

Dear Fellow Anti-Noise Cohorts,

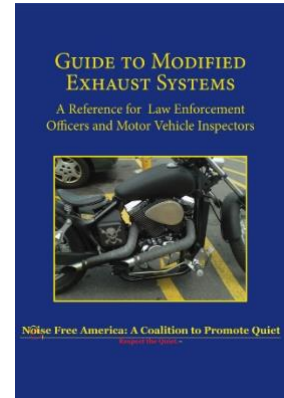
We have been quite active in the pursuance of conquering the noise issue (nuisance/disturbance of the peace) of our beloved town and would like to share our findings with you in periodic emails.

Below is a booklet written by Noise Free America with a plethora of information about modified exhaust equipment. After reading it, we have ordered five books for the Mifflinburg Police Department.

[Guide to Modified Exhausts: A Reference for Law Enforcement and Motor Vehicle Inspectors](#), written by Noise Free America: A Coalition to Promote Quiet. Here is a quote from the book:

“The information in the guide is intended to provide jurisdictions and law enforcement officers a means of dealing with the problem of excessively loud motorcycles that does not require the use of expensive sound measuring equipment or the necessity of conducting time-consuming and cumbersome exhaust noise tests. It offers an alternative method to address the problem that is based on a simple, common sense approach based on exhaust system equipment standards.”

As you can see from the above information, there is a national website devoted to noise problems throughout the US. You can sign up to receive and contribute to email conversations free of charge, or choose to join the membership for \$35. See their website, noisefree.org.



We also met with our Chief of Police, and had a positive exchange of ideas. He expressed his issues---lack of Borough Council support, lack of funding, lack of officers to pursue this issue, and the need for probable cause to stop someone.

We also learned of a sound camera being used in France which photographs cars exceeding a designated sound level and citations are automatically issued.

It seems that the most positive action we can take at this time is to continually report noise disturbances to the Borough/Police Department so that they accumulate a log of complaints showing that the issue is of critical importance to the citizens of Mifflinburg.

As always, we welcome your comments/suggestions.

Joannah and Paula