



2017 VIRGINIA LAW ENFORCEMENT CHALLENGE APPLICATION

Applications are due to VLEC@vachiefs.org by **Friday, May 5, 2017, by 11:59 PM**

Click here for a copy of the LEC How-To Guide: <http://bit.ly/22aMcCW>

Agency (as it would appear on an award): Fauquier County Sheriff's Office

Agency Category: Sheriff

Total Number of Sworn Personnel: 131 Total Number of Uniformed Officers on the Street: 25

Submitter(s) (main point of contact for application): 1st SGT D. A. Shores

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APPLICATION ATTACHMENTS PACKET

CHECKLIST

Each attachment should be no longer or larger than 10 pages and 10 MB.

- NLEC Application (**required**) _____
- Speed Awareness Narrative (**required**) _____
- Speed Awareness Policies (**required**) _____
- Impaired Driving Narrative (**required**) _____
- Impaired Driving Policies (**required**) _____
- Occupant Protection Narrative (**required**) _____
- Occupant Protection Policies (**required**) _____
- State/Local Issue Narrative (**required**) _____
- State Local Issue Policies (**required**) _____
- Special Award Application(s) (**1 attachment including narratives and policies for each award**) (optional) _____

SPECIAL AWARD CONSIDERATIONS

- Impaired Driving* _____
- Occupant Protection* _____
- Speed Awareness* _____
- Bike/Pedestrian Safety _____
- Commercial Motor Vehicle Safety _____
- Distracted Driving _____
- Motorcycle Safety _____
- Technology _____
- Traffic Incident Management _____
- State/Local Issue is Special Award _____
- Consideration** **yes** **no** _____
- If yes, which one?*
- _____

**Your agency is automatically considered for this Special Award upon submission of NLEC application*

***Cannot be Speed Awareness, Impaired Driving, or Occupant Protection; must be chosen from other Special Awards*

SUBMISSION DISCLOSURE QUESTIONS

Please answer the following questions to the best of your ability.

1. Total roadway crashes in 2014: 1476
2. Total roadway crashes in 2015: 1625
3. Total roadway crashes in 2016: 1649
4. Total fatal crashes in 2014: 9
5. Total fatal crashes in 2015: 19
6. Total fatal crashes in 2016: 15
7. Total injury crashes in 2014: 651
8. Total injury crashes in 2015: 691
9. Total injury crashes in 2016: 764

IMPAIRED DRIVING

For guidance on completing your Impaired Driving attachments, please refer to page 5 of the How-To Guide:

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1. This agency has a written policy making impaired driving enforcement a priority: yes no
2. Number of officers who received training in 2016 in impaired driving: 10
3. This agency participates in officer recognition programs for impaired driving detection and apprehension:
yes no
4. Number of Impaired Driving Arrests in 2014: 250
5. Number of Impaired Driving Arrests in 2015: 172
6. Number of Impaired Driving Arrests in 2016: 149
7. Total number of fatal and injury crashes related to Impaired Driving in 2016: 101
8. Percentage of fatal and injury crashes related to Impaired Driving in 2016: 6.2%
9. This agency is allowed to conduct Impaired Driving Checkpoints: yes no
10. Number of Special Enforcement Efforts in 2016 for Impaired Driving (saturation patrols, checkpoints, etc.): 15
11. Output Statistics: How many DUI citations were issued in target areas?: 6
12. Output Statistics: How many DUI citations were issued during the target times?: 6
13. Output Statistics: How many contacts were made? (total): 3991
14. Output Statistics: How many contacts in target areas?: 3991

OCCUPANT PROTECTION

For guidance on completing your Occupant Protection attachments, please refer to page 6 of the How-To Guide:

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1. This agency has a written policy making safety belt and child passenger safety enforcement a priority: yes no
2. This agency has a written policy requiring officer safety belt use: yes no
3. Does your state have a Primary Seat Belt Enforcement Law?: yes no
4. Your state's average safety belt use percentage rate in 2016: 89%
5. Your jurisdiction's safety belt use percentage rate at the beginning of 2016: 90%
6. Your jurisdiction's safety belt use percentage rate at the end of 2016: 88%
7. Number of officers who received training in 2016 in occupant protection: 2
8. This agency participates in Saved by the Belt/Air Bag (officer and/or citizen) awards programs: yes no
9. Number of Seat Belt Citations in 2014: 180
10. Number of Seat Belt Citations in 2015: 76
11. Number of Seat Belt Citations in 2016: 79
12. Number of Child Seat Citations in 2014: 20
13. Number of Child Seat Citations in 2015: 11
14. Number of Child Seat Citations in 2016: 23
15. Number of Special Enforcement Efforts in 2016 for Occupant Protection: 15
16. Output Statistics: How many citations were issued in target areas?: 21
17. Output Statistics: How many citations were issued during the target times?: 21
18. Output Statistics: How many contacts were made? (total): 3991
19. Output Statistics: How many contacts were made in target areas?: 3991

SPEED AWARENESS

For guidance on completing your Speed Awareness Submission attachments, please refer to page 8 of the How-To

Guide: <http://bit.ly/22aMcCW>

1. This agency has a written policy making speed enforcement a priority: yes no
2. Number of officers who received speed-related training in 2016: 8
3. This agency participates in officer recognition programs for speed detection and apprehension: yes no
4. Number of Speeding Citations in 2014: 3116
5. Number of Speeding Citations in 2015: 3613
6. Number of Speeding Citations in 2016: 3225
7. Total number of 2016 fatal and injury crashes related to speed: 104
8. Percentage of 2016 fatal and injury crashes related to speed: 21%
9. Number of Special Enforcement Efforts in 2016 for Speed: 59
10. Output Statistics: How many citations were issued in target areas?: 318
11. Output Statistics: How many citations were issued during the target times?: 318
12. Output Statistics: How many contacts were made? (total): 508
13. Output Statistics: How many contacts were made in target areas?: 508

STATE/LOCAL ISSUE

Your State/Local Issue cannot be Impaired Driving, Occupant Protection, or Speed Awareness. For guidance on completing your State/Local Issue attachments, please refer to page 9 of the How-To Guide: <http://bit.ly/22aMcCW>

1. This agency has a written policy making this issue a priority: yes X no
2. Number of officers who received training related to this issue in 2016: 4
3. This agency participates in officer recognition programs for this issue: yes no X
4. Number of citations issued involving this issue in 2014: 33
5. Number of citations issued involving this issue in 2015: 516
6. Number of citations issued involving this issue in 2016: 559
7. Total number of 2016 fatal and injury crashes related to this issue:
8. Percentage of 2016 fatal and injury crashes related to this issue:
9. Number of Special Enforcement Efforts in 2016 for this issue:
10. Output Statistics: How many citations were issued in the target areas?:
11. Output Statistics: How many citations were issued during the target times?:
12. Output Statistics: How many contacts were made? (total): 772
13. Output Statistics: How many contacts were made in target areas?: 772
14. How many special team enforcement details were directed at the State/Local Issue (not routine patrol)?:
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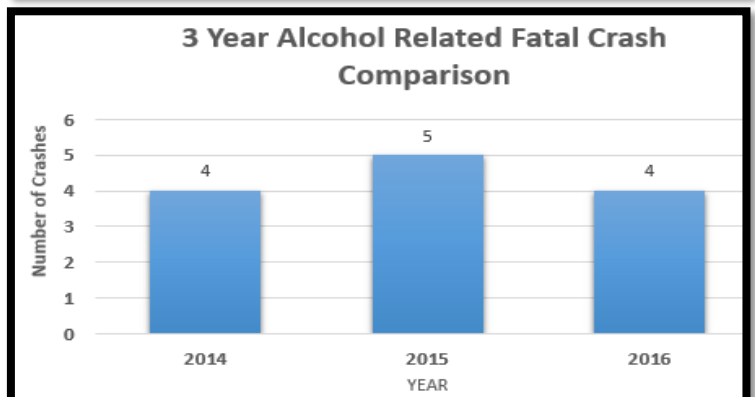
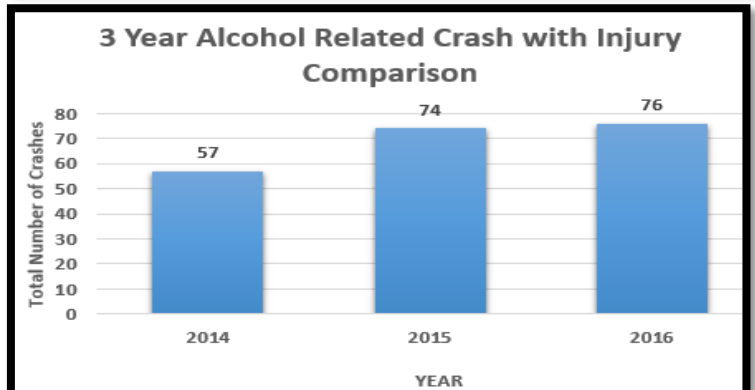
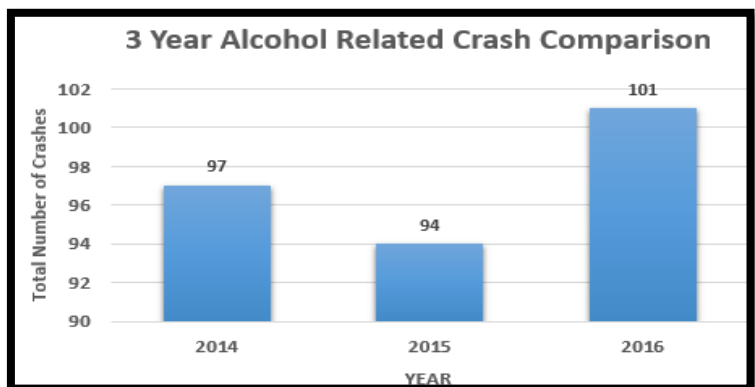
Impaired Driving

Impaired driving remains a persistent problem in Fauquier County. Our jurisdiction includes routes that lead to Northern Virginia, Washington D.C. Metropolitan area and the I-95 corridor, including major thoroughfares such as US 29, US 17, US 55, and US 28 that stretch border to border in Fauquier. Much of the traffic that filters through Fauquier County highways are travelers passing through. Fauquier County's land area spans 660 square miles, and includes a population of 68,782.*



Fauquier County Sheriff's Office continues to strive to reduce the number of alcohol involved crashes through a proactive zero tolerance policy, high intensity traffic patrol, and DUI sobriety checkpoints. Our efforts fell short of our goal to reduce the number of alcohol related crashed with a 7.5 percent increase in 2016. Fauquier County's 2016 alcohol related crashes rose to 101 reported incidents. Alcohol related crashed with injury rose 2.7 percent, with 76 reported incidents in 2016. Alcohol related crashes involving a fatality decreased by 20 percent, with 4 incidents reported.

Deputies of the Fauquier County Sheriff's Office will not be discouraged, and will continue to work hard to reduce the number of alcohol related crashes.




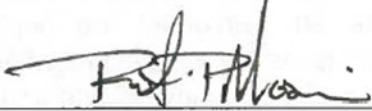
*Source: United States Census Bureau for Fauquier County (QuickFacts accessed March 2016) <https://www.census.gov/quickfacts/table/PST045215/51061>



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1. DUI Enforcement Procedures

A. General: Driving under the influence has been interpreted by various courts to mean the ability to operate a motor vehicle is reduced or impaired by the consumption of alcoholic beverages or other drugs. It does not imply that the operator of a motor vehicle be in a state of alcoholic or drug-induced stupor or be entirely incapable of exercising physical control of vehicle. Driving under the influence of intoxicants is an offense generally associated with leisure-time activity. Consequently, most arrests are made during evening hours or in the early morning hours after taverns close or social gatherings end. Although the intoxicated driver may be observed any day of the week, weekends and holidays reflect an increase of offenses and arrests.

B. Laws: Each deputy will be familiar with state laws (18.2-266, 18.2-269) and county ordinances that relate to driving under the influence.

C. Locating and Stopping

1. As soon as a deputy suspects a driver of being under the influence, observations should be noted for future reference. The following is not all inclusive:



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- A) Sitting through a green light.
 - B) Weaving.
 - C) Very slow speed.
 - D) Excessive speed.
 - E) Disregard for stop signs or signals.
 - F) Turning with a wide radius
 - G) Following too closely
 - H) Braking erratically
 - I) Headlights off at night
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- 2) A driver whose actions are similar to the above, or are not consistent with sound driving practices, should be stopped immediately.
 - 3) Be alert and use extreme caution when stopping a suspected intoxicated driver. Keep in mind that alcohol or drugs affect judgment and often result in erratic behavior.
 - 4) Follow established procedures for stopping traffic violators .



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Planning

Alcohol Counter Measures Program

Driving under the influence has been interpreted by various courts to mean the ability to operate a motor vehicle is reduced or impaired by the consumption of alcoholic beverages or other drugs. It does not imply that the operator of a motor vehicle be in a state of alcoholic or drug-induced stupor or be entirely incapable of exercising physical control of vehicle. Driving under the influence of intoxicants is an offense generally associated with leisure-time activity. Consequently, most arrests are made during evening hours or in the early morning hours after taverns close or social gatherings end. Although the intoxicated driver may be observed any day of the week, weekends and holidays reflect an increase of offenses and arrests.

The arrest of an individual for driving under the influence differs significantly from other traffic law violations. Any person who operates a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol or other self-administered intoxicants or drugs poses an unpredictable hazard to law abiding motorists; therefore, each deputy of the Fauquier Sheriff's Office will make an intensified effort to remove this type of driver from the highway. The Office has established a proactive alcohol enforcement program that has a goal to reduce crashes involving alcohol. The program components are listed below.

The Commander of the Patrol Division will conduct an annual review of crash data to determine the areas with the highest concentration of alcohol related crashes, and times and days of week most appropriate for enforcement counter measures. This data is pulled directly from the Department of Motor Vehicles and Virginia Department of Transportation.

The Commander of the Patrol Division will also provide enforcement recommendations, check point location recommendations, and suggestions as to patrol techniques.

The Commander of the Patrol Division will be responsible for assignment of personnel for enforcement duty, for design of check points, for liaison with the Commonwealth Attorney, and the Courts.

In addition, the Commander of the Patrol Division is responsible for:

- 1) Assignment of regular patrols to cover the high crash locations times/days within the county, with emphasis on the violations that have caused the crashes.
- 2) Assignment of targeted DUI patrols to concentrate on violation areas, times and days that relate to Alcohol infractions.





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Training

Training in DUI enforcement is an ongoing process. Each graduate of the basic academy receives blocks of instruction in SFST, usage of the PBT, as well as receives their certification in the Division of Forensic Sciences breath analysis school learning to operate the Intox EC/IR II. Each operator must retest every two years to maintain their certifications. Currently 100% of the Fauquier Sheriff's Office Patrol division is certified in all of the above requirements.

PI&E

Social Media

The PIO and assistant PIO's maintain the Sheriffs Office social media pages and website. Sheriff Mosier is active on social media and regularly posts traffic related public service announcements to promote awareness and keep the public informed. Live public service announcements and frequent social media postings are posted during times of year when impaired driving is known to increase, such as the holidays, or inclement weather. Increased transparency and awareness is highly promoted by the Sheriff and PIO designees as a reminder to the public to encourage the use of designated drivers and the use of transportation services such as taxis services or Uber.

Town Hall Meetings

Sheriff Mosier, and members of Command Staff, host a monthly Town Hall meeting. These meetings are hosted at a different location each month around all cities or towns within Fauquier County in efforts to reach as many attendees as possible. Town Hall meetings address business crime prevention tips, major investigative case updates, traffic safety, and open the forum to the public to ask any questions they may have from our Sheriff's Office. Information, to include the office Annual Report, is disseminated at each meeting. The public is also provided statistical information in regards to crime data, to include DUI numbers, Deputy activity, and traffic crash data.





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Checkpoint Strikeforce-“Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over”

The Sheriff's Office takes part in the annual Checkpoint Strikeforce Campaign surrounding the Labor Day weekend. In 2016, two sobriety checkpoints and seven saturation details were deployed to take part in the event held from August 19th through September 5th. In conjunction with the event public service announcements are made via local radio and television. Social media posts and newspaper articles are published announcing the event reminding operators of the increased traffic enforcement.



Enforcement

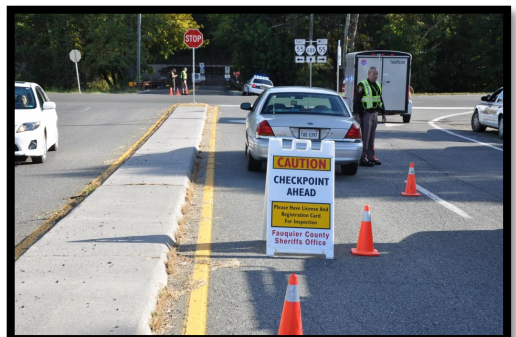
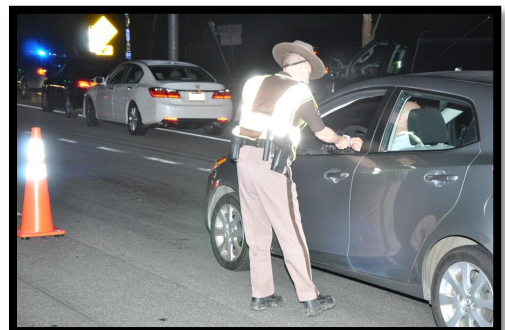
Sobriety Checkpoints

Traffic crash data, summons and arrest statistics in addition to individual law enforcement officer experience, and citizen input provide valuable insight as to the types and locations of traffic law violations which should receive the concerted effort afforded by a road check operation. Based on these elements, the Sheriff's Office road checking endeavors will identify and cite those persons who:

- (1) violate licensing laws;
- (2) operate unsafe, defective vehicles;
- (3) operate a vehicle while under the influence of alcohol or drugs;
- and
- (4) operate a vehicle while not using proper occupant protection devices (i.e. seatbelts and child restraints).

The Fauquier Sheriff's Office maintains a list of approved sites throughout the county which are constantly being reevaluated based upon factors such as site distance, safety, room for ample parking, and historical statistical data on DUI arrests, alcohol related crashes, licensing and/or equipment violations.

In 2016 the Fauquier County Sheriff's Office conducted 15 traffic safety checking details countywide resulting in 6 DUI arrests.





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Enforcement (cont)

HITE (High Intensity Traffic Enforcement)

High Intensity Traffic Enforcement or, HITE details, are individual efforts conducted by deputies targeting areas of concern for traffic enforcement, narcotic activity, or criminal activity. During HITE details, Deputies concentrate on only enforcing traffic law and detecting suspected intoxicated drivers. Deputies working in this capacity only respond to calls for service during exigent circumstances, or to provide backup until an assigned patrol unit could arrive.

Compiled crash and arrest data is utilized to identify times and locations when a corridor would benefit from increased enforcement. Often these assignments are completed on highly traveled primary routes, routes near populated areas, or are directed to coincide with large events that promote alcohol consumption. HITE details routinely run four to six hours in length.

In 2016, HITE details were responsible for over 300 traffic summonses.

Outcomes

Fixed position safety checking details culminated 90 hours of enforcement efforts in 2016. Approximately 4000 contacts were made during the events. Of those 4000 motorists, 31 or less, or less than 1% of operators, were field tested for suspicion of DUI. Of the 31 operators field tested six resulted in DUI arrests.

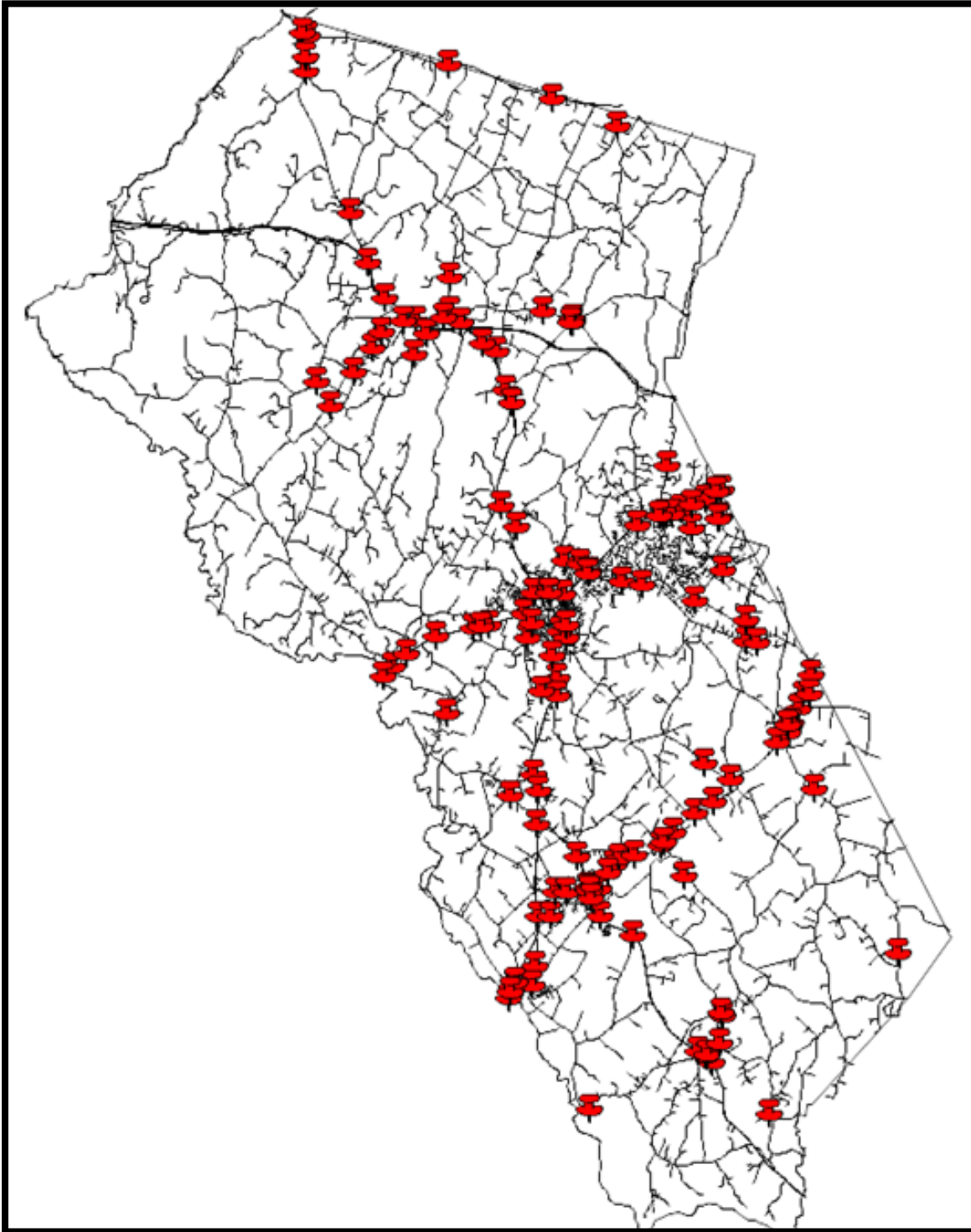
During routine patrol hours Fauquier County deputies have accumulated 143 additional DUI arrests.





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Locations of DUI Arrests in Fauquier County, 2016

Fauquier County arrested and removed 149 DUI drivers from the roadways in 2016. Main highways, including Route 17, Route 211, Route 29, Route 50, and Route 28 had the highest concentration of DUI enforcement.



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Occupant Protection

Problem

The Commonwealth of Virginia continues to be a state without a statute allowing for primary enforcement of seatbelt usage for adults. The current statute only allows for enforcement for adults 18 years of age or older in the front seat, when stopped for a separate primary offense. Seatbelt surveys conducted by traffic monitoring throughout the year indicated that an average of 86% of the motoring public were utilizing a safety belt. An average higher than that of the current state average. Surveys conducted at the beginning of the 2016 indicated 90% of motorists were wearing a safety belt. Usage remained consistent as surveys conducted at years end indicated 88% usage.

Virginia Crash Report

Date Range: 1/1/2016 to 12/31/2016

Region: All Virginia

Jurisdiction: Fauquier County

Grouped By: Month

Crashes Filtered By: Unrestrained Person Involved

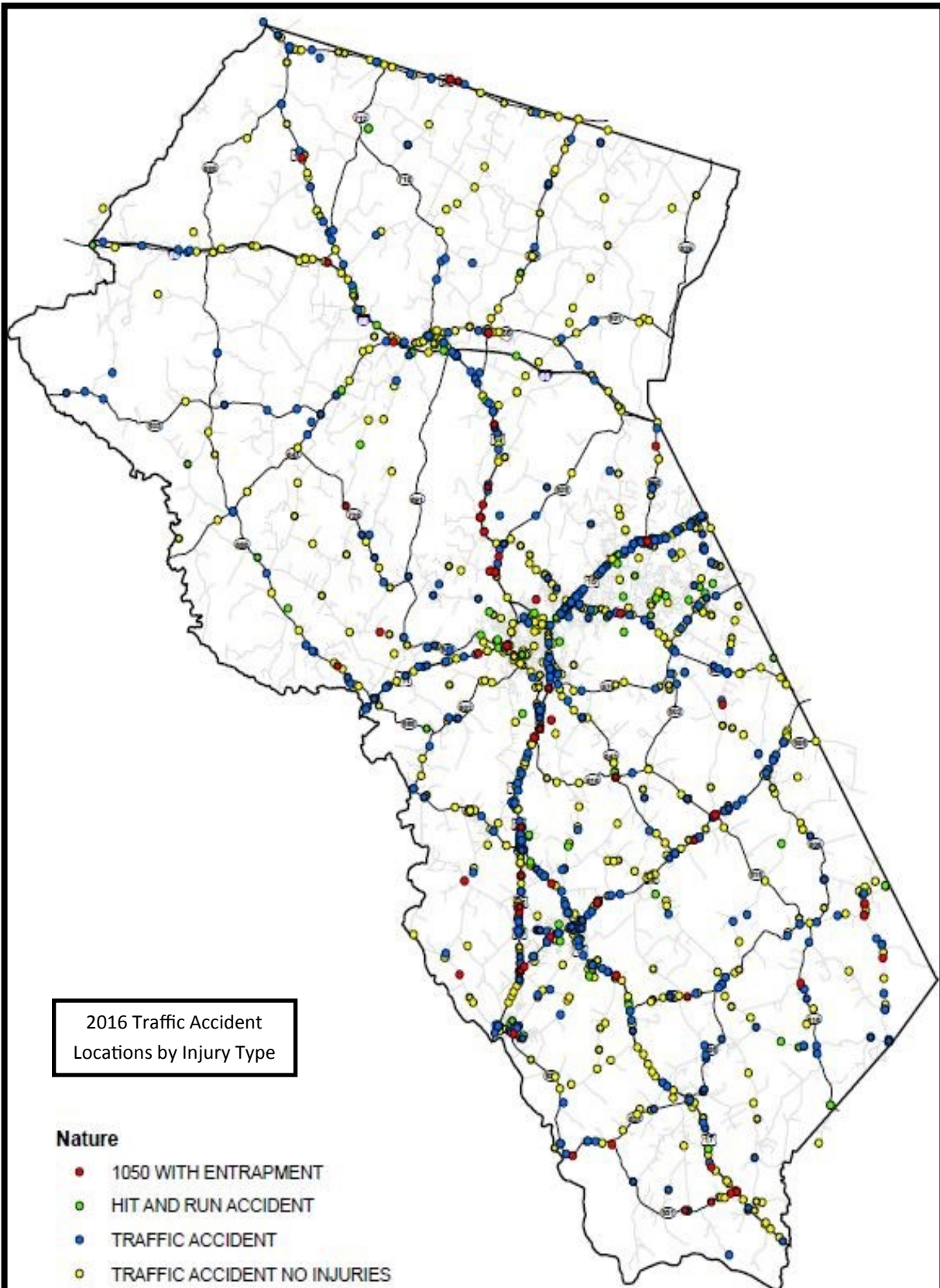
Month	2016		
	Crashes	Fatalities	Injuries
January	5	0	4
February	7	1	7
March	7	0	9
April	9	0	10
May	6	0	5
June	6	0	4
July	2	0	2
August	6	1	4
September	3	0	4
October	5	1	4
November	3	0	4
December	5	2	8
Totals	64	5	65

In 2016, 1,649 traffic crashes were reported in Fauquier County. DMV statistics indicate that 64, or 3.8%, of those involved were unrestrained. DMV statistics indicate that in 100% of accidents reported with unrestrained passengers resulted in injury or fatality. Five fatalities were recorded involving unrestrained operators in Fauquier County. This number is a stark reminder of the importance of passenger restraint devices.



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1. Seat Belt and Child Safety Enforcement

Every year hundreds of citizens within the Commonwealth are fatally injured in traffic crashes. Many of these deaths could be avoided with the use of seat belts and approved child safety seats. In an effort to reduce the number of injuries and/or fatalities, educational programs and uniform enforcement methods concerning occupant protection devices within the county should be applied by all deputies.

A. Enforcement

- Deputies observing the violation of a primary offense should make every effort to identify the proper use of occupant safety devices as prescribed by 46.2-1094 and 46.2-1095 before initiating the traffic stop. Enforcement action may consist of a warning or summons as listed in paragraph 1.



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2. The Commander of the Patrol Division will approve an annual Traffic Safety Initiative, which will include directed patrols and checkpoints aimed at seat belt enforcement in conjunction with the office's participation in the statewide "Click It or Ticket" Campaign.


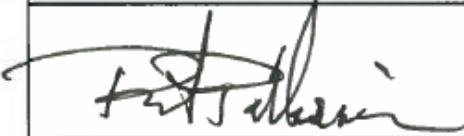
B. Educational Programs

1. The Commander of the Patrol Division is responsible for coordinating child safety seat inspections throughout the county. These inspections will be offered as a free educational service to the public.
 2. In addition to publicized events, citizens may request assistance with a child safety seat inspection or installation by scheduling an appointment with a certified deputy.
 3. Whether conducted at a public event or on an individual basis, the certified deputy conducting the inspection or installation will complete a Virginia Department of Health Safety Seat Checklist. The checklist will be completed for each child seat installation or inspection and mailed to the Virginia Department of Health.
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14. Occupant safety restraining devices (seat belts) shall be worn by all occupants during vehicle operation. However, VA Code 46.2-1094(2) outlines exceptions for law enforcement. Exceptions to this may include:

1. While transporting persons in custody or traveling in circumstances which render the wearing of such safety belt system impractical.
2. On approach to any scene of an incident or service call where the officer believes a rapid departure from the vehicle may be required, the officer may release the seat belt. Seatbelts will be worn at any time the vehicle is being operated under emergency conditions.
3. When the wearing of safety belt restraint is prohibited due to medical or physical impairment. Written waiver from a medical doctor must be on file with the Sheriff's Office.



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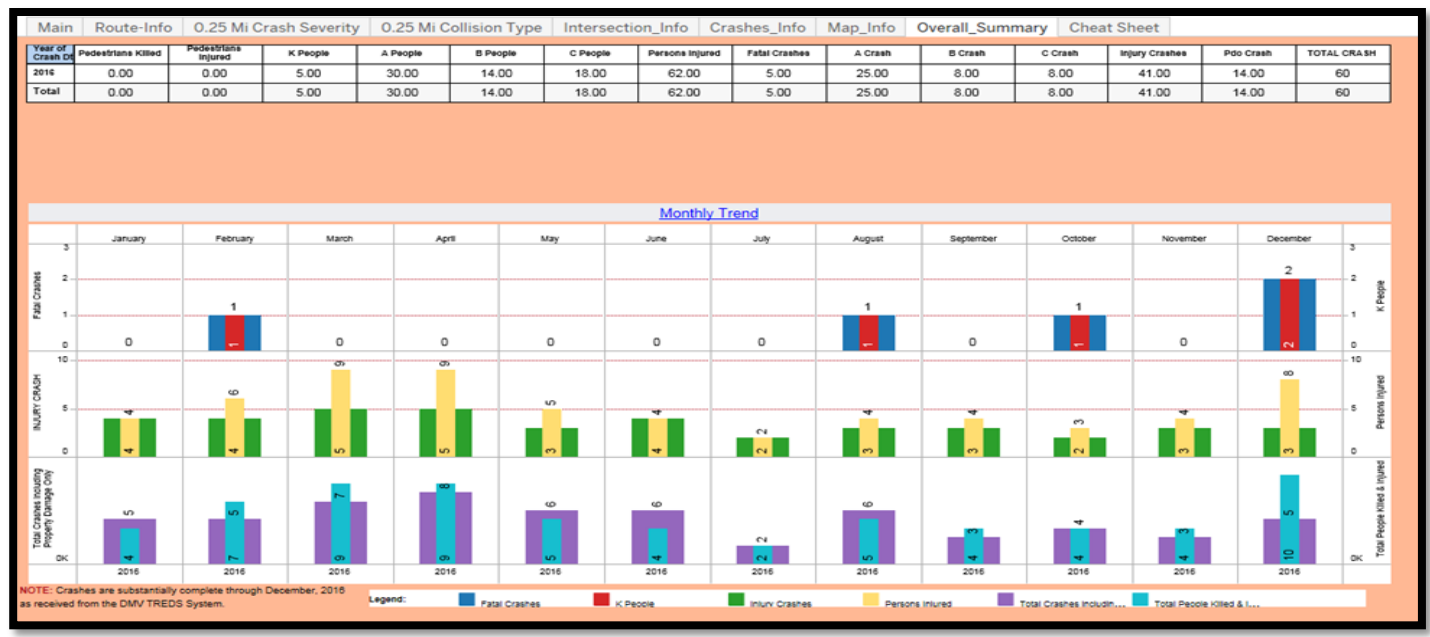
Objectives of traffic law enforcement are to reduce traffic crashes and injuries, and to facilitate the safe and expeditious flow of vehicular and pedestrian traffic through voluntary compliance with traffic regulations. The Fauquier County Sheriff's Office seeks to achieve this objective through a combination of education and enforcement.

The Fauquier County Sheriff's Office seeks to educate the public regarding traffic regulations through programs aimed at exposing specific problems, and by publishing traffic crash and injury statistics.

Enforcement action will be taken upon detection of an illegal and potentially hazardous act, without regard for such factors as attitude, intent, or excuse. Enforcement action may consist of a warning, summons, or arrest.

Traffic enforcement is one of the many tasks performed by deputies, but for violators, it is frequently an emotionally traumatic experience. In many cases, this is the only contact that a person has with law enforcement. Deputies should strive to make each contact educational and to leave the violators with the impression that the deputy has performed a necessary task in a most professional manner.

The Sheriff's Office conducts statistical and visual surveys to determine by location, time, and day of week which violations are causing crashes. Based upon the information obtained, personnel are deployed to take enforcement action. In addition, when complaints are received regarding a specific traffic problem in a particular area, personnel are assigned to investigate and take appropriate enforcement action.





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Training

Child Seat Technicians

In 2016, two Deputies attended, and successfully completed training, to be certified in child safety seat installation and inspection. The graduates join 10 Deputies in the agency already holding the certification through the Virginia Department of Health.



Distracted Driving Conference

In 2016, one Deputy attended the 4th Annual Distracted Driving Summit organized by DRIVE SMART Virginia in Newport News Virginia. This conference allows for professionals from transportation related industries, safety and insurance industries, and law enforcement professionals to learn, discuss, and exchange ideas to improve highway safety. The summit concentrates on the effects and ways to enforce and stop distracted driving and restraint issues. Information from the conference is brought back to the agency to be disseminated and put into action in the field.

Below 100

In 2016, three Patrol Deputies attended a train the trainer class for the nationwide Below 100 initiative. The initiative is geared toward proper training and reinforcement to lower the preventable death rate of law enforcement officer to below 100 deaths annually. Much of this training surrounds response and pursuit driving. The Below 100 initiative promotes such things as the wearing of safety belts, monitoring vehicle speeds, wearing a ballistic vest, and fending off complacency.





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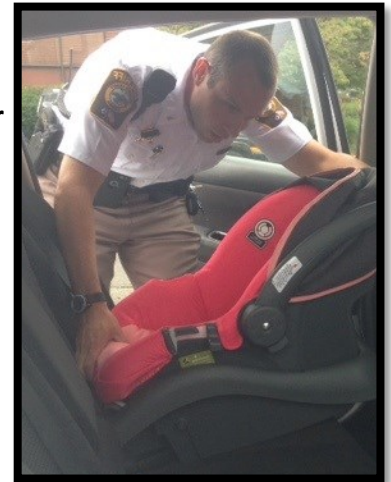
Click It or Ticket

Despite seatbelts not being eligible for primary enforcement, the Fauquier County Sheriff's Office continues to participate in the national "Click It or Ticket" campaign every year. Public service announcements are made via local and social media encouraging and reminding the public that the use of safety belts saves lives. The campaign reminds the motoring public to continue to use their safety belts or risk a traffic citation. In addition, the Sheriff's Office displays extra signage promoting the campaign to include magnets placed on marked cruisers. During this campaign, Deputies are reminded and encouraged to take extra enforcement efforts toward safety belt usage. 78 summonses were issued in 2016 for failure to wear seatbelt (46.2-830)



Child Seats

The Fauquier County Sheriff's Office takes pride in focusing special attention toward child safety seats. In 2016, Fauquier County Sheriff's Office started with 10 child seat installation technicians and ended the year with 12 technicians. We promote and host child safety seat installations at public locations such as Walmart, and various day care centers throughout the County. The turnout and feedback on these events is overwhelmingly positive. In addition, as word has spread that child safety installation is a service that the agency provides, we routinely field calls for service and walk-in requests at our headquarters to install car seats. In 2016, technicians installed 107 child restraint seats for citizens.



Fauquier County Sheriff's Office was distinguished as a certified as a child safety seat checking station through the Virginia Department of Health in 2016. Citizens wishing to have a safety inspected, or installed may utilize certified Sheriff's Office employees for this service. The designation allows for the Fauquier County Sheriff's Office to be added to a list of installation sites when the service is searched for on the internet. The service is provided to in and out of County residents.





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NEWS RELEASE

"For Immediate Release"

June 17, 2016

Sheriff's Office Earns Certification as a Child Safety Seat Check Station

The Fauquier County Sheriff's Office is pleased to announce its designation as a certified child safety seat checking station through the Virginia Department of Health. Certified staff has been on duty to install child safety seats for several years, but certification as a checking station will further assist parents and caregivers. Searches online for safety seat installation locations will now include the Sheriff's Office, which could possibly be the closest location for this service.

Residents as well as non-residents of Fauquier County may utilize this FREE service. Installation takes about 20 to 30 minutes, depending on the type of safety seat and vehicle. Technicians are available at the Sheriff's Office Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., requiring no appointment. For after-hours, weekend, and holiday installations, please contact the 24-hour non-emergency number, 540-347-3300, to schedule an appointment.

Virginia law requires a child restraint device to be used with all children through the age of seven (until the 8th birthday). There is no height or weight requirement associated with this law. The Virginia law is based solely on age.

Additional information on Safety Seat Checks and other check stations may be found at <http://www.vdh.virginia.gov/livewell/programs/cps/checks.html>.

Additional information on Virginia's Child Restraint Device Law may be found at <http://www.vdh.virginia.gov/livewell/programs/cps/laws.html>.

Authority: Sheriff Robert P. Mosier

Contact: Lt. Andrew Marshall, 78 W. Lee Street, Warrenton, VA 20186, 540-422-8600.



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Enforcement

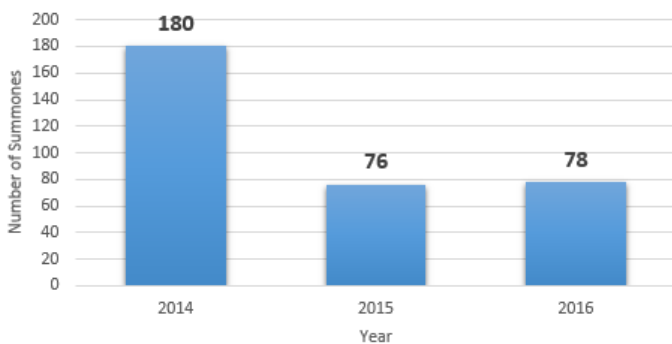
Deputies of the Fauquier County Sheriff's Office spend their entire shifts, between calls for service, enforcing traffic laws including, but not limited to, seatbelt and child restraint enforcement. Through the use of DMV related grants a combination of traffic safety and equipment checking details, saturation patrols are deployed throughout the year. In past years, the saturation patrols were deployed mostly during night-time hours. In recent years, to include 2016, saturation patrols are deployed during morning and evening rush hours, and during weekends when highways are crowded with travelers and vacationers traveling through our jurisdiction.

Increased enforcement is bolstered by an aggressive media campaign encouraging safe driving habits and the usage of restraint devices. Media campaigns target mostly social media outlets. These campaigns run throughout the year increasing around holidays and specialized traffic campaigns.

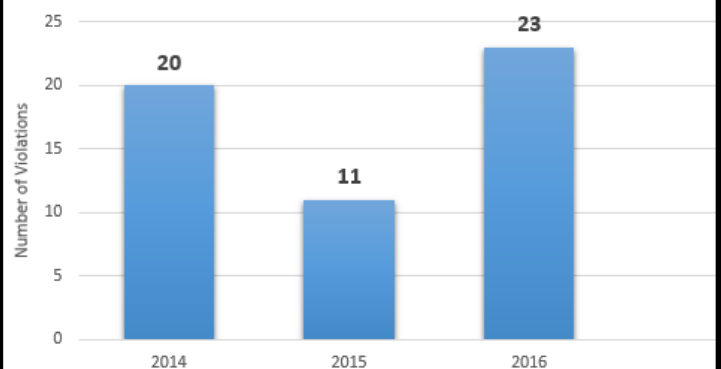
Outcome

In 2016 the Fauquier County Sheriff's office engaged in 15 checking details and 59 saturation patrols targeting traffic enforcement. 21 safety belt summonses were issued. Deputies on routine patrol issued an additional 78 summonses for safety belt violations and 23 summonses for child seat violations. Two additional child safety seat technicians were added to the ranks. Technicians installed 107 child seats last year for parents and caregivers.

2014-2016 Safety Belt Summones Issued



2014-2016 Child Seat Violation Summones





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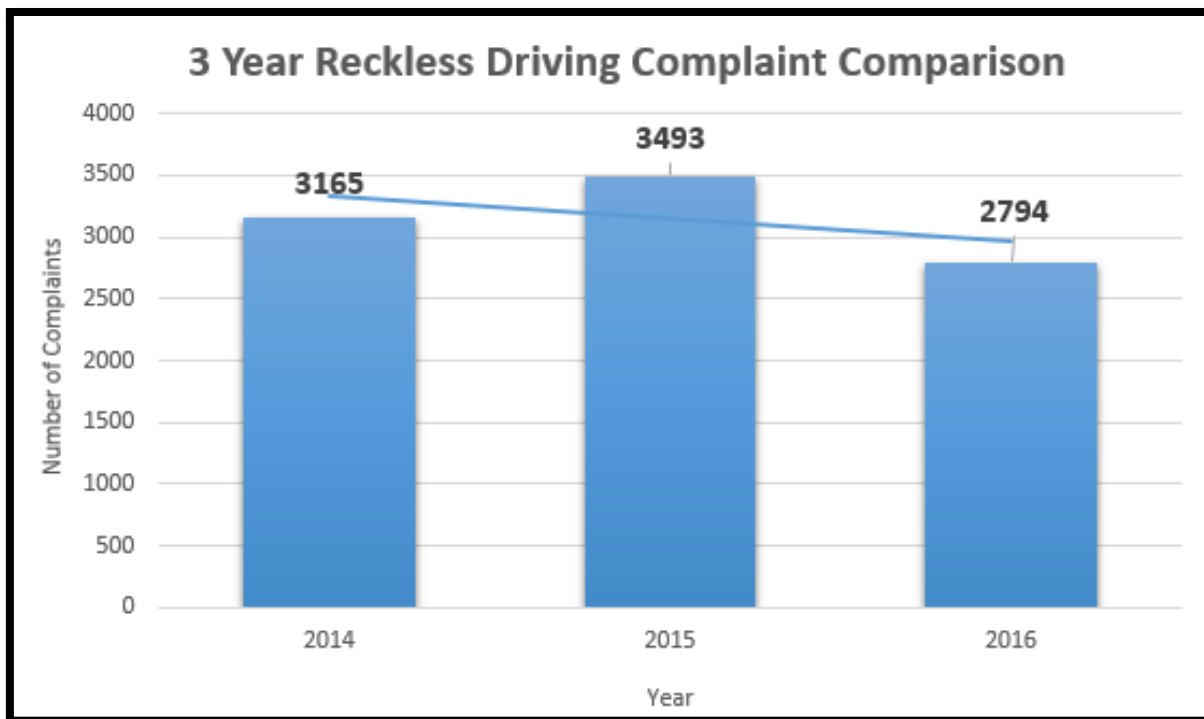
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Speed Awareness

Problem

Speeding complaints remain one of the agency's toughest tasks to manage. As sub-divisions continue to be constructed both in our jurisdiction, as well as those around us, the volume of traffic on the major highways continues to grow. The increased volume of local, residential, and commuter traffic has led to an increase in call volume for speeding, reckless and aggressive driving, and distracted driving. The majority of citizen complaints surrounding speed and the requests for additional traffic enforcement efforts are in regards to secondary roads and surface streets accessing the primary routes.

In 2016 2,794 reckless driving complaints and DUI lookouts were placed compared to 3,493 in 2015, and 3,165 in 2014.


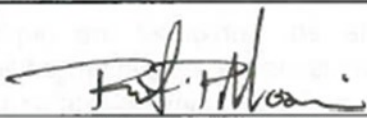




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Policy

 <p>FAUQUIER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE</p> <p>DIRECTIVE</p>	APPROVED BY:	
		
	ROBERT P. MOSIER SHERIFF	
TRAFFIC LAW ENFORCEMENT	Directive Number:	
	Effective Date: <i>31 October 2016</i>	
	Revision Date:	
VLEPSC: ADM.02.04, OPR.02.02, OPR.07.01, OPR.07.02, OPR.07.03, OPR.07.04.		

This order is for internal use only, and does not enlarge a deputy's civil or criminal liability in any way. It should be not construed as the creation of a higher standard of safety or care in an evidentiary sense, with respect to third-party claims. Violations of this directive, if proven, can only form the basis of a complaint by this office, and then only in a non-judicial administrative setting.

POLICY

Objectives of traffic law enforcement are to reduce traffic crashes and injuries, and to facilitate the safe and expeditious flow of vehicular and pedestrian traffic through voluntary compliance with traffic regulations. The Fauquier County Sheriff's Office seeks to achieve this objective through a combination of education and enforcement.

The Sheriff's Office seeks to educate the public regarding traffic regulations through programs aimed at exposing specific problems, and by publishing traffic crash and injury statistics.

Enforcement action will be taken upon detection of an illegal and potentially hazardous act, without regard for such factors as attitude, intent, or excuse. Enforcement action may consist of a warning, summons, or arrest.

Traffic enforcement is one of the many tasks performed by deputies, but for violators it is frequently an emotionally traumatic experience. In many cases, this is the only contact that a person has with law enforcement. Deputies should strive to make each contact



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educational and to leave the violators with the impression that the deputy has performed a necessary task in a most professional manner.

The Sheriff's Office conducts statistical and visual surveys to determine by location, time and day of week which violations are causing crashes. Based upon the information obtained, personnel are deployed to take enforcement action. In addition, when complaints are received regarding a specific traffic problem in a particular area, personnel are assigned to investigate and take appropriate enforcement action.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this Directive is to prescribe procedures for traffic law enforcement, preventive patrol, proactive enforcement, and relationships with motorists, pedestrians, citizens and the courts.

PROCEDURES

1. Types of Enforcement Actions

Enforcement action may consist of a warning, summons, or physical arrest; at the deputy's discretion.

- A. **Warnings:** A warning may be issued to a violator whenever there is a minor traffic infraction committed in those areas where traffic crash experiences are minimal, or when the act may be due to ignorance of a local ordinance which may be a unique violation or a violation of which the driver may not be aware. An effective warning, properly given by a deputy, can be more effective, while building positive rapport with drivers, than any other type of enforcement action.
- B. **Virginia Uniform Summons (VUS):** A VUS should be issued to a violator who jeopardizes the safe and efficient flow of vehicular and pedestrian traffic, including hazardous moving violations or operating unsafe and improperly equipped vehicles.
- C. **Physical Arrest**

Deputies will make a physical arrest, in compliance with Virginia Code Section 46.2-940, under the following circumstances:

- 1) If the operator is believed by the deputy to have committed a felony.
- 2) If the operator is believed by the arresting deputy to be likely to disregard a summons issued.
- 3) When the operator refuses to give a written promise to appear on the traffic summons issued by the deputy.



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Planning

In years past, Deputies have been tasked with addressing issues in a specific region via roll call or supervisory direction. In addition, speed enforcement through RADAR and LIDAR operations were mainly conducted at random times and in random intervals, concentration operations to heavily traveled, primary roads. Secondary and neighborhood streets were then left under enforced. In an effort to manage and better plan to answer the public's traffic concerns the agency began recording and documenting the complaints and the enforcement efforts. As this program developed, it was given the acronym TEAM, Traffic Enforcement and Monitoring. Deputies assigned to TEAM assignments targeted secondary roadway enforcement as directed by supervisors. TEAM assignment locations are determined based on citizen complaints of traffic violations or speeding, or locations with heightened traffic or accidents occurring, and during heavy commuter times.

Training

Training in speed awareness is a continual process in the agency. All law enforcement certified Deputies are certified in RADAR and LIDAR operations which they receive during the DCJS Basic Academy. Their certifications are kept current with biyearly re-certifications classes. The Training Coordinator, located in the agency's Professional Standards Division, maintains training file compliance.

In addition to the basic training received in the DCJS Academy, all Deputies assigned to the Patrol Division attended SHRP II National Traffic Incident Management (TIM) Responder Training. This training incorporates public safety agencies including law enforcement, fire and rescue, vehicle recovery agencies, Communications Specialists, and the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) involved in emergency response along the state's highways. The curriculum brings these agencies together to promote a smoother response to highway emergencies in effort to reduce secondary collisions or incidents. Students discuss methods of responding and clearing highway related emergencies while maintaining the safety of first responders and motorists. Discussions and table top exercises allow responders to better understand their independent responsibilities on a scene from the response to the incident to its clearance. The focus is to allow for a quick, and aggressive, yet safe, response with as little impact on traffic as possible.





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PI&E

Social Media

The PIO and assistant PIO's maintain the Sheriffs Office social media pages and website. Sheriff Mosier is active on social media and regularly posts traffic related public service announcements to promote awareness and keep the public informed. Live public service announcements and frequent social media postings are posted during times of year when impaired driving is known to increase, such as the holidays, or inclement weather. Increased transparency and awareness is highly promoted by the Sheriff and PIO designees as a reminder to the public to encourage the use of designated drivers and the use of transportation services such as taxis services or Uber.

Town Hall Meetings

Sheriff Mosier, and members of Command Staff, host a monthly Town Hall meeting. These meetings are hosted at a different location each month around all cities or towns within Fauquier County in efforts to reach as many attendees as possible. Town Hall meetings address business crime prevention tips, major investigative case updates, traffic safety, and open the forum to the public to ask any questions they may have from our Sheriff's Office. Information, to include the office Annual Report, is disseminated at each meeting. The public is also provided statistical information in regards to crime data, to include DUI numbers, Deputy activity, and traffic crash data.

Town Hall Meeting
 With
Sheriff Mosier
 Thursday, October 20, 2016
 The Orlean Market
 6855 Leeds Manor Rd
 7:00pm

- Business Crime Prevention Tips
- Investigation Updates
- Traffic Safety
- Question and Answer Session

For further information please call Sgt. James Hartman (540) 422-8660

Town Hall Meeting
 With
Sheriff Mosier
 Wednesday, November 9, 2016
 Remington Fire Station
 200 East Marshall St
 7:00pm

- Business Crime Prevention Tips
- Investigation Updates
- Traffic Safety
- Question and Answer Session

For further information please call Sgt. James Hartman (540) 422-8660

Town Hall Meeting
 With
Sheriff Mosier
 Wednesday, November 2, 2016
 The Cedar Run Building
 3558 Catlett Rd
 7:00pm

- Business Crime Prevention Tips
- Investigation Updates
- Traffic Safety
- Question and Answer Session

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PI&E (continued)

Daily Activity Report

Fauquier County Sheriff's Office produces and disseminates a Daily Activity Report (DAR) for public consumption. The DAR is posted on social media, the Sheriff's Office webpage, and shared by local media. The report is a collection of significant events and numerical statistics collected in a 24-hour calendar date. The DAR is separated into Fauquier County's five magisterial districts. Statistics are shared for both that date, and a cumulative year-to-date column. Statistics are shared for events, mental health events, narcotic overdoses, and criminal arrests. Traffic related data shared includes both reportable and non reportable collisions, traffic stops, summons issued, and DUI arrests. Each day the public can view the number of accidents, traffic stops, and citations issued in the district in which they reside and compared to other magisterial districts in the county. A "Wanted Person of the Week" is also included at the end of the report that asks for the public's assistance with information or location of a selected offender.

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Marshall District	Recent	YTD	Overdoses (Opiates)	Recent	YTD
Calls for Service	58	5334	Overdose Death (Opiales)	0	7
Reportable Accidents	4	189	Noise Complaints	0	95
Non-Reportable Accidents	0	87	Animals Picked-Up	2	107
Premise Checks	55	3558	DUI Arrests	0	37
Traffic Stops	31	1597	Misdemeanor Arrest	1	153
Traffic Summons	19	949	Felony Arrest	10	59
Domestics	3	83	Civil Papers Served	0	1127
Mental Health	0	27			

11/23/16—Rutts Hill Rd/Opel Rd—00:00—Dwayne White, 22 of Warrenton, was arrested on a traffic stop on an outstanding warrant for failure to appear in Culpeper County, driving suspended, and false identification to law enforcement.

11/24/16—8500-bik Turnbull Rd—18:00—David Franklin Minor III, 41 of Warrenton, was arrested and served with nine outstanding warrants in reference to an abduction that occurred on 11/23/16.

11/24/16—1900-bik Leeds Manor Rd—11:40—Death investigation.

11/27/16—3800-bik Cobble Mountain Rd—Felicia Lawton, 30 of Delaplane, was arrested for assault.

Scott District	Recent	YTD	Overdoses (Opiales)	Recent	YTD
Calls for Service	52	3619	Overdose Death (Opiales)	0	4
Reportable Accidents	1	230	Noise Complaints	2	57
Non-Reportable Accidents	5	73	Animals Picked-Up	0	93
Premise Checks	53	3766	DUI Arrests	0	29
Traffic Stops	18	1336	Misdemeanor Arrest	4	148
Traffic Summons	11	709	Felony Arrest	1	35
Domestics	2	51	Civil Papers Served	0	852
Mental Health	0	39			

11/24/16—6200-bik Blantyre Rd—18:15—Fire investigation.

11/25/16—4300-bik Winchester Rd—01:00—Jarell Smith, 25 of Winchester, was arrested on a traffic stop on an outstanding warrant from the City of Hampton for failure to appear. He was also charged with driving suspended.

11/26/16—7100-bik Lineaveaver Rd—11:30—Report taken for larceny of copper wire from a construction site.

11/26/16—8900-bik Wadkin Ln—16:13—Thomas Wadsworth, 51 of Marshall, was arrested for drunk in public, obstruction of justice by force, and assault and battery on law enforcement.

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Center District	Recent	YTD	Overdoses (Opiales)	Recent	YTD
Calls for Service	42	4396	Overdose Death (Opiales)	0	1
Reportable Accidents	2	104	Noise Complaints	0	52
Non-Reportable Accidents	0	52	Animals Picked-Up	2	124
Premise Checks	59	3830	DUI Arrests	0	65
Traffic Stops	18	1395	Misdemeanor Arrest	6	354
Traffic Summons	12	820	Felony Arrest	6	281
Domestics	0	43	Civil Papers Served	0	6173
Mental Health	1	23			

11/23/16—50 West Lee St—11:15—Paul Fincham, 32 of Sperryville, was arrested for probation violation.

11/23/16—7300-bik Comfort Inn Dr—16:50—Jerr Donahue, 51 of Warrenton, was arrested for drunk in public.

11/23/16—78 West Lee St—23:00—Caitlyn Bozman, 19 of Blackstone, was arrested on an outstanding warrant for contempt of court.

11/23/16—70 Colpeper St—16:00—Jason Vernon Carter, 33 of Madison, was arrested for falsifying patient records and probation violation.

11/24/16—Report taken for a narcotics overdose.

11/27/16—50 West Lee St—01:30—Tommy Kincaid, 25 of Beaverton, was arrested on an outstanding warrant for possession of a controlled substance.

Lee District	Recent	YTD	Overdoses (Opiales)	Recent	YTD
Calls for Service	55	4444	Overdose Death (Opiales)	1	12
Reportable Accidents	6	166	Noise Complaints	1	79
Non-Reportable Accidents	0	80	Animals Picked-Up	0	169
Premise Checks	71	3984	DUI Arrests	3	27
Traffic Stops	19	1022	Misdemeanor Arrest	5	222
Traffic Summons	12	582	Felony Arrest	0	92
Domestics	4	140	Civil Papers Served	0	1274
Mental Health	0	45			

11/23/16—11000-bik Marsh Hill Rd—20:30—Michael Arrington, 36 of Fredericksburg, was arrested for DUI.

11/24/16—12000-bik Lucky Hill Rd—17:45—Christina Nguyen, 56 of Remington, was arrested for assault.

11/25/16—James Madison Hwy/Freemans Ford Rd—18:30—Two vehicle traffic accident with injuries.

11/25/16—11000-bik Marsh Hill Rd—22:30—Mahmoud Salatin, 58 of Warrenton, was arrested for DUI.

11/26/16—10000-bik James Madison Hwy—Richard Spegado, 27 of Remington, was arrested for DUI and reckless driving.

11/26/16—James Madison Hwy/Freemans Ford Rd—09:00—Two vehicle traffic accident with injuries. Felicia Anzilo, 31 of Stafford, was charged with reckless driving.

11/26/16—6100-bik Olivera Ave—09:45—Report taken for larceny from an unlocked vehicle.

11/24/16—1945—Report taken for a narcotics overdose.

11/27/16—11200-bik Meadfield Dr—Kenneth Gardner, 30 of Beaverton, was arrested for assault.

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Cedar Run District	Recent	YTD	Overdoses (Opiales)	Recent	YTD
Calls for Service	73	4576	Overdose Death (Opiales)	0	9
Reportable Accidents	9	205	Noise Complaints	0	76
Non-Reportable Accidents	2	95	Animals Picked-Up	4	162
Premise Checks	75	6571	DUI Arrests	1	36
Traffic Stops	40	2219	Misdemeanor Arrest	1	244
Traffic Summons	37	1303	Felony Arrest	1	87
Domestics	0	97	Civil Papers Served	0	1208
Mental Health	0	46			

11/26/16—5300-bik Old Auburn Rd—15:45—Gilbert Smith, 54 of Chester Gap, was arrested on a traffic stop for driving as a habitual offender.

11/27/16—4100-bik Catlett Rd—01:00—Robert Knupp, 49 of Culpeper, was arrested for DUI.

11/27/16—7800-bik Overbrook Dr—12:15—Report taken for damage to property.

11/27/16—10200-bik Heddings Rd—15:00—Report taken for larceny of a firearm.

11/27/16—9300-bik James Madison Hwy—17:45—Two vehicle traffic accident with injuries. Stephanie Flores, 41 of Millard was arrested for reckless driving and driving suspended. 29 SB was closed for a period of time.

Communications

Non-Emergency Calls: 1386

Emergency Calls: 333

Adult Detention Center:

Total Number of inmates at Fauquier ADC: 62

Total Number of Inmates at Northwest Regional Jail: 120

Criminal Investigations

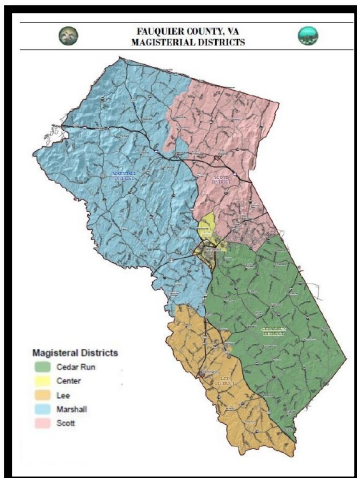
New Investigators Received: 2

Number of Investigations YTD: 663

Communications (540) 347-3300

Fauquier County Crime Solvers Hotline (540) 349-1000

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(U) Wanted Person of the Week

Date: 11/23/16—11/27/16

Adrian Paul Amos
Height: 5'10"
Weight: 190
Last known address was in Culpeper, VA
Wanted: Felony Bad Check

Anyone with information on the whereabouts of this subject is urged to contact Fauquier County Sheriff's Office immediately at 540-347-3300 or the crime solvers hotline (540) 349-1000 or e-mail invest@fauquiercountygov. A caller's identity can remain anonymous.

To check offender status, visit <https://vinlink.com/#home>

For additional information contact: SheriffInfo@fauquiercountygov

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Enforcement

Schools Open

In addition to speed awareness the Fauquier Sheriff's Office has also taken proactive steps to curb the rising complaints of reckless driving around school buses. At the beginning of the school year an active "Schools Open" campaign is launched to remind motorists that the county roadways will again be occupied by school buses. In the days prior to school openings Deputies increase visibility, and RADAR/LIDAR operations in marked school zones. In the weeks following the opening day an increased presence remains visible in the school zone along with strict traffic enforcement concentrating on speeding in and around the school zones. Once the school year begins all school bus drivers are required to report to their supervisor(s) any vehicle that passes their stopped bus. All drivers attempt to record the passing motorists license plate number, vehicle description, and if possible a description of the driver. County transportation then forwards the information to the Sheriff's Office. Each incident is documented and investigated. Whenever operator identification is possible violators are prosecuted for their actions.

In some circumstances complaints are received from citizens or transportation personnel in regards to reckless driving at or near bus stops. These complaints are also followed up on aggressively with additional patrol and uniformed deputies assigned to monitor those stops and cite violators. Although there's no data to support that these efforts reduce violations on county roads the support and positive comments from those affected make the efforts worth the while.



TEAM Assignments

Traffic Enforcement And Monitoring (TEAM) assignments have been implemented as part of the Patrol Division's daily activity. TEAM assignments began as a means of recording and tracking traffic-related complaints in hopes of mapping "hot spots". TEAM assignments are targeted at traffic related complaints including reckless driving, failing to obey road signs, illegal turns, and school bus or commercial motor vehicle related issues. Complaints received are forwarded to supervisors who task their subordinates to complete the assignments. A complaint routinely contained the location (intersection, exact address, or hundred block), description of the type of offense(s) witnessed, and day of week or time of day when offenses were most likely to occur.



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TEAM Assignments (continued)

Deputy's record the activity into the CAD system under the nature code Traffic Enforcement/Monitoring. Notes are added prior to clearing the stop to annotate information on number of vehicles checked, traffic stops made, warnings versus summonses issued, and any other pertinent information that may be necessary. If the TEAM assignment is for speed enforcement and heavy rain is falling a Deputy would note this information as it would directly affect the outcome. A survey of the complaints received is conducted by deployment of the agency speed trailer or the agency stealth stat box. The data from the instruments is analyzed prior to tasking the assignments out to verify the significance of a problem. If the research proves that the issue perceived by the citizens did not exist, Deputies conduct more patrols in the area to increase visibility. Many cases involving the deployment of the speed trailer, issues were solved just from it's presence.

A database was created in Microsoft Access and installed into the Patrol division's desktop and mobile data terminal computers in efforts to sort the data more efficiently. As assignments are deemed necessary, they are entered into the database. The database is now searchable, allowing Deputies to log in and review hot spots in their assigned areas. They can choose which assignments they wish to address based upon the nature of the complaint and the amount of attention that it has received. After completing the assignment, Deputies keep the data base current by entering their outcomes. The data base is reviewed often and if an issue has been resolved the assignment's status of "active" can then be downgraded to "inactive". Inactive assignments remain visible to Patrol Deputies so that proper follow-up can occur so that issues do not resurface due to long periods of inattention.

Total TEAM Assignments Performed	
Year	Total
2016	817
2015	655
2014	53

Total TEAM Contacts and Enforcements		
Year	Action	Total
2016	Stops	1
	Summons	559
	Warning	212
	Total	772
2015	Stops	23
	Summons	516
	Warning	52
	Total	591
2014	Summons	33
	Warning	13
	Total	46



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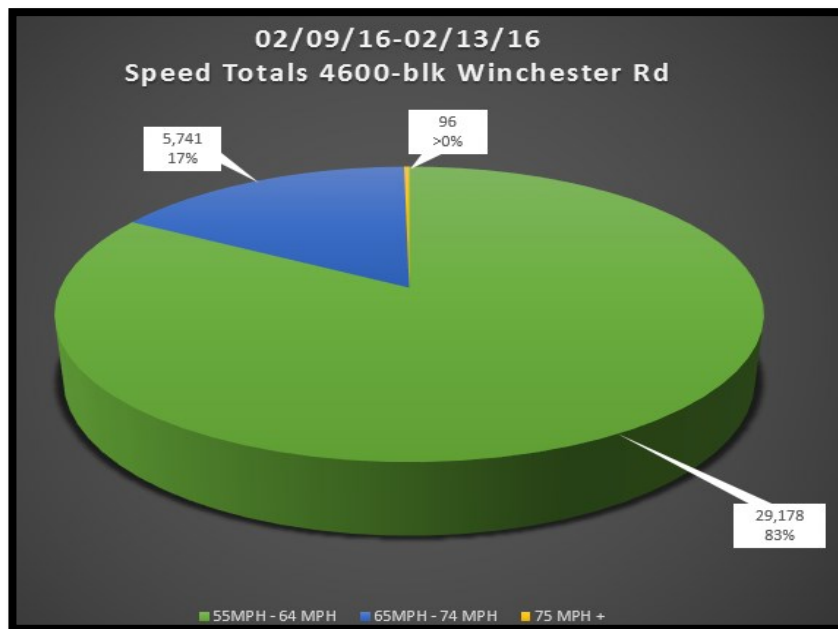
Enforcement (continued)

Stealth Stat/Speed Trailer

As part of the Sheriff's Office's arsenal to combat speeding on county roads, Deputies from the Sheriff's Office Patrol Division deploy the agency's RADAR equipped speed trailer daily. The deployment of the speed trailer is routinely directed to secondary roads and surface streets of the county's villages and sub-divisions. The speed trailer is meant to raise awareness to speeding in those reduced speed zones where speeding infractions and complaints are commonly an issue. The trailer displays the speed of approaching vehicles in yellow numbers flashing red for those traveling above the posted speed limit. The flashing red encourages those speeding motorists to slow down to the posted speed limit. The trailer captures the recorded speed data from passing vehicles, and is later downloaded and compiled to track problem areas and determine where TEAM assignments are necessary.

Members of the Patrol Division's Traffic Enforcement Squad deploy a stealth stat box. The non-descript metal box is temporarily affixed to a utility pole and captures the speeds of passing motorists. The box is routinely deployed for several consecutive days capturing speeds of passing motorists. Data is dumped in 15-minute intervals, and upon recovery the data is analyzed to determine specific times of the day with the highest volume of traffic, and highest recorded speeds.

Both the stealth stat and the RADAR trailer allow a mobile means of capturing data for analysis.



02/09/16 - 02/13/16		
55MPH - 64 MPH	65MPH - 74 MPH	75 MPH +
29178	5741	96



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Enforcement (continued)

Traffic Squad

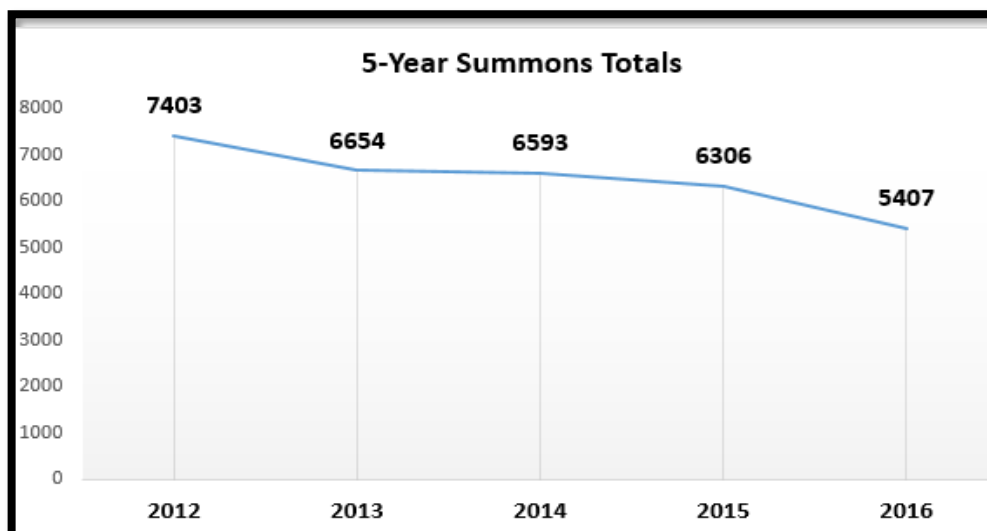
In late 2016 Fauquier County Sheriff's Office activated a Traffic Squad within the Patrol division. The unit is in its infancy stage, consisting of two full-time deputies. Personnel includes one Sergeant, and a Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) DOT certified Deputy targeting commercial motor vehicle enforcement.

The Squad Sergeant immediately made public presence in the community reaching out to address traffic related complaints, and to formulate a strategy on enforcement measures via Town Hall meetings, Social Media public safety announcements, and regular enforcement efforts. Traffic Squad members attended transportation committee and board of supervisors meetings to address county related transportation issues with local government officials, and forged relationships with local tow companies and local VDOT officials. These appearances have led to a smoother flow of information between entities and fostered a positive working relationship toward enforcement goals.

Fauquier County Sheriff's Office has high hopes that the Traffic Squad will make a lasting impact and affect a change in driving behavior on county highways. Since the beginning of 2017, the Traffic Squad has increased staffing, and is working toward FMCSA DOT certified Deputies to join their team. Directives, equipment and uniform regulations are still in the beginning stages for this specialty. The Patrol Division Commander has set a goal of implementing a fully staffed Squad, with a minimum of five Deputies by the end of 2017.

Outcomes

Our data has shown that the overall number of summons fell just over 14% in 2016; however the number of traffic complaints also declined to the lowest total in three years. In 2016 2,794 reckless driving complaints and DUI lookouts were placed compared to 3,493 in 2015, 3,165 in 2014, and 2,311 in 2013.





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Local Issue

Traffic Enforcement and Monitoring

"TEAM"

Problem Identification

As discussed in the speed awareness module, the Traffic Enforcement And Monitoring (TEAM) assignment has become a daily part of the Patrol Division's day. The TEAM assignments began as a means of recording and tracking traffic related complaints in hopes of mapping "hot spots". TEAM assignments are not restricted to only speeding complaints, but include any and all traffic related complaints such as reckless driving, failing to obey road signs, illegal turns, and school bus or commercial motor vehicle related issues. Complaints received are forwarded to supervisors who task their subordinates to complete the assignments. A complaint routinely contained the location (intersection, exact address, or hundred block), description of the type of offense(s) witnessed, and day of week or time of day when offenses were most likely to occur.

Once tasked the responding Deputy records the activity into the CAD system under the nature code Traffic Enforcement/Monitoring. Notes are added in to CAD prior to clearing the assignment annotating specific information such as number of vehicles checked, traffic stops made, warnings versus summonses issued, and any other pertinent information that may be necessary. If the TEAM assignment is for speed enforcement and heavy rain is falling, Deputies would note this information as it would directly affect the outcome. At the end of shift any TEAM assignments conducted that day were printed and forwarded to the supervision. As time went on the task became more and more cumbersome requiring it to be refined. For example Deputies found themselves dedicating time operating RADAR and LIDAR on low traveled rural routes and gravel roads; many times in hopes of finding one reported violator.

Planning

In response to the massive amounts of incoming data, a survey of the traffic complaints were made prior to creating and tasking out assignments. These surveys were conducted by deployment of the agency speed trailer or the agency stealth stat box. The data from the instruments was studied prior to tasking the assignment out. In some cases the research proved that the issue perceived by the citizens did not exist at which point Deputies conduct more patrols in the area to increase visibility. In many cases involving the speed trailer, the issues were solved just from it being stationed there.

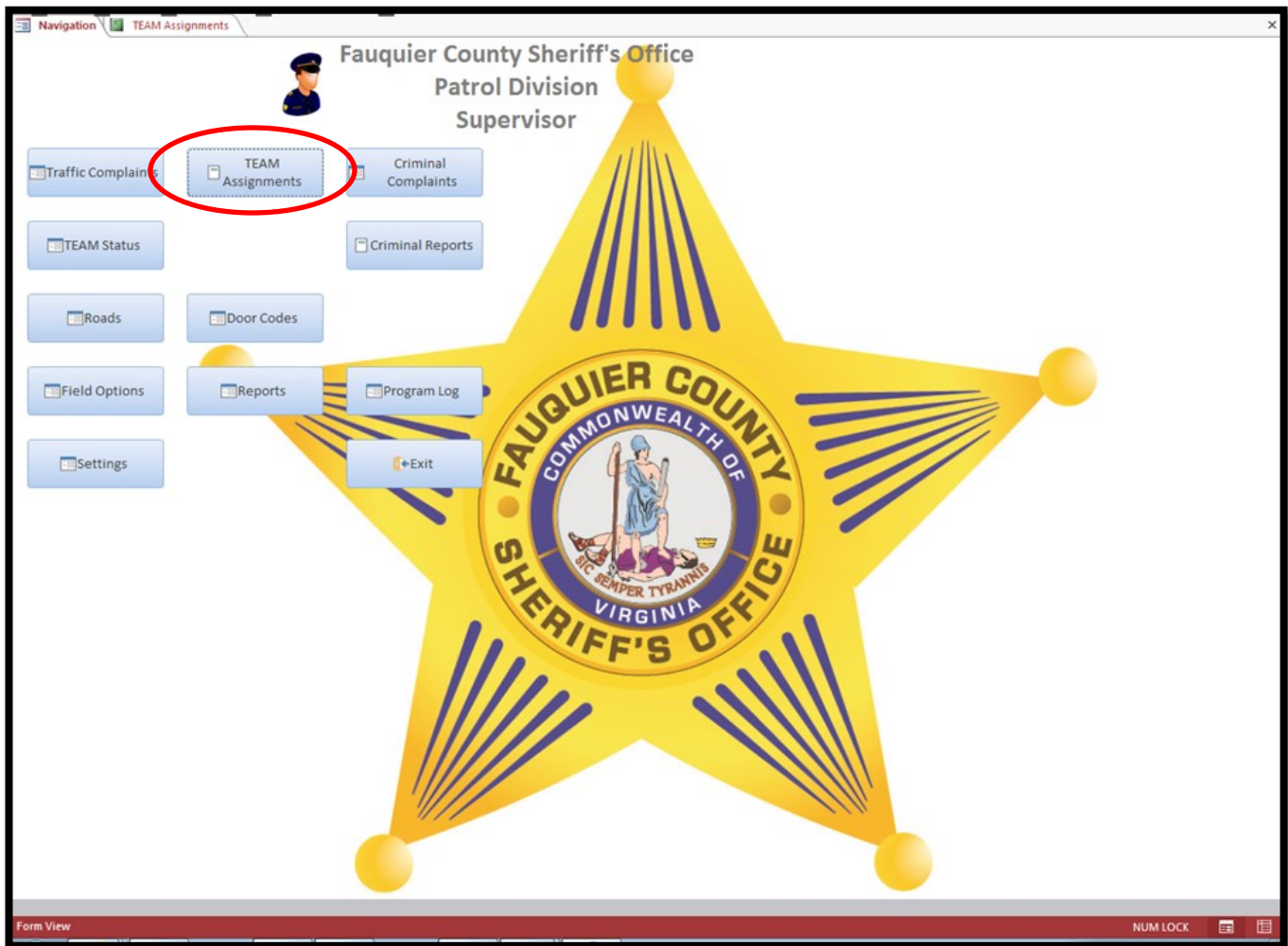


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Planning (continued)

As the amount of data coming in began to mount it became more and more difficult to sort through and organize. A searchable computer database was created in Microsoft Access as a means for more easily tracking TEAM assignments. Each Patrol Division PC and mobile data terminal (MDT) had the program installed. As assignments were received they were then entered into the database. The same methods of surveying each assignment were still conducted and those results are also entered into the database for easier analyzation. The database is now searchable, allowing Deputies to log in and review hot spots in their assigned sectors. They can now choose which assignments they wish to address based upon the nature of the complaint and the amount of attention that it has received. After completing the assignment, Deputies keep the data base current by entering their outcomes. The data-base is reviewed often and if an issue has been resolved the assignment's status of "active" can then be downgraded to "inactive". Inactive assignments remain visible to Patrol Deputies so that proper follow up can occur so that issues do not resurface due to long periods of inattention.





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TEAM Assignments							x Close
Type	Start Time	End Time	Road Name	Location	Issue		
North							
Speeding	16:00	16:30	Frost St		Area needs to be checked for speeder's during this time of school bus drop off. Listed here is a list of vehicle's that have been identified as speeding and driving unsafe. White Car, Red Truck and a Jeep.	View	
Speeding			Halfway Rd			View	
Speeding	7:00	8:00	Crest Hill Rd		Silver Acura with Va. Tag VNW-7594 is getting on Crest Hill Rd from Leeds Manor and going all the way to Marshall. Says the vehicle is speeding and passing on double solid line between 0730 and 0745 every day.	View	
					Doge pickup truck (lifted) speeding on Crest Hill Rd. at 04:30 Hrs.		
					James Butler at Glenara Ln/Crest Hill Rd has given permission for us to park at the end of Glenara Ln		
Multiple			Main St (The Plains)		speeding/running stop sign	View	
					15:30-17:30 and 06:00-08:00		
Speeding			Hume Rd	11500 block	Marion Cloud, (703)314-7033, in Hume. He has called before and today expressed his gratitude as according to him previous traffic operations up there did have a positive impact on their community. The area of concern is the 25 MPH stretch of Crest Hill Rd traveling north from Hume Rd. According to Mr. Cloud vehicles rapidly accelerate from the intersection traveling north toward Marshall in the morning hours and enter the zone at high rates of speed traveling south in the evenings. Peak times are 0500 to 0830 in the morning and 1700-2000 in the evening seven days a week; although, the community would welcome enforcement efforts during any time of day. I told Mr. Cloud that I would add the stretch of road back to the active TEAM assignments to be addressed.	View	
Speeding	9:30	13:00	Rectortown Rd	3000 blk/25 mph zone	Complaint about speeders and speedline CMV		

Report View

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Traffic Complaints										Filter by Road	Clear	Print Report	New Complaint	x Close
Status	In-Active	Date	7/19/2016	Start Time	7:00	Complainants	Actions	TEAM						
Category	Stop Sign	Location	Leeton Forest Ln	Area	Central	Specific Location	Corbin Lane	Issue	Caller is concerned regarding vehicles not stopping at that intersection of cannonball gate and Corbin Lane.	Complainant (Name, Address, Phone #)	8/19/2016	none		
Total:	1													
Type	Area	Status	Complaint Date	RoadID	Specific Location	Issue	TEAM							
Stop Sign	Central	In-Active	7/19/2016	Leeton Forest Ln	Corbin Lane	Caller is concerned regarding vehicles not								
Stop Sign	Central	Resolved	7/18/2016	Lee Hwy	5393 Lee Hwy	Complaint of trucks entering the highwa								
Stop Sign	Central	Active	6/2/2015	Edington Dr	Edington Dr./Bill Ct.	stop sign violations								
Stop Sign	Central	Resolved	9/11/2015	North Marigold Ln	N. Marigold/Baldwin	stop sign violations								
Stop Sign	Central	In-Active	9/11/2015	Dumfries Rd	Dumfries Rd./Whipp	stop sign violations								
Stop Sign	North	In-Active	2/9/2016	Leeds Manor Rd										
Stop Sign	Central	Active	4/8/2016	Silver Cup Dr	Timber Fence PKWY	Caller advised that between 0700-0800 p								
Stop Sign	South	New	6/20/2016	Washington St	@ Rappahannock St	Speeding and stop sign violators								
Stop Sign	South	Active	1/31/2017	Fayettesville Rd	10200 block	motorists accessing the Opal flyover fro								
Stop Sign	South	Active	2/6/2017	Marsh Rd	@ Elk Run Rd	CMV's and traffic failing to obey the traf								
Speeding	South	New	7/7/2016	Warrenton Rd										
Speeding	Central	Active	10/18/2016	Lee Hwy	New Baltimore	Speeding in 55 zone***Special Attentior								
Speeding	Central	Active	7/9/2016	James Madison Hwy	45 zone in Opal									
Speeding	South	Active	8/19/2016	Blackwells Mill Rd	14165	Kelsey Stevenson who lives at 14165 say								
Speeding	Central	In-Active	8/20/2016	Shipmadilly Ln		Caller is complaining about construction								
Speeding	Central	Active	8/25/2016	Wilshire Dr	5746 Wilshire Dr.	Speeding and passing school bus. Going								
Speeding	North	New	6/1/2016	John Marshall Hwy										
Speeding	South	New	5/31/2016	Midland Rd										
Speeding	North	In-Active	9/12/2016	Free State Rd	4444 blk Freestate R	Caller is complaining about speeding an								
Speeding	Central	Active	9/13/2016	Edington Dr	@ Corral Rd	Caller Concerned about speeding in this								
Speeding	Central	New	9/29/2016	Allison Marshall Dr	5100 Blk Allison Mar	Caller wants radar conducted and speed								
Speeding	Central	In-Active	10/19/2016	Leeds Manor Rd	Bears Den Rd	Complainant								
Speeding	North	Active	10/27/2016	Rectortown Rd	3000 blk/25 mph zon	Complaint about speeders and speeding								

Form View

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Training

Each Deputy Sheriff assigned to the Patrol Division receives an MDT equipped with the TEAM tracker database. There is one administrator for the database who installs and uninstalls the software. The administrator also keeps inventory of which computers possess the tracker and ensures that each MDT has the latest version update. Deputies receive hands on training with the database as part of their field training process (FTO.) Following FTO, the deputies daily use of the system is monitored by the administrator.

Supervisors receive a separate version which allows for the assignments to be added, removed, or amended. Supervisors also receive hands on training upon promotion that explains how to add a new assignment, or when or what may be added to an existing assignment. For tracking purposes assignments are never deleted, rather rendered inactive.

Total TEAM Contacts and Enforcements		
Year	Action	Total
2017		
	Stops	20
	Summons	346
	Warning	51
	Total	417
2016		
	Stops	1
	Summons	559
	Warning	212
	Total	772
2015		
	Stops	23
	Summons	516
	Warning	52
	Total	591
2014		
	Summons	33
	Warning	13
	Total	46

Date	Start	End	Deputy	Action	Count
10/3/2015	13:45	14:45	Hamblin, Robert	Summons	1
Notes: speeding					
10/15/2015	15:58	17:57	McCormack, Steve	Summons	3
Notes: speeding in 25 & 35 zones					
10/29/2015	18:27	20:34	McCormack, Steve	Summons	5
Notes: speeding in 25 zone					
11/7/2015	14:33	15:31	McCormack, Steve	Summons	1
Total: 46					

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Data from the TEAM assignments are passed on regularly for review by the Sheriff. The data is utilized and presented at the Sheriff's regularly scheduled town hall meetings. He further utilizes the data to address the public when confronted concern or questions.



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Enforcement

The TEAM tracker continues to be a work in progress and evolve. In its current configuration, it is a daily part of a Patrol Deputy's day in the field. The platform was originally created to track only enforcement efforts generated by public request, however Deputies now log any and all stationary traffic enforcement that is self-generated. This allows for a more accurate depiction of when and where stationary enforcement is occurring.

Outcomes

Since its inception in 2014, the use of the TEAM tracker has continued to grow. The project is fluid and continues to change to suit the agency's needs. The administrator recently added a module for criminal complaints. Fauquier County Sheriff's Office intends on working toward an updated version that will allow Commercial Motor Vehicle Enforcement assignments the ability to track their respective activity using the same database.

Fauquier County Sheriff's Office performed a total of 817 TEAM assignments in 2016, which is nearly a 25% increase from 2015's total of 655.

Total TEAM Assignments Performed	
Year	Total
2016	817
2015	655
2014	53