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NEW CASTLE COUNTY POLICE KICKS OFF GRAFFITI TIPLINE

New Castle, DE.... The New Castle County Police announced the initiation of a telephone tipline so that citizens can assist in the war against graffiti.

Citizens can call the tipline to report acts of graffiti vandalism that will be followed up by investigation.

The graffiti tipline number is (302) 571-7332.

Citizens may also report acts of graffiti vandalism to NCCo Police by internet by going to www.nccpd.com, clicking on crime tips and typing in the pertinent information.

New Castle County Police and County Councilman Joseph M. Reda (1st District) developed the concept of the tipline.

In May of this year, Councilman Reda introduced legislation in response to the concern of local law enforcement to situations of observing youth with graffiti implements in areas affected by graffiti vandalism. He also wanted to address the concerns of civic and business leaders whose communities and businesses are negatively affected by this criminal activity. The legislation passed and was enacted into law.

Council Reda stated, “The tipline is a crime prevention tool. Graffiti implementation sometimes attracts other serious criminal activity. This communication avenue can hopefully assist in deterring many facets of illegal activity in our community in addition to graffiti”.

Chief of Police Rick Gregory stated, “Graffiti is a quality of life issue. It creates ugliness and fear where we live, work and shop. It is plaguing our community and must be stopped. This tipline is just one more small advancement in making the citizens of New Castle County feel safer and secure in their community”.

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