

IMPORTANT MPSA FUNDING ANNOUNCEMENT

We have good news and bad news on the financial front. The good news is that our residential and business members, the heart and soul of our organization, continue to renew their memberships at an astoundingly high level. Thank you!

Now, the bad news: A long-time sponsor has informed us that their support has been cut from \$ 1,000 a month to \$ 187.50 a month, an 81% reduction! This means that patrols will be reduced effective June 15th by more than 325 hours this year.

This significant drop in funding comes at a time when crime in Midtown is on the rise, and Atlanta Police Department patrol hours have been reduced because of furloughs. We need more dollars to pay our off duty officers to patrol our neighborhood and provide a critical additional presence on our streets. Remember, every dollar we receive is used for patrols to make us all safer, draw more residents to Midtown and make our homes more valuable.

Now the challenge! We are in fund raising mode and we need everyone's help. You will be hearing more about our plans in the weeks to come – your suggestions will be most welcomed. In the meantime, please continue to renew memberships promptly and encourage your neighbors who are not members to join the MPSA.

Thank you for your support and assistance in this time of need!

CHRONIC STREET CRIMINAL ARRESTED ONCE AGAIN FOR BURGLARY

The Atlanta Journal-Constitution reported the arrest of [Donald Rayfield Perry](#) in connection with an area burglary. He has been under our radar for quite some time, and we recently wrote about him when his sentence for a 2008 Ponce burglary maxed out. According to the AJC article, he attempted to burglarize a business a mere 100 yards from the one last year. He has an extensive criminal history, including a kidnapping conviction in South Carolina. He also engages in drug and prostitution activity in the Poncetown area. We will put him on our court watch list, and work to have him either incarcerated long-term, or banished from our area.

- **Profile sheet with pictures:**
<http://www.midtownponce.org/news/dossier096.pdf>
- **AJC: *Man arrested in rash of Midtown burglaries***

MAJOR ROBBERY SUSPECTS APPREHENDED

Major Williams reported that APD investigators have made two arrests involving the robber of the GSU student previously reported in Eye on Midtown. The same two suspects, [DeAngelo Love](#) and [Maurice Brown](#), also have pending warrants for the similar robbery of the Georgia Tech student. According to the Fulton County Sheriff

Department website, both of these thugs remain in the Fulton County jail for an array of charges, including armed robbery and kidnapping.

CITIZENS CRIME REPORT – by Major Khirus Williams

Good evening, after many months of addressing crime, our three month Zone inspection, and furlough related issues, we have finally completed our weekly crime report. It has been our goal for the past ten months and I am happy to say that we have completed our first report. Lieutenant Spillane and Officer Anthony Ball have worked tirelessly at completing our template. This item will be distributed to our communities, weekly, and I ask that you please provide clear and accurate narratives, as the information provides our communities of the crimes that are occurring in Zone 5. Also, as our community becomes more informed of our crimes, I am hopeful that some of our incidents will decrease, as our citizens make reference and can now identify crime patterns. Furthermore, please ensure that you provide directed patrols at locations throughout our Zone where repeat crime locations have occurred. This allows our citizens to feel more secure and will decrease the perception that crime is at its highest peak!

Major Williams commands the APD Zone 5 precinct, which covers central city neighborhoods including Midtown.

EXCERPTS FROM ABOVE-REFERENCE REPORT - we selected items taking place inside of, and in close proximity to, the MPSA service area.

Larceny from vehicle

- 200s PONCE DE LEON AVE NE/Day (Computer, Briefcase)
- PEACHTREE ST NE & 7TH ST NE/Evening (Lap-Top, GPS)
- 200s PONCE DE LEON AVE NE & MYRTLE ST NE/Morning (GPS)
- 800s PEACHTREE ST NE/Day (Stereo, Backpack)
- 600s PONCE DE LEON AVE NE/Morning (Bank Bag)
- 200s PONCE DE LEON AVE NE/Day (IPOD, CD's)

Larceny - other

- 800s PENN AVE NE/UNK
- 500s GREENWOOD AVE NE/UNK
- 700s JUNIPER ST NE/UNK
- 500s PONCE DE LEON AVE NE/UNK

Auto Theft

- 300s 5th St NE/ UNK (2003 Dodge Stratus)
- 700s Myrtle St NE / UNK (1998 Geo Metro)
- 200s Ponce de Leon Ave NE/Morning (2009 Saturn Aura)
- 200s Ponce De Leon Ave NE/ UNK (1997 Ford Taurus)
- 800s Glendale Terrace NE / UNK (2000 Ford Focus)

Selected Narratives

- **Robbery - 500s PONCE DE LEON AVE NE/ 12:30 AM** On 05/29/2009 the victim went to the Ponce de Leon Hotel located at 551 Ponce de Leon Avenue, NE to purchase crack cocaine. He met up with a subject called "Red" and a B/F whose name he did not know. They went into a hotel a room with the subjects at which time the suspect displayed a knife and mace (or pepper spray) which he removed from a dresser drawer. A fight ensued and victim was stabbed in the leg. The suspect then took the victim's wallet with contents, his watch, and his vehicle keys. The victim did not initially report the incident due to the fact he was involved in illegal activities.
- **Robbery - 600s BOULEVARD NE / 4:40 AM** On 05/31/2009 officers responded to a robbery in 600 block of Boulevard. The victim stated that while inside the location a light skin young black male (Who was earlier seen riding a red and white bicycle) with a short haircut, wearing a white t-shirt and blue jeans walked into the location and asked him to buy him (suspect #1) an Arizona Tea. He purchased the tea and left the building. As he walked towards his vehicle a medium skin black male with dreads wearing a white t-shirt and blue jeans pointed a black semi automatic pistol at him and ordered him to the rear of the business. Suspect #2 took his wallet containing his Georgia Drivers license, 2 credit cards, one debit card, and 40 dollars of U.S. currency. The victim was forced to provide his ATM PIN #. The suspects used the ATM and were last seen leaving the location going towards Ponce De Leon Avenue.
- **Aggravated Assault/Battery - 600's PONCE DE LEON AVE NE/6:00 PM** On 06/02/2009 officers responded to a call for assistance from store security personnel for (Borders Books). Store security approached the suspect regarding a possible theft at which time the suspect fled the store with security in foot pursuit. The suspect suddenly stopped, confronted the security officer and displayed a weapon (a boxcutter) and lunged at the security officer with the knife. The suspect was taken into custody without further incident with the aid of pepper spray. The suspect was transported to Fulton County Jail.
- **600s- BOULEVARD NE/ 5:40 AM** On 06/04/2009 at 0556 hours officers responded to a domestic situation involving weapons. The victim, who had lacerations to the chest and face, states that he was cut with a broken beer bottle by his girlfriend because she thought he stole her crack pipe. The suspect is known to frequent the "Parkway" area. The victim refused any medical attention. The victim was given the proper information on how to press charges against suspect.
- **Aggravated Assault/Battery - 600s PARKWAY DR NE/ 9:00 PM** On 06/03/2009 officers responded to a domestic situation where a weapon was involved. The victim returned to the residence and located the suspect with another woman. Victim confronted the suspect who became physically violence pushing the victim to the ground and choking her. The suspect then grabbed a hammer and struck the victim with the hammer. The suspect fled the scene with the unidentified woman.

NOTE - The following references the time periods indicated above:

- Day (7:01 AM to 3:00 PM)
- Evening (3:01 PM to 11:00 PM)

- *Morning (11:01 PM to 7:00 AM)*
- *UNK (Indicates the incident could have occurred over a period of time of two or more days.)*

NEWSWIRE

- **AJC:** *Atlanta spent thousands to fight claims by 5 injured cops*
http://www.ajc.com/metro/content/metro/atlanta/stories/2009/06/10/atlanta_injured_police.html
- **AJC:** *Ponce neighborhood near City Hall hit by burglaries*
http://www.ajc.com/metro/content/metro/atlanta/stories/2009/06/11/ponce_burglaries_city_hall.html?cxntlid=homepage_tab_newstab

BE SAFE AND STAY VIGILANT! And remember, your car + your valuables = loot for a thief! If you don't get those things out of your car, a thief will do it for you...

- Your Neighbors at the Midtown Ponce Security Alliance

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