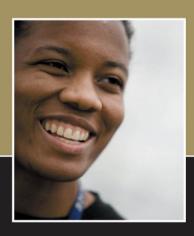


FAIRFAX COUNTY POLICE DEPARTMENT
ANNUAL REPORT







2006

# Heroes live forever













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TOMMY F. BERNAL
1950 - 2001
DETECTIVE
VICKY O. ARMEL
1965 - 2006
MASTER POLICE OFFICER
1952 - 2006
1952 - 2006

#### FAIRFAX COUNTY POLICE DEPARTMENT

#### 4100 CHAIN BRIDGE ROAD, FAIRFAX, VIRGINIA 22030-7002



Dear Fairfax County Community Member,

May 8, 2006 – a day, an event that transformed our Department and our community, and on which we suffered the profound loss of two fine police officers, Detective Vicky Armel and Master Police Officer Michael Garbarino. My memories of those difficult days are as powerful today as they were then. I'm sure they are for many of you as well. I will always remember the courage and selflessness demonstrated by Vicky, Mike, and many others on May 8 during the attack. And I will always remember the duty, honor, respect, love, compassion, resolve, and resiliency all displayed on May 8 and the days that followed.

To the community and other public safety agencies, words alone cannot express my gratitude for the support you provided in the aftermath of May 8. From the candlelight vigils, to the cards and flowers, to the fundraisers, and on and on, the support and caring was heartfelt and heartwarming. And for me, some of my most poignant memories are of the legions of law enforcement officers, firefighters and rescue personnel, and so many from the community, including families and kids standing respectfully along the shoulder of the road, on overpasses, at intersections, in yards, or in fields, saluting or holding their hands over their hearts. These are images I will never forget, and for which I will be forever grateful.

I am reminded of a message I shared often in the days and weeks following May 8. There is one way to best honor Vicky and Mike – look to the future with renewed commitment, faith, and hope, as they would have expected of us.

The pages that follow are a testament to the dedication and resilience of the members of our police department. As you will see for yourselves, our men and women moved beyond our loss and embraced the renewed commitment to our mission – to protect and serve our community. The result is another year of successes and accomplishments made possible through dynamic partnerships with the community.

As I reflect on 2006, I am proud to be a member of the Fairfax County Police Department and to serve alongside so many fine men and women. More importantly, we thank you for your caring and support as we continue to work together to maintain our high quality of life and our safe community.

Sincerely,

David M. Rohrer, Colonel

Chief of Police



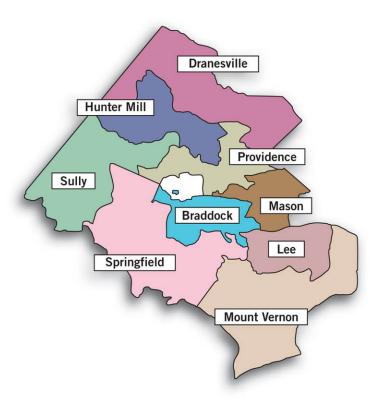
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OFFENSE	2005	2006	% CHANGE
MURDER	22	19	-13.64%
RAPE	94	73	-22.34%
ROBBERY	484	572	18.18%
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	379	334	-11.87%
BURGLARY	1,345	1,580	17.47%
LARCENY	14,488	13,075	-9.75%
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	1,599	1,455	-9.01%
TOTAL	18,411	17,108	-7.08%

# **Budget Information 2005 - 2006**

TOTAL	18,063
CRIMINAL ARRESTS	178,165
CALLS FOR SERVICE	250,511
FY 2006 AUTHORIZED CIVILIAN PERSONNEL	352
FY 2006 AUTHORIZED SWORN OFFICERS	1,401
FY 2006 DEPARTMENT BUDGET	\$185,562,761
FY 2005 DEPARTMENT BUDGET	\$199,903,563



# **Fair Oaks District Station**

12300 Lee Jackson Memorial Highway • Fairfax, VA 22033 • 703-591-0966

The Fair Oaks District encompasses nearly 37 square miles. Within the district are several major primary and secondary roads including the Fairfax County Parkway, Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway (Route 50), Centreville Road (Route 28), Lee Highway (Route 29), and Interstate 66. The station is staffed by approximately 103 officers and 26 civilians. They include crossing guards, auxiliary officers, police citizen aides, a crime analyst, and an administrative staff.



**Captain Amy Lubas** 

The Fair Oaks District is a large and growing area. Historically a residential community, the district now has a well-established and rapidly expanding business sector that has increased the responsibilities of our officers in the areas of traffic safety, criminal investigation and community service. Our officers, detectives and civilian staff have risen to the challenge, providing a wide array of services and initiatives designed to address the particular concerns of those who live, work and travel through the Fair Oaks District.

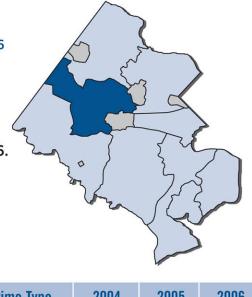
Traffic safety is of particular concern in Fair Oaks, as many individuals are adversely impacted by vehicle crashes, aggressive drivers and other traffic-related concerns. To aid in addressing these issues, patrol officers routinely maintain a high level of

vigilance regarding traffic laws and vehicle safety. Officers are aware of traffic problems in their designated Police Services Areas, and take personal responsibility to solve them in partnership with the community.

A Traffic Enforcement Team was established to target specific problem areas where recurring violations have resulted in a higher number of crashes or complaints. Several special analyses were conducted in 2006 in order to get to the root causes of specific traffic safety issues. These included conducting traffic surveys, aerial photo analysis, coordination with the Virginia Department of Transportation and the Fairfax County Motor Squad, as well as gathering input from the public. One of the campaigns included in the traffic initiatives for 2006 was Operation Big Rig, in which 157 trucks were inspected by specially trained patrol officers. Of those trucks, 87 were taken out of service because they did not meet safety requirements. The majority of those violations were for faulty brakes. This operation is just one example of the proactive approach taken by our officers, who had been receiving numerous complaints about dangerous trucks on the roadway.

Several saturation patrols were also conducted in areas experiencing a higher number of crashes or complaints of speeders. These concentrated efforts yielded positive results. The combined total number of crashes went down by





Crime Type	2004	2005	2006
Murder	0	3	0
Rape	2	9	10
Robbery	26	20	27
Agg Assault	26	30	24
Burglary	119	92	124
Larceny	1,750	1,568	1,334
M Veh Theft	123	120	112
TOTAL	2,046	1,842	1,631

approximately six percent from 2005 to 2006 in the Fair Oaks District.

In an anti-crime initiative, the Fair Oaks Neighborhood Patrol Unit, along with other officers from the station, formed a Holiday Anti-Theft Team to reduce crime during the holiday shopping season. The team was very successful, placing a total of 96 criminal charges and recovering or seizing over \$81,000 worth of property. An extraordinary effort such as this helps to deter criminals from preying upon those who live or do business in the Fair Oaks District.

Another important component of the policing strategy at Fair Oaks is crime prevention. The Fair Oaks Crime Prevention Unit has made community outreach a top priority. Crime Prevention Officers have enhanced both Neighborhood and Business Watches. As a public service, they perform home, business and community security surveys. Using Police Service Area principles, Crime Prevention Officers are involved in problemsolving for various neighborhoods in order to reduce crime on a long-term basis. Neighborhood Watch participation went up 23 percent in the Fair Oaks District in 2006, and there are currently 55 active Watches. The extra eyes and ears of those who participate in this program are invaluable in our crime fighting efforts, and we will continue to expand our involvement.

The men and women of the Fair Oaks District Station strive to provide our community with the best policing possible, and this is reflected in the positive relationship we have established and continue to foster in the community we serve.



# Fair Oaks



# **Franconia District Station**

6121 Franconia Road • Franconia, VA 22310 • 703-922-0992

The Franconia District Station provides police services to a diverse community with a rich blend of neighborhoods. Approximately 170 sworn and civilian personnel assigned to the Station work to expand partnerships with citizens and provide comprehensive services that address quality-of-life issues. Encompassing the I-95/I-495 interchange, Springfield Metro, Springfield Mall, Kingstowne and Lorton, the Franconia District is the fastest growing residential area in the county. Both traffic and criminal issues demand constant attention in this dynamic region.



Captain Maggie A. DeBoard

Community outreach and involvement was a major priority in 2006, especially in immigrant and minority neighborhoods. The Community Outreach Officer has proven to be very successful in the Commerce Street community. Bilingual officers have made tremendous strides in building relationships based on trust and open communications. This strategy has positively impacted many quality-of-life issues in central Springfield, such as reductions in gang activity, incidents of graffiti, and assaults.

In 2006, the Franconia District Station's Crime Prevention Office began an aggressive campaign aimed at educating and increasing awareness within Springfield's aging popula-

tion. Crime Prevention Officers and Auxiliary Officers hosted safety seminars and conducted extensive home security checks, focusing on personal safety and burglary prevention/education for elderly citizens. The Station has received positive feedback about this program, from citizens as well as the office of Supervisor Dana Kauffman.

In 2006, the Station increased its participation significantly with the Neighborhood Watch Program and Home Owners Associations in the district, as these organizations communicated regularly with the Crime Prevention Office. Effective communication between citizens and police was enhanced with the redesign of the monthly newsletter. The redesign was a collaborative effort by members of the Citizen Advisory Committee,



Crime Type	2004	2005	2006
Murder	2	3	6
Rape	13	9	14
Robbery	76	20	77
Agg Assault	60	30	56
Burglary	224	92	312
Larceny	2,309	1,568	2,077
M Veh Theft	331	120	254
TOTAL	3,015	1,842	2,796

Volunteers-In-Police Service, and the Crime Prevention Office.

The continued growth of Kingstowne in 2006 presented the challenges of increased automobile and pedestrian traffic in and around the large shopping centers. Efforts to address the area's significant traffic problems included initiatives such as Slug-Line Enforcement, aimed at improving pedestrian safety along Old Keene Mill Road, and the Don't Block the Box campaign at the intersection of Franconia Road and South Van Dorn Street. Through media releases and outreach efforts to civic groups, these and other initiatives are effectively addressing community concerns. The district's continued expansion will be the focus of future initiatives.

The Springfield Redevelopment Project and the relocation of thousands of jobs to Fort Belvoir as part of the federal government's Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) will further transform Springfield into an urban area. Over the next decade, new and innovative methods of police service will be necessary to meet the evolving needs of the Franconia District. Active and informed community participation will be critical to the success of these initiatives in the future.



### **Mason District Station**

6507 Columbia Pike • Annandale, VA 22003 • 703-333-3549

The Mason District Station is staffed by 124 officers and 21 civilians.

They include administrative staff, crossing guards, a crime analyst, auxiliary officers and volunteers. The station is responsible for providing police services to the eastern-central portion of Fairfax County. The Mason District encompasses 18 square miles with an estimated population of 105,000. The district is relatively urban, and the citizenship ethnically diverse.



Captain Michael D. Dittmer

The Mason Station prides itself in community involvement and interaction. Without the support of the community we would not be able to effectively accomplish our goal of ensuring safe and caring communities. The district hosts 57 active Neighborhood Watch programs. Throughout the year there is training and constant communication with these groups to ensure this valuable partnership continues. Many of the efforts have focused on burglary and robbery prevention and education. Overall crime continues to decrease in the district. This decrease is a

direct result of the involvement of our communities.

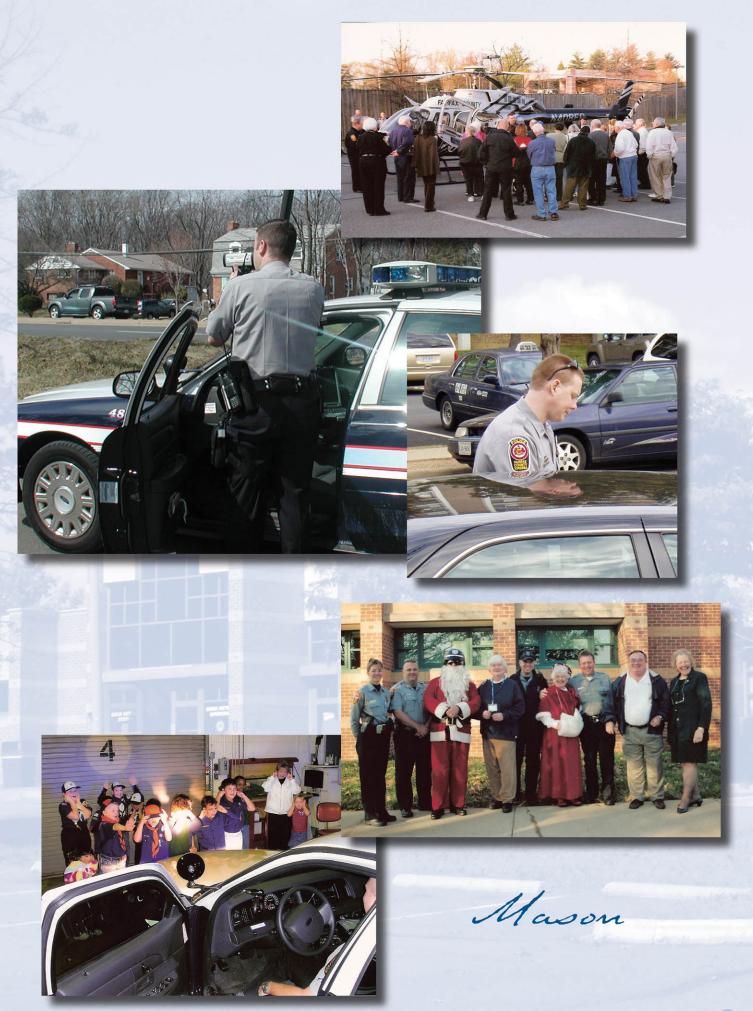
As we maintain and strengthen the relationships with established communities we have also reached out to diverse communities within the district to provide crime prevention and education for issues such as: pedestrian safety, alcohol awareness, gang education, and burglary and robbery prevention. The goal is to ensure that all communities in Mason District trust and establish partnerships with the police. One such partnership was established with the faith community at Saint Anthony's Catholic Church. It provides Spanish speaking residents the opportunity to meet with officers and discuss numerous topics on a routine basis.



Crime Type	2004	2005	2006
Murder	0	0	5
Rape	11	21	9
Robbery	115	97	124
Agg Assault	83	85	71
Burglary	196	186	197
Larceny	1,992	1,957	1,789
M Veh Theft	296	222	214
TOTAL	2,693	2,568	2,409

Public inebriation and alcohol-related crimes continue to be a challenge in the Mason District. Cases such as domestic assault, pedestrian involved vehicle crashes, disorderly conduct, malicious wounding and robbery often can be attributed to alcohol consumption. Patrol officers organized several underage alcohol stings targeting businesses throughout the district that sell alcohol to persons under the age of 21. Additionally, the officers have continued efforts to specifically target public inebriation. These efforts have resulted in numerous arrests and transportation of intoxicated persons to detoxification centers.

The men and women of the Mason District Station are honored and privileged to serve such an engaged, caring and responsive community, and we look forward continuing to foster this relationship in the future.



# **McLean District Station**

1437 Balls Hill Road • McLean, VA 22101 • 703-556-7750

The McLean District Station is comprised of 133 officers and 20 civilians; including crossing guards, auxiliary officers, police citizen aides, a crime analyst and administrative staff. The station is responsible for providing police services to the northeastern corner of the county bordering the Potomac River.



Captain Graham McGowan

In 2006 district officers and staff focused on a wide variety of community issues and projects having immediate and future impact within the district. One of the largest and most notable is the Dulles Corridor Metrorail Project. Commanders and staff recognize the potential impact construction of the rail and proposed commercial and residential development will have on our roadways and our delivery of police services. We actively participated in multi agency meetings discussing maintenance of traffic issues in the Tysons Corner area. We attended focus group meetings hosted by the Tysons Land Use Task Force. These meetings discussed proposed and conceptual development in Tysons Corner.

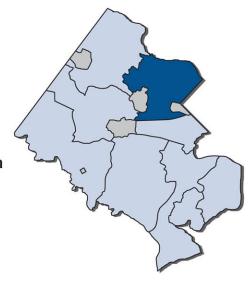
Burglary and robberies were up slightly in 2006. This was not a trend unique to our district or the County of Fairfax. Detectives in our Criminal Investigation Section investigated several serial burglary groups. These groups were responsible for a significant number of our reported burglaries. In one case a single individual was linked to 17 burglaries

in the McLean area. Our robbery increase was due in part to an increase in commercial bank robberies and street level robberies. Again, many of the commercial bank robberies were successfully closed by arrest and significant staffing resources were allocated to those communities experiencing street level crimes.

Community outreach and education became a focal point for the McLean District Station. Officers from our Criminal Investigation Section and Crime Prevention Office teamed up to produce an informative presentation on current burglary trends, methods of entry, property targeted, individuals involved and crime prevention strategies. The presentation was presented at local homeowner associations, our quarterly community meetings at the McLean District Station / James Lee Center and at business group meetings in Tysons Corner. The presentation has also been given in the Reston and Franconia areas of Fairfax County. The Crime Prevention Officers also addressed personal safety in those communities affected with street level crime issues.

The McLean Station continued to support and encourage the development of new Neighborhood Watch Programs. We have 84 active programs and continue to add additional neighborhoods. Our Crime Prevention Office is eager to meet and speak with neighborhoods interested in developing their own Neighborhood Watch Program.





Crime Type	2004	2005	2006
Murder	1	3	1
Rape	5	7	2
Robbery	58	45	60
Agg Assault	31	3	28
Burglary	246	193	228
Larceny	2,230	2,292	2,120
M Veh Theft	248	172	194
TOTAL	2,819	2,742	2,633

The station provided child car seat safety checks in 2006. The program provided convenient scheduled appointments. A total of 167 child car seats were inspected. One hundred percent of our officers received training in child seat safety. The McLean Siren Newsletter was provided to homeowner associations and Neighborhood Watch groups. Personal safety seminars were requested and provided to our business community and community groups. Officers received additional training in impaired driving enforcement and driving while intoxicated case law. Two of our officers were recognized by MADD / Virginia Alcohol Safety Action Program for their efforts in the apprehension of impaired drivers in 2005. These two officers are amongst the top 5 in the County for DWI arrests. Pedestrian Enforcement Campaign's were held along the Lee Highway corridor, International Drive and Prosperity Avenue.

In September 2006, the McLean Station in partnership with multiple Federal, State agencies and the Macerich Corporation held a Public Safety Awareness Weekend at the Tysons Corner Mall. The exhibit had an estimated 114,000 citizen's pass by the interior and exterior exhibits during the 2 day event. The event showcased the many public safety resources, personnel and programs available to the citizen's of Fairfax County and the surrounding area.

Officers supported and attended the Kingsley Commons Community Picnic, Movie Night at the James Lee Center and numerous National Night Out events. We worked with various County agencies on blighted properties, homeless issues, the Hypothermia Task Force which ensured individuals at risk were offered shelter during extreme weather conditions. McLean officers participated in the Washington Area Vehicle Enforcement campaign. The campaign is designed to identify and apprehend aggressive and unsafe drivers. We meet monthly with the Citizens Advisory Committee at the station. We encourage community participation our agency's "Ride along" program and encourage our citizens to participate in the Police Citizens Academy.

Mclean District Station looks forward to 2007 with continued support from our community with our commitment to providing a high level of service to its citizens.



**Mount Vernon District Station** 

2511 Parkers Lane • Alexandria, VA 22306 • 703-360-8403

The Mount Vernon District Station is comprised of 122 officers and 31 civilians. They include crossing guards, auxiliary officers, police citizen aides, a crime analyst and administrative staff.

The station is responsible for providing police services to the Richmond Highway Corridor between Alexandria City and Ft. Belvoir. The Mount Vernon Police District is one of the most diverse districts in the county and has established strong community partnerships.



Captain Mike Kline

In 2006, the Mount Vernon District Station established several goals to improve the quality of life throughout its community. The three main goals focused on reducing the overall crime rate, traffic crashes and pedestrian related injuries and fatalities in the district. Comparisons of the Uniformed Crime Reports from 2005 to 2006 found that crime

in the Mount Vernon District decreased by 12%. This reduction contributes to a cumulative two-year reduction of overall crime in the district by 22% since 2004. Motor vehicle crashes in the Mount Vernon District decreased by 6.4% from 2005 to 2006. Pedestrian related crashes also decreased from 33 to 23 incidents during this same period.



Crime Type	2004	2005	2006
Murder	5	6	1
Rape	7	17	15
Robbery	140	142	158
Agg Assault	87	78	64
Burglary	273	232	254
Larceny	2,262	2,024	1,748
M Veh Theft	391	342	263
TOTAL	3,165	2,841	2,503

The reduction of crime, traffic crashes was achieved through the hard work and dedication of the men and women of the Mount Vernon Station. Officers, civilian staff and volunteers work extensively and in close cooperation with members of the community. Through open communication and by fostering trust between all citizens and the police, our successful community partnerships exemplify how working together reduces crime and makes our community a safe place to live, play and work.



# Mt. Vernon







# **Reston District Station**

12000 Bowman Towne Drive • Reston, VA 20190 • 703-478-0904

The Reston District Station serves a population of 127,700 citizens, spread over Great Falls, Reston, portions of Herndon, and the area south to Lawyers Road. The 105 officers and 34 civilians on staff include crossing guards, auxiliary officers, police citizen aides, a crime analyst, and administrative staff. The Station works closely with the Reston community to reduce crime, address traffic concerns, and improve the quality of life. The Station's new motto is on the masthead of its newsletter, The Reston Reliance: "Providing Our Community a Solid Foundation Through Excellence." Many changes and enhancements were made in 2006 to build on this foundation.



Captain Deborah Burnett

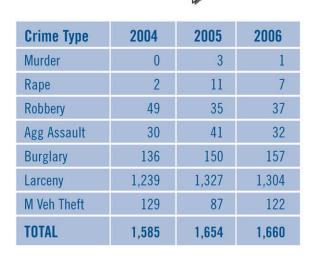
A top priority in 2006 was strengthening community outreach and communication. The Station newsletter was redesigned to make it an even more effective source of timely crime information, police events and activities, and county resource information. The Reston CAC was instrumental in providing valuable feedback and suggestions on police service in the area. Officers were involved in many collaborative efforts, addressing quality-of-life issues designed to reduce service calls and create safer communities. Commanders and officers attended community meetings and functions to discuss police initiatives and efforts, in addition to presenting crime awareness and prevention information.

In 2006, the Reston Crime Prevention Office was restructured to more effectively cultivate and maintain strong community relationships,

build Neighborhood Watch programs, develop crime prevention strategies, reach out to local businesses, and enhance community capacity. Neighborhood Watch participation increased 600% during this period, demonstrating the community's urgent commitment to safety. The Office also devised and implemented Business Watch, an effective business outreach strategy that allows businesses to receive timely crime information. Several business and residential crime awareness seminars were also conducted in 2006.

The Reston District Station also developed traffic strategies to reduce accidents and increase compliance. In order to respond decisively to local traffic issues, the Reston Traffic Selective Enforcement Team was formed. This team responds directly to traffic concerns, utilizing education, prevention, and enforcement to combat traffic-related problems. In 2006, the Station began





many traffic initiatives aimed at protecting citizens, including Give Us a Brake, Operation Safe Crossing, Operation Pedal Safe, the Pedestrian/Bicyclist Safety campaign, and the DWI-Six Pack Patrol.

Officers and detectives closed many significant cases in 2006. The Criminal Investigation Section (CIS) closed eight separate series of burglaries, resulting in at least 51 case closures, with a 37% closure rate. CIS investigated and solved six street robberies, with a 60% closure rate. Patrol officers made a significant impact through apprehensions of robbery, burglary, vehicle tampering, and larceny suspects. These efforts were recognized with an award from the Citizen Advisory Committee, a Meritorious Service Award, a CIS Team Excellence Award, and an award from ASIS. A total of 296 DWI arrests were made by Reston officers in 2006. As a result, three Reston officers were recognized at the annual awards ceremony sponsored by Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD), marking the first time that three officers from one station were honored in a single year as the county's top DWI arresters.

In 2006, the Station purchased a custom 4WD Kubota to heighten enforcement efforts along the county's extensive trail system. In addition to their current vehicles, this new tool gives patrol officers and the Criminal Selective Enforcement Team the capability to address community needs in all terrain conditions. Through this and other results-oriented initiatives, the Reston District Station will continue to provide the high level of service the community deserves and expects.





# **Sully District Station**

4900 Stonecroft Blvd. • Chantilly, VA 20151 • 703-814-7000

The Sully District Station is located in western Fairfax County and provides police service for an area of approximately 70 square miles, including the Clifton, Centreville and Chantilly areas. There are 105 officers assigned to the station, as well as nine auxiliary officers, administrative staff, and volunteers. In addition to traditional law enforcement activities, the personnel at the Sully District Station put considerable effort into communicating effectively and building relationships with the communities we serve.



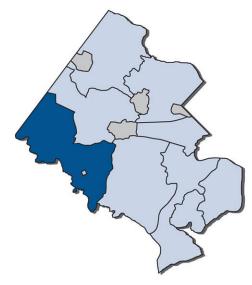
Captain Susan Culin

These relationships were evident in the days and months that followed May 8, 2006 - a day that became a defining moment for the Sully District Station, as well as the entire Fairfax County Police Department. Tragically, that afternoon, Master Police Officer Michael Garbarino and Detective Vicky Armel were shot during a gun battle in the station's rear parking lot with a heavily armed young man. Detective Armel was fatally wounded during the attack and Master Police Officer Garbarino succumbed to his injuries nine days later. As the station was reeling in shock and despair over losing two friends and colleagues, the community rallied around us and gave us an enormous amount of support for which we will be forever grateful.

While none of the station's personnel will ever forget the events of May 8th, the officers returned to work as determined and committed as they have always been to serve our communities by reducing crime, addressing traffic concerns, and improving the quality of life for the citizens we serve. As many districts battled increasing numbers of burglaries in 2006, the Sully District had a decrease in the number of reported burglaries. We attribute much of this to good, aggressive patrol work and frequent education and communication through our crime prevention program.

Traffic issues continue to be the largest concern of citizens in the Sully District and, as in past years, considerable resources have been directed to both enforcement and educational efforts. During 2006, a number of enforcement campaigns were utilized to alert and educate motorists on unsafe driving practices. In addition to participating in numerous departmental and regional efforts, the Sully Station devised campaigns to address problem spots specific to our district. "Operation Safe Corridor" took place in April 2006 and focused on driving behavior that often leads to crashes on the larger corridors through-





Crime Type	2004	2005	2006
Murder	0	2	5
Rape	4	5	5
Robbery	28	36	48
Agg Assault	28	21	23
Burglary	91	101	84
Larceny	1,087	1,145	1,111
M Veh Theft	171	129	127
TOTAL	1,409	1,439	1,402

out the district. During a four week period 1,736 summons were issued and 301 warning tickets were given to motorists. This operation was followed by the "Don't Block the Box" campaign, which addressed vehicles remaining in an intersection after a traffic signal had turned red.

The month of October brought the "Give Us A Treat, Respect Our Streets" campaign, during which officers focused their attention on neighborhood "cut-through" streets, particularly in the morning and evening rush hours. In response to too many vehicles traveling at high speed and the high number of reported crashes along the Route 28 corridor, November's campaign was "Make it Safe on Route 28." It resulted in 1,259 summonses being issued. Education is also an important part of our traffic safety efforts. One of the largest programs is the education of parents on correct installation of child safety seats. During 2006, 994 child safety seats were safely installed in vehicles and numerous parents and caregivers were educated on how to correctly install a seat. The 2006 traffic safety efforts at the Sully District Station were so successful that Sully was awarded First Place in the Fairfax County Police Department's 2006 District Challenge Program.

The Sully District Station will continue to make traffic concerns a priority, as well as fight to keep our crime statistics low. By partnering with our communities and working together, the Sully District will continue to provide the best possible police service.





**West Springfield District Station** 

6140 Rolling Road • Springfield, VA 22152 • 703-866-5419

West Springfield District Station's 131 officers, 38 civilians, and volunteers are leaders in education, prevention and enforcement activities. Through teamwork and collaborative partnerships with county agencies, the faith community, citizen groups, volunteers and non-profit organizations, the station pioneered many groundbreaking initiatives in 2006.



Captain Jack Hurlock

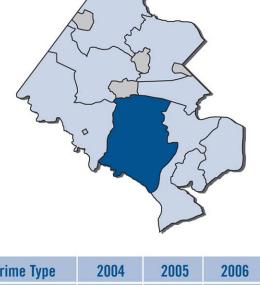
The "Road DAWG (Don't Associate With Gangs) Camp" exemplifies the officers' hard work and dedication. Officers host a group of specially chosen youth and encourage them to make safe life decisions aimed at combating the lure of gang life. The program has been recognized by the International Association of Chiefs of Police and was presented at the U.S. Department of Justice Crime Prevention Conference. In 2006, the program was expanded throughout the county. A total of three new Road DAWG camps were facilitated to fulfill this important need. Meanwhile, officers continued to mentor campers throughout

the year with the programs "Patriots and Police" and "Speak Outs."

The station's Open House was extremely successful this year as the station welcomed more than 700 residents, children, and merchants. Officers from various Police Service Areas as well as Crime Prevention Officers interacted with visitors, strengthening bonds and building trust. The outreach efforts by officers created and bolstered Neighborhood Watch groups in communities throughout the area. The results of these partnerships have reduced crime and improved a number of quality-of-life issues.

The station's Criminal Suppression Program was established to address community needs and issues. Weekly meetings were held to examine





Crime Type	2004	2005	2006
Murder	0	1	1
Rape	3	6	11
Robbery	56	43	42
Agg Assault	29	35	36
Burglary	229	172	222
Larceny	1,840	1,882	1,575
M Veh Theft	237	243	168
TOTAL	2,394	2,382	2,055

crime trends and develop educational and suppression strategies. Resulting operations by specialty teams, detectives, crime prevention and patrol officers resulted in significant arrests and reduction in crime.

In 2006, the West Springfield officers, civilians, and volunteers were commended and recognized with life saving, team, valor and other prestigious awards. Additionally, the Neighborhood Patrol Unit led the county in underage alcohol prevention and enforcement efforts. The team developed and initiated "Shoulder Tap" operations which target those who willingly purchase alcohol for minors. The program serves to curb youth's access to alcohol and frequently leads to further criminal charges.

Community is very important in West Springfield. Officers held more than 200 Neighborhood Watch and community meetings. They regularly installed child safety seats, focused on underage drinking with "Sticker Shock" programs, and held anti-drunk driving training for teens. They also continued to successfully participate in the "Safe December" and "Smooth Operator" programs, alcohol stings, and sobriety checkpoints.



#### **ADMINISTRATION**

The business side of the Fairfax County Police Department is organized into five branches within the multi-faceted Administration, commanded by Lt. Colonel Steve Sellers.

The Administrative Support Bureau is comprised of personnel, payroll, budget, procurement, and support services for officers and civilian employees in crisis.

The Technical Services Bureau is responsible for all police vehicles, uniforms, equipment, facilities, evidence storage and retrieval, and records in the Department.

The Information Technology Bureau oversees communication systems, technology and equipment.

The Criminal Justice Academy trains all recruits; provides for all mandatory and elective continuing education; and oversees the police chaplain unit.

The Public Information Office handles media relations, release of information, and primarily external communications of the Department.

The five branches are commanded by three majors and two civilian directors.



# **Technical Services Bureau**

The Technical Services Bureau's main function is to provide technical support to those officers who serve the community. The Bureau is comprised of two divisions: the Field Support Division and the Technical Support Division. The Field Support Division oversees the Property Section and Fleet Management Section. The Technical Services Division manages Central Records and the Northern Virginia Regional Identification System (NOVARIS). In addition, the divisions work together to ensure that security at each department facility is enhanced in order to provide the best possible protection for officers and members of our community.

In addition to the traditional role of the Technical Services Bureau, the past year heralded landmark changes. Safety and security projects and improvements which were pushed to the forefront by the fatal shootings in the Sully District on May 8, 2006, became our most important task. Safety and security projects consisted of installing Aiphone intercom systems, retrofitting stations with ballistic rated glass, installing improved fencing, placing gun safes at the front desk of each station, tinting glass to provide security, installing upgraded camera systems in all the stations, and providing consistent signage throughout the department.

More than 50 thousand pieces of evidence on average a year are processed. Property and Evidence Technicians are tasked with maintaining proper security and storage of the items for future use in court. In order to assist in the storage and tracking of the property, the BEAST (Bar-coded Evidence Analysis Statistics and Tracking) system was implemented. This system provides a means of bar-coding and tracking items. Three storage projects initiated by the Property and Evidence Section will provide additional storage locations for evidence. A secure storage location has been established for long-term storage of evidence from serious felony offenses. High density shelving units were installed in a storage room to increase usable space by 114%, allowing increased area for storage of evidence.

Recently, the staff of the Uniform Section completed an overall remodeling of the unit. This greatly improved the unit's organization and service it provides to the members of the department. The section oversees the ordering and distribution of all departmental uniforms and equipment for both new and veteran employees.

NOVARIS processed 17,161 fingerprint cards and over 10,000 pieces of latent evidence in 2006. The system identified 311 suspects through fingerprint analysis. This immense workload was accomplished while NOVARIS was undergoing a regional upgrade. They acquired Mobile AFIS

(Automated Fingerprint Identification System) units, which are handheld units that enable officers in the field to obtain immediate fingerprint identification.

Central Records is responsible for archiving all police reports and arrest documents. In the past year they transitioned to an automated system of reporting to the courts all of the summonses written within the county. This provides a date to the courts within 2-3 days. Before this system was instituted, such information was not available to the courts until weeks after it was entered.

The Warrant section of Central Records established a system with the Commonwealth's Attorney's office to have minor misdemeanor warrants set for trials in absence when the warrants are near purging from the system. They established a Warrant Squad to serve outstanding warrants on offenders who are attempting to evade the police. They also instituted a system to conduct background investigations and obtain photographs of suspects. This information will be kept with the warrants, increasing the ability of patrol officers and detectives to identify and arrest offenders.

The Fleet Management Section responsible for the oversight of each vehicle utilized by the Police Department logged more than 16 million miles responding to calls for service and attending police functions in 2006.







# **Fairfax County Criminal Justice Academy**

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The Fairfax County Criminal Justice Academy's primary mission is to meet the training needs of the Fairfax County Police Department, the Fairfax County Office of the Sheriff, the Town of Herndon Police Department, and the Town of Vienna Police Department. The Academy staff meets and surpasses this challenging assignment through development of progressive, innovative, and relevant training programs. This keeps the Academy on the cutting edge of the training spectrum, which results in the delivery of the highest quality services to our citizens.



**Major Tyrone Morrow** 

The philosophy of the Academy is to prepare our officers to face the challenges of the post-9/11 environment through constant, updated training.

In 2006, 11,851 sworn law enforcement officers received in-service training and 94 recruits completed the Basic Law Enforcement School at the Academy. New In-service training

included a variety of anti/counter-terrorism courses, emotional survival for law enforcement, and a writing improvement courses.

A new leadership course aligned with the West Point Leadership concept is now offered to help prepare our officers for future command responsibilities. To enhance the Academy curriculum, the Department has also begun sending command level officers to law enforcement management programs at selected universities.



The Law Enforcement Training Unit re-certified the entire Department in CPR and officer survival first aid. It also continues to revamp and revise the Department's wellness program to include:

- Implementing functional fitness classes
- Performance, fitness & nutrition classes
- Skills-specific training for wellness coordinators
- Partnering with a local health club to provide a six-week comprehensive exercise course

The Drivers Training Unit has implemented night driving classes to better suit the needs of the Department and is currently revamping the slow speed cone course to make it more realistic.

In-service training is now conducted three times a day instead of two, which has provided greater flexibility in scheduling officers on varying shifts.

The Professional Range Instruction Simulator is up and running. It has been used successfully with recruits and the staff is exploring a fixed schedule for in-service personnel to use the simulator.

Working in conjunction with the SWAT Team, an obstacle course was constructed at the training facility for use by those desiring physical training on a squad or unit level.

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### **Financial Resources Division**

The Financial Resources Division located in the Administrative Support Bureau consists of four sections (Budget, Payroll, Procurement, and Grant) and one unit (False Alarm Reduction). Twenty civilian employees are assigned to the division. They are responsible for fiscal, budgetary, travel processing, revenue collection, accounts receivable/payable, purchasing, and human resources matters.

The Budget Section is responsible for the development of the baseline and addendum budgets of the General Fund totaling \$170 million. In addition, it assists in the preparation of the budget development of the NOVARIS (Northern Virginia Regional Identification System) Fund (\$263,000). The General Fund includes the department's \$372,900 for Operational and Training travel. Approximately 400 travels are annually processed for training, extradition, investigation and recruitment. The Budget Section also oversees the department's revenue collections, including registrations of the burglar alarm system and false alarm violation fees. The department collects total revenues of \$23 million per year.

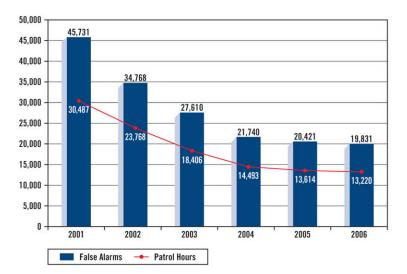
The False Alarm Reduction Unit (FARU) is responsible for management and enforcement of Chapter 8.1 Security Alarm Systems. The unit's goal is to reduce false alarms through education and community outreach. FARU has reduced the number of false alarms by 57%, equating to 8.3 additional patrol officers over the past 4.5 years. In addition to reducing false alarms, the unit is responsible for the collection and tracking of revenues received through registrations and fines. Since inception, nearly \$5 million has been collected – a 96% collection rate.

The Payroll Section reviews and processes time and attendance entries bi-weekly for more than 1,800 employees with payroll expenses totaling \$142 million per year. The Payroll Section provides consultation and

technical assistance to department employees on personnel and payroll policies and procedures to ensure that all work conforms to the Fair Labor Standard Acts and the County's Personnel Regulations.

The Procurement Section provides services to support the mission of the Fairfax County Police Department (FCPD) and ensures that all materials, supplies, equipment and services required by FCPD are acquired competitively by the most responsive responsible bidder. All acquisitions must ensure compliance with the Virginia Procurement Act and the policies and procedures set forth in the department's procurement manual.

The Police Department is currently managing 36 active grants totaling \$43.8 million: Homeland Security; Community Oriented Policing Services; Victim Assistance; Byrne Memorial Law Enforcement Grants; Bulletproof Vest Partnership; ChildSafeNet; Gang Task Forces; Crime Analysis; Buffer Zone Protection; and DMV Traffic Safety Programs.



#### **Performance Measurement**

	CY 2001	CY 2002	CY 2003	CY 2004	CY 2005	CY 2006
F/A	45,731	34,768	27,610	21,740	20,421	19,831
Police Staff Hours	30,487	23,179	18,804	14,493	13,614	13,220
Reduction in F/A		23.97%	20.6%	21.3%	6.1%	2.9%
Staff Year Equivalent	14.7	11.1	9.0	7.0	6.7	6.4

# **Animal Services Division**

The Animal Services Division consists of Animal Control, the Animal Shelter, and Wildlife Management and is made up of 53 sworn and civilian personnel who fulfill the Department's mission concerning domestic and wildlife management programs. Together, they enforce the laws that protect Fairfax County residents and animals, provide short-term care for homeless and stray animals, provide pet adoption services for local citizens, and help manage wildlife in a growing urban community.

Animal Control officers worked more than 15,798 cases in 2006, responding to complaints ranging from sick or injured domestic and wild animals to animal bites, cruelty to animals, and other cases. Officers continued to be proactive, utilizing rabies and license canvassing to increase the number of inoculated and licensed pets in the community. In the aftermath of Hurricanes Katrina and Rita, the Division emerged as a leader for developing an emergency management plan that took into careful consideration not only people, but their pets as well. Animal Control officers also worked with a county interagency task force to increase their capability to safely respond to large-scale animal hoarding cases.

In 2006, the Division's wildlife biologist responded to a variety of citizen inquiries on wildlife sightings and challenges in sharing community space. This program focused largely on deer management, addressing habitat depredation, deer-vehicle collisions, and Lyme disease. Additionally, the program responded to and assessed problems regarding all other wildlife in the community, from bears to geese.







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# **Major Crimes Division**

The Major Crimes Division is composed of nine specialized detective squads: Homicide, Robbery, Sex, Auto Theft, Financial Crimes, Fugitive, Cold Case and the Child Investigations Squad. The Division is also supported by a Crime Analyst.

There was a significant increase in bank robberies from 19 to 44 in 2006. However the Detectives of the Robbery Section have successfully solved 34 of those cases and continue to investigate the remainder. Reported home invasion robberies saw a reduction from 13 in 2005 to three in 2006. Carjacking cases also saw a reduction from 18 to 12 reported cases from the prior year.

In 2006 the Detective of the Cold Case Homicide and Sex Squads were combined to form a separate investigative squad consisting of four detectives. Some of their 2006 successes include;

In 2006, Detectives of the Cold Case Section were involved in four Circuit Court rape trials stemming from their cold case investigations. In February 2006, a suspect was sentenced to 50 years each on charges of rape and sodomy and an additional 30 years on a charge of abduction with the intent to defile. The case occurred in 1990 and the suspect was identified through DNA obtained on a resubmission to the lab.

In May 2006, another suspect was found guilty by a jury trial and sentenced to 60 years for rape, 30 years for abduction with the intent to defile, 20 years for oral sodomy, 5 years for anal sodomy and 5 years for robbery. In October 2006, his co-defendant, was also found guilty and sentenced to life in prison. The case occurred in 1991 and both subjects were identified through DNA.

An arrest was made when the Cold Case Squad got a cold DNA hit on a 1988 double murders that occurred off of Hunter Mill Rd. The suspect was on death row in California and had been there since 1992. Cold Case detectives have also determined that the suspect committed at least two additional murders in the National Capitol Region during the same time period. The suspect was returned to Virginia after Cold Case detectives traveled to California. The suspect was charged with two counts of Capital Murder; Rape; and Use of a Firearm in the Commission of a Felony. He is awaiting trial as of this time.

The Major Crimes Division Sexual Predator and Apprehension Team (SPEAD) serves the interest of Fairfax County by proactively monitoring the registered sex offenders in Fairfax County. In 2006 the unit began proactively contacting each registered sex offender in the County on a district station basis. This unique effort will be maintained as a recurring program in the future.



# **Operations Support Bureau**

The Operations Support Bureau (OSB) is responsible for providing specialized support to all units of the Department. It is comprised of the Traffic Division, the Helicopter Division and the Special Operations Division. In past years this report has focused on the Special Operations Division. This year the Traffic and Helicopter Divisions are highlighted.

#### Traffic Division

The Traffic Safety Services Section acts as the department's coordination point for all regional traffic enforcement programs. They develop safety lectures and demonstrations for community, school and civic groups, and assist the school system with transportation safety issues, which include the requirements for and training of crossing guards.

The Parking Enforcement Section patrols county-wide to enforce state codes as well as county codes and ordinances pertaining to parking, residential parking permit districts, abandoned vehicles, and vehicle registration and inspection. They tow vehicles which have been abandoned, have excessive unpaid violations, and/or have failed to pay county taxes. These officers also assist with traffic direction at major incidents or large events.

The Motorcycle Section, which is the largest section within the Traffic Division, is responsible for assisting vehicular traffic movement, safely and expeditiously, throughout the county by monitoring and enforcing local and state laws. In addition, the officers direct traffic (including vehicle escorts), investigate and manage accident scenes, and provide crowd and perimeter control at major incidents and special events. During 2006, the 32 motor officers wrote more than 34,000 traffic tickets.

The officers of the Motor Carrier Safety Section are specially trained and certified to inspect trucks to ensure they are in compliance with state and federal regulations. In 2006, over 1,750 trucks were inspected, of which 740 trucks were taken out of service for various violations.

The Crash Reconstruction Unit provides technical expertise and has investigative responsibility for all serious injury and fatal crashes, as well as all aircraft, rail, and serious commercial vehicle crashes. They also provide investigative assistance to the department's Criminal Investigations Bureau, Internal Affairs Bureau and Patrol Bureau, as well as to OSHA and other county transportation agencies.

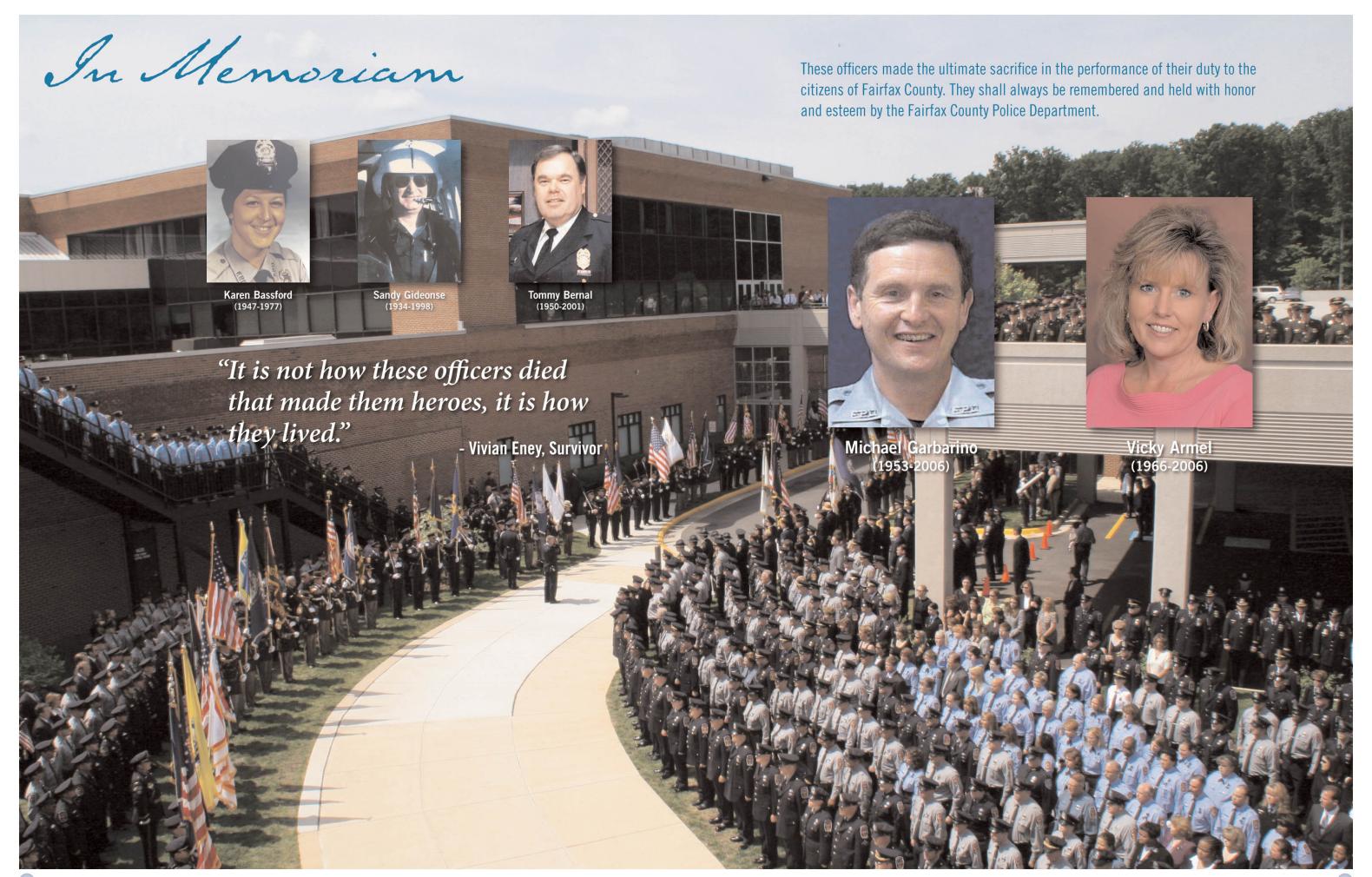
The Auxiliary Police Officers and Volunteers in Police Service are citizen volunteers who give the department approximately 68,000 hours of service annually. The APOs conduct both administrative and operational tasks, including patrol augmentation, traffic control, and minor accident investigation and report taking. VIPS perform primarily administrative tasks, including research, data entry, and other office related duties. They also act as role players at the Criminal Justice Academy and during other department exercises.

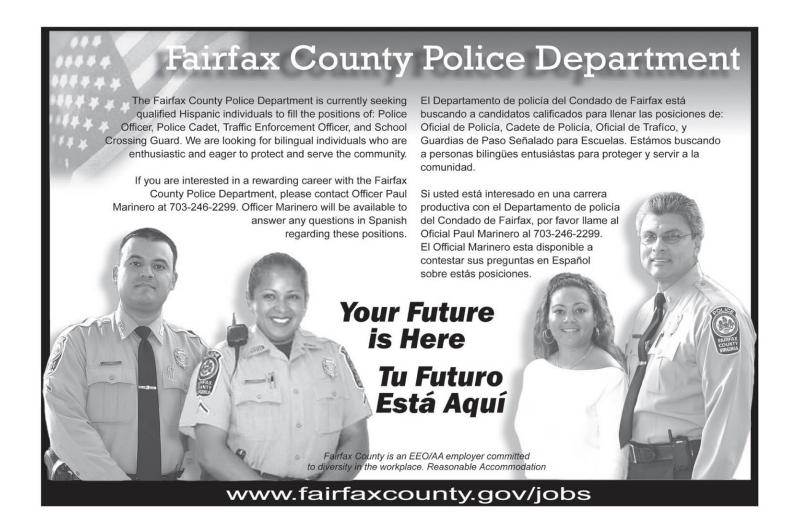
#### **Helicopter Division**

The Helicopter Division provides tactical police aviation support, aeromedical evacuation, search & rescue, and other specialized air support. The division is staffed 24/7 and responds to approximately 3,000 calls for service each year. Equipped with the state-ofthe-art Wescam MX-15 stabilized infrared and video system, crews conduct effective search, surveillance, and command and control missions. Advanced moving map technology enables pinpoint targeting accuracy for the coordination of patrol assets and K-9 officers on the ground. During evening hours, crews fly with Night Vision Goggles, furthering the effectiveness of police operations while dramatically increasing their safety. This specialized equipment enables crews to conduct operations from higher altitudes in order to minimize the impact of helicopter noise in the community.

Outfitted with the latest medical equipment, the division's helicopters, which are the primary medevac providers for Fairfax County, are used to rapidly and safely transport critically injured patients to area Level 1 trauma centers. Paramedics assigned to the division undergo intensive initial and recurrent training and are all certified as Nationally Registered EMT Paramedics. Flight Officers are required to have 12 months of extensive college-level training to obtain their necessary certifications. All this helps provide the highest level of patient care. All Helicopter Division pilots are commercially certified with instrument ratings and a minimum of 1,000 hours of pilot-incommand experience. The Helicopter Division operates and maintains its fleet of Bell 407 helicopters to the highest standards imposed by the manufacturer and the Federal Aviation Administration.







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