

CHESAPEAKE SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Chesapeake, Virginia



2023 Annual Report

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SHERIFF JIM O'SULLIVAN

Dear Citizen:

The Chesapeake Sheriff's Office strives to provide the citizens of Chesapeake with a high-quality of service. The Sheriff's Office employs more than 400 highly trained law enforcement individuals who perform at the highest levels of excellence. It is our desire to help create the safest living environment for our citizens and those incarcerated in Chesapeake.

The Sheriff's Office is tackling the mental health crisis in correctional centers. City jails have long become the de facto dumping ground for individuals with mental health concerns. With a shortage of available hospital beds in state mental health facilities and the closing of the Hampton Roads Regional Jail on the horizon, we are working with city leaders on an innovative solution to avoid a full-blown custody crisis. We are building a new state-of-the-art and fit-to-purpose mental health/therapeutic ward at the Chesapeake Correctional Center. There offenders with mental health needs will get the specialized care and critical step-down protocols needed to keep both the individual and the community safe.

We are also making a meaningful impact in the community. Sadly, violence in our schools is becoming more and more commonplace across the country. The Richneck Elementary School shooting in Newport News last year proved that Hampton Roads is not immune. Law enforcement agencies must act now to ensure they are ready when (not if) a crisis happens in their city. I am proud to say Chesapeake is meeting that challenge head-on. For the first time in the city's history, every single Chesapeake Public School has a sworn School Resource Officer assigned to protect children and teachers. The Chesapeake Police Department does a fantastic job protecting our students in the middle and high schools. This year, the Chesapeake Sheriff's Office built on that foundation by partnering with Chesapeake Public Schools to provide School Resource Deputies (SRDs) to the elementary schools. In addition to protecting the students and staff, these deputies' objective is to engage with the children to ensure their first interaction with law enforcement is a positive, reassuring one.

The Sheriff's Office is also expanding our community programs to incorporate Self-Defense for Seniors workshops to our already popular Senior Safety and Senior Scams seminars. The goal is to help ensure everyone feels safe walking the beautiful streets of Chesapeake. I am proud to present this 2023 Annual Report which provides statistical information regarding the Office as well as highlights and accomplishments of the year. I welcome and appreciate any feedback that you may have regarding this report.

Sincerely,

Jim O'Sullivan, Sheriff

“WELCOME TO THE CITY OF CHESAPEAKE!!!”

History of the City of Chesapeake



Chesapeake's history dates back much further than 1963 when Norfolk County and the City of South Norfolk merged to create Chesapeake. The city's landmarks and communities have a long, varied, and interesting history. The first English settlement began around 1620 along the banks of the Elizabeth River. Norfolk County's founding dates back to 1636.

In the early months of the Revolutionary War, in December 1775, British Royal governor Lord Dunmore moved his forces from Norfolk to Great Bridge where his army entrenched itself to await the arrival of American forces. The two armies clashed on December 9, 1775, in the historic Battle of Great Bridge, just a few hundred yards from where the Chesapeake Municipal Center complex stands today. In a brief but decisive battle, the Americans routed Lord Dunmore's forces which fled to Norfolk and later abandoned that city.

In 1793, work began on the Dismal Swamp Canal, an idea first envisioned by George Washington in 1763, when he visited the swamp. Because the canal was dug completely by hand, progress was slow and expenses high. The canal finally opened in 1805, but experienced hard times over the years. Completion of the Albemarle and Chesapeake Canal in 1858 dealt a serious blow to the Dismal Swamp Canal. Now on the National Register of Historic Places, the Dismal Swamp Canal is the oldest operating artificial waterway in the country. Both canals are operated by the Army Corps of Engineers and form part of the Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway.

The first local encounter of the Civil War occurred at Sewell's Point in May 1861. Although no battles were fought in the Chesapeake area, Union troops occupied and laid waste to much of the land. When the war ended, Norfolk County took advantage of its abundant natural resources. Its coastal location, miles of riverfront and deep-water harbors and the fertile, level farmland allowed county residents to recover quickly from the wartime destruction, moving without hesitation into the 20th Century.

While most of the area retained its rural atmosphere through the early 1900s, the northern section near the growing City of Norfolk began to develop as the suburb of South Norfolk. By 1900, South Norfolk had its own waterworks, public schools, and a post office. Two rail lines spurred rapid growth, allowing South Norfolk to incorporate as an independent town in 1919 and a city of the first class, independent of Norfolk County, in 1950.

The area that now comprises Chesapeake grew with residential and commercial development of "community crossroads." These areas are still commonly referred to today with community names such as Pleasant Grove, Great Bridge, Oak Grove, Fentress, South Norfolk, Portlock, Deep Creek, Western Branch, Indian River, and Hickory.

During the 1950s, both Norfolk County and South Norfolk fell victim to annexation suits filed by neighboring cities. Between 1950 and 1960, the country lost nearly 50,000 residents and 30 square miles of land area. Under these circumstances, both Norfolk County and South Norfolk officials found it difficult to plan for the future.

In the fall of 1961, city and county officials met to discuss the feasibility of a merger. After several weeks of negotiations, both governing bodies approved a merger agreement on December 22, 1961. On February 13, 1962, citizens of both communities turned out in near-record numbers for a special election and approved the merger. Later that year, in June, the citizens voted again and selected the name "Chesapeake" for the new city.

On January 2, 1963, the Chesapeake City Council, with five members from South Norfolk and five from Norfolk County met for the first time. These men set the stage for Chesapeake's growth and development and determined how to provide services for the new city's residents.

During the 1960s and 1970s, the young city began to develop a comprehensive network of city services, including police and fire protection, schools, libraries, parks and recreation, health, utilities, land use planning, transportation network and more. Planning for the city's future was a key need. Chesapeake's 353 square miles offered much opportunity for development.

Much of this development began to occur during the 1980s, both residential and industrial. To help keep pace with this growth, community centers, schools, a new social services building, City Hall, and court building were constructed during this period. Voters approved a \$30 million road bond referendum in 1986, and in 1988 approved bonds for additional school and library construction.

Increased economic development efforts also met with much success in the 1980s. One of the area's first Japanese-owned companies, Sumitomo, moved to Chesapeake in 1988. Sumitomo was soon followed by Mitsubishi Kasei, which now operates three plants in Chesapeake.

Other companies, such as the Dollar Tree Corporation Headquarters, Damuth Trane, and Plasser American, continue to be attracted by Chesapeake's labor force, excellent location, and high quality of life.

Chesapeake's population has grown from approximately 78,000 in 1963 to 254,364 in 2023.

Today, Chesapeake is a unique blend of rural and urban centers, providing its citizens with excellent schools, recreational and cultural facilities, and strong municipal leadership as the city continues to grow, meeting the challenges awaiting it in the 21st century.

History of the Chesapeake Sheriff's Office



The new independent City of Chesapeake was created in 1963 when the former independent City of South Norfolk consolidated with Norfolk County. The consolidation was authorized by the Virginia General Assembly and the new name was selected by the voters by referendum. The new city joined the ranks of the current Seven Cities of Hampton Roads which are linked by the circumferential Hampton Roads Beltway.

Sheriff J. Arthur Hodges, the Sheriff of Norfolk County from 1944 to 1969 assumed the role of City Sergeant for the new City of Chesapeake. John R. Newhart, a former Chesapeake Police Officer ran and won the position of City Sergeant in 1969. Sheriff Newhart retired September 30, 2012, after 42 years in office. Jim O'Sullivan, Undersheriff, assumed the duties of Sheriff on October 1, 2012.

The Chesapeake Sheriff's Office, by state statute, carries a dual responsibility of Corrections and Law Enforcement. The city of Chesapeake has a separate Police Department whose primary function is law enforcement and the Sheriff's Office supports the Police Department in their pursuit of law enforcement functions.

The Sheriff's Office's prime responsibility rests with the operation of the Chesapeake Correctional Center, transportation of inmates, providing security for all courts within the city, and serving as the law enforcement arm of the courts.

The Sheriff of the City of Chesapeake assumes a multi-faceted role beyond that imposed by state statute. The Sheriff is ultimately responsible for the day-to-day administration of the Sheriff's Office, for the overall operation of the jail, and for the civil and court related functions. He is more than a local correctional administrator; he is the public administrator of a major office of the city government.

The Chesapeake Sheriff's Office is organized and operated in a semi-military manner. The department is divided into three sections: Administration, Corrections and Court Services.

Sheriffs of Norfolk County to Present Day Chesapeake

1645	Captain John Sibsey
1649	Richard Conquest
1682 – 1685	Anthony Lawson
1722	Samuel Boush
1740	Samuel Smith
1741	William Portlock
1752	William Ivey
1755	Robert Tucker
1757	Charles Sweny
1776	Thomas Veale
1785	William Booker
1812	James Williams
1819	Arthur Butt
1832	Mordecai Cooke
1835	Holt Wilson
1854	John M. Drewry
1868	Samuel Etheridge
1878	John Lesner
1900	A. C. Cromwell
1920 – 1944	A. A. Wendell
1944 – 1969	J. Arthur Hodges
1969 – 2012	John R. Newhart
2012 – Present	Jim O'Sullivan

CURRENT AGENCY INFORMATION

The Chesapeake Sheriff's Office is a very progressive, proactive, community-oriented, well-managed agency. Every member is dedicated to fulfilling the agency's mission as well as serving the needs of the citizens of Chesapeake. The agency currently employs 444 employees of which there are 385 authorized sworn law enforcement officer positions including the sheriff, 10 command staff and 59 authorized civilian employee positions. 10 additional positions are grant funded Victim Witness Program civilian employees. The agency also has 12 active auxiliary deputies that provide assistance and support for numerous events with the Sheriff's Office. Day-to-day operations include the management of the correctional center, court security, and civil enforcement duties. The Sheriff's Office also has an active Criminal Apprehension Unit that works closely with other law enforcement agencies. The Chesapeake Sheriff's office continues to strive to maintain a highly visible presence throughout the entire city. Above and beyond the scope of constitutionally mandated duties, the Chesapeake City Sheriff's Office serves as an integral part of the city's crime prevention.



Chesapeake Sheriff's Office



Mission Statement

The Mission of the Chesapeake Sheriff's Office is to deliver effective law enforcement services through transparency, integrity, innovation, enthusiasm, and community partnerships. We identify and meet the challenges of our community by building dynamic partnerships which enhance the quality of life of those we serve.





Law Enforcement Code of Ethics

As a law enforcement officer, my fundamental duty is to serve the community; to safeguard lives and property; to protect the innocent against deception, the weak against oppression or intimidation and the peaceful against violence or disorder; and to respect the constitutional rights of all to liberty, equality, and justice.

I will keep my private life unsullied as an example to all and will behave in a manner that does not bring discredit to me or to my agency. I will maintain courageous calm in the face of danger, scorn, or ridicule; develop self-restraint; and be constantly mindful of the welfare of others. Honest in thought and deed both in my personal and official life, I will be exemplary in obeying the law and the regulations of my department. Whatever I see or hear of a confidential nature or that is confided to me in my official capacity will be kept ever secret unless revelation is necessary in the performance of my duty.

I will never act officiously or permit personal feelings, prejudices, political beliefs, aspirations, animosities, or friendships to influence my decisions. With no compromise for crime and with relentless prosecution of criminals, I will enforce the law courteously and appropriately without fear or favor, malice, or ill will, never employing unnecessary force or violence and never accepting gratuities.

I recognize the badge of my office as a symbol of public faith, and I accept it as a public trust to be held so long as I am true to the ethics of police service. I will never engage in acts of corruption or bribery, nor will I condone such acts by other police officers. I will cooperate with all legally authorized agencies and their representatives in the pursuit of justice.

I know that I alone am responsible for my own standard of professional performance and will take every reasonable opportunity to enhance and improve my level of knowledge and competence.

I will constantly strive to achieve these objectives and ideals, dedicating myself before God to my chosen profession . . . law enforcement.

All deputies are required to abide by the Law Enforcement Code of Ethics as adopted by the Chesapeake Sheriff's Office and the International Association of Chiefs of Police.

Meet the Command Staff



Colonel D. Rosado
Undersheriff



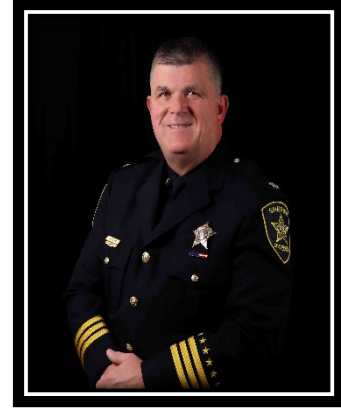
Lieutenant Colonel C. Pascal
Chief Deputy



Major J. Hyman
Chief of Court Services



Major J. Stafford
Chief of Administration



Major J. Morgan
Chief of Corrections



Captain T. Morgan
Administration



Captain D. McNair
Court Services



Captain M. Flint
Corrections

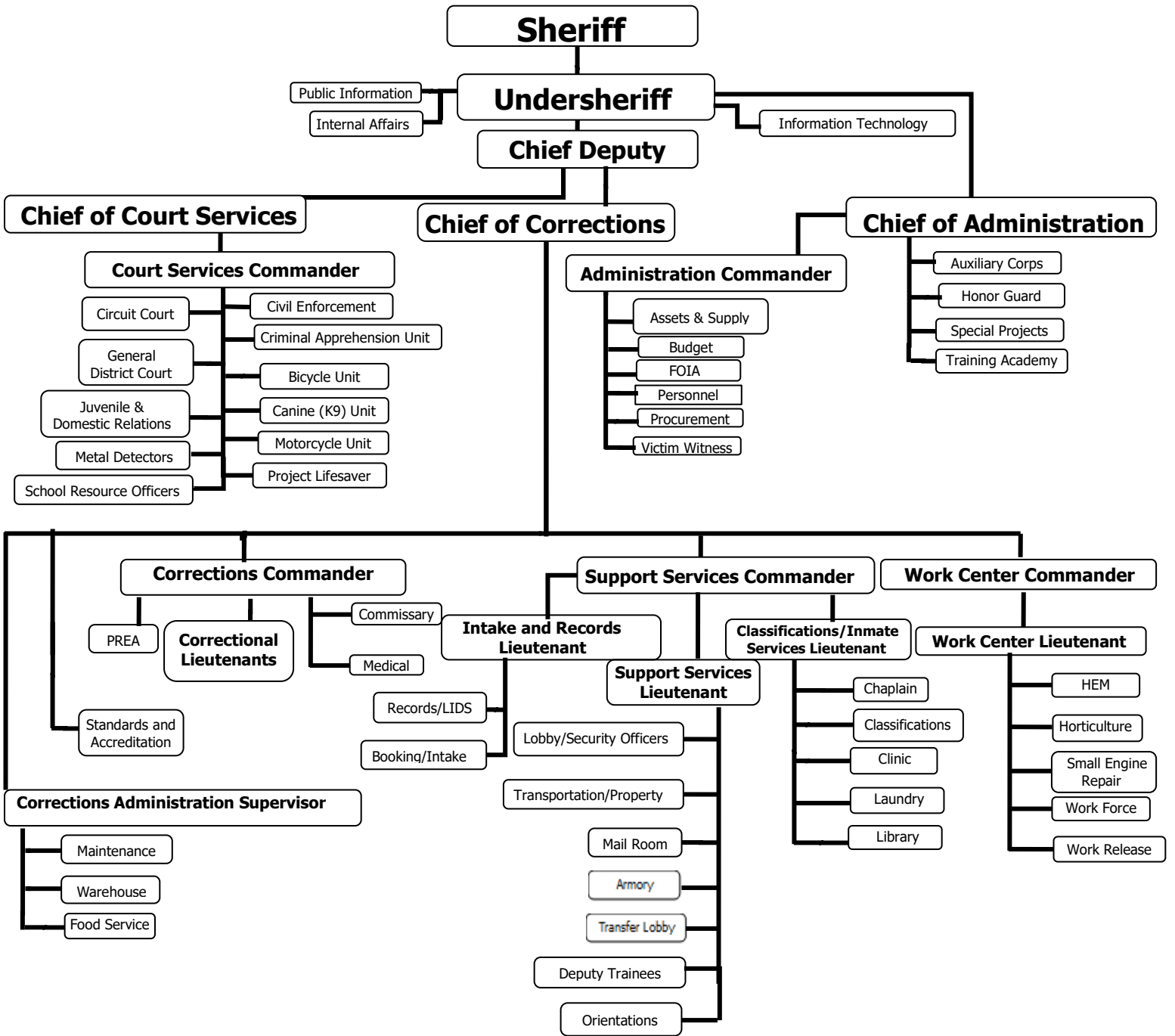


Captain K. Washington
Support Services



Captain O.T. Holton
Work Center

ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



ADMINISTRATION DIVISION

The Administration Division is comprised of the following sections:

- **Human Resources**
- **Public Information**
- **Internal Affairs**
- **Victim Witness**
- **Special Projects**
- **Auxiliary Deputy Corps**
- **Assets & Supply**
- **Training Academy**
- **Budget, Personnel, and Procurement**
- **Information Technology**

Sheriff's Office Operational Budget

The Sheriff's Office fiscal year (FY) operating budget for FY2023 was \$62,536,072. Listed below is a breakdown of this budget:

Monetary Breakdown of Budget:

Payroll and Benefits	\$41,728,954.00
Controlled Expenses	\$ 3,642,567.00
General Expenses	\$16,851,638.00
Capital Outlay	<u>\$ 312,923.18</u>
TOTAL BUDGET:	<u>\$62,536,072.18</u>

(Source: FY23 Department ME Report (210000) on 6/30/2023)

Auxiliary Deputy Corps

The Auxiliary Deputy Corps is comprised of a group of volunteers that are dedicated to serving the citizens of Chesapeake. They are individuals that have core values in common...dedication, professionalism, and a strong sense of community service in their hearts. Members are accepted into the Auxiliary Deputy Corps after they complete the application process and a background check. During their first six months they must complete a prescribed course of training and become certified by the training officer or their representative. Members are sworn in after six months of probation, completion of the training course, and upon the recommendation of the Auxiliary Major and Sheriff's Office Auxiliary Corps Coordinator. All members will be required to attend and pass a DCJS Auxiliary Deputy Academy when offered.

The Auxiliary Deputy Corps assists regularly with numerous functions of the Sheriff's Office. They provide security to several events held throughout the year, such as the Chesapeake Jubilee, 4th of July Parade Picnic, Great American Food Fest, Chesapeake Wine Festival, Khedive Oyster Roast, and many other community events.

Victim/Witness

Advocates for the Chesapeake Sheriff's Office Victim/Witness Program work to humanize the criminal justice system for people affected by crime. We ensure all crime victims are treated with dignity, respect, and compassion throughout the criminal justice process. Our program cultivates a safe space in which clients can be empowered, given resources, and informed about their rights under Virginia's Crime Victim and Witness Rights Act. Our trauma-informed care approach encourages both staff and clients collaborate in a framework of wellness that results in improved criminal justice outcomes.

Below listed are the statistics for this section in 2023:

Total Number of Victims Served:	2779
Total Number of New Victims Served:	2274
Total Number of Services Provided:	37,760
Compensation Fund Applications Filed:	28
Number of Initial Awards:	14

Characteristics of Victims Served						Type of Victimization	
GENDER		RACE		AGE		CRIME	
Male	679	Caucasian	1005	0 - 12	128	Survivors of Homicide Victims	61
Female	1592	Black	1004	13 – 17	190	Child Abuse	169
Unknown	3	Hispanic	45	18 – 24	297	Child Sexual Abuse	224
		Asian	11	25 – 59	1293	Robbery	114
		Unknown	190	Over 60	166	Assault	1042
		American Indian/Alaska Native	2	Unknown	200	Domestic Violence	1563
		Multiple Races	10			Sexual Assault	117
		Native Hawaiian and other Pacific Islander	7			Other Crimes Against Person	704

The Victim/Witness Section was involved with the following activities held in 2023:

Our staff participated in a work group with the Office for Victims of Crime and various city officials to assess our response to the mass shooting that took place in Walmart in November of 2022.

In April we hosted our first in person Crime Victims' Rights Ceremony in 3 years. We had been hosting virtual ceremonies in response to the Covid pandemic. The ceremony is held in recognition of National Crime Victims' Rights Week. During the ceremony, victims and witnesses are recognized and honored and family and friends are invited to place a card with a loved one's name on the memorial tree while a video montage of pictures is played. Staff participated in several city events including Cops and Kids and the holiday basket delivery. Staff attended a number of trainings to include Trauma to Trial, which is a team training consisting of CA, detective, and victim advocate, Basic Domestic Violence and Sexual Violence Training, Annual Virginia Victim Assistance Conference, Directors Forum, as well as many webinars and city trainings. We provided training to the Chesapeake Police Department recruit class on Domestic Violence and Victim/Witness Services. We also spoke to the deputy recruit class about our program and the services we provide. We continue to share support information and literature at our awareness table in the Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court, where we highlight different topics each month.

We prepared for and had our DCJS grant monitoring visit in July, which is an audit of the current grant year and previous 3 years. It is very comprehensive, and we received very positive feedback, and no problems were reported.

Staff are members of several committees and task forces to include Virginia Victims Fund Committee, State Crisis Response Team, Chesapeake Sexual Assault Response Team, Chesapeake MDT, Domestic Violence Task Force, Human Trafficking Task Force, and Military Civilian Family Violence Prevention Council.

We have secured additional funding to increase our Homicide Survivor Support Group from once a month to two meetings per month. It provides support for family members that have lost a loved one to violence.



Chesapeake Sheriff's Office Victim Witness Staff

Special Projects



The Chesapeake Sheriff's Office raised \$14,000 for Special Olympics Virginia at the 2023 Polar Plunge in Virginia Beach.



Sheriff Jim O'Sullivan and Undersheriff David Rosado Office hosted the 42nd Annual Great American Food Fest which raises funds that help with so many of the Chesapeake Sheriff's Office's charity programs and senior events.



The Chesapeake Sheriff's Office had more than a thousand people at Historic Greenbrier Farms for the Oyster & South Festival. This event helps raise money for Sheriff Jim O'Sullivan's "Children Today Leaders Tomorrow" (CTLT) which supports local children through mentoring programs such as "Aspire", "Be a Hero, not a Zero, and STAR".

Special Projects



The Chesapeake Sheriff's Office was able to give back in many ways to the community this Holiday season. Our Deputy Sheriffs along with students in the ASPIRE program, the Chesapeake Police Department, and the Chesapeake Fraternal Order of Police Lodge # 9 joined forces with Wal-Mart for the annual "Cops & Kids" program. Deputy sheriffs and police officers went shopping for holiday gifts for local families in need.



Sheriff Jim O'Sullivan's 12th Annual CTLT Youth Football Camp had children learning football and life skills from coaches and players from our local middle and high schools. The children ran defensive and offensive drills and completed teambuilding exercises. This year they were joined by NFL player Josh Sweat of the Philadelphia Eagles!



Jim O'Sullivan was thrilled to host the 33rd Annual Senior Support Services Seminar at the Chesapeake Conference Center. Approximately 1800 seniors attended the 2-day senior expo and luncheon which offered information, services, and resources to help our local seniors.

The Chesapeake Sheriff's Office Training Academy

Sheriff Jim O'Sullivan and Undersheriff David Rosado hosted two ceremonies in 2023, for graduates of the Chesapeake Sheriff's Office Training Academy. These graduates completed our very own Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS) certified training program and were sworn in as deputy sheriffs in the City Council Chambers.



13 Graduates of the 20th Session of the Chesapeake Sheriff's Office Training Academy were administered the Oath of Office by Chesapeake Clerk of Court Alan P. Krasnoff on January 20th, 2023.



11 Graduates of the 21st Session of the Chesapeake Sheriff's Office Training Academy were administered the Oath of Office by Chesapeake Clerk of Court Alan P. Krasnoff on September 15th, 2023.

CORRECTIONS DIVISION

The Corrections Division is responsible for the safe and secure operation of the Chesapeake Correctional Center. The facility is rated to house 747. The Corrections Section is comprised of the following sections:

CORRECTIONS

- Standards & Accreditation
- Medical Services
- Commissary Services
- Food Services
- Maintenance
- Warehouse
- Armory
- Intelligence Operations Unit

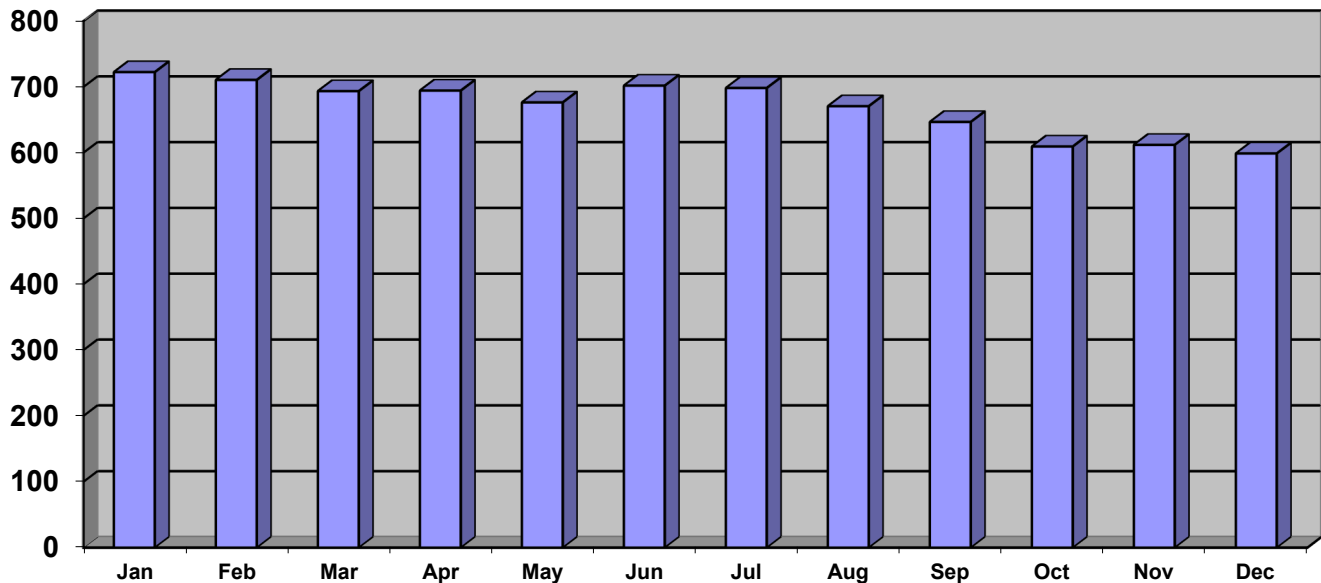
SUPPORT SERVICES

- Booking / Intake
- Inmate Records / LIDS
- Transportation / Transfer Lobby
- Classifications
- Chaplain / Jail Ministry
- Laundry
- Clinic
- Library Services
- Recreation
- Lobby Security
- Special Programs

WORK CENTER

- Work Force
- Home Electronic Monitoring
- Work Release
- Small Engine Repair
- Re-Entry
- Horticulture

The chart below lists the daily population averages for each month in 2023.

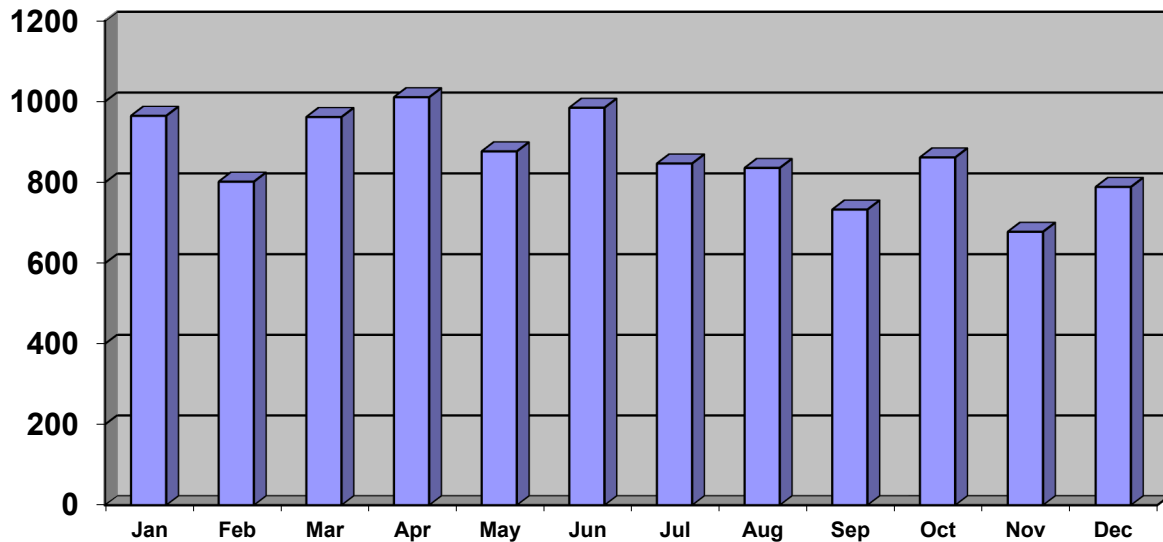


Average Inmate Population – 2023

Support Services

Booking / Intake

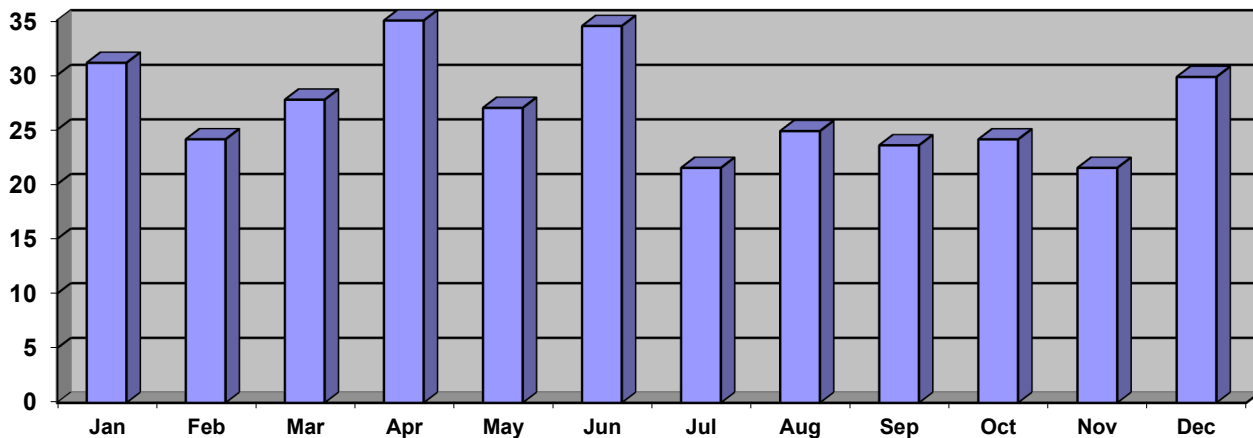
The Chesapeake Correctional Center performed 10,347 bookings for 2023. The chart below lists the number of bookings including individuals sentenced by the courts performed each month in 2023.



Bookings – 2023

Weekend Programs

The Weekend Day Program is a non-residential, alternative daytime work program for offenders sentenced to serve “non-consecutive” sentence days by the Chesapeake Court. Selected participants are assigned to off-site work details on Saturday and Sunday and return to the Community Programs Center to be released from the unit at the completion of each day (Participation fees apply).



Average Weekender Population – 2023

Work Center

Work Force Program Totals for 2023:

CREWS	MANHOURS	Value of Work @ \$16.39/Hour
Stormwater Crews	22,716	\$ 372,315.24
Female Work Crews	10,077	\$ 165,162.03
Public Works Crews	4,688	\$ 76,836.32
Western Branch Crews	2,619	\$ 42,925.41
City Garage/Small Engine Repair	2,512	\$ 41,171.68
Parks and Recreation	10,580	\$ 173,406.20
Special Projects Crew	3,376	\$ 61,233.04
Remands to City Agencies	7,064	\$ 115,778.96
Total Man Hours Worked	63,992	\$ 1,048,828.88

In addition, inmates assigned to the various work crews had credits applied for fines and cost. The 2022 total applied to fines and cost was \$402,744.00 (Hours figured at minimum wage)

Work Release Program Totals:

	Administrative Fees	Jail Board	Total Revenue
Program Revenue	\$1,425.00	\$39,696.00	\$41,121.00
	Fines and Costs	Support to DCSE	
	\$2,549.57	\$8,249.30	

Home Electronic Monitoring Program Totals:

	Administrative Fees	Equipment Fees	Total Revenue
Program Revenue	\$75.00	\$2,941.00	\$3,016.00
	Equipment Rental	Program Net	
	\$1,404.90	\$1,611.10	

Horticulture Program Totals:

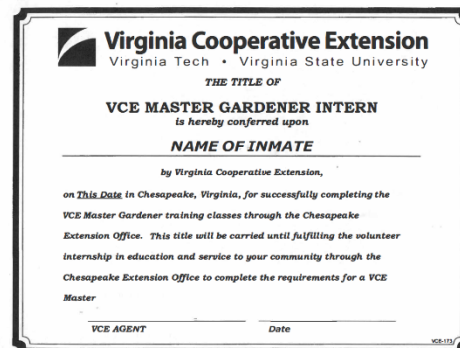
	Quantity (Count)	Weight (Pounds)	Total Donations (Pounds)
Program Contributions	8527	468.25	468.25

Community Programs Center

The “Community Programs Center” (Work Center) offers inmates introductory programs designed to educate and train on basic skills and technical aspects of various vocations. The skills obtained through these programs allow graduates to become more marketable upon release from custody.

Graduates from the **Small Engine Repair Program** and **Horticulture program** receive certificates for skills learned in each of these programs. Produce grown in the greenhouse goes to local families in need in partnership with the Healthy Chesapeake program.

In 2023 there were 6 graduates from the **Small Engine Repair Program** with 6 completing the Bronze Level Training module on the STIHL iCademy. The **Horticulture Program** had it largest harvest ever! (over 468 lbs) It had 5 graduates who completed their VCE Master Gardner Intern training and VCE Master Gardner Volunteer training from the Virginia Cooperative Extension in partnership with Virginia Tech and Virginia State University.



CORRECTIONAL CENTER PROGRAMS:

ALTERNATIVE SENTENCING OPTIONS

- **HEM (Home Electronic Monitoring):** The Home Electronic Monitoring program provides a service that allows eligible inmates to serve their sentence at their residence. These inmates are electronically monitored by Sheriff's Office personnel and are subject to strict rules and regulations set forth by the Chesapeake Sheriff's Office (Participation fees apply).
- **Work Force Program:** The Work Force program is a joint effort between the Chesapeake Sheriff's Office, Public Works, Stormwater, and Parks and Recreation. Inmates assigned to these crews are under the direct supervision of deputy sheriffs who act as crew leaders, making sure assigned duties are performed. The crews are trained by Public Works and become certified in the use of certain equipment. Public Works crews maintain common areas, clean stormwater ditches, cut medians, cut parks and recreation sites, perform debris removal, and much more. This program allows low risk, non-violent offenders the ability to serve their sentences while gaining valuable job training as well as the opportunity to pay fines and court costs.
- **Work Release Program:** The Work Release program is a partial confinement program allowing offenders to continue their employment to help transition them back into society. Offenders are monitored by Sheriff's Office personnel while out of the facility. Regular visits to each offender's place of employment and random telephone checks with employers and supervisors are conducted (Participation fees apply)
- **The Drug Court Partnership Program:** The Drug Court Partnership Program is a specialized program that courts provide to closely monitor, treat, and rehabilitate offenders with substance use disorders. The drug court program is operated entirely with existing resources. The core partners are the Commonwealth's Attorney, Public Defenders Office, Community Services Board, and Probation & Parole District Office #31.
- **The Weekend Day Program:** The Weekend Day Program is a non-residential, alternative daytime work program for offenders sentenced to serve "non-consecutive" sentence days by the Chesapeake Court. Selected participants are assigned to off-site work details and returned to the Programs Operations Center to be released at the end of the day. (Participation fees apply)

SELF-HELP PROGRAMS

- **The Correctional Center Chaplaincy Programs:** The Correctional Center Chaplaincy Program is managed by a full-time chaplain and administrative assistant provided by the Chesapeake Jail Ministry. The chaplain and his volunteers provide religious counseling services, Faith & Finance programs, and Bible studies to meet the spiritual needs of the inmates and staff of the Correctional Center and the Chesapeake Juvenile Services.
- **The Nurture Block Program:** The Nurture Program is a religious program and a substance abuse program that teaches and uses spiritual principles to empower the participants to change negative lifestyles. This program is for those who are serious about reaching their spiritual renewal or acquiring a spiritual awakening, about developing a positive character, and about building a spiritual faith community within the Chesapeake City Jail that can be carried back to our various neighborhoods and family members.
- **The Vocational Skill Development Program:** The Vocational Skill Development Program is an introductory program designed to educate and train inmates on the basic skills and technical aspects of various vocations such as horticulture, janitorial, grounds maintenance, kitchen operations, and small engine repairs. This program helps inmates gain basic job skills, making them more marketable to employers upon release from custody.

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

- **The GED Program:** The GED Program is taught by the Chesapeake Adult Education Services. Inmates are provided the opportunity to pursue their GED, including computer training, through individual study and classroom learning in the Correctional Center.
- **The Special Education Program:** The Special Education Program is a program that works in conjunction with the Chesapeake Public School System. It provides for continued education for eligible inmates with learning disabilities. The program has a full-time instructor who provides individual instruction and educational services to inmates under the age of 21 years.

THERAPEUTIC PROGRAMS

- **The Alcoholics Anonymous Program:** The Alcoholics Anonymous Program provides inmates with the opportunity to share their experiences, strengths, and hopes with each other, and with community volunteers in the hope they may solve their common problems while helping others to recover from alcoholism. (Participation is limited due to program staffing)
- **The Narcotics Anonymous Program:** The Narcotics Anonymous Program provides inmates with a recovery process and support network inextricably linked together. One of the keys to Narcotics Anonymous success is the therapeutic value of addicts working with other addicts. Members share their successes and challenges in overcoming active addiction and living drug-free productive lives through the application of the principles contained within the Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions of Narcotic Anonymous (Participation limited due to program staffing)
- **The Chesapeake Behavioral Health program:** The Chesapeake Behavioral Health docket is a specialized community docket, created and developed to serve the citizens of Chesapeake. It addresses issues such as drug addiction and mental health, with an emphasis on community engagement and problem-solving. The goal of the docket is to link participants to individually tailored community-based services where appropriate. This treats individuals with dignity and respect, while at the same time helping to reduce recidivism and improve community safety.



PRE-DISCHARGE RELEASE PROGRAMS

- **Re-Entry Program:** The re-entry program is a comprehensive multiagency collaboration, designed with local partners and volunteers to assist offenders by providing basic services and educational opportunities. This voluntary pre-release program can be a foundation for successful transitions and reintegration into the community.

COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAMS:

- **The File of Life program:** The File of Life is distributed free of charge by a grant from Sentara Health Foundation. This program is design to inform Emergency Personnel of vital information in the effort to execute immediate and accurate treatment of seniors and people with chronic conditions, in the event that they are found in their home or car unconscious or confused. This is done with the use of The File of Life Packet which includes.
 1. A red sticker that states File of Life. This is to be placed on or near the front door or the rear window of their car to alert emergency personnel that you have the File of Life.
 2. A red magnetic packet with File of Life written on the top edge, which is to be attached to the front of your refrigerator or kept in glove compartment. This is the location where emergency personnel will go to when they enter your residence or facility. The packet will contain a file that will list the vital information to be filled out by the participant.
 3. The file is contained in the magnet packet. All information must be filled out in pencil due to the constant changes in medications and medical information.
- **The Child Identification Program:** The Digital ID Kid Program provides parents with a complete set of fingerprints, color digital photographs and descriptive information required for input into the National Law Enforcement Computer data base should a missing child report be filed.
- **The Senior Citizen Identification Card program:** The Senior Citizen Identification Card program is a service that is offered at the Sheriff's Office Administration Building. The cards are a second form of identification, which contain the individual's picture, signature, social security number, date of birth, and address. The Public Information office issues senior IDs at senior events & meetings, upon invitation.
- **The Senior Support Services Seminar:** The Senior Support Services Seminar is held each year to better inform senior citizens of programs and services available to them in the city of Chesapeake.
- **Project Lifesaver:** Project Lifesaver allows selected patients with Alzheimer disease and/or dementia the opportunity to be fitted with a special electronic transmitter. Should the patient wander off or become lost, the Search and Rescue Unit would be able to track the signal from the transmitter. In most cases, the patient is found in less than one hour.
- **The 911 Cell Phone Bank program:** The 911 Cell Phone Bank program is a program for victims of Domestic Violence. It provides victims of Domestic Violence with a cell phone for 911 emergencies. This gives victims a sense of safety, security, and having an avenue to contact authorities if needed. The phones are loaned until the court date or for a period of 30 days. However, since every situation is different the time allotted can be extended. Victims are responsible for keeping the phones charged and are urged to keep the phones with them at all times. Many victims have benefited from this service.

- **Victim Information and Notification Everyday (VINE):** VINE is a toll-free, 24-hour, anonymous, computer-based telephone service that provides victims of crime with two important features, information, and notification. Victims may call VINE from any touch-tone telephone, any time, to check on an inmate's custody status. Victims may register with VINE for an automated notification call when an inmate is released, transferred, escapes and to learn of an inmate's parolee status if the inmate is parole eligible.
- **Children Today, Leaders Tomorrow (CTLT):** CTLT is a non-profit organization that offers programs such as "Aspire," "Be a Buddy not a Bully", Adopt - A - Grand Buddy, and "Stars." These programs are youth mentoring programs designed for both male and female youth. These programs encourage community involvement while fostering a supportive and positive opportunity for youth to engage in various community activities and projects. All of these programs are designed to reassure the youth of their value and worthiness within their community.
- **The Elderly Victim Assistance Program (EVAP) Barbecue:** The Elderly Victim Assistance Program (EVAP) Barbecue is sponsored jointly by the Chesapeake Sheriff's Office and the South Norfolk Ruritan Club. It benefits the EVAP, which provides assistance to elderly victims of crime.
- **The Holiday Baskets Distribution program:** The Holiday Baskets Distribution program is the distribution of over 100 baskets filled with food for preparing a Christmas dinner with all the trimmings. Deputies volunteer their time and deliver the baskets to seniors and indigent citizens all across Chesapeake. This program is underwritten by Walmart.



COURT SERVICES DIVISION

The Court Services Division is comprised of the following sections/units:

Project Lifesaver

School Resource Officers

Court Security

Warrants Office

Civil Enforcement

Criminal Apprehension / Warrant Unit

Court Security

The Court Security Section is responsible for the Courthouse and Courtroom Security for the Chesapeake Circuit Court, Chesapeake General District Court, and Chesapeake Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court.

Court Information – 2023

COURT	NUMBER OF COURT DAYS
Circuit Court	1174
General District Court	910
Juvenile & Domestic Relations Court	896

Civil Enforcement and Criminal Apprehension / Warrant Unit

The Civil Enforcement and Criminal Apprehension / Warrant Unit sections received 88,337 papers in 2023. The table below is a breakdown of these papers including other activity.

Levies Received	98
Sheriff Sales	0
Subpoenas Received	44,464
Jury Summons Received	5250
Out of State Papers	130
Criminal Warrants Received (Felony / Misdemeanor)	5,763
Protective Orders	1,096
Evictions	1,845
Probation Violations	214
Criminal Summonses	489
Juvenile Detention Orders	98
Other Civil Process Received	28,890

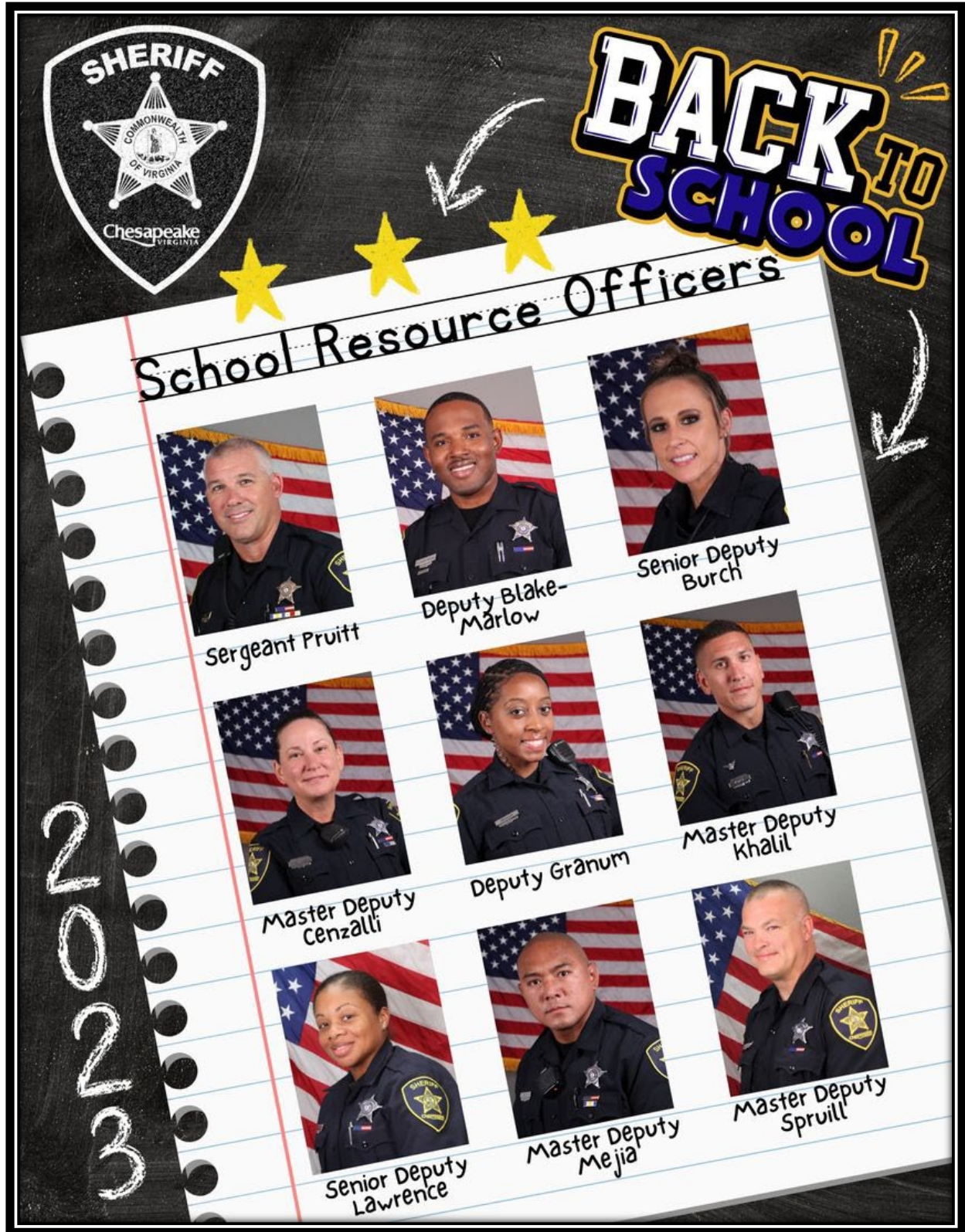
School Resource Officers:



In 2023 for the first time the Chesapeake Sheriff's Office partnered with Chesapeake Public Schools to introduce School Resource Officers (SRO's) to elementary schools across the city. The new unit is made up of dual-certified deputies who completed a DCJS school resource officer training course. These deputies will work to keep Chesapeake elementary school buildings safe and help students, faculty, and parents feel a little more secure throughout the school year. This new unit also provides an opportunity to have children's first interactions with law enforcement to be a positive experience.



School Resource Officers:



Chesapeake Sheriff's Office first SRO Unit