

Committee to Stop the Violence



Ask the Mayor
by Mayor John Peyton

There's a movement in Jacksonville to stop crime. It's called the Committee to Stop Violence. I'm a member, our city council members are members, and you can be one, too. There are no applications, dues or regular meetings and everyone is eligible. There's just one requirement – you must do something as an individual to stop violence.

I am asking every person in Jacksonville to join the Committee to Stop Violence. You can start by asking yourself a question: "What can I do to help stop the violence?" The answers are endless. You can call police if you witness a dangerous situation. You can use your judgment and influence to help someone in distress, or you can comfort a victim of a crime.

Stop a fight between your children, don't yell at your spouse, write an anti-violence song or create art that inspires

people to think about peace – these are all ways to play a role in eliminating violent behaviors and environments.

As mayor, I am committed to doing everything I can to stop crime in Jacksonville, along with the sheriff, the state attorney, the city council and countless other community leaders. Our efforts will make a difference. But imagine the enormous impact 800,000 people working together can have on crime. If citizens make a promise to stop violence where they live and work, the efforts of government and the justice system will be multiplied.

Once you are a part of stopping violence, you are a member of the Committee to Stop Violence. Notify the Mayor's Office of Faith and Community-Based Partnerships and you'll receive a purple hat or t-shirt that reads "Enough is Enough. Stop the Violence." These hats and shirts are a sign of solidarity against crime in our city.

A group of city employees recently joined the committee. During an attempted purse-snatching in City Hall, several city workers – including Rudolph Porter, head of the city's faith and community-

based office and the Committee to Stop Violence – foiled the suspect's attempt and detained him until police arrived. Each person played a vital role in stopping this crime in his own way. One yelled to others for help and one blocked the exit. One called 9-1-1 and another comforted the victim until the police arrived.

This is not to say that citizens should take crime fighting into their own hands, especially if their own safety is at risk. In this case, it was apparent that the thief did not have a gun, and plenty of people were on hand to assist. You might encounter a totally different situation, but if you make a call to the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office, help the victim until police get there, or identify one of the perpetrators, you have done something to help.

As your mayor, I am asking you do your part and become the newest member of the Committee to Stop Violence.

For more information on the Committee to Stop Violence, contact the-City of Jacksonville's Office of Faith and Community-Based Partnerships at 630-7676.



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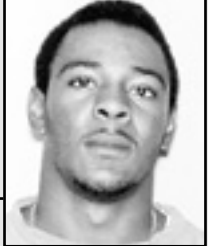
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Violation: Aggravated Battery



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Race: White Male DOB: 6/19/68
Violation: Aggravated Assault with a Deadly Weapon





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