

City of New Britain
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MAYOR STEWART REPORTS CONTINUED DROP IN MAJOR CRIMES IN NEW BRITAIN.

New Britain Mayor Timothy Stewart today reported that the Connecticut Department of Public Safety has reported that the major crime rate continued to drop in the City during the third quarter of 2009.

“I am very pleased to report that the latest crime report from the Department of Public Safety indicates that the overall major crime rate in New Britain fell by 9% compared with the same quarter in 2008. The total number of major crimes fell from 1,210 in 2008 to 1,105 in 2009. This is more good news for the residents of New Britain because it shows that the crime fighting efforts of our Police Department continue to show positive results.”

Stewart noted that during difficult economic times, traditionally a spike in major crimes tends to occur. However, in the case of robbery, burglary and motor vehicle theft, New Britain has had a drop in the number of crimes committed.

“I want to extend my congratulations to Chief of Police William Gagliardi and to all of the members of New Britain’s excellent police force for their outstanding work in making New Britain a safer place for all those who live here and also for those who visit our community,” Stewart said.

“It has been a priority of my administration since taking office more than six years ago to make New Britain a better place in which to live, work and raise a family and this latest report on crime statistics shows that we continue to be on the right track. With a new class of police officers in training right now and with our new police station on the drawing board, we are committed to making our City and even safer community in the future,” Stewart concluded