

**CRIME**  
**STOPPERS**  
  
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***JOHNSON COUNTY***  
***CRIME STOPPERS***

**YEAR END REPORT**

**2017**

## Executive Summary

The success of a Crime Stoppers program cannot be purely judged on statistics. However, since 1983 tips coming in over the Crime Stoppers hotline and website in Johnson County have resulted in excess of **\$112,700** in rewards being paid to anonymous tipsters. These tips have resulted in the recovery of over **\$865,000** worth of stolen property and narcotics, **523** law breaking individuals being arrested, and over **870** cases being cleared.

Johnson County Crime Stoppers Program has two operational programs with rewards paid up to \$1,000 for tips that result in an arrest and/or charges filed. Collectively, in 2017 these programs received **186** tips and paid out **19** rewards valued at **\$3,575** for a variety of offenses.

### The Community Program – 2017

Countywide, **7** arrests were made - of which **4** were wanted fugitives, **7** cases were cleared with **\$2,275** in rewards paid in 2017. In addition, Crime Stoppers assisted in the recovery of stolen property and narcotics valued at **\$23,100** including **1** vehicle and seized **25** weapons.

### The Campus Program – 2017

The Safe School Program is available to **17,627\*** secondary students in **29** secondary schools within **9** Johnson County school districts. This program allows students to provide anonymous tips that will aid school administration and local law enforcement in solving crimes. The students in Johnson County receive a monetary reward of \$100 if the tip proves instrumental in solving the crime. The Johnson County Safe School Program paid **\$1,300** in rewards to students in 2017. Campus Crime Stoppers promotes school spirit, pride and responsibility and allows students to take action against victimization and crime in their school.

\*Based on National Center for Education Statistics, Institute of Education Sciences, CCD Public School Data 2016-2017 school year

## Awards

**2016 Board Member of the Year** – Donna Pace & **2016 Newsprint Competition** – Best General Newsprint, “Tipped Off” written by Jessica Pounds, Cleburne Times-Review from Office of the Governor, Texas Crime Stoppers Advisory Council



**2015 Productivity Award** – Greatest Dollar Recovery, Population 150,001-200,000 from Office of the Governor, Texas Crime Stoppers Advisory Council

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*Mission Statement: Johnson County Crime Stoppers is a non-profit organization dedicated to carrying out a community offensive against crime through law enforcement, citizen involvement and the media; encouraging all citizens to report anonymous information about criminal activity; and offering rewards for information that helps law enforcement solve unsolved crimes.*

*The goal is to generate anonymous tips from the community, which will solve felony crimes, apprehend wanted persons, and make our community a safer place.*

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### **Crime Stoppers Program Statistical Comparison**

<b>Key Indicators</b>	<b>2016 Total</b>	<b>2017 Total</b>	<b>Since Inception</b>
Hotline Tips	136	51	2,151
Web Tips	100	114	335
Text Message Tips	27	0	40
Mobile App Tips	2	8	15
School Tips	15	13	432
Tips Received	280	186	2,973
Arrests Made	28	7	523
Criminal Cases Cleared	31	7	874
Fugitives Arrested	14	4	50
Narcotics Seized	\$6,702	\$575	\$427,377
Property Recovered	\$42,695	\$22,525	\$437,794
Total Recovered	\$49,397	\$23,100	\$865,171
Weapons Seized	31	25	56
No. Rewards Paid	25	19	518
Amount Rewards Paid	\$5,275	\$3,575	\$112,725

## Tip Analysis

Offense	2016 Total	2017 Total
Animal Cruelty	1	
Assault	2	
Burglary Building		3
Burglary Habitation	3	10
Burglary Vehicle	4	2
Criminal Mischief	4	2
Drugs/Narcotics	29	71
Financial Crimes	1	3
Forgery	2	1
Fugitive/Wanted	41	20
Homicide/Murder	2	
Robbery	3	4
Sexual Assault	5	
Theft	9	7
Other Crimes	174	63
<b>Total</b>	<b>280</b>	<b>186</b>

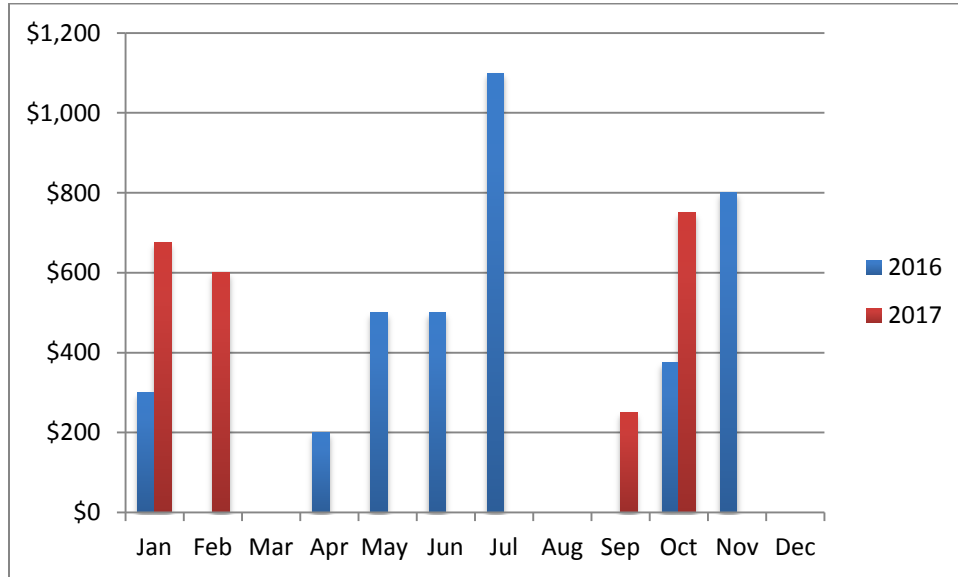
## 2017 Statistics by ISD

Johnson County ISD'S	# Schools Reporting	# Weapons Seized	\$ Drugs Seized	# Rewards Paid	\$ Rewards Paid
Alvarado ISD	3		10	1	100
Burleson ISD	6				
Cleburne ISD	4		30	2	200
Godley ISD	3		10	1	100
Grandview ISD	2				
Joshua ISD	4		165	9	900
Keene ISD	3				
Rio Vista ISD	2				
Venus ISD	2				
<b>TOTAL: 9 School Districts</b>	<b>TOTAL: 29 Schools</b>				

The participation in a Crime Stoppers program does not indicate that a school has a crime or drug problem, but teaches a proactive - not reactive approach to students, administrators, parents and the community by publicizing a safer school environment.

## Johnson County Crime Stoppers

### Community Program Rewards 2016/2017 Comparison

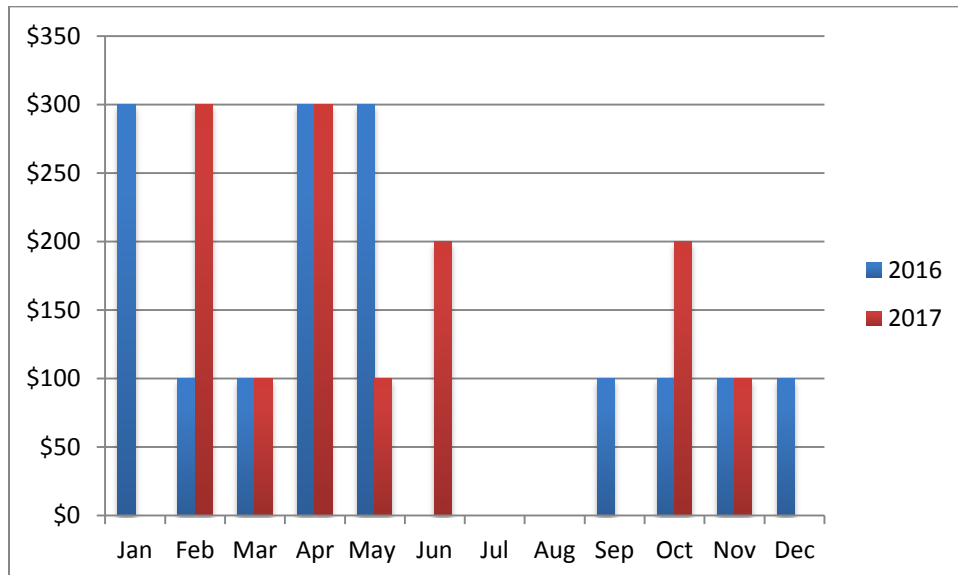


**TOTAL 2016 - \$3,775**

**TOTAL 2017 - \$2,275**

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### Safe School Program Rewards 2016/2017 Comparison



**TOTAL 2016 - \$1,500**

**TOTAL 2017 - \$1,300**

# Johnson County Crime Stoppers 2017 Success Stories

## January-March

Information from a tip resulted in a fugitive felony apprehension. The tipster received \$400 for their tip information.

A tip resulted in the arrest of a wanted suspect. The tipster received \$275 for their tip information.

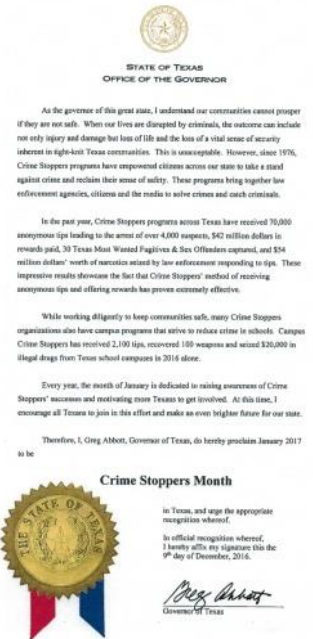
A tipster called with information which resulted in the arrest of a wanted person. The tipster was awarded \$300 for their tip information.

A tip resulted in the arrest of a wanted person for a probation felony revocation. The tipster received \$300 for their tip information.

Four safe school rewards were paid for drug tips.

### Crime Stoppers Month

“Every year, the month of January is dedicated to raising awareness of Crime Stoppers’ successes and motivating more Texans to get involved. Therefore, I Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, do hereby proclaim January 2017 **Crime Stoppers Month**”



## April-June

### Union Pacific Foundation Grant Awarded



On April 6, 2017 Johnson County Crime Stoppers was awarded a \$5,000 grant from the Union Pacific Foundation. The grant was used to

purchase a McGuff the Crime Dog costume. The costume is specifically designed for prevention education use in the areas of crime, violence, and/or substance abuse and will be used at community outreach events and in conjunction with the Safe School Program for students.

Six safe school rewards were paid for drug tips this month.

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## **July-September**

Received a tip resulting in the recovery of a stolen 4-wheeler. The tipster received \$250 for their tip information.

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## **October-December**

Information from a tip was received resulting in several subjects being arrested for multiple home burglaries throughout Johnson County with over \$20,000 in property recovered. The tipster received \$750 for their tip information.

Three safe school rewards were paid for drug tips this month.

### Crime Stoppers Receives State Awards

On October 19, 2017, Johnson County Crime Stoppers received two awards from the Office of the Governor, Texas Crime Stoppers Advisory Council. The first award was the 2016 Newsprint Competition, Best General Newsprint for the Cleburne Times-Review article "Tipped Off" written by Jessica Pounds. This award recognizes the best overall Crime Stoppers organization related news article. Nominations are judged on quality, conciseness, and originality. In addition, Johnson County Crime Stoppers board member Donna Pace was presented with the 2016 Board Member of the Year award. The Board Member of the Year award honors one individual, who has demonstrated outstanding service through enthusiasm, passion, and commitment to their local Crime Stoppers organization and has positively impacted their community. The awards were presented during the 29<sup>th</sup> Annual Texas Crime Stoppers Conference held in Seguin, Texas.

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## **Johnson County Crime Stoppers 2017 Volunteer Hours = 977**

Crime Stoppers is made up of volunteers who are willing to take action against crime. They want their communities to be a safe place and are willing to work to make it that way. Members of the community give their time, talents, and effort to the program to improve people's lives.

Volunteers offer intrinsic value and worth that would be diminished by having paid staff fill the role. In the same way, trying to put a price tag on the work of these volunteers undermines the real civic value and impact of their service. How does one put an economic value on the time volunteers give to an organization?

## Contacting Johnson County Crime Stoppers

**HOTLINES** - To submit an anonymous tip, please contact our hotline **800-794-TIPS (8477)** or **817-295-LEAD (5323)**. The call center is staffed seven days a week, 24 hours a day by trained call takers. There is no Caller ID, calls are not recorded, and call takers do not ask for any personal information in order to maintain the tipsters' anonymity.

**WEB TIPS** - In addition to calling the hotlines, the ability to receive Crime Stoppers tips online is another feature of the Crime Stoppers program. Tipsters may go to [www.jccstexas.org](http://www.jccstexas.org) and click anywhere on the banner across the top or the "Submit a Web Tip" button on the left side of the page. The tipster will then be instructed to answer detailed questions about the crime that occurred and any potential suspects. When finished, the tip will be submitted to the Crime Stoppers database and passed on to the property authorities. No email address is required to submit a tip and the IP address of the computer is not recorded in order to maintain the tipsters' anonymity.

**MOBILE APP TIPS** - Starting in 2011, tipsters could contact Crime Stoppers using their smart phone. Tipsters are instructed to download the '**P3 Tips**' mobile app for free from the Apple App Store or Android Market. Through the app, unlimited message length is available and tipsters may also submit images and videos. As with all other methods to submit tips, Crime Stoppers does not collect any personal information about the tipster through the mobile application.



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