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Annual Report 2014



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May 2015

Dear Citizens:

The goal of this Annual Report is to keep our citizens informed and engaged so that we can continue working together for the purpose of ensuring public safety. I commend Chief Keohane and his staff for preparing and developing this concise annual report.

This has been another exceptional year for the Hopewell Police Department as well as the citizens of Hopewell. You will recall that in 2013, the Hopewell Police Department achieved full accreditation status from the Virginia Law Enforcement Professional Standards Commission. In 2014, an internal audit was conducted on all 190 standards and 580 requirements within the standards to verify our yearly compliance. This reaffirms to our citizens the professionalism, excellence, and competence of the Hopewell Police Department.

Chief Keohane and the entire police department are to be commended on their great work this past year. Pre-Trial probation and curfew checks were started in November 2014, resulting in over 100 curfew checks being conducted by Patrol units. Gang Prevention Forums were held for all high school and middle school students. Over 2,000 hours of alternative patrols (foot and bike patrol) were conducted, which is an increase of 24%. As a result of these and other law enforcement initiatives and operations, total major crime was down 14% with 121 less crimes, which are historic reductions in robbery and burglary.

I am extremely confident in the ability of our police officers, our leadership, and our community to face the challenges that lie ahead. As City Manager, I pledge to do my very best to provide our police force with the best equipment, technology, and resources possible for the continued safety of our citizens. We look forward to the new Public Safety Building and the installation of our new Citywide Radio Communication System.

We are continuing our focus on community-oriented policing, innovative tactics, as well as taking a proactive approach to fighting crime and keeping our citizens and community safe from criminals and criminal activity. Public safety is our number one priority.

Sincerely,

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Mark A. Haley
City Manager

MAH/dp



CITY OF HOPEWELL
Police Department
Chief John Keohane
Chief of Police

April 27, 2015

Dear Friends:

On behalf of the Hopewell Police Department Family, we present to you our 2014 Annual Report. This is a comprehensive report on our goals and accomplishments in 2014.

Focus and accountability by our officers and our partnerships with the community and other Local, State, and Federal Criminal Justice agencies continues the four year trend of our crime reduction goals.

Violent crime was down 9% in 2014 after a slight rise in 2013. We recorded a record low in robberies with 27 in 2014. Property crime was down 14% with a record low in burglaries with 136. Burglaries have not been below 200 for over 10 years.

Total major crime was down 14%. We will continue our focus, partnerships, and engaging the community in an effort to reduce crime and to improve quality of life in 2015 for a fifth year in a row.

Other notable goals and successes include police fleet upgrades, equipment upgrades, improved tactical training for officers, three supervisory promotions, successful youth summer camp, National Night Out, and Bike Safety Rodeo. We have also started the process in 2014 to secure a new citywide radio system and new Police headquarters.

The Hopewell Police Department is looking toward creating a safer and secure community through new initiatives and increased community involvement. The mission of the Hopewell Police Department is to provide the community with the highest level of innovative policing through professionalism, integrity, and justice.

The goal of our 2014 Annual report is to keep our citizens, business owners, prospective economic development investors, and visitors informed on our accomplishments this past year. We hope the Annual Report is both interesting and informative.

Regards,

John Keohane
Chief of Police

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2014 GOALS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

Hopewell Police Department

2014 Goals and Accomplishments

"Professionalism, Integrity, and Justice"

Reduction in Crime (2013 v. 2014)

- Total Major Crime: -14% (121 less crimes) – historic reductions in robbery and burglary
- 1559 warrants served in 2014
- 1546 arrests in 2014

Virginia Law Enforcement Accreditation

- In 2013, Hopewell Police Department became the 85th agency to be accredited in the Commonwealth of Virginia out of over 400 law enforcement agencies. In 2014, an internal audit was conducted on all 190 standards and 580 requirements within the standards to verify our yearly compliance

Initiatives and Operations

- Tri-Cities Regional Strike Force
 - New partnership formed in 2013 with local, state, and federal Criminal Justice partners to improve our communication and intelligence sharing in the tri-cities area
 - Two (2) Probation and Parole Home Visit Operations
 - Three Neighborhood Command Walks by partners
- Pre-Trial Probation and Curfew checks – started in November 2014. Over 100 curfew checks conducted by patrol units
- Two vice operations to combat prostitution – 27 arrests

Engaging the Community

- Hopewell Community Day with Virginia Attorney General Mark Herring – 250 attended
- 2nd Annual Hopewell Police Summer Camp – 75 children attended
- Police Explorers Bike Rodeo – 80 children attended
- Conducted 210 outdoor roll calls
- 1766 field interviews conducted – a 2% increase from 2013
- Gang prevention forums for all high school and middle school students
- 2025 hours of alternative patrols (foot and bike patrol) – 24% increase from 2013
- National Night Out – 8 neighborhoods participated and 1500 citizens

Traffic & Pedestrian Safety

- 4958 traffic violations/summons: 24% increase from 2013
- 82 Driving Under Influence (DUI) Arrests: 16% increase from 2013
- 83 deployments of the radar trailer
- 35 deployments of the new safety message board trailer
- Click it or Ticket Campaign: 2 operations with a total of 208 violations/summons

Police Facilities/Fleet Upgrade/Citywide Radio Project

- New Public Safety Building
 - Architectural work on-going to design building. Projected ground-breaking in fall of 2015
- Citywide Communication System Project
 - Primary radio system crashed in October 2014. We are currently working off the back-up system purchased in 2013
 - Worked with all radio and city stakeholders to plan and prepare for the next generation radio system in 2015
 - Projected date of install of new radio system is October 2015
- Animal Shelter Addition & Improvements
 - Installed new HVAC system to keep the animals cool. Many upgrades to office, flooring, doors, and walls in the interior of the shelter
 - Architect drawing complete and ready for the competitive bid process
 - Projected ground-breaking in August, 2015

Training and Development/Recognition

- Conducted two Awards & Recognition Ceremonies: Seven (7) officers received the prestigious Life Saving Award in 2014
- Forty-three (43) officers and ten (10) dispatchers trained in Crisis Intervention Training (CIT)
- Tactical Firearms and Use of Force training conducted for all sworn personnel
- Increased officer and supervisor training via Crater Criminal Justice Academy Schools
- Leadership Development
 - Captain Whittington – graduated three week Police Executive Leadership School (PELS)
 - Lieutenant Damon Stoker – graduated ten-week National Criminal Justice Command College

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PROFESSIONALISM, INTEGRITY, JUSTICE



Mission Statement

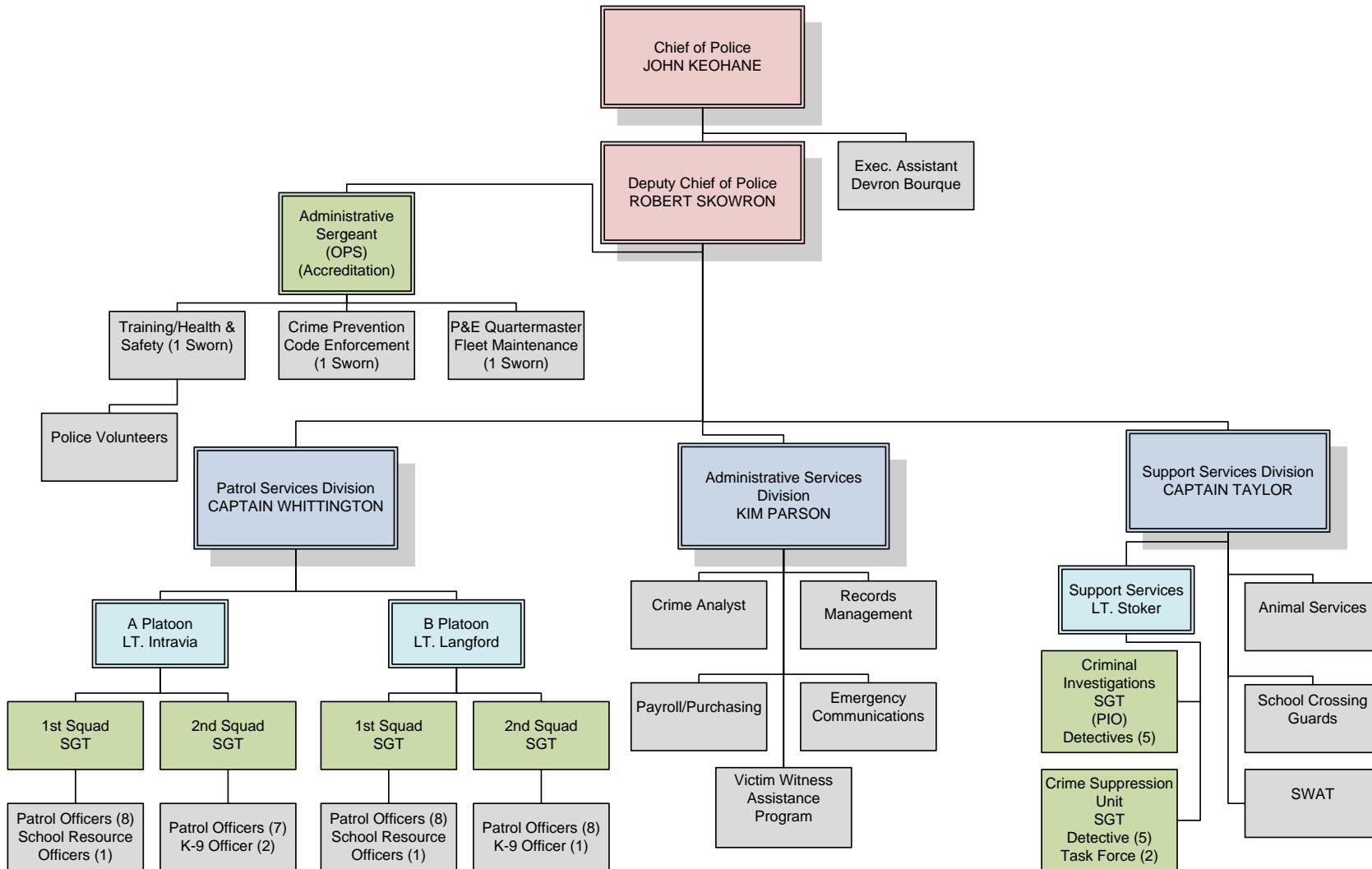
The mission of the Hopewell Police Department is to provide the community with the highest level of innovative policing through professionalism, integrity, and justice. The department ensures courteous, equal, and fair enforcement of the laws of the City of Hopewell and the Commonwealth of Virginia.

Hopewell Police Department Values

"We, the members of the Hopewell Police Department, recognize our profound duty to uphold the public trust. We will consistently demonstrate loyalty, trust, respect, integrity, and honesty in all our endeavors. These values are the foundation upon which our professionalism is based."

Hopewell Police Department Vision

"Over the next ten years, the Hopewell Police Department will become an innovative, highly trained, state accredited, and technologically advanced police department that is nationally recognized among law enforcement agencies by demonstrating high ethical standards, accountability, professionalism, and a commitment to excellence."



**HOPEWELL POLICE DEPARTMENT
ORGANIZATIONAL CHART
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ACCREDITATION ACHIEVEMENT



The Hopewell Police Department continues to work to maintain the standards required for accreditation with the Virginia Law Enforcement Professional Standards Commission (VLEPSC). There are currently 190 standards for accreditation and over 580 requirements within the standards that need to be met and documented to maintain accreditation. There are only 92 law enforcement agencies accredited through VLEPSC out of over 400 law enforcement agencies in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

The Hopewell Police Department continues their commitment to professionalism and their willingness to be measured by and compared to the best in the profession. Accreditation is one of the only means by which citizens and government leaders can be assured that an agency is maintaining the high performance marks to which the community has a right.

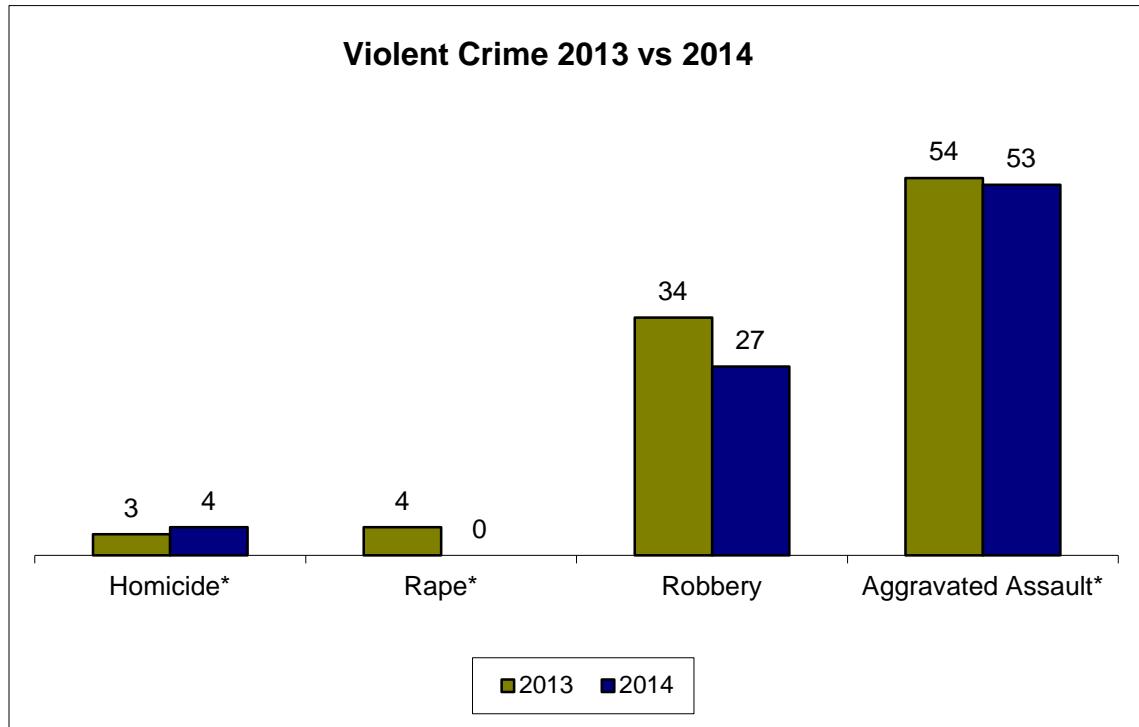
Accreditation is a coveted award that symbolizes professionalism, excellence, and competence. Employees will take pride in their agency knowing that it represents the very best in law enforcement. To obtain accreditation, a law enforcement agency must meet all applicable program standards, maintain their accreditation files on an on-going basis, and provide annual verifications of compliance as required by the Accreditation Commission. On-site assessments by specially trained program assessors assure consistency and full compliance of all accredited agencies.

"The State Accreditation process ensures that the Police Department policies are of the highest standard and that the policies are adhered to. This recognition is independent confirmation of the professionalism and high quality of police services provided by the Hopewell Police Department."



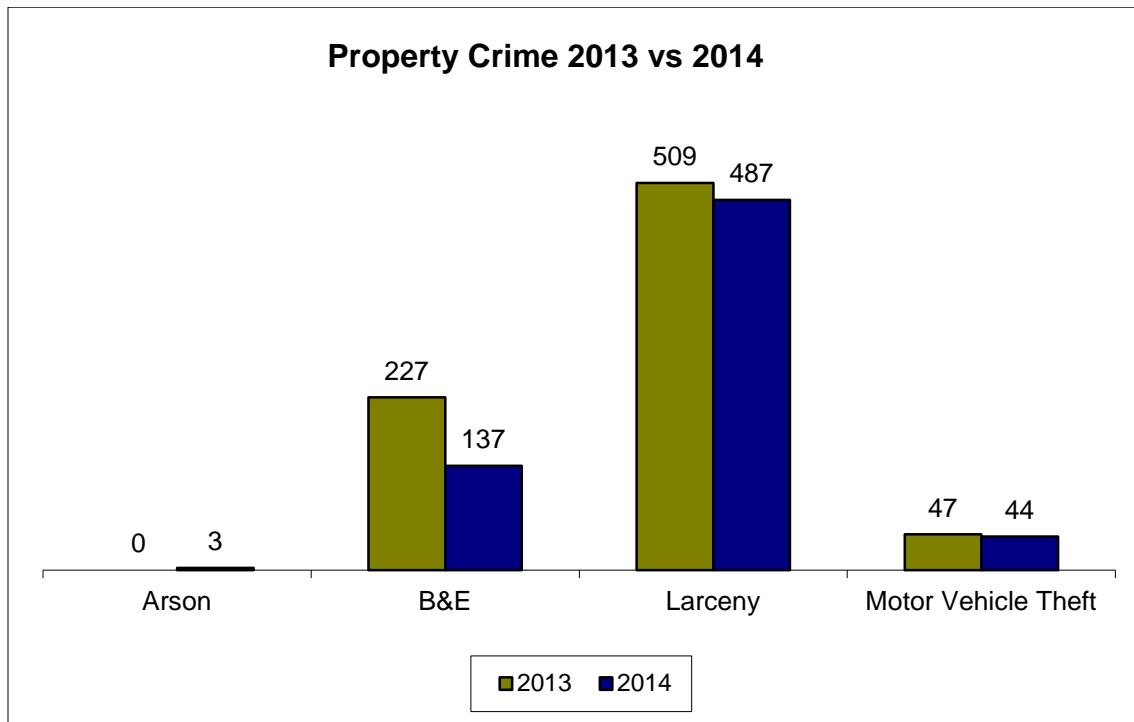
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UNIFORM CRIME REPORTING DATA				
<u>Violent Crime</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	Cases +/-	% Change
Homicide*	3	4	1	33%
Rape*	4	0	-4	-100%
Robbery	34	27	-7	-21%
Aggravated Assault*	54	53	-1	-2%
<i>Total Violent Crime</i>	<i>95</i>	<i>84</i>	<i>-11</i>	<i>-12%</i>
<u>Property Crime</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	Cases +/-	% Change
Arson	0	3	3	N/A
B&E	227	137	-90	-40%
Larceny	509	487	-22	-4%
Motor Vehicle Theft	47	44	-3	-6%
<i>Total Property Crime</i>	<i>783</i>	<i>671</i>	<i>-112</i>	<i>-14%</i>
<i>Total Major Crime</i>	<i>878</i>	<i>755</i>	<i>-123</i>	<i>-14%</i>



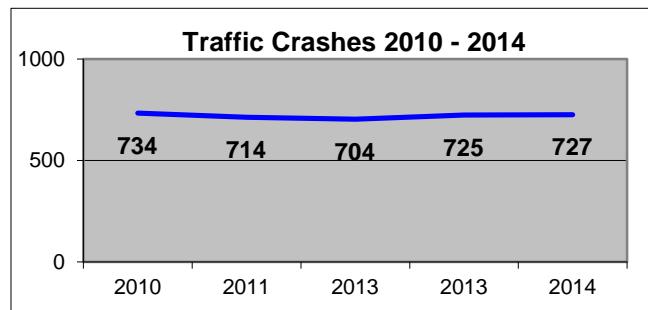
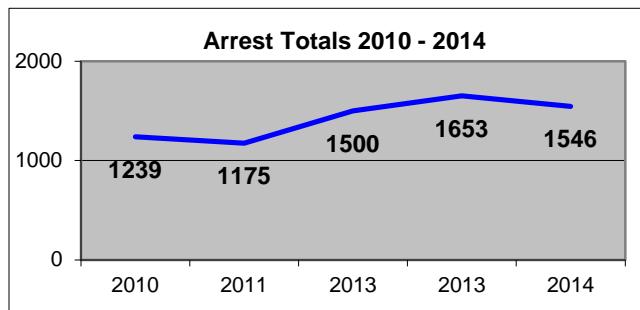
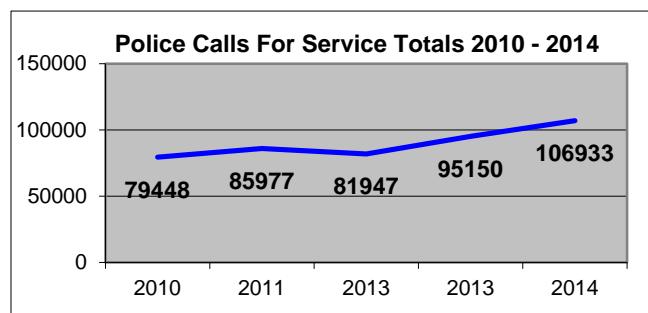
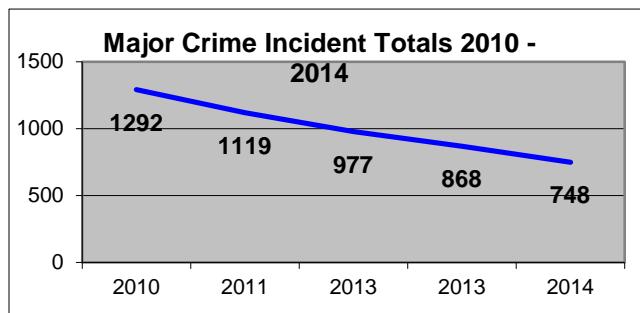
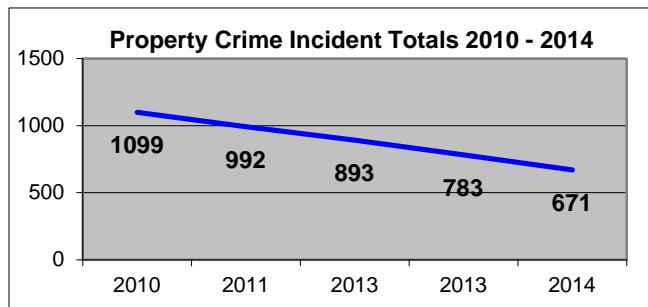
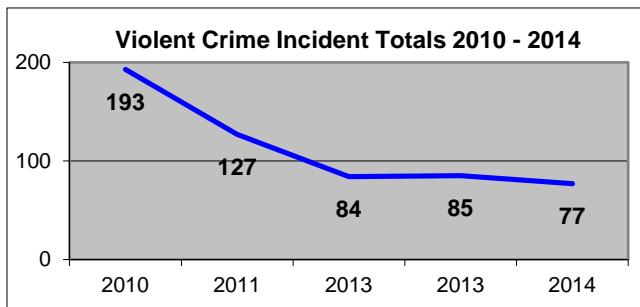
*Homicide, Sex Offenses (including Rape), Assault Offenses and Kidnapping/Abduction show number of victims, not incidents. All other offenses show number of incidents and may have more than one reported victim.

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UNIFORM CRIME REPORTING DATA				
	2013	2014	Cases +/-	% Change
<u>Group A Offenses</u>				
Assault Offenses (Non-Aggravated)*	623	522	-101	-16%
Bribery	0	0	0	N/A
Counterfeiting/Forgery	42	59	17	40%
Vandalism of Property	343	398	55	16%
Drug/Narcotic Offenses	283	327	44	16%
Embezzlement	9	15	6	67%
Extortion/Blackmail	0	0	0	N/A
Fraud Offenses	139	125	-14	-10%
Gambling Offenses	0	0	0	N/A
Kidnapping Offenses*	8	5	-3	-38%
Pornography/Obscene Material	1	5	4	400%
Prostitution Offenses	0	25	25	N/A
Sex Offenses, Forcible*	5	16	11	220%
Sex Offenses, Non-Forcible*	2	1	-1	-50%
Stolen Property Offenses	9	12	3	33%
Weapons Law Violations	72	87	15	21%
<i>Total Group A Offenses</i>	<i>1536</i>	<i>1597</i>	<i>61</i>	<i>4%</i>
90 (A-Z) Curfew violations, quality of life calls such as loud music, etc.	568	649	81	14%
9999 (Non-Reportables)	1948	2416	468	24%
<i>Grand Total (Including Major Crime)</i>	<i>4930</i>	<i>5417</i>	<i>487</i>	<i>10%</i>

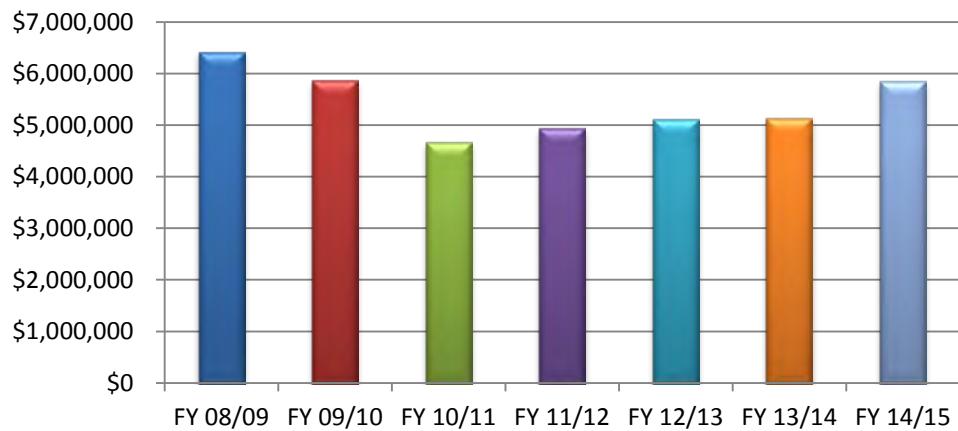
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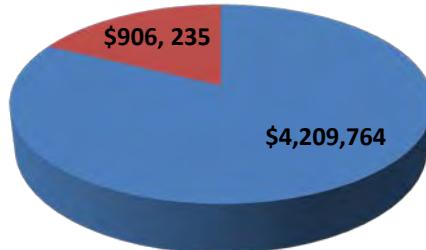
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BUDGET SUMMARY**

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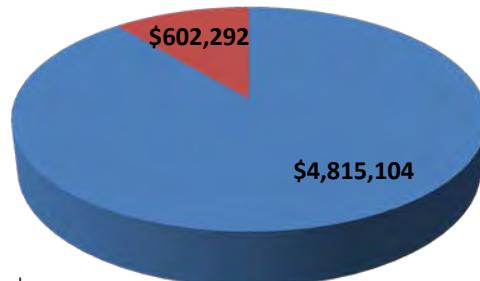
FY 13/14 Salaries & Operational Funds

■ Actual Salaries OT Benefits ■ Actual Operational Funds



FY 14/15 Salaries & Operational Funds

■ Actual Salaries OT Benefits ■ Actual Operational Funds



*in progress numbers
as of May, 2015

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SUPPORT SERVICES DIVISION

The Support Services Division oversees the Crime Suppression Unit, Criminal Investigations Unit, Animal Control Services Unit, and the School Crossing Guards.



Captain Greg Taylor

Staffing

There are 14 sworn officers and 8 civilian staff assigned to the *Support Services Division*. The division is comprised of the Division Captain, Division Lieutenant, *Crime Suppression Unit* Sergeant and detectives, *Criminal Investigations Unit* Sergeant and detectives, and one full-time administrative assistant. *Animal Control Services* consists of one supervisor, two full-time animal control officers and two part-time shelter/kennel associates. There are three part-time *school crossing guards*.

Mission

Special investigative functions within the department fall under the Support Services Division and consist of two specialized units: the *Criminal Investigations Unit* (CIU) and the *Crime Suppression Unit* (CSU). Each unit is overseen by a detective sergeant under the direct command of the support services division lieutenant and captain.

The *Criminal Investigations Unit* (CIU) is responsible for investigating major crimes involving all felonies and serious misdemeanors. CIU detectives also serve as crime scene investigators; they process crime scenes to facilitate the recovery and preservation of forensic and trace evidence.

Currently, there is one sergeant and five detectives assigned to the Criminal Investigations Unit.

Crisis Negotiations Team

The Crisis Negotiations Team is overseen by the Support Services Commander. The unit is comprised of 6 sworn officers trained to communicate with people who are threatening violence, including terrorism, suicidal individuals, barricaded subjects, and hostage takers. The Crisis Negotiations Team is a dedicated team that is specially trained to communicate with individuals by utilizing key skills, with the most critical being the ability to carefully listen to detail. All of the team members are required to attend at least 40 hours of training to include topics in tactical operations, categories of crisis situations, available tactical options, and dealing with stress. Team members train every month and participate in many hours of field exercises and role playing in simulated environments that assist in performing their skills. In 2014, the Hopewell Crisis Negotiations Team also participated

with the Chesterfield County Crisis Negotiations Team in joint training exercises.



Special Weapons and Tactics (S.W.A.T)

The Hopewell Police Department's S.W.A.T. Team is comprised of ten members including a Team Commander and a Team Leader.

In 2014, the team served 6 search warrants and personnel from the team were utilized for their training and specialization skills on multiple occasions.

The Hopewell S.W.A.T. continues to maintain membership in several professional organizations including the Metro S.W.A.T. Association and the National Tactical Officers Association (NTOA). The team adopted the NTOA's standards and now operates under their guidelines for training hours and mission readiness.



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CRIME SUPPRESSION UNIT

The Hopewell Police Department's Crime Suppression Unit (CSU) was formed in August 2008. The focus and primary mission of the unit is to reduce crime and the fear of crime in the community by targeting drugs, gangs, and guns and their impact on the community. The unit utilizes statistical data gathered by the department's crime analyst to attack crimes throughout the City of Hopewell.

Staffing

The CSU consists of five investigators and one Sergeant. One investigator is assigned full time to the United States Marshals Fugitive Task Force and one investigator is assigned full time to the Central Virginia Regional Narcotics Task Force (1B, Virginia State Police)



Statistics

The following represent the statistics for the Crime Suppression Unit for the 2014 calendar year:

- **Arrests:**
 - **Felony:** 107
 - **Misdemeanor:** 90
- **Traffic Stops:** 164
- **Currency Seized:** \$5,362.00
- **Guns Seized:** 6
- **Narcotics Seized:**
 - **Cocaine Hydrochloride "Powder":** 52.69 grams
 - **Cocaine Base "Crack":** 11.6 grams
 - **Marijuana:** 485.41 grams
 - **Heroin:** 3.2 grams
 - **Meth:** 1 gram

Other Notables

The Crime Suppression Unit continues to work closely with the Hopewell Redevelopment and Housing Authority (HRHA) to reduce crime and the fear of crime in the housing communities. "Housing Checks" are being conducted to locate any person(s) who are not supposed to be in or on the properties, and helps with street level narcotics sales. The Crime Suppression Unit also conducts "walk-throughs" to maintain a positive police presence in the community.

Two new detectives joined the Crime Suppression Unit – Detective V. Smith and Detective Casale.

The Crime Suppression Unit conducted two (2) vice operations to combat prostitution in the city of Hopewell. This resulted in 27 arrests to include solicitation of prostitution, distribution of cocaine and distribution of marijuana. One vehicle was seized along with \$2,565.00 in U.S. currency, seven ounces of marijuana, and 6.3 grams of cocaine. Hopewell Police partnered with Virginia State Police and Prince George County Police Department to execute these operations.

The Crime Suppression Unit executed seven narcotics related search warrants in 2014. The unit conducted three interdiction nights in partnership with the Uniform Patrol Division.

The Crime Suppression Unit also conducted a "Bait Scooter" operation. This operation was designed to combat the thefts of scooters and mopeds. Hopewell Police Department partnered with the Virginia State Police during this operation and we are pleased to report that zero thefts took place during this time.

Partnerships

In an effort to better utilize resources, the CSU has established partnerships with other agencies and entities. Some of those include:

- Central Virginia Regional Narcotics Task Force (IBTF)
- Virginia State Police
- Virginia Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC)
- Colonial Heights Police Department Street Crimes Unit
- Petersburg Police Department
- Prince George County Police Department
- Chesterfield County Police Vice/Narcotics Unit
- U.S. Marshals Fugitive Task Force
- DEA – Drug Enforcement Administration
- Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives – ATF
- Hopewell Sheriff's Office
- Hopewell Housing Authority
- Tri-Cities Strike Force

Training

CSU Detectives attended the following training and conferences based on current duty and other specialty assignments they hold in the unit:

- VA Gang Conference
- Drug Diversion
- Identifying Fraudulent Documents
- Search & Seizure
- Advanced Gang Training
- Sovereign Citizens
- New Age Drug
- Interview and Interrogation
- Internet Crimes Against Children
- Basic Homicide Investigation
- Advanced Search Warrants



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CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION UNIT

Criminal Investigation Unit

Sergeant William Absher oversees the daily operations of the *Criminal Investigation Unit*. Sgt. Absher is the recipient of a Hopewell Police Department's unit citation award for his assistance in a bank robbery investigation and arrests of the offenders.

Nine investigators received an award and some received multiple awards during the 2014 spring and fall award ceremonies.

CIU saw the addition of one new detective in 2014. Detectives James Barchanowicz joined the unit and he is the new CIU Economic Crimes Specialist replacing Detective Richard Hartman who retired in 2014.



Three members of CIU are also members of the department's SWAT Team. Detective Mark Polumbo, Detective Roland Grimm, and Detective Keith Krueger assume the additional responsibilities associated with the SWAT Team while maintaining a full investigative case load.

The Criminal Investigations Unit is not subdivided into specialties. Each detective is expected to work crimes against property, crimes against persons, crimes with special victims, and major crimes.

Additionally, detectives are tasked to process crime scenes for forensic trace evidence. As such, detectives in the Criminal Investigation Unit are provided "broad-based" training to prepare them for the variety of cases they are assigned.



Crime Solvers

CIU partners with the Crime Solvers organization to further its criminal investigations. As tips are received, they are disseminated to the proper detective or officer for follow up. The tips are tracked to ensure that each one is handled properly. If a tip leads to an arrest, the Crime Solvers organization pays a reward of up to \$1,000 in cash.

Twice a month, CIU tapes a video/audio segment that highlights a specific crime or wanted fugitive. The segment is run on two television stations and eight radio stations throughout the metropolitan area.



In 2013, the Crime Solvers organization paid out more than \$4,300 to individuals whose tips led to an arrest in the City of Hopewell.

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ANIMAL SERVICES UNIT

The Animal Control Unit is tasked with enforcing the City Ordinances and the Commonwealth of Virginia laws as they pertain to domestic animals and the public's health, safety, and welfare. They serve the citizens of the City of Hopewell by enforcing those laws and ordinances and by educating the public of their importance to the community and animals. The Animal Control unit strives toward the reduction and prevention of animal related problems in the community through reasonable and responsible application of education, the warning/citation system, and the impoundment of domestic animals.

Staffing

The Animal Services Unit has one supervisor, two full-time officers, and two part-time shelter attendants.



Activities

A total of 3,026 calls for service were answered. This is an 3.1% increase from last year's figure of 2,936.

A total of 878 animals were physically contacted or handled. This is an increase of 6.4% from last year's figure of 825 animals.

A total of 209 animals were returned to their owners. This is an increase of 17.4% from last year's figure of 178 animals.

Fifty-four animals were adopted directly from the shelter. This is a decrease of 31.6% from last year's figure of 79 animals.

A total of 189 animals were transferred to multiple rescue organizations. This is an increase of 6.2% from last year's figure of 178.

A total of 340 animals were euthanized. This is an increase of 15.6% from last year's figure of 294. Animals are euthanized if they are sick, injured, aggressive, and/or owners that have had their dog court ordered to be euthanized.

Zero animals escaped while in the shelter. This figure had no change from last year's figure of none that either escaped or were stolen.

Fifteen animals remained in the shelter at the end of 2014. This figure was a decrease of 46% from last year's figure of twenty-eight.



In 2014 our Animal Control Supervisor, Amanda Hoak was named the Virginia Animal Control Association ACO of the year! We are very proud of her, and all she continues to do daily for the Animal Control Unit.

Below is a three-year comparision of animal calls-for-service and animals handled.

Calls for Service

■ 2012 ■ 2013 ■ 2014



Animals Transferred

■ 2012 ■ 2013 ■ 2014



Animals Handled

■ 2012 ■ 2013 ■ 2014



Adopted

■ 2012 ■ 2013 ■ 2014



Reclaimed by Owner

■ 2012 ■ 2013 ■ 2014



A spring and fall rabies clinic was held at the Public Works building on Hopewell Street. The Hopewell Treasurer's office came out and sold licenses to Hopewell residents.

Training

The following training was received by officers and/or shelter attendants:

- Virginia Animal Control Conference
- Crisis Intervention Training
- Animal Control Basic

Goals for 2015

- Participate in adoption events to increase adoptions.
- Continue the renovations to the shelter to improve the quality of life for the animals.
- Join pet finders to increase our adoptions.

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ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DIVISION

The Administrative Services Division manages the daily operations of the Police Department as it pertains to the department's records management system and financial (purchasing) management system. The division also administers budget creation and grant application submission processes.



Kim Parson, Administrative Services Manager

Staffing

Three positions are authorized in the Administrative Services Division; three full time slots and one part time slot: Administrative Services Manager, Administrative Assistant II, Records Specialist and one part time Records Specialist.

Daily Operations

Daily operations of the division include criminal incident report entry into the department's records management system; administrative review and analysis of incident report entry for compliance with the Virginia State Police (VSP) and Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) incident reporting guidelines; monthly submission of incident reports to Virginia

State Police; accident report review and analysis; submission of accident reports to Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles; and entry of various other law enforcement documents into the records management system (i.e. parking tickets, traffic summons, arrests).

Additional daily operations include working with the courts and Sheriff's Office for distribution of criminal and traffic summons and subpoena documents; distributing accident and incident reports to insurance companies and the public; responding to Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) and Subpoena Duces Tecum requests; maintenance of historical police documents (reports, fingerprint cards); conduct background checks; preparation of taxi cab permits and solicitors' permits; and maintenance of local Sex Offender registry records. The division is accountable for the department's fiscal integrity, having responsibility for preparation/development of the department's budget; department purchasing and expenditure reconciliation; and grants management.

Other support functions provided by the division include Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) System Administrator tasks in support of the Communications Division, Human Resources tasks in support of the Command Division, and crime reporting/statistical reporting in support of the Crime Analyst.

Support to the Department

The Administrative Services Division is a pivot point for the department, providing current and archival information and assistance in the procedural, technical, and statistical needs of the department.

Division Administrative Statistics

DATA	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Incident Reports Processed	8559	7824	7047	6649	6086	5361	4392	5245	5572
FOIA Requests	0	5	10	23	55	24	30	15	24
Subpoena Duces Tecum Requests	4	7	10	12	7	14	13	10	7
Sex Offenders Registered	69	70	71	69	69	69	62	68	70

Grant Statistics (Grant Dollars Awarded)

CY 2014	\$153,272
BVP 2014	\$2,603
DMV 2015 Grant Speed	\$12,689
JAG 2014 Grant	\$20,522
DCJS Victim Witness Grant	\$117,458

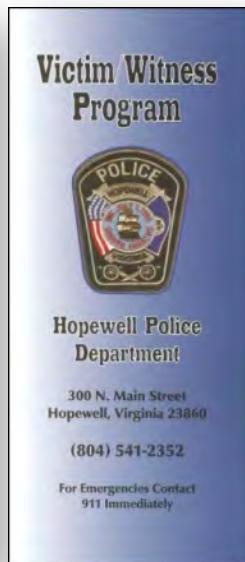
Selective enforcement overtime (DMV-2014-Speed) dollars and salaries and benefits for the Victim Witness Program (DCJS) were awarded and expended in CY 2014.



Administrative Services Staff



Francine Molette,
Victim Witness Director



Victim Witness

The Victim Witness Program is funded by the Department of Criminal Justice Services and is housed in the Hopewell Police Department. The function of the Victim Witness Program is to provide emergency intervention services for individuals and families who have experienced a level of trauma due to criminal activity. The Hopewell Victim Witness Assistance Program provides comprehensive information and direct services to crime victims and witnesses in accordance with the Crime Victim and Witness Rights Act and other applicable victim rights laws. During Fiscal Year 2013 – 2014, the program has provided services to more than 350 victims and witnesses.

As a direct result of the impact crime has on the family structure, particularly homicide, we have established the Tri-Cities Homicide Support Group with community residents from the Hopewell area as well as neighboring counties.

In an effort to heighten community awareness of the Police Department and the Victim Witness Program, we have been visible in the Hopewell Community and provided presentations to community groups.

In 2014, the Victim Witness childcare room was made-over completely! Grant funds for the program were used to redecorate, as well as update toys and equipment inside. The purpose of the room is to provide a safe haven for juveniles and their families that have been impacted by a crime committed against them. It is designed to restore a level of empowerment to the family that in most cases endured life threatening circumstances and was fortunate to survive to bring their attackers to justice.

The Victim Witness staff is prepared to act in accordance to the needs of the victims and witnesses within the guidelines set by the Department of Criminal Justice Department.



Victim Witness' new Childcare Room



Prayer before Fall Awards Luncheon



Command Walk – Thomas Rolfe Court



Fall 2014 Awards Ceremony

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EMERGENCY SERVICES

The Emergency Telecommunication Service Operators answer all emergency and non-emergency calls for service. They appropriately direct calls to police, animal control, fire, and emergency medical services. This unit utilizes the Virginia Criminal Information Network (VCIN) and the National Criminal Information Network, (NCIC) system. These systems are mandated by the Virginia State Police in order to obtain confidential and sensitive information such as warrants, criminal histories, and DMV information – to include vehicle registration and driver's license information. The VCIN/NCIC system allows the Telecommunications Operator the ability to enter all new warrants, stolen vehicles, and missing persons. The VCIN/NCIC system allows agencies to communicate vital and time sensitive information to surrounding law enforcement agencies as well as law enforcement agencies across the United States and abroad.

Staffing

Emergency Telecommunications Supervisor:



Donita Williams

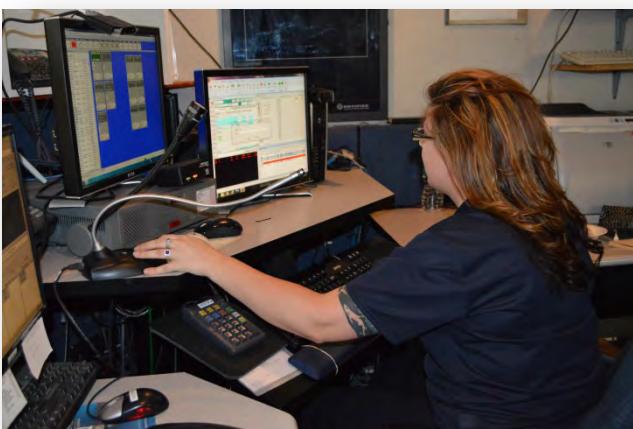
Telecommunications Operator Duties

- Greet the public that walk in
- Maintain visitor log
- Emergency 911 and non-emergency calls
- Police Dispatch
- Fire Dispatch
- EMS Dispatch

- VCIN/NCIC operation:
 - Confirm and cancel warrants
 - Enter warrants, protective orders, detention orders
 - Enter/clear stolen articles
 - Enter/clear stolen vehicles
 - Enter/clear missing persons
 - Enter/clear missing juveniles
- Alert Officers of major incidents such as robbery, homicide, or burglary from surrounding agencies.
- Alert neighboring agencies of any major incidents in progress or just occurred in our city via teletype or telephone.
- Monitor HENS (Hopewell Emergency Notification) system.
 - Industrial areas have the ability to notify the dispatchers via radio in cases of emergency such as fire, medical calls, and a chemical release. All public schools are equipped with emergency radios. There are weekly radio tests done to ensure they function properly.
- Assist citizens with general questions and/or directions.
- Direct citizens to Officer's voicemail when they are unavailable to speak with them directly.

Nixle

Hopewell Police Department launched community information services designed to deliver important and timely information to our residents. This information is delivered through Nixle. The messages can be relating to community news, traffic information, special advisories, and alerts to our residents. The notifications can be received via email or text message. This community information service is completely free with the exception of standard text messaging rates to cell phone subscribers who do not have text plans with their cell phone providers. In 2014, we delivered seventy-five (75) messages to our residents, and we currently have one thousand three hundred and two (1,302) subscribers. Residents who have not registered to receive these alerts can subscribe at www.nixle.com.



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CRIME ANALYSIS/DATA**

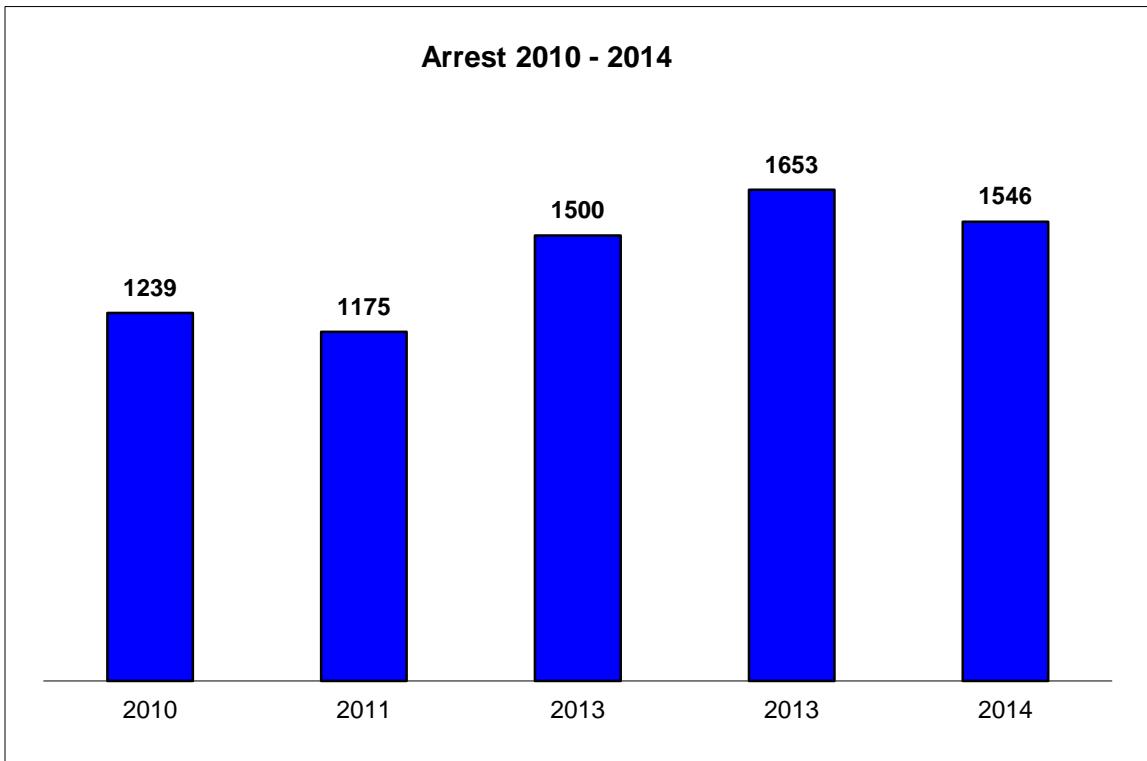
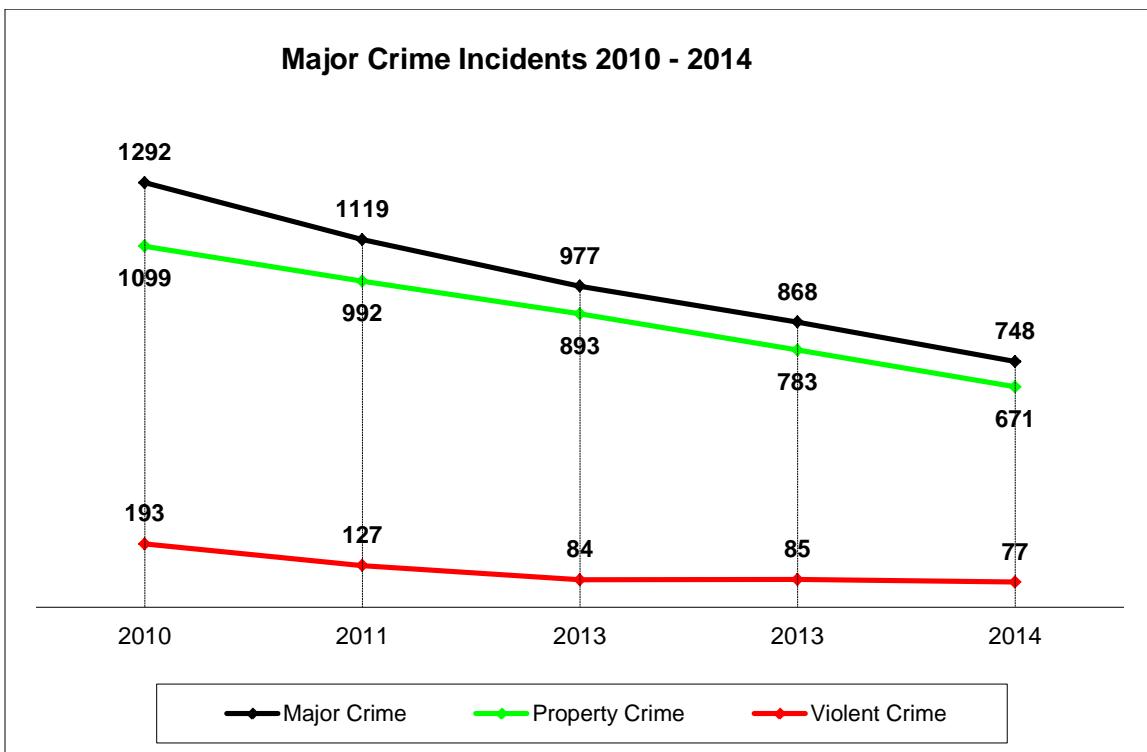
Hopewell Police Department has one Crime Analyst. The primary responsibility of the Crime Analyst is to provide current and timely crime trend data to Command Staff, Patrol, Investigations, and Specialized Units as well as provide statistical data regarding crime to a variety of end-users. Information is prepared for police purposes, but also for the public, media and other Hopewell municipal departments. The Crime Analyst also provides investigative support through intelligence gathering sources in order to bring some closure to the cases that are assigned or to locate wanted persons. This includes using multiple law enforcement databases and public sources to investigate persons of interest for the Detective Division, Patrol Services, U.S. Marshal's Fugitive Task Force and other jurisdictions and task force.

CRIME DATA

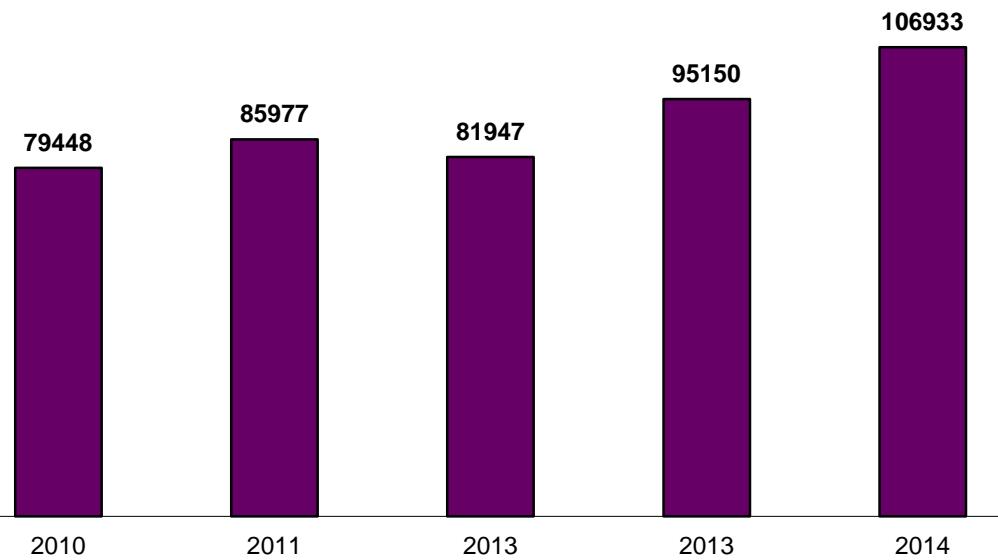
CALLS FOR SERVICE				
	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	Events +/-	% Change
CFS (Police)	95150	106933	11783	12%
CFS (All Service Areas)	111423	124466	13043	12%

TRAFFIC DATA				
	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	Events +/-	% Change
Traffic Stops	6011	6012	1	0%
Traffic Summons	4328	4952	624	14%
Traffic Crashes	725	727	2	0%

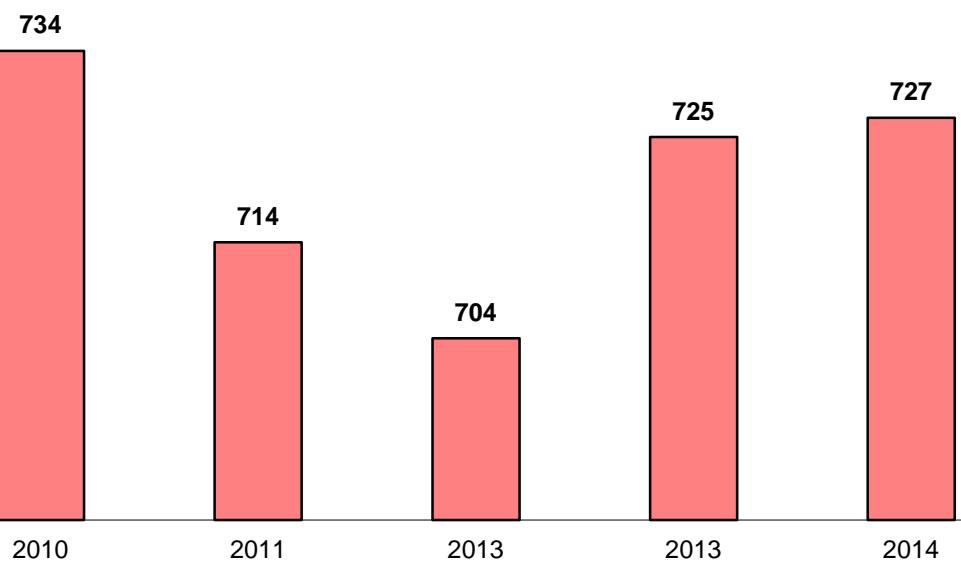
2010 – 2014 Data



Police Calls for Service 2010 - 2014



Traffic Crashes 2010 - 2014



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PATROL SERVICES DIVISION



Captain Michael Whittington

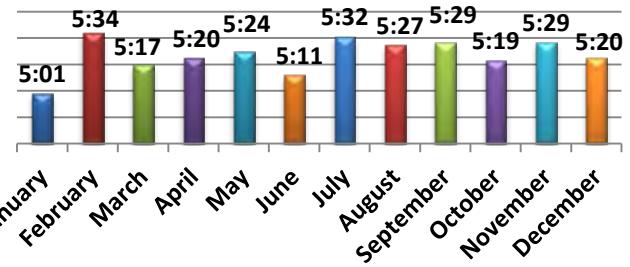
Staffing

During 2014, the Patrol Services Division was comprised of four Sergeants and two Lieutenants. A total of 37 Police Officers were assigned to the Patrol Services Division. Two School Resource Officers (SRO) are assigned to the Patrol Division: One SRO is assigned to Carter G. Woodson Middle School and one SRO is assigned to Hopewell High School. Six Officers are assigned as Community Policing Officers, and they are assigned to specific neighborhoods.



Response Times

Average Response Times by Month



Accomplishments

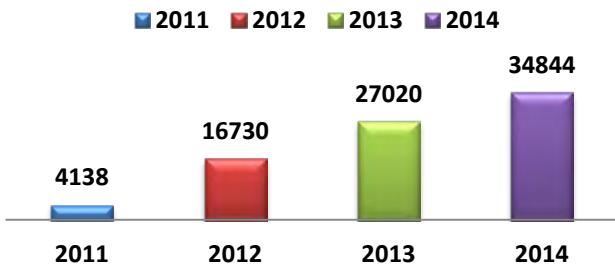
Nine Officers assigned to the Patrol Services Division received employee of the month awards for 2014. During the 2014 Spring Awards ceremony, a total of 30 Officers assigned to Patrol received awards and at the December awards ceremony, a total of 25 awards were received by Officers assigned to the Patrol Services Division.

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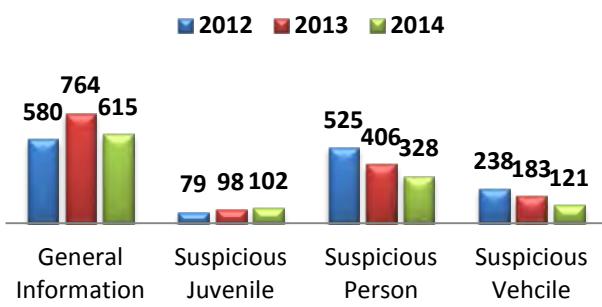


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2014 Directed Patrol Assignments



2014 Field Contacts



Engaging the Community

Patrol Services Division supervisors conducted 210 outdoor roll calls.

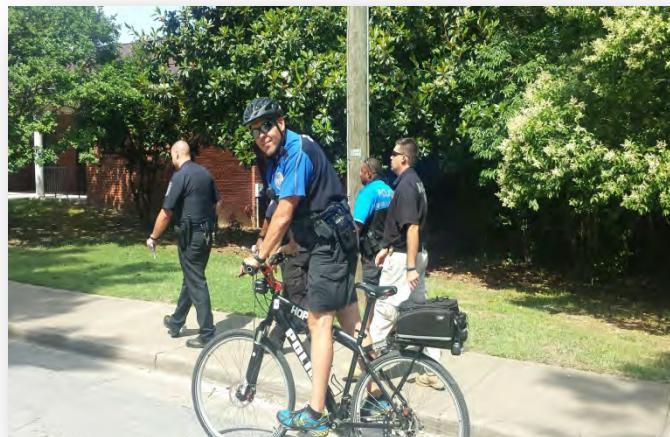


Patrol Services Division Officers and Community Policing Officers attended Citywide Neighborhood Watch meetings and individual Neighborhood Watch meetings throughout the year.

National Night Out 2014 was a huge success with 8 neighborhoods participating in seven events with approximately 1,500 citizens involved.



Patrol Services Officers and Community Policing Officers conducted a total of 210 hours and 30 minutes of bicycle patrol in 2014.



They also conducted a total of 1814 hours of foot patrols in 2014.

New Equipment

DMV Grant funds were utilized to purchase four RADAR units and one LIDAR unit for our patrol squads. Additionally, a speed enforcement trailer was purchased by the department to deter speeding violations. Four Dodge Chargers and one Ford Taurus were also purchased in 2014.



K-9 Unit

The K-9 unit is an enhanced support function for the Patrol Unit and other Department units. It is comprised of three handlers and three dogs. The K-9 Unit's primary function is to respond to calls of incidents with armed and dangerous suspects, felonies, tracking missing persons or suspects, building searches, searches for articles or evidence (including narcotics) and public demonstrations. In July 2014, K-9 Miko became part of the K-9 Unit.



K-9 Miko



K-9 Nike

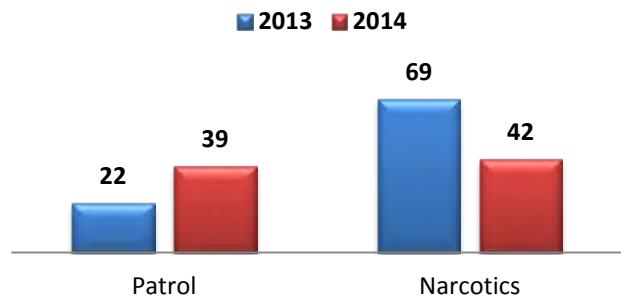


K-9 Kargo



We received \$12,689 from a DMV Grant for roadway safety saturation patrols and registration for the 2014 DMV conference.

K-9 Utilizations



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PROPERTY & EVIDENCE

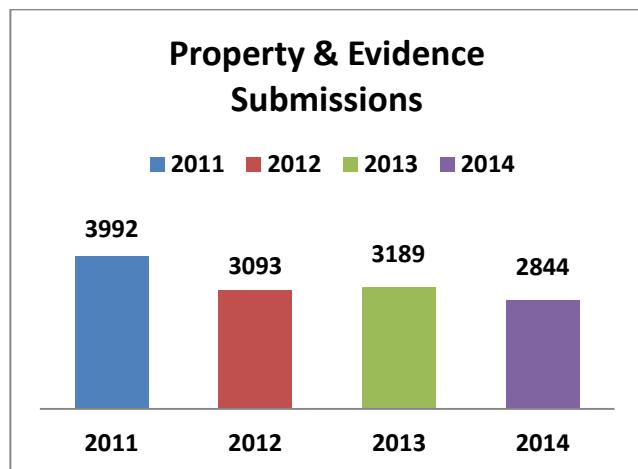
The Property and Evidence Unit (PEU) is responsible for maintaining all property and evidence submitted by the Hopewell Police Department and Hopewell Sheriff's Office. The PEU is also tasked with quartermaster duties and maintenance of fleet vehicles for the police department.

PEU Custodian Duties

The duties of the PEU custodian are as follows:

- Maintains control of all movement of any property and evidence in the PEU.
- Serves as administrator of the database system called Evidence-On-Q.
- Trains officers on Evidence-On-Q.
- Checks all incoming property and evidence for proper paperwork and proper packaging.
- Serves as administrator for the ATF Etrace Database System for the department.
- Coordinates evidence with the Commonwealth's Attorney for release or destruction.

Property and Evidence Submissions



Quartermaster Duties

- Maintains Quartermaster including uniforms, weapons, and law enforcement equipment.
- Plans a yearly budget.
- Orders and issues supplies, equipment, and uniforms as needed.
- Serves as administrator of the Quartermaster database system called File-On-Q.

Police Fleet Manager Duties

- Maintains the department's fleet of vehicles.
- Plans a yearly budget for fleet expenses, including maintenance, repair, and replacement of aging vehicles.
- Completes required justification paperwork for any vehicle purchased by the department per the city's procurement guidelines.
- Purchases vehicles and vehicle equipment.
- Coordinates with the City Shop on vehicle repairs and installs.
- Determines vehicle assignments for officers.



Police Fleet Improvements

In 2014, the department added two 2014 Dodge Chargers, one 2014 Ford Taurus, and two 2015 Dodge Chargers for Patrol.



2014 Ford Taurus



Special Olympic Law Enforcement Torch Run



Prescription Drug Take back Event

Goals for 2015

- Continue with an active destruction program for evidence and found property that has no evidentiary value or evidence for cases that have been adjudicated through the Courts or approved for destruction by the Commonwealth's Attorney's Office.
- To attend additional training through International Association of Property and Evidence Custodians and to become certified as an expert evidence custodian through this association.
- In 2014, the Property and Evidence Unit (PEU) continued a review of evidence being maintained by PEU and with authorization by Court orders and the Commonwealth's Attorney. PEU continued with this active destruction program resulting in destroying 754 items of evidence and unclaimed property in 2014.



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TRAINING

The Training Department has a wide range of responsibilities that include assurance of current police certification for all officers, finding and coordinating specialized training, and maintaining records for each officer in accordance to Department of Criminal Justice Standards.

Staffing & Responsibilities

The Training and Health and Safety officer ensures that the Hopewell Police Department is in compliance with all Federal and State training requirements, and it is completed before the expiration dates. They provide guidance, consultation, and assistance in all areas of training and employee development.



Also organized by the training officer, is the Hopewell Police Department's Field Training Program. When a new officer is hired, they must attend Crater Criminal Justice Academy for formal training on responsibilities and performance of becoming a Police Officer in the State of Virginia. When the new officer successfully completes training, they are assigned to a Field Training Officer for further training in a practical environment. The training department organizes and maintains the schedule of the new officer throughout the duration of his or her training.

The Department has a goal of getting every sworn officer Crisis Intervention Training (CIT). At this time, we have 43 officers and 10 dispatchers trained with an additional 17 to be trained by the end of 2015.



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COMMUNITY OUTREACH

The Community Outreach is a partnership between the Police Department and the community as a whole. It is a joining of forces with citizens, businesses, civic groups, schools, the press, and the faith-based community to provide the best communities that would invite the best possible citizens to come and visit and live here in Hopewell.

Partnerships include: Neighborhood Watch programs, Proactive Community Police Officers, Crime Solvers program, Police Volunteers, Police Explorers, Volunteer Chaplain program, School Resource Officers, and Crime Prevention programs. Activities such as Fugitive Friday and Central Virginia's Most Wanted are just a few examples of ways that we are getting and staying involved in the surrounding communities and doing all we can to KEEP Hopewell a thriving community.

Staffing

There are **5 Community Police Officers** assigned to specific neighborhoods in the city. Each Community Police Officer (CPO) is responsible for assisting and facilitating Neighborhood Watch groups in their area and those around them.



The Department has **2 School Resource Officers** – One at Carter G. Woodson Middle School (Officer James Morrison) and one at Hopewell High School (Officer Lawrence Costello). These officers interact with staff and students alike and are responsible for the school Crime Solvers programs that are active in both schools and are also responsible for the safety of nearly 2000 students.



Officer Morrison



Officer Costello

The **Crime Prevention Officer** reports to the Administrative Sergeant and is responsible for an ongoing role in recognition, evaluation, and implementation of any steps necessary to deter and detect crime. He prepares and presents crime prevention information to a variety of audiences. The Crime Prevention Officer is responsible for conducting crime prevention surveys to our local businesses and residents. He also works with our city

code enforcement office when needed. In addition to these duties, the Crime Prevention Officer is responsible for coordinating the Police Department's annual Youth Summer Camp. The philosophy of the camp is for our youth to interact with our police officers and give them the opportunity to view our officers in a different light and to share ideas in making our relationships stronger.



There is also a Hopewell Police Department **Honor Guard**. They perform community service tasks such as assisting police and civilian funerals and posting colors at various functions, ceremonies, and events.



Photo courtesy of the Hopewell News

The **Police Volunteers** are coordinated by the crime prevention officer and the President of the Police Volunteers for 2014, Leanne Eckstein. There are currently 25 Police Volunteers. These selfless and dedicated individuals bring a world of experience, caring, and dedication to the City of Hopewell. They have been called upon to assist with traffic control for DUI checkpoints, and conduct all funeral escorts. They assist with digital fingerprinting and

photographing our children for safety and security. They also regularly assist with training new police officer recruits at the Crater Criminal Justice Academy. We are extremely greatful to have all of our Police Volunteers as part of the Hopewell Police Family



The **Police Explorers** are coordinated by Officer Taylor and Captain Whittington and have a membership of 18. These motivated young adults (ages 14 – 21) are an integral part of our community. They have a great deal of motivation that they bring to the department. Some plan to pursue a career in Law Enforcement and others joined for the camaraderie, fun, and excitement. They regularly have meetings, law enforcement training, physical training, and have competed and done very well in regional competitions.



Hopewell Police Department and City of Hopewell Parks and Recreation have partnered together for the last two years in offering children ages 6 – 13 an annual **Summer Enrichment Program**. We had

approximately seventy-five children in attendance each year. Activities included gym time, movies, arts & crafts, outdoor time, lunch and dinner meals, and much more.

The goal of the Summer Enrichment Program is to assist in keeping young people from getting involved in gang activity and to help keep children off the streets during the summer vacation season. Our proactive leaders, which include officers from the police department, employees from the recreation department and parent volunteers, involve the children in activities that are informative, creative and fun. We end the week with awards, certificates and celebrations of the children's accomplishments.



These 3 School Crossing Guards work tirelessly to ensure our children are safe going to and from school. The crossing guards are Dot Carter, Ruth Bailey, and Thomas Colletti who provide a combined total of nearly 75 years of experience in this field.



Neighborhood Watch/Business Watch

The Neighborhood Watch is likely the fastest growing area of concentration within the community. Neighborhood Watch groups are an integral part of the success of the Police Department. When citizens have an opportunity and forum to express concerns directly to the police officers who work their specific neighborhood, it provides them with a system of checks and balances. They can feel confident that the complaints and concerns that worry them are being addressed as quickly and efficiently as possible. We feel that when you put some control back into the hands of the citizens and partner with the police force, the city and community can flourish, even in times of economic turmoil. If you're not a member of a Neighborhood Watch group, then you should take an opportunity to join! ☺

THE CITYWIDE NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH MEETING IS HELD IN CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS THE 2ND THURSDAY OF EVERY MONTH AT 6:30 P.M.



There are currently **Neighborhood Watch Groups/Business Watch Groups** in the following neighborhoods.

- **15th Avenue Business Corridor Business Watch** meets in the community room at Cavalier Square the last Friday of each month.

- **Autumn Drive Neighborhood Watch** meets on Westbrook Road at Autumn Terrace the 1st Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.
- **City Point Neighborhood Watch** meets at St. John's Episcopal Church the 1st Thursday at 7:00 p.m.
- **Cobblestone Neighborhood Watch** meets in their pavilion the 3rd Monday at 10:00 a.m.
- **Farmingdale Neighborhood Watch** meets at Wesley Methodist Church on Norfolk Street the 1st Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.
- **Greater Heights Neighborhood Watch** meets at 2503 Raleigh Street the 1st Thursday at 6:00 p.m.
- **Hopewell Heights Neighborhood Watch** meets in their community room the 3rd Thursday at 3:00 p.m.
- **Kings Court Neighborhood Watch** meets at the Elk's Lodge the 3rd Thursday at 7:00 p.m.
- **Kippax Estates Neighborhood Watch** meets at the daycare on Perrymont Road the 3rd Thursday at 6:30 p.m.
- **Kippax High Rise Neighborhood Watch** meets in their community room the 1st Tuesday at 5:30 p.m.
- **National Memorial Neighborhood Watch** meets at the 1st Congregational Christian Church the 3rd Thursday at 6:00 p.m.
- **Pine Avenue (Area 312) Neighborhood Watch** meets in the Cavalier Square community room the 2nd Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.
- **Piper Square Neighborhood Watch** meets in their community room the 1st Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.
- **Thomas Rolfe Court Neighborhood Watch** meets in their community room the 4th Thursday at 5:00 p.m.
- **Vanguard/Freeman Street Neighborhood Watch** meets in the Library quiet room the 3rd Thursday at 7:30 p.m.
- **Westwood Watchers Neighborhood Watch** meets at Wesley United Methodist Church the 2nd Monday at 7:00 p.m.
- **Woodlawn Neighborhood Watch** meets at Woodlawn Presbyterian Church the 3rd Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.



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In 2014, the Hopewell Police Department proudly promoted several officers in our department. The officers who were promoted to sergeant were **Trevor Terry and Justin Cote** and promoted to lieutenant was **Paul Intravia**.



Sergeant Terry & Lieutenant Intravia



Sergeant Cote with Chief Keohane

Seven of our officers were recognized in 2014 for the prestigious lifesaving award. The lifesaving award is awarded to an employee who, by direct intervention, is reasonably determined to be responsible for saving the life of another. The following seven officers were recognized:



Detective Roland Grimm – On December 27, 2013 Detective Roland Grimm responded to a business to assist patrol in reference to a subject armed with a knife in the parking lot. Officers located the subject and he displayed the weapon at the officers while yelling out, “Don’t come any closer. Shoot me, just shoot me.” For officer safety, Detective Grimm had his weapon drawn, but began talking to the subject who at one point even advanced at him. However he was able to effectively talk him into putting the knife down. The subject was taken into emergency custody without any further incident or injury to himself or the responding officers.

Officers David Hirn & Officer Vanessa Smith – On August 15, 2014 Officer David Hirn and Officer Vanessa Smith responded to a residence for a check welfare in reference to a male party threatening to harm himself. Upon arrival, both officers observed a vehicle running in the driveway with a male party in the front seat who appeared to be asleep. Both officers made attempts to wake the party up but could not physically get to him due to the windows being rolled up and the doors locked. Officer Hirn observed a hose running from the exhaust into a rear vent window of the vehicle. It was at this point where they began to ventilate the vehicle by breaking the windows. Officer Hirn and Officer Smith were then able to remove the unconscious male from the vehicle and get him to an area of safety until Fire and EMS could arrive on scene.





Officer Jacquita Allen – On August 24, 2014 Officer Jacquita Allen was clearing from the Riverside Regional Jail and came into contact with a cyclist on the ground that had apparently been struck by a vehicle on River Road. Officer Allen immediately responded to assist the injured cyclist and at one point while rendering first aid, the victim became unconscious and stopped breathing. She then initiated CPR life-saving measures. EMS/Fire personnel were notified and responded to the scene and the victim was subsequently transported via med-flight for emergency medical assistance. Prior to transport, the victim had stopped breathing three times; however, Officer Allen, with assistance of a passing motorist managed to stabilize the victim until they were relieved by EMS/Fire personnel.



Officer Jonathan Ford, Officer David Lyons, and Officer Christopher Pisarek – On August 30, 2014 Officer Jonathan Ford, Officer David Lyons, and Officer Christopher Pisarek responded to an unknown emergency at a residence. A subject was located who was suffering from a large amount of blood loss because of arterial bleeding from his arm and blunt force trauma to the head. The subject was found to be under the influence of alcohol and was highly combative and refusing to cooperate. Without immediate medical care, the subject possibly would have died. Working as a team, officers used a cravat and a wire grill brush to form a makeshift tourniquet. The bleeding was brought under control despite the subject resisting with physical force as he continued expressing his wish to die. The treatment provided by all three officers effectively saved this subject's life.

Lieutenant Damon Stoker graduated from the National Criminal Justice Command College in September 2014. The National Criminal Justice Command College provides an integrated, cutting-edge approach to criminal justice education through a framework of leadership and collaboration. Offered in partnership with the Virginia State Police, this intensive 10-week program is scheduled annually from mid-July through mid-September.



*Thank
You*

A special thank you to all who contributed to the 2014 Annual Report

Hopewell News – Award ceremony photos

The Progress Index – Award Ceremony Photos