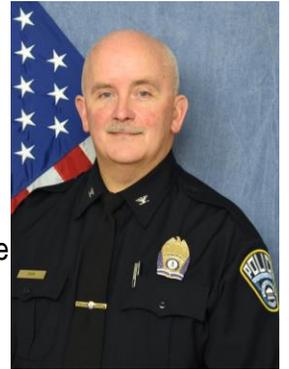




MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF OF POLICE

On Tuesday, May 10, the Arlington County Police Department and Sheriff's Office hosted our annual observance of Peace Officers Memorial Day, a solemn gathering to honor and remember the brave men and women who lost their lives while in the performance of their official duties. When a police officer is killed, it's not just one agency that loses an officer -- but an entire nation. The 472 officers who died in the line of duty in the United States in 2021 took an oath to serve and protect their community and that is exactly what each were doing at the time of their deaths. Their unwavering devotion to the safety and security of others and their selfless acts of heroism demand and deserve our recognition. It is our collective duty to honor their sacrifices and never forget their acts of valor.



The annual ceremony takes place in the Justice Center Courtyard next to Arlington's memorial to our seven fallen heroes. The memorial serves as a profound reminder of their sacrifices in service to our community. In moments of uncertainty and danger, these officers willingly and without hesitation risked their own safety by placing themselves in harm's way for the peace and security of the Arlington community. It is not how these officers died that makes them heroes but, instead, how they lived. Each day, we are proud to wear the same badge as these brave men and to continue their legacy of protecting and serving the Arlington community.

To learn more about the acts of valor of Arlington's seven heroic officers; Special Police Officer Louis Shaw, Detective Russell Pettie, Officer Arthur Chorovich, Officer Israel Gonzalez, Officer George Pomraning, Officer John Buckley, and Corporal Harvey Snook, visit our [Hall of Honor](#) and [watch our Observance of Peace Officers Memorial Day](#).

I ask that we all keep the fallen officers and their families, as well as those currently serving, in our thoughts and prayers.

Sincerely,
Andy Penn
 Chief of Police

ACCOUNTABILITY AND TRANSPARENCY

- The Office of Professional Responsibility investigated four external personnel complaints in the month of April.
- The Department received a total of nine personnel commendations, to include seven community letters/emails, one from another law enforcement agency and one from another Arlington County Government agency.
- Personnel completed 3,495 hours of training in April. Highlights of training topics include, but are not limited to, cultural diversity, leadership and personnel development, basic crisis negotiation and officer safety and awareness training.
- There was one application of Narcan by officers for an obvious narcotics overdose prior to the arrival of medics on scene.
- There were two instances of officers performing CPR on individuals experiencing a medical emergency.
- There were two applications of Tactical Emergency Casualty Care (TECC) by officers prior to the arrival of medics.

INTERNAL AGENCY UPDATES

- During the month of April, ACPD celebrated the distinguished and outstanding careers of the following retiring employees:
 - Officer Adam Stone, 32 years of service
 - Lieutenant Chad Ramsey, 26 years of service
 - Public Service Aide Nana Kyere, 21 years of service
 - Records Assistance IV Roxy Cruz, 36 years of service
- On April 28, we celebrated the graduation of the participants of the 26th Community Police Academy! We appreciate the time they invested in learning more about the agency and their meaningful engagement in discussions so we could hear and learn from their experiences.

CRIME PREVENTION AND CONTROL – CRIME DATA

ARREST DATA ¹

Month	2020			2021			2022		
	Adult	Juvenile	Total	Adult	Juvenile	Total	Adult	Juvenile	Total
April	191	10	201	194	4	198	224	8	232
Total (YTD)	1,007	101	1,108	763	25	788	885	25	910

OFFENSE DATA ²

April	2020	2021	2022
All Cases	776	992	1,246
Homicide	1	0	0
Robbery	1	3	13
Aggravated Assault	15	20	29
Simple Assault	53	96	96
Motor Vehicle Theft	12	32	37
Burglary	11	15	12
Trespass	35	33	41
Larceny from Auto	66	61	96
Other Larceny	114	120	207
Vandalism	66	80	75
Sexual Assault	7	20	12
Weapons Offenses	6	4	11
Substance-Related Offense	120	90	65

¹ Arrest month refers to the arrest date, not the date of the offense leading to the arrest. All counts refer to the number of individuals arrested, not the number of charges levied. This is a highlight of common offenses and is not inclusive of every criminal incident investigated by the Department.

² Offense data includes both primary and additional offenses associated with a single case number. All data is preliminary and subject to change based upon follow-up investigations. Offenses determined to be unfounded through investigation are not included. The 13 listed case types do not reflect all incidents reported and/or the total number of cases in the month.

³ Monthly data for CY 2020 is reflective of impacts during COVID-19 closures.

CRIME PREVENTION AND CONTROL – SIGNIFICANT SENTENCINGS

The Police Department works diligently to provide high quality service to the community through the successful investigation of criminal offenses occurring in Arlington County. Below are some of the notable investigations undertaken during the month of April in support of the Department's key initiative of Crime Prevention and Control. Additional investigative information can be found in the [Police News & Crime Reports](#), [Online Crime Map](#) and [Open Data Portal](#).

HOMICIDE SENTENCING, 2020-04230123, 1900 block of S. Lowell Street. On April 23, 2020, police were dispatched to the report of a suspicious vehicle. Upon arrival, officers approached the vehicle and located the male victim deceased in the driver's seat suffering from a gunshot wound. The resulting investigation determined this to be a [domestic-related homicide](#). Marshall Stephens Sr. was identified as the suspect and arrested in September 2020. Following a trial, he was found guilty of 1st Degree Murder and Use of a Firearm in Commission of Felony and was subsequently sentenced to life in prison plus three years.

HOMICIDE SENTENCING, 2020-06280036, 3000 block of Columbia Pike. On June 28, 2020, police were dispatched to the report of shots heard and a large crowd dispersing outside of a business. Two victims self transported to an area hospital with minor injuries and officers located a third victim deceased inside a vehicle. In July 2020, police arrested two suspects and charged them in this [triple shooting](#). After pleading guilty earlier this year to 2nd Degree Murder, Unlawful Wounding and Use of a Firearm in Commission of Felony (x2), Franklin Lambright was sentenced to 43 years in prison with 18 years suspended.

CRIME PREVENTION AND CONTROL – INVESTIGATIVE HIGHLIGHTS

NARCOTICS VIOLATION SENTENCING - On April 22, 2022, following a guilty plea by defendant Octuan Grant for Possession with Intent to Distribute Crack Cocaine, he was sentenced to eight years in prison with two years and seven months to serve.

WEAPONS VIOLATION, 2022-04080210, Richmond Highway at 12th Street S. On April 8, an officer conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle with improper registration. During a search of the vehicle prior to towing, a firearm and ammunition were recovered. During the course of the investigation, officers also located narcotics and drug paraphernalia. The driver and passenger were charged with firearms and narcotics offenses.

WEAPONS VIOLATION, 2022-04170119, 1100 block of S. Hayes Street. On April 17, a patrol officer located an unoccupied vehicle connected to a wanted suspect. The suspect was taken into custody when he returned to the vehicle. During the course of the investigation, a search of the vehicle resulted in the recovery of a stolen firearm and extended magazine. The suspect was arrested and charged with weapons violations.

WEAPONS VIOLATION, 2022-04190214, 800 block of Army Navy Drive. On April 19, officers located a vehicle bearing a stolen license plate and detained the driver. During a search of the driver, officers recovered a loaded firearm. The driver was charged with a weapons offense.

MALICIOUS WOUNDING, 2022-04040083, Buckingham Neighborhood. On April 4, police were dispatched to the report of an assault. Upon arrival, it was determined the victim and known suspect were involved in a verbal dispute when the suspect assaulted her with a metal pole and broomstick. The victim suffered a laceration and was transported to an area hospital for treatment. The suspect initially fled the scene but was located by responding officers. He was arrested and charged.

MENTAL HEALTH, 2022-04080084, 300 block of S. Fillmore Street. On April 8, police responded to the report of an individual in mental health crisis inside a residence. Upon making contact with the subject, he refused to exit. Additional police resources responded and established a perimeter to ensure the safety of nearby community members. During the course of the incident, negotiators worked with the individual, developed a rapport and he eventually turned himself in to receive treatment.

ATTEMPTING TO DISARM LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER, 2022-04120213, 1600 block of N. George Mason Drive. On April 12, while escorting an individual under a temporary detention order at Virginia Hospital Center back from the bathroom, the subject actively attempted to take an officer's holstered firearm. A struggle ensued and the suspect was detained with the assistance of additional officers.

PROTECTIVE ORDER VIOLATION, 2022-04250048, 400 block of Long Bridge Park. On April 25, officers were dispatched to the area of Long Bridge Park for the report of a female victim whose vehicle was being followed by a man she had an active protective order against. The victim was directed to drive to the police station where awaiting officers met her and detained the suspected who had continued to follow the victim. During the course of the investigation, the suspect provided false identifying information to the officers. The officers properly identified the suspect, arrested and charged him.

DESTRUCTION OF PROPERTY (SERIES), 2022-04150039, 4300 block of Fairfax Drive. On April 15, police responded to the report of a male suspect who had just thrown rocks through four windows, causing them to break. Responding officers canvassed the area and located a suspect matching the description provided by the witness. Upon seeing police, the suspect fled on foot. A foot pursuit was initiated and officers took the suspect into custody without incident. During the course of the investigation, it was determined the individual was also a suspect in other vandalism incidents in the area. As a result of the investigation, he was charged with seven counts of felony destruction of property. Follow-up investigation resulted in additional charges for nighttime burglary and petit larceny.

TRANSPORTATION SAFETY

The Police Department is committed to ensuring the safety of all travelers - including bicyclists, pedestrians, and motorists - on our roadways. The Department uses a two-pronged approach to improving transportation safety: education and enforcement. Below are some of the notable actions undertaken in the month of April in support of the Department's key initiative of Transportation Safety.

- The Special Operations Section (SOS) assisted with eight escorts during the month of April and nine special events.
- Officers continued enforcement of the hands-free law and allocated a total of 43.5 hours towards these efforts.
- On April 23, 2022, members of the Special Operations Section competed in the NOVA Motorcycle Rodeo. Congratulations to Corporal Maxwell who placed 1st in the Individual Slow Ride Competition.
- During the month of April, police helped educate community members about the newly created "School Slow Zones." These zones, which are permanent sections of neighborhood streets within 600 feet of an access point to a school that allows for a maximum speed limit of 20 miles-per-hour, were approved in November 2021 by the Arlington County Board and implemented in March 2022.
- Members of Patrol – Adam Squad organized a meeting with Arlington Public Schools employees to review parent concerns about motorists disregarding illuminated school bus lights & stop signs. As a result, officers identified 8 locations that received a high number of community complaints and conducted enforcement resulting in 8 citations for passing school buses while loading or unloading students and 49 citations for additional traffic violations within school zones.
- The Alcohol Safety Action Program (ASAP) is an enforcement campaign designed to make our roadways safer by identifying, stopping, and apprehending drivers who are under the influence of alcohol or drugs. Officers working ASAP made 8 DUI arrests, 1 fugitive arrest, issued 42 traffic summonses and 7 reckless driving summonses.

DEDICATED TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT

Program	Hours in April
Radar Speed Enforcement	104.5
Red Light	84.5
DMV Grant Funded Enforcement	30
Crash Reduction Program	24

CRASHES

Crash Type	Crashes in April
Total Crashes	138
Fatal Crashes	0
Serious Injury Crashes	3
Pedestrian-Involved Crashes	7

CITATIONS/WRITTEN WARNINGS

Month	Citations/Written Warnings Issued in April
April	1,005



NOVA Motor Rodeo - April 23, 2022



Spring Street Smart Activation Event – April 26, 2022

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Since the 1990's, the Police Department has embraced community policing, a philosophy and practice that seeks to involve everyone in the safety and welfare of their community. The Agency is committed to actively engaging with the public to build strong community-based partnerships and foster police interaction and cooperation with those we serve. Below are some of the notable highlights from the month of April in support of the department's key initiative of Community Engagement.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT HIGHLIGHTS

Community Outreach Unit

Events Attended	17
Meetings Attended	11
Presentations Conducted	4
Community Complaints Addressed	8

Business Outreach Unit

Meetings Attended	20
Fake Identifications Collected	41
Bar Safe Violations Issued	1
Special Event Permit Reviews	25
Proactive Engagement Contacts During Nightlife Detail	389

Auxiliary Police Unit

Monthly Service Hours	299
Safety Seat Inspections Conducted	42
Bicycles Registered	148
Special Events Supported	4
Residential Safety Survey	16

Prescription Drug Take-Back Program

Prescription Medication Disposed Of	356.2 lbs.
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COMMUNITY AND YOUTH OUTREACH UNITS



On April 3, Officer Williams spoke with Daisy Troop 60172 about the duties and responsibilities of being a police officer as they earned their courageous and strong badges.



On April 29, ACPD celebrated members of the 26th Community Police Academy at their graduation. During the CPA, participants learned about the agency and engaged in meaningful discussions with our staff.



On April 27, Deputy Chief Vincent, along with members of ACPD's Community Engagement Division and Special Operations Section, participated in "Reading under the Stars" at Drew Elementary School.

PHOTO HIGHLIGHTS



ACPD joined the Arlington County Fire Department, Ready Arlington and the Arlington County Sheriff's Office in donating safety equipment and supplies to first responders in Ukraine through United Help Ukraine.



Corporal Hall and Officers Velez & Williams facilitated the first Hopeful Minds session with AHC Inc. youth residents, a project that aims to equip teachers, students & parents with the tools needed to teach hope.



ACPD's Community Engagement Division hosted two Coffee with a Cop events on April 26. These informal events provide opportunities for community members to ask questions & discuss public safety concerns.



On April 23, Cpl. Smithgall enlisted the help of his patrol squad and ACFD to make Sarah Elizabeth's birthday a special one! The two first met while Cpl. Smithgall was working as a School Resource Officer.



Lt. Pilco joined our partners from Project PEACE to speak to the 2022 graduating class of Yorktown High School about healthy relationships, consent and finding support as they transition into college.



ACPD officers attended the Frostburg State Career Fair on April 20th to share information on starting a rewarding career in law enforcement. If you're looking to make a difference in your community, [join our team!](#)



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