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Clinton Police Department shows decrease in crime in 2018

or Lose It” and “Heads Up” campaigns encourage residents to become active participants in the reduction of crime in Clinton.

“By locking your vehicle and removing property from plain view, I believe that together we can drastically reduce the auto burglaries in our city,” said Chief Hayman. “Criminals are not breaking windows to gain entry into vehicles; instead, they are taking advantage of unlocked doors as opportunity. I believe that, through the continued

patrols in our neighborhoods and partnership with the community, we can continue this positive trend of reducing property crimes in our city.”

Another trend that is seen as positively related to additional patrols and officers is the increase in enforcement-related statistics. Since 2012, arrests for DUI, Driving with License suspended, forgery, shoplifting and petit larceny have risen. These arrests serve the purpose of making city streets safer, while also

eliminating the impact of the criminal element and their opportunities to harm residents and businesses.

Chief Hayman believes that with the addition of the designated traffic unit in 2017, the department will continue to remove dangerous drivers from the streets. As of the end of November 2018, over 4,970 traffic citations were written by CPD.

Even though crime stats show improvement, residents and law enforcement must not become complacent and must continue to

work together to prevent crime and create an environment that discourages malfeasance. The first layer of defense against crime begins with the individual. By following several crime prevention principles, residents can assist police officers and first responders in creating a crime-free city.

To view the compilation of crime stats from 2009-2018, visit the Police Department’s crime report webpage on the City website at www.clintonms.org.



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