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DEPARTMENT OF POLICE

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"to protect and to serve"



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To Whom It May Concern,

As the Superintendent of the New Orleans Police Department, I have had the privilege to work with and personally understand the significance of Crimestoppers, Inc. (GNO). Crimestoppers provides much needed criminal intelligence provided by our citizens through their anonymous reporting services, which serves as a force multiplier for our officers to solve cases. The Crimestoppers reputation both within the community and law enforcement is stellar and allows law enforcement to have a professional and competent resource, to reach into the community and crime victims' families, to find justice. Countless cases have been solved through their anonymous tips and rewards paid. For over 35 years, Crimestoppers has been a trusted and valued partner to the NOPD.

Crimestoppers not only serves our adult community with their programs, but they have also made a positive impact with our students. Using their expertise in anonymous reporting, they have provided anonymous Tip Programs in our area schools since 2005. This program began after the fatal shooting of a John McDonogh High school student and two innocent victims, where Crimestoppers tips have led to the arrest of the perpetrators. Information from their anonymous tips have helped our SROs and officers, remove weapons from campuses, drugs and assisted in many other safety issues.

It is with my highest regards, that I am happy to recommend Crimestoppers, Inc. as a partner for your school safety measures.

Sincerely,

Shaun D. Ferguson, Superintendent New Orleans Police Department