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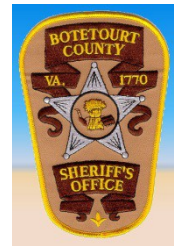
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Community Report Community Relations Report Crime Prevention Program Evaluation 2014



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The Botetourt County Sheriff's Office is the primary law enforcement agency for Botetourt County. Core Responsibilities include Patrol, Regional Jail, Court Services, Animal Control and the Dispatch Center.

The Botetourt County Sheriff's Office is located at 205 North Roanoke Street, Fincastle, Virginia 24090.

The Office of Sheriff in Botetourt County was formed in 1770. The Sheriff is an elected constitutional law enforcement officer of the Commonwealth of Virginia. Sheriff Sprinkle was elected to office in 1999, 2003, 2007 & 2011. The total number of employees as of January 2015 is 120. This includes law Enforcement, Correctional, Raid/Court services, Animal Control, Dispatchers, Jail Cooks, Support Staff and Part Time Employees.

From 01 January 2014 through 31 December 2014 –

The Botetourt County Sheriff's Office received/conducted the following:

		<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
Calls for Service	-	18,529	16,607
911 Hang Up Calls	-	303	377
Alarms	-	744	707
Animal Control Calls	-	1,607	1,623
Concealed Weapon Applications	- 753		1,007
Funeral Escorts	-	167	176
Protective Orders	-	374	295
Traffic Stops	-	5,640	4,787
Incident / Investigations:			
Incidents	-	1,741	1,597
Offenses	-	1,816	1,687
Arrests:			
Charges	-	835	701
Arrests	-	741	620
Criminal Papers Served	-	2,159	1,925
Civil Papers Served	-	6,548	6,507
Uniform Citations	-	3,110	3,000

Community Concerns and Complaints

The Botetourt County Emergency Communications Center is staffed 24 hours a day, seven days a week and accepts emergency, Non-emergency & Informational calls.

Remember!

Dial 911 for an Emergency.

For non-emergencies dial (540) 473-8230.

Requests by citizens for Law Enforcement assistance are addressed according to the priority/urgency of the request.

Sheriff Sprinkle has an ongoing and receptive “open door” policy that welcomes comments, concerns and questions from all citizens.

Issues Affecting Law Enforcement Activities

Current budget reductions (federal, state & local) coupled with the increase of expenditures (Vehicles, Fuel, Equipment, etc.) have and continue to affect local law enforcement activities.

Community Involvement Through Crime Prevention

The Botetourt County Sheriff’s Office continues to be a resource to the Community for speakers and educational programs on various topics to church, civic and business organizations. Various members of the Sheriff’s Office continue to serve on a number of committees and boards in Botetourt County and in the Roanoke Valley. Those include:

- ⑤ The Botetourt Prevention Team
- ⑤ The Botetourt Family Assessment Planning Team
- ⑤ The Botetourt Community Policy and Management Team
- ⑤ The Blue Ridge Transportation Safety Board
- ⑤ The Southwest Regional Crime Prevention Association
- ⑤ The Roanoke Valley Crime Line Board
- ⑤ The Botetourt County Character Counts Leadership Council
- ⑤ The Botetourt-Alleghany Services Improvement Committee
- ⑤ The Virginia Crime Prevention Association
- ⑤ Regional Fraud Investigators

The Botetourt County Sheriff’s Office continually strives to improve the working relationship with our county citizens along with but not limited to: public and private Businesses and organizations, other law enforcement agencies and the general public. Presentations and other educational programs are administered to various civic, church and other organizations upon request. D.A.R.E. and School Resource Officers maintain a positive relationship with students, parents, faculty, and staff, while providing guidance, instruction, prevention and safety programs to students during and after school hours.

Important and upcoming events, alerts and other useful information is distributed to the public via the universal communication system (reverse 911), the web site at www.botetourtsheriff.com and through the County Newsletter (County Administration), also through the local media – The Botetourt View, The Fincastle Herald, The Roanoke Times, WDBJ 7, WSLs 10 and WSET 13.

This agency works diligently to address problems and concerns expressed by the community in a timely manner in addition to providing available resources when appropriate, needed or requested.

Categories with **Decreased** Incidents: (Percentages from 2013 to 2014)

Credit Card/ATM Fraud	Disorderly Conduct
Forcible Fondling	Impersonation
Juvenile Runaway	Kidnapping
Motor Vehicle Theft	Murder/Non-Negligent Homicide
Obtain Money/False Pretenses	Robbery
Shoplifting	Simple Assault
Theft from Building	Trespassing

Categories with **Increased** Incidents: (Percentages from 2013 to 2014)

Aggravated Assault	All Other Larceny
All Other Offenses	Bad Checks
Burglary/Breaking & Entering	Curfew Violations
Destruction/Vandalism	Driving Under the Influence
Drug Equipment Violations	Drug/Narcotic Violations
Embezzlement	Forcible Rape
Forcible Sodomy	Intimidation
Liquor Law Violations	Non-Violent Family Offenses
Pornography	Prostitution
Public Drunkenness	Theft from Motor Vehicle
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts	Weapon Law Violations
Wire Fraud	

Categories with **Equal/No Change** in incidents: (Percentages from 2013 to 2014)

Arson	Counterfeiting/Forging
Extortion	Gambling/Equipment Violations
Incest	Justifiable Homicide
Peeping Tom	Pocket Picking
Sexual Assault with Object	Statutory Rape
Stolen Property Offenses	Theft from Machine

Botetourt County Crime Report for 2014

OFFENSE	2009	2010	CHANGE	2011	CHANGE	2012	CHANGE	2013	CHANGE	2014	CHANGE
Aggravated Assault	10	19	47%	17	-12%	19	11%	9	-111%	19	53%
All Other Larceny	162	154	-5%	118	-31%	89	-33%	76	-17%	77	1%
All Other Offenses	539	742	27%	744	0%	687	-8%	645	-7%	735	12%
Arson	2	4	50%	4	0%	2	-100%	2	0%	2	0%
Bad Checks	11	18	39%	10	-80%	6	-67%	7	14%	8	13%
Burglary/Breaking Entering	80	84	5%	64	-31%	74	14%	38	-95%	43	12%
Counterfeiting/Forging	19	25	24%	12	-108%	15	20%	13	-15%	13	0%
Curfew Violations	0	1	100%	1	0%	1	0%	0	100%	1	100%
Credit Card/ATM Fraud	22	11	-100%	12	8%	14	14%	5	-180%	4	-25%
Destruction/Vandalism	174	189	8%	133	-42%	135	1%	122	-11%	138	12%
Disorderly Conduct	17	11	-55%	13	15%	13	0%	22	41%	15	-47%
Driving Under the Influence	43	71	39%	74	4%	51	-45%	52	2%	58	10%
Drug Equipment Violations	2	6	67%	2	-200%	0	100%	2	100%	5	60%
Drug/Narcotic Violations	145	180	19%	153	-18%	129	-19%	154	16%	161	4%
Embezzlement	8	4	-100%	11	64%	10	-10%	5	-100%	6	17%
Extortion	1	0	100%	0	0%	0	0%	1	100%	1	0%
Forcible Fondling (Child)	6	7	14%	7	0%	13	46%	13	0%	3	-333%
Forcible Rape	7	2	-250%	3	33%	3	0%	2	-50%	3	33%
Forcible Sodomy	2	2	0%	0	100%	1	100%	1	0%	4	75%
Gambling/Equipment Violations	0	0	0%	1	100%	0	100%	0	0%	0	0%
Impersonation	11	5	-120%	1	-400%	3	67%	6	50%	2	-200%
Incest	0	0	0%	2	100%	1	-100%	0	100%	0	0%
Intimidation	22	18	-22%	19	5%	15	-27%	18	17%	27	33%
Justifiable Homicide	1	0	100%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Juvenile Runaway	24	3	-700%	14	79%	14	0%	11	-27%	7	-57%
Kidnapping	2	1	-100%	0	100%	4	100%	4	0%	3	-33%
Liquor Law Violations	29	27	-7%	18	-50%	24	25%	23	-4%	26	12%
Motor Vehicle Theft	16	18	11%	14	-29%	11	-27%	16	31%	9	-78%
Murder/Non-Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	0%	1	100%	0	100%	1	100%	0	100%
Non-Violent Family Offenses	11	10	-10%	9	-11%	21	57%	11	-91%	15	27%
Obtain Money/False Pretense	31	29	-7%	29	0%	31	6%	24	-29%	17	-41%
Peeping Tom	0	0	0%	0	0%	1	100%	0	100%	0	0%
Pocket Picking	0	0	0%	0	0%	1	100%	0	100%	0	0%
Pornography/Obscene Material	2	1	-100%	5	80%	4	-25%	1	-300%	5	80%
Prostitution	1	1	0%	0	100%	0	0%	0	0%	3	100%
Public Drunkenness	61	60	-2%	71	15%	54	-31%	57	5%	59	3%
Robbery	2	3	33%	4	25%	1	-300%	3	67%	1	-200%
Sexual Assault with Object	0	0	0%	1	100%	0	100%	0	0%	0	0%
Shoplifting	11	13	15%	13	0%	19	32%	17	-12%	16	-6%
Simple Assault	142	159	11%	163	2%	154	-6%	143	-8%	135	-6%
Statutory Rape	1	3	67%	1	-200%	0	100%	0	0%	0	0%
Stolen Property Offenses	5	2	-150%	2	0%	5	60%	0	100%	0	0%
Theft from Building	26	21	-24%	48	56%	63	24%	69	9%	43	-60%
Theft from Machine	6	4	-50%	2	-100%	2	0%	3	33%	3	0%
Theft from Motor Vehicle	50	51	2%	36	-42%	34	-6%	44	23%	72	39%
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts	18	13	-38%	16	19%	21	24%	13	-62%	16	19%
Trespassing	17	22	23%	18	-22%	18	0%	26	31%	22	-18%
Weapon Law Violations	17	14	-21%	22	36%	20	-10%	16	-25%	17	6%
Wire Fraud	5	6	17%	1	-80%	5	80%	5	0%	10	50%
TOTAL OFFENSES	1761	2014		1889		1788		1680		1804	