

Crimestoppers bus debuts in Jefferson

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STAFF PHOTO BY DONALD STOUT Darlene Cusanza, at podium, of Crimestoppers shows off the organization's new bus for Jefferson Parish at a news conference in Elmwood.

The [Crimestoppers](#) message is about to go mobile.

Officials from the anti-crime organization and Jefferson Parish debuted a new, bright red parish bus that prominently displays the group's hotline telephone number Wednesday morning.

"Crimestoppers gives citizens a chance to be empowered to make a difference," Executive Director Darlene Cusanza said. The bus will run along [Jefferson Transit's West Bank Expressway route](#), Cusanza said.

It's the latest collaboration between the parish and Crimestoppers, which started about six months ago with posters in bus shelters. The movement graduated to placards on bus benches. Cusanza said the group is looking for partners to sponsor buses in East Jefferson as well as New Orleans.

The group would eventually like to place posters featuring the region's most-wanted criminals inside of the buses.

Persons with knowledge of criminal activity may call Crimestoppers anonymously at (504) 822-1111 or (877) 903-7867. Cash rewards of up to \$2,500 are given for the arrest and indictment of suspects.



