

MEMORANDUM

LOUISVILLE METRO POLICE DEPARTMENT

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CHIEF OF POLICE

TO: All Personnel

FROM: Steve Conrad 
Chief of Police

DATE: April 21, 2016

RE: Personnel Action Report (1st Qtr 2016)
Personnel Memorandum #16-015

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 days.

**Commendations / Recognitions / Appreciations
January - March 2016**

Detective Sarah McHugh	1/07/2016	Appreciation letter for her outstanding response to a request to check on the wellbeing of a citizen.
Officers Eddie Phillips, Holly Hogan and R. Tyler Holland	1/07/2016	Appreciation letter for their extraordinary assistance to the Blue Santa Program.
Lieutenant Jill Hume, Sergeants E. Aaron Crowell, James Cirillo, Michael Bogan and Brian Kuriger	1/07/2016	Commendation letter for their exceptional achievement of attaining the status of "Dean's Scholar" during the Administrative Officers Course at SPI.
Lieutenant Loyd Baker, Sergeants Eric Wampler, Christopher Turner, Crime Scene Technicians Marilyn Butts and Stephanie Taylor	1/07/2016	Commendation letter for their first-rate assistance with implementing the NIBIN system in Louisville. They worked with the ARF Lab in Atlanta for well over a year which resulted in an exceptional impact over the past four months.
Officers Kevin Roy and Luke Singleton	1/07/2016	Commendation letter for their excellent response to a citizen's concern when a subject was seen entering backyards and garages over a period of several days.
Officer Theron Wiggins	1/07/2016	Commendation letter for his admirable assistance to a despondent female attempting suicide by running out into traffic. He stayed with her until well past the end of his shift to ensure her wellbeing.
Detective Andrew Hamilton	1/07/2016	Commendation letter for his superb investigation of the shooting death of a sixteen-month old child. As a result of his efforts, the fifth and last suspect was taken into custody in Nashville, TN.
Officer Kenneth "Troy" Prechtel	1/07/2016	Commendation letter for his exemplary response to a request to assist the Spirit of Jefferson during heavy fog. The passengers were off-loaded for safe transport and he led the Spirit, through heavy fog, safely back to her dock.

Officers Nick Dewees, Joseph Dudzinski, Thomas Franklin, Eric Miller and Taylor Banks	1/07/2016	Commendation letter for their tremendous response to shots fired. A self-initiated patrol of the area resulted in the suspect and his vehicle being located and apprehended.
Officer Kevin Crawford	1/07/2016	Commendation letter for his remarkable response to a business burglary at Family Dollar. He pursued the suspect, apprehending him a couple blocks away.
Officer Hydia Lockhart	1/07/2016	Commendation letter for her outstanding assistance to a suicidal subject. She gained his trust and was eventually able to get the subject to put down the knife and voluntarily check himself into treatment.
Officer Kyle Carroll	1/07/2016	Commendation letter for his extraordinary, self-initiated activity in the Beecher Terrace Federal Housing Community. He has made several outstanding arrests that include removing several armed and dangerous criminals from the area and the seizure and/or recovery of firearms and narcotics.
Detectives Vadim Dale and William Vogt	1/07/2016	Commendation letter for their brilliant investigation and apprehension of a suspect wanted in two attempted murder cases involving the same victim.
Officers Demiche Sewell and Robert Andres	1/07/2016	Commendation letter for their first-rate assistance to a motorist who drove her vehicle into a ditch. They stayed with her, ensuring her safety, until the wrecker arrived.
Officer Dale Gallagher	1/07/2016	Commendation letter for his excellent assistance and support to the VanTassell family after retired Detective Kevin VanTassell suffered a cardiac arrest.
Detectives Jody Speaks and Doug Brooks	1/07/2016	Commendation letter for their admirable response to a citizen requesting protection while she walked to her car.

Officers Dusten Dean and Christopher Priel	1/07/2016	Commendation letter for their superb response to a BOLO regarding subjects committing robberies of Speedway convenience stores. They observed a vehicle matching the description of the BOLO vehicle and pursued it until it crashed. The robbery suspects were taken into custody without incident.
Officers Jennifer Frederick and Adrian Wheeler	1/07/2016	Commendation letter for their exemplary response to a residential burglary alarm. Their quick arrival resulted in the apprehension of all suspects.
Ms. Theresa Roth	1/07/2016	Commendation letter for her tremendous response to multiple calls regarding a subject posting suicidal threats on Facebook. She contacted the RTCC, but the subjects old addresses were not valid. She continued investigating the subject's friend list and was able to eventually get contact information on the subject's mother. She spoke with the mother and the mother immediately went to her son's home where she convinced him to check into the U of L Hospital. Nominated for the Exceptional Merit Award.
Sergeant Shawn Hoover	1/07/2016	Commendation letter for his remarkable ability to motivate subordinates that resulted in 11 search warrants being written and 15 handguns being recovered in the Beecher Terrace area alone. In addition, he serves on the Domestic Violence Task Force, the Robbery Reduction Task Force, HALO and often assists the 9 th Mobile Division. Nominated for the Exceptional Merit Award and the Commanding Officer of the Year Award.

Officer Johnny Burgraff	1/07/2016	Commendation letter for his outstanding promotion of the LMPD's Community Relations Unit. He initiated and ran the first LGBT CPA, receiving positive media coverage. He also oversaw four additional CPA's and began work on a new program to familiarize refugee students with American Policing. Nominated for the Exceptional Merit Award.
Officer Darren Utsey	1/07/2016	Commendation letter for his extraordinary response when he observed a known, wanted felon in the front yard of a residence. The subject attempted to flee in a vehicle. His canine partner, Eris, engaged the subject and he eventually submitted to verbal commands and was taken into custody.
Officer Rick Heine	1/07/2016	Commendation letter for his outstanding dedication to the Canine Unit. He located a dog with the intelligence to become an LMPD bomb detection dog at no cost to the department. He also brought back another dog that is being trained and was donated to the Hillview Police Department who could not afford the cost of purchasing a drug detection dog. Nominated for the Exceptional Merit Award.
Ms. Penny Hestand	1/07/2016	Commendation letter for her exceptional response to a request from a unit for a shorter version of RTCC products. She immediately adapted the product to fit the unit's needs. Nominated for the Exceptional Merit Award.
Lieutenant Matthew Meagher and Sergeant Donnie Masden	1/07/2016	Commendation letter for their first-rate assistance and implementation that aided in developing the policies and practices that would be utilized with the Wearable Video System. Nominated for the Exceptional Merit Award.
Detective William Shingleton	1/07/2016	Commendation letter for his excellent response and apprehension of a suspect who attempted to evade arrest by fleeing the courthouse. Nominated for the Exceptional Merit Award.

Officer Dan McNamara	1/07/2016	Commendation letter for his admirable support of the officers in the Canine Unit. He also developed a gym for the Canine Unit with the finest equipment he could find on a limited budget. He also developed daily workouts resulting in fewer injuries. Nominated for the Exceptional Merit Award.
Lieutenants Matthew Meagher, Jessie Browning, Jamie Schwab, Sergeants Michael Bogan, Donnie Masden, Jeffrey Wheeler, Patricia Hanifen, Dave Mutchler, Officers Mark Batson, John Bradley, Kenneth Christian, Larry Dison, Jonathan Herring, David Kemper, John Mills, Lamont Washington, Travis Whitham, Mark Batson, James Burchfield, Christopher Clark, Anthony Everett, Matthew Hayden, Jonathan Herring, Kyle Jordan, David Kemper, Ashley Kendall, Robert Krugler, Amy Matthis, Jason McNeil, Jeffrey Rodgers, Sean Verdi, Joseph Vidourek, Lamont Washington, Messrs. Kevin Walling, Steve Dailey, Jess Hamner, Peter Langlois, Christian Seidt, Dale Brown, James Corum, Terry Dill, Josh Fryman, Mses. Amy McTyeire, Theresa Walters and Lydia King	1/07/2016	Commendation letter for their superb effort and cooperation during the deployment of the Wearable Video System. The initial 5th Division pilot deployment went extremely well. Without their contributions, the LMPD would not have been able to deploy the WVS pilot as successfully. Nominated for the Exceptional Merit Award.
Officer Johnny Burgraff	1/07/2016	Commendation letter for his exemplary response while volunteering at the voting booths. He noticed a voter waiver on her feet and checked her pulse, which was irregular. He called 911 and coaxed her into the ambulance. A medical doctor reported later that she would have died had she not arrived at the hospital without delay. Nominated for the Distinguished Lifesaving Award.

Officers Matt Koestel and Chris Cowan	1/07/2016	Commendation letter for their tremendous response to a subject down at 5613 Preston Highway. As they checked his pulse, the subject stopped breathing. They began rescue breaths and continued until the subject was transported to Audubon Hospital. Nominated for the Distinguished Lifesaving Award.
Officers David Pratt and Elisha Thompson	1/07/2016	Commendation letter for their remarkable response to a male who was passed out in a vehicle. They saw a needle cap and a loaded needle between the subject's legs and realized the subject was suffering from a drug overdose. EMS was requested and once they arrived, the subject was revived and transported to University Hospital. Nominated for the Distinguished Lifesaving Award.
Officers Christina Hill, Jamie Buckley, Detrick Johnson and Matt Koestel	1/07/2016	Commendation letter for their outstanding response to a subject who had overdosed. They performed rescue breathing for approximately ten minutes until EMS arrived. Paramedics stated that their heroic efforts kept the subject alive. Nominated for the Distinguished Lifesaving Award.
Detectives George Campos and Chris Frisby	1/08/2016	Commendation letter for their extraordinary response to a shooting in the 4300 block of Larkwood Avenue. They cleared the homicide and began patrolling for witnesses and suspects. A subject was located but he fled on foot. They followed the subject and observed him attempting to hide two handguns. The subject was arrested and the weapons secured. Nominated for the Medal of Valor Award.
Officer Heather Jaynes	1/08/2016	Commendation letter for her brilliant response to a shooting victim. She grabbed her first aid bag and applied pressure to the victim's neck, along with calming the victim until EMS arrived to transport the victim. Her quick response saved the life of the victim. Nominated for the Medal of Valor Award.

Traffic Control Officer Amanda Carpenter	1/08/2016	Commendation letter for being a highly motivated employee. She quickly grasped her new job, requiring 3 months instead of 6 months of training. She set a goal of taking 365 collision reports. Instead she took 420 collision reports resulting in freeing her platoon to continue enforcement. Nominated for the Civilian of the Year Award.
Ms. Laura Reilly	1/08/2016	Commendation letter for her exceptional level of dedication which provided members of the Canine and Mounted Patrol Units with confidence in knowing that their canine and equine partners are looked after at a level that goes above and beyond that which is required. Nominated for the Civilian of the Year Award.
Ms. Angela Schneider	1/08/2016	Commendation letter for her excellent relationships with personnel. She empowers her staff to gather information necessary to ensure accuracy and integrity of all of the data entered into the Records Management System. Nominated for the Civilian Supervisor of the Year Award.
Ms. Deborah Mitchell	1/08/2016	Commendation letter for her superb professionalism and personable, fair and consistent dealing with her employees. She is thorough and diligent in fulfilling requests, many of which have short turnarounds. She holds weekly staff meetings. She listens to personal issues or problems, offering advice or assistance. She was extremely instrumental in having Power DMS implemented. In addition, she composes the departmental newsletter and Annual Report. Nominated for the Civilian Supervisor of the Year Award.

Officer Russell Miller	1/08/16	<p>Commendation letter for his exemplary accomplishments that include developing and implementing a superior response to the divisions' need to build a strong network within the community. Over 11,000 people were contacted and over 800 hours in community meetings were held resulting in over 120 block watch captains and community leaders playing an instrumental role in the division experiencing a 14.6% decrease in thefts from automobiles. He developed a partnership with more than 40 churches and almost all of the apartment complexes in the Division. He completed a demanding eight week online criminal intelligence course. He also assists Narcotics, the Flex Platoon and Division Detectives when requested. He cleared 16 Highview area auto thefts, more than 400 metro call complaints and made 103 arrests. He coordinates the annual Thanksgiving Outreach, Christmas Outreach and Mayor's Give-a-Day Campaign while serving as a Division Resource Officer in the 7th Division. Nominated for the Officer of the Year Award.</p>
Detective Joe Lamb	1/08/2016	<p>Commendation letter for his remarkable dedication and diligence to his division and safety of its citizens. He has had seizures of large quantities of narcotics, weapons and currency this year while addressing all of the other directed criminal cases assigned to him. Nominated for the Officer of the Year Award.</p>

Sergeant Kelly Lee	1/08/2016	Commendation letter for her extensive work with the Advisory Board. She orchestrated hundreds of community meetings, coordinated meetings for other resource officers and attended many as well. She plans and coordinates the 3 rd Division's National Night Out program. She stepped up to the desperate need of assistance in delivering meals to senior shut-ins living into the 3 rd Division. At Christmas, she purchased gifts for 50 senior shut-ins, personally delivering them during Christmas week. She also provided gifts for a needy family with three children by buying gifts, and delivering them, personally contributing \$200 of her own money to make sure the children had gifts to open on Christmas. Nominated for the Commanding Officer of the Year.
Lieutenant Robert Shawn Hensler	1/08/2016	Commendation letter for his outstanding commitment to reducing the amount of crime in the downtown area significantly. He holds and attends weekly meetings with business partners. He is diligent in his duties, never failing to complete a task he is faced with. Many managers of large hotels and businesses have written or called to relay their appreciation for his efforts. Nominated for the Commanding Officer of the Year Award.
Officer Jamie Buckley	1/08/2016	Commendation letter for his extraordinary outreach to the homeless population in our community. On Thanksgiving, he purchased pizzas with his own money and distributed them to homeless people in the area. He and his family also made care packages for the homeless that included bottled water, chap stick, non-perishable food items, hand warmers, socks and other items. On cold nights, he is known to transport people in need to shelters downtown. Nominated for the Distinguished Community Service Award.

Officers Ross Wiedo, Daniel Zummach and Brittany Rausch	1/08/2016	Commendation letter for their first-rate interaction with a group of youth playing basketball. They picked up several pizzas, invited the boys to join them and began talking with them. An impromptu pizza party and basketball game grew out of the interaction. Nominated for the Distinguished Community Service Award.
Sergeant Joseph O'Toole, Detectives Christopher Bowman, Brandon Lincoln, Eric McHugh and Bradley Woolridge	1/08/2016	Commendation letter for their excellent assistance to local law enforcement, federal agencies and every division in the department from patrol to Homicide to PIU. They installed and maintain 147 cameras for Metro Watch and regularly place temporary cameras for special events, (eg. Derby, triathlons, parades and special events). They work excessive hours weekly and are responsible for body wires, vehicle trackers, cell phone traps and traces and hidden cameras. Nominated for the Meritorious Unit Citation.
Sergeant Shawn Hoover, Officers Timothy O'Daniel and Brandon Hogan	1/08/2016	Commendation letter for their admirable response to over 104 incidents, serving 48 bench warrants and making 141 arrests. They have taken 15 guns off the streets and confiscated over 60 grams of heroin. They have worked extra assignments including the Domestic Violence Task Force and the Robbery Reduction Team. Nominated for the Meritorious Unit Citation.

<p>Officers Christopher Kitchen, Alex Lee and LaMont Washington</p>	<p>1/08/2016</p>	<p>Commendation letter for their superb efforts for National Night Out that resulted in reaching approximately 4,500 citizens. Over 2,000 hamburgers and hot dogs along with 5,000 soft drinks were served. They held a holiday party for 26 less fortunate children who attend the Heuser Hearing Institute and Engelhard Elementary along with a holiday event at the Georgetown Manor Nursing Home where each of 115 residents received a clock radio and stocking filled with goodies. They have added new block watches, held several Coffee with Cop events, numerous Street Team Safe walks and had a booth at the Spring Fest event. Nominated for the Meritorious Unit Citation.</p>
<p>Lieutenant Joe Seelye, Sergeants Wesley Brown, Ruby Ellison, Kevin Hamlin, Billy Patterson, Officers Mark Batson, Clarence Beauford, Ken Christian, Ronald Fey, Bryan Gillis, Don Hargadon, Dean Kisling, William Mattingly, John Mills, Dennis Poteet, Donald Pugh, Donney Smith, Raymond Sutherland, Armand VanCleave, Michael Weathers, Scott Wilson, TCO's Amanda Carpenter, Jane Corbett, Susan O'Neal, Ms. Vickie Goodloe and 112 Traffic Guards</p>	<p>1/08/2016</p>	<p>Commendation letter for their outstanding work throughout the year. They led the department in enforcement by writing 33% of all citations. They provided over 3,000 hours of targeted area enforcement. They educate the public with the intent of making the streets safer. Nominated for the Meritorious Unit Citation.</p>
<p>Detectives Vadim Dale, Anthony Roberts, Michael Woodard, William Vogt, Jeryl Tyson and Anthony Frye</p>	<p>1/08/2016</p>	<p>Commendation letter for their unparalleled success during the past year. They are responsible for the capture of 76 total suspects, 65 of which were wanted for Murder, Rape or Wanton Endangerment 1st. They all worked and cleared approximately 200 crime tips. Nominated for the Meritorious Unit Citation.</p>

<p>Sergeant Holly Rogers, Detectives Dave Dahl, Shelby Sears, Mses. Jennifer Corum, Kaitlyn Mattingly, Debra Carrithers, Kirstie Willis, Samantha Bouse, Penny Hestand, Ryan Conrad, Amanda Dickerson, Meghann Black, Amberee Hensley, April Rush, Debra Lang, Alison Taylor, Messrs. Paul Lee, Eric Estes, Robert Adam Earle, Brent Monroe and William Cameron Stelzig</p>	<p>1/08/2016</p>	<p>Commendation letter for their exemplary working relationship with the ATF and FBI while implementing a new process to analyze NIBIN correlation. They have revolutionized the analysis of Louisville homicides and shootings in an attempt to reduce and prevent violent crime. Nominated for the Meritorious Unit Citation.</p>
<p>Lieutenant Todd Mottley, Officers Rob Herman, Mike Dentinger, Ken Tanner and Recruit Corey Wilburn</p>	<p>1/08/2016</p>	<p>Commendation letter for their tremendous performance and acts of high initiative and innovation in the line of duty. They work tirelessly to deliver quality instruction to officers and recruits about the proper usage of handguns, shotguns and rifles in self-defense and the defense of others. Nominated for the Meritorious Unit Citation.</p>
<p>Sergeants Greg Lettie, Steve Lacefield, Dean Kaelin (retired), Officers Wes Bratcher, Kendra Burawski, Bianca Chambers, Joe Clarkson, Paul Cobb, Chris Hodge, Brad Jones, Larry Key, Kyle Meany, Adam Metzler, Dan Minton, Kevin Taulbee, Wes Troutman, Matt Watts, Ross Whitney, Justin Grider, Jason Hudson, Dewayne Kelley and Alex Marcum</p>	<p>1/08/2016</p>	<p>Commendation letter for their tremendously proactive response to seeking out criminal activity. Working together as a team, every day calls for service were answered and the quality of service to the community was maintained, all the while addressing quality of life issues within the Seventh Division. Nominated for the Meritorious Unit Citation.</p>
<p>Lieutenant Robert Shadle, Sergeants Michael White, David Allen, Andy Abbott, Shannon Lauder, Trey McKnight, Detectives Shannon Reccius, Jason Clopton, Anthony Wilder, Michael Pawul, Yolanda Baker, Shawn Eric, Bryan Edelen, Justin Stillwell, Greg Bird, William Vogt, Mary Imber, Officers Tim Davis, Alex Larosa, Curtis Lipsey, Chad Burke, Todd Hollis, Lisa Nagle, Lamont Washington, Kyle Ott, Chris Vlahos and Mike Campbell</p>	<p>1/08/2016</p>	<p>Commendation letter for their remarkable response while being called out thirteen times. Of all of the call outs, five callouts involved suicidal subjects and three were suicidal /homicidal subjects. They were able to get three of the five subjects to voluntarily surrender. They are an all-volunteer unit that sacrifices personal time for the safety of other officers and citizens. In all of the thirteen incidents, they were able to talk to almost every individual on the scene resulting in no loss of life to officers or civilians. Nominated for the Meritorious Unit Citation.</p>

Lieutenant Josh Judah, Sergeants Chris Aebersold, Jason Grissom, Brent Mattingly, Trey McKinley, Malcolm Miller, Scott Perry, Wayne Pryse, Drew Wagner, Sean Walsh, Detectives Scott Beck, Mark Bramer, Mike Kim, Mark Moore, Willie Ortiz, Dave Peters, Officers Brad Aubin, Andrew Barnett, Roderick Beasley, Russ Carver, Al Ceralde, Brandon Clark, Dusten Dean, Larry Dison, Alex Eades, Ryan Forgey, Joe Howell, Martez Hughes, Joe Keeling, Billy Keeling, Ben Klingenfus, Cameron Leek, Zachary Line, Jeff McCauley, Matt McDaniel, Adam Metzler, Matt Middleton, Eric Miller, Jay Moss, Corey Odle, Brandon Paris, Dexter Pitts, Dwight Rackley, Maurice Raque, Kevin Roy, Jorge Soto-Perez, Adam Strange, Greg Streever, Tony Sumerall, Josh Thompson, Sean Verdi, Chris White, Ryan Whitford, Todd Wingfeld and Allan Wolf	1/08/2016	Commendation letter for their outstanding performance, leadership and dedication while addressing and mitigating numerous volatile community issues. They took the lead in responding to numerous civil disturbances and unrest. Through their expertise, Louisville Metro experienced no significant issues with civil disturbance or unrest in 2015. Nominated for the Meritorious Unit Citation.
Officers John Kirk, Brian Wyatt and Kerry Ball	2/04/2016	Appreciation letter for their extraordinary handling of a violent and emotionally disturbed criminal.
Sergeants Chip Howell, Curtis Lipsey, Officers Chris Beaven and D 'Andre Simpson	2/04/2016	Appreciation letter for their exceptional assistance in the apprehension of a wanted fugitive.
Sergeant Jason Grissom	2/04/2016	Appreciation letter for his excellent assistance in helping a citizen reclaim his stolen gun.
Officer Ron Fey	2/04/2016	Appreciation letter for his admirable support throughout the criminal phase of an accident hearing.
Officer Chris Bruce	2/04/2016	Appreciation letter for his superb response to a homeowner who had an attempted break-in.
Lieutenant Brent Routzahn, Sergeant Paul Humphrey and Detective Wesley Claxon	2/04/2016	Commendation letter for their exemplary presentation during a training session held for the leaders of the local Islamic Centers.
Officer Cheri Bower	2/04/2016	Commendation letter for her remarkable response to a citizen incurring visibility difficulties during the last snowstorm.

Officer Andrew Hamilton	2/04/2016	Commendation letter for his outstanding assistance in locating a dangerous suspect wanted for child abuse.
Officer Chris Maybody	2/04/2016	Commendation letter for his extraordinary assistance in identifying a suspect wanted for shooting a victim during an altercation inside the Capp's Food Market.
Officer Ethan Guetig	2/04/2016	Commendation letter for his exceptional, self-initiated activity in the Beecher Terrace Federal Housing Community. A field interview resulted in the apprehension of the suspect who had outstanding felony warrants for Rape 1st, Assault 1st, Burglary 1st, Wanton Endangerment 1st, Receiving Stolen Property and Contempt of Court.
Sergeant Matt Keller, Detectives Willie Ortiz, Jonah Kiper, Officers Bianca Chambers, DeWayne Kelley, Daniel Minton, James Marcus, Chris Hodge, Kyle Meany, Larry Key, Fitsum Wodajo, Justin Grider, Allison Grider and Megan Merrick	2/04/2016	Commendation letter for their first-rate assistance to the Narcotics Major Case Unit along with the FBI Task Force officers in executing a SWAT warrant. The suspect fled but was apprehended a few minutes later.
Officers Dean Sturgeon and Michael King	2/04/2016	Commendation letter for their excellent response to a suicidal subject who had locked himself in a bathroom with a loaded pistol. They made a tactical approach to the bathroom, achieved contact and after several tense minutes, convinced the subject to surrender himself and seek medical attention for his mental instability.
Officer Tony Sacra	2/04/2016	Commendation letter for his admirable response while working in the Third Division since schools were not in session. Witnesses pointed out where burglary suspects had fled and he followed the footprints in the show, apprehending both suspects without incident.

Sergeant Russ Miller	2/04/2016	Commendation letter for his superb apprehension of a dangerous subject while putting his life on the line. The suspect had just taken cash from the Wal-Mart on Dixie. The sergeant was off duty in plain clothes but gave chase and took the suspect to the ground. With the help of a passerby, he held the subject down until responding officers arrived to take the suspect into custody and charge him with Robbery 1 st , RA and Assault.
Ms. Lydia King	2/04/2016	Commendation letter for her exemplary attitude and work ethic. Along with her new duties, she is providing training to a newly hired paralegal.
Officer Cordell Allen	2/04/2016	Commendation letter for his remarkable and decisive actions at an injury accident site where the subject was bleeding out, exacerbated by the fact that his dialysis access was ripped out of his arm. He quickly applied a tourniquet that stopped the bleeding completely, undoubtedly prolonging the life of the subject.
Officers Stephen Roederer, Kevin Carrillo, William Mayo and Paige Young	2/04/2016	Commendation letter for their outstanding investigation of a holdup at Sally's Beauty Supply on 7th Street Road. They searched a nearby apartment complex and located a suspect matching the description given. The suspect was apprehended and the gun and some business cash were recovered.
Officers Christina Hill and Matthew Koestel	2/04/2016	Commendation letter for their extraordinary response to a shooting at 1534 Belmar Avenue. The suspect had knocked on the victim's door, pointed a gun at him and demanded his car keys. The victim refused, struggled and finally shut the door. They located the suspect who still had the weapon on his person.

Officers Martez Hughes and Raphael Williams	2/04/2016	Commendation letter for their exceptional representation of the Sixth Division during a Harvest Festival. They volunteered their personal time, met with members of the community, assisted with serving the meal provided by the community center and spent time with two special needs children who were confined to wheel chairs.
Officer Justin Bickett	2/04/2016	Commendation letter for his first-rate work that resulted in several outstanding arrests, the seizure of two handguns, 8.6 grams of crack cocaine, 1.2 grams of powder cocaine, 1.3 grams of heroin and a bag of marijuana.
Officer Donald Gosney	2/04/2016	Commendation letter for his excellent response to a suspicious person/vehicle run. He followed the vehicle that soon lost control. Two of the occupants stayed in the vehicle and were immediately taken into custody. The driver fled but was apprehended after fifteen to twenty minutes. The vehicle was confirmed stolen and several baggies of marijuana were recovered.
Officer Marc Crawford	2/04/2016	Commendation letter for his admirable response to the report of a suspect firing indiscriminate gun shots. He located the subject who was then arrested for Wanton Endangerment 1st.
Officer Kelly Lietz	2/04/2016	Commendation letter for her superb response to a domestic violence situation. She investigated the incident, documented the probable cause and arrested the suspect. She assisted the prosecutor who was very impressed with her demeanor on the stand and preparation for the hearing.
Lieutenants Aubrey Gregory, Gary Burman, Detectives Tony Gipson, Brad Woolridge, Tramont Bank, Officers Dale Gallagher, Russell Miller, Chris Fuelling, Bill Mattingly, Don Gosney, Jennifer Godfrey, Amanda Frederick, Ben Lunte, Jenny Cunningham, Beverly Jones, Rob Oliver and Barbara Bailey-Gallagher	2/04/2016	Commendation letter for their exemplary support and compassion during the five days of hospitalization and after the sudden death of Detective Kevin B. VanTassell.

Officer Hugh Hall	2/04/2016	Commendation letter for his remarkable assistance to a citizen whose vehicle was stuck on a slick roadway. He spent forty- five minutes with him and his passengers and saw them safely to their destination.
Detective Derrick Williams	2/04/2016	Commendation letter for his outstanding compassion and support while investigating a domestic violence incident. He assisted the victim with an EPO and the victim credits him with life changing events for both her and her young son.
Sergeant Matt Keller, Detective Keith Simpson, Officers Joe Clarkson, Bianca Chambers, James Marcum, Kyle Meany, Jack Whitney, Fitsum Wodajo, David Watts, Michael Keller, Travis Williams, Jacob Veto, Sean Szpila, Jerry Codey and Tim Wimsatt	2/04/2016	Commendation letter for their extraordinary apprehension of serial robbery suspects that committed numerous robberies throughout the Louisville Metro Area. They located the subjects' vehicle after the suspects committed a robbery of the 5 Star on Fern Valley Road. Two suspects fled on foot and one was apprehended. A second was secured without incident.
Officers Joseph Fox and Lorin Byerly	2/04/2016	Commendation letter for their first-rate response to a business robbery at Market Zone. They observed the suspect fleeing on foot and were able to apprehend him after a brief struggle. The stolen store cash was also recovered along with the handgun used to commit the robbery.
Officer Kevin Roy	2/04/2016	Commendation letter for his excellent response to a BOLO on shots fired in the 3000 block of Breckinridge Lane. He knew his beat well and approached a rear parking lot where he observed a subject firing a weapon. The subject fled but he followed, securing the subject and locating a second pistol on the subject's person.

<p>Sergeant Michael King, Detectives Brett Hankison, Matt Chaudoin, Chris Lott, Jason Dewitt, Matt Bower, Brandon Parks, Debbie Minniear, John Green, Jason Schweitzer, Derrick Brooks, Mary Imber, Jon Fischer, Michelle Knight, Officers Matt Koestel, Daniel Knable, Sarah Goff, Chris Watkins, Martez Hughes, Deanna Thomas, Detrick Johnson, Demiche Sewell, Jeremy Allen, Ben Shelton, Joe Keeling, Amber Ross, James Steffan, Crystal Powell, Sterling Johnson, Sam Mason, Mark Braden, Jessica Crick, Adam Hill, Nate Hernandez, Jason Hilliard, Jennifer Knopf, Mauricio Dittz, Remy Hammock, Arcadio Hidrogo, Raphael Williams, Timothy Ellison, Rene Gonzalez, Steven Mantle, Dezmon Moore, Luke Singleton, George McMillan, Brad Shouse and Lance Kilkelly</p>	<p>2/04/2016</p>	<p>Commendation letter for their admirable contribution during the holiday months resulting in a significant decrease in business hold ups, several large drug arrests and multiple felony arrests. Their exceptional determination resulted in 38 felony arrests, 43 misdemeanor arrests, 31 bench warrants served, 12 citations, 3 search warrants, 2 recovered vehicles, 38 consents and seizure of 9 guns, 395 grams of marijuana, 13 grams of Cocaine, 78 grams of Methamphetamine, 603 grams of Codeine, 45 pills, 600 grams of heroin with a recovered property value of \$12,855, four vehicles at \$45,000 and currency of \$16,649.</p>
<p>Officers Rick Heine and Casey Wilson</p>	<p>2/04/2016</p>	<p>Commendation letter for their superb assistance and encouragement during the recent Special Needs and Chiefs' Leadership Camp.</p>
<p>Ms. Laura Cecil</p>	<p>2/04/2016</p>	<p>Commendation letter for her exemplary assistance to a citizen. She gave guidance on steps to take in order to follow up with a fraud matter involving the citizen.</p>
<p>Detective Trinity Tillman</p>	<p>2/04/2016</p>	<p>Commendation letter for his remarkable assistance to the Shively Police Department as they conducted a debriefing for the officers affected on the scene during the recent officer shooting incident.</p>
<p>Officer Sean Bell</p>	<p>2/04/2016</p>	<p>Commendation letter for his outstanding apprehension of a suspect who had just held up the Circle K at 9200 Dixie Highway.</p>

Recruits Chase Barnett, Justin Bates, Nathan Benge, Detrick Briggs, Devin Dawes, John Dillon, Joshua Durairaj, Cortez Ernest, Seth Goodlett, Jonathan Harris, Kelly Huffman, Adam Key, Phillip Kurtz, Les Ostrander, Chris Palombi, Esther Ragan, Patrick Schultz, Athena Weber, Tyree Williams and Roniqua Yocum	2/04/2016	Commendation letter for their exceptional service at Valley View Church's Christmas Community Outreach program. They directed traffic in cold weather for several hours each night while displaying a tremendous work ethic and without complaint.
Officer Dexter Pitts	2/04/2016	Commendation letter for his extraordinary response to a trouble run involving a handgun. He obtained consent which resulted in the arrest of the subject on two charges of Possession of a Handgun by a Felon and Carrying a Concealed Deadly Weapon along with the seizure of a handgun.
Officer George Rodman	2/04/2016	Commendation letter for his excellent dedication and diligence to his division and its citizens. He is an outstanding instructor and leader to the new recruits in the Basic Training Section.
Sergeant Stuart Hamilton, Detectives Josh Jaynes, Jeff Maloney, John Aguirre, Shane Stewart, Chris Horn, Steve Hile, Ryan Quirin and Dan English	2/04/2016	Commendation letter for their extensive investigation utilizing several sources in order to apprehend a wanted suspect who had committed in excess of twenty burglaries, auto thefts and other thefts along with being wanted on nine outstanding warrants.
Officers Bruce Boyd, Anthony Scott, Joe Tapp, Lindsay Aubrey, Maurice Raque, Morgan Bennett, Brian Hamblen, Asad Zahir and Darren Utsey	2/04/2016	Commendation letter for their admirable response to a burglary in-progress. They arrived within minutes, advised verbally that the K-9 dog was about to enter the home and the suspect came out. He was charged with Burglary 2nd.
Officers William Mayo and Kevin Carrillo	2/04/2016	Commendation letter for their superb apprehension of a subject who was recently involved in a hold up. They stopped the subject who advised he was in possession of a loaded handgun. The subject was transported to the Robbery office where he gave detectives information on his two co-conspirators.

Officers Mike Amos, Russ Horton, Lonzo McConico and Corey Cadwell	2/04/2016	Commendation letter for their exemplary response to a domestic violence run. The victim had been assaulted and held against her will overnight. The subject was threatening to kill himself and the victim. They formed a tight perimeter and made contact. They were able to talk the subject into surrendering, unarmed, to officers outside.
Officers Rachael Fox	2/04/2016	Commendation letter for her remarkable response after hearing a BOLO on a stolen gold Chevy Suburban. She located the vehicle parked in the 4100 block of Muhammad Ali Blvd. The occupants fled but after a short foot chase, she apprehended two juveniles and the remaining juvenile was located nearby hiding. All three juveniles were taken to JCYC and charged.
Officer Dennis Poteet	2/22/2016	Appreciation letter for his outstanding kindness and concern for a driver involved in a single vehicle accident.
Officer William Wolf	2/22/2016	Appreciation letter for his extraordinary work ethic and commitment to excellent training.
Sergeant Carmine Zoeller, Detectives Lytle Atherton, Justin Stillwell, Officers Dean Kisling, Ron Fey and Brandon Paris	2/22/2016	Appreciation letter or their exceptional investigation and testimony during the case of Commonwealth v. James O'Bannon.
Lieutenant Todd Kessinger and Detective Chris Middleton	2/22/2016	Appreciation letter for their first-rate response and kindness to the victim's family during an investigation.
Officer Russell Montfort	2/22/2016	Appreciation letter for his excellent response when a citizen's car was broken into.
Detective Bradley Woolridge	2/22/2016	Appreciation letter for his admirable engagement, help and professionalism at Kentucky Middle School.
Officers Amy Matthis and Brandon Parker	2/22/2016	Appreciation letter for the positive learning experience they provided for the Forensic Science students at Assumption High School.
Officer Kenneth Koester	2/22/2016	Appreciation letter for his superb response to problems with neighborhood children.

Lieutenants Josh Hasch, Kelly Jo Higgs, Kevin Despain, Sergeants Mindy Baker, Robert Banta, Kirsten Downs, Scott Gootee, Jon Hagedorn, Chad Kessinger, Arnold Rivera, Lowell Watson, Chris Turner, Crime Scene Technicians Chad Allgeier, Stacey Davenport, Deanna Jones, Debra Lang, Jessica Silveria and Jim Sparks	2/22/2016	Commendation letter for their outstanding response to the events of February 10 th while assisting the U.S. Marshals Service on a shooting incident.
Ms. Lena Williams	2/22/2016	Commendation letter for her remarkable dedication to provide service, going above and beyond her job description.
Lieutenant Joe Seelye and Sergeant Ruby Ellison	2/22/2016	Commendation letter for their outstanding efforts and ability to work with the Center for Neighborhoods.
Officer Jarod Hummer	2/22/2016	Commendation letter for his extraordinary response to a homicide that occurred at 427 Warnock at the Stop-N-GO Store.
Ms. Heather Hamilton	2/22/2016	Commendation letter for her exceptional response to a citizen that needed to have a report taken.
Officers Joseff Keeling and Sarah Goff	2/22/2016	Commendation letter for their first-rate response when they observed a vehicle matching a description and conducted a traffic stop. The Robbery Unit made a positive identity on the driver and he was placed under arrest for Robbery 1st Degree.
Officers Tim Ellyson, Crystal Powell, Carlos Vieyra, Detrick Johnson and Phillip Renaud	2/22/2016	Commendation letter for their excellent response to a subject shooting off a gun from inside a silver Volvo. The suspects were apprehended and the vehicle was determined to be stolen. The Volvo, stolen firearms and other property were recovered and can now be returned to their rightful owners.
Officers Andrew Hamilton, Christina Hill, Matt Koestel and Robert Andres	2/22/2016	Commendation letter for their first-rate response to a dispatch to 7021 Black Mountain Drive on a stabbing. They observed the suspect's vehicle pulling into a gas station where they initiated a felony traffic stop and took the suspect into custody.

Officers William Hayes and Pablo Cano	2/22/2016	Commendation letter for their excellent, self-initiated investigation of a robbery at the Burger Boy Diner. Acting on information, they located the suspect's vehicle and conducted a traffic stop. Both suspects were transported to the Robbery office where they confessed to their involvement.
Officer Paul Oliver	2/22/2016	Commendation letter for his admirable response to a suspicious vehicle cruising in the area of the Executive Club. The vehicle had been stolen and after radioing for back-up units, he initiated a felony traffic stop. The driver yielded. Both he and the passenger were taken into custody and both confessed to the crime.
Officer Joe Nett	2/22/2016	Commendation letter for his superb, self-initiated investigation of a suspicious vehicle with the odor of marijuana. He developed probable cause to search the vehicle that resulted in the seizure of a large quantity of Xanax, heroin, marijuana, digital scales and two handguns. Felony drug trafficking charges were placed on the three individuals.
Dr. Michael Freville	2/22/2016	Commendation letter for his exemplary presentation to the FOP associates on Peer Support.
Officer Donnie Cardell	2/22/2016	Commendation letter for his remarkable response to a run on a female being held at knife point in a tan Buick. He located the vehicle and performed a traffic stop. It was determined the suspect had kicked in the victim's door and kidnapped her at knife point.
Officers Ryan Kays, Will Garrett and Zach Haley	2/22/2016	Commendation letter for their outstanding response to a holdup at the Liquor Store/Smoke Shop at 1481 S. 7th Street. They quickly located the subject, saw him throw a gun into the middle of 7th Street and flee on foot. They were able to apprehend him as he fled.

Officer Shay Collins	2/22/2016	Commendation letter for her extraordinary response to a snatch and grab. A suspect entered The Chop Stop at 126 Breckenridge Lane, grabbed cash from the register and fled. She located the suspect's vehicle and conducted a felony stop. She placed the suspect under arrest and also found that the suspect had a baggie of suspected powder cocaine.
Officer Tiffany Tatum	2/22/2016	Commendation letter for her first-rate response when she observed a vehicle sitting in the alley, running, with a driver in place. At the same time, a citizen flagged her down and said two subjects had broken into a house and were still inside. She immediately requested backup. The suspects fled but she was able to give responding officers their description and license plate. Responding officers were able to conduct a traffic stop, arrest all 3 subjects and recover the stolen TV.
Officers Travis Williams and Dearis Hoard	2/22/2016	Commendation letter for their excellent response when they were dispatched to the Sam Meyers Store on a burglary alarm. They proceeded in the direct line of travel of the suspect and located a white male matching the general description. They apprehended the suspect, who dropped vital evidence on the ground and was in possession of burglary tools and gloves. After they read him his rights, he confessed to the burglary.

<p>Officers Joe Tapp, David Bassler, James Talley, Travis Cook, JaPaul Jones, Jeremy Akers and Heather Jaynes</p>	<p>2/22/2016</p>	<p>Commendation letter for their admirable response to a dispatch on an overdose at 15101 Dixie Highway. The residents were very hesitant about allowing them into the apartment but they eventually gained entry and found the victim having problems breathing. EMS quickly attended the victim and transported him to the U of L Hospital for observation. They could smell a strong odor of marijuana and saw several items of drug paraphernalia. Their search yielded 3 felony arrests, 2 citation arrests and 7 grams of Crystal Meth.</p>
<p>Detective Anthony Gipson, Officers Stephanie Huffman and John Ramsey</p>	<p>2/22/2016</p>	<p>Commendation letter for their superb response and investigation of a violent domestic offender who assaulted and strangled his current girlfriend over the past twenty-four hours. They stayed with her to ensure her safety until she was transported to U of L Hospital for medical treatment. They apprehended the suspect and he was transported for interview.</p>
<p>Officers David Silverblatt, Benjamin Shelton, Jennifer Knopf, Martez Hughes and Christopher Watkins</p>	<p>2/22/2016</p>	<p>Commendation letter for their exemplary response to a stolen vehicle on their beat. They conducted an investigation and developed suspect information. A plan was developed using all marked vehicles that swooped in from all directions and blocked any possible escape. All three suspects were taken into custody without incident.</p>
<p>Officers Brandon Hogan, Tim O'Daniel and Lorin Byerly</p>	<p>2/22/2016</p>	<p>Commendation letter for their remarkable arrest when they made a traffic stop and the driver admitted to having marijuana in the vehicle. A search of the vehicle located a loaded 40 caliber Glock 27 with an extended 22 round magazine carrying hollow point ammunition. The female subject was charged as a co-defendant in the case.</p>

Detective Jim Conley, Officers Brandon Hogan, Tim O'Daniel, Lorin Byerly and Justin Bickett	2/22/2016	Commendation letter for their outstanding investigation of a suspect wanted for a home invasion that occurred at 620 S. 26th Street. After several hours of surveillance, they spotted the suspect who eventually voluntarily came out of the residence and was arrested and charged with Burglary 1st and Wanton Endangerment 1st.
Officers Samantha Trenholm and Taylor Banks	2/22/2016	Commendation letter for their extraordinary response to a domestic assault. The victim had been held against her will for several hours and had been stabbed in her head. They searched the area and located the subject who was apprehended for Assault 2nd and Unlawful Imprisonment charges.
Officers Gary Jagers, Greg Mudd and Eugenio Castaneda	2/22/2016	Commendation letter for their superior performance in executing their police duties when responding to a shooting at Cardinal Kitchens. They cleared the office portion of the business, found a victim on the floor with multiple gunshot wounds and a second victim with a non-critical gunshot wound. They applied pressure on the first victims' wounds that stopped the bleeding until EMS arrived to take over treatment.
Ms. Ella Henderson	3/02/2016	Appreciation letter for the exceptional job she does as a traffic guard keeping traffic constantly in motion, balancing the ingoing and outgoing cars as well as keeping pedestrian traffic safe.
Officer Travis Whitham	3/02/2016	Appreciation letter for his excellent presentation on the role and responsibility of parents in monitoring social media.
Sergeant Carmine Zoeller, Officers Samantha Ernst and Sara Williams	3/02/2016	Appreciation letter for their part on an outstanding and informative experience during a recent ride-along.
Officer Darryl Viers	3/02/2016	Appreciation letter for his unfailing respect and professionalism during a recent traffic violation stop.

Officers Kevin Crawford and Jarod Hummer	3/02/2016	Commendation letter for their admirable response to multiple dispatch runs regarding gunshots heard. They identified the suspect and placed him under arrest.
Lieutenant Aubrey Gregory	3/02/2016	Commendation letter for his superb commitment to help young people, especially from neighborhoods experiencing challenges with crime.
Lieutenant Tim Burkett, Sergeant Jeff Artman, Officers Chad Crick, Dan Alpiger and Ken Prechtel	3/02/2016	Commendation letter for their remarkable response to the report of a boat that collided with a construction barge. Four passengers had safely jumped onto the construction barge and were given lifejackets and transferred to the River Patrol boats. Over the next four days, they continued to search for the remaining victims.
Mr. Eric Estes	3/02/2016	Commendation letter for being a highly motivated employee, providing exceptional assistance and having an excellent rapport with co-workers, supervisors and officers. Nominated for the Exceptional Merit Award.
Detectives Mike Alvey, Brian Bailey and Laquan Waters	3/02/2016	Commendation letter for their outstanding investigation of a Portland resident on which they had received many heroin complaints. They executed a narcotics search warrant which resulted in the seizure of several hundred thousand dollars' worth of heroin, Meth, approximately \$25,000 in cash and a Harley Davidson. Nominated for the Exceptional Merit Award.
Officer Adam Lady	3/02/2016	Commendation letter for his extraordinary response to a stabbing victim who had lost an enormous amount of blood. He applied pressure until EMS arrived to take over treatment. Nominated for the Distinguished Lifesaving Award.

Detective Jason Clopton and Officer Matthew McDaniel	3/02/2016	Commendation letter for their exceptional response to a domestic altercation that turned violent when one of the parties suffered a self-inflicted gunshot wound to the chest. They began CPR until EMS arrived and pronounced the subject deceased. Nominated for the Distinguished Lifesaving Award.
Mr. Gary Hoefler	3/02/2016	Commendation letter for his excellent response to a co-worker that was not feeling well and suffering from severe chest pains. He immediately requested LMEMS and administered an aspirin. EMS arrived and transported the co-worker to Jewish Hospital where he was rushed into surgery. Nominated for the Distinguished Lifesaving Award.
Officer Kenneth Drury	3/02/2016	Commendation letter for his exemplary dedication and diligence to his division and the safety of its citizens. Nominated for the Officer of the Year Award.
Officer John Seymour	3/02/2016	Commendation letter for his remarkable response to aggressive panhandling complaints, public drinking, loitering, public drunkenness and other issues that adversely affect the image of Downtown Louisville. Nominated for Officer of the Year.
Sergeant Jason Lainhart	3/02/2016	Commendation letter for his outstanding response to issues that adversely affect the image of Downtown Louisville along with his leadership during all SWAT operations in 2015. Nominated for the Commanding Officer of the Year Award.

<p>Detectives Mike Alvey, Brian Bailey, Jeff Lauder and Laquan Waters</p>	<p>3/02/2016</p>	<p>Commendation letter for their extraordinary accomplishments during 2015. The accomplishments include 45 search warrants, 21 consent searches, 504 narcotics complaints, 97 misdemeanor warrants served, 188 felony arrests, 78 felony warrants served, 61 citation arrests, 164 FI cards, 69 ounces of heroin seized, 769.8 grams of crack cocaine seized, 442.3 grams of codeine seized, 2167.9 grams of spice seized, 7.3 mushrooms seized, 21 weapons seized and \$73,316 in U.S. currency seized. Nominated for the Meritorious Unit Citation.</p>
<p>Sergeant Jason Grissom, Detectives Mark Moore, Leland "Eddie" Asbury, Brian Griffin, Shane Peek, Ryan Scanlan, Bill Clark, Chad Johnson, Ryan Peabody, Allen Wines, Roger Koofer, Chris Rutherford and Matt Mount</p>	<p>3/02/2016</p>	<p>Commendation letter for their extraordinary investigation of 75 reported shooting incidents with 86 people suffering gunshot wounds; 22 arrests were made clearing 245 of the reported cases; clearance of 60 cases involving street robberies that totaled 86 individual arrests. Investigation of a total of 4,478 cases resulting in 475 cases cleared by arrest. Nominated for the Meritorious Unit Citation.</p>
<p>Sergeants Leigh Ann Burke, James W. Clark, James Itschner, Shannon Shafer, Detectives Sarah Banta, Brooke Benton, Ann Cohen, Nick Dilley, Mike Dixon, Larry Farmer, Paul Fowler, Annetta Gibson, Anthony Gipson, David Hall, Keith Heselschwerdt, Jimmy Johnson, Omar Lee, Lisa Livers, Lauren McClure, Sarah McHugh, Kris Pedigo, Brad Schuhmann, Jeremy Smith, Anthony Stallard, Trinity Tillman, Chad Tinnell, Amanda Tolle, Cheri Turner, Brian Vancampen, Derrick Williams, Allen Wines and Ms. Sandi Breit</p>	<p>3/02/2016</p>	<p>Commendation letter for their exceptional achievement of being successfully cross-trained in three specialized areas and for changing their investigative styles in order to meet the needs of the victims they serve while at the same time (collectively) serving 7,591 citizens in 2014 and 2015. Nominated for the Meritorious Unit Citation.</p>

<p>Lieutenant Steven Kaufling, Sergeants Cody Chapelle, William Downey, Offices Michael Abernathy, Wesley Barton, Richard Beahl, Justin Bickett, Craig Browning, Marc Christiansen, Nicholas Dewees, Kenneth Drury, Joseph Dudzinski, Robert Engle, Thomas Franklin, Ivan Haygood, Russell Lassiter III, Brigid Lyons, Eric Miller, Paul Oliver, Nicholas Rodman, Kyle Seng, Zachary Weiter and Joshua Weyer</p>	<p>3/02/2016</p>	<p>Commendation letter for their first-rate commitment to providing a safe community for the citizens by making 1,163 arrests, serving 623 bench warrants, issuing 888 citations and responding to and taking 1,689 incident reports. In addition, they participated in various outreach activities and spent time outside their regular patrol duties assisting others within the LMPD family by providing practical training to new police recruits. Nominated for the Meritorious Unit Citation.</p>
<p>SWAT Team</p>	<p>3/02/2016</p>	<p>Commendation letter for their excellent knowledge, judgment, skills and dedication during 2015 while executing 132 high risk search warrants, responding to 11 barricade subjects and serving on or advising on numerous high risk MIWs and safely conducting seven vehicle take-downs of armed and dangerous suspects. They have also taken lead roles in active shooter courses and exercises, conducted six KLEC courses, trained the United States Marie Corp on CQB and participated in numerous details including presentation of Active Shooter Scenarios and Federal Table Top Exercises. Nominated for the Meritorious Unit Citation.</p>
<p>Lieutenants Andy Amrhein, Todd Felty and Mr. Dennis Sims</p>	<p>3/11/2016</p>	<p>Commendation letter for their excellent assistance to a citizen having issues with her towed vehicles.</p>
<p>Officers Jeff Haddock, Matt Schrenger, Paul Hieb and Jeff Eberenz</p>	<p>3/11/2016</p>	<p>Commendation letter for their admirable response to a reckless driver going the wrong way on Interstate 64, westbound in the eastbound lanes. They were able to block traffic, gain entry into the vehicle and detain the operator who was intoxicated.</p>

Officer Erick King	3/11/2016	Commendation letter for his superb response when he observed the operator of a vehicle committing a traffic violation. After smelling marijuana, he investigated it further and seized 852 grams of marijuana, 6.6 grams of cocaine, a large amount of cash and a Glock 23 handgun, and a backpack with marijuana and cocaine were confiscated.
Officers Richard Williams and Brian Smith	3/11/2016	Commendation letter for their exemplary response to a domestic disturbance where a subject, who was armed with a knife, had locked himself in the bedroom. They used calming techniques and after several minutes, the subject put the knife down and was taken into custody to affect an involuntary hospitalization.
Officer Andrew Hamilton	3/11/2016	Commendation letter for his remarkable response to a domestic run. The suspect fled after holding the female victim at gunpoint. As he arrived, he heard another woman screaming. Without hesitation he confronted the armed suspect and after several long seconds of hesitation, the suspect removed the gun from his waistband and surrendered. He was charged with Wanton Endangerment, Convicted Felon in Possession of a Firearm, Carrying a Concealed Deadly Weapon, RSP -- Firearm, Harassment and an unrelated bench warrant.
Officer Erick Marshall	3/11/2016	Commendation letter for his outstanding response to a toddler while working at the National Farm and Machinery show. The toddler held up his arms and he picked him up. The toddler laid his head on his shoulder and gave the officer a hug. He displayed patience and compassion exhibiting an excellent example of Community Policing.

Officers Jacob Bryant, Junior Hidrogo, Deanna Thomas, Tucker Raifsnider, Nate Hernandez, Jason Hilliard, Sterling Johnson, Eric Goldschmidt and Andrew Petty	3/11/2016	Commendation letter for their extraordinary response to a call regarding suspicious individuals in a parking lot. Two subjects fled as the officers arrived, but shortly thereafter were apprehended. Two stolen cars were also recovered and returned to their rightful owners.
Sergeant Joe O'Toole, Detectives Jason Clopton, Alex Eades, Todd Roadhouse, Bert Delong, Dominique Fearen, Cole Gibson, Ryan Nichols, Corey Odle, Matt Chaudoin, Brett Hankison, Chuck Popham, Jeryl Tyson, William Vogt, Officers Richard Beahl, Todd Hale, Andy Rodman, Dean Sturgeon and Darrin Balthrop	3/11/2016	Commendation letter for their exceptional assistance to the Training Division during the STOPS Traffic Training for Metro Academy 33. They volunteered several hours of their personal time to participate in several tough days of instruction and skills testing.
Detectives Darrin Balthrop, Dominique Fearen, Cole Gibson, Ryan Nichols, Corey Odle, Josh Thompson, Jerry Hedges, Mike Schutte and Brett Hankison	3/11/2016	Commendation letter for their excellent assistance to the Training Division during the Mid-Academy Practical Training for Metro Academy 33. They volunteered several hours of their personal time to participate in several tough days of instruction and skills testing.
Sergeants Jerry Huckleberry, Leigh Ann Burke, James Itschner, Detectives Yolanda Baker, Keith Heselschwerdt, Rusty Holland, Lauren McClure, Kris Pedigo, Jeremy Smith, Anthony Stallard, Trinity Tillman, Amanda Toll, Brad Woolridge, Officers Richard Beahl, Jenny Cunningham, Robyn Jennings, Sarah Stumler, Tate Mason, Meagan Rampley, Sarah Goff and Doug Richardson	3/11/2016	Commendation letter for their superb assistance to the Training Division during the Domestic Violence Training for Metro Academy 33. They volunteered several hours of their personal time to participate in several tough days of instruction and skills testing.
Officer Deidre Mengedoht	3/11/2016	Commendation letter for her first-rate initiative in becoming a PTO and immediately accepting a probationary officer. Also, she responded to 4200 W. Market Street where a mentally ill subject was acting out of control. She was able to properly restrain the subject and involuntarily admit the subject into the University of Louisville Hospital.

Officer Matthew McDaniel	3/11/2016	Commendation letter for his exemplary response and investigation of a witness who gave a statement concerning a stolen car. The witness was wanted in Mississippi for failing to comply with a sexual offense. The witness had also failed to register with the Kentucky State Police Sex Offender Registry. He took out a warrant for arrest and within four hours the suspect was arrested for Failure to Comply with the Sex Offender Registry charges.
Officer Zechariah Aubrey	3/11/2016	Commendation letter for his remarkable response when he observed a vehicle fitting the description of a vehicle that had failed to stop four hours earlier for a traffic violation. He followed the car to a dead-end, where the driver fled on foot. He found the suspect hiding and follow up investigation confirmed that the vehicle was stolen.
Detective Jeremy McGill, Officers Blake Schweitzer, James Simon, Joseph Fox, Marbin Batista-Garcia and Cordell Allen	3/11/2016	Commendation letter for their outstanding response to a domestic violence incident. The suspect had fired a handgun several times and then physically assaulted the victim. The suspect also fled with their three year old child. Shortly after, there was a second possible domestic run and they realized that the suspect's vehicle had to be nearby. It was located with the handgun used in the shooting still in the driver's seat. The suspect was charged with multiple domestic violence, drug and gun related felonies. The endangered child was located unharmed.
Detective Bert Delong, Dominique Fearen, Cole Gibson, Chad Johnson, Ryan Nichols and Shane Peek	3/11/2016	Commendation letter for their extraordinary assistance when they responded to the scene to render aid to a fellow officer who was wounded and in need of lifesaving measures. They formed a human shield to provide cover for the LMEMS until the injured officer could be removed via stretcher by LMEMS. Nominated for the Medal of Valor Award.

Sergeant Kelly Lee, Officers Todd Boyd and Todd Hale	3/23/2016	Appreciation letter for their exceptional assistance to Meals on Wheels and the senior citizens in the Third Division.
Officer Jared Williams	3/23/2016	Appreciation letter for his excellent investigation of a child abuse incident.
Lieutenant Jessie Browning and Officer Kent Rusch	3/23/2016	Appreciation letter for sharing their superb expertise and time with the members of the AOC at SPI. Their presentation was well received and greatly appreciated.
Officer Joseff Keeling	3/23/2016	Appreciation letter for his remarkable response at an accident scene. The van was transporting medications and he recovered the medications from the vehicle and personally delivered them to their recipients at the nursing home.
Officer Kelly Hanna	3/23/2016	Appreciation letter for going above and beyond her duties when she assisted a citizen with getting their medication.
Sergeant Gerald Huckleberry	3/23/2016	Commendation letter for his nomination and election to the Office of Class President for the 134 th Administrative Officers Course at SPI.
Sergeants Harry Webster and Jeff Artman	3/23/2016	Commendation letter for their outstanding interaction with the Ignite Louisville team with helping them move in the right direction for a better partnership with the Louisville Metro Police Department.
Ms. Dawn Hall	3/23/2016	Commendation letter for her exceptional response to a citizen who was the victim of an auto theft. She took the report and the citizen was able to get her car back.
Officer Kelly Murphy	3/23/2016	Commendation letter for her extraordinary response to a subject who was unconscious and barely breathing because of a heroin overdose. She administered two doses of Naloxone and the subject slowly regained consciousness. EMS then transported the subject for further medical treatment.

Officer Cordell Allen	3/23/2016	Commendation letter for his excellent response to a CIT run where a gun was involved. He was able to coax the subject out of his vehicle and peacefully resolve the incident. The two handguns were also located.
Officer Donney Smith	3/23/2016	Appreciation letter for his admirable assistance to an accident victim.
Officer Sonny Poteet	3/23/2016	Commendation letter for his superb effort, whether enforcing traffic laws, investigating fatal and life threatening injury collisions, inspecting motor vehicles and educating motorcycle riders.
Officer Carey Hirtzel	3/23/2016	Commendation letter for continually exceeding every expectation and volunteering to take on extra work. He is also a member of the Bomb Squad and routinely does demonstrations on his own time as well as doing Explosive Recognition Awareness classes for local fire departments.
Officers Chris Hagan, Sean Verdi and Nick Brauner	3/23/2016	Commendation letter for their remarkable response to a homeowner who felt someone might have entered her home. They entered the residence and located the suspect hiding in the basement.
Officer Galen Hinshaw and Ms. Peggy Whitehouse	3/23/2016	Commendation letter for their exemplary assistance to a citizen requesting a tour of LMPD headquarters and a ride-along.
Detective Josh Spaulding, Ryan Whitford and Andrew Barnett	3/23/2016	Commendation letter for their outstanding arrest of a wanted suspect who was involved in numerous identity theft cases throughout the city.
Sergeant Theodore Eidem	3/31/2016	Appreciation letter for his exceptional location and rescue of a fifteen year old runaway child traveling with dangerous individuals.

Lieutenant Chapin Jones, Detectives Matthew Staples and Scott Claxon	3/31/2016	Appreciation letter for their extraordinary participation with the Louisville Joint Terrorism Task Force with assisting them with their responsibilities to detect and prevent acts of terrorism during the upcoming Kentucky Derby Festival Events.
Officers Thomas Hambrock and Robin Edrington	3/31/2016	Appreciation letter for their excellent representation of the LMPD during a recent ride-along.
Officer Randall Richardson	3/31/2016	Appreciation letter for his first-rate representation of the Louisville Metro Police Department at a visitation service for Howard County Deputy Carl Koontz.
Officers Wesley Speer and Brian Hamblen	3/31/2016	Commendation letter for their excellent apprehension of a dangerous, wanted suspect without harm to themselves or the fugitive.
Officers Heather Fritz and Gage Love	3/31/2016	Commendation letter for their admirable arrest of a dangerous sexual predator that was wanted on several warrants for charges involving firearms, violent sex crimes and escape.
Officers Clinton Brake, Christopher Priel, Nathan Rausch and Daniel Weedman	3/31/2016	Commendation letter for their superb capture of a suspect who had just fled from an attempted, armed, sexual assault.
Officers Larry Key, Wesley Bratcher and James Marcum	3/31/2016	Commendation letter for their exemplary capture of two armed robbery suspects who had conducted a home invasion earlier that night, the removal of two weapons from the street and the seizure of various narcotics and controlled substances.
Officers Michelle Mazzoni, Matthew Chadwell, Robert Hayes and Michael Purcell	3/31/2016	Commendation letter for their remarkable apprehension of a group of shoplifters that had victimized several local stores and were operating from a stolen vehicle.

Officer Ryan Noland	3/31/2016	Commendation letter for his outstanding investigation of a four car, no-injury accident at Baxter and Grinstead. The female driver of Unit 1 fled on foot but was observed in a suspicious vehicle leaving the area. She was placed under arrest for DUI and additional charges.
Officers Zechariah Aubrey and Allan Manganello	3/31/2016	Commendation letter for their extraordinary investigation and arrest of a suspect for Burglary 1st and Terroristic Threatening. He had held his victim at knife point but she was able to indicate in a non-verbal manner that the suspect was hiding in her apartment.
Ms. Heather Hamilton	3/31/2016	Commendation letter for her excellent dedication to go above and beyond her job description by arriving early to relieve the previous shift from being caught with last minute calls.
Sergeants Jason Poston, Jimmy Adams, Detectives Joel Casse, Tyler Holland, Holly Hogan, Jordan Settle, Officers Tyrell Barner, Cameron Leek, Bryan Wilson and Tulio Tourinho	3/31/2016	Commendation letter for their admirable arrest of a juvenile suspect who was wanted for Assault 1st and Robbery 1st.
Sergeants Tom Stokes, Clayton Elliott, Detectives George Dahl, Brook Benton, Officers Chad Crick, Jessica Crick, Sean Hayes, Bobby Lewis, Mike McLaurine, Rob Oliver, Tony Sumerall and Jonathan Wood	3/31/2016	Commendation letter for their superb assistance to the Training Division during the Graduation Ceremony for the Metro Academy Class 33.

<p>Sergeants Joe O'Toole, Joey Davis, Alex Larosa, Detectives William Keeling, Justin Stillwell, Bradley Beckham, Steve Farmer, Dustin Henke, Joe Lamb, Justin Witt, Billy Pearson, Luke Phan, Matt Chaudoin, Jason Dewitt, Brett Hankison, Mike King, Chris Lott, Michael Parson, Brad Woolridge, Darrin Balthrop, Bert DeLong, Dominique Fearen, Cole Gibson, Ryan Nichols, Corey Odle, Ryan Peabody, Josh Thompson, John Aguirre, Jennifer Godfrey, Josh Jaynes, Jeff Maloney, Shane Stewart, Officers Jenny Cunningham, Sarah Stumler, Taylor Wood, Paul Barber, Amy Tanner, Jeremy Allen, Dezmon Moore, Kevin Roy, Derek Hurley, Cameron Leek, Charles Rader, Cory Sturgeon, Ben Klingenfus, David Cockerel, Larry Key, John Ramsey, Anne Nielsen, Jeremiah Nimmo and Doug Richardson</p>	<p>3/31/2016</p>	<p>Commendation letter for their remarkable assistance to the Training Division during the Patrol Practicals Training for Metro Academy 33.</p>
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**Disciplinary Action / Complaint Disposition
January - March 2016**

#14-133 An investigation of two officers who were arrested on warrants from Edmonson County stemming from a neighborhood dispute.

Officer #1

Violation of SOP 5.1.3, Conduct Unbecoming – Sustained

Violation of SOP 5.1.2, Obedience to Rules and Regulations – Sustained
3-day suspension

Officer #2

Violation of SOP 5.1.3, Conduct Unbecoming – Sustained

Violation of SOP 5.1.2, Obedience to Rules and Regulations – Sustained
3-day suspension

#14-186 An investigation of a sergeant who conducted improper pat down searches on a crowd of patrons at a bar after using a coercive statement that no one could leave the bar until they were searched in order to gain consent.

Violation of SOP 8.24.4, Consent Search – Sustained

Violation of SOP 3.6.3, Definitions (Pat Down) (3 counts) – Sustained
1-day suspension, Counseling with Legal Advisor

#15-056 Complainant received a traffic citation and claimed that he had been racially profiled by the officers.

Officer #1

Violation of SOP 8.8, Biased Law Enforcement Practices – Exonerated

Violation of SOP 5.1.11, Courtesy – Not Sustained

Officer #2

Violation of SOP 8.8, Biased Law Enforcement Practices – Exonerated

#15-068 An investigation of the operation of two officers' police vehicles prior to their contact with the subject, and their subsequent contact with the subject after his single vehicle collision.

Officer #1

Violation of SOP 3.8.2, Radio Procedures – Sustained

Violation of SOP 5.1.2, Obedience to Rules and Regulations – Sustained

Violation of SOP 12.1.1, Pursuits (Policy) – Sustained

Violation of SOP 9.1.4, Use of Physical Force – Not Sustained

5-day suspension

Officer #2

Violation of SOP 3.8.2, Radio Procedures – Sustained

Violation of SOP 5.1.2, Obedience to Rules and Regulations – Sustained

Violation of SOP 12.1.1, Pursuits (Policy) – Sustained

Violation of SOP 9.1.4, Use of Physical Force – Not Sustained

5-day suspension

#15-070 A detective failed to obey the Department's policies and procedures governing court overtime and submitted payment for overtime for which the detective was not entitled.

Violation of SOP 5.1.2, Obedience to Rules and Regulations (25 counts) – Sustained

20-day suspension

#15-082 An allegation that an officer failed to provide a CSU report that resulted in a case being dismissed.

Violation of SOP 11.7.3, Procedures – Not Sustained

#15-094 An investigation of a detective who obtained an arrest warrant for the wrong individual who was later arrested on that warrant.

Violation of SOP 5.1.32, Appropriate Action – Sustained

3-day suspension

#15-108 Complainant alleged that officers used inappropriate force when they responded to assist EMS. In addition, one officer was accused of being discourteous.

Officer #1

Violation of SOP 9.1.4, Use of Physical Force – Exonerated

Officer #2

Violation of SOP 4.1.6, Operational Procedures – Sustained

Violation of SOP 5.1.3, Conduct Unbecoming – Unfounded

Violation of SOP 5.1.11, Courtesy – Not Sustained

Violation of SOP 9.1.4, Use of Physical Force – Exonerated

Violation of SOP 9.1.4, Use of Physical Force – Not Sustained

Written reprimand

#15-115 An officer made inappropriate comments to another officer during roll call.

Violation of SOP 5.1.3, Conduct Unbecoming – Sustained

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

Written reprimand

#15-118 Complainant alleged an officer searched him without permission and another officer was discourteous when he used profanity.

Officer #1

Violation of SOP 3.1.1, Reporting Guidelines – Sustained

Violation of SOP 8.24.3, Special Circumstances – Not Sustained

Violation of SOP 4.31.5, Procedures (WVS) – Not Sustained

Written reprimand

Officer #2

Violation of SOP 5.1.11, Courtesy – Sustained

Violation of SOP 8.25.4, Interrogations – Not Sustained

Violation of SOP 4.31.5, Procedures (WVS) – Sustained

Written reprimand

#15-119 An investigation of an officer's use of force to restrain a robbery suspect.

Violation of SOP 9.1.4, Use of Physical Force – Exonerated

#15-127 An investigation of an officer and a lieutenant regarding the prosecution of the lieutenant's daughter for traffic infractions.

Lieutenant

Violation of SOP 5.1.3, Conduct Unbecoming – Not Sustained

Violation of SOP 5.1.9, Official Credentials/Abuse of Authority – Unfounded

Officer

Violation of SOP 5.1.3, Conduct Unbecoming – Not Sustained

#15-133 An investigation of an officer who engaged in a pursuit with a vehicle that was not involved with a violent felony.

Violation of SOP 12.1.1, Pursuits (Policy) – Sustained

1-day suspension

#15-134 An investigation of an officer's conduct and procedures during the arrest of a juvenile.

Violation of SOP 5.1.32, Appropriate Action – Sustained

Violation of SOP 5.1.5, Truthfulness/Untruthfulness – Exonerated

Violation of SOP 9.1.4, Use of Physical Force – Exonerated

Counseling by Major

#15-136 An investigation into an encounter between an officer and a deaf person who alleged the officer was discourteous, unprofessional and refused to comply with her request for an ASL interpreter.

Violation of SOP 5.1.3, Conduct Unbecoming – Unfounded

Violation of SOP 5.1.11, Courtesy – Unfounded

Violation of SOP 3.10.3, Deaf or Hard of Hearing Persons – Unfounded

#15-149 An allegation that an SRO improperly charged a student after the student sprayed pepper spray in a stairwell. Additionally, a complaint of an illegal search on a separate occasion was alleged.

Violation of SOP 8.24.4, Consent Search – Not Sustained
Violation of SOP 5.1.32, Appropriate Action – Exonerated

#15-150 An investigation of an officer's response to a trouble run involving a fight. Upon his arrival the officer handcuffed what appeared to be an unconscious suspect, but when he rolled him over seconds later, the officer found the subject was deceased.

Violation of SOP 5.1.32, Appropriate Action – Exonerated

#15-151 An investigation of a detective for a possible CourtNet violation concerning the search of a specific individual.

Violation of SOP 5.1.7, Police Business - Confidential – Sustained
Written reprimand

#15-152 An investigation of an officer found to be at fault in a vehicle collision.

Violation of SOP 5.1.2, Obedience to Rules and Regulations – Exonerated

#15-167 A review of a critical incident investigation of an officer involved shooting.

Violation of SOP 9.1.12, Use of Deadly Force – Exonerated

#15-168 An officer failed to use due regard while operating Code 3. Due to speed factors, the officer lost control of the police car and struck three vehicles, two of which were severely damaged and one civilian operator was injured.

Violation of SOP 8.7.4, Emergency Driving Regulations – Sustained
3-day suspension

#15-169 An allegation that an officer made an inappropriate post on Facebook about another officer's actions while on-duty.

Violation of SOP 5.1.16, Criticism of the Department – Sustained
Written reprimand

#15-179 An allegation that an officer entered the home of an individual without a warrant, probable cause, or exigent circumstances.

Violation of SOP 8.24.3, Special Circumstances – Sustained
Violation of SOP 5.1.5, Truthfulness/Untruthfulness – Not Sustained
3-day suspension

#15-182 An allegation that an officer used profanity while engaged in a verbal altercation with a subject.

Violation of SOP 5.1.3, Conduct Unbecoming – Sustained
Written reprimand

#15-183 An allegation that a sergeant directed threatening Facebook posts to a civilian.

Violation of SOP 2.31, Social Networking – Not Sustained

#15-207 A review of a critical incident investigation of an officer involved shooting.

Officer #1

Violation of SOP 9.1.12, Use of Deadly Force – Exonerated

Officer #2

Violation of SOP 9.1.12, Use of Deadly Force – Exonerated

#16-024 An allegation that a detective failed to exercise proper care of his firearm and fired the weapon while serving a search warrant.

Violation of SOP 4.13.11, Care of Firearm – Sustained
Written reprimand

#16-052 An allegation that a sergeant failed to secure his department issued weapon in a locked compartment in his vehicle which lead to the weapon being stolen and involved in a crime.

Violation of SOP 4.13.11, Care of Firearms – Sustained
Written reprimand

#16-059 An allegation that an officer failed to exercise proper care and accidentally fired his weapon while chasing a suspect.

Violation of SOP 4.13.11, Care of Firearms – Sustained
Written reprimand

The following cases involve investigations of members of the department for violating SOP 8.2.6, Court Attendance.

PSU Case	Rank	Letter Date	Findings	Discipline
16-008	OFC	01/06/2016	Sustained	1-day suspension
16-010	OFC	12/29/2015	Sustained	Written reprimand
16-034	OFC	02/17/2016	Sustained	Written reprimand
16-036	OFC	02/17/2016	Sustained	Written reprimand
16-037	OFC	02/17/2016	Sustained	Written reprimand
16-039	OFC	02/17/2016	Sustained	Written reprimand
16-040	OFC	02/17/2016	Sustained	Written reprimand
16-041	OFC	02/17/2016	Sustained	Written reprimand
16-042	DET	02/04/2016	Sustained	8-day suspension
16-043	OFC	02/17/2016	Sustained	Written reprimand
16-049	OFC	02/17/2016	Sustained	Written reprimand
16-050	OFC	12/03/2015	Sustained	Written reprimand
16-051	OFC	02/17/2016	Sustained	Written reprimand

**Chargeable Accidents
January - March 2016**

There were 32 chargeable accidents involving officers of LMPD for the months January through March 2016. The disposition for these accidents is as follows:

Written Reprimands with Mandatory Driver's Training: 3

Oral Reprimand: 0

Suspensions: 0

Accidents Awaiting Review: 1

No Action Recommended: 0

Awaiting Decision: 24

Tabled Until Next ARB Meeting: 4