

#### Public Records Request #3916

The following materials have been gathered in response to public records request #3916. These materials include:

- June 2 Uptown Demonstrations Walkthrough PowerPoint July 13, 2020
- Beatties Ford Rd. Update PowerPoint July 13, 2020

This information was provided as a response to a public records request on 7/13/20 and is current to that date. There is a possibility of more current information and/or documents related to the stated subject matter.

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# June 2 Uptown Demonstrations Walkthrough

Charlotte-Mecklenburg Police Department

July 13, 2020



\* Demonstrations overview

\* June 2 activities

\* Police reform since June 2

\* Next steps





#### OVERVIEW OF DEMONSTRATIONS

- More than 30 protests and demonstrations
  - Several demonstrations were peaceful including events with thousands of demonstrators
  - Riots took place 6 days in a row: May 29-June 3
    - At least 17 officers were injured from explosives, rocks, bricks, bottles
    - Injuries included burns, cuts, loss of hearing, shrapnel to the face and arm, stitches, concussions, broken ankle and hand
    - 133 arrests made; 23 people charged with weapons-related offenses
    - 25 weapons seized; 16 firearms including an assault rifle
    - More than a dozen businesses were damaged
    - CMPD deployed Riot Control Agents (RCAs) several times to disperse unlawful crowds, stop riotous behavior/activity and ensure public/officer safety



## JUNE 2 WALKTHROUGH

### Overall for the day:

- Peaceful, permitted protest with thousands of demonstrators facilitated throughout the day; ended at 7 p.m.
- During the evening hours, at least 18 incidents of protestors throwing objects and launching explosives at officers over a 4hour period
- 9 dispersal orders were issued
- 16 protestors were arrested
- 3 guns recovered including an assault rifle

#### **OVERVIEW OF JUNE 2**

- Crowds were constantly on the move.
  - Violence on the move as well
- Once a crowd becomes violent, it is difficult to disperse a crowd.

 Protestors became violent at 7<sup>th</sup> and College at 8:44 p.m., and the violence continued until 1 a.m.

Approximately 400+ protestors throughout the evening.



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At 9:03 p.m. as protestors tried to gain access to Independence Blvd, CMPD bike officers and then the Civil Emergency Unit stopped them.



INDEPENDENCE ON-RAMP

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At 9:03 p.m. protestors were coming down 5th St. toward Independence Blvd. on ramp. Crowd grew big right there at 5th and McDowell; got violent toward officers.

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At 9:04 p.m. dispersal orders and RCAs were deployed.

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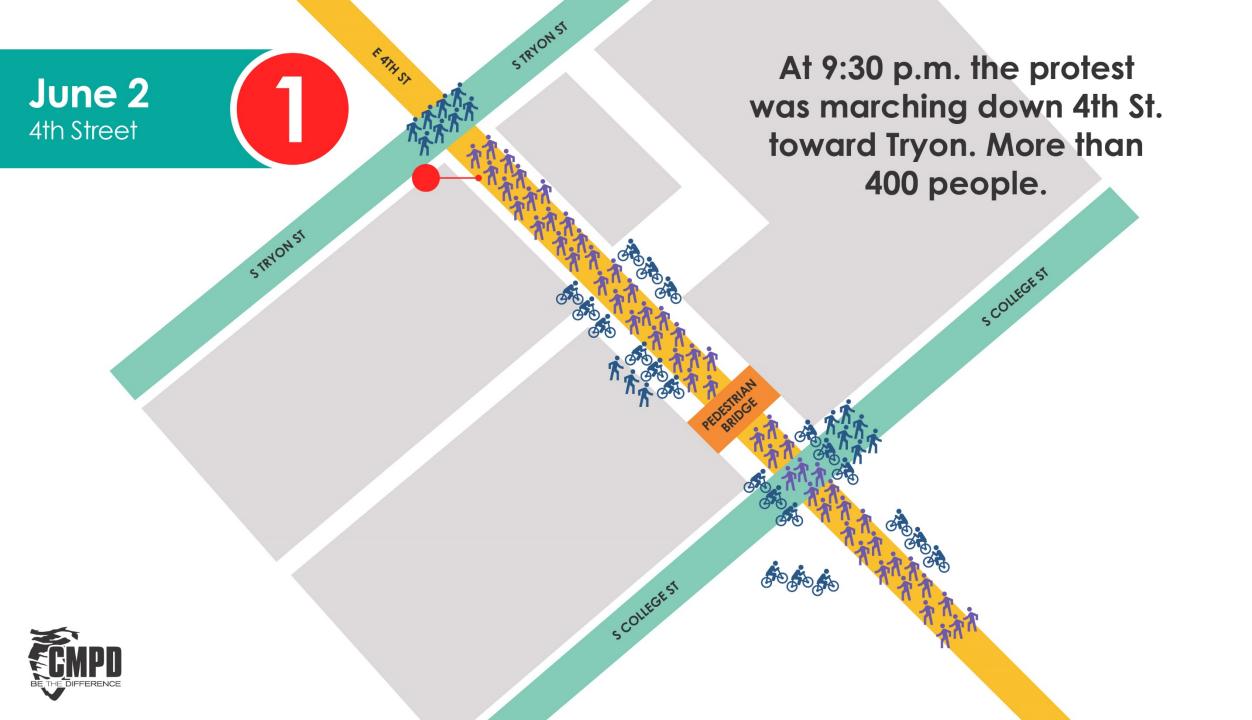




#### THE CROWD MARCHED ON

At Alexander and Trade at 9:19 p.m., protestors moved a barricade into the street to impede traffic.

At 4<sup>th</sup> and Davidson at 9:21 p.m., protestors threw more objects at officers.





At 9:31 p.m. Riot Control Agents June 2 were deployed at 4th and 4th Street College after the first RCA deployment. Bike officers immediately dispersed.

At 9:31p.m. Riot Control Agents June 2 visibly obstructed a clear path 4th Street to the 2 exits: 4th St toward Brevard and 4th and College toward MLK.

At 9:32 p.m. protestors June 2 huddled under a bridge until 4th Street the air cleared a bit, and then dispersed.



# POLICY REFORM FOLLOWING JUNE 2



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- Revised the CEU Standard Operating Procedure regarding dispersal orders. From the SOP --- "If a dispersed crowd reassembles at another location after a lapse in time, additional dispersal orders must be given, absent exigent circumstances."
- Communicating dispersals --- "When a dispersal order is given, the
  dispersal order and avenues of escape will be audibly communicated
  repeatedly, loudly and clearly to the crowd."
- Corralling or containing crowds --- "RCAs will not be used to intentionally corral or contain crowds. When RCAs are deployed during the same dispersal at a location, subsequent or simultaneous RCAs will not be intentionally deployed to hinder or prevent routes of egress from that location."



# NEXT STEPS



- Continuing to review policies, procedures and tactics to improve
- The Civil Emergency Unit is conducting after-action assessments following all major deployments. These assessments will analyze and critique operational plans and tactics to determine their effectiveness as well as to identify areas for improvement.
- The CMPD's Internal Affairs Bureau is conducting an investigation (standard procedure) to determine whether the CMPD's policies and procedures were followed during the June 2 incidents as well as for all deployments.



- BWC mounts (about 300) for CEU scheduled to arrive in August.
- Reviewing BWC policy to ensure alignment with CMPD's high standards of accountability and transparency.
- Petitioned the courts for release of the 4<sup>th</sup> St. and Tryon/College St. incident. Video includes the helicopter, building cameras, body-worn camera and traffic cameras.
  - The court still needs to set a date for in-camera review of the videos, and then a hearing date will be set before a superior court judge. The judge will issue an order granting or denying release of the videos.







# Beatties Ford Rd. Update

**Charlotte-Mecklenburg Police Department** 

July 13, 2020



\* Current work on Beatties Ford Rd.

- \* Efforts over the years
- \* Juneteenth celebrations update
  - Calls for service
  - Mass shooting on June 21
- \* 14-year-old homicide update





#### BEATTIES FORD RD. - CURRENT WORK

- Vibrant area with businesses and a very active community
- Communities most impacted by crime:
  - Lincoln Heights
  - University Park
- CMPD efforts in the area include:
  - Bike patrols
  - Walking beats
  - Traffic enforcement operations
  - Food drives

- Door-to-door community interactions
- Community meetings
- Partnerships



#### BEATTIES FORD RD. – WORK OVER THE YEARS

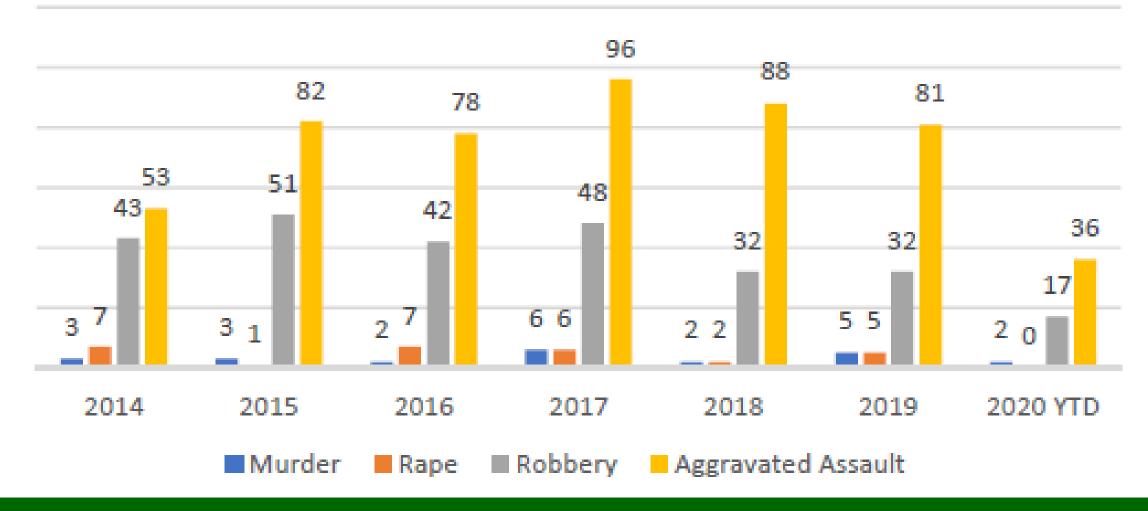
- Planned/executed seatbelt, traffic safety and speeding operations
- Drug/gun operations
- Use of technology and the Real Time Crime Center
- Beatties Ford-LaSalle Initiative
  - Upgraded lighting
  - New bus shelters
  - Community Corners events connecting residents with Metro Division Officers
- Speed studies through CDOT to address issues along LaSalle St.
- Re-stripping of crosswalks for pedestrian safety
- Cross-departmental partnerships (Code Enforcement, CDOT, CATS, H&NS)

Federal partnerships



#### VIOLENT CRIME IN BEATTIES FORD RD. AREA

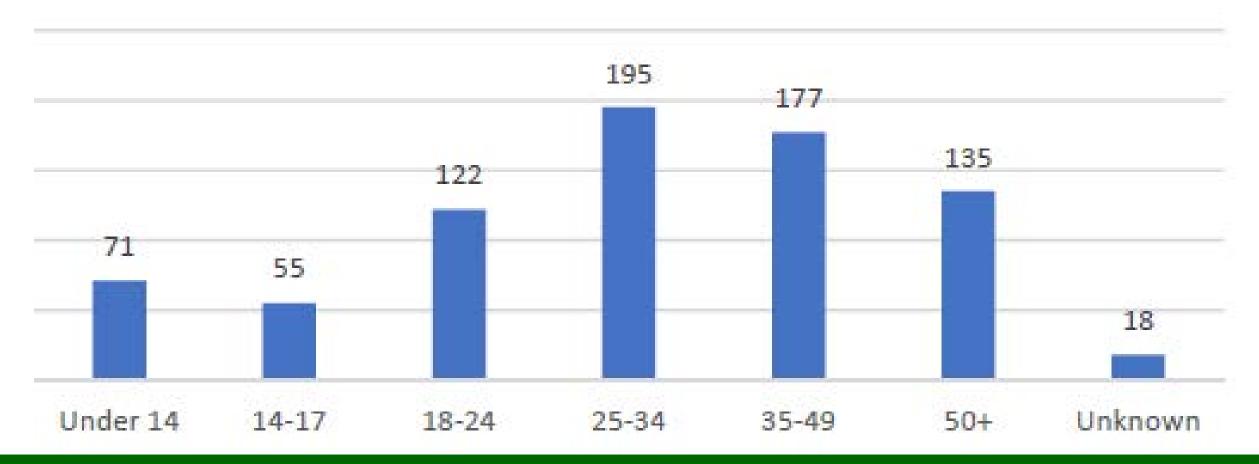
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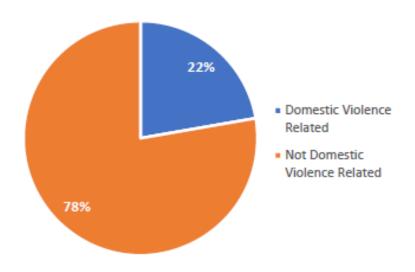
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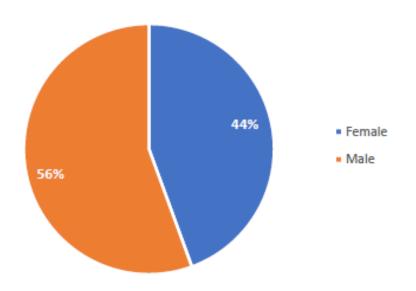


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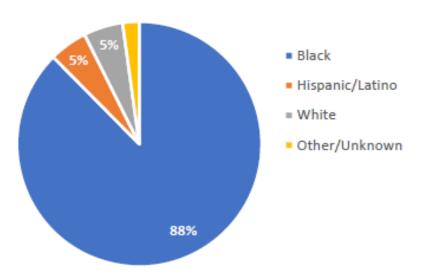
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Beatties Ford Area Violent Crime Victims by Race/Ethnicity, 2017 - 2020 Year-to-Date (as of 6/30/2020)



- Several businesses will not work with police regarding significant loitering problems.
- Misdemeanor enforcement

 Many local residents are hesitant to call or speak with police due to a fear of retaliation

 Bus stops in the area are very busy, so it is difficult to distinguish between people needing to take transit and those loitering around the designated CATS areas.



# JUNETEENTH CELEBRATIONS RECAP

- Overall, 3 days of celebrations and gatherings
- Approximately 20 calls for service
  - Several calls about gunshots, vehicles and people blocking traffic
- No CEU deployments
- No arrests



#### FRIDAY, JUNE 19 - DAY 1 OF JUNETEENTH CELEBRATIONS

- Daytime march was preplanned and permitted.
  - No calls for service.

- Evening gatherings resulted in several calls for service that officers responded to including calls about:
  - Vehicles blocking intersection
  - Fireworks
  - Large groups spinning out tires, jumping in front of and on vehicles

Gunshots



#### SATURDAY, JUNE 20 – DAY 2 OF JUNETEENTH CELEBRATIONS

#### Officers responded to calls for service including:

- Too many people including kids on the street corner
- People potentially selling drugs
- Gunshots
- People (including teenagers) drinking alcohol and smoking marijuana
- 100 people in the convenience store parking lot
  - Drinking alcohol and smoking marijuana
  - Officers unable to clear the lot safely

#### Officers closed Beatties Ford Rd. due to crowds in the street

Reopened street to traffic when crowd size decreased



#### SUNDAY, JUNE 21 – DAY 3 OF JUNETEENTH CELEBRATIONS

Crowds gathered on sidewalks and in the street.

#### Officers responded to calls for service including:

- Loitering in the convenience store parking lot
- MEDIC call referencing a pedestrian struck by a vehicle
  - As officers responded, they heard several gunshots in the immediate area
  - A total of nine people were struck by gunfire
  - Four people are deceased (one was shot and hit by a vehicle)
  - An additional four people were hit by vehicles; suffered minor injuries
  - Recovered approximately 180 bullet cases from the scene
  - Multiple guns/shooters involved
  - No arrests; no witnesses



# 14-YEAR-OLD SHOOTING/HOMICIDE UPDATE



#### 14-YEAR-OLD SHOOTING/HOMICIDE UPDATE

This is an active and ongoing investigation. Some information is being withheld to protect the integrity of the investigation.

- On Tuesday, June 30, at 1:30 p.m., officers responded to an Assault with a Deadly Weapon call for service.
- An altercation took place between at least two subjects.
- When officers arrived, they located a 14-year-old male with an apparent gunshot wound outside of a business on Beatties Ford Rd. He was transported by Medic to a local hospital where he was later pronounced deceased.



#### 14-YEAR-OLD SHOOTING/HOMICIDE UPDATE

- A second victim from this incident was also located with a gunshot wound near the 1400 block of West Trade Street and transported by Medic with non-life-threatening injuries.
- CMPD is actively pursuing several strong leads in the investigation.
- The public is encouraged to call Crime Stoppers at 704-334-1600 with any information.



