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St Charles Parish 1st Quarter Crime Reaches Record Low

Sheriff Greg Champagne reports that crime reports in St. Charles Parish for the first quarter of 2018 dropped 31.7% when compared to the first quarter of 2017, a record low over the past 21 years.

“Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Statistics indicate three successive months of record low crime in St. Charles Parish which resulted in a significant decrease for the entire 1st quarter of the new year, said Sheriff Champagne.” Crime was down in 6 of the 7 categories compiled by the F.B.I. This includes reductions in Murder (0), Robbery, theft, burglary, assault and auto theft. The only category which reflected an increase was rape (2) reported as opposed to zero in the first quarter of 2017.

“I am extremely pleased that over the long haul many of our initiatives have proven successful”, the sheriff said. “We even went to the extent of sending out letters to all parish residents urging them to lock their automobiles and night and removing valuables”. As result, total thefts fell from 143 to 113 during the quarter. “These are very significant results and we need to continue to be vigilant and take reasonable precautions.”

Sheriff Champagne credits the continuing dedication of all deputies and detectives, all of whom play a role in prevention and the enforcement strategies which limit the opportunities and incentives for criminal activity. Furthermore, the sheriff credits the citizens of St. Charles Parish who we have actively engaged into taking a role in their own safety.

The Sheriff's Office releases Uniform Crime Reports (UCR) regarding seven (7) Index Crimes compiled for the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Overall UCR Reports

Year	January	February	March	Total
2017	162	107	113	382
2018	99	94	97	290