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**East District Middle  
Officer Ryan Gootee**

# Indianapolis Metropolitan Police

# East District Dispatch

## Message From the Commander

East District welcomes James Waters as the new Commander for IMPD East District. Commander Waters brings to East District a wide variety of experience from his previous assignments in the Office of the Chief, Professional Standards, Vice, Narcotics and Southwest District NRO's. Jim has hit the ground running as he has taken command from Deputy Chief Scott Haslar. We congratulate D/C Haslar on his promotion to Deputy Chief of Operations as well as Major Tom Kern who was our former East District Crime Strategist and is now our Chief Crime Strategist for all of Operations. D/C Haslar accomplished many new initiatives as East District Commander such as the Baker One Project, the East District DNA Gun initiative, Micro-grid Analysis, and NeighborHoops.

Commander Waters looks to continue many of the efforts of his predecessor as well as establish new initiatives to combat both violent and property crime on East District.

We are working with our personnel to transition to Zone Policing in April of 2012. While this is a change in philosophy from traditional Beat Policing, we are looking at deploying a majority of our manpower and resources in the most troubled areas on East District. We will be implementing a wide variety of strategies to combat crime in 2012. It will take the dedication and commitment of all of our personnel to be successful. I know the hard working



men and women of East District will live up to the challenge.

Best Wishes,  
Captain Mark Rice

## January's Officer of the Month

In June 2011, Officer Gootee was patrolling his beat when he was flagged down by a female victim who had just been sexually assaulted. Officer Gootee demonstrated compassion toward the victim while maintaining professionalism and quickly obtained information regarding the incident. With information gathered, Officer Gootee directed other officers to look for the suspect. Within an hour officers had located the suspect, obtained a positive ID, gathered DNA evidence and worked with the sex crimes detec-

tives. Deputy Prosecutor Schmadeke stated "His work on our case was critical. He was the first person to see the victim and the decisions he made in the few minutes he had control of the case really made the difference". "He was a great witness, willing, able and prepared for trial". Officers Gootee's actions put a habitual offender away for Rape, Criminal Confinement and Battery. As a result of his efforts, this violent suspect is no longer a danger to our community. Congratulation Officer Ryan Gootee.

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## *IPL Keep The Lights On*

### Trees & Electricity

While we appreciate the beauty and importance of trees in our community, misplaced or improperly maintained trees often cause power outages during severe weather and can be dangerous when branches come in contact with power lines. Prevention is the key, and that is

why IPL has a comprehensive tree-pruning, line-clearing program that operates on a 36-month cycle. We work year-round to prevent existing trees from causing outages or danger to you. We also work with Indy Parks and Recreation and Keep Indianapolis Beautiful to continually [plant](#)

[the right trees in the right places](#) through our [Trees For Tomorrow](#) program.

For the seventh time, IPL was named a Tree Line USA Utility by the Arbor Day Foundation in 2010.

### TREE PRUNING QUESTIONS?

Call the IPL Line Clearing Department at 317.261.8128. Office hours are 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. If you call after hours, please leave a message. An

#### Remember...

If you see a downed power line, stay away from it and call IPL immediately at 317.261.8111.

## *Major Arrests*

On Monday night February 22<sup>nd</sup>, James Brown went to his ex-girlfriend's residence, armed with a firearm. He broke into the home and confronted his ex-girlfriend in the shower. Later he was met by his ex-girlfriend's new boyfriend, a handgun came out and a struggle ensued. He was able to get James Brown out of the house, when James Brown fired one gunshot through the win-

dow then fled the scene. Officers Jerry Torres, Gregory Stevens and Edward Bottoms apprehended James Brown at his mother's residence. Detective Hale responded to the scene and investigated the incident and conducted interviews. Officer Leary did a great job at the scene and writing the report. All officers worked well together and apprehended a dangerous individual.

Great job by all.

200 N. Forest Av, Officer Decker, utilizing his 27 years of experience, wit, and outstanding training, located two guns and a clip on the ground that was used in a homicide at 52 N. Forest Ave that occurred on Late Shift. Homicide responded to the scene and the evidence was recovered by Crime Lab.

Awesome Skills  
Officer Decker.

Always call **911** the minute you think a crime is about to be or is being committed.

**Remember,  
NEVER  
confront these  
violent  
criminals.**

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## *Praise for Officers and Citizens*

### *Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design*

#### *Kennedy King Neighborhood Association*

All too often we are reacting to things in our environment that cause us stress or are unsafe. We have to call the police because we left our window open and our home was burglarized. Or our patio furniture was stolen because we had no lighting in the yard, so no one could see the criminals loading the chairs onto the truck. We often think we should be more proactive to prevent the problem from occurring in the first place. But what does that mean? What is it that we need to do? We should all know the simple measures of locking our doors and telling our neighbors when we are away. Some have learned to leave lights on and be sure accessible windows are locked. But have you thought about how your landscaping affects your safety? Do those overgrown shrubs offer a perfect place for someone with bad intentions to hide, or create a screen so your neighbor was not able to see the burglar prying open your window? We all like our privacy but there are some simple ways to attain both a safe environment and a private enjoyable space. What if we were able to take things even a step further? What if our neighborhood including commercial business in the area thought a little more globally about how to deter crime and create an environment where everyone could feel safe and live and work in a pleasant environment?

The City of Indianapolis has taken the initiative to train some of its staff on the concepts of Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design. Charles Wheeler with the Marion County Prosecutors office says "Basically the idea is to make things comfortable for the standard user and uncomfortable for the non standard user." This result is obtained by taking a few simple measures. "Take trees and shrubs for instance." says Detective Dan Reynolds with the IMPD nuisance abatement team, "If you follow a simple rule of two and six, so keep shrubs to two feet in height

and trees pruned up to six feet, you maintain reasonable privacy for your enjoyment, but offer the ability of a neighbor or police to see any non standard users who are attempting to or have gained access or may be trying to hide on or around the property."

"Additionally, where possible, use shrubs that someone would not want to climb though, such as Holly, or Raspberry bushes, use of this type of shrub will simply make it unpleasant for a criminal to access the property and they may choose to go somewhere else."

Cory Drum the Marion County Prosecutors office's liaison to IMPD east district adds, "where there are surfaces with graffiti or 'tagging,' remove it or paint over it, if one group leaves their 'mark' others will follow. So try to remove any graffiti as quickly as possible." "If you are not able to do the painting yourself, the prosecutor's office offers a program where we may be able to have the painting done for you."

The Kennedy King Neighborhood has had its share of growing pains much like other areas of the city. Our beat police officers work hard for our neighborhood and we appreciate and commend all of the efforts and the difference they make. But we also realized we could not put all of the work on their shoulders, we had to be active participants for change and create an environment where people want to live. With the assistance and cooperation of IMPD, the Marion County Prosecutors Office and B & B Liquors, we as a neighborhood took on a project last year to begin to change the environment and the overall impression of the neighborhood. The neighborhood approached the owner of the B & B Liquors at the corner of 22<sup>nd</sup> Street and Central Avenue, about trialing the concepts of Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design.

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# Crime Watch Corner



It's that time of the year when we start leaving our windows and doors open. Always have your

screen doors locked. Make sure your windows are secured in a way that someone can not force their way inside your house.

When working outside, always lock your doors and keep a key with you. Never leave the house, even for short periods of time, with your doors

and windows wide open. Remember to put garden and lawn equipment back in a secured location after use and don't forget to lock the garage when done.

Most importantly look after each other. If you see your neighbor has left something open or

out, give them a shout and let them know.

If you see something, say something.

**You are our first line of crime defense**

## Department of Code Enforcement

**INOPERABLE  
&  
ABANDONED  
VEHICLES**



**REPAIR • SELL • DO-  
NATE •  
JUNK • STORE •  
OR LICENSE IT**

### NON-PERMITTED VEHICLE AND GARGAGE/YARD SALES

DID YOU KNOW

**1. Revised Code.** You can view the entire Revised Code of the Consolidated City and County- Indianapolis/Marion online at [www.municode.com](http://www.municode.com).

**2. Vehicles.** The following are considered vehicles: cars, trucks, boats, motorcycles, RV's, mopeds, wave runners, etc.

**3. Merchandise.** Besides vehicles, general items are not permitted to be displayed for sale on residential or commercial property not specifically zoned for such activity.

**4. Towing.** Any vehicle towed from public or private property will be done at the owner's expense.

**5. Violations.** Violations can result in citations, a court appearance, and fines up to \$2,500.

**To report a violation or other neighborhood concern, contact:  
MAYOR'S ACTION CENTER  
327-4MAC (4622)**

### Department of Code Enforcement

Putting public safety and quality of life issues first through efficiently and effectively administering:

**LICENSES  
PERMITS  
INSPECTIONS**

**For a complete list of services and resources, visit [www.indy.gov/dce](http://www.indy.gov/dce) or contact us via:**

**1200 Madison Ave., Suite 100  
Indianapolis, IN 46225  
Phone: (317) 327-8700**

**LOBBY HOURS:  
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday  
8 a.m. - 5 p.m.  
Wednesday  
Noon - 5 p.m.  
Friday  
9 a.m. - 5 p.m.**

[www.indy.gov/mac](http://www.indy.gov/mac)



# WANTED

CRIME STOPPERS OF CENTRAL INDIANA

Up to **\$1,000 REWARD**

For information leading to the arrest of any suspect on this poster.



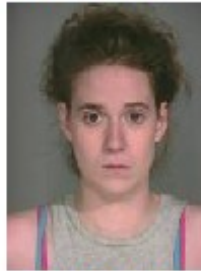
## February 1, 2012



**Jeffrey Adams**  
Firearms; Poss. by SVF



**Rene Altamirano-Cabrera**  
Rape



**Shelby Ashley**  
Poss. Methamphetamine



**Mia Moore**  
Forgery



**Anthony Corbin**  
Dealing Cocaine



**Jason Monohan**  
Forgery



**Jason Harris**  
Robbery



**Monique Turnbow**  
Forgery



**Pedro Villanneve**  
Sexual Misconduct w/Minor



**Christina White**  
Forgery



**Randy Byrd**  
Robbery



**Brittany Smith**  
Carjacking

*All persons presumed innocent until proven guilty.*

*Only anonymous callers to Crime Stoppers of Central Indiana are eligible for a reward.*

**Call 317-262- 8477 (TIPS) or 1-800-222-8477 (TIPS)**

**CrimeTips.org**

## *Prosecutors Programs offered by MCPO*

Mike, who has past experience operating a business in a changing area, agreed to participate in the program.

Cory Drum, Charles Wheeler and Dan Reynolds have all attended training on the concepts and implementation of Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) and agreed to apply the theory to the area. The group surveyed the B & B Liquors property and developed a working plan to address the concepts of CPTED to mitigate and change the use and perception of the area. Many points were addressed, lighting, landscape, traffic flow, parking, loitering, the overall structure and property appearance and a good neighbor agreement. The team compiled the results and rated their recommendations to encourage change but not to financially overwhelm the business. Some were zero cost suggestions like removing clutter from windows, to allow a clear line of sight into the store. This simple change now allows law enforcement and others to see into the business, making it safer for employees and customers in the event of a disturbance inside the store and removing the aura that there is any nonstandard activity in the business. Adjusting the lighting to ease the “light pollution” yet maintain safety was another zero cost item that can make a big difference. Mike, realizing the effect this movement could have, took the initiative and repainted the building, taking it from a dirty white with red stripe beacon, to muted beige that blends into the corner property and compliments the surrounding structures. By making this dramatic design change Mike clearly announced that there were changes happening, and they were happening now! Mike has continued to follow the environmental design plan, by following through on simple things like keeping up on trash in the parking lot and surrounding area and cleaning up and adding landscaping following the two and six rule and utilizing hostile vegetation. Obviously, the business was now becoming a partner with the neighborhood and working toward a common goal. When asked how he felt about the program and the work involved, Mike responded, “it

was really a pleasure to work with this group, we all talked through the issues and worked out a plan that was positive for everyone. Unfortunately, in the past I have dealt with groups and individuals that were, well, not as open minded and willing to work through issues and create realistic goals; I am proud to be a part of this program and this neighborhood.” Jodi Golden the President of the Kennedy King Neighborhood Association, agrees, and added. “This was a very positive beginning. There are so many challenging situations between the residential and commercial aspects of a downtown neighborhood. It is important to communicate well and make every effort to find the balance that will make a neighborhood a desirable and comfortable place to live and work. All the residents of Kennedy King would like to thank Cory Drum and Charles Wheeler from the Marion County Prosecutors Office, Detective Dan Reynolds and Captain Mark Rice from the Indianapolis Metropolitan Police Department and the owner of the B & B Liquors for their ongoing support and effort in helping us make the Kennedy King Neighborhood the Landmark neighborhood it deserves to be!”

Of course as with any project there is always maintenance involved but what this group and program has brought to the neighborhood is not only a documented path for the future, but communication. Initially, that means sharing our thoughts, needs, hopes and dreams to establish a common goal. Going forward that means maintaining focus on that goal and working together to see that everyone involved is reaping the reward they expected.

**If you have opportunities in your neighborhood and would like to take the CPTED challenge, please contact Charles Wheeler at (317) 327-1406.**

# Never Let Them Walk Alone!

## Let's Show Our Support!

Your F.O.P. Auxiliary #86 is having a fundraiser for  
Send the Moore family to D.C. for police week

**When:**

**April 5, 2012**

**Where:**



(Southport Rd & Emerson)

**Time: 4pm-8pm**

Bring this flyer in and tell them the Auxiliary Sent you!

20% will go to the family of David Moore

(expensive for police week in Washington D.C.)

There will be a table with a donation jar as well!

Put your name and phone number on your receipt & drop in our PRIZE Jar  
who ever spends the most will win a PRIZE!

Invite your **FAMILY, FRIENDS, NEIGHBORS, CHURCH FAMILY, etc.**

## Let's Show OURSupport!

Any questions or concerns please contact  
Auxiliary #86 Jenna Musser, Chaplain at (317)308-8313 or

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# Far Eastside Quality of Life Plan Strategy Summit

*Thursday, March 15th  
5:30 pm to 8:00 pm*

*Event will take place at the  
Far Eastside Neighborhood Center*

You & your neighbors have shared your vision for the future of the Far Eastside over the last several months, now it is time to put implementation strategies in place outlining how to achieve the shared vision.

## **YOU ARE THE KEY!**

Your feedback and input is invaluable in this process!

Please plan to attend & bring a neighbor!

Dinner & Child Care will be provided!



## **Special Services**

### **TTD/TTY Phone Service**

If you are deaf or have a hearing and/or speech impairment, you can access IPL's TTD/TTY service at 317.261.8998.

### **Visually Impaired Service**

IPL can supply a Braille bill or a large-print bill for your convenience. Call 317.261.8222 for this service.

### **Third Party Notification**

Need a little help remembering to pay your bill? You can designate a family member, member of the clergy, a friend or social agency to receive copies of disconnect notices. This person will not be obligated to pay the bill, only to remind or help you arrange for payment by the "Disconnect Notice Due Date" (normally within 14 days), if possible. For more information about this service call 317.261.8222.

### **Medical Alert Program**

If you rely on electrically powered medical equipment at home, please notify IPL so we can try to alert an adult member of the household in advance of any planned service interruptions. For more information about this program call 317.261.8222.

Indianapolis Metropolitan Police  
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## East District Task Force

Contact Officer Tammie Peters 327-6267

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Next meeting is April 11th, 2012

### Meeting dates for 2012

January	<b>No Meeting</b>
February 8 <sup>th</sup>	<b>No Meeting</b>
March 14 <sup>th</sup>	2:00pm
April 11 <sup>th</sup>	6:30pm
May 9 <sup>th</sup>	2:00pm
June 13 <sup>th</sup>	6:30pm
July 11 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Community Day</b> <b>10:00 – 1:00pm</b>
August 8 <sup>th</sup>	2:00pm
September 12 <sup>th</sup>	6:30pm
October 10 <sup>th</sup>	2:00pm
November 14 <sup>th</sup>	6:30 Year End
December	<b>No Meeting</b>

These are informational meetings held at your East District Police Headquarters, to enhance two way communications between your police officers, city agencies, business' and residences. These are open meetings for everyone.

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## If you see something, say something.

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Visit us on the web at:

[www.indycrimewatch.com/edistrict.html](http://www.indycrimewatch.com/edistrict.html)

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