



# PORTSMOUTH POLICE DEPARTMENT

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**November 24, 2020**  
City Council Briefing

# Crime Report CYTD

*As of 2359 Thursday November 19, 2020*

## • Violent Crime

- Homicide 29
  - Firearms 86%
  - Arrests 12 (41%)
- Comm. Robbery 42
  - Firearms 71%
- Street Robbery 134
  - Firearms 65%

## • Property Crime

- Burglary, Res. 226
- Burglary, Comm. 67
- Auto Theft 381
- Larceny
  - Shoplifting 680
  - From Auto 863

# Crime Report Q4 to Date

*October 1, 2020 to November 19, 2020*

## • Violent Crime

- Homicide 5
  - Firearms 80%
- Comm. Robbery 11
  - Firearms 45%
- Street Robbery 25
  - Firearms 60%

## • Property Crime

- Burglary, Res. 29
- Burglary, Comm. 5
- Auto Theft 65
- Larceny
  - Shoplifting 64
  - From Auto 138





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## All Districts

Reporting Period: 1/1/2020 through 11/19/2020  
Compared to same date range in 2019

## Year to Date

Violent Crimes	District 1			District 2			District 3			District Total		
	Period 2019	Period 2020		Period 2019	Period 2020		Period 2019	Period 2020		Period 2019	Period 2020	% Change
09A MURDER/NONNEGLIGENT MANSLAUGHTER	6	14	133%	6	14	133%	3	1	-67%	15	29	93%
<i>09A Homicide Firearms</i>	6	12	100%	6	13	116%	3	0	-100%	15	25	66%
<i>Percent 09A Homicide Committed using Firearms</i>	100%	86%		100%	93%		100%	0%		100%	86%	
11A RAPE	10	3	-70%	15	8	-47%	3	2	-33%	28	13	-54%
11B1 SODOMY (ORAL OR ANAL SEX), FORCIBLE	2	2	0%	6	4	-33%	2	2	0%	10	8	-20%
11B3 CRIMES AGAINST NATURE (BEASTIALITY)	0	1	N/A	0	0	0%	0	0	0%	0	1	N/A
<i>11A Rape Firearms</i>	0	0	0%	0	0	0%	0	0	0%	0	0	0%
<i>Percent 11A Rape Committed using Firearms</i>	0%	0%		0%	0%		0%	0%		0%	0%	
120C ROBBERY, ATM	1	0	-100%	0	0	0%	0	0	0%	1	0	-100%
120D ROBBERY, COMMERCIAL (REQUIRES 2 VICTIMS)	18	15	-17%	30	19	-37%	6	5	-17%	54	39	-28%
120E ROBBERY, DELIVERY DRIVER (REQUIRES 2 VICTIMS)	5	0	-100%	2	0	-100%	3	3	0%	10	3	-70%
<b>120 Robbery /Business Total</b>	24	15	-38%	32	19	-41%	9	8	-11%	65	42	-35%
<i>120 Robbery /Business Firearms</i>	16	8	-50%	23	18	-21%	9	4	-55%	48	30	-37%
<i>Percent 120 Robbery /Business Committed using Firearms</i>	67%	53%		72%	95%		100%	50%		74%	71%	
<i>Victims Shot</i>	1	0	-100%	0	0	0%	0	0	0%	1	0	-100%
120A ROBBERY	41	66	61%	59	51	-14%	22	10	-55%	122	127	4%
120B ROBBERY, CARJACKING	3	1	-67%	3	5	67%	4	1	-75%	10	7	-30%
<b>120 Robbery /Individual Total</b>	44	67	52%	62	56	-10%	26	11	-58%	132	134	2%
<i>120 Robbery /Individual Firearms</i>	22	43	95%	38	34	-10%	20	10	-50%	80	87	8%
<i>Percent 120 Robbery /Individual Committed using Firearms</i>	50%	64%		61%	61%		77%	91%		61%	65%	
<i>Victims Shot</i>	0	4	N/A	0	1	N/A	0	1	N/A	0	6	N/A
13A1 ASSAULT, AGGRAVATED	92	99	8%	60	86	43%	9	18	100%	161	203	26%
13A4 ASSAULT, AGGRAVATED, DOMESTIC	15	18	20%	22	23	5%	7	9	29%	44	50	14%
13A5 SHOOT OR THROW OBJECT AT OCC - MOVING VEHICLE	19	8	-58%	10	18	80%	1	2	100%	32	29	-9%
13A7 ABUSE / NEGLECT - SERIOUS INJURY	1	1	0%	2	0	-100%	1	0	-100%	4	1	-75%
13A8 ASSAULT ON LEO - SERIOUS INJURY OR WEAPON USED	0	0	0%	2	2	0%	0	0	0%	2	2	0%
13AA SHOOT INTO OCCUPIED BUILDING (AGG. ASSAULT)	52	24	-54%	32	4	-88%	23	6	-74%	107	34	-68%
13AB BRANDISH FIREARM OR BLADED WEAPON (AGG. ASSAULT)	45	54	20%	33	37	12%	8	4	-50%	86	95	10%
<b>13A Aggravated Assault Total</b>	224	204	-9%	161	170	6%	49	39	-20%	436	414	-5%
<i>13A Aggravated Assault Firearms</i>	140	138	-1%	80	94	17%	35	23	-34%	256	256	0%
<i>Percent 13A Aggravated Assault Committed using Firearms</i>	63%	68%		50%	55%		71%	59%		59%	62%	
<i>Victims Shot</i>	34	49	44%	15	33	120%	4	7	75%	53	89	68%
<b>Total for Violent Crimes</b>	<b>310</b>	<b>306</b>	<b>-1%</b>	<b>282</b>	<b>271</b>	<b>-4%</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>-32%</b>	<b>686</b>	<b>641</b>	<b>-7%</b>

## Year to Date

Property Crimes	District 1			District 2			District 3			District Total			
	Period 2019	Period 2020	%Change	Period 2019	Period 2020	%Change	Period 2019	Period 2020	%Change	Period 2019	Period 2020	%Change	
200 ARSON	3	4	33%	6	2	-67%	0	0	0%	9	6	-33%	
220 BURGLARY (HOTEL/STORAGE FACILITY)	3	3	0%	5	8	60%	0	0	0%	8	11	38%	
220A BURGLARY, RESIDENTIAL	235	84	-64%	225	104	-54%	92	38	-59%	552	226	-59%	
220B BURGLARY, COMMERCIAL	22	17	-23%	47	40	-15%	5	10	100%	74	67	-9%	
220D BURGLARY, DOMESTIC RELATED	4	18	350%	6	19	217%	2	2	0%	12	39	225%	
220S BURGLARY, DETACHED SHED/GARAGE	32	28	-13%	27	18	-33%	3	1	-67%	62	47	-24%	
220V BURGLARY, VACANT, ABANDONED OR CONSTRUCTION	41	24	-41%	13	7	-46%	11	1	-91%	65	32	-51%	
<b>220 Burglary Total</b>	<b>337</b>	<b>174</b>	<b>-48%</b>	<b>323</b>	<b>196</b>	<b>-39%</b>	<b>113</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>-54%</b>	<b>773</b>	<b>422</b>	<b>-45%</b>	
23A LARCENY, POCKET PICKING	1	1	0%	3	1	-67%	0	0	0%	4	2	-50%	
23B LARCENY, PURSE SNATCHING	0	1	N/A	3	0	-100%	0	0	0%	3	1	-67%	
23C LARCENY, SHOPLIFTING	215	216	0%	456	426	-7%	38	38	0%	709	680	-4%	
23D LARCENY, FROM BUILDING	54	71	31%	106	71	-33%	27	27	0%	187	169	-10%	
23E LARCENY, FROM COIN-OP MACHINE OR DEVICE	1	5	400%	1	4	300%	0	0	0%	2	9	350%	
23F LARCENY, FROM MOTOR VEHICLE	350	273	-22%	473	353	-25%	331	236	-29%	1155	863	-25%	
23G LARCENY, OF M.V. PARTS OR ACCESSORIES	78	42	-46%	86	92	7%	19	28	47%	184	162	-12%	
23G1 LARCENY OF LICENSE PLATE (MV PART/ACCESS)	331	268	-19%	342	284	-17%	60	61	2%	733	613	-16%	
23H LARCENY, ALL OTHERS	300	231	-23%	412	300	-27%	116	65	-44%	829	596	-28%	
<b>23 Larceny Total</b>	<b>1,330</b>	<b>1,108</b>	<b>-17%</b>	<b>1,882</b>	<b>1,531</b>	<b>-19%</b>	<b>591</b>	<b>455</b>	<b>-23%</b>	<b>3,806</b>	<b>3,095</b>	<b>-19%</b>	
240 MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	127	175	38%	166	136	-18%	70	70	0%	363	381	5%	
<b>240 Auto Theft Total</b>	<b>127</b>	<b>175</b>	<b>38%</b>	<b>166</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>-18%</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>363</b>	<b>381</b>	<b>5%</b>	
<b>Total for Property Crimes</b>	<b>1,797</b>	<b>1,461</b>	<b>-19%</b>	<b>2,377</b>	<b>#####</b>	<b>-22%</b>	<b>774</b>	<b>577</b>	<b>-25%</b>	<b>4,951</b>	<b>3,904</b>	<b>-21%</b>	
<b>Grand Total Major Crimes</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2,107</b>	<b>1,767</b>	<b>-16%</b>	<b>2,659</b>	<b>2,136</b>	<b>-20%</b>	<b>866</b>	<b>640</b>	<b>-26%</b>	<b>5,637</b>	<b>4,545</b>	<b>-19%</b>

# Citizen Calls for Service

*As of 0900 Friday November 20, 2020*

## • Calendar Year-to-Date

- 59,823 (184/day)
- Highest Frequency
  - Friday 8,720
  - Wednesday 8,701
  - Monday 8,684

## • Average Response Time

- Dispatch Time
  - P1 2:46
  - P2 5:36
  - P3+ 20:11
- First Arriving Unit
  - P1 6:43
  - P2 11:31
  - P3+ 23:47

## • Quarter-to-Date

- 9,162 (187/day)
- Highest Frequency
  - Thursday 1,440
  - Friday 1,373
  - Tuesday 1,316

## • Average Response Time

- Dispatch Time
  - P1 3:12
  - P2 7:00
  - P3+ 29:11
- First Arriving Unit
  - P1 8:14
  - P2 13:28
  - P3+ 33:27

# Officer-initiated Activity

*As of 0900 Friday November 20, 2020*

- **Calendar Year-to-Date**

- 52,084 (160/day)
- Highest Frequency
  - Directed Patrol 34,742
  - Traffic Stops 3,655
  - Foot Patrols 2,484
  - Assist Citizen 1,476
  - Suspicious Sit. 1,420

- **Quarter-to-Date**

- 7,630 (155/day)
- Highest Frequency
  - Directed Patrol 5,430
  - Foot Patrols 337
  - Traffic Stops 323
  - Parking Violation 245
  - Suspicious Sit. 181

# Response

- **Stratified Policing** (form of Data-driven policing)
  - Restructured/deployed early August
  - 3-year look-back on crime data
    - Identified 6 “focus areas”
      - Prentis Place/Prentis Park (Duke/Jefferson, Des Moines/Effingham)
      - Cradock
      - Olde Towne/Downtown
      - London Oaks
      - Hodges Manor
      - Peachtree/Gateway



# Response (continued)

- **Police Captain assigned to each District**
  - Tasked with coordinating efforts in the focus areas
  - Emphasis on five crime categories:
    - Homicides/gunshot violence
    - Robberies
    - Aggravated (felonious) assaults
    - Burglaries
    - Motor Vehicle Theft

# Response (continued)

- **Organizational Structure Change - November**
  - Re-integrated Property Crimes Detectives into Criminal Investigation Bureau
    - Supports staffing needs
    - Improves communication
    - Peer development
  - Integrated Street Crimes Unit and Gang/Intelligence Unit into Special Investigations Division
    - Supports staffing needs
    - Consolidates operational goals
    - Faster, more agile response to developing events

# Response (continued)

- **Violent Crime Task Force**
  - Two teams of officers/supervisors
  - High visibility, proactive policing, areas/locations based on current Crime Analysis data
  - Focus on historically violent offenders with active warrants, locating illegal and stolen firearms
  - Available to back-up patrol officers on high priority calls

# Response (continued)

- **Gang Activity**

- There are criminal street gangs operating in the City
- Generally territorial, with alliances and rivalries
- Operate with fear, intimidation, violence
- Members – typically male, ages 14-21

- **Prevention / Countermeasures**

- Education through schools, school resource officers
- Summer 2020 Grant award through US Attorney's Office, Project Safe Neighborhoods for GREAT instructor development program (Gang Resistance Education and Training)
- Officers attended the ATF-sponsored instructor program in August
- COVID has delayed delivery to elementary and middle school students



# Response (continued)

- **Partnership with Sheriff Moore**
  - Deploy LE certified/trained deputies with officers
  - Deploy Sheriff's marked units to co-respond with police vehicles
  - Increased visibility before, during, and after incidents
  - Additional bike patrols (police/sheriff) in neighborhoods and business districts
- Technical discussions regarding policy/procedure integrations
- Targeted activation first week of December

# Police Staffing

- **January 2018**
  - Sworn staffing 217
  - Vacancies 43
- **January 2019**
  - Sworn staffing 246
  - Vacancies 14
- **January 2020**
  - Sworn staffing 218
  - Vacancies 41
- **November 2020**
  - Sworn staffing 192
  - Vacancies 67

	HIRED	RESIGNED	RETIRED	TOTAL
2018	52	19	5	28
Qtr1	13	4	1	8
Qtr2	2	5	1	-4
Qtr3	18	6	3	9
Qtr4	19	4	0	15
2019	22	42	5	-25
Qtr1	5	12	3	-10
Qtr2	14	8	1	5
Qtr3	1	12	1	-12
Qtr4	2	10	0	-8
2020	15	25	11	-21
Qtr1	3	5	4	-6
Qtr2	3	4	5	-6
Qtr3	2	8	1	-7
Qtr4	7	8	1	-2
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>-18</b>

# Recruiting Initiative

- City HR hired a part-time Public Safety Recruiter for Police/Fire in **May 2020**
- In **October 2020** the Police Department, Human Resources, and Marketing joined forces for high visibility and targeted marketing recruiting campaign with incentives (sign on and referral bonuses)

# Recruiting Initiative

- News release of initiative/incentives on **October 27** – national coverage
- 30 second and 90 second video clips launched **November 13**
- Pushed on YouTube, social media sites



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