

CITY OF KENNER PRESS RELEASE

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KENNER MAKES LIST OF SAFEST CITIES IN LOUISIANA

Kenner, **LA.** – Kenner has been included on a list of the safest cities in Louisiana compiled by the website www.OnlyinYourState.com.

According to the website, the list was based on violent crimes reported to the FBI in 2013, which includes murder and non-negligent manslaughter, forcible rape, robbery and aggravated assault.

Kenner, with nearly 67,000 residents, is by far the largest Louisiana city to make the list and recorded 2.88 violent crimes per every 1000 residents. The other cities on the list all range between 2,000 residents and approximately 14,000 residents.

According to the website, "Since larger cities tend to have more crime in general, only places with populations of over 2,000 were considered."

Kenner Mayor Michael Yenni said he is proud that Kenner made the list. "Considering that Kenner is nearly five times larger than the next largest city on the list, it's quite a testament to the dedication and hard work of the city's police officers, led by Chief Michael Glaser. You would think that only smaller cities would make this list."

In fact, Kenner has nearly the same population as all of the other 10 cities on the list – combined. Other cities in the metropolitan area to make the list included Harahan and Mandeville. "I want to compliment the police officers and elected officials in both those cities," Yenni said.

Glaser said Kenner's inclusion on the list is both a compliment to the work his officers do on a daily basis, and to Yenni and the City Council, for making police issues a priority.

"Obviously, being in the shadow of a large metropolitan area can be a challenge for any police department, but we are fortunate to have a force filled with hard-working individuals who are passionate about keeping this city safe," Glaser said.

For the complete list, go to www.OnlyinYourState.com/louisiana/safest-places-la.

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