



# GAITHERSBURG POLICE DEPARTMENT

## Crime Analysis Report 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter 2014

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There has been a **29.5% increase** in crime within the City of Gaithersburg for the fourth quarter of 2014<sup>1</sup>, as compared to the Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) statistics for the fourth quarter of 2013:

- Part I Crime **increased by 12.8%** (from 397 to 448)
- Part II Crime **increased by 40.0%** (from 627 to 878)
- Overall, Total Crime (Part I and Part II totals) **increased by 29.5%**

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|-----------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| Homicide:                         | 100.0% decrease | (from 1 to 0)     |
| Rape:                             | No change       | (from 2 to 2)     |
| Robbery:                          | 25.0% increase  | (from 8 to 10)    |
| Aggravated Assault <sup>2</sup> : | 140.7% increase | (from 27 to 65)   |
| Burglary:                         | 25.4% decrease  | (from 59 to 44)   |
| Larceny:                          | 12.5% increase  | (from 281 to 316) |
| Auto Theft:                       | 42.1% decrease  | (from 19 to 11)   |

An analysis of Part I Offense data shows that there was an increase this quarter (as compared to the same quarter in 2013) in robberies, aggravated assaults, and larcenies. There was a decrease in homicide, burglaries and auto thefts.

An analysis of the data between the third and fourth quarter of 2014 shows an overall **decrease in crime of 7.1%**. Part I Offenses increased by 3.0% (from 435 to 448) with the following categories showing an increase - rapes up 100.0% (from 1 to 2), aggravated assaults up 54.8% (from 42 to 65) and burglaries up 46.7% (from 30 to 44). Part II Offenses decreased by 11.5% (from 992 to 878).

Part II Crimes are defined as minor assaults, arson, forgery-counterfeiting, bad checks, embezzlement, stolen property, vandalism, weapons offenses, prostitution, sex offenses, controlled dangerous substance (CDS) violations, gambling, family offenses, juvenile offenses, liquor law violations, disorderly conduct, suicide, and non-traffic offenses.

<sup>1</sup> Crime statistics from the Montgomery County Records Management Systems as of February 4, 2015. Unfounded incidents are not included.

<sup>2</sup> At the end of 2013 the act of "choking without resulting injuries", which was previously classified as a minor assault (Part II offense), was reclassified as an aggravated assault due to the State of Maryland reinterpreting the UCR classification rules. This change can partially attribute for the increase.

## Cumulative Year to Date

There has been a **7.2% increase** in crime within the City of Gaithersburg for January-December of 2014<sup>1</sup>, as compared to the Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) statistics for January-December of 2013:

- Part I Crime **increased** by **0.3%** (from 1,622 to 1,627)
- Part II Crime **increased** by **10.7%** (from 3,257 to 3,605)
- Overall, Total Crime (Part I and Part II totals) **increased by 7.2%**

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|-----------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|
| Homicide:                         | 100.0% increase | (from 1 to 2)         |
| Rape:                             | 50.0% decrease  | (from 12 to 6)        |
| Robbery:                          | 34.5% decrease  | (from 58 to 38)       |
| Aggravated Assault <sup>2</sup> : | 60.6% increase  | (from 94 to 151)      |
| Burglary:                         | 35.9% decrease  | (from 192 to 123)     |
| Larceny:                          | 4.9% increase   | (from 1,192 to 1,251) |
| Auto Theft:                       | 23.3% decrease  | (from 73 to 56)       |

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