

# First Quarter 2020 Crime Watch Presentation

Munster Police Department April 23, 2020

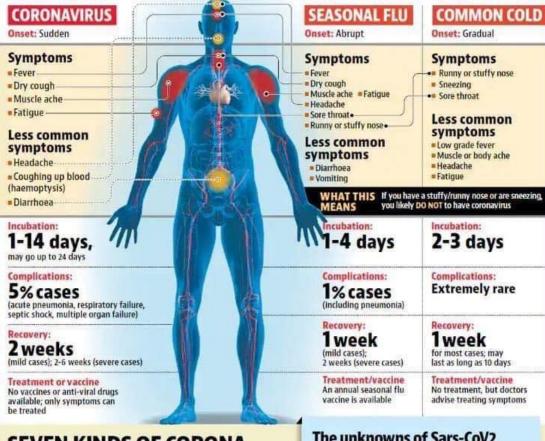


### **ANNOUNCEMENTS AND NEWS**

#### **CORONAVIRUS, FLU, COLD?**

As the number of coronavirus cases rise, some key differences set coronavirus apart from the seasonal flu and the common cold — mainly the intensity of the symptoms and the recovery period. A guide at identifying the differences in the three conditions

All three, however, are spread by air-borne respiratory droplets and contaminated surfaces



#### SEVEN KINDS OF CORONA

Seven strains of coronavirus (CoV) that infect humans have been identified. These cause illness ranging from the common cold to more severe diseases such as Middle East Respiratory Syndrome (MERS-CoV)

#### Harmless

Serotype 229E

Serotype OC43

Serotype NL63 ■ Serotype HUKt

These cause symptoms of the common cold, and rarely cause severe pneumonia

#### Dangerous

These are known to cause more severe disease. These are:

1. Sars-CoV which causes severe acute respiratory syndrome (Sars)

2. Mers-CoV was that causes Middle East respiratory syndrome (Mers)

3. Sars-CoV2 that causes coronavirus disease (Covid-19)

#### The unknowns of Sars-CoV2

Sars-CoV2 is closely related (with 88% identity) to two bat-derived Sars-like coronaviruses (bat-51-CoV-ZC45 and bat-SL-CoVZXC21) collected in 2018 in Zhoushan.

It has 79% genetic affinity with Sars-CoV. 50% with Mers-CoV

The Sars-CoV2 receptor-binding domain structure, which allows a virus to latch on to and enter a cell. is similar to Sars-CoV, despite amino acid variation at some key residues. Little is known about Sars-CoV2. studies on Sars-CoV provide clues to its behaviour and ability to infect

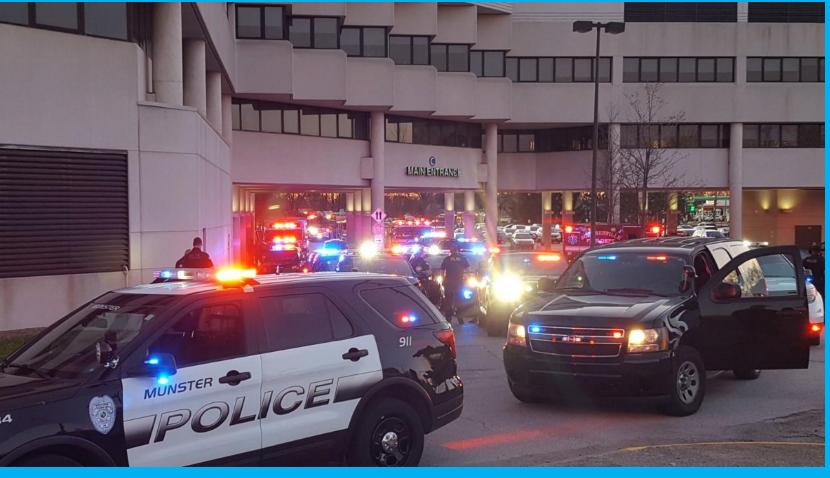
On smooth surfaces such as tables, phones etc, Sars-CoV retains its viability for 5 days at 22-25°C and relative humidity of 40-50% which is typical for air-conditioned rooms. Though this may vary for Sars-CoV2, experts say this is a good indicator for its behaviour

Please follow the directions on the CDC website if you think you are sick or believe you may have had contact with somebody who is infected. A link to their website is available here:

https://www.cdc.gov/corona virus/2019-ncov/if-you-aresick/steps-when-sick.html







On April 19<sup>th</sup>, the Munster Police & Fire Departments joined up with over 100 police cars, fire trucks and ambulances to show our support for our health care professionals who are on the front line of the COVID-19 pandemic. We appreciate and support you!





#### **BIRTHDAY PARADES PROVIDED THROUGHOUT APRIL**



The Munster Police & Fire Departments have been providing birthday parades for Munster children throughout April and will continue to do so throughout the governor's stay-at-home order. In total, almost 60 parades will be provided throughout April and we hope that they were helpful and memorable for the children and families involved.













Approximately 400 total Munster students participated in the annual SNOWFLURRY Event this year, which is an extension of the Munster Police Department's D.A.R.E. Program and encourages drug prevention, bullying prevention, and the importance of treating others with respect.







In early March, the Munster Police Department received a generous donation from the MUNSTER CHAMBER OF COMMERCE to purchase a "NAT THE KNIGHT" costume. Nat the Knight is the official mascot of the National Night Out Against Crime, and will now be making appearances at the annual event along with other community events throughout the year. We appreciate the Munster Chamber for their generous support of our community policing efforts.

# 15<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the *Munster Crime Watch Weekly Report*



In April 2005, our department re-organized and re-implemented our Neighborhood Crime Watch Program and began sending out the Munster Crime Watch Weekly Report. 15 years later, the program now consists of over 100 active Crime Watch groups and thousands of participating residents. Thank you to our many, dedicated Crime Watch Captains.



# FIRST QUARTER 2020 STATISTICS



### Arrests & Traffic Statistics First Quarter 2020



State Violations – 299

**Local Violations** – 199

**Total Traffic** – 498

**Traffic Accidents** – 157

**Traffic Accident Injuries** – 25

**Traffic Accident Fatalities** – 0

**Adult Arrests** – 54

**Juvenile Arrests - 10** 



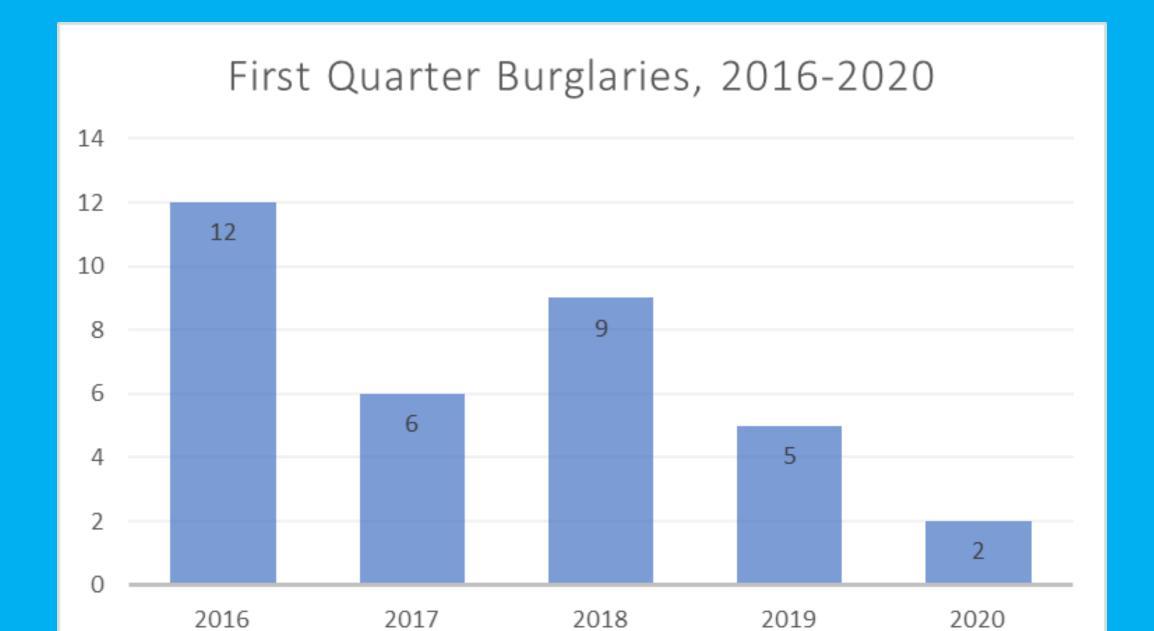




#### First Quarter Robberies



- First Midwest Bank-750 Ridge (1/7, 9:11AM). Subject robbed the bank (without displaying a weapon) and fled the scene. The suspect was arrested later that same evening by police.
- 200 Block Adelaide Pl (3/13, 4:53PM). Officers responded in reference to a domestic disturbance where children were taken from the scene. The suspect was located by police and arrested on multiple charges. The children were returned home.





#### First Quarter Burglaries

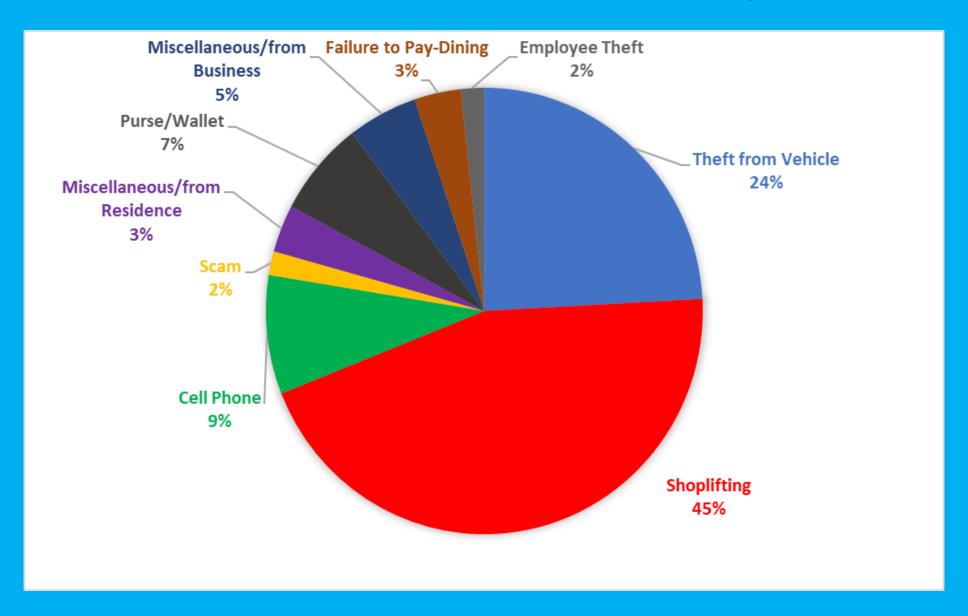


- GoLo-750 Broadmoor (3/16, 3:02AM). Front door smashed for entry; cash stolen from inside.
- ATTEMPTED: Munster Liquors-8241 Hohman (3/22, 1:47AM). Front door window broken out but no entry was gained by the suspect and nothing was taken.

# First Quarter Thefts (Includes Shoplifting), 2016-2020



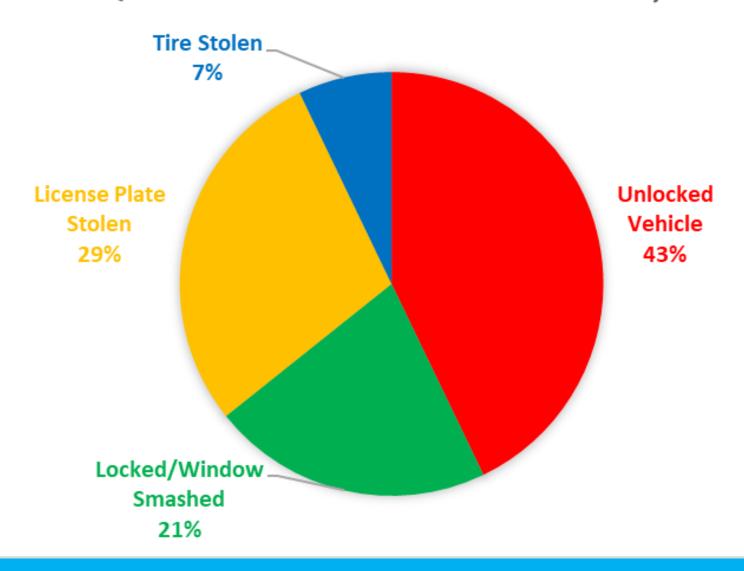
#### Thefts in Munster – 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter, 2020



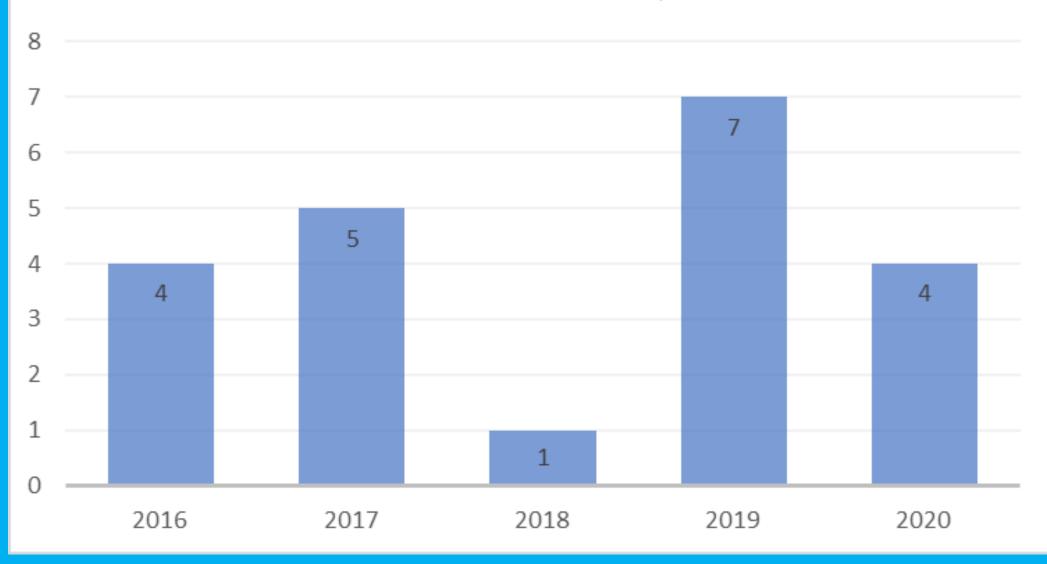




#### **1ST QUARTER THEFTS FROM VEHICLES, 2020**





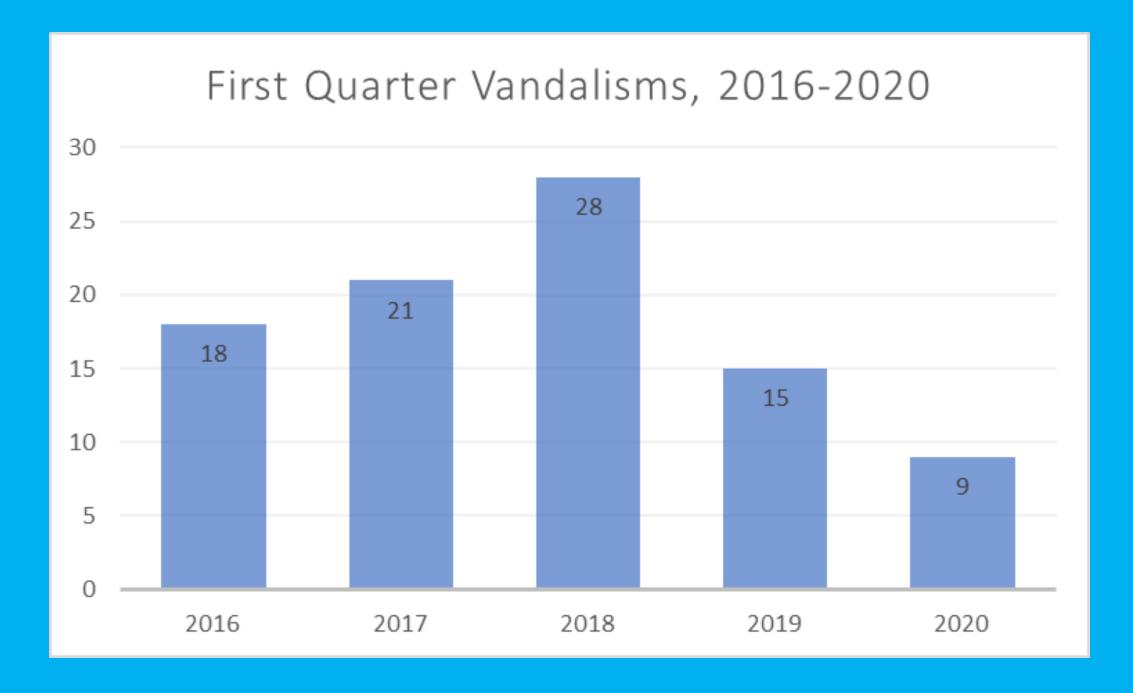




### First Quarter Auto Thefts



- Boston Market-8032 Calumet (1/21, 11:20PM). Vehicle left unlocked and running in the parking lot was stolen.
- 200 Block Beverly PI (2/20, 7:45AM). Vehicle left unlocked and running in front of the residence for approximately 20 minutes was stolen.
- Springhill Suites-9651 Calumet (2/22, 8AM). Subject known to the victim advised that he was having breakfast with the suspect and left his keys at the table. When he returned his vehicle was gone.
- 8900 Block White Oak (3/10, between 3:30PM-8PM). Keys were accidentally left in the doorknob of an apartment and the vehicle parked outside was later found to have been stolen.





# Beware of COVID-19 Scam Attempts

- Beware of scam calls or texts offering free home testing kits, promoting bogus cures, or selling health insurance.
- Do not respond to calls or texts from unknown numbers, or any others that appear suspicious. Never share your personal or financial information via e-mail, text, or over the phone. Never click on suspicious links.
- Scammers often spoof phone numbers to trick you into answering or responding. Remember that government agencies will never call you to ask for personal information or money.
- Always investigate a charity before donating and report suspicious individuals at your door immediately by calling 911.

**Federal Communications Commission Website/More Scams Information:** 

https://www.fcc.gov/covid-scams

#### Next Munster Crime Watch Meeting

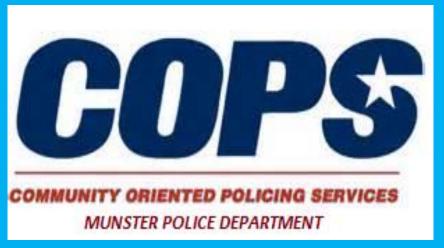


Thursday, July 23, 2020 7:00PM

## Munster Town Hall 1005 Ridge Road

- Crime statistics and updates on recent incidents
- Crime prevention information
- \$25 Target gift card door prize





Please continue to report suspicious activity immediately by calling 911.

For more information about our Crime Watch Program, please contact the Munster Police Department's Community Policing Unit at 219-836-6639.