



Public Safety Standing Committee  
Crime Update  
Shockoe Bottom Update

Chief Rick Edwards  
July 22, 2025

# Violent Crime Year-to-Date 2025

As of July 21, 2025

## Overall Violent Crime

2025: 550  
2024: 557  
-1%



**Murder**  
2025: 34  
2024: 32  
+6%

**Non-Fatal Shooting**  
2025: 92  
2024: 118  
-22%



**Aggravated Assault**  
2025: 277  
2024: 277  
0%

**Rape**  
2025: 16  
2024: 32  
-50%



**Aggravated Assault / Domestic**  
2025: 66  
2024: 45  
+47%

**Robbery (All)**  
2025: 120  
2024: 136  
-12%



# Property Crime Year-to-Date 2025

As of July 21, 2025

## Overall Property Crime

2025: 4,463 -14%  
2024: 5,193



### Burglary (All)

2025: 278 -32%  
2024: 409



### Shoplifting

2025: 1082 +3%  
2024: 1051



### TFMV

2025: 1234 -9%  
2024: 1351



### Motor Vehicle Theft

2025: 517 -44%  
2024: 926



# Shockoe Bottom Update

## The Concern

Nationwide, there have been over 200 mass shootings (defined as four or more victims) thus far in 2025 – over 1,000 shot, 200 of those killed.

The single most common setting for these incidents has been bar/entertainment districts, public parks and house parties.

The common denominator is large groups, alcohol/drug consumption and guns.

## Recent Examples

### Charlotte, NC:

July 13 – 6 shot, 1 killed  
Gunfire at 2 am in Uptown entertainment district, 7 guns recovered at the scene.

### Houston, TX:

July 13 – 17 shot, 2 killed  
11:45 pm shots fired into crowd outside a club.

### Milwaukee, WI:

July 12 – 5 shot, 2 killed  
Shots fired outside bar in downtown just after midnight; push to close lounge where occurred.



# DPW Staff Member Shot in Shockoe Bottom



- On May 21, 2025, a City of Richmond employee was shot in Shockoe Bottom while working a trash collection route.
- Arrest made: Jordan Gayle, 22, of Henrico has been charged with four felonies.
- He was apprehended on June 28 in Shockoe Bottom with a firearm recovered nearby.



# Arrest in Shockoe Bottom



Shawn Heckstall, II  
18, of Richmond

Charged with possession of a firearm on school property,  
contributing to the delinquency of a minor, weapons law  
violation



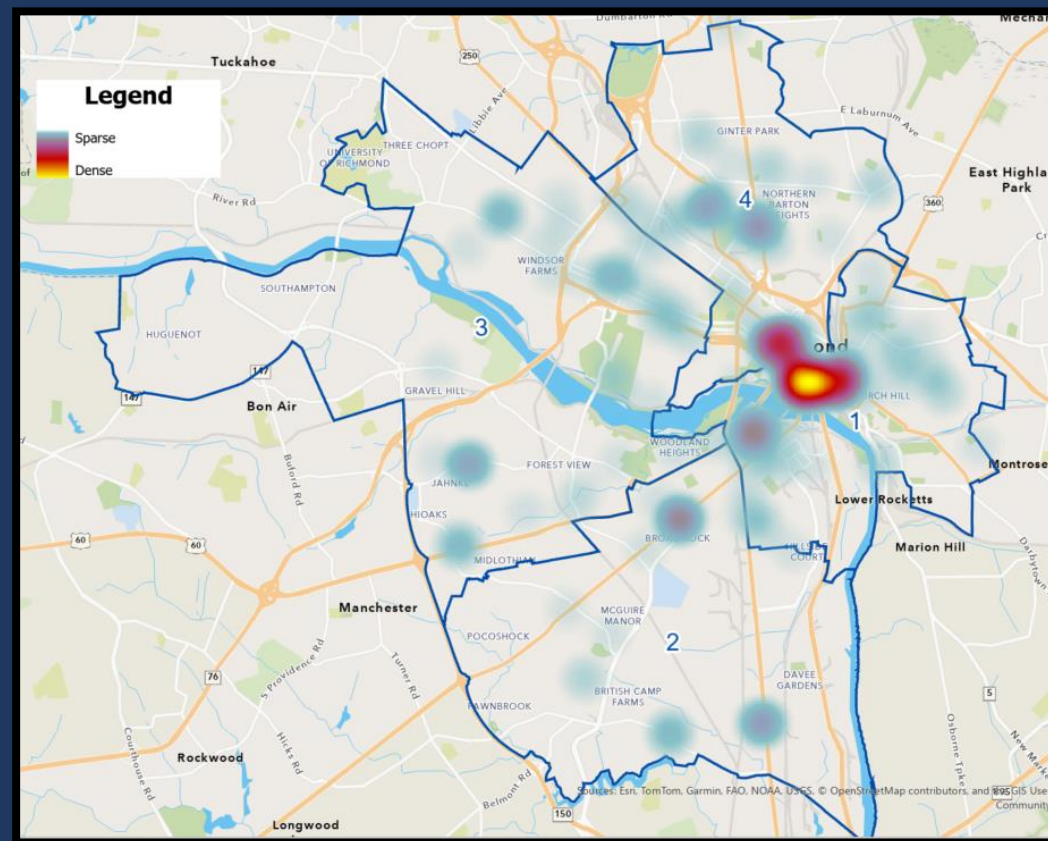


# Shockoe Bottom Update

## Stolen Firearms – City Wide

2025 – 249 firearms  
stolen from vehicles  
2024 – 264 firearms  
stolen from vehicles

-6% decrease



# Fight and Arrest April 6, 2025

Fight 1  
0050 hours



Fight 2  
0137 hours



Walk Away  
0137 hours



Return  
0141 hours





