

St. Mary Parish Sheriff's Office



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OUR MISSION

The St. Mary Parish Sheriff's Office is committed to maintaining excellence in law enforcement and dedicated to the people, traditions, and diversity of our community. We aim to achieve this goal by continually aspiring to high standards of professionalism in policing through integrity, innovation, and training.

Dear fellow citizens,

I have had the honor of serving as your Sheriff for 2 ½ years. This report outlines some of the programs and services your St. Mary Parish Sheriff's Office has worked hard to provide for you. It shows our commitment to reach out and take part in community events as well as inform you of some of the accomplishments of our different divisions. I am proud of the hardworking, dedicated staff of the Sheriff's Office. My plan is to keep you informed by use of social media as well as local news media. We have made and will continue to make a difference in our communities. I hope you find this report insightful and useful. Please let me know how this office can be of service to you.

Sincerely,

Mark Hebert
Sheriff, St. Mary Parish





Sheriff Mark Hebert

St. Mary Parish Sheriff's Office

P.O. Box 571

Franklin, LA 70538



St. Mary Parish Sheriff's Shooting Range

Berm work and other general maintenance projects were completed at the range including the installation of archery lanes. The range is located off the Hwy. 90 service road in the Centerville-Franklin area. From the west take the service road under the Hwy. 90 overpass at Chatsworth Rd. and Willow St. The range is on the right. From the east, take Hwy. 317, cross the railroad tracks, turn right onto Alice C Rd, and left onto the service road. The range is on your left. There are no costs or fees to use the range.

Range Hours: 9am-5pm, Wednesday-Saturday

The range is subject to periodic closures for law enforcement training.

Visitors are encouraged to call 337-350-0086 before making a trip.

LOCATIONS/CONTACTS

Branch Office

985-384-1622

1455 Railroad Ave.

Morgan City, LA 70380

Headquarters

337-828-1960

500 Main Street

Franklin, LA

**Civil office hours at both locations are
8:30 am – 4:30 pm, Monday – Friday**

SMPSO STATISTICS		2012	2013
	CALLS FOR SERVICE	14,239	15,628
	TOTAL ARRESTS	1,889	2,126
	DRUG ARRESTS	277	234
	DWI ARRESTS	32	47
	THEFTS	702	803
	BURGLARIES	223	197



Diving in the Yokely Canal

Investigating thefts in the Franklin area, detectives activated the Marine Division dive team. Detectives recovered over \$4,000 in stolen tools and other items; an arrest was made. The stolen property has been returned to owners.



School Security

The St. Mary Parish Sheriff's Office uses available resources to heighten school security in the parish. In addition to regular school premises checks conducted by our patrol division, school resource officers meet regularly with school administrators to best meet security needs.

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St. Mary Parish Sheriff's Office shares traffic alerts and information on developing criminal cases via social media. Through press and social network releases in 2013, the public assisted us in solving 8 cases resulting in 11 arrests. Among the solved cases are a shooting and a bank robbery. St. Mary Parish Sheriff's Office will add a website to its online presence in 2014.

Run with the Fuzz



The St. Mary Parish Sheriff's Department Benevolent Association held the Run with the Fuzz. Over 100 participants came out in support of the Benevolent Association. The event raised \$6,000 that will help deputies to meet personal emergency needs.

National Night Out



National Night Out is an annual nationwide event promoting crime prevention activities, police-community partnerships, and neighborhood camaraderie. The event sends a message to criminals that neighborhoods are organized and fighting back. St. Mary Parish Sheriff's Office attends NNO events across the parish.



Camp Watch



In 2013, Sheriff Mark Hebert reestablished Camp Watch, a cooperative program designed to help keep camps safe. Property owners provide information about the camp and the areas they visit. Corresponding numbered plates are attached to the property aiding deputies in day to day patrols as well as criminal investigations and search and rescue operations.

POST Certified

28 law enforcement officers from St. Mary Parish and the region completed requirements to become POST (Peace Officer Standards and Training) certified. 23 of them are deputies with the St. Mary Parish Sheriff's Office. The 18 weeks of training includes extensive classroom and field instruction that meets the highest law enforcement standards and practices. The POST course is conducted by the St. Mary Parish Sheriff's Office Regional Training Academy.



Session 53 – SMP SO Deputies Michael Fontenet, Matthew Strickland, Bobby Glynn, Jr., Traci Landry, Christopher Richard, Carl Thornton, Heidi Sampey, Jennifer Lamaison, Patricia Vasquez, Jamie Moore, Mallory Phillips, Franklin Police Officer Winifred Rodriguez, Nicholls State University Police Officer Laverne Chapman



Session 54 – SMP SO Deputies Taurean Smith, Whytley Jones, Aprylle Choate, Swanzettea Harris, Tammy Johnson, Courtney Smith, Jaime Cross, John Kopfler, Minh Ngo, Annie Monteleone, Cloressa Conner, and Trenton Thames, Franklin Police Officers Alphons Burrell and Zachariah Landry

Port Security Grant Partnership



In partnership with the Morgan City Harbor and Terminal District, St. Mary Parish Sheriff's Office was granted \$259,250 in funds for the plan to directly support maritime transportation infrastructure security activities. By providing 25% matching funds, SMPSO purchased 2 utility trailers, diving equipment, 2 custom made patrol boats, 2 Ford F-350 trucks, and a mobile command center.

Sex Offender Compliance

The Sex Offender Compliance Division oversees and coordinates 175 registered sex offenders residing in St. Mary Parish. In 2013, this division conducted 429 compliance checks, going door to door making contact with each offender at their registered address to ensure they are meeting state requirements. 21 sex offenders were arrested for failing to comply with those laws. To see who the registered sex offenders are and where they are living in the parish visit <http://www.sheriffalerts.com/la/stmary>.

St. Mary Parish Law Enforcement Center



In 2013, Sheriff Mark Hebert introduced several cost saving measures to alleviate the burden of the rising price of inmate housing. New medical and food programs implemented at the facility streamlined the required services.

Operated by the St. Mary Parish Sheriff's Office, the St. Mary Parish Law Enforcement Center in Centerville houses 320 inmates.

Parish Jail Bookings

