

BOTETOURT COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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COMMUNITY REPORT COMMUNITY RELATIONS REPORT CRIME PREVENTION PROGRAM EVALUATION 2011

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THE BOTETOURT COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE CONTINUES TO PARTICIPATE AND REMAIN ACTIVE IN THE COMMUNITY. SOME EXAMPLES WOULD INCLUDE THE SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER PROGRAM, REGULAR SCHEDULED COMMUNITY PRESENTATIONS (LEAGUE OF AGING) AND THE CHILD IDENTIFICATION PROGRAM (MASONIC LODGE).

CRIME PREVENTION IS AND WILL CONTINUE TO BE AN IMPORTANT TOOL TO ADDRESS THE PREVENTION OF CRIMINAL ACTIVITY, ENFORCE COUNTY AND STATE CODES AND PROVIDE COUNTY CITIZENS WITH AN EFFICIENT AND RELIABLE RESOURCE IN TIMES OF NEED.

COMMUNITY CONCERNS AND COMPLAINTS

THE BOTETOURT COUNTY EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS CENTER IS STAFFED 24 HOURS A DAY, SEVEN DAYS A WEEK AND ACCEPTS EMERGENCY AND NON-EMERGENCY 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 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.

THE BOTETOURT COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE AND JAIL CONTINUE TO OPERATE IN THE BOTETOURT/CRAIG PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING, LOCATED AT 205 N. ROANOKE STREET IN FINCASTLE, VIRGINIA 24090.

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:

- THE BOTETOURT PREVENTION PLANNING TEAM
- THE BOTETOURT FAMILY ASSESSMENT PLANNING TEAM
- THE BOTETOURT COMMUNITY POLICY AND MANAGEMENT TEAM
- THE BLUE RIDGE TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD
- THE SOUTHWEST REGIONAL CRIME PREVENTION ASSOCIATION
- THE ROANOKE VALLEY CRIME LINE BOARD
- THE BOTETOURT COUNTY CHARACTER COUNTS LEADERSHIP COUNCIL
- THE BOTETOURT-ALLEGHANY SERVICES IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE
- THE VIRGINIA CRIME PREVENTION ASSOCIATION
- 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.ORG 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.

THROUGH COMBINED EFFORTS OF EFFECTIVE POLICING, INVESTIGATION AND CRIME PREVENTION, THE NUMBER OF OVERALL CRIMINAL INCIDENTS WAS DOWN 6.2% FROM THE PREVIOUS YEAR.

CATEGORIES WITH **DECREASED** INCIDENTS: *(PERCENTAGES FROM 2010 TO 2011)*

AGGRAVATED ASSAULTS	ALL OTHER LARCENY
BAD CHECKS	BURGLARY/BREAKING & ENTERING
COUNTERFEITING/FORGERY	DESTRUCTION/VANDALISM
DRUG EQUIPMENT VIOLATIONS	DRUG/NARCOTIC VIOLATIONS
FORCIBLE SODOMY	IMPERSONATION
KIDNAPPING	LIQUOR LAW VIOLATIONS
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	NON-VIOLENT FAMILY OFFENSES
PROSTITUTION	STATUTORY RAPE
THEFT FROM MACHINE	THEFT FROM MOTOR VEHICLE
TRESPASSING	WIRE FRAUD

CATEGORIES WITH **INCREASED** INCIDENTS: *(PERCENTAGES FROM 2010 TO 2011)*

CREDIT CARD/ATM FRAUD	DISORDERLY CONDUCT
DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE	EMBEZZLEMENT
FORCIBLE RAPE	GAMBLING
INCEST	INTIMIDATION
JUVENILE RUNAWAY	MURDER/NON-NEGLIGENT MANSLAUGHTER
PORNOGRAPHY	PUBLIC DRUNKENNESS
ROBBERY	SEXUAL ASSAULT WITH OBJECT
SIMPLE ASSAULT	THEFT FROM BUILDING
THEFT OF MOTOR VEHICLE PARTS	WEAPON LAW VIOLATIONS

CATEGORIES WITH **EQUAL/NO CHANGE** IN INCIDENTS: *(PERCENTAGES FROM 2010 TO 2011)*

ALL OTHER OFFENSES	ARSON
CURFEW VIOLATIONS	EXTORTION
FORCIBLE FONDLING (CHILD)	JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDE
OBTAIN MONEY/FALSE PRETENSES	PEEPING TOM
POCKET PICKING	SHOPLIFTING
STOLEN PROPERTY OFFENSES	

OFFENSE	2006	2007	CHANGE	2008	CHANGE	2009	CHANGE	2010	CHANGE	2011	CHANGE
Aggravated Assault	15	13	-13%	13	0%	10	-23%	19	90%	17	-11%
All Other Larceny	210	203	-3%	217	7%	162	-25%	154	-5%	118	-23%
All Other Offenses	658	672	2%	543	-19%	539	-1%	742	38%	744	0%
Arson	3	4	33%	3	-25%	2	-33%	4	100%	4	0%
Bad Checks	19	33	74%	26	-21%	11	-58%	18	64%	10	-44%
Burglary/Breaking Entering	59	56	-5%	47	-16%	80	70%	84	5%	64	-24%
Counterfeiting/Forging	20	16	-20%	19	19%	19	0%	25	32%	12	-52%
Curfew Violations	2	2	0%	1	-50%	0	-100%	1	200%	1	0%
Credit Card/ATM Fraud	14	17	21%	17	0%	22	29%	11	-50%	12	9%
Destruction/Vandalism	196	171	-13%	223	30%	174	-22%	189	9%	133	-30%
Disorderly Conduct	10	17	70%	15	-12%	17	13%	11	-35%	13	18%
Driving Under the Influence	90	56	-38%	47	-16%	43	-9%	71	65%	74	4%
Drug Equipment Violations	3	1	-67%	3	200%	2	-33%	6	200%	2	-67%
Drug/Narcotic Violations	177	150	-15%	211	41%	145	-31%	180	24%	153	-15%
Embezzlement	9	3	-67%	11	267%	8	-27%	4	-50%	11	175%
Extortion	0	0		0		1	100%	0	-100%	0	
Forcible Fondling (Child)	11	4	-64%	7	75%	6	-14%	7	17%	7	0%
Forcible Rape	1	4	300%	6	50%	7	17%	2	-71%	3	50%
Forcible Sodomy	2	2	0%	7	250%	2	-71%	2	0%	0	-100%
Gambling/Equipment Violations	0	0		0		0		0		1	100%
Impersonation	3	3	0%	5	67%	11	120%	5	-55%	1	-80%
Incest	0	0		1	100%	0	-100%	0		2	200%
Intimidation	5	0	-100%	0		22	2200%	18	-18%	19	6%
Justifiable Homicide	0	0		0		1	100%	0	-100%	0	
Juvenile Runaway	36	29	-19%	18	-38%	24	33%	3	-88%	14	367%
Kidnapping	2	4	100%	7	75%	2	-71%	1	-50%	0	-100%
Liquor Law Violations	26	16	-38%	41	156%	29	-29%	27	-7%	18	-33%
Motor Vehicle Theft	21	15	-29%	18	20%	16	-11%	18	13%	14	-22%
Murder/Non-Negligent Manslaughter	0	1	100%	0	-100%	0		0		1	100%
Non-Violent Family Offenses	16	8	-50%	12	50%	11	-8%	10	-9%	9	-10%
Obtain Money/False Pretense	37	23	-38%	31	35%	31	0%	29	-6%	29	0%
Peeping Tom	0	0		0		0		0		0	
Pocket Picking	0	0		1	100%	0	-100%	0		0	
Pornography/Obscene Material	0	1	100%	4	300%	2	-50%	1	-50%	5	400%
Prostitution	0	0		0		1	100%	1	0%	0	-100%
Public Drunkenness	90	71	-21%	84	18%	61	-27%	60	-2%	71	18%
Robbery	0	5	500%	1	-80%	2	100%	3	50%	4	33%
Sexual Assault with Object	0	1	100%	4	300%	0	-100%	0		1	100%
Shoplifting	13	11	-15%	17	55%	11	-35%	13	18%	13	0%
Simple Assault	186	124	-33%	116	-6%	142	22%	159	12%	163	3%
Statutory Rape	1	2	100%	0	-100%	1	200%	3	200%	1	-67%
Stolen Property Offenses	3	5	67%	4	-20%	5	25%	2	-60%	2	0%
Theft from Building	30	36	20%	24	-33%	26	8%	21	-19%	48	129%
Theft from Machine	11	2	-82%	3	50%	6	100%	4	-33%	2	-50%
Theft from Motor Vehicle	34	32	-6%	29	-9%	50	72%	51	2%	36	-29%
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts	18	4	-78%	15	275%	18	20%	13	-28%	16	23%
Trespassing	27	12	-56%	19	58%	17	-11%	22	29%	18	-18%
Weapon Law Violations	23	15	-35%	16	7%	17	6%	14	-18%	22	57%
Wire Fraud	1	2	100%	6	200%	5	-17%	6	20%	1	-83%
TOTAL OFFENSES	2082	1846		1892		1761		2014		1889	