

COMMISSIONER'S CORRESPONDENCE – Kicking off 2025 and building on momentum and progress:

As we enter 2025, there is a lot to be optimistic about at the St. Louis Metropolitan Police Department.

Earlier this month, we released our year-end crime data for 2024. We reported the lowest number of murders in 11 years, a 15% reduction in overall crimes compared with 2023 and a 31% reduction in crimes compared with 2022.

We also saw a reduction in shots fired calls and juvenile shooting victims compared with prior years, along with reductions in most of the individual Part 1 crime categories – including murder, sexual assault, robbery, aggravated assault, felony theft and auto theft.

These numbers reflect the hard work and dedication of each of our commissioned police officers, as well as the professional staff who support our officers and ensure that so many critical functions of our department are maintained.

Within the last week, the department unveiled new updates to our state-of-the-art website. Residents now have the ability to locate which police district they reside in by inputting their address on [SLMPD.org/locator](https://slmpd.org/locator). The tool will be available across the website in various locations. When someone searches an address, it will identify the police district they live in and whether it's in North, Central or South patrol.

The website now includes an easy to use community calendar on the North, Central and South patrol pages – featuring various events that officers are engaged with and where community meetings are scheduled. This tool will continue our department's effort to strengthen the relationship between SLMPD and the residents we serve.

I believe we have entered this new year with great momentum, and we look forward to rolling up our sleeves to continue this important work and to bring about more positive progress for our City!