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### ***TRAINING BEGINS FOR NEW DEPUTY SHERIFF RECRUITS***

Beginning Monday, March 29, training is underway for new Shelby County deputy sheriff recruits. Twenty-nine recruits are in the new class. Training will last for twenty-four weeks, with graduation scheduled for August 30. The Operation: Safe Community crime plan calls for additional staffing in both the Memphis Police Department and the Shelby County Sheriff's Office.

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### ***YOUNG OFFENDERS DRIVE VIOLENT STREET CRIME***

According to figures from the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation (TBI), young offenders account consistently for over half of major violent crime arrests in the city of Memphis (as well as all of Shelby County), especially for violent street crimes such as robberies.

For the first two months of this year, persons 24 years old and younger accounted for 53.2% of all arrests for Part 1 violent crimes (murders, rapes, robberies, and aggravated assaults). That figure is driven by the fact that this age group accounts for 73.7% of robbery arrests and 57.1% of arrests for murder. On the other hand, this age group accounts for just 36.4% of arrests for rape and 45.3% of aggravated assault arrests, many of which relate to domestic violence and occur within homes rather than on the streets and other places accessible to the public.

This pattern is generally true from year to year, as reflected in the accompanying table and chart containing data from 2006, 2011, 2016, 2017, and 2018. The largest percentage of youth

arrests for violent crime occurred in 2006 (58.6%), with a staggering 84.6% of those arrested for robberies being 24 years old or younger. (The TBI figures for 2018 are preliminary.)

Percentage of Part 1 Violent Crime Arrests Involving Persons 24 years and under					
	YTD 2006	YTD 2011	YTD 2016	YTD 2017	YTD 2018
Aggravated Assault	46.7%	43.3%	37.7%	40.1%	45.3%
Murder	52.4%	36.4%	83.3%	90.9%	57.1%
Rape	0.0%	47.6%	57.1%	46.7%	36.4%
Robbery	84.6%	76.2%	73.4%	76.4%	73.7%
Total	58.6%	54.6%	54.1%	53.1%	53.2%

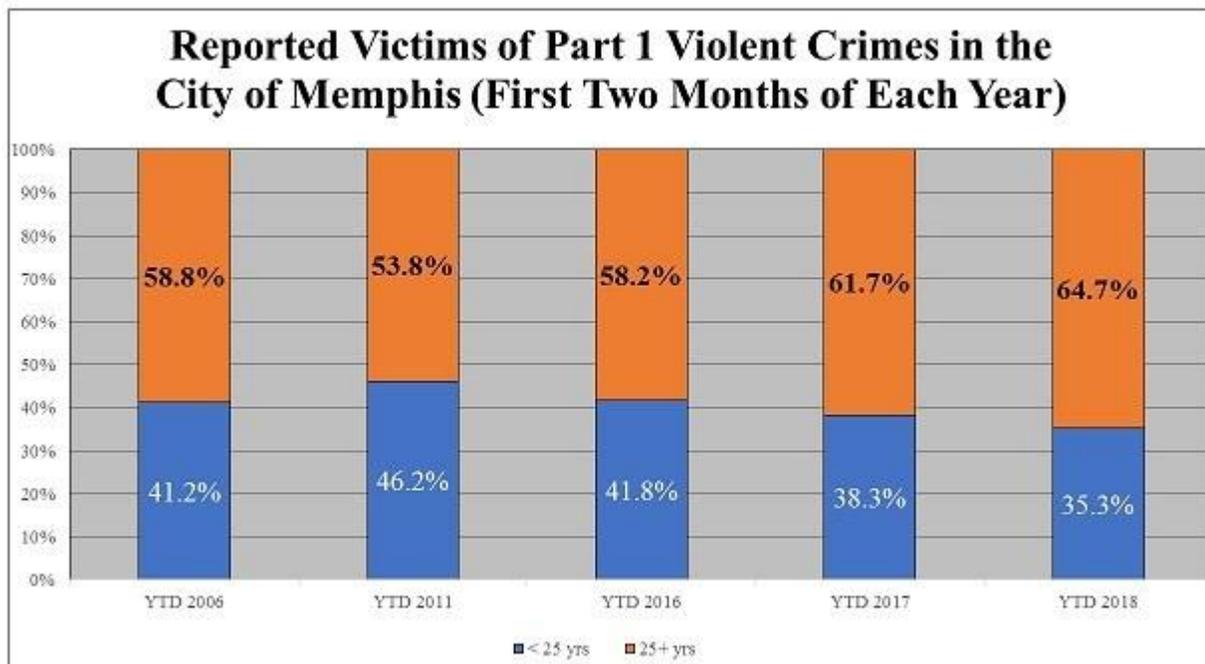
### Arrests for Part 1 Violent Crimes in the City of Memphis (First Two Months of Each Year)



Data for victims of violent crime show a different picture, with only 35.3% of victims thus far in 2018 being 24 years old or younger. And only 26.2% of reported robbery victims during the first two months of the year were 24 years old or younger, a complete reversal of percentages for those arrested for robbery. The category of rape is reversed too, with 64.6% victims being young compared to only 36.4% of those arrested. The same patterns for victims occur in other years, as reflected in the accompanying table and chart. (The TBI figures for 2018 are

preliminary.)

Percentage of Part 1 Violent Crime Victims Age 24 and under					
	YTD 2006	YTD 2011	YTD 2016	YTD 2017	YTD 2018
Aggravated Assault	45.2%	46.1%	45.1%	41.1%	38.3%
Murder	45.0%	18.8%	25.8%	44.4%	33.3%
Rape	73.7%	76.8%	69.8%	62.4%	64.6%
Robbery	34.9%	41.7%	33.5%	29.3%	26.2%
Total	41.2%	46.2%	41.8%	38.3%	35.3%



***MPD C.O.P.S UNIT VETERAN SERVING THE OLD ALLEN  
STATION NEEDS YOUR SUPPORT***

Lt. Steven Ware and his wife need the community's help. Mrs. Ware was diagnosed with and is being treated for cancer. The family is in need of financial support for medical treatments. Contact Colonel G. Sanders or Major M. Craig at 901.636.4360 to make a donation.

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