



# First Precinct - Sector 111 Community Report May 2009

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During the month of May the Sector experienced a 49% increase in Major Crime; a 200% increase in violent crime (3 incidents reported in 2008 compared to 9 in 2009) and a 38% increase in property crime (42 incidents reported in 2008 compared to 58 in 2009). The 9 violent crimes reported included; 2 Homicides, 2 Aggravated Assaults (Domestic), 1 Aggravated Assault and 4 robberies. Of the 9 violent incidents reported 4 of them have been cleared by arrest. The current trend in Property Crime continues to be thefts related to motor vehicles, to include the theft of motor vehicles, residential burglaries and all other larceny which includes everything from bicycles to packages left on the front porch. Of the 28 thefts related to motor vehicles reported Fulton and Church Hill North were hit the hardest.

Here is breakdown in the crimes reported;

## Violent Crime:

-2 Homicide - 1 cleared by arrest -

- 5/5 - 1401 Melton Ave - at approx. 6:00 am the victim, Franklin Baker, was found dead on the front porch of the home by the owner. The victim did not reside at the address. The investigation is on-going.
- 5/12 - 3000 E Marshall St - at 7:45 pm police were called to the location for a shooting. The victim, Thomas Scott, was shot and died as a result of his injuries. A suspect was quickly identified and arrested.

-2 Aggravated Assault Domestic - 1 cleared by arrest and 1 has warrants pending. Since these incidents are domestic related there is no summary.

-1 Aggravated Assault - cleared by arrest

- 5/22 - 2008 Farrand St - the male victim was assaulted by a known male during an argument. The victim sustained injury to his face and was treated at MCV. The suspect was arrested a short distance away.

-3 Robberies -3 pending.

- 5/6 - 4700 Fulton St - Fulton - at approximately 12:50 pm the three victims were approached by three suspects who were armed with a silver revolver. The victim's were robbed of money, jewelry and a moped. The suspects were all described as black males between the ages of 16 and 20. The suspects were last seen running west towards Admiral Gravely Blvd.
- 5/7 - 1300 block of N 26<sup>th</sup> St. (Car Jacking) - Church Hill North- at approximately 12:30 am the victim was turning south onto N 26<sup>th</sup> from Nine Mile Rd when a male yelled to him. The victim stopped his vehicle and he was approached by three unknown males. One of the males produced a handgun, ordered him out of the vehicle and robbed him of his vehicle, money, wallet and cell phone. At approx. 12:30 pm police pursued the victim's vehicle in 2<sup>nd</sup> Precinct and three individuals were arrested.
- 5/19 - 1800 Carlisle Ave - Fulton - at approximately 5:00 pm the two victims were approached by the suspect. The suspect displayed a black handgun and robbed the victims of \$50. The suspect was described as a black male wearing a black do-rag, black hooded sweatshirt, black jeans and black shoes last seen running north.
- 5/25 - 500 block of N 28<sup>th</sup> St - Church Hill - at approximately 9:00 pm the victim answered the front door, at which time three unknown males forced their way in. The suspects apparently had knowledge of a person that may or may not stay at the residence and were attempting to locate that person. The suspects stole \$250 from the victim and left the area. The suspects were described as black males, approximately 30 years old, two of which were large build and the other slim build.

Property Crime Trends:

- 17 Thefts related to motor vehicles, which is down compared to last month when there were 26 reported incidents (not including 11 motor vehicle thefts) - a majority of the items were left in the interior of the vehicles in plain view. Typically taken were small electronics such as IPod's and portable GPS units.
- 11 Motor vehicle thefts - 8 recovered / 3 not recovered: Of the 11 vehicles stolen 2 were left unlocked with keys, 2 were left running and 1 was left unlocked.
  - Fulton - 5/3-4 - 1329 Darbytown Rd
  - Fulton - 5/6 - 915 State St - offender arrested
  - Fulton - 5/8-9 - 1305 Williamsburg Rd
  - Fulton - 5/10 - 1257 Nelson St
  - Fulton - 5/11-12 - 1404 Jennie Scher Rd

- Fulton - 5/13-14 - 1467 Jennie Scher Rd
- Oakwood - 5/16 - 3101 Nine Mile Rd
- Fulton - 5/16-17 - 4700 Central Ave
- Church Hill North - 5/16 - 3214 N St
- Fulton - 5/23 - 1300 Jennie Scher Rd
- Fulton - 5/27 - 4800 Randall Ave
- 9 Residential Burglaries and 3 Outbuilding Burglaries - 7 of the residential burglaries occurred in the Fulton Neighborhood and a majority of the residents were entered through the rear of the house.

Crime Trends for May:

- Church Hill - no current trend.
- Chimborazo - no current trend.
- Church Hill North - burglary to outbuildings and thefts related to motor vehicles.
- Fulton - thefts related to motor vehicle and residential burglaries.
- Oakwood - no current trend.
- Union Hill - all other larceny - thefts of bikes and lawnmowers.

Since the month of March we have been experiencing similar crime trends throughout the Sector, with a majority of the incidents occurring in the neighborhood of Fulton and most recently Church Hill North. During the month of May Fulton experienced 7 residential burglaries compared to 4 last month. There has been a shift in when they are occurring, from daytime to the evening and from weekdays to weekends. As far as the thefts related to motor vehicles we have seen a decrease of 9 incidents, however there has been an increase in motor vehicle thefts. At least half of the incidents could have been avoided if the owner would have locked the doors and removed the keys.

During the month of May officers and detectives continued to focus on burglaries and thefts related to motor vehicles throughout the Sector. The dayshift officers maintained a presence in Fulton because of the daytime burglaries reported last month, which had an affect on the trend since they are currently occurring during the evening time. Evening shift officers continued to focus in Church Hill and Union Hill for the increase in thefts related to motor vehicles, which had an impact. Midnight shift focused in Fulton in response to the increase in night time residential burglaries and thefts related to motor vehicles. We are hopeful with the increase in police

presence along with educating the residents we can disrupt this current trend and arrest the offenders.

As always continue to report suspicious persons or activities to the police as soon as possible. Also take note of groups young males walking the streets and alley ways, especially in Fulton. If they don't look familiar to your neighborhood and it appears they are acting suspicious call the non-emergency number (646-5100) to have an officer check.

During this reporting period Sector 111 officers answered 2128 radio calls, compiled 221 reports and investigated 21 vehicle accidents. They also made 146 misdemeanor arrests, 25 felony arrests, executed 77 warrants, issued 112 traffic summons, seized 7 guns and conducted 162 field interviews.

I want to thank the officers, detectives and community for their continued support in reducing crime within Sector 111.

Sincerely,  
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