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The Farmville Police Department

2017 State of the Department Annual Report





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Message from Chief of Police, A. Q. "Andy" Ellington, Sr.

On behalf of the men and women of the Farmville Police Department I would like to invite you to review our yearly State of the Department report for 2017. We are proud to report that after four continuous years of compiling proofs, and hosting on-site assessments by specially trained program accessors, the Farmville Police Department has been awarded our four year Re-accreditation status. By maintaining our accredited status we can continue to build trust between law enforcement and the community we serve, whose help and support we need to make the Town of Farmville a safe and secure community for everyone.

We have continued our efforts to attract and retain quality employees. We have done an extraordinary job in diversifying the department. After 3 years of operating understaffed, we are happy to report that as of this month we are finally back to full staff.

On the heels of the horrific events that occurred in Charlottesville, Virginia in August 2017, our department, moved quickly to acquire the necessary equipment for our officers to protect them in the event we must deal with a period of civil unrest. We are now pursuing the proper training for all of our officers that will allow for a swift deployment of highly trained and skilled officers to be able to contain these types of incidents.

In response to the alarming numbers associated with the national opioid overdose epidemic, our officers are receiving training to administer Narcan (naloxone). Narcan (naloxone) is a prescription medicine that blocks the effects of opioids and reverses an overdose. It cannot be used to get a person high. If given to a person who has not taken opioids, it will not have any effect on him or her, since there is no opioid overdose to reverse. In addition to carrying a defibrillator, officers will also be in the possession of Narcan in case an opioid overdose occurs, or an officer is unexpectedly exposed.

I hope that you will continue to read this report and become as excited as I have, by our department's accomplishments this year. We will continue to work towards many more goals in an effort to continue to make the Farmville Police Department the premier Law Enforcement Agency in the region.

Chief A. Q. Ellington Sr.



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Vision, Mission, Goals and Core Values

Vision:

To maintain a close working relationship with the citizens, businesses, Longwood University and other law enforcement agencies to provide professional and unbiased service to the community. This department will constantly pursue advanced technologies while improving our quality of training, and demonstrating innovation and operational flexibility

Mission:

"To Provide a Safe and Secure Community through Excellence in Public Service".

Goals:

To increase citizen safety and perception of safety

To be the premier law enforcement agency of this region

To establish, maintain, and enhance community partnerships.

Core Values: *Integrity, Community Safety, Service, and Quality.*



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Agency Accomplishments



On June 7th, 2017 the Virginia Law Enforcement Professional Standards Commission (VLEPSC), presented the Certification of Reaccreditation to the Town of Farmville for its commitment to law enforcement excellence as evidenced by their successful completion of the certification process for the Virginia Law Enforcement Accreditation Program. All accreditation programs are designed to measure and confirm compliance of the participating agency with the professional standards in whatever discipline or profession they are involved. It is one of the only means by which citizens and government leaders can be assured that an agency is maintaining the high performance marks to which the community has a right. The Town of Farmville has demonstrated their commitment to professionalism and their willingness to be measured by and compared to the best in the profession. Virginia's program was started in the early 1990's, with the creation of a

twelve member Commission of representatives from the Virginia Sheriff's Association and the Virginia Association of Chiefs of Police. The VLEPSC provides law enforcement agencies in the Commonwealth with an avenue for demonstrating that they meet nearly 200 accepted standards for efficient and effective agency operation. The Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS) administers the program for VLEPSC. To obtain accreditation, a law enforcement agency must meet all applicable program standards, maintain their accreditation files on an on-going basis and provide annual verifications of Compliance as required by the Commission. On-site assessments by specially trained program assessors assure consistency and full compliance of all accredited agencies.

A listing of the program criteria is available on the DCHS website at www.dcjs.virginia.gov.



First Annual Bike Rodeo sponsored by Farmville Police Department, High Bridge Trail State Park, VFW Post 7059 Lodge, and Wal Mart.



2017 Heart of Virginia Festival



Operation Blue Christmas 2017



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Agency Accomplishments

During the past year we have made great strides to continue to modernize the department. In 2017 we acquired the following equipment:

Tasers for all officers

3 new vehicles to our fleet

Power DMS to maintain all accreditation, training, and department pertinent files

Community policing trailer to store and transport equipment

On Board Cameras for all patrol cars

Cages for all patrol vehicles

3 new radar units

Surveillance cameras at Third and Main Streets

Covert cameras for Special Ops.

We will continue to work towards modernization and making the Farmville Police Department the premier Law Enforcement Agency in the region.

We are equally excited to have introduced D. A. R. E. into Fuqua School.





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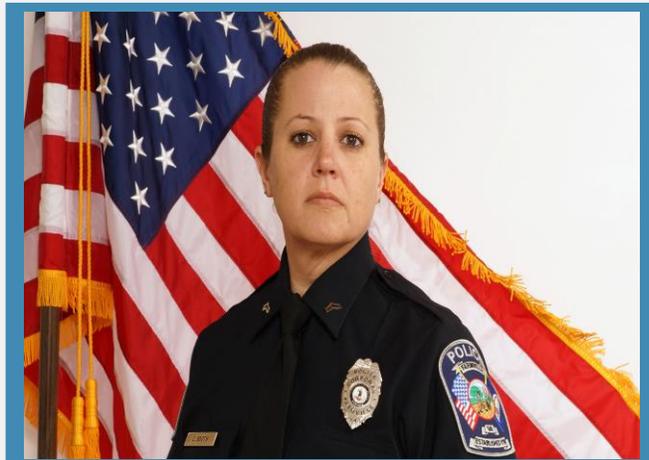
Agency Accomplishments Continued



PELS

In November 2017, Lieutenant Bobby Ragland graduated from the 41st session of the Professional Executive Leadership School (PELS). The Professional Executive Leadership School (PELS) program is an intensive three-week leadership education program conducted in cooperation with the University of Richmond. This program is designed for individuals who currently serve in command/executive level positions within their agencies. The objective of this program is to acquaint participants with best practices in leadership, challenge them to reflect upon their own leadership competency, and examine ways of achieving both personal and professional growth.

In September 2017, Sgt. Christie Booth graduated from the Institute for Leadership in Changing Times (ILCT) in Roanoke, VA. ILCT is an intensive eight-day program sponsored by the Virginia Association of Chiefs of Police and Foundation. It focuses on the study of leadership at an intermediate level and the objective of this program is to develop emerging leaders by cultivating critical thinking skills, creative thinking processes, and professionalism. Curriculum topics included Situational Leadership, Team Building, Leadership and Ethics, Mentoring the new or Underachieving Police Officer, Critical Thinking and Effective Decision Making, and The Multigenerational Workplace.





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Measurable Performance



Detective Sergeant David Ragland was presented with The Meritorious Service Award named in honor and memory of former Farmville Police Chief Otto S. Overton. The award is for department members who demonstrate exceptional service to the community and to particular task or assignments. This is the fourth highest award the department can bestow on a member and is accompanied by a certificate.

Officer Jordan Seay-Allen and Officer Charles Kincheloe received The D.U.I. Enforcement Award named in honor, and in memory, of former Farmville Police Chief Stuart O. Dunnivant. The award recognizes the department member who demonstrates an outstanding commitment to the prevention, detection, and enforcement of the driving under the influence laws, and for ensuring the safety of the general public by removing impaired drivers from the streets of the Town of Farmville.

The 2017 Officer of the year status was awarded to Detective Sammy Entrekin.

Detective Entrekin was recognized for his community involvement, commitment to the agency, superior performance with a specific task and/or a complete and consistent body of work throughout the year that exceeds normal expectations.



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Measurable Performance Continued



The Farmville Police Department and the Farmville Fire Department received the prestigious Director's Award from the United States Secret Service. This Award, the highest given from the U.S. Secret Service, was given to both agencies for their work during the 2016 Vice Presidential Debate.



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Measurable Performance

Each year, on the first Tuesday night in August, communities across the United States participate in National Night Out. It is a program designed to heighten crime and drug-prevention awareness, develop and strengthen partnerships between police and residents, and generate support for anti-crime programs such as Neighborhood Watch, Crime Solvers and Business Watch. The national awards program honors registered communities for participation in the National Night Out campaign. Each year since 2011, Farmville, Virginia has been an award winning community. In 2017, Farmville Virginia was ranked 14th among jurisdictions with a population of 5000 to 15000.





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Measurable Performance Continued



Officers from the Farmville Police Department and Logwood University Police Department continue to share a working relationship in an effort to make our community safe and drug free. This year, Officers collected and destroyed 214 lbs. of unused, expired, or otherwise unwanted prescription medication during the latest Drug Take Back Event. Pictured left to right are, Longwood Officer Rachel Scruggs, and Farmville Police Officer / Sergeant Harvey Hoyle.



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Recruitment



The 89th class of the Central Virginia Criminal Justice Academy (CVCJA) graduated on June 14th, 2017. The CVCJA is one of ten regional academies in the state and prepares individuals for careers in local law enforcement, jail, civil process, court security: "Pictured" Farmville PD proudly accepts Dalen Coblenz to our Law Enforcement family.

The 90th class of the Central Virginia Criminal Justice Academy (CVCJA) graduated on December 13, 2017. "Pictured left to right" Farmville PD proudly accepts Dalton Foley and Rachel Meek as its newest members to our Law Enforcement family. Officer Foley was awarded first in his class for physical fitness. Foley, a graduate of Longwood University also completed his internship with the Farmville Police Department. Officer Meek is also a graduate of Longwood University.





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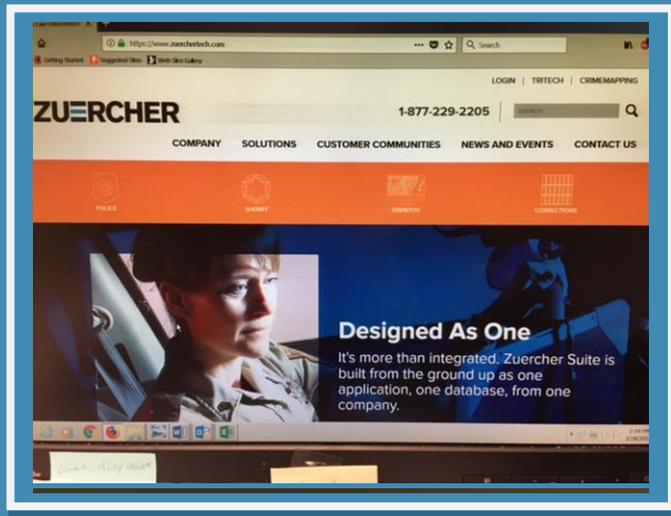


Upcoming Goals, Objectives, and Strategies to Accomplish

Our top priority and goal as an agency revolves around our mission statement “To Provide a Safe and Secure Community through Excellence in Public Service.”

To achieve this statement we must have clear strategies and target goals in mind. The reduction and prevention of crime is paramount in our approach. The involvement of the community in crime prevention is vital. No police agency can successfully prevent crime alone. This must be a mutual effort that combines communication, trust and cooperation with the public and law enforcement partners. Our actions, objectives and strategies must all work together to help us achieve this mission statement. Excellence in public safety is a lofty goal. It must be sought by measuring training, performance and community input. Today, Law Enforcement is more challenging than ever. Change is a necessity for any agency to experience growth and success.

Police departments need real-time data. Data that moves with them. Information that solves crimes and keeps officers safe. Zuercher software provides an integrated system that handles it all, with computer-aided dispatch, integrated mapping, records management, property and evidence, administration, reporting, and more. In 2018, Farmville Police Department will be working to secure Zuercher as our new RMS and Cad system.





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Upcoming Goals, Objectives, and Strategies to Accomplish Continued

Continued Recruitment: Recruiting officers is the foundation of the future for any agency. The recruitment process for police officers has greatly changed over the years. The most effective method to recruit new professional officers in a small department is to have current officers encourage men and women they know to complete an application. Personal knowledge of the character of an individual is an excellent recruitment strategy, and one that assists us in our efforts of diversifying the agency. Another critical element of recruiting is maintaining attractive and competitive salaries, benefits, and equipment to demonstrate a commitment to professional policing. Continued exposure of our agency throughout the Commonwealth through training and attending recruitment work fairs will greatly improve our ability to recruit quality police officers.

GPS tracking for Department owned vehicles. Police vehicle tracking is a growing trend within many cities around the world. Not only does tracking police cars with GPS ensure the safety and accountability of all officers on the force, but it also provides the law enforcement agency, its officers, and citizens a variety of benefits. One of the biggest benefits offered by police vehicle tracking is that it provides those in law enforcement the ability to better deploy available units to fight crime more efficiently. This reduces crime, increases arrest rates, and reduces the amount of officer or civilian injuries. Another benefit offered by tracking police officers with GPS is the ability to quickly and precisely locate officers injured in the line of duty.



Community Policing and Outreach

We must continue to find ways to reach out to the community and to have them involved with factors outside of public safety. Last year, officers organized and instructed our Seventh Annual *Citizens Police Academy*. March 1, 2018 we will kick off our Fifth *Citizens Police Academy*.



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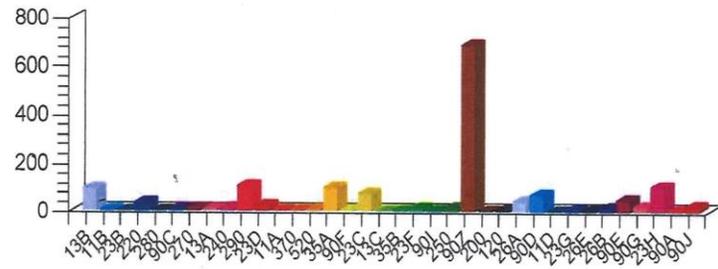


Offense count summary includes all offenses investigated by the agency to include those that do not fall into the category of violent crimes or property crime. These offenses maybe Domestic Disturbance, Loud Noise, Fire Scenes or Cigarette Inspections. These are just some examples. It is important that we look at offense totals each year to determine if these quality of life issues are increasing or decreasing.

Offense Count Summary (1/1/2017 - 12/31/2017)

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Offense	Total:
13B-Simple Assault	94
11B-Forcible Sodomy	02
23B-Purse Snatching	01
220-Burglary/Breaking & Entering	35
280-Stolen Property Offenses	01
90C-Disorderly Conduct	09
270-Embezzlement	09
13A-Aggravated Assault	08
240-Motor Vehicle Theft	11
290-Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property	105
23D-Theft From Building	21
11A-Forcible Rape	03
370-Pornography/Obscene Material	03
520-Weapon Law Violations	08
35A-Drug/Narcotic Violations	99
90F-Family Offenses, Nonviolent	04
23C-Shoplifting	75
13C-Intimidation	02
35B-Drug Equipment Violations	05
23F-Theft From Motor Vehicle	14
90I-Runaway	05
250-Counterfeiting/Forgery	15
90Z-All Other Offenses	686
200-Arson	01
120-Robbery	05
26A-False Pretenses/Swindle/Confidence Game	45
90D-Driving Under the Influence	71



90J	26B	26A	90I	90F	11A	13A	220
90A	26E	120	23F	35A	23D	270	23B
23H	23G	200	35B	520	290	90C	11B
90G	11D	90Z	13C	370	240	280	13B
90E	90D	250	23C				

11D-Forcible Fondling	01
23G-Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts or Accessories	07
28E-Wire Fraud	05
26B-Credit Card/Automatic Teller Machine Fraud	15
90E-Drunkenness	48
90G-Liquor Law Violations	20
23H-All Other Larceny	105
90A-Bad Checks	03
90J-Trespass of Real Property	22

TOTAL OFFENSES: 1563

TOTAL INCIDENTS: 1450

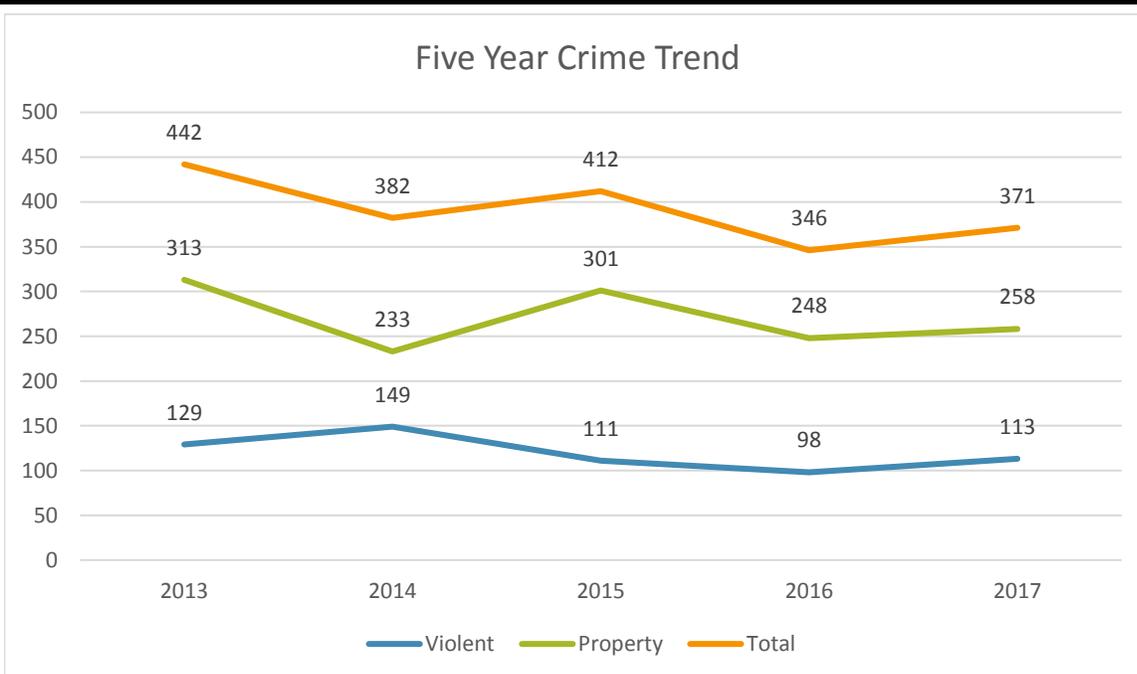




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Crime Trends Continued



The above chart tracks total crimes classified as Violent or Property Crimes for five years. In 2017 Property crimes and Violent Crimes increased by 25

Shoplifting offenses were down from 2016 however shoplifting continues to be a major contributor to our numbers affecting Property Crimes.

NOTE: In our tracking of Violent Crimes we also include simple assaults. Most of these offenses may be minor assaults, but we carry them in our Violent Crime numbers since they normally include a physical act. 94 of the 113 Violent Crimes were simple assaults.



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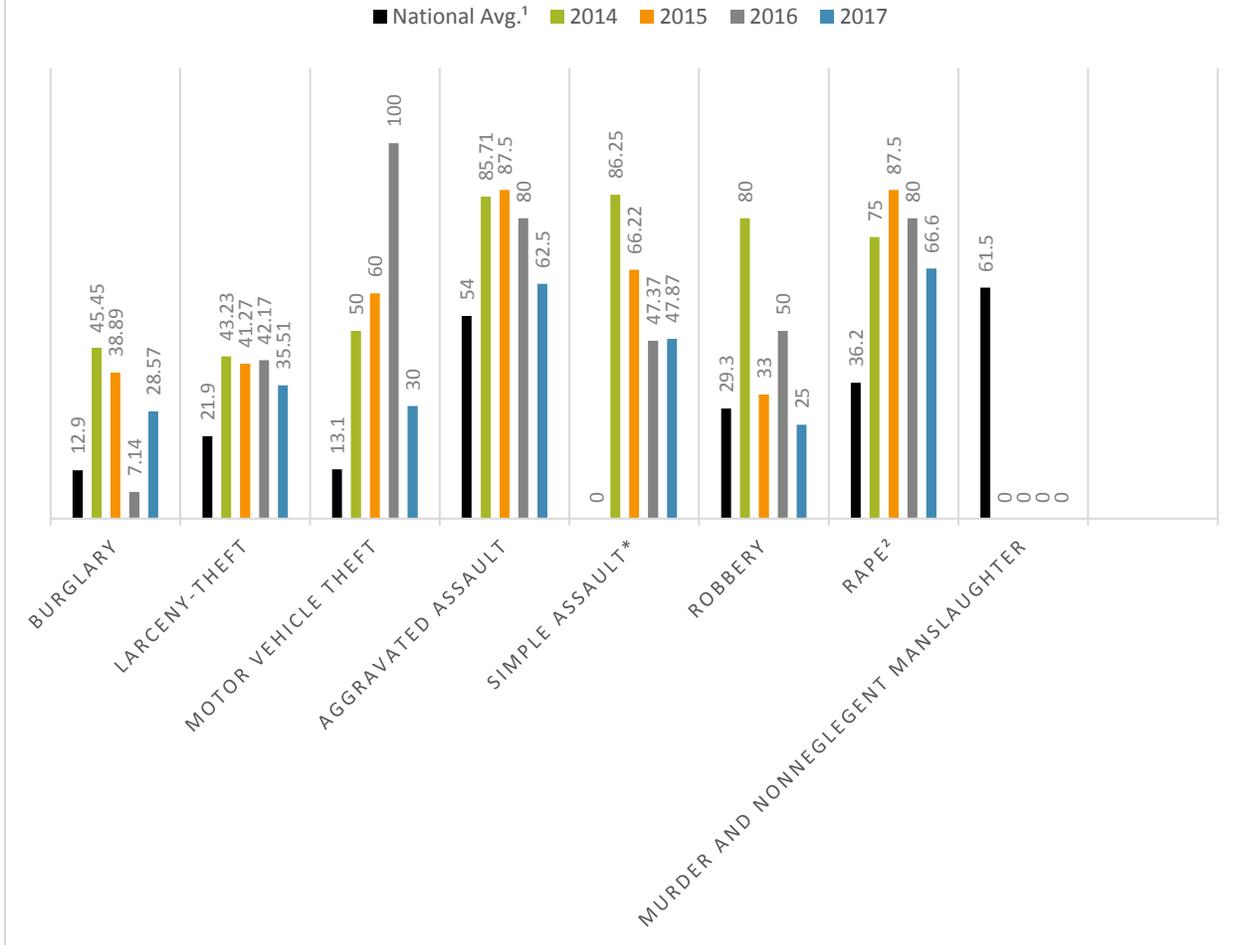


Crime Numbers for the past five year period

<u>VIOLENT CRIMES</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
Simple Assault	94	77	92	101	110
Aggravated Assault	08	11	8	7	0
Homicide	0	0	0	0	0
Rape	3	5	3	5	4
Forcible Fondling/Sodomy	2	1	5	4	0
Robbery	5	4	3	5	6
SUBTOTAL	112	98	111	122	129
<u>PROPERTY CRIMES</u>					
Burglary	22	14	20	22	18
Larceny	105	229	273	204	288
Motor Vehicle Theft	11	0	5	1	6
Arson	1	1	1	2	1
SUBTOTAL	139	244	299	229	313
TOTAL	251	342	410	351	442

- In a head to head comparison from last year, overall crime numbers were below by 91 offenses.
- Violent crime, which includes simple assault, for comparison was up by 14 offenses
- Using a four year average of crime as a measurement for comparison, we find that the average for total crimes is 386.25. **In 2017 we are down 10.5 percent from the four year average.**

FARMVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT CLEARANCE RATES



¹National Avg. is based on latest available figures from FBI: Crime in the U.S. (2015)

²Rape includes forcible sodomy and forcible fondling offenses

*Simple Assault is a class B crime, therefore no national clearance data is available

Town of Farmville Police Department
2017 Reportable Motor Vehicle Crash Report

<u>Total crashes and damages</u>	<u># of Crashes</u>	<u>Damages</u>
2017	133	\$874,800.00
2016	138	\$973,730.00
2015	99	\$544,328.00

Location of Highest Occurrence of Crashes

South Main and Milnwood Road	15
South Main and Clarke Street	7
Main and Reed Street	5
East Third and Milnwood	5
Cormier Drive and West Third Street	1 (Pedestrian Fatality)

Note A reportable crash are those crashes that result in damages of \$1500.00 or more and must be reported to DMV.

CALLS FOR SERVICE

Emergency Custody Orders (ECO'S)

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017*</u>
Number of calls	46	53	52	71
Total Man-hours	232.5	236.75	384.5	385
Hours per call	5.05	4.47	7.39	5.42

****36.5% increase from 2016***

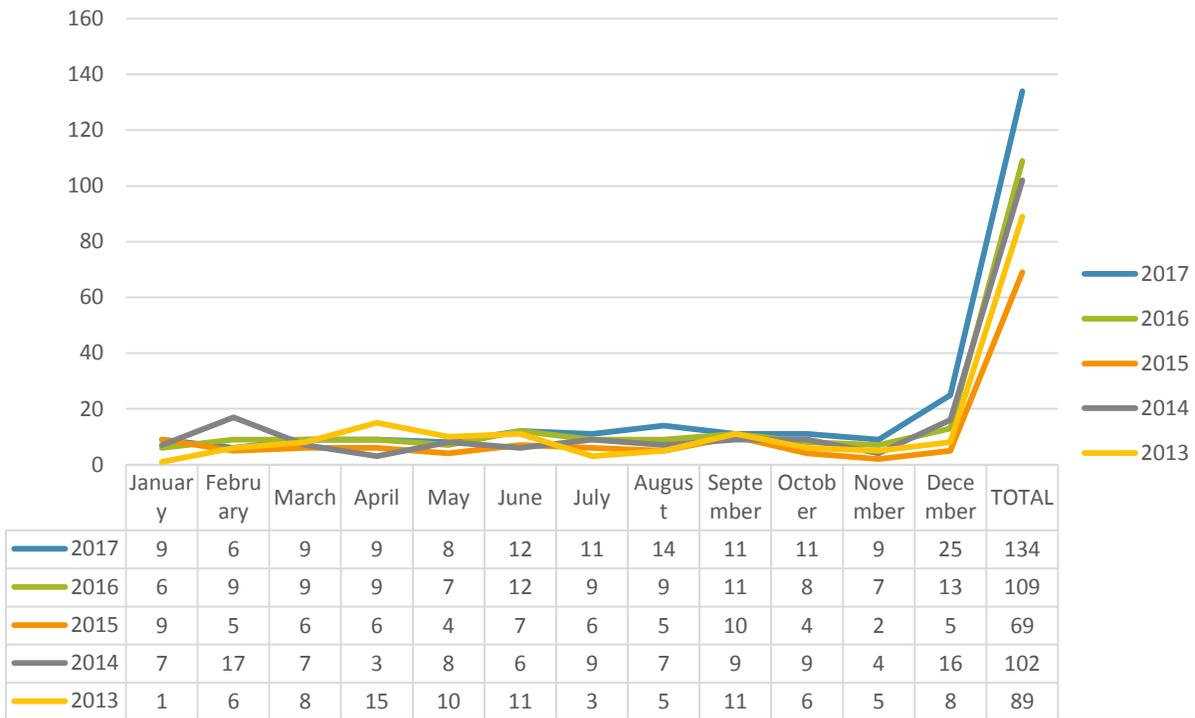
Temporary Detention Orders (TDO'S)

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017*</u>
Number of calls	10	8	11	20
Total Man-hours			53.75	48.5
Hours per call			4.88	2.4

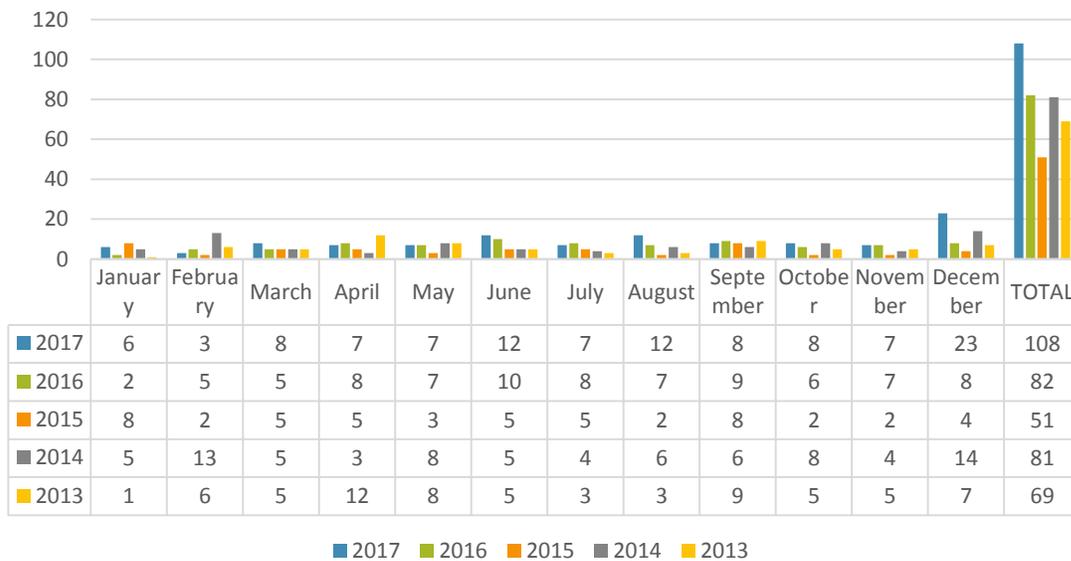
****81.8% increase from 2016***

433.5 total man-hours = 20.8% of 1 full-time employee

Calls to ICA for the last Five Years



ICA Arrest for the Last Five Years





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Calls for Service

Total Police calls for service

January 1 – December 31, 2013	9786
January 1 – December 31, 2014	9537
January 1 – December 31, 2015	9394
January 1 – December 31, 2016	8653
January 1 – December 31, 2017	9981

Calls for Service Demands

Answering calls for service is a major function of the agency. Call demand is a strong indication of the public need for police. Ultimately a goal of the agency is to show a reduction of calls for service combined with a reduction in overall crime numbers. While our overall crime numbers remain relatively steady, the demand for calls for service has increased 15% in 2017.

Conclusion

Farmville continues to be one of the safest communities in the state. We look forward to working with the community as a whole to build and strengthen relationships in an effort to keep our community the safest place to raise our children. We look forward to our continued community working relationship in 2018.

Chief Ellington

Calls for Service Continued

Property Checks	3637
Traffic Stops	2937
Motor Vehicle Crashes w/Injury	52
Motor Vehicle Crashes w/out Injury	354