

PRESS RELEASE

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INCIDENT TYPE: "Graffiti-Free New London" Campaign

INCIDENT LOCATION: City of New London

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SUMMARY: The New London Police Department is pleased to announce the creation of a new program aimed at eliminating graffiti in the City of New London. "Graffiti-Free New London" is a partnership between NLPD, the NL Building Department, the NL Community & Campus Coalition and the NL Youth Affairs aimed at identifying vandalized properties and teaming-up with youth volunteers to remove the graffiti.

Studies show that the presence of graffiti in a community can have serious effects. Oftentimes, graffiti in a neighborhood gives the impression that "nobody cares," which may further instigate criminal activity in affected neighborhoods.

Our local Waterford Home Depot has enlisted their support by providing paint, rollers, and other supplies which the teen volunteers will use to abate the graffiti around the city.

How does it work?

Property owners, tenants, or even passers-by can report any tagging or graffiti on any building in the City of New London to the NL Blight Inspector (860-447-5240) or the NLPD Crime Prevention Officer (860-440-6673). A list of vandalized properties will be compiled and, on specified dates, volunteers will paint-over or remove the graffiti, free of charge.

Anyone with information concerning criminal/suspicious activity is encouraged to contact the New London Police Department at 860-447-5269, ext. 0. Anonymous information may be submitted via the NLPD Tips 411 system by texting "NLPDTip" plus the information to Tip411 (847411) or by clicking "Submit a Tip" on the NLPD Facebook page.

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The program will run during the spring and summer months and abatement will be on a first come - first serve basis.

It is the mission of the NLPD and its partner organizations to make New London a safe, healthy, and beautiful place for all residents and visitors.

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