

Louisiana Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness (GOHSEP)

January 1, 2025 Terrorist Attack Timeline



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(24-hour)

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- 0457** ▶ WebEOC Incident created
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- 0502** ▶ Email sent out to ESF Leads announcing the WebEOC incident created
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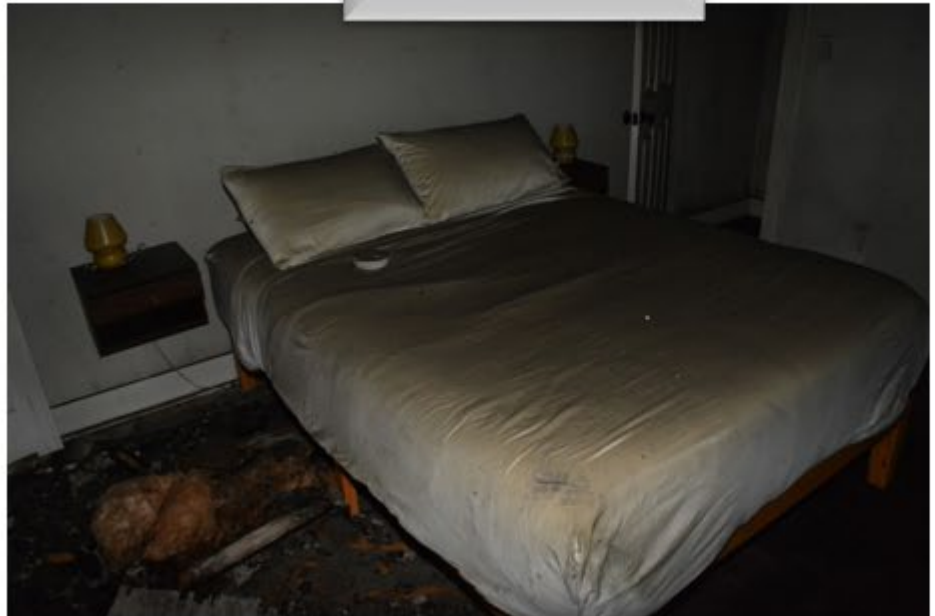
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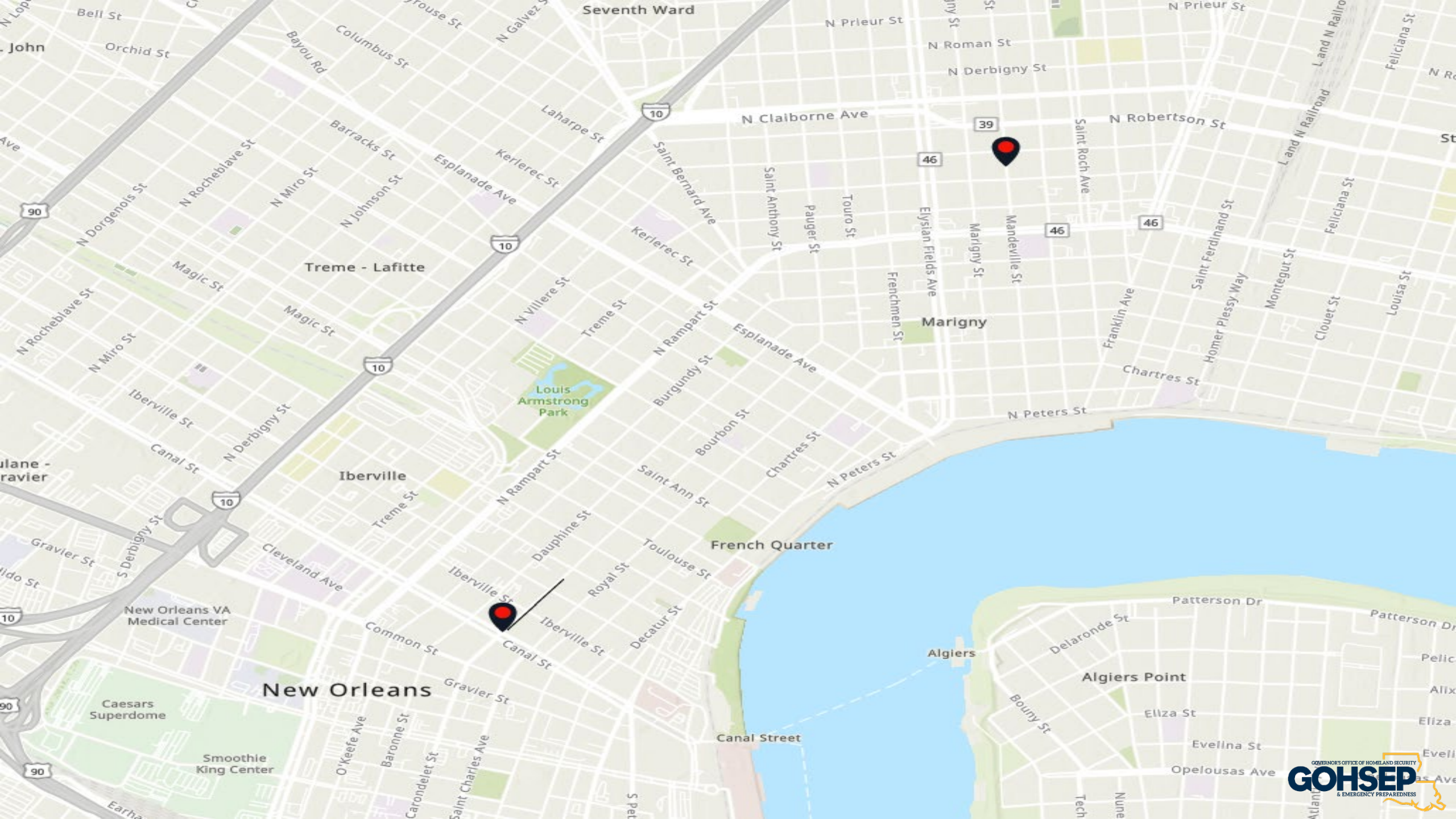


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▶ ESF-8 representatives report to the Orleans EOC to coordinate response, recovery, and reunification efforts

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▶ Request coming in WebEOC for bomb dogs to sweep the entire city

0740

▶ Suspicious package found at Jax Brewery

0757

▶ Update from Governor's Office- White House reached out to make sure the State was getting everything we needed

0758

▶ JICC started to get set up and press conference scheduled for 1100

0800

▶ GOHSEP published SITREP

0804

▶ Jax Brewery was cleared

0805

▶ New Orleans Mayor and NOPD Superintendent held press conference; FBI assumed incident command

0811

▶ Orleans requesting additional EOD canine units and a Department of Transportation and Development (DOTD) request for water and concrete barricades

0822

▶ The deceased perpetrator is not the registered owner of the vehicle. Currently, law-enforcement is looking for 4 additional suspects believed to be involved with this incident.

0838

▶ The State of Louisiana mobilized an MP company (100 PAX) to conduct Traffic Control Point cameras (TCPs) on Bourbon St. They will mobilize within 6 hours.

0842

▶ The Civil Support Team (CST) currently has 4 PAX in NOLA supporting for the Sugar Bowl. That will increase to 11 by this evening. The remaining 11 are on stand by to deploy as necessary based on the situation.

0903

▶ Sheriff of Jefferson Parish called and offered assistance to help with security outside the Superdome for the Sugar Bowl from the Logistics Staging Area (LSA) task force. (later to be postponed until 1/2/2025)

0928

▶ GOHSEP moved to 24 hour operations and notified select ESFs

0933

▶ NOPD officers are stable with minor injuries. All indications are the game is going on as planned for 1/1/2025. NOPD is putting together a traffic plan to close Poydras St. from Claiborne St. to the river.

1000

▶ LDH/ESF-8 Coordination call is conducted with multiple agencies to provide situational awareness of early morning activities, current status of response efforts, and to discuss operational tempo and situational reports going forward. At-Risk Registry is used to capture patient information from hospitals to collate information for efficiency of reunification efforts and investigatory efforts. Office of Public Health (OPH) was asked to accelerate 211/Vialink contract to be in readiness for surge in calls for reunification.

1001

▶ Updated info: NOFD responded to a residential fire on Mandeville St. around 0300 hours. They discovered "bomb making materials". FBI on scene.

1008

▶ Information from GOHSEP S & I: Both vehicles have border crossings. The one involved in the incident has one a few days ago, which might be Eagle Pass. The other vehicle we are looking for crossed yesterday in Brownsville.

- 1031** ▶ FEMA R6 is sourcing ESF-13 detection dogs along with Department of Defense (DOD); LSA has some bomb detecting canines available and we are coordinating
- 1033** ▶ GOHSEP published additional SITREP
- 1049** ▶ Orleans submitted a proclamation of emergency for the city
- 1051** ▶ LDH reports 44 total casualties in hospitals- 2 confirmed fatalities confirmed in hospital settings
- 1128** ▶ Updated info: FBI Special Agent in Charge (SAC) is with the Governor. 2 vehicles and at least 5 suspects- 1 fatality and 4 at large.
- 1134** ▶ Press conference is going to get pushed back to 1300
- 1135** ▶ LDH ESF-8 Portal Notification is released to hospitals and transfer centers. Given the threat matrix that additional perpetrators may be involved and that IEDs were being discovered, an alert was distributed to all hospitals to be on standby for potential surge needs in trauma. It was a potential that an unknown volume of trauma would have to be distributed to other regions.
- 1136** ▶ Officials begin discussion to postpone the Sugar Bowl
- 1142** ▶ Governor Landry declared the State of Emergency
- 1219** ▶ LDH update: Orleans Coroner still processing the scene; complex scene and may be a while before they issue a statement
Reports from West Feliciana Sheriff Office stated they have had suspicious drone activity over the nuclear plant the last two nights. LSP is working to verify.

- 1231** ▶ Update: the Sugar Bowl is being postponed until tomorrow. Official announcement to come at 1300 press conference. They are continuing to put resources in place until they get the official word.
- 1238** ▶ LDH update: 39 in hospital; Leadership also requested that the critical patients number be identified. Update of these numbers is provided throughout the duration of the event.
- 1249** ▶ LDH has asked for a report on fatalities. LDH reported that there remain 2 in hospital settings- 1 at UMC and 1 at EJ. Coroner has not completed the processing of bodies at the scene to provide an accurate number of fatalities on Bourbon St. scene. Coroner is the authority on confirmation of fatalities.
- 1250** ▶ ReadyOp message went out stating that GOHSEP was at a level 3 activation since 0600 and the SEOC would be open for any ESFs that are responding to the event
- 1257** ▶ Louisiana Business Emergency Operations Center (LABEOC) receives a message that GOHSEP is moving to level 3 activation. LABEOC determines that the alternate SEOC in the Continuity of Operations Plan (COOP) plan should be activated.
- 1300** ▶ Orleans Parish is about to request an additional 150 Law Enforcement Officers (LEOs) and as many explosive detection dogs as they can get. We are coordinating with LSA and other partners for both request.
- 1300** ▶ Press Conference in New Orleans and announcement of the Sugar Bowl being postponed to 1500 on 1/2/2025.
6 P&P SRT team members arrived on scene

1355

▶ LABEOC site operational

1418

▶ GOHSEP published an additional SITREP

1512

▶ Department of Administration (DOA) put out notice to close State Offices in Orleans Parish for 1/2/2025

Conducted call for Louisiana Senate Members to be briefed on the latest updates

1600

▶ 6 additional P&P SRT team members arrived on scene

1630

▶ Conducted call for Louisiana House Members to be briefed on the latest updates

1640

▶ House in Houston, Texas, was raided by FBI and Harris County Sheriff Office that is linked to the perpetrator

1644

▶ GOHSEP published an additional SITREP

1701

▶ LDH reports that there is a confirmed fatalities in a hospital setting bringing the total number of in hospital settings to 3. 1 at UMC; 1 at EJ, and 1 at Ochsner Main hospital.

1800

▶ Shift change at SEOC

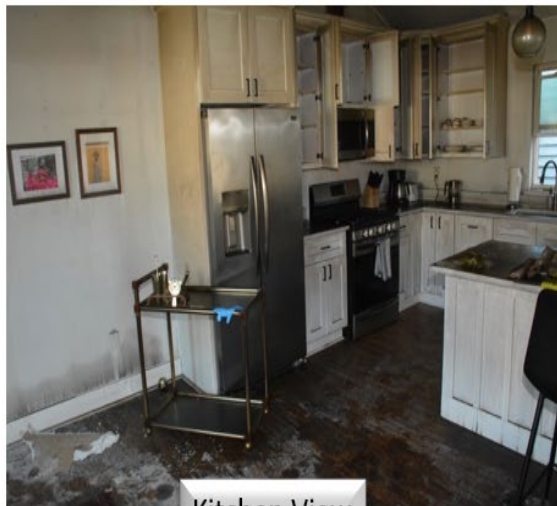
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▶ Initial LABEOC SITREP submitted

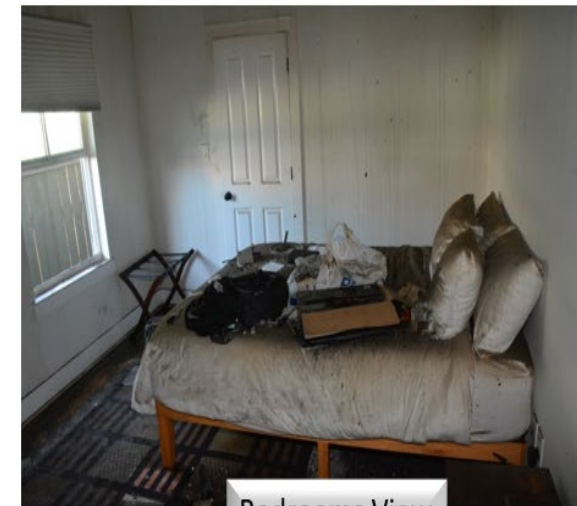
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▶ LABEOC opens to 24-hour operations

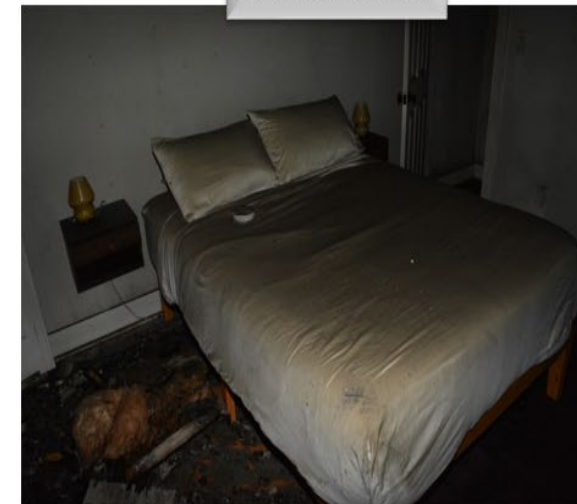
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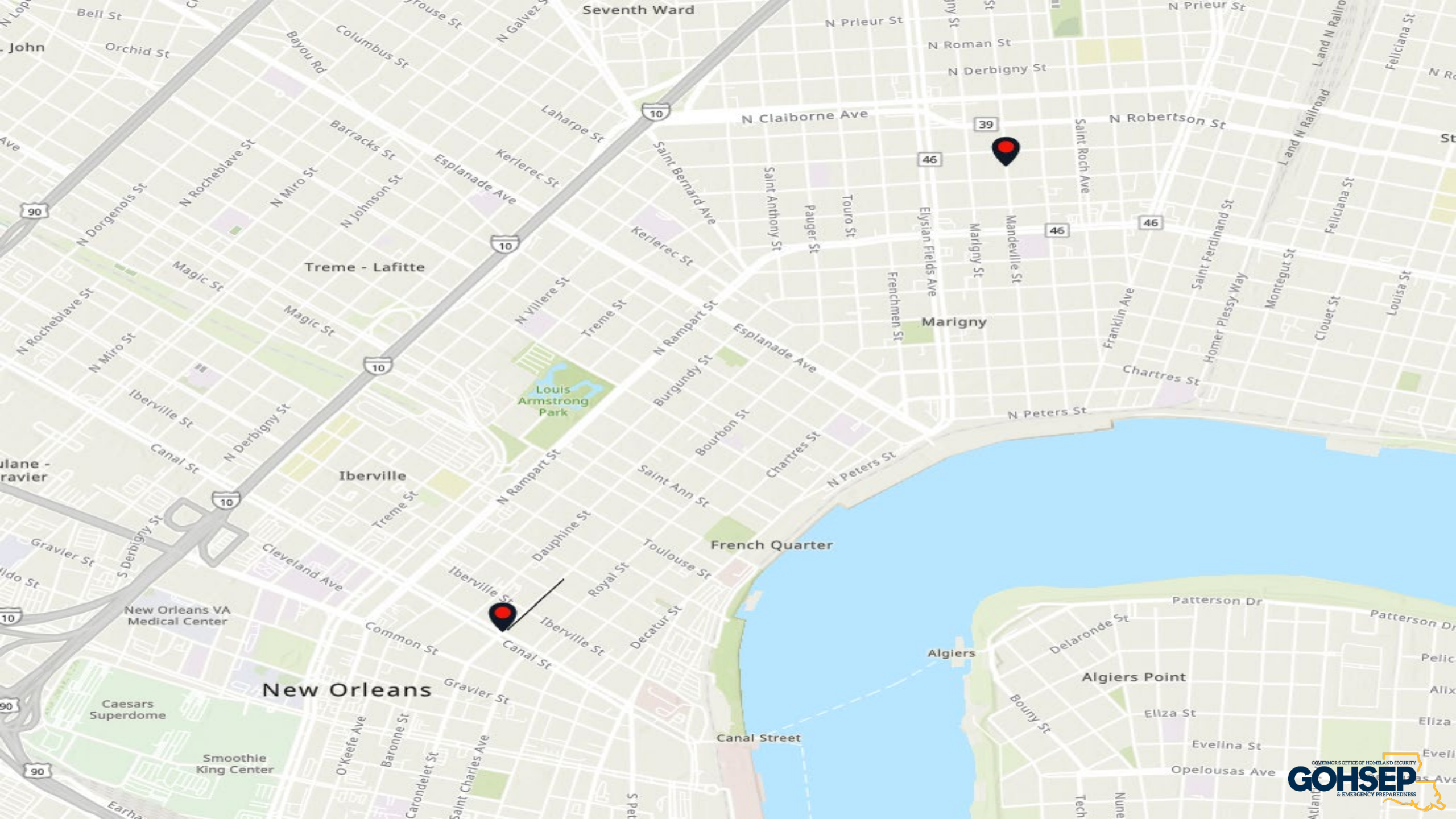
- 0749** ▶ A request was submitted to Small Business Administration to provide assistance in the form of an SBA Economic Injury Disaster Loan for Orleans Parish
- 0938** ▶ Uniformed patrol deputies representing the LSA Task Force begin arriving at JPSO for a 1000 briefing; 7 Sheriff Offices sent approximately 120 deputy sheriffs to assist with security
- 1000** ▶ P&P 12 team members arrived to patrol areas of Central Business District and Warehouse District to provide a security presence in the area for the Sugar Bowl
- 1442** ▶ Governor Landry submitted a request to the President for a federal emergency declaration
- 1500** ▶ The Sugar Bowl began
- 1846** ▶ The Sugar Bowl concluded without any issues
- 1939** ▶ United States Coast Guard (USCG) bomb dog alerted on suspicious package on Algiers Ferry. Ferry docked and passengers were disembarked.
- 2003** ▶ Report that USCG shut down parts of the Mississippi River

- 2028** ▶ Bomb dogs alerts possibly one life jacket in a locker. JP EOD enroute.
- 2033** ▶ GOHSEP S & I per USCG confirmed reports of an IED and they are evacuating a 1 mile radius
- 2035** ▶ The LSA Task Force deputies were released by JPSO Sheriff
- 2042** ▶ Regional Security Officer (RSO)-reported that the previous statement was false and no IED was found in the locker. A complete sweep of the ferry is being conducted.
- 2109** ▶ Confirmed- Per the LNO for NOPD at NOHSEP, the whole ferry has been swept and cleared. The dog alerted multiple times on the life jacket locker, but no device was found. Confirmed with USCG Sector NOLA as well.
- 2109** ▶ P&P team members are released

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- 1542** ▶ The request for a SBA Economic Injury Disaster Loan for Orleans Parish was approved by US President



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