

2024 Annual Report

French Quarter Management District

The statutory purpose of the FQMD is to strengthen the District as a vital component of Louisiana's tourism industry; aid in the **preservation** of the District's architecture, quaint charm and tout ensemble; beautify the District's appearance; improve **public safety**, foster quality experiences and **quality of life** within the District; and improve **commercial and residential vitality**. The statutory functions of the FQMD include strategic planning, business and commercial development activities and administering capital improvement funds.



Mission

The French Quarter Management District is a state political subdivision created by the Louisiana Legislature as a means for the residential and business communities to work together to protect, preserve and maintain the world-famous French Quarter as a safe, clean, vibrant and friendly neighborhood for residents, businesses, and visitors.





2024 Board of Commissioners

Vieux Carré Commission	Mamie Gasperecz
Vieux Carré Property Owners, Residents and Associates	Jane Cooper
Louisiana Restaurant Association	Christian Pendleton
Greater New Orleans Hotel & Lodging Association: Canal to Iberville	Frank Zumbo
Greater New Orleans Hotel and Lodging Association: Vieux Carré	David Bilbe
French Quarter Business Association	Christine Bondio
French Quarter Business League	Alex Fein
Mayor -Appointee	Not Assigned
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French Quarter Citizens	Glade Bilby
North Rampart Main Street, Inc.	Sue Klein
New Orleans & Company	Steve Caputo
City Councilmember District C	Heidi Raines



2024 Officers & Committee Leadership

Chair

Jane Cooper

Vice-Chair

Mamie Gasperecz

Treasurer

Frank Zumbo

Secretary

Sue Klein

Finance & Development

Frank Zumbo, Chair Heidi Raines, Vice-Chair

Government Affairs

Glade Bilby, Chair Christian Pendleton, Vice-Chair

Livability

Mamie Gasperecz, Chair Erin Holmes, Vice-Chair

Security & Enforcement

Christian Pendleton, Chair Jessica Dietz, Vice-Chair



French Quarter Economic Development District

Approved in 2021 with 72% of the vote, the special sales tax for public safety within the French Quarter Economic Development District (FQEDD) is collected in the French Quarter.

The FQEDD Trust Fund is administered by the French Quarter Management District which provides fiscal and operational oversight, and quarterly budget and expenditure reports to the City Council.

The FQMD hosts monthly meetings with Agreement Monitors representing the City, NOPD, and City Council to track the performance of the programs funded by the Trust Fund.





FQEDD - Patrol Program Key Performance Indices Supplemental Police Patrol Program (SPPP)

SPPP Officers App Citizen Business Percentage of Trained in FQ Miles Patrolled Response Shifts Filled Contacts Checks Specific Laws Time KPI: KPI: KPI: 500/Month KPI: KPI: 10,000/Month 700/Month KPI: 100% 10 Minutes 75% Average: Average: Average: 7.926/Month 2,147/Month 789/Month **CEA** Required Average: Average: Shifts Average: 100% Total: 95,116 Total: 25,760 Total: 9,471 83%



FQEDD - Patrol Program Categories Tracked

App Calls Received

Historic Average: 371/Month

2024 Average: 449/Month

2024 Total: 5,384

Dispatch Calls Responded to

Historic Average: 100/Month

2024 Average: 202/Month

2024 Total: 2,424

Arrests & Apprehensions

Historic Average: 33/Month

2024 Average: 27/Month

2024 Total: 328

Summons /
Traffic
Citations

Historic Average: 58/Month

2024 Average: 130/Month

2024 Total: 1,562

Subjects Moved

Historic Average: 1,328/Month

2024 Average: 687/Month

2024 Total: 8,247



FQEDD Real Time Crime Center License Plate Readers & Camera Installations

- A total of <u>16</u> License Plate Readers were installed in 2024.
- A total of <u>95</u> crime cameras were installed throughout the French Quarter in 2024.
- The crime cameras have assisted NOPD officers in 1,493 instances since the completion of the installations.

The new cameras are tied into the existing Real Time Crime Center to aid all public safety agencies in New Orleans, including the New Orleans Police

Department (NOPD), the New Orleans Fire

Department (NOFD), New Orleans Emergency

Medical Services (NOEMS), and New Orleans

Homeland Security & Emergency Preparedness.





FQEDD Homeless Case Management

In 2024, the FQEDD Trust Fund continued funding two full-time case managers to provide street outreach to the unhoused population in the French Quarter.

This public safety initiative is in partnership with the <u>French Market Corporation</u> and is staffed by the <u>Travelers Aid Society of Greater New Orleans</u> (TASGNO).

The FQEDD also provided funding to the Rapid Rehousing Program for the French Quarter and to <u>Covenant House New Orleans</u>.

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TASGNO 2024 Key Performance Indices

Permanent

Housing

Placements

Average:

New Clients Seen in Year (Never Before Seen in Year)

Average: 21/Month

> Total: 247 Clients

Repeat Contacts (Clients Seen Earlier in Month or Year)

Average: 37/Month Chronically Homeless Individuals Contacted

Average:

40/Month

1/Month

Total: Clients

Clients Connected to Treatment

Total: 93 Clients

Returns to Homelessness in the District

Average: 8/Month

Average: 3/Month

Connected With Vital **Documents**

Average: 4/Month

Total: 50 Clients

Benefits Enrollment

Average: 4/Month

Total: 49 Clients

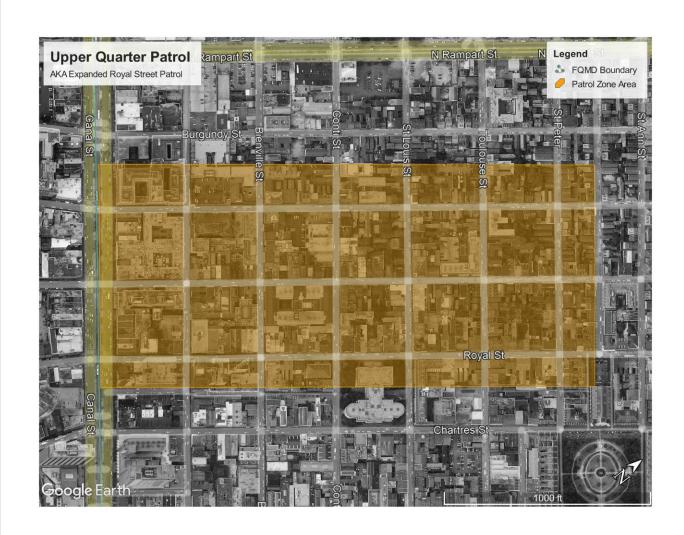


Upper Quarter Patrol

Because of FQMD's proven track record of accountable and transparent administration of supplemental police patrols, New Orleans & Company approached FQMD to expand the existing Royal Street Patrol with additional POST Certified foot patrols for the 100-600 blocks of Royal, Bourbon, Dauphine, and the intersecting streets.

FQMD and New Orleans & Company signed a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement to fund the expansion and FQMD is now providing supplemental Upper Quarter Patrols (UQP) in the neighborhood.

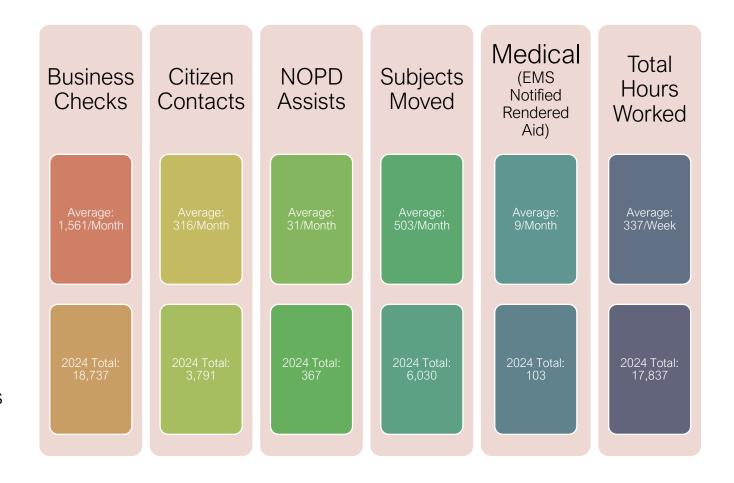




Upper Quarter Patrol - Key Performance Indices

Walking Patrol Objectives

- Provide a visual presence in the patrol zone.
- Deter crime.
- Respond to emergency situations in the designated zone.
- Assist NOPD when such requests are made.
- Report/document quality of life issues in assigned Patrol Zone.
- Detain any suspect who commits any criminal offense and contact NOPD to handle incident.
- Assist with medical and fire emergencies by expediting response via police radio.
- Interact with residents, tourists, business employees, and owners so as to establish and promote public safety within the zone.



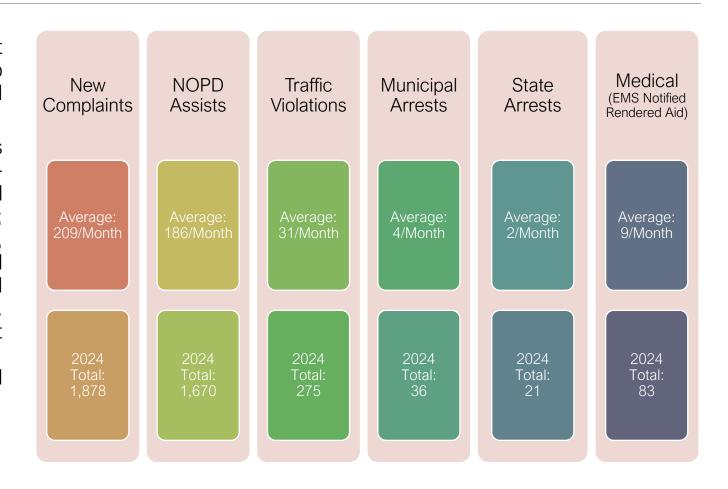


Expanded Upper Quarter Patrol – Key Performance Indices

In 2024 the FQMD signed an agreement with Public Safety Services Corporation to expand the UQP program. The Expanded UQP (EUQP) launched in April.

The EUQP Patrol Zone Service Area is broken down into three subzones: Sub-Zone 1, bounded by Exchange Alley, Canal Street, Decatur Street, and Iberville Street; Sub-Zone 2, bounded by Exchange Alley, Iberville street, N. Peters Street, and Bienville Street, and Sub-Zone 3, Bounded by Exchange Alley, Bienville Street, N. Peters Street, and Conti Street

This year the UQP also provided additional patrols for the Bourbon Street Promenade.





Remove, Lock, Take

Remove, Lock, Take is an auto-theft prevention signage program funded and designed by the French Quarter Management District, and supported by the NOPD, to promote gun safety and reduce auto-related crimes in the French Quarter. With the problem of auto break-ins in the City, the Remove, Lock, Take program has been created to put safeguards in place for tourists and residents.

Major parking lot companies have teamed up with the French Quarter Management District and have installed signage in their parking lots as well as decals on all pay kiosks to inform residents and tourists of the preventative measures they can take to help improve the overall safety of the French Quarter.

The program was then adopted by the Downtown Development District and the French Market Corporation.





Keep the Quarter Clean

This year, the French Quarter Management District's Keep the Quarter Clean Program maintained its status as an Affiliate of Keep Louisiana Beautiful.

FQMD staff attended the 2024 Keep Louisiana Beautiful Conference and received the 2024 Circle of Excellence award.



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Keep the Quarter Clean Mardi Gras Bead Recycling Program

During Carnival season, the FQMD teamed up with Glass Half Full, the Downtown Development District, and the Vieux Carre Property Owners, Residents, & Associates (VCPORA) to collect 3,346 pounds of Mardi Gras beads for recycling.

FQMD brought the Mardi Gras bead recycling program to five French Quarter hotels and the Canal Street parade route from February 1st through February 15th.







Keep the Quarter Clean Love the Boot Week

On Sunday, April 21st the FQMD's Keep the Quarter Clean hosted a Love the Boot Week cleanup event on Esplanade Avenue as part of the Keep Louisiana Beautiful Affiliate Program annual requirements. This is the second Love the Boot Week cleanup that Keep the Quarter Clean has hosted.

There were 25 volunteers, including staff from Hotel Monteleone and Four Seasons New Orleans with a total of 25 miles covered and 16 trash and recycling bags collected by the end of the event. The recycling bags were collected by Osprey Initiative to be hand sorted and sent to a recycling facility.









French Quarter Recycling Drop-off Sits

In May, the FQMD collaborated with Glass Half Full and VCPORA to bring glass recycling to residents in the French Quarter.

Residents and visitors can now drop-off glass, as well as other recyclable materials, to the Louisiana Jazz Museum every Tuesday, Cabrini Park every Thursday, and The Historic New Orleans Collection every Sunday.

Since the launch of this recycling initiative, a total of <u>19,588</u> pounds of glass have been collected.

www.glasshalffull.co

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RECYCLING DROP-OFF

Locations

Jazz Museum

Tuesdays 11 am - 2:30pm

400 Esplanade Ave New Orleans, LA 70116

Cabrini Park

Thursdays 11 am - 2:30pm

1219 Dauphine St New Orleans, LA 70116

NOPD 8th District

Sundays 11 am - 2:30pm

334 Royal St New Orleans, LA 70130



Help keep the quarter clean by recycling with us!

- Glass
- #1 & #2 Plastics
- Aluminum/tin
- Cardboard/paper





North Rampart Pedestrian Safety Improvements Program

In August, the FQMD and VCPORA, in cooperation with the City of New Orleans, completed a \$200,000 safety initiative project to enhance pedestrian and bicyclist safety on North Rampart Street. On Wednesday, August 14th, the FQMD hosted a ribbon-cutting ceremony to celebrate the project's completion.

The project's improvements include:

- Green painted bike lanes along North Rampart Street from Toulouse to St. Philip
- 60 more durable high-visibility flex posts installed along the bike lane to create a visual buffer protecting cyclists
- Five intersection corner zones painted red to enhance visibility.
- 2 pedestrian-activated flashing beacon lights installed at the St. Philip and St. Ann intersections, assisting in the safe crossing of pedestrians in the high-trafficked area near Armstrong Park, in compliance with ADA guidelines.







Sanitation Services Key Performance Indices

The Sanitation Contractors for the French Quarter, KBS and Clean Force, provide daily sanitation services for residents, businesses, and stakeholders, as well as provide accountability Key Performance Indices to the French Quarter Management District.

Monthly Pressure Washing

Monthly Average: 100% % of 3x Pressure Washing

Monthly Average: 99%

% of Street Flushing Completed

Monthly Average: 98%

Graffiti Removed

Average: 1,297 / Month

2024 Total: 15,561

Litter Can Cleanings

Average: 532 / Month

2024 Total: 6,381



Preservation French Quarter Museum Association

FQMD supported cultural development by renewing the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement which enables the French Quarter Museum Association to grow the programing and coordinated marketing of this collection of museums as their fiscal agent.

The museums that partner with the FQMD include:

- BK House & Gardens
- Friends of the Cabildo
- Hermann-Grima/Gallier Historic Houses
- The Historic New Orleans Collection
- The Louisiana Museum Foundation
- The Louisiana State Museum
- The New Orleans Pharmacy Museum
- The Ursuline Convent Museum



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FRENCH QUARTER MUSEUM ASSOCIATION



EXPENSES	
Admin Fees	\$120,000
Advertising	\$806
Conference & Meeting	\$1,813
Insurance	\$25,555
Legal & Professional	\$112,193
Supplies & Software	\$28,456
Patrol Expenses	\$1,451,215
Payroll	\$184,515
Pedestrian Safety / Signage	\$231,723
Recycling Programs	\$95,930
Supplemental Sanitation	\$92,220
Services Rendered/Programming	\$180,841
Rent	\$9,240
Repairs/Maintenance	\$1,150
Utilities	\$3,358
Miscellaneous	\$4,333
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$2,543,348

2024 FQMD Expenditures

Operational Responsibility

- In 2024, the FQMD met all requirements for reporting to City Council.
- The FQMD secured the Louisiana State Auditor's Successful Audit Approval.







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