



## Dayton sees double-digit crime drop in 2017

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Dayton has experienced double-digit drops in all major crime categories in 2017, with some of the largest reductions of the decade.

The following are the year-to-date declines in the four major crime categories:

Part 1 Violent (murder, armed robbery, aggravated assault)--down 15 percent;

Part 1 Property (arson, residential burglary, theft)--down 18 percent;

Part 2 Violent (kidnapping, simple assault, menacing)--down 11 percent;

Part 2 Property (forgery, vandalism, bribery)--down 28 percent.

The 2017 crime drop is the largest since 2011, when there were also double-digit (though smaller) declines in most crime categories.

"This is very encouraging news for Dayton residents and members of our community, and we are hopeful this is a continuation of a longer term trend of overall crime reduction," Dayton Police Chief Richard Biehl said. "We are deeply grateful for all the assistance from the Dayton community, which helped to create a safer city."

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