

Tuesday, November 16, 2021



## LMPD Weekly Update

### Chief's Message

As of Monday, November 15<sup>th</sup>, the number of criminal homicides in Louisville stands at 170. That's a slight decrease from a week ago when we reported the number as 172. While we can all agree that 170—or any number—is too high, I want to take a moment to explain why the numbers sometimes change.

Through investigation, we determine whether a homicide appears to be criminal in nature. Legal definitions can result in reclassification as our investigation uncovers facts and circumstances which led to the killing. In addition, the police work closely with prosecutors to determine whether a homicide may have been “justified” or otherwise does not constitute a criminal offense under Kentucky law. This may result in the reclassification of a death as a homicide rather than a criminal homicide.

Despite not knowing all the facts up front, we try to classify the death quickly so it can be reported to the press and public. Due to the length of some investigations, some data may change weeks, months, or even years after a death has occurred. Further, our crime data is submitted to the FBI for review and inclusion in the Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) program, which uses definitions agreed upon by representatives from across federal, state, and local government.

Data aside, as I've repeatedly said, the level of violence we're seeing is unacceptable. The 170 number represents 170 people whose lives were cut short this year, including 21 victims who were under the age of 18. We must do a better job to identify the individuals who are committing the violence and hold them accountable. And that's what we're working on every day.

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# Case Highlight

Here are two cases where we need your help.



## 1<sup>st</sup> Division

We are attempting to identify the three individuals pictured who were involved in a shooting at Boone's Gas Station, 500 block of N. 22nd Street, on November 4<sup>th</sup>.

A man in a dark hoodie with grey sweats and sandals was driving a newer model blue Ford Fusion (pictured). The driver of the Fusion and a man wearing a multi-colored sweatshirt with a skeleton on it exchanged words, then engaged in a shootout.



The man in the multi-colored sweatshirt, who was driving what appears to be a mid-2000's GMC Yukon (pictured), and a man wearing a Bulls jersey who was driving a black sedan, possibly a Chevy Malibu, arrived at the gas station at the same time. Both fired shots at the blue Ford Fusion as it left the lot.



If you recognize either of these vehicles or anyone matching the given descriptions, please call the anonymous tip line at (502) 574-LMPD or use the portal link below.



### 8<sup>th</sup> Division

LMPD's 8th Division is attempting to identify the two suspects pictured below. On October 21<sup>st</sup>, the pair entered the Bath and Body Works in the 4100 block of Towne Center Drive, loaded baskets up with candles, and exited the store without paying. While exiting, the female suspect shoved an elderly employee to the ground, causing injury to the victim. The suspects fled the scene in the vehicle pictured. According to the store's loss prevention office, the same suspects have hit the store multiple times prior to this incident and have attempted to return after this incident. Anyone with any information is asked to call the anonymous tip line at (502) 574-LMPD or use the portal link, below.



If you see any of the above individuals or have information about the described activity, you can remain anonymous. Please call the tip line at (502) 574-LMPD or use the portal link: <https://www.p3tips.com/TipForm.aspx?ID=563&C=&T=>

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## 2021 Homicides/Suicides/Overdoses

January 1<sup>st</sup> – November 14<sup>th</sup>

YEAR	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Criminal Homicides	43	43	56	45	47	71	98	91	67	80	136	170
Suicides	74	85	85	82	73	93	105	86	95	83	93	101

Clearance Rate YTD each year			
Year	# Cases	# Cleared	Rate
2021	170	58	34.12%
2020	136	41	30.15%
2019	80	38	47.50%

2021 Overdoses	299
2020 Overdoses	337

Homicide Cause	
Gunshot Wound	160
BFT	3
Stabbing	6
Asphyxiation	1
Other	0
Total	170

Victim Age		Percentage
0-5	2	1.18%
6-10	4	2.35%
11-17	15	8.82%
18-24	38	22.35%
25-34	54	31.76%
35-44	30	17.65%
45-54	18	10.59%
55-64	6	3.53%
65 and older	3	1.76%
Total	170	

More information and data can be found here:  
<http://louisville-police.org/196/Homicide-Unit>

## Arrest of the Week

On Thursday, November 11th, LMPD announced the arrest of Eder Rivaldo Mayorga-Sanchez. Between October 26<sup>th</sup> and November 8<sup>th</sup>, the 19-year-old from Louisville allegedly committed four armed carjackings and a business robbery in the 3rd Division.

The first incident involved a carjacking and shooting at a convenience store near National Turnpike and Glengarry Drive in Fairdale. A 16-year-old boy was wounded in the shooting which happened just before the suspect stole the car the boy's mother was driving. The second incident, which occurred in the 9100 block of Minors Lane, involved a female victim who was violently dragged from her vehicle

as she was leaving work. The third incident occurred at a Burger King in the 5600 block of New Cut Road, where a woman was carjacked as she sat in her vehicle during her lunch break. The fourth incident involved a female victim whose work vehicle was taken at gunpoint in the 7300 block of Cogan Boulevard. The same suspect is believed to have committed a robbery of the Valero gas station in the 4900 block of Terry Road on November 8<sup>th</sup>.

The LMPD's Robbery Unit quickly connected the incidents and disseminated a wanted flyer with a picture of the suspect and his getaway vehicle from the business robbery. On November 9<sup>th</sup>, and approximately 9 a.m., the suspect's vehicle was spotted by an off-duty sergeant in the vicinity of a Dollar General store in the 8700 block of National Turnpike. The sergeant confirmed the vehicle was stolen and requested the assistance of 3<sup>rd</sup> Division officers. They approached the suspect as he exited the business, whereupon he ran and jumped onto a moving semi-tractor trailer. The suspect, identified as Mayorga-Sanchez, was subsequently located in the woods behind a nearby car wash and was apprehended by a K-9 Unit and 3<sup>rd</sup> Division officers. He was in possession of two firearms, one of which was stolen.

Upon being interviewed, Mayorga-Sanchez confessed to the crimes and was charged with five counts of 1<sup>st</sup> degree robbery, 1<sup>st</sup> degree assault, fleeing and evading police, receiving a stolen firearm, and theft by unlawful taking (automobile theft). Due to the violent nature of these crimes, the LMPD worked with the FBI's Violent Crimes Task Force, which is pursuing federal charges.

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