17/2020	Appreciation letter for her exceptional help throughout the process of reporting a sexual assault.
Officer James Sattich	7/17/2020	Appreciation letter for his extraordinary response to a suspicious vehicle with six (6) individuals in possession of numerous stolen items.
Lieutenant Grant Riggs and Officer Scott Claxon	7/17/2020	Appreciation letter for their first-rate work, professionalism, and dedication amid the civil unrest in Louisville.
Officer Eugenio Castaneda	7/17/2020	Appreciation letter for his highly-regarded assistance to an insurance investigator regarding an accident.
Officer Taylor Cundiff	7/17/2020	Commendation letter for his impressive assistance to a citizen who had his license plate stolen. He was able to retrieve the plate and return it to him.
Ms. Pauline Soden	7/17/2020	Commendation letter for her laudable assistance to a victim who was involved in an injury accident and needed help filling out the collision report.
Detective John Chenault, Officers Charles Meek, and Christopher Marks	7/17/2020	Commendation letter for their notable felony stop on a rolling, stolen vehicle. Due to the exceptional tactics utilized, the vehicle was stopped and both subjects were arrested without incident. A stolen handgun, an AR-15, and two (2) ski masks were recovered from the car.

Officer Robert Ross	7/17/2020	Commendation letter for his outstanding roll call training for the patrol platoons in the Fourth Division regarding current tactics that demonstrators were implementing to facilitate criminal activity during the civil unrest in Louisville.
Officers Natasha Sydnor and Ryan Noland	7/17/2020	Commendation letter for their praiseworthy response when they discovered discarded items and conducted a thorough investigation. They were able to return approximately \$25,000 worth of equipment to a local business.
Officers Cameron Chesser, Charles Meek, Christopher Marks, Michael Pugh, and Jason Maguire	7/17/2020	Commendation letter for their remarkable location of a stolen vehicle. They utilized sound pursuit tactics resulting in the apprehension of two (2) occupants after a short foot chase. They were able to recover the stolen vehicle and a gun used in the carjacking.
Officers Christopher Marks and Charles Meek	7/17/2020	Commendation letter for their significant initiation of a traffic stop on a vehicle whose driver was wanted for questioning in relation to a recent homicide. The driver was a convicted felon, in possession of a firearm and heroin.
Officers Steven Gida, Christen Branan, Ricardo Miller, Michael Simpson, Randall Richardson, and Michael Trevino	7/17/2020	Commendation letter for increasing the quality of life for Louisville residents, by resolving a potentially dangerous situation.
Sergeant Jennifer Knopf, Officers Steven Gida, Michael Simpson, Randall Richardson, and Andrea Jenkins	7/17/2020	Commendation letter for their superb response when they were dispatched to make a stolen vehicle report. Responding units closed in on the area and apprehended all the suspects without initiating a vehicle pursuit.
Officer Taylor Cundiff	7/17/2020	Commendation letter for his top-notch efforts to change the current process involving temporary tags for vehicles that offer little identifying information and are easily acquired.

Detective Joe Nett	7/17/2020	Commendation letter for his unrivaled investigation of a robbery. After viewing surveillance images, he interviewed the complainant again, who ultimately admitted he had lied about the incident.
Officers Katie Crews, Ke'Lynn Tyler, and Carlyn Alexander	7/17/2020	Commendation letter for their valiant response to a shooting victim who suffered a gunshot wound to his leg. A tourniquet was applied to his leg, possibly saving his life.
Officers Jordan Preston, Adam Moseley, and Shane Justis	7/17/2020	Commendation letter for their worthy assistance to a shooting investigation due to knowledge of the suspect. The suspect was contacted near his home and gave consent to search his car. A shell casing was found and believed to be identical to the casings recovered at the scene of the shooting. The suspect gave a full confession to his involvement and was arrested.
Sergeant Andrew Rodman, Officers Aimee Mills, Adam Moseley, and Cody Farmer	7/17/2020	Commendation letter for their admirable response to a male victim with a gunshot wound to his right hand. The shooter attempted to leave the location and was quickly apprehended. The firearm was located and the scene was secured for Emergency Medical Services (EMS) to render aid to the victim.
Officers Christopher Cannon, John Perkins, and Lawman Chibundi	7/17/2020	Commendation letter for their estimable response to a citizen's complaint that subjects were drinking and doing drugs nightly, leaving their trash on the ground. The officers investigated and recovered a 9mm AR style pistol and a large amount of marijuana and other narcotic paraphernalia. One arrest was made, along with the recovery of a second gun.
Officer Devyn Harris	7/17/2020	Commendation letter for his excellent efforts in capturing a known, violent fugitive wanted for a violent street robbery. In addition, the suspect was a convicted felon who was in possession of a firearm.

Officers Chase Barnett and Jeffrey Bishop	7/17/2020	Commendation letter for their exceptional efforts with the arrest of two (2) suspects who were in possession of a stolen vehicle taken during a carjacking.
Officers Robinson Desroches and Jared Vinson	7/17/2020	Commendation letter for their exemplary efforts regarding a juvenile who was firing rounds in a parking lot. They detained the suspect and located the handgun in the bushes nearby.
Officers Sarah Stumler and Greg Johnson	7/17/2020	Commendation letter for their extraordinary response to a postal worker who was attacked by dogs. The victim had deep open wounds with exposed bone. They applied a tourniquet to her arm and thigh areas. EMS transported her to the hospital.
Officer Brent Maynard	7/17/2020	Commendation letter for his first-rate work during the month of April and the first week of May 2020. Utilizing the License Plate Reader (LPR) car, he successfully stopped eight (8) occupied vehicles confirmed as stolen. He apprehended and arrested the suspected driver in each of these cases. In addition, six (6) co-defendants were also apprehended on various charges.
Detective Adam Lady and Officer Chase Lambert	7/17/2020	Commendation letter for their heroic response to a man armed with a gun and a machete. They located his vehicle in an alley and prepared to perform a felony stop. The suspect had left the vehicle and approached them holding a gun and a machete. The suspect was ordered to drop the weapons and complied. He was placed in handcuffs and the weapons were retrieved. The gun was stolen from a police department in Massachusetts and the vehicle was also stolen.

Officers Clayton Poff, Esther Ragan, Austin Allen, Katie Crews, Chad Davis, Bailey McIntosh, Jared Vinson, Justin Nava, Joshua McKinley, and K9 Bubba	7/17/2020	Commendation letter for their highly-regarded response to a ShotSpotter run. The subject fled and a perimeter was established. The subject was located and taken into custody without incident. He had a handgun in his pants pocket that fell out during the chase and was later recovered.
Officer Danielle Smith	7/17/2020	Commendation letter for her impressive response to a break-in in-progress. The suspect was still inside the location but could not be found. There was no key to a locked storage room and access was through the bottom of the refrigerator doors. She climbed through, allowed officers in, and found the suspect asleep. He was arrested for burglary.
Officers Randall Richardson, Samantha Stevens, and Michael Simpson	7/17/2020	Commendation letter for their incomparable response after making several domestic runs to the same address. A child, who loved to read, lived at the residence, but had limited resources and was unable to access public/school libraries. They collected various books, art, and school supplies for the child, who was overwhelmed with gratitude.
Officers John Sholar, Charles Mathieson, Austin Smith, and Cody Stinnett	7/17/2020	Commendation letter for their laudable response to an active protest. Several gunshots were fired nearby, and seven (7) citizens were wounded. They found a male victim on the ground with two (2) gunshot wounds to his leg. A tourniquet was applied, but EMS was unable to enter the area. They loaded the victim into a patrol car and transported him to UofL Hospital. The victim is expected to make a full recovery.
Officers Steven Gida and Tevis Younger	7/17/2020	Commendation letter for their notable response to a missing person report. They began searching and located the female juvenile in some bushes. The child was afraid of police, but they calmed her down and explained they were there to help. Eventually, the juvenile went home with her mom.

Officer Brendan Koerner	7/17/2020	Commendation letter for her outstanding response on a call for service to assist a family in crisis. A loved one, who was suffering from dementia, needed to go to UofL Hospital. Because of his compassion, he was able to convince the gentleman to come with him to the hospital to adjust his medications.
Officers Steven Gida and Tevis Younger	7/17/2020	Commendation letter for their phenomenal response to a break-in in-progress at a local drug store. Two (2) unknown subjects fled out the back while four (4) subjects fled out the front doors. After a short foot pursuit, the subjects were detained. One subject was in possession of a key to a stolen vehicle. Inside the stolen vehicle were three (3) firearms, multiple keys to various vehicles, and stolen prescription medications. The medications were returned to the drug store. The case is being handled by federal prosecutors.
Officer Chase Allen	7/17/2020	Commendation letter for his praiseworthy dedication. He worked 17 days without a day off and never complained. Since then, he has been assigned 64 new cases while working on 40 cases prior to that.
Officers Megan Arnold, James Fischer, and Blake Cooper	7/17/2020	Commendation letter for their remarkable response to a domestic violence call. The suspect was threatening to kill the victim. They arrived and saw the door was open and could hear the suspect yelling. The suspect was holding the victim at knifepoint. Eventually, the suspect complied with orders and dropped the knife. He was taken into custody.

Officers Alexander Gibson and Matthew Sullivan	7/17/2020	Commendation letter for their significant response on a stolen car run. The victim stated two (2) vehicles had been stolen from the location. One (1) vehicle was equipped with GPS tracking and the officers learned the vehicle was currently being operated. The officers discovered the vehicle was occupied by a juvenile suspect. The suspect was detained and the vehicle was returned to its owner. They also recovered a stolen 9mm handgun and other suspected stolen items.
Officers Matthew Marcum, Heather Gregory, Drew Weldy, Ricky Miller, Jeremiah Nimmo, and K9 Hondo	7/21/2020	Commendation letter for their substantial assistance to Eighth Division officers with a break-in/looting in-progress. They assisted in arresting ten (10) suspects, the recovery of a car, and the recovery of approximately \$100,000 worth of stolen jewelry.
Sergeant Jeffery Lauder, Officers Jeff Emerich, Edward Johnson, Chase Lambert, Adam Lady, Cameron Chesser, Christopher Marks, Allan Manganello, Meagon Thiele, Mike Faulkner, Bryan Burgess, Paige Young, Jason Maguire, Kelly Lietz, Charles Meek, Megan Woolston, Crystal Powell, and Adam Sears	7/21/2020	Commendation letter for their superb efforts responding to pop-up protests throughout Louisville. They volunteered to stay late to provide support. While maintaining professionalism and poise under pressure, they worked together to make 40 arrests, while seizing two (2) firearms.
Chaplain Mathew Fenlon	7/21/2020	Commendation letter for his highly-regarded emotional support and spiritual guidance for anyone who required it.
Officer Vladimir Aguilera Perez	7/21/2020	Commendation letter for his top-notch assistance. While off-duty, he assisted a citizen whose vehicle suffered a flat tire on a busy street. He stopped, blocked her car for safety, and changed the tire.
Officer William Greenwell	7/21/2020	Commendation letter for his valiant response to a 911 call regarding a vehicle accident after another driver ran a red light.

Officers Joshua Arnwine and Robert W. Ross	7/21/2020	Commendation letter for their worthy response to a victim who was hit by a stray bullet. Officer Arnwine applied a tourniquet above the wound and applied pressure at the wound to prevent the victim from bleeding out. EMS arrived and transported the patient to UofL Hospital. The Emergency Room Physician stated that had the tourniquet not been applied when it was, the victim would have likely died before arriving at the hospital. Nominated for the Distinguished Lifesaving Award.
Officers Porter Button, William Ratliff, and Percy Minor	7/21/2020	Commendation letter for their admirable response to a male who had just been shot. They immediately began lifesaving measures and because of their heroic actions, the victim had a pulse and was able to be transported to UofL Hospital. Nominated for the Distinguished Lifesaving Award.
Officers James Kuepper and Brendan Koerner	7/21/2020	Commendation letter for their courageous response to a gunshot victim. They began lifesaving measures until EMS arrived and transported the victim to UofL Hospital. The victim would have died without the officers' intervention. Nominated for the Distinguished Lifesaving Award.
Officers Meagon Thiele and Robert Ross	7/21/2020	Commendation letter for their estimable response to a one-month-old infant who was unresponsive and not breathing. They performed very light back slaps, checking the infant's mouth for any foreign objects. The officers then used a suction tool to clear her airways, after which the infant became responsive. EMS arrived and transported the mother and her child, who were both in crisis. Nominated for the Distinguished Lifesaving Award.

Officer Katie Crews	7/21/2020	Commendation letter for her excellent response to a shooting. Officer Crews located the victim, who had a gunshot wound to his leg with uncontrolled bleeding. She quickly applied a tourniquet to the victim's leg before EMS arrived. The victim survived because of Officer Crew's quick response. Nominated for the Distinguished Lifesaving Award.
Officers Charles Heller, Nicholas Barnes, Brett Ringswald, and Braden Lammers	7/21/2020	Commendation letter for their exceptional response to a male who was shot in the chest. They applied chest seals and initiated chest compressions and rescue breaths. Louisville Fire and Rescue arrived and took over medical care while the officers secured the scene. Nominated for the Distinguished Lifesaving Award.
Officer Matthew Foust	7/21/2020	Commendation letter for his exemplary response to a call for assistance during civil unrest in Louisville. Officer Foust responded and located a victim who was shot in his lower back. EMS could not safely get into the area, so Officer Foust transported the victim to the hospital where the victim could receive treatment and recover from his injuries. Nominated for the Exceptional Merit Award.
Officer Allison Grider	7/21/2020	Commendation letter for her extraordinary demeanor when she was involved in a serious roll-over crash. Officer Grider stayed calm and communicated effectively over the radio with rescuers during her rescue. Nominated for the Exceptional Merit Award.

<p>Officers Brett Ringswald, Charles Heller, and Nicholas Barnes</p>	<p>7/21/2020</p>	<p>Commendation letter for their first-rate assistance to EMS. The patient had overdosed on heroin and was unconscious. The officers took over CPR and were able to locate a pulse from the patient. The officers administered a dose of Naloxone and initiated rescue breaths. Shortly after EMS arrived, the patient woke up and was transported to UofL Hospital. Nominated for the Exceptional Merit Award.</p>
<p>Sergeant Andreas Shabaan Ali, Officers Bradley Aubin, and Angel Davidson</p>	<p>7/21/2020</p>	<p>Commendation letter for their heroic response when, while they were responding to two (2) shooting victims, an officer was involved in a roll-over injury collision. The officers assisted the Okolona Fire Department with forcing the driver's side door open and extracting the officer from her totaled vehicle. Nominated for the Exceptional Merit Award.</p>
<p>Officers Mark Manning and Jason Burba</p>	<p>7/21/2020</p>	<p>Commendation letter for their highly-regarded efforts in locating a missing 11-year-old child with diminished capacity. The officers found the child in a pond, face down. They initiated CPR. Once EMS arrived, they carried the child to the ambulance. A route was set up to the hospital for EMS by blocking off intersections and escorting the ambulance to Kosair Children's Hospital. Nominated for the Exceptional Merit Award.</p>
<p>Officers David Eades, Dusten Dean, and Matthew Middleton</p>	<p>7/21/2020</p>	<p>Commendation letter for their impressive efforts during several high-profile events that occurred in Louisville. The officers were instrumental in making sure every officer working during these difficult times was supplied with critical items they needed to ensure their safety and success. Nominated for the Exceptional Merit Award.</p>

<p>Officers Scott Walker, David Haight, David Ledbetter, Robert Krugler, Donald Miller, Stephen Roederer, Donald Miller, and Christopher Bond</p>	<p>7/21/2020</p>	<p>Commendation letter for their incomparable response to the report of multiple shots fired and multiple victims wounded. The hostile crowd prevented EMS from reaching a victim. They quickly loaded the victim into the back of the armored vehicle where paramedic, Kyle Simpson, was waiting to provide medical support. The victim was then transported to UofL Hospital in the back of the armored vehicle. Because of their safe control of the situation, six (6) other victims with gunshot wounds received on-site medical treatment. Nominated for the Medal of Valor and Distinguished Lifesaving Awards.</p>
<p>Officer Aaron Browning</p>	<p>7/21/2020</p>	<p>Commendation letter for his laudable response to multiple suspects attempting to set fire to an eight-story building. A trash can that was fully engulfed in fire was thrown through a large glass window. Officer Browning climbed through the broken window, grabbed the flame-filled trash can, and threw it back out into the street. His selfless action spared the destruction of the building. Nominated for the Medal of Valor Award.</p>
<p>Detective Dustin Clem, Officers Justin Witt, and Erik Velten</p>	<p>7/21/2020</p>	<p>Commendation letter for their notable response to a semi-truck driver and wrecker driver trapped in their vehicles during civil unrest. The protestors on the scene caused damage to the vehicles and became violent with the drivers. The officers entered the intersection with emergency equipment activated, cleared the items that were preventing the vehicles from escaping, and escorted the vehicles out of the area without incident. Nominated for the Medal of Valor Award.</p>

Lieutenant Aaron Crowell	7/21/2020	Commendation letter for his outstanding response to a visibly upset crowd. He walked into the group without shields or gear and began a dialogue. He was able to formulate a plan with the intention of keeping everyone safe. Nominated for the Medal of Valor and Commanding Officer of the Year Award.
Officer Erik Velten	7/21/2020	Commendation letter for his praiseworthy efforts as the department's Health and Safety Officer. His work has helped to mitigate the spread of the COVID-19 virus within the department and the community. Officer Velten quickly collaborated with the Training Division command staff to outline response efforts that would be needed. He spearheaded efforts to independently source personal protective equipment (PPE) and other departmental needs through creative and innovative means. Nominated for the Officer of the Year Award.
Sergeant Jeremy Coleman	7/21/2020	Commendation letter for his remarkable efforts during the COVID-19 crisis. As supervisor of the Advanced Training Section's Special Protects Unit, as well as the Health and Safety Unit, his leadership has helped mitigate the spread of the virus within the department and the community. He organized efficient ways to assist officers in stockpiling and delivering PPE supplies and conducting daily checks of infected officers. Nominated for the Officer of the Year Award.
Officer Angel Davidson	7/21/2020	Commendation letter for her significant voluntary assistance to an elderly citizen who was hospitalized and had asked his neighbor to care for his dogs. Officer Davidson met the neighbor at his home, which was a challenging situation due to the dogs. She picked up a mop and began cleaning the floors. A short time later, the elderly gentleman passed away and Officer Davidson made arrangements for the care of his dogs. Nominated for the Distinguished Community Service Award.

<p>Lieutenant Grant Riggs, Sergeant Victor Szydlowski, Detectives Jason Pohl, Michael Parson, John Daniel, Chris Geoghegan, Dustin Clem, Wesley Claxon, Katelyn Fox, Lance Kilkelly, Bradley Jones, John Leonard, Eric McHugh, Mses. Jennifer Corum, Dedra Baranski, Melissa Felkins, Marquita Fabor, Kayla Kress, Kaitlyn Mattingly, Kayla Wilbert, Samantha Bouse, Christiana Vance, Chelsea Caselden, Amberee Hensley, Penny Hestand, Jessica Rouse, Jessica Thompson, Sarah Carter, Ashley Miller, Messrs. Eric Estes, Cameron Stelzig, Paul Lee and, Osiel Hernandez Monzon</p>	<p>7/20/2020</p>	<p>Commendation letter for their tireless work amidst civil unrest in Louisville. They provided crucial intelligence which allowed the department to stay ahead of criminal activity and contributed to several arrests. These individuals displayed heroism, while compiling intelligence, and protecting life and property during these difficult times. Nominated for the Meritorious Unit Citation.</p>
<p>Sergeant Manley Berthold</p>	<p>8/04/2020</p>	<p>Appreciation letter for his superb professionalism, respectfulness, and kindness along with his service and commitment to keep the peace and uphold the law.</p>
<p>Officers Joshua Forshee, Percy Minor, William Ratliff, Eric Owen, Ariel Saylor, and Keisha Alvey</p>	<p>8/04/2020</p>	<p>Commendation letter for their top-notch efforts to the victims of a double shooting. A male was shot in the chest. A second was shot in the leg. Once on-scene, they began providing lifesaving measures, securing the scene, and searching for witnesses and suspects. A second crime scene was also located a half block away. Due to their prompt response and efforts, they worked as a team to save lives and preserve evidence.</p>
<p>Lieutenant Tiffany Tatum</p>	<p>8/04/2020</p>	<p>Commendation letter for her unrivaled assistance to the Grand Jury Coordinator. Her quick response to requests is very much appreciated.</p>
<p>Officers Jordan Settle and Ryan Whitford</p>	<p>8/04/2020</p>	<p>Commendation letter for their worthy contributions to the ongoing investigation of one of the most dangerous gangs in Louisville, a serious threat to our community. With their assistance, the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) Louisville Office has arrested several individuals associated with this gang.</p>

<p>Detectives Jonathan Williams, Joe Keeling, Charles Rader, Officers Kyle Skinner, and Josh Richards</p>	<p>8/04/2020</p>	<p>Commendation letter for their admirable investigation of an individual who was robbed at gunpoint by five (5) suspects and had his vehicle stolen. A short time later, they were dispatched on another robbery where the caller stated four (4) suspects robbed her husband at gunpoint and stole their vehicle. Shortly after that, they observed the stolen vehicles traveling together and initiated a traffic stop. One of the vehicles failed to yield and wrecked, catching fire. Officer Skinner sustained smoke inhalation while ensuring the suspects and civilians were safe and out of the vehicle. Two (2) suspects were taken into custody. Officers from the Seventh and Sixth Divisions pursued the other vehicle into Indiana where the Clark County Sheriff's Department and Indiana State Police took over the pursuit. Two suspected were taken into custody, with a third suspect outstanding. Confessions to the incidents were received from several of the suspects and two (2) handguns were recovered.</p>
<p>Officers Natasha Sydnor and Ryan Noland</p>	<p>8/04/2020</p>	<p>Commendation letter for their courageous response to a call for service. A local business had an environmental test trailer stolen. The officers discovered several items discarded and with a thorough investigation were able to determine who they belonged to. The business was able to recover approximately \$25,000 worth of equipment.</p>
<p>Officer George McMillan</p>	<p>8/04/2020</p>	<p>Commendation letter for his estimable outreach in Louisville Metro District 21. Councilwoman Nicole George stated she appreciated the time Officer McMillan took to educate community members, work proactively to address challenges, and to build relationships.</p>

Lieutenant Mindy Vance	8/04/2020	Commendation letter for her excellent service as acting commander of the Fourth Division. She seamlessly assumed the role and ensured all division operations continued uninterrupted.
Officers James Steffan, Alexander Thomas, Jacob Ray, Levi McDermott, Jaron Skillman, and Kyle Shuttleworth	8/04/2020	Commendation letter for their exceptional assistance to a detective when she served an order to vacate. The guardian gave them permission to enter the home. They located five (5) people inside, kept the subjects calm, and explained that all their questions would be answered. Their assistance with the investigation was invaluable.
Officers Jessica Morrison and Robert Yoshioka	8/04/2020	Commendation letter for their exemplary presence as police officers that add security to the Homeless Outreach Partnership. They have developed trust, provided up-to-date information, and provided education while connecting with some of the most underserved and hardest to reach members of the community.
Ms. Cheri Heybach	8/04/2020	Commendation letter for her first-rate customer service.
<p>Officers Adam Lee, Leslie Wagner, and Michael Biller were nominated for the Exceptional Merit Award.</p> <p>*****</p> <p>Lieutenants Kelly Lee, Isaac Mantle, Sergeant Andy Rodman, Officers Michael Rach, Jason Burba, and Mark Manning were nominated for the Distinguished Lifesaving Award.</p>	8/04/2020	Commendation letter for their extraordinary response at the scene of a shooting where they discovered two (2) victims in a yard suffering from gunshot wounds. Witnesses advised the suspects were inside a trailer. They moved one of the victims to cover and began providing medical attention to the more severely injured victim. The subject was then carried to EMS waiting on the next street. Due to their quick actions, both shooting victims survived their injuries. Nominated for the Exceptional Merit Award.

Officers Eric Stafford and Brett Ringswald	8/04/2020	Commendation letter for their first-rate response to a heroin overdose victim. The male was unresponsive and not breathing. They opened the patient's airway and administered a dose of Naloxone. Louisville Fire and Rescue arrived and took over medical care, during which the subject awoke. Nominated for the Exceptional Merit Award.
Officer Porter Button	8/04/2020	Commendation letter for his heroic response to a female victim suffering from a gunshot wound to the head. During a large block party, chaos broke out as multiple subjects began fighting, leading to the exchange of gunfire. Officer Button began searching the scene and was advised of a second victim who also sustained a gunshot wound to his head. He sprang into action and provided basic lifesaving measures. Nominated for the Distinguished Lifesaving Award.
Officer Chad Davis	8/04/2020	Commendation letter for his highly-regarded response to a request for additional officers to help work in the Second Division. He arrived on-scene and immediately began providing lifesaving first aid to the victim who had been involved in a car accident and had fled on foot. He was stopped by an uninvolved party and a fight ensued, at which time the victim was shot in the upper back. Nominated for the Distinguished Lifesaving Award.
Sergeants James Talley, Jimmy Johnson, Justin Bickett, Detectives Shane Stewart, Timothy Trent, Officers Adam Foster, Blake Cooper, Brett Mathis, Jay Dolak, Will Burns, Tyler Blissett, Brenton Woodford, Jonathan Story, Galen Hinshaw, and Taylor Cundiff	8/11/2020	Commendation letter for their impressive apprehension of armed carjackers and a subsequent search warrant which yielded firearms, stolen vehicles, and narcotics packaged for sale.

Officers Brett Ringswald, Kody Despain, Eric Stafford, and Charles Heller	8/11/2020	Commendation letter for their incomparable response to the report of a male subject who had overdosed. The subject was blue in color, unresponsive, and struggling to breathe. They removed the subject from his vehicle, administered a dose of Naloxone, and began emergency breathing until medical personnel arrived and transported the subject to UofL Hospital. Nominated for the Distinguished Lifesaving Award.
Detective Daryl Neese	8/11/2020	Commendation letter for his laudable efforts to ensure officers working during these difficult times are supplied with critical items they need for their safety and success. Detective Neese arrives early and stays late to guarantee all officers working are supplied with water, food, and other supplies they may require. Nominated for the Exceptional Merit Award.
Sergeant Joel Lopez and Officer Danielle Smith	8/11/2020	Commendation letter for their notable handling of a vehicle accident where a civilian accidentally ran his car into the rear of a police vehicle. The citizen commended them for their professionalism, courtesy, and for the speed in taking care of everything.
Detective Dan Mason	8/11/2020	Commendation letter for his outstanding efforts during an FBI investigation of an armored truck robbery. The FBI complimented Detective Mason on his exceptional information-sharing and cooperation.
Officer David Eades	8/11/2020	Commendation letter for his praiseworthy assistance with the CPR recertification course that required a significant amount of time by the instructors to verify that the CPR skills, knowledge, and abilities were demonstrated by each member.
Sergeant Pamela Oberhausen	8/11/2020	Commendation letter for her remarkable representation of the LMPD during a recent ride along. The rider stated she was courteous, experienced, and informative.

Lieutenant Grant Riggs	8/11/2020	Commendation letter for his significant assistance to the FBI with virtual training sessions on the topic of COVID-19. His participation ensured the success of the session and the FBI was very appreciative of his efforts.
Officers Joshua Trumbo, Noah Straman, and Devyn Harris	8/11/2020	Commendation letter for their substantial intervention with a difficult employee at her place of business. They displayed patience while dealing with this situation.
Officers Michael Wease, Charles Heller, Nicholas Barnes, and Brett Ringswald	8/11/2020	Commendation letter for their superb response to an attempted kidnapping. The victim and her children were held against their will by an armed ex-boyfriend. As the officers arrived, the suspect fled. Dispatch updated the officers on the suspect's location. They ordered the suspect down and he was taken into custody without incident. The suspect was charged with multiple felonies.
Detective Chase Allen, Officers Jay Dolak, Jason Maguire, Joshua Brown, Chase Lambert, Megan Foster, Christopher Marks, Bryan Burgess, and Charles Meek	9/1/2020	Commendation letter for their outstanding response to the report of a carjacking in-progress. The victim pinged his vehicle to an address and they immediately converged on the area. The stolen vehicle was quickly located and the suspect was taken into custody. U.S. Marshals Service and Alcohol, Tobaccos, Firearms, and Explosives (ATF) were also actively looking for the suspect to serve several warrants for multiple violent felonies out of Georgia. Several items were missing, and the officers tenaciously canvased the area, recovering most of the missing property.
Officer Tyler Blissett, William Burns, Brenton Woodford, Jay Dolak, and Seth Goodlett	9/1/2020	Commendation letter for their top-notch performance while serving as Impact Platoon officers in the Fourth Division. In their first weeks of operations, they recovered over 20 guns, performed 20 felony arrests and 12 misdemeanor arrests, issued five (5) criminal citations, served four (4) warrants, recovered a stolen vehicle, conducted a search warrant, and confiscated a variety of narcotics.

<p>Detective Clint Brake, Officers Chad Davis, Bailey McIntosh, Esther Ragan, and Matthew Foust</p>	<p>9/01/2020</p>	<p>Commendation letter for their unrivaled response to a shooting. A male victim had been shot in the abdomen and they began applying pressure to the subject's wound until EMS arrived. They thoroughly searched the area and located a second scene, which they secured until the Homicide Unit arrived.</p>
<p>Detective Clint Brake, Officers Clayton Poff, Matthew Foust, Chad Davis, Bailey McIntosh, Ke'Lynn Tyler, Chris Dudley, Helen Walton Johnson, Carlyn Alexander, Evan Mauck, Robinson Desroches, and Jason Whidby</p>	<p>9/01/2020</p>	<p>Commendation letter for their valiant efforts when they were dispatched to a shooting. The Real Time Crime Center (RTCC) had witnessed a subject down who had possibly been shot. There was a very large, chaotic scene and multiple victims had been shot. They quickly donned their riot gear and got into position to assist. While on-scene, one of the shooters turned himself in. Once the scene was under control, without hesitation, they began making runs in the First Division while also handling runs in the Second Division.</p>
<p>Officers Michael Clark, Daniel Montgomery, William Mattingly, and Atila James</p>	<p>9/01/2020</p>	<p>Commendation letter for their worthy response to a local restaurant where an aggressive male employee had barricaded himself inside a locked office and was refusing to leave the business. They utilized a tall ladder to remove ceiling tiles, which allowed them to get a direct view of the subject and to start a face-to-face verbal communication. The situation was peacefully resolved and the subject voluntarily came out of the office. Nominated for the CIT Officer of the Year Award.</p>

Officer Jacob Lamb	9/01/2020	Commendation letter for his admirable response to a male subject sitting on a bench in a parking lot. He approached the subject to offer assistance, but the subject did not respond and pulled out a knife. He gave strong verbal commands, ordering the subject to drop the knife. The subject explained he wanted to kill himself. Officer Lamb transported the subject to Norton Children's Hospital for evaluation. Nominated for the Distinguished Lifesaving Award.
Officer Dillon Thompson	9/01/2020	Commendation letter for his courageous intervention in a suicide attempt that saved the life of a young man. Nominated for the Distinguished Lifesaving Award.
Officers Stevie Eason, William Mattingly, and Jonathan Wood	9/01/2020	Commendation letter for their estimable response to an attempted carjacking. They located the suspect within minutes and conducted a felony traffic stop. Three (3) guns were confiscated and three (3) suspects were arrested. Nominated for the Exceptional Merit Award.
Officers Eric Stafford, Kody Despain, Timothy Huber, and Timothy Likins	9/01/2020	Commendation letter for their exceptional response to what became a foot pursuit of a known subject with active felony warrants. The subject was chased into a residence, where he was apprehended, and a large number of suspected narcotics were observed. A search warrant was executed and they recovered 37.33 grams of Fentanyl, as well as additional evidence of a large-scale narcotics organization. The homeowner was arrested and gave a full confession. Nominated for the Exceptional Merit Award.

Officer Jeff Emerich	9/01/2020	Commendation letter for his excellent response to a run on young children on the roof of a three-story house throwing rocks. Louisville Fire was requested and they arrived with a ladder that had to reach 35 feet in the air. Without hesitation, Officer Emerich went up with the fireman. While the situation was resolved quickly, he showed extreme bravery to assure the fireman was safe from any kind of trouble.
Officers Steven Gida, John Walker, and Logan Purtlebaugh	9/01/2020	Commendation letter for their exemplary response as they stepped up and filled leadership vacancies, assuming both traditional and non-traditional roles in the Fourth Division, Squad 4.
Officers Gregory Johnson, Sean Miller, Timothy Likins, Robert Doolin, Sarah Stumler, Woodrow Murphy, and Braden Lammers	9/01/2020	Commendation letter for their extraordinary response to the stabbing of a male subject. The victim had a puncture wound to his right arm. They applied pressure to the wound until EMS arrived. They followed a blood trail from the victim to an upstairs apartment where they found a female suspect and the bloody knife. The female suspect was taken into custody without incident.
Officer John Kirk	9/01/2020	Commendation letter for his excellent work with the Canine Unit. He assumed the duties as the Unit Trainer in 2019. He has trained and certified four (4) new canine teams in the unit which are both technically and tactically proficient.
Officer Christopher Marks	9/01/2020	Commendation letter for his first-rate efforts in attempting to locate stolen vehicles and to stop violent robberies before a citizen was seriously injured. Officer Marks took over as the lead vehicle in three (3) vehicle pursuits, calmly calling out the direction of each pursuit path. He engaged in deliberate, purposeful decision-making that ensured the pursuits were allowed within the current guidelines. His actions directly facilitated multiple arrests and the recovery of multiple firearms.

Officer Jacob Martion and K9 Rooster	9/01/2020	Commendation letter for their heroic work in the Canine Unit. They responded to a local drug store that was being looted. Believing more suspects were still inside, Officer Martion utilized K9 Rooster to search the building. K9 Rooster found two (2) suspects hiding in closed cabinets inside the pharmacy, engaging one of them. The successful apprehension of the suspects was a direct result of his commitment to train and utilize a proficient patrol canine.
Officers Brent Maynard and Ke'Lynn Tyler	9/01/2020	Commendation letter for their highly-regarded response to a pedestrian who had possibly been shot in the head. The victim was not breathing and did not have a pulse. They attempted to bandage and apply pressure to the victim's head injury. It was determined the victim was standing next to her cousin's vehicle when three (3) unknown subjects started shooting at each other. The cousin fled and accidentally ran over the victim.
Sergeants Chris Aebersold, Wesley Bratcher, Officers Charles Heller, Brett Ringswald, Nick Barnes, Athena Weber, Kevin Hamlin, Eric Stafford, Kody Despain, Zachary Cottongim, Shaun Sargent, Mike Perry, and Matthew Montano	9/01/2020	Commendation letter for their impressive response to immediately establish a route for an ambulance carrying a nine-month-old who was not breathing. The ambulance was escorted to the hospital without incident.
Officers Aaron Saucer, Joshua Forshee, William Ratliff, Jacob Lamb, Demetrius Latham, Matthew Brown, Eric Owen, and Blaine Harris	9/01/2020	Commendation letter for their incomparable efforts when they were dispatched on the report of a female walking through a residential neighborhood with a rifle. They located the subject, who had hidden herself in an alley between homes. A perimeter was set up and additional units were deployed. During the attempt to de-escalate the incident, it became evident that the subject was despondent. The SWAT Team was en route and a tactical response was initiated. Once a visual of the subject was regained, it was established the subject had dropped the rifle. She then complied with orders and was taken into custody without further incident. Nominated for the Medal of Valor Award.

Detective Joe Nett	9/01/2020	Commendation letter for his laudable level of dedication. He initiated charges on three (3) misdemeanor assault subjects and made one (1) arrest for a felony assault case. He made two (2) arrests on subjects for misdemeanor criminal mischief cases and took out charges for another felony criminal mischief case. He made an arrest for a theft from an automobile and another arrest for receiving stolen property out of a stolen car. He also took out charges for a felony burglary and another misdemeanor theft.
Sergeant Pamela Oberhausen	9/01/2020	Commendation letter for her notable work ethic, contributions, and long-standing dedication to the LMPD and the Fourth Division. She is an exceptional leader. She is also a Police Training Sergeant for the Police Training Officer (PTO) Program and regularly trains and acclimates officers who will soon be promoted. She has been involved in the department's Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) since its inception in 2001. She became a certified instructor in 2002 and regularly instructs the CIT course for not only incoming recruits, but other police departments within the state.
Sergeants Glen Parcus, Aleasha Rhudy, Detectives Jim Clark, Matt Crouch, Dan Mason, Jim Conley, Aaron Tinelli, and Richard Beahl	9/01/2020	Commendation letter for their outstanding apprehension of a violent, serial robber operating in the business community. The officers collaborated efforts and time while conducting countless hours of surveillance and investigative follow-ups with multiple agencies. A positive identification and a successful linking of the suspect to twelve business robberies was made. They combined forces with the SWAT Team to take this violent suspect into custody. The suspect was arrested and they recovered the firearm used in the commission of the robberies, which had been reported stolen. A full confession was obtained from the suspect, who was subsequently charged.

Officers Payvand Rakhshan, Andrew Hamilton, and Katie Gausepohl	9/01/2020	Commendation letter for their praiseworthy efforts which resulted in the successful apprehension of a felony subject. The officers responded to the area where a victim had observed his reported stolen vehicle with the suspect still on-scene. The suspect fled while leaving the vehicle in gear. The officers successfully brought the truck to a stop without any injuries or damage. The suspect was located hiding in a garage where he was taken into custody without further incident.
Sergeant Aleasha Rhudy, Detectives Brendan Kaiser, Jim Clark, Dan Mason, Jim Conley, Officers Justin Burke, Derek Hayes, Michael Varcoe, Matthew Foust, Joshua Arnwine, Tony Best, Joshua McKinley, Darryl Viers, and Bryan Arnold	9/01/2020	Commendation letter for their remarkable apprehension of three (3) suspects responsible for robbing a wireless service provider business at gunpoint. Full confessions were obtained from all suspects and two (2) of the suspects were linked to other business robberies in the area.
Officer Evelyn Robinson	9/01/2020	Commendation letter for her significant efforts that resulted in locating a runaway child. Rather than further traumatizing the child by putting her in the back of a unit, she waited until the director of the foster care agency arrived to transport her to a facility where she received proper care.
Officer Robert Ross	9/01/2020	Commendation letter for his substantial efforts when he answered a request for additional officers to work in the Second Division. He assisted with a complicated shooting scene, helped investigate, and answered multiple calls for service throughout the division.
Officer Danielle Smith	9/01/2020	Commendation letter for her superb efforts when she answered a request for additional officers to work in the Second Division. She aided in the recovery of a stolen car in relation to a vehicle pursuit, helped maintain a crime scene in relation to a shooting, and also helped on a domestic scene where children and a female victim were being abused for a prolonged period of time.

Lieutenant Mindy Vance	9/01/2020	Commendation letter for her top-notch service as the acting commander of the Fourth Division. Her new duties required her to exercise all authority for running the Fourth Division as a lieutenant who would serve as the acting commander for nearly six (6) months. She stepped into the role and allowed the Fourth Division to continue to perform at a high level without any apparent lapse in communication, direction, or mission clarity.
Officer Alan Ware	9/01/2020	Commendation letter for his valiant efforts as the first responding officer to a homicide and his diligence and attention to detail that enabled him to locate a handgun that likely was used in the killing.
Ms. Bridgette Wetherby	9/01/2020	Commendation letter for her admirable assistance to a citizen who had a temporary license plate stolen off the back of his new car. The citizen stated that she handled his situation pleasantly and very professionally.
Officers Marcel Williams, Aaron Sauer, and Jacob Lamb	9/01/2020	Commendation letter for their courageous efforts in response to a shooting. They worked valiantly to save the life of the victim who had been shot in the head and was losing a large amount of blood. They also coordinated with responding units so that EMS and Fire could access the patient. First responders worked earnestly but were unable to save the victim.
Sergeants Jimmy Johnson, James Talley, Justin Bickett, Detectives Shane Stewart, Timothy Trent, Officers Adam Foster, Blake Cooper, Brett Mathis, Taylor Cundiff, Jay Dolak, Will Burns, Tyler Blissett, Brenton Woodford, Jonathan Story, and Galen Hinshaw	9/28/2020	Commendation letter for their estimable apprehension of armed carjackers and a subsequent search warrant, which yielded firearms, stolen vehicles, and narcotics.
Officers Austin Black, James Kuepper, William Hayes, and James Walsh	9/28/2020	Commendation letter for their excellent response to a single vehicle injury accident where an individual was ejected from a motorcycle. The officers rendered aid to the unconscious individual, handling the run in their usual professional and dignified manner.

<p>Detectives Clint Brake, Justin Haydock, Officers Clayton Poff, Roberts Augst, Carlyn Alexander, Chad Davis, Bailey McIntosh, Robinson Desroches, Noah Straman, Timothy Lanham, Justine Bates, Joshua Trumbo, Juwan Wise, Brandon Burton, and Ke'Lynn Tyler</p>	<p>9/28/2020</p>	<p>Commendation letter for their exceptional efforts to an injured female subject who had fallen from a roof, as well as a barricaded subject. Once the female had been rescued and was safe, they surrounded the house and attempted to hail the subject out of the residence. After several hours, the male subject surrendered without incident to the SWAT Team. The weapon used to beat and threaten the victim was recovered.</p>
<p>Officers Bianca Chambers, Clayton Pugh, Benjamin Martin, and Tyler Story</p>	<p>9/28/2020</p>	<p>Commendation letter for their exemplary response to a car that had just been stolen in a carjacking. They determined the stolen car was on-scene and occupied by four (4) subjects. They converged on the suspects. Overwhelming officer presence and loud verbal commands ensured compliance from the suspects, who were all under the age of 18 and detained without the use of force. One suspect was in possession of a loaded handgun. The subjects were charged for Robbery, 1st Degree.</p>
<p>Detectives John Chenault, Joseph Nett, Officers Paige Young, Megan Foster, Jason Maguire, Joshua Brown, Chase Lambert, Megan Woolston, Cameron Chesser, Tyler Blissett, and Seth Goodlett</p>	<p>9/28/2020</p>	<p>Commendation letter for their extraordinary response to the report of shots fired. Multiple juvenile suspects shot at an unknown vehicle before fleeing on foot. A canvas of the neighborhood resulted in the local of two (2) of the suspects, who fled on foot. One suspect was taken into custody without incident after he dropped a handgun. The second suspect entered a backyard and eventually complied to verbal commands and was arrested without incident. The gun was located with the assistance of the Canine Unit and the second handgun was also found.</p>

Officers Lindsey Cline, Jeremiah Nimmo, and K9 Bandit	9/28/2020	Commendation letter for their first-rate response to a break-in in-progress. A perimeter was established. A resident of the apartment advised an unknown suspect had kicked in the back door of the apartment and made entry. K9 Bandit was used to search the apartment for the suspect. The suspect did not surrender but K9 Bandit located the suspect and engaged him. The suspect was taken into custody by Canine Unit officers.
Sergeant Trinity Tillman	9/28/2020	Commendation letter for his highly-regarded leadership and his unrelenting desire to help develop his subordinates and serve his community. Nominated for the Commanding Officer of the Year Award.
Officers Taylor Cundiff and Brett Mathis	9/28/2020	Commendation letter for their impressive response after a family tragedy. A cell phone was stolen by a passerby as EMS attempted to revive a young child. They learned of the theft and, using another phone, discovered the location of the stolen phone. They contacted a cell phone recycling kiosk company and were able to retrieve the phone and return it to the victim.
Officer Scott Christman	9/28/2020	Commendation letter for his incomparable response to assist with an EMS run involving an unconscious male subject. The mother was attempting to perform CPR and he took over chest compressions, moving the subject to his side which caused the subject to cough up an obstruction that allowed the subject to breathe. Naloxone was administered and the subject was transported for further medical treatment. Nominated for the Distinguished Lifesaving Award.
Officers Kody Despain, Charles Heller, Eric Stafford, and Nicholas Barnes	9/28/2020	Commendation letter for their laudable response to a shooting where the victim was covered in blood. They located a chest wound on the victim's back and applied a chest seal to prevent the victim's lung from collapsing. The scene was secured and maintained until Homicide detectives arrived. Nominated for the Distinguished Lifesaving Award.

Officers Kody Despain, Eric Stafford, Nicholas Barnes, and Brett Ringswald	9/28/2020	Commendation letter for their notable response to a shooting where the subject was suffering from a gunshot wound to both legs. They applied tourniquets to stop the arterial bleeding. The scene was secured for EMS and Louisville Fire to arrive and provide further lifesaving measures. The victim was transported to UofL Hospital for further medical treatment. Nominated for the Distinguished Lifesaving Award.
Officer Kelly Murphy	9/28/2020	Commendation letter for her heroic response to a multiple car crash on Interstate 265N. The victim was conscious but pinned and her vehicle was smoking. Officer Murphy decided it was not safe to wait for EMS to move the victim and cut the seat belt off. With the assistance of a civilian, they were able to lift her out of the vehicle. Officer Murphy retrieved a tourniquet and placed it on the victim's thigh to stop the bleeding. Once EMS arrived to transport, the victim was fading in and out of consciousness. Per UofL Hospital personnel, the victim needed multiple surgeries but a check on the victim several days later revealed she had been upgraded from critical condition and taken off of the ventilator. Nominated for the Distinguished Lifesaving Award.
Officer Michael Rach and Jake Harris	9/28/2020	Commendation letter for their outstanding response to a shooting. The victim had a gunshot wound to his upper thigh. A tourniquet was applied and the scene was secured for EMS to transport the victim to U of L Hospital. Nominated for the Distinguished Lifesaving Award.

Officer Jody Speaks	9/28/2020	Commendation letter for his praiseworthy response as the lead detective of a homicide investigation. It was apparent the suspects exhibited a pattern similar to several street robberies where firearms were stolen. He linked the street robbery suspects to the homicide suspect, who was on the scene of the homicide. All parties involved with the murder and kidnapping were identified and successfully indicted by a Grand Jury. Nominated for the Distinguished Lifesaving Award.
Officer Bryan Arnold	9/28/2020	Commendation letter for his exceptional response to reports of an active shooter at an apartment complex. Acting as battle captain, he kept officers from danger and assisted in evacuating the victim. Nominated for the Exceptional Merit Award.
Officer Stevie Eason	9/28/2020	Commendation letter for his remarkable efforts that saved the life of a five-year-old autistic child who had found his father's pistol and shot himself in the head. He held the child's brain in his hand until EMS arrived and took over treatment. Miraculously, the boy is recovering. Nominated for the Exceptional Merit Award.
Officers Travis Elder, Sean Jones, and Trent Sturgill	9/28/2020	Commendation letter for their significant response to information on a possible suspect vehicle. They located the suspect vehicle and set up surveillance. The suspect attempted to get in his vehicle and drive away. The suspect fit the description of a wanted burglar. They safely stopped the suspect and placed him under arrest. Nominated for the Exceptional Merit Award.
Officer Jason Maguire	9/28/2020	Commendation letter for his praiseworthy response as he searched for a vehicle used in a homicide only days prior. He located and secured the vehicle and notified Homicide Unit personnel. A search warrant was drafted and the owner of the vehicle confessed to his involvement in the murders. Nominated for the Exceptional Merit Award.

Officers Joshua Forshee, Eric Owen, Demetrius Latham, and Earnest Cansler	9/28/2020	Commendation letter for their remarkable response when they heard six (6) gunshots a block away. They ran towards the sound of gunfire and observed a male suspect fleeing. The suspect was able to get into a vehicle that was waiting. They pursued the vehicle, which stopped, and the suspect jumped out and fled on foot. They were able to safely take the suspect into custody with minimal injury to the suspect or themselves. The gun was recovered nearby. Nominated for the Medal of Valor Award.
Officers Jada Brady and Nolan Simpkins	9/28/2020	Commendation letter for their superb response to a vehicle parked in the rear of a local motel. The vehicle was wanted in relation to a homicide investigation in Elizabethtown, Kentucky. They secured the vehicle in order to be processed for evidentiary value. The vehicle was towed back to Elizabethtown, where their detectives will continue the investigation.
Officer Killian Harris and Ariel Saylor	9/28/2020	Commendation letter for their superior efforts to a victim of domestic violence. The armed perpetrator chased the victim outside. They were able to locate and apprehend the suspect and take him into custody.
Officers Devyn Harris, Joshua Trumbo, Anthony Garcia, Timothy Lanham, Juwan Wise and Stephen Payne	9/28/2020	Commendation letter for their top-notch handling of a very stressful situation where an individual was threatening suicide by holding a knife to himself. The subject refused to comply with verbal commands and eventually, in order to protect an uninvolved person, they deployed their less than lethal shotgun. They were able to disarm the individual and had him transported to the hospital for medical treatment and psychiatric help.

Officer Devyn Harris	9/28/2020	Commendation letter for his valiant efforts while acting on intelligence. He was able to provide information and within a few hours investigators were able to safely apprehend a dangerous drug trafficker and charge the suspect accordingly.
Officer Nathaniel Hernandez, Eric Goldschmidt, Brittany O'Neil, James Steffan, and Benjamin Shelton	9/28/2020	Commendation letter for their worthy participation in a drive-by birthday party for a five-year-old. It was a birthday she will always remember.
Detective Holly Hogan	9/28/2020	Commendation letter for her admirable dedication to the Homicide Unit.
Detective Rusty Holland	9/28/2020	Commendation letter for his estimable dedication to the Homicide Unit. He has trained two (2) new detectives this year and supported the training of several others.
Officer Adam Key and Jordan Preston	9/28/2020	Commendation letter for their excellent efforts in identifying a wanted suspect. They initiated a traffic stop and took the wanted subject into custody without incident. The vehicle and trailer the subject was driving were both stolen.
Officer Adam Key	9/28/2020	Commendation letter for his exceptional assistance to an elderly lady in need of immediate medical attention.
Sergeant Paul Neal, Detectives Jonah Kiper, Jonathan Haywood, Ryan Whitford, Jordan Settle, Matt Chaudoin, George Campos, Mike Williams, Ms. Kaitlyn Mattingly, and Mr. Robert Earle	9/28/2020	Commendation letter for their exemplary efforts while working in collaboration with ATF, the Kentucky State Police, the Hardin County Drug Task Force, the Shively Police Department, and the LMPD Homicide Unit, executing three (3) federal search warrants in relation to a progressive LMINTEL investigation.

Officers Cameron Kriz, William Greenwell, Jason Nava, Justin Cunningham, Nicholas Lietz, Janet Willoughby, and David Moss	9/28/2020	Commendation letter for their extraordinary response to a six (6) vehicle injury accident. An intoxicated subject was aggressive and irate but, after several minutes of dialogue, they were able to de-escalate the subject and get him treatment for his injuries.
Officers Chase Lambert, Tevis Young, and Megan Foster	9/28/2020	Commendation letter for their extraordinary response to a shooting. The male gunshot victim was deceased. They observed a three-year-old victim suffering from multiple gunshot wounds and quickly provided lifesaving measures to the young victim. Unfortunately, the three-year-old succumbed to her injuries.
Detective Russell Lassiter	9/28/2020	Commendation letter for his first-rate dedication to the Homicide Unit.
Ms. Shereen Firchau	9/28/2020	Appreciation letter for her outstanding assistance with an accident report.
Officer Mark Hord	9/28/2020	Appreciation letter for his highly-regarded assistance with changing a motorist's flat tire.
Officer Ricky Miller	9/28/2020	Four (4) appreciation letters for his impressive assistance to four (4) young women whose vehicle was stranded on Interstate 71. He jacked up the vehicle and dislodged a large truck tire from the undercarriage of their car.
Officer Bobby Paige	9/28/2020	Appreciation letter for his incomparable response to a call. He was kind and straightforward with a young woman despite her actions.
Officer Joshua Richards	9/28/2020	Appreciation letter for his laudable response to a 911 call.

Ms. Kaitlyn Mattingly	9/28/2020	Commendation letter for her notable intelligence provided to detectives on the scene of a double homicide. Her efforts helped locate, narrow leads, and eventually led detectives to apprehend multiple suspects wanted for the murder of the two victims.
Officers William Mattingly, Stevie Eason, and Jonathan Wood	9/28/2020	Commendation letter for their outstanding response to an attempted carjacking. They located the suspect vehicle within minutes and conducted a felony traffic stop. Three (3) guns were confiscated and three (3) suspects were arrested.
Officers Carlyn Alexander and Lenert Elzy	9/28/2020	Commendation letter for their praiseworthy response to a domestic violence incident. The suspect pointed a handgun toward the officers. He was incapacitated and they secured the scene while making sure there were no further threats. The suspect had terrorized and assaulted his ex-wife and son throughout the course of the night. Nominated for the Medal of Honor Award.
Officers Christopher Dugan and Patrick Norton	9/28/2020	Commendation letter for their remarkable response to an active dispute at a local grocery store. The run was upgraded to an active shooter. As they arrived, the shooter exited the market. They engaged the subject verbally from cover, but the subject began to fire his pistol toward them. Shots were returned, striking the subject, and effectively removing the threat to officers and bystanders. All the shoppers and employees were safely evacuated without physical injury. Nominated for the Medal of Honor Award.
Seventh Division, First Platoon	9/28/2020	Commendation letter for their significant response to reports of a shooting on April 9, 2019. By utilizing sound tactics and techniques, they were able to secure the scene from an active gunman and provide safety to the community by evacuating a mortally wounded citizen. Nominated for the Meritorious Unit Citation.

Officers Dan Montgomery, William Mattingly, and Michael Purcell	9/28/2020	Commendation letter for their valiant response to reports of a shooting. The shooter was on-scene and aggressively preventing police from providing aid to the victim. Officer Mattingly was among those who immediately rendered first aid to save the subject's life. He protected the victim and attempted to preserve the life of the shooter. Nominated for the Medal of Valor Award.
Officer Vaun Brannock, Joseph Richardson, James Fischer, Carson Hertelendy, Alexander Rueff, Austin Messersmith, Anthony Elliott, Carina Ansaldo, Donald Miller, Blake Cooper, and Michael Pugh	9/28/2020	Commendation letter for their admirable assistance to the Shively Police Department in the arrest of a subject who fled from a stolen vehicle.
Detective Timothy O'Daniel	9/28/2020	Commendation letter for his courageous coordination of the LMPD patrol with the U.S. Marshal's Service in order to accomplish the arrest of a high-profile fugitive. The arrest was accomplished without any injuries to officers or suspects.
Detective Christopher Palombi	9/28/2020	Commendation letter for his estimable dedication to the Homicide Unit.
Officers Dave Peters, Heather Gregory, Larry Waford, Matt Marcum, and Ronald Godfrey	9/28/2020	Commendation letter for their excellent response to subjects firing off rounds from several guns. They quickly detained the individuals who were involved.
Detective Christopher Rutherford	9/28/2020	Commendation letter for his exceptional dedication to the Homicide Unit. He trained a new detective this year and assisted with follow-up training for several others.
Lieutenant Dale Thompson, Sergeant Paul Neal, Detectives Jordan Settle, Ryan Whitford, George Campos, Matt Chaudoin, Jonah Kiper, Jonathan Haywood, Mr. Robert Earle, and Ms.	9/28/2020	Commendation letter for their exemplary efforts in a multi-year drug enterprise investigation. This investigation spanned a portion of three (3) years and ultimately resulted in the indictment of 14 federal

Kaitlyn Mattingly		defendants.
Officers Chad Davis, John Sholar, Justin Nava, Austin Smith, and Jasmine Collins	9/28/2020	Commendation letter for their extraordinary assistance with a domestic violence incident. They quickly secured a perimeter around the scene and assisted in maintaining scene integrity for the responding detectives.
Officers Ryan Spalding and Kevin Pickerrell	9/28/2020	Commendation letter for their first-rate investigation. They recognized a male subject wanted for violent crimes while armed with a gun. They effected the arrest, resolved the initial matter expertly, and removed a dangerous wanted individual from the streets of Louisville.
Officer Brad Steller	9/28/2020	Commendation letter for his highly-regarded response to a residential burglar alarm. The exterior door had been smashed and the suspect was likely still inside of the home. Officer Steller announced his presence and observed the suspect. He gave direct verbal commands to the suspect. The suspect was interviewed and charged with two burglaries and possession of a controlled substance.
Officers James Walsh and Logan Purtlebaugh	9/28/2020	Commendation letter for their laudable response to a domestic trouble run between a mother and son. The son had a pistol in his hand and was making statements of harming himself. They established a good rapport and got the subject to place the gun down. The subject was transported to UofL Hospital for additional medical evaluation and involuntary hospitalization.
Officer Alan Ware	9/28/2020	Commendation letter for his notable response to a homeless male riding a bicycle worth approximately \$2,000. He questioned the suspect for several minutes and the suspect admitted he had stolen

		the bicycle out of a house several streets away. He also admitted he had several other stolen items in a nearby house. A few days later, he arrested a suspect for Burglary, 3 rd Degree and Possession of Burglary Tools.
Sergeant Paul Neal, Detectives Mike Williams, Jordan Settle, George Campos, Ryan Whitford, Jonah Kiper, Jonathan Haywood, and Ms. Kaitlyn Mattingly	9/28/2020	Commendation letter for their outstanding efforts in assisting the LMPD Homicide Unit with a successful investigation, which resulted in the arrest and confession of a suspect responsible for a murder.
Sergeant Matt Staples, Detective Jeff Hodge, Officers John Kirk, Mike Zahradnicek, Dustin Zimmerman, Phillip Kurtz, Lindsey Cline, Dave Kaak, Matt Schrenger, Eddie Phillips, Andrew Raque, Bryan Arnold, Eric McDonald, Darryl Viers, Anthony Grossi, James Sattich, and Tim McConnell	9/28/2020	Commendation letter for their praiseworthy response to a robbery where the suspects were described as males in a red automobile. Moments later, they were dispatched to another attempted robbery with the same described suspects. The red automobile was stolen in a carjacking earlier in the morning. The LMPD Air Unit was asked to respond. Several more robberies were reported and as they responded to another Robbery 1 st Degree, they noticed the stolen automobile as it passed by. The Air Unit was able to stay with the suspects and confirmed the stolen vehicle. As they arrived in the area, the suspects bailed and fled into the woods. The Canine Unit combed the woods and after an extensive search the suspects were located by the Canine Unit. The suspects were charged with the crimes. All the property and the vehicle were returned to their rightful owners.

Total number of commendations/recognitions/appreciations:	622
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**Disciplinary Action / Complaint Disposition
July – September 2020**

THIRD QUARTER 2020 – INITIATIONS			
	July	August	September
CHIEF INITIATED	4	4	0
CITIZEN COMPLAINTS	4	2	0
<i>Combined Total</i>	8	6	0

#19-054 An investigation into an officer’s justification for a vehicle pursuit on February 3, 2019.

Violation of SOP 12.1.1, Policy (Pursuits) – Exonerated

#19-071 A complainant alleged officers refused to allow the complainant to speak and mirandized them without being under arrest. The complainant alleged the officers failed to take appropriate action and were discourteous.

Officer #1

Violation of SOP 10.1.2, Jurisdiction – Sustained

Violation of SOP 5.1.11, Courtesy – Exonerated

Written reprimand

Officer #2

Violation of SOP 5.1.11, Courtesy – Exonerated

Violation of SOP 10.1.2, Jurisdiction – Exonerated

#19-075 A complainant alleged an officer was aggressive, argumentative, and confrontational when the officer stopped the complainant. The officer failed to activate their Wearable Video System (WVS) prior to engagement in law enforcement activity.

Violation of SOP 4.31.5, Procedures (Wearable Video System) – Sustained

Violation of SOP 5.1.11, Courtesy - Exonerated

Written reprimand

#19-091 An investigation into officers’ involvement in the arrest of a suspect wanted on charges related to a homicide outside of Jefferson County.

Officer #1

Violation of SOP 10.1.2, Jurisdiction – Not Sustained

Officer #2

Violation of SOP 10.1.2, Jurisdiction – Not Sustained

Violation of SOP 4.1.6, WVS Operational Procedures – Not Sustained

Officer #3
Violation of SOP 10.1.2, Jurisdiction – Not Sustained

Officer #4
Violation of SOP 10.1.2, Jurisdiction – Not Sustained
Violation of SOP 4.1.6, WVS Operational Procedures – Not Sustained

#19-093 An investigation into officers' involvement in the warrantless entry of an apartment on September 17, 2019.

Violation of SOP 8.24.3, Special Circumstances (Entry of a Premise without a Warrant) – Not Sustained

#19-103 A complainant alleged an officer was dismissive and refused to identify themselves to the complainant during a traffic stop.

Violation of SOP 5.1.8, Identification to the Public – Exonerated
Violation of SOP 5.1.11, Courtesy - Exonerated

#19-106 A complainant alleged an officer failed to properly investigate a hit-and-run accident.

Violation of SOP 7.4.1, Investigating Hit-and-Run Collisions – Exonerated

#19-108 An investigation was initiated into an officer's involvement in a pursuit. The officer failed to use due regard causing an injury accident.

Violation of SOP 12.1.1, Policy (Pursuits) – Sustained
Written reprimand

#19-118 An investigation was initiated into a sergeant's alleged abuse of work time.

Violation of SOP 5.1.33, Punctuality/Reporting to Duty – Exonerated

#19-123 A complainant alleged a detective failed to properly investigate a case.

Violation of SOP 5.1.32, Appropriate Action – Exonerated

#20-002 A complainant alleged an officer was speeding in the area and the officer gave the complainant a speeding ticket.

Violation of SOP 5.1.2, Obedience to Rules and Regulations – Not Sustained

#20-017 An investigation was initiated into an officer's involvement in a vehicle pursuit on November 13, 2019.

Violation of SOP 12.1.1, Policy (Pursuits) – Sustained
Written reprimand

#20-053 An investigation into an officer's failure to respond to emails from an investigator assigned to the Professional Standards Unit (PSU) directing the officer to contact the investigator in order to serve the officer with a 48-hour notice regarding another PSU case, which escalated to notification of the officer's supervisor.

Violation of SOP 3.4.8, Email – Sustained
Written reprimand

#20-077 A complainant alleged a commanding officer was discourteous during a telephone conversation.

Violation of SOP 5.1.11, Courtesy – Not Sustained

NHBPSU20-026 an investigation by a commanding officer in the division of an officer's failure to comply with several policies. The officer's failure to have proper PPE equipment readily available at the scene of an injury accident. The officer was observed sleeping while on-duty with a witness in the backseat at a shooting scene and failure to upload WVS in a consistent pattern.

Violation of SOP 12.2.5, Personal Protective Equipment – Sustained
Violation of SOP 5.1.3, Conduct Unbecoming – Sustained
Violation of SOP 4.31.11, Uploading Video – Sustained
Written reprimand

The following case(s) involve investigations of members of the department for violating SOP 8.2.6, Court Attendance.

PSU Case	Rank	Letter Date	Findings	Discipline
NHBPSU19-208	OFC	9/14/2020	Sustained	1-day Suspension

**Chargeable Accidents
July – September 2020**

There were 57 chargeable accidents involving officers of the LMPD for the months of July through September 2020. The disposition for these accidents is as follows:

No Action Recommended: 1

Oral Reprimand: 3

Written Reprimand with Mandatory Driver's Training: 11

Suspension: 2

Accidents Awaiting Decision by Lieutenant Colonel: 0

Accidents Presented Before the Accident Review Board (ARB): 17

Accidents Investigated by the Professional Standards Unit (PSU): 1

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, no ARB meetings occurred during the months of July through September 2020.