

# SAFER TOGETHER

APD MULTI-YEAR WORK PLAN



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- ▶ The City Council vision for Asheville, adopted in January 2016, seeks to continue to be a city where all people experience a high quality of life.
- ▶ To accomplish this vision, the City has made significant investment in the basic needs of the community such as:
  - ▶ Food Security (food action plan),
  - ▶ Water (water utility)
  - ▶ Shelter (affordable housing)
- ▶ The Asheville Police Department's Multi-Year Work Plan known as "Safer Together," lays out a strategic approach for supporting an equally important basic community need: **safety**.

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- ▶ Asheville, a community that is recognized as a great place to live.
- ▶ Based on the community's quality of life and vitality, Asheville has realized significant growth in population, development and tourism over the past decade.
  - ▶ The community's residential population has grown to an estimated 90,000, while its daytime population is estimated at 161,000
  - ▶ The Department of Planning and Urban Development lists 22 large scale development projects in the downtown area alone
  - ▶ According to the Tourism Development Authority, the number of visitors to the city has grown from approximately 8 million people in 2009, to over 10 million visitors in 2015.

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- ▶ At the same time, the continued growth also presents challenges.
- ▶ An example of the challenges presented by such growth is the impact on livability ratings, as published on [Areavibes.com](http://Areavibes.com):

## Asheville, NC Livability

Livability	74	Amenities	A+
Cost of Living	B	Crime	F
Education	B	Employment	C
Housing	C	Weather	A

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- ▶ In regard to the grade of “F” in the crime category, Areavibes.com references the following factors:
  - For 2015, the overall crime rate in Asheville is 90% higher than the national average, and 75% higher than the rest of North Carolina;
  - In Asheville you have a 1 in 19 chance of becoming a victim of any crime.
  - Gives Asheville very low ratings in terms of safety.
  - Asheville has 2.9 police employees per 1,000 residents in comparison to 4.8 police employees per 1,000 residents across North Carolina.
- ▶ Asheville is generally a safe community in which to live, work and play, however, unless resources are provided to address the crime and safety challenges that come with growth, the trends recognized by sources such as Areavibes.com could continue to negatively impact the perceived and real sense of safety in the community.

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- ▲ The growth of the City has created a substantial increase in demand for services by the Police Department.
- ▲ Calls for service have increased by an average of 1,000 per year for the past eight years and are projected to continue at or above that rate with the city's current planned growth.
- ▲ In FY-2016, APD officers responded to over 116,000 calls for service.
- ▲ If growth remains consistent, that number is expected to rise to nearly 121,000 in the next two years.
- ▲ In addition to calls for service, officer workload also includes traffic enforcement, foot and bike patrols, community engagement and many other duties related to community policing.

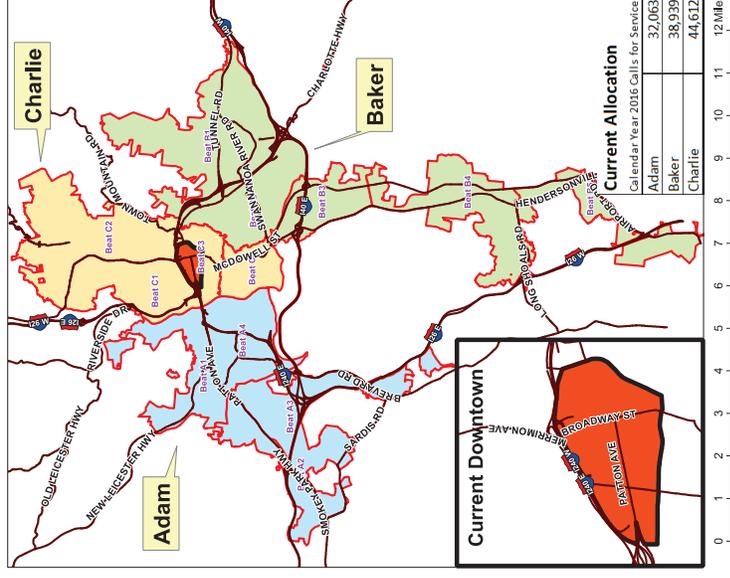
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- ▶ More growth is planned and expected, i.e. South Slope, RAD, South Asheville, etc
- ▶ NO officers have been added to address the growth of our city or the increasing demands for police services in those areas.
- ▶ APD is requesting 12 additional officer, two sergeants, and one lieutenant position to address these needs.
- ▶ The addition of these resources are necessary to maintain our current level of service.
- ▶ A minimum of two years will be required to hire and train these positions.

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## Current Allocation

- ▲ Current APD Districts were established in 2015
- ▲ Charlie District, which includes Downtown accounts for nearly 40% of CFS
- ▲ Baker District, which includes South Asheville accounts for 33%, but response times are affected by traffic challenges.
- ▲ Adam District accounts for 28% of CFS



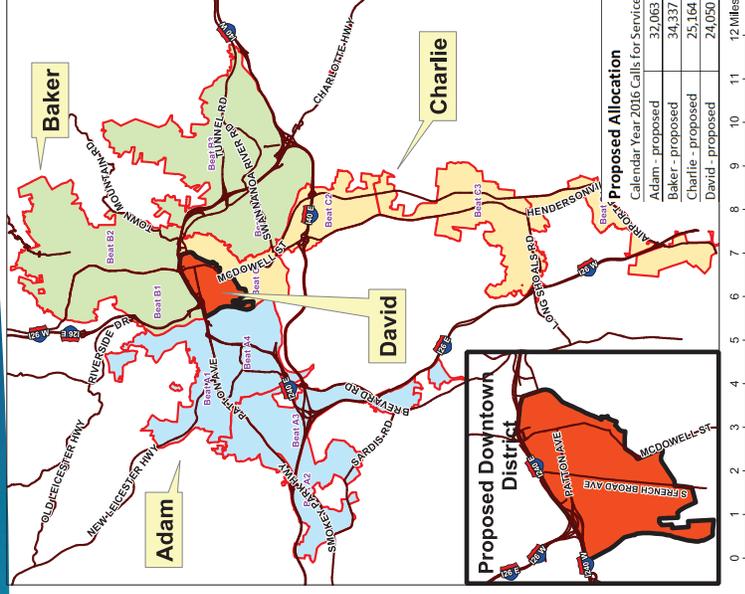
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## Proposed Allocation

▶ Proposed Districts will expand and add resources to the Downtown, South Slope, and RAD, while creating a South Asheville District.

▶ New CFS distribution:

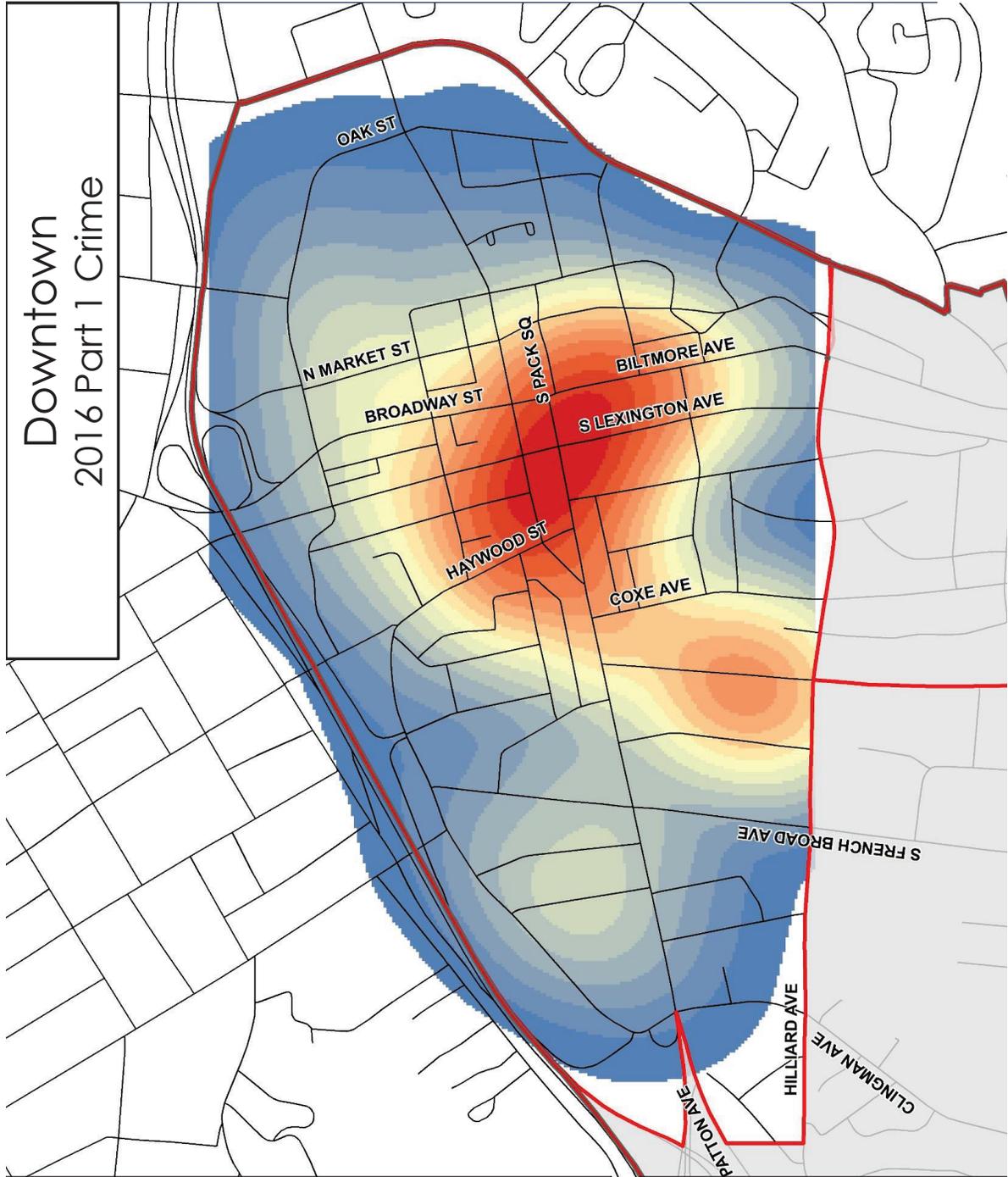
- ▶ Adam 28%
- ▶ Baker 30%
- ▶ Charlie 22%
- ▶ David 21%



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- ▲ DTU began in 2010 and was been expanded two times during 2015 to address the massive demand for police services due to growth in tourism and activity in the Downtown.
- ▲ Tourism growth from 8 million in 2009 to over 10 million in 2015. Growth continues.
- ▲ All staffing for DTU came from internal police resources, no new positions were added.
- ▲ Continuing internal vacancies in Criminal Investigations, Drug Suppression, Traffic and other functions.

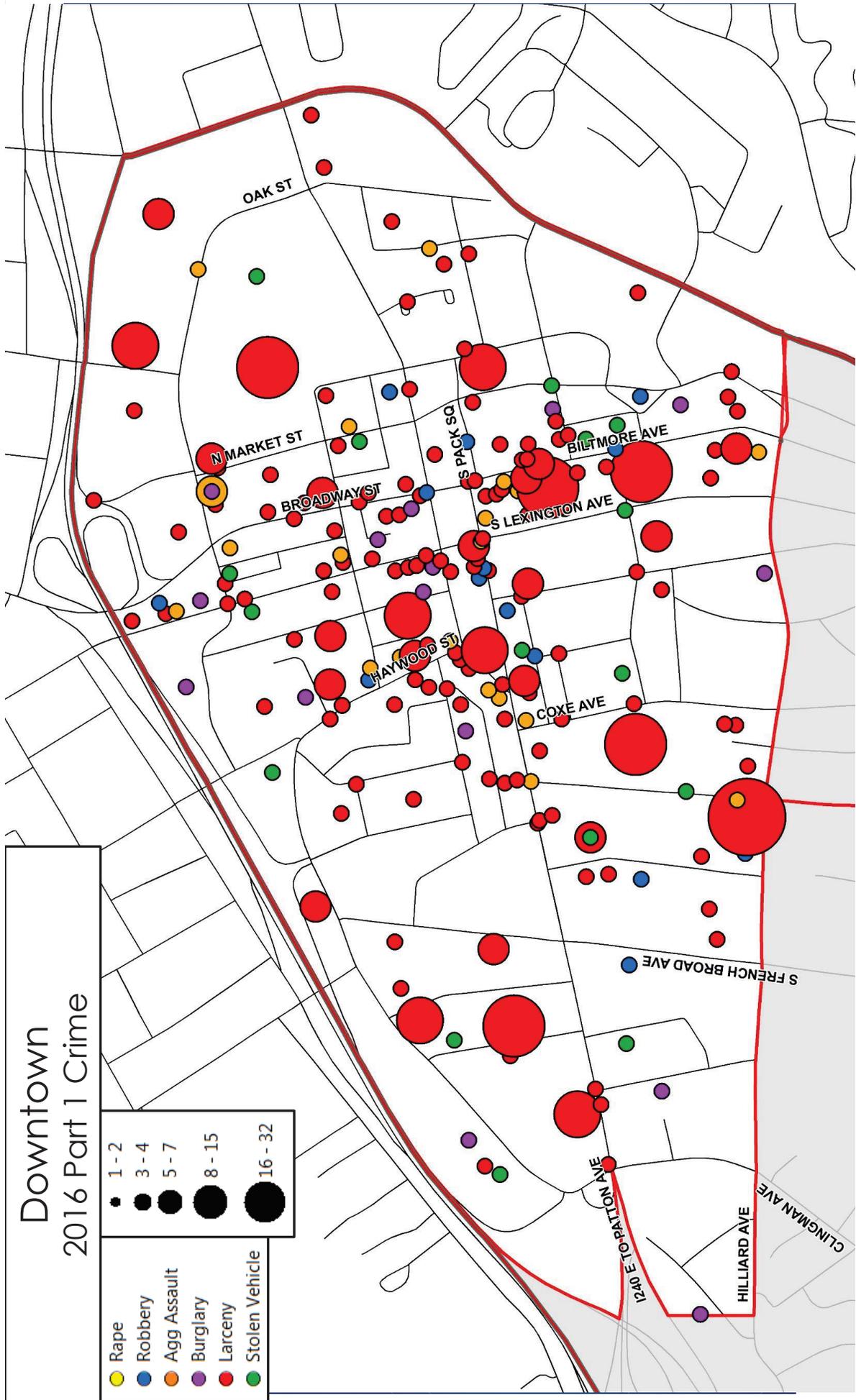
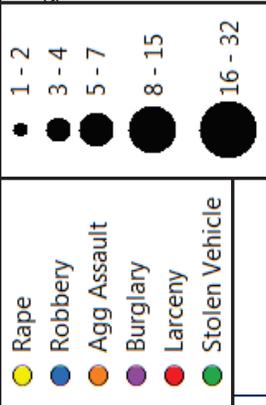
# Downtown 2016 Part 1 Crime



Downtown		2016
<b>Part 1 Crime</b>		
Rape		2
Robbery		24
Aggravated Assault		31
Agg - Domestic		3
Agg - NotDomestic		28
<b>Total Violent</b>		<b>57</b>
Burglary		18
Larceny	Car B&E	319
	Shoplifting	75
	Larceny - Other	61
		183
Stolen Vehicle		18
<b>Total Property</b>		<b>355</b>
<b>Total Part 1 Crime</b>		<b>412</b>

Nuisance Crime		2016
<b>Simple Assault</b>		<b>166</b>
	Simple - Domestic	30
	Simple - NotDomestic	136
<b>Vandalism</b>		<b>200</b>
<b>Disorderly Conduct</b>		<b>370</b>
<b>Drug Offenses</b>		<b>496</b>
<b>DWI</b>		<b>46</b>
<b>Liquor Law Violation</b>		<b>625</b>
<b>Trespassing</b>		<b>708</b>
<b>Panhandling</b>		<b>123</b>

# Downtown 2016 Part 1 Crime

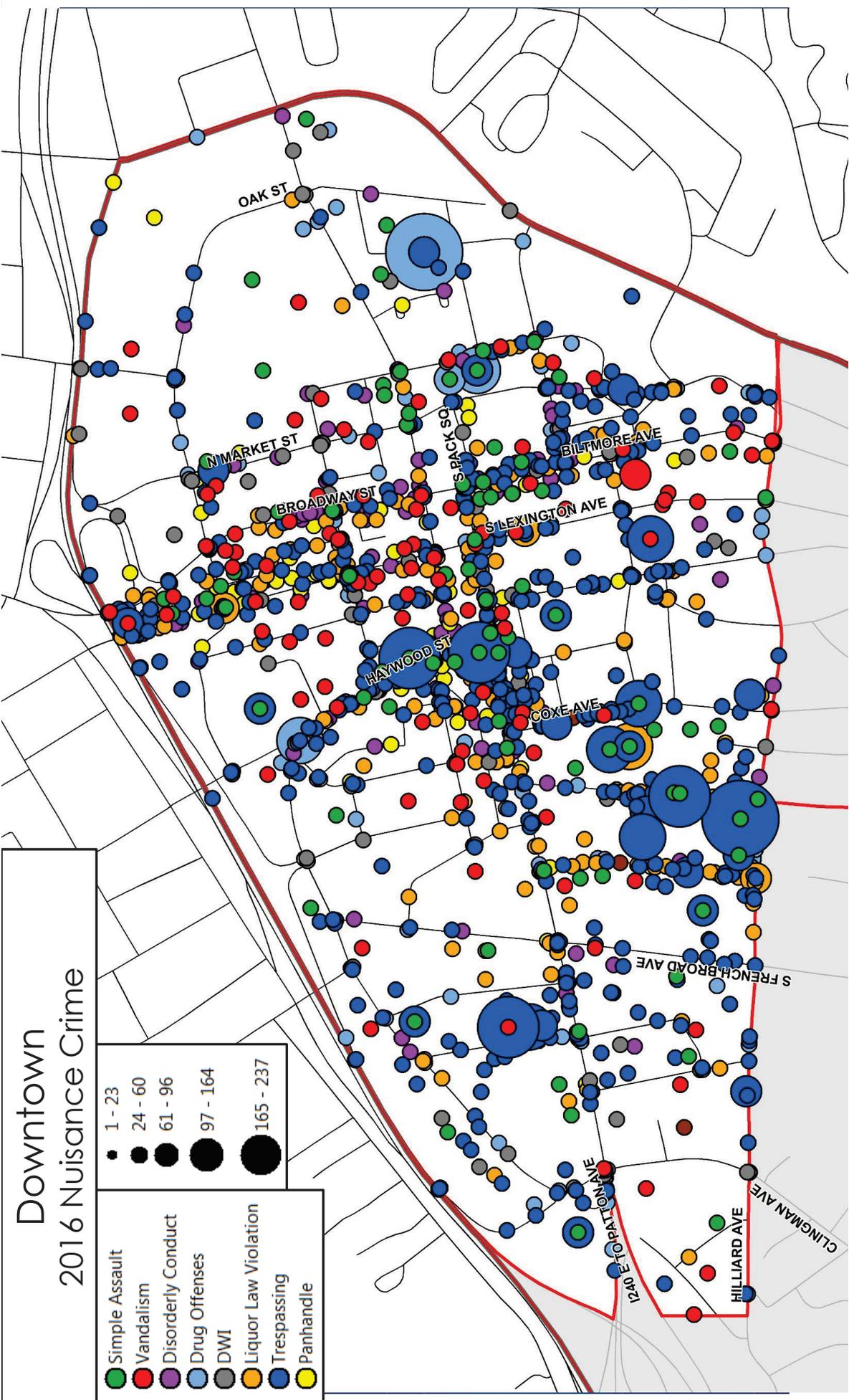


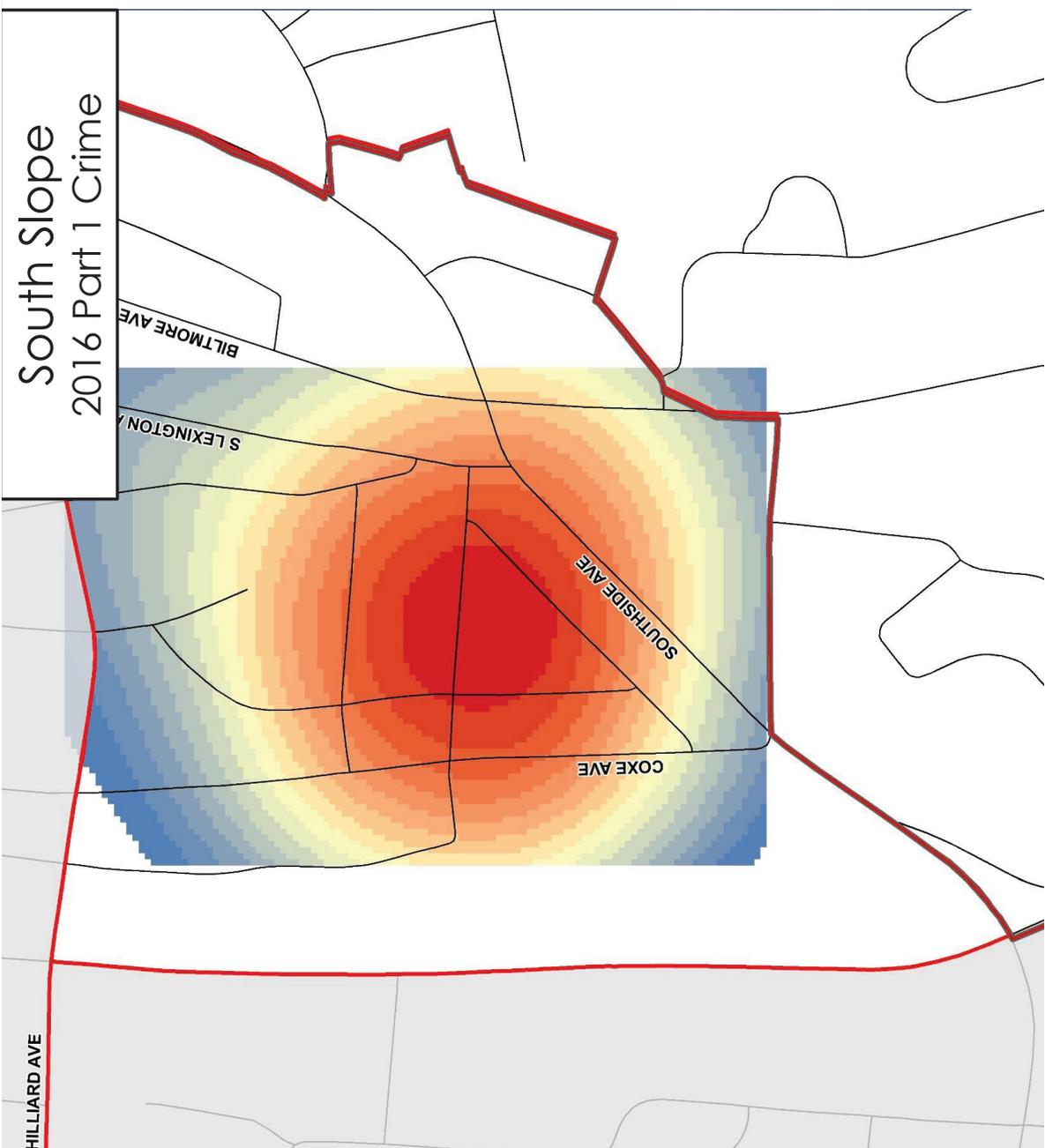
# Downtown 2016 Nuisance Crime

●	1 - 23
●	24 - 60
●	61 - 96
●	97 - 164
●	165 - 237

●	Simple Assault
●	Vandalism
●	Disorderly Conduct
●	Drug Offenses
●	DWI
●	Liquor Law Violation
●	Trespassing
●	Panhandle





**South Slope  
2016 Part 1 Crime**

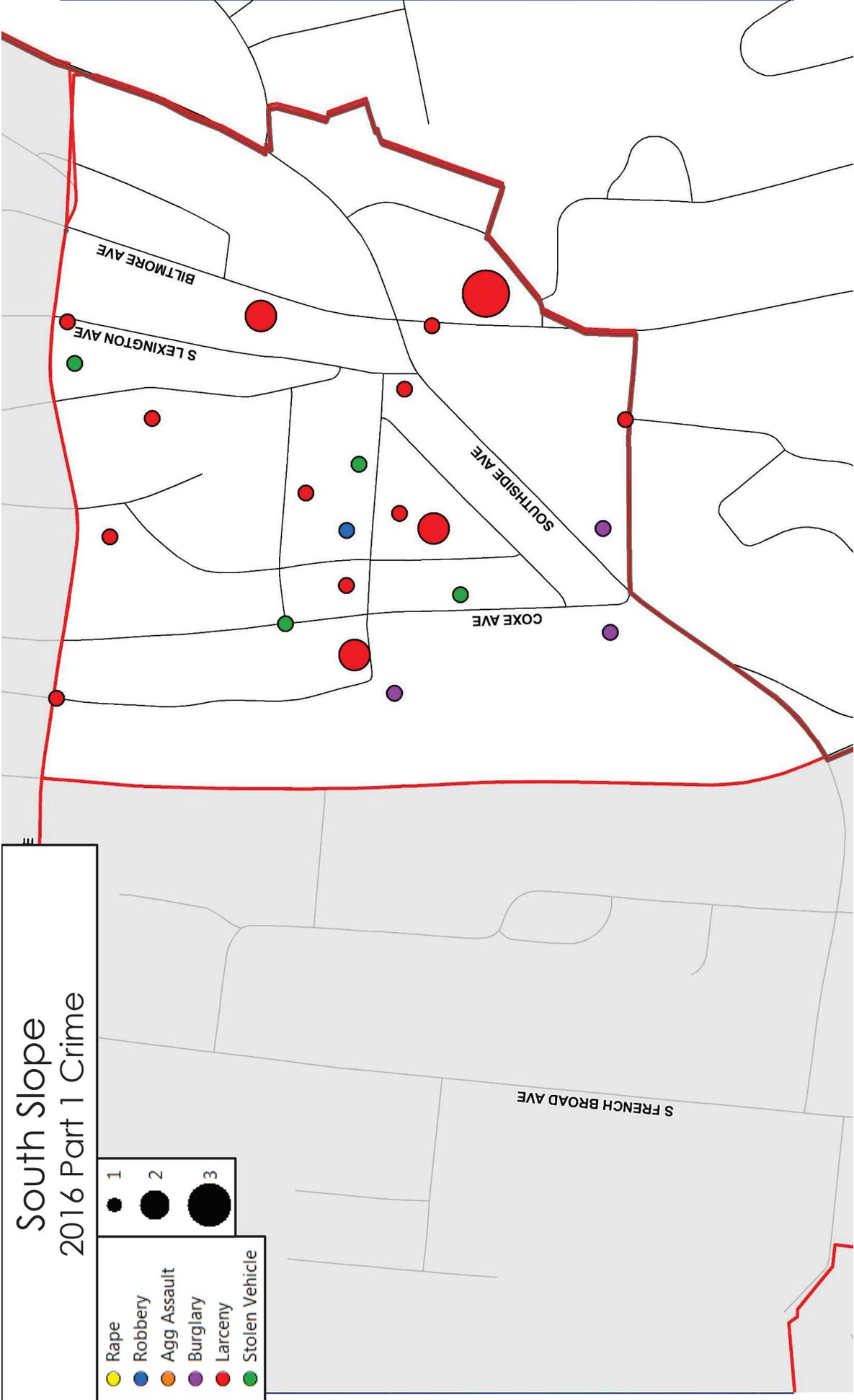
South Slope		2016
<b>Part 1 Crime</b>		
Rape		0
Robbery		1
Aggravated Assault		0
Agg - Domestic		0
Agg - NotDomestic		0
<b>Total Violent</b>		<b>1</b>
Burglary		3
Larceny	Car B&E	19
	Shoplifting	10
	Larceny - Other	0
Stolen Vehicle		9
		1
<b>Total Property</b>		<b>23</b>
<b>Total Part 1 Crime</b>		<b>24</b>

Nuisance Crime		2016
Simple Assault		9
	Simple - Domestic	2
	Simple - NotDomestic	7
Vandalism		18
Disorderly Conduct		22
Drug Offenses		35
DWI		3
Liquor Law Violation		63
Trespassing		53
Panhandling		5

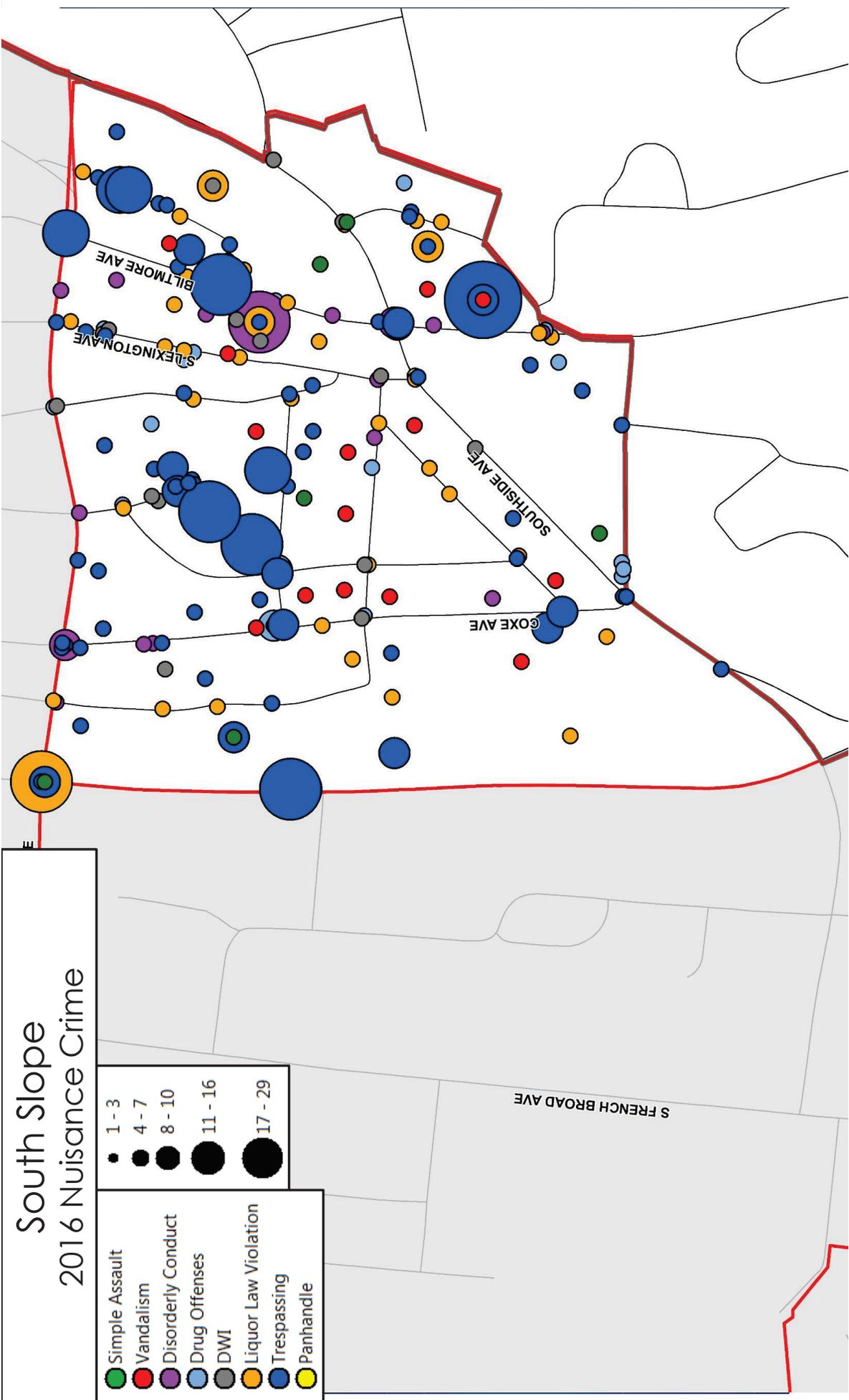
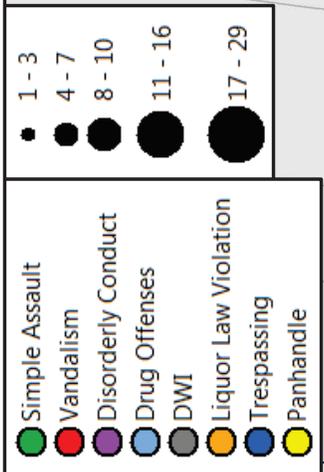
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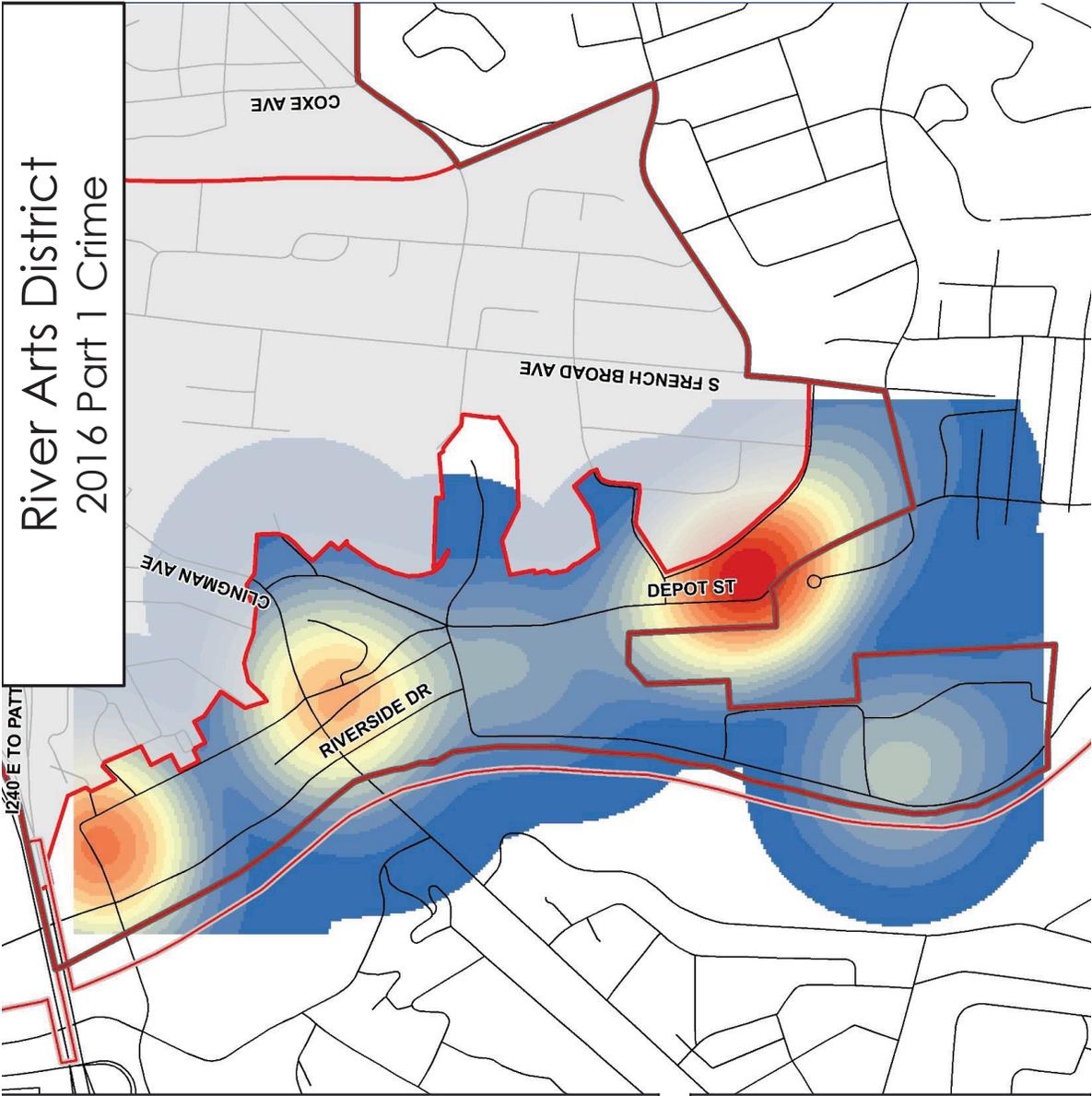


- Rape
- Robbery
- Agg Assault
- Burglary
- Larceny
- Stolen Vehicle



# South Slope 2016 Nuisance Crime



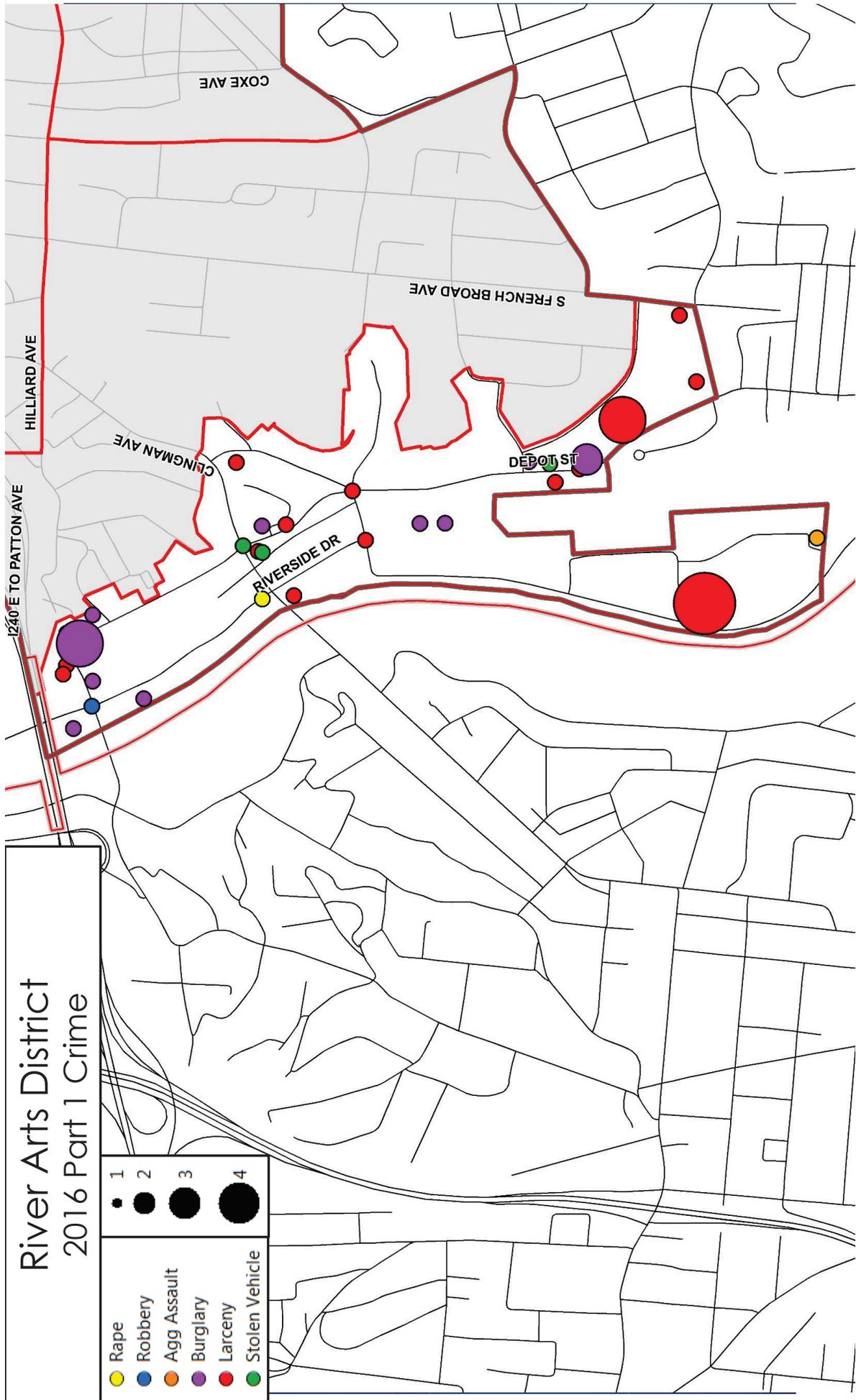
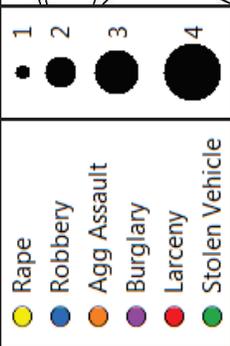


**River Arts District  
2016 Part 1 Crime**

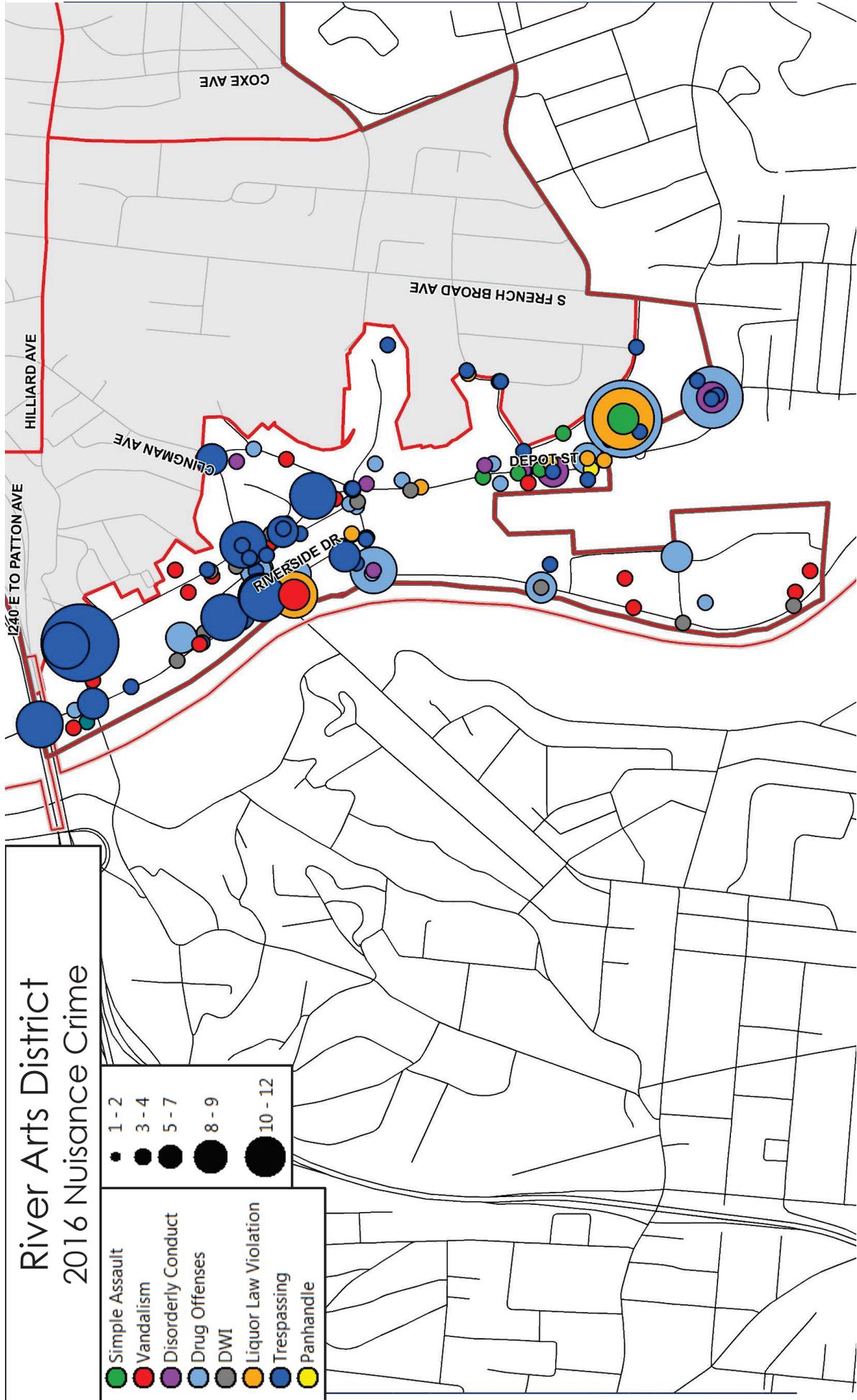
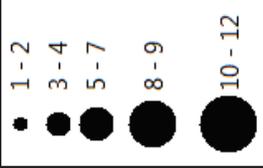
River Arts District		2016
<b>Part 1 Crime</b>		
Rape		2
Robbery		2
Aggravated Assault		2
Agg - Domestic		0
Agg - NotDomestic		2
<b>Total Violent</b>		<b>6</b>
Burglary		14
Larceny	Car B&E	22
	Shoplifting	10
	Larceny - Other	2
Stolen Vehicle		10
		5
<b>Total Property</b>		<b>41</b>
<b>Total Part 1 Crime</b>		<b>47</b>

Nuisance Crime		2016
<b>Simple Assault</b>		<b>12</b>
	Simple - Domestic	5
	Simple - NotDomestic	7
<b>Vandalism</b>		<b>25</b>
<b>Disorderly Conduct</b>		<b>8</b>
<b>Drug Offenses</b>		<b>30</b>
<b>DWI</b>		<b>1</b>
<b>Liquor Law Violation</b>		<b>20</b>
<b>Trespassing</b>		<b>41</b>
<b>Panhandling</b>		<b>2</b>

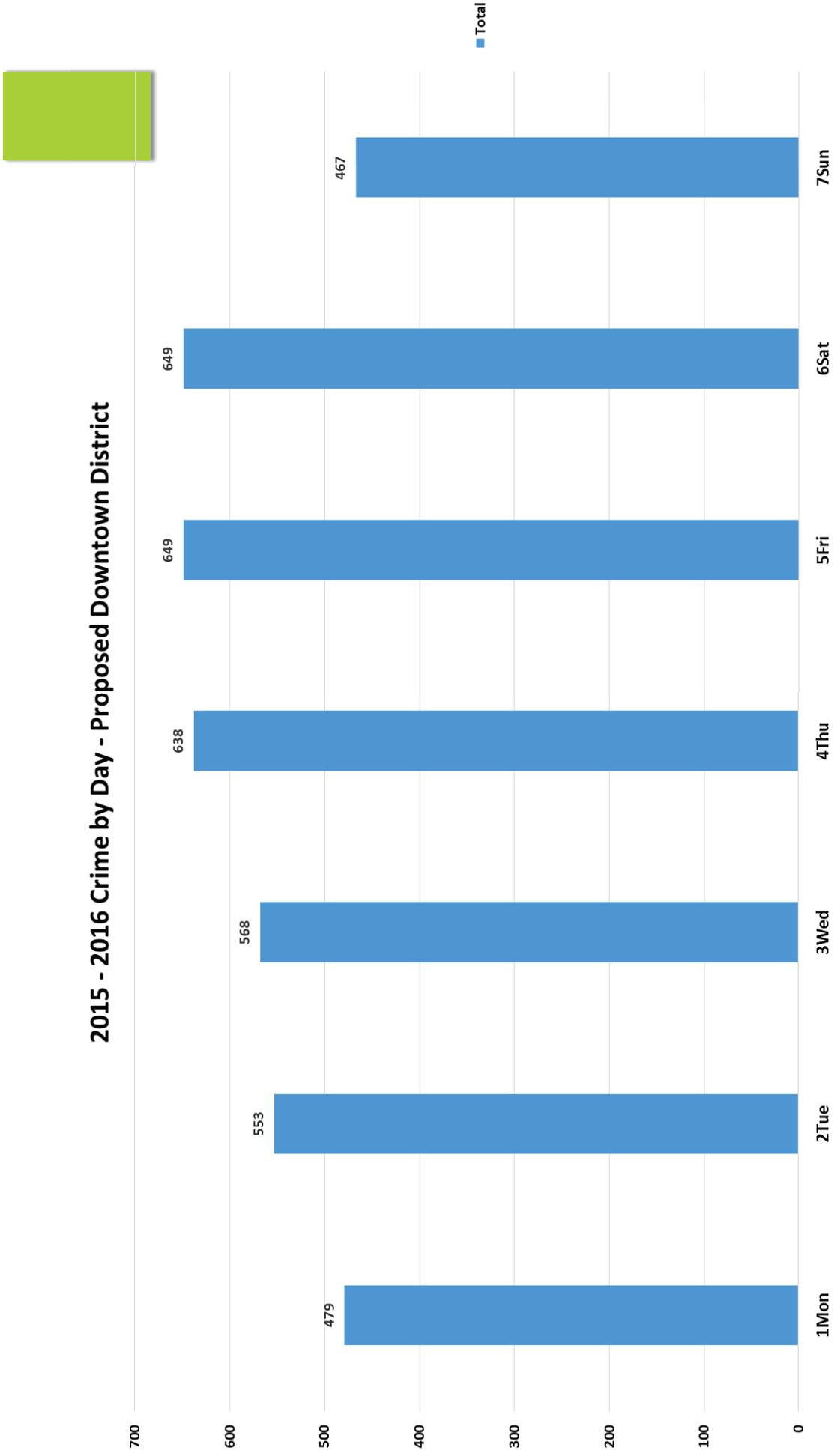
# River Arts District 2016 Part 1 Crime



# River Arts District 2016 Nuisance Crime



## 2015 - 2016 Crime by Day - Proposed Downtown District



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- ▶ Who were the victims and offenders of Downtown Part One Crime in 2016?
  - ▶ At least 35% of victims and 17% of offenders are from outside Buncombe County

Residence	Percent of Victims	Percent of Offenders
Asheville/Buncombe	53%	67%
Buncombe County	4%	8%
NC not Buncombe	20%	14%
Out of State	15%	3%
No fixed	1%	9%

