

2020 *Year in Review*

INTRODUCTION

Greetings from Sheriff Winston W. Clark, III



Greetings! I am Winston W. Clark, III, your Sheriff of Campbell County as of January 1, 2020. Sheriff Steve A. Hutcherson retired December 31, 2019, after serving 8 years as Sheriff of Campbell County. We are truly grateful for Sheriff Hutcherson's many years of dedicated law enforcement service.

Each year the Campbell County Sheriff's Office authors an Annual Report to describe our accomplishments and highlights of law enforcement in Campbell County and to share the efforts of the sworn and non-sworn personnel as they continue to provide the most professional services and quality law enforcement available to our citizens. Additionally, this report provides an overview of each division and their sub-units.

Over the years, the Sheriff's Office has gained the trust and respect of our citizens, and we are extremely fortunate to continue receiving the cooperation and support we have come to expect and enjoy. Likewise, our citizens expect and deserve a professional law enforcement agency. Our mission and core values strive to provide the most professional and comprehensive law enforcement services to Campbell County with the most frugal, cost-efficient, and practical means. Each deputy serves the public by emphasizing problem-solving initiatives, while involving our citizens of all ages as a vital resource to achieve this goal. Our deputies are highly visible, 24 hours-a-day, during the four patrol shifts, and we make it a priority to talk with our residents and businesses in order to be a part of the community. Over the past decade, we have practiced community policing and problem-solving skills to maintain a low crime rate and high clearance rate; as a result, we are able to achieve this goal. Campbell County has approximately 504 square miles and a population of 54,885 citizens. The Campbell County Sheriff's Office responded to 36,134 calls for service in 2020.

The Sheriff's Office consists of 86 employees. The office has a compliment of 68 sworn full-time personnel, 10 sworn part-time personnel (one of which is a domestic violence grant position), 5 full-time civilian personnel, and 3 part-time civilian personnel.

Further, our Office has four distinct Divisions that have respective responsibilities according to their classification. The four Divisions are: Field Operations Division; Criminal Investigations Division; Special Operations Division; and Administrative Services Division. Each Division has a section within this annual report that will highlight their specific responsibilities and accomplishments during the calendar year of 2020.

NEW HIRES FOR 2020

The following new employees joined the Campbell County Sheriff's Office.

Samantha Bevington



Samantha was born and raised in Rustburg and is honored to serve in the community she has lived in her entire life. She has an Associate's Degree in Graphic Design but found that career path was more of a hobby and not what she really wanted to do with her life. Samantha worked in a local doctor's office approximately 5 years before coming to work at the Sheriff's Office. She is now living out her dream of being a Law Enforcement officer in her home town. Samantha looks forward to being an employee with her Campbell County family for a very long time. Samantha graduated from the Central Virginia Criminal Justice Academy in December 2020. Samantha serves in the Field Operations Division as a patrol deputy.

Seth Caveness



Seth started working as a Dispatcher at Campbell County Public Safety in 2012. He was hired as a Deputy with the Campbell County Sheriff's Office in 2013 and worked with us until 2015. He came back to Campbell County in February 2020 after working several years for the Altavista Police Department. Seth enjoys working out and spending time with his girlfriend and his dog. He lives in Lynchburg. Seth serves in the Field Operations Division as a patrol deputy.

Jenna Collins



Jenna grew up on the North Carolina coast before moving to Lynchburg to go to Liberty University. She graduated with a degree in Public Relations with a specialization in Strategic Intelligence and Psychology. She began her career in law enforcement with the Lynchburg Police Department. After six years she made the change to Campbell County Sheriff's Office and is currently serving as a School Resource Officer at Concord Elementary School. When not working she enjoys DIY projects, cooking, and hiking with her dogs.

Chase Gallier



Franklin “Chase” Gallier was born, raised, and has resided in Campbell his whole life. Prior to coming to work for the Sheriff’s Office, he was a jailer with the Blue Ridge Regional Jail Authority for 8 years. Over the years with the jail, he was promoted to Corporal then later Sergeant before coming to the Sheriff’s Office. He is married to his high school sweetheart and they have 3 beautiful children together. He enjoys outdoor activities such as riding motorcycles, kayaking, and camping with his family. He is looking forward to where his new career takes him. Chase graduated from the Central Virginia Criminal Justice Academy in 2021. He serves in the Field Operations Division as a patrol deputy.

Falon Muffaletto



Falon was born and raised in Brooklyn, New York and lived there until 2015 when she and her family moved to Virginia. She currently serves as a Military Police Officer in the United States Army Reserves. She graduated from Central Virginia Criminal Justice Academy in 2017 and has thoroughly enjoyed her career in law enforcement in Virginia. She is looking forward to continuing a successful career with Campbell County and building strong relationships within our community. Falon says it's an honor to wear the badge and thanks you for the opportunity. She serves in the Field Operations Division as a patrol deputy.

Calvin Privette



Calvin is originally from Lynchburg but has traveled the world due to military obligations. He served 5 years on active duty in the Marine Corps and 1 year in the Virginia Army National Guard. He was deployed twice to Iraq and has successfully completed over 200 combat missions. After his honorable discharge from the military, he obtained his Associates Degree in Criminal Justice and his Bachelor's Degree in Health and Human Service Management. Calvin worked as a Police Officer at BWX Technologies before coming to work at the Sheriff's Office. He is currently serving as a School Resource Officer at Brookville Middle School.

Jeffry Rater



After graduating from high school, Jeff enlisted in the United States Air Force as a Military Policeman and Airman. After completing his enlistment, he was hired by Lynchburg Police Department where he served for 19 years. During his time there, Jeff served in various leadership roles such as Field Operations, Street Crimes, K-9, Crime Prevention, and the Community Action Team. While serving on the CAT Team, he learned the value of building relationships and bridging the gap between law enforcement and members of the community.

Jeff is married and he and his wife have 4 children. His son is currently enlisted in the United States Army and his oldest daughter graduated from Virginia Military Institute and is currently a Lieutenant in the United States Army. He and his wife are also blessed to have three grandchildren. He serves as a Sergeant in the Field Operations Division as a Community Relations / Crime Prevention Specialist.

Cari Reed



Cari grew up in Concord and graduated from Liberty Christian Academy in 2012 and Liberty University in 2016. Her dad was a professional firefighter and after hearing his work stories, gave her a passion to serve others early on. Cari is also the granddaughter of Eddie Gunter, a long serving member of the Campbell County Board of Supervisors. Before college, Cari volunteered with the Concord Resue Squad. After college, she joined the Army and served in the Army Reserves for 6 years. She worked as a Police Officer with BWX Technologies for 4 ½ years before coming to work at the Sheriff's Office. She is married with three fur babies and when not working she enjoys working out, going to the lake, hunting, and spending time with family and friends. She serves in the Field Operations Division as a patrol deputy.

Jake Wade



Jake was born and raised in Campbell County. He graduated from Rustburg High School and went to Bridgewater College where he played baseball and obtained his Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration. He began his career in law enforcement in 2013 with the Campbell County Sheriff's Office working in the Field Division for almost five years. Jake left Campbell County in 2017 to work with the Southern Virginia Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force in Bedford County. In 2018 he graduated from the Academy for Scientific Investigative Training and became a licensed Polygraph Examiner. Jake returned to the Campbell County Sheriff's Office in 2020 serving briefly in the Field Division. He is currently assigned to the Criminal Investigations Division and recently graduated from the Virginia Forensic Science Academy for Crime Scene Investigations.

PROMOTIONS IN 2020

J. Brandon Epperson, promoted to Major January 1, 2020

Tracy A. Emerson, promoted to Captain January 1, 2020

Mark C. Schmitt, promoted to Captain January 1, 2020

Samuel W. Green, III, promoted to Captain January 1, 2020

Brian K. Dudley promoted to Lieutenant January 1, 2020

Joshua A. Gryder, promoted to Lieutenant January 1 2020

William S. Sosnowski, promoted to Lieutenant January 1, 2020

Michael J. Rossi, promoted to Lieutenant February 1, 2020

Michael W. Bryant, promoted to Lieutenant August 1, 2020

Stuart T. Herndon, promoted to Senior Investigator January 1, 2020

Skyler W. Mann, promoted to Investigator January 1, 2020

M. Nate West, promoted to Investigator May 1, 2020

Gary E. Penn, promoted to Sergeant January 1, 2020

Devon W. Tweedy, promoted to Sergeant on January 1, 2020

C. Cory Angell, promoted to Sergeant January 1, 2020

Randy L. Long, promoted to Sergeant January 1, 2020

Matthew J. Foster, promoted to Sergeant January 1, 2020

Jonathan D. Richey, promoted to Sergeant May 1, 2020

Mike L. Mayberry, promoted to Sergeant July 1, 2020

2020 RETIREES

Lieutenant Brian K. Dudley



Lieutenant Brian K. Dudley began his law enforcement career with the Pittsylvania County Sheriff's Office in 1995 and was hired by the Campbell County Sheriff's Office on February 1, 2000.

During Brian's tenure with the Sheriff's Office he served in three different Divisions. He began with the Field Operations Division and served there as a deputy sheriff. Brian eventually moved to the Administrative Services Division and served as a D.A.R.E. Officer for the County for several years. Brian finally landed in the Criminal Investigations Division, where his talents truly shined. Brian became the first ever polygrapher for the Campbell County Sheriff's Office and through his investigations and polygraph work, many crimes have been solved. Brian was promoted to Lieutenant of the Criminal Investigations Division on January 1, 2020.

Brian retired on August 1, 2020 and fortunately for the Sheriff's Office he is now working part-time for us as of September 1, 2020. Brian and his wife, Cynthia, reside in the Altavista area with their four children.

Sergeant William “Bill” C. Elliott



Sergeant Bill Elliott began his career with the Campbell County Sheriff's Office on November 7, 1994. Bill was assigned to the Campbell County Sheriff's Office Jail until the Blue Ridge Regional Jail took over the authority of the jail on July 1, 1998. He transitioned to the Sheriff's Office at that time and was assigned to the Administrative Services Division in Courthouse Security.

Bill has been a tremendous asset to the Sheriff's Office over the years. He had one of the first bloodhounds for the Sheriff's Office – Rooster. Rooster and Bill were quite the team and had many successful trackings over the 13 years that Rooster was in service.

Bill voluntarily started assisting with the Accreditation Process in 2011. His attention to detail and his skills and knowledge were invaluable to the process. Bill assisted with the on-site assessments from Accreditation Teams in 2012, 2016, and 2020. He also served as a Senior Assessor with the Virginia Law Enforcement Professional Services Commission.

Bill is enjoying retirement and he and his wife Susan and son live in the Red House area of Campbell County.

Deputy Brian K. Davis



Deputy Brian Davis joined the United States Army in 1989 and served as a Military Policeman until 1994. Upon returning to the states he began his civilian law enforcement career with the Martinsville Police Department. From there Brian joined the Lynchburg Police Department, Altavista Police Department and finally found his home with the Campbell County Sheriff's Office on January 1, 2013.

Brian transitioned from the Field Operations Division in 2014 to the Administrative Services Division where he faithfully served as a School Resource Officer until his retirement on September 1, 2020.

Brian is well known throughout the community for his involvement and service as a Scout Master and historian. He is especially proud of his son, James, who recently graduated from UVA and will be working for the United States Congress.

Brian and his wife reside in the Town of Altavista and he continues to find ways to serve our community.

Deputy J. Allen Bowyer



Deputy Allen Bowyer served for many years with the Lynchburg Sheriff's Office. Campbell County Sheriff's Office was privileged to have him change agencies and work with us beginning August 12, 2008. Allen served in the Field Operations Division until an opening became available in the Administrative Services Division for a transport deputy / courthouse security deputy / civil process deputy. On October 1, 2010, Allen moved to the Administrative Services Division.

Allen brought a wealth of knowledge to the Sheriff's Office. He was a certified Search Specialist and Instructor for Project Lifesaver. His expertise and knowledge of this program was invaluable to the Campbell County Sheriff's Office Project Lifesaver Program that had just been instituted in 2004.

Deputy Bowyer retired on January 31, 2020. Fortunately for the Sheriff's Office he chose to return a month later as a part-time check point deputy. His Project Lifesaver experience is still assisting the agency.

Allen and his wife live in the City of Lynchburg.

2019/2020 AWARDS CEREMONY

The Campbell County Sheriff's Office holds its annual Awards Ceremony to honor and recognize those members of the agency, and citizens, who greatly contributed their talents and dedication to benefit Campbell County and the Sheriff's Office during the calendar year of 2019/2020. The ceremony was held during November 2020 and the following personnel were recognized for their special achievements:

Department Commendation Awards

Deputy E. J. Hagner

Department Meritorious Service Awards

Sergeant W. S. Sosnowski

Deputy S. L. Cutlip

Deputy T. J. Voogd

Deputy A. C. Morell

Department Lifesaving Awards

Sergeant R. S. Layne

Deputy J. A. Bryant

Deputy T. J. Voogd

Deputy J. A. Williams

Partnership Awards

The following citizens received Partnership Awards for their support of the mission and goals of the Sheriff's Office during 2019/2020:

Linda Calloway

Gary Colbert

Christine Puckett

Dean Monroe

Jean Hanson
Michael Davidson
Michele DiGiovanni
Colton Wood

Ronald Combs
Sean Hardy
Cpl. Adam Reynolds

Years of Service Awards

5 Years Michael V. Colbert

10 Years Joshua B. Layne

15 Years Nathan B. Funderburk
Samuel W. Green, III
Vincent S. Keller
Christopher S. Towler
John N. Wingfield

20 Years Thomas J. Fairchild
Michael R. Garrett
Russell E. Glass
Robert D. Hutcherson
Mark C. Schmitt

25 Years Terry A. Cook
W. Lee Owen

VIRGINIA LAW ENFORCEMENT PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS COMMISSION STATE ACCREDITATION PROGRAM (VLEPSC)

The Campbell County Sheriff's Office receives their re-accreditation status from the Virginia Law Enforcement Professional Standards Commission (VLEPSC). We were initially accredited in 1999, became re-accredited in 2004, 2008, 2012, 2016, and again in 2020. As accreditation is an on-going process, the Sheriff's Office must constantly meet criteria set forth by VLEPSC to maintain accredited status.

Accreditation is a thorough examination of the previous four years of Sheriff's Office policy, procedures and activity by three trained assessors (*from other law enforcement agencies throughout Virginia*) commissioned by the Virginia Law Enforcement Professional Standards Commission (VLEPSC) to audit our agency.

There are 190 accreditation standards divided into four general subject areas: Administration, Operations, Personnel and Training. The Administration area covers those law enforcement operations that are involved with the day-to-day management of the Sheriff's Office. These standards address the agency mission, goals, public service role, planning and research, budget and fiscal management, and communications. The Operations standards cover those areas where direct service delivery is most often found such as patrol, criminal investigations, and court security. The Personnel section is devoted to subjects involving areas of policy that govern the employment, career opportunities, selection and hiring, performance evaluations, and discipline. Finally, the Training standards focus on new hire training, specialized in-service training, civilian training, and the proper record keeping of these trainings. The Sheriff's Office is required to be in full compliance with **all** 190 standards to receive their re-accreditation status.

In August 2020, a team of assessors audited our agency for compliance of the 190 standards for the previous four years. Not only does the agency have to continually

comply with all the standards, it has to also show proof of that compliance for each standard for each of the previous four years prior to the on-site assessment. Our assessment team consisted of Retired Sergeant Shannon Williamson, Team Leader, from the King George County Sheriff's Office, Chief Deputy Todd Clingenpeel from the Salem Sheriff's Office, and Assessor Tina Sumpter of the Page County Sheriff's Office.

The Team was originally scheduled to arrive on May 19, 2020; however, due to COVID restrictions, all law enforcement assessments were postponed. The Team arrived in Campbell County on Tuesday, August 11, 2020 and finished their assessment on Wednesday, August 12, 2020. We are pleased to announce that the Sheriff's Office passed and is in compliance with all 190 standards. **We had a "no return" assessment which meant our agency proved to be in full compliance.** Our next assessment will be in May 2024.

Retired Captain Cindy Brown Caldwell is working part-time as the Accreditation Manager. Sergeant Devon Tweedy is assigned as an assistant Accreditation Manager. This Accreditation Team has the task of maintaining the files of proofs that show the Sheriff's Office is current in and stays in compliance with all standards.



FIELD OPERATIONS DIVISION

Captain Mark Schmitt supervises the Field Operations Division. The Campbell County Sheriff's Office Field Operations Division, when fully staffed, consists of 28 officers. The Field Division provides 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year full-service law enforcement to the citizens of Campbell County.

During the 2020 calendar year the Field Operations Division responded to and investigated 1,549 felony and misdemeanor criminal cases, meaning these are the actual number of incident reports written by members of the Field Division. There were a total of 36,134 calls for service which includes about 1,679 plus calls for mental health issues and about 271 plus calls regarding drug/narcotics.

Members of the Field Division attended specialized trainings this past year. Some of the courses included the First Line Supervisor Course, Basic Tactical Operators Course and Field Training Officer Course, along with many other training courses.

There were 30 Uses of Force in 2020. These included: 13 Physical Force, 3 Taser deployments, 1 OC (Pepper Spray) deployment, and 13 incidents where the officer had to point his/her firearm at a suspect. There were no instances of deadly force used by any member of the agency in 2020. In the above use of force incidents, the subjects were charged criminally or taken into custody for mental evaluations.

In 2020 there were 28 documented Sheriff's Office deputies involved in Vehicle Pursuits. The pursuits involved traffic violations (violators failing to stop for Law Enforcement), including two DUI drivers and two reckless driving, who were all taken into custody.

In the year 2020, the deputies of the Campbell County Sheriff's Office issued 1,286 summonses for traffic and alcohol related offenses. This is a combination of regular duty and Selective Enforcement efforts worked through a DMV grant.

Summons Issued

- DUI arrests
- Refusal of Breath Test
- Speeding
- Reckless Driving
- Suspended/ Revoked Operators License
- No Operators License
- Seat Belt Violations
- Child Safety Seat Violations
- Expired Inspections
- Expired Registration/ Vehicle Tags
- Failure to Obey Highway Signs
- Uninsured Motorist
- Other Offenses

The Field Operations Division conducted one departmental Patrol Rifle Class for members of the Sheriff's Office.

The below stats show either summons issued or arrests made during 2020 for specific offenses. The Selective Enforcement column is showing summons/arrests while working extra duty with salaries being paid by the DMV grant. The regular duty column is showing summons/arrests while working normal shifts.

Highway Safety Report

	Selective Enforcement	Regular Duty	Totals
DUI	19	46	65
Refusal of Breath Test	4	0	4
Speed	818	108	926
Reckless Driving	36	18	54
Drive Suspended/Revoked	36	43	79
No Operator's License	46	17	63
Seat Belt	70	10	80
Child Seat Belt	9	4	13
Expired Inspection	56	67	123
Expired Registration	44	61	105
Fail to Obey Highway Sign	64	42	106
Drive Uninsured	22	10	32
Other	95	0	95
Total	1352	426	1648

SPECIAL RESPONSE TEAM

The Sheriff's Office maintains a part time 15 member Special Response Team (SRT) comprised of sworn members of the agency. During 2020, the team was activated 20 times. These operations included but were not limited to the following:

Mutual Aid to State, Local, and Federal law enforcement agencies. The team also executed narcotics search warrants, served high risk arrest warrants, and conducted other operations in support of anti-drug operations.

On May 31, 2020, Lynchburg Police Department (LPD) requested mutual aid from our office in response to a large protest in the area of 5th and Federal Street in the city that was turning violent. The SRT responded along with other members of the department to assist. The SRT responded to the city for the remainder of the week at the request of LPD to help maintain safety and order. On June 1, 2020, the team was assisting at the protest in Miller Park as shots were fired at officers. While assisting LPD on June 2, 2020, the SRT responded to Sheetz in Campbell County due to a large protest. The team dispersed the crowd with no acts of violence or property damage. Appomattox County also requested Mutual Aid on June 7, 2020 of the SRT for a planned protest in their jurisdiction. During the week of June 1, 2020 – June 7, 2020 the SRT was deployed each evening into the early morning hours.

The Team conducted 10 trainings in 2020. Topics covered and trained on included:

- Entry drills
- Marksmanship with the pistol and rifle
- Select fire with the rifle
- Less Lethal with bean bags and gas
- Sniper marksman training
- Team movements
- Clearing drills
- Direct to threat active shooter
- Slow and deliberate
- Bunker training

- Night vision training
- Low light marksmanship
- Open terrain movements
- Chemical munitions
- Breach training
- Flash bang
- Scenario based training
- Hostage rescue
- Self aid buddy care
- Stairwell movements
- Officer down drills
- Tracking

The Special Response Team was requested by the Regional Academy to teach the Basic S.W.A.T School. We have conducted this training for the Academy over the last several years. Our Agency has received high evaluations from the participants.





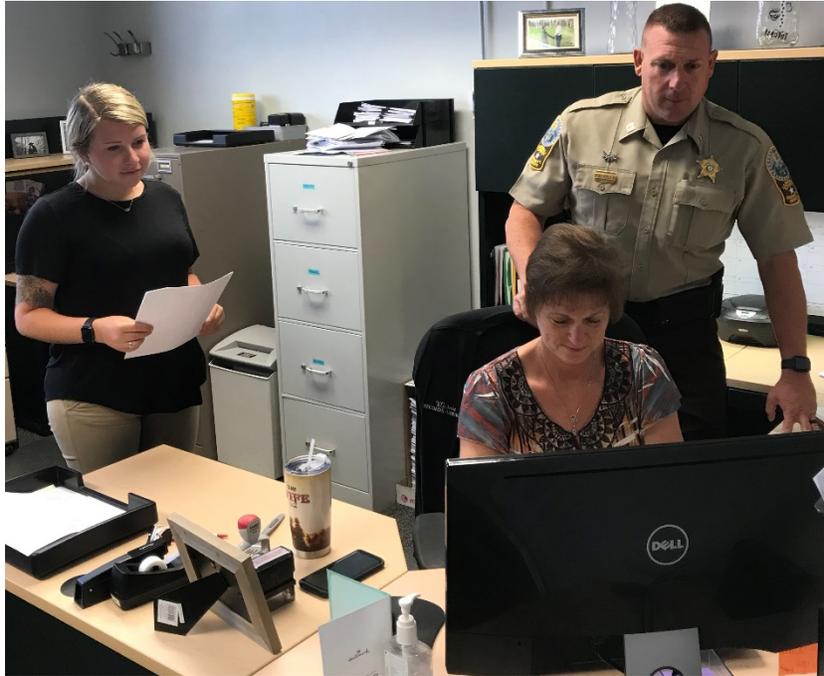
CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS DIVISION

Captain Tracy Emerson supervises the Criminal Investigations Division. The Division consists of Lieutenant Michael Bryant, Lieutenant Brian Dudley, Senior Investigator Stuart Herndon, Investigators Michael Colbert, Skyler Mann, Nate West, Curtis Rice, Billy Crowe, Karen Wilson and part-time Investigators Bobby Moore (Domestic Violence Investigator) and L. T. Guthrie.

2020 was another busy but productive year for the Campbell County Sheriff's Office Criminal Investigations Division. Investigators continued to investigate a wide variety of crimes ranging from homicides, to large scale property crimes, to very serious assaults. The Criminal Investigations Division investigated a total of 309 criminal cases in 2020. In addition, Investigator Curtis Rice was assigned to the Central Virginia Internet Crimes against Children Task Force (ICAC). The ICAC Task Force investigates cases involving child predators and child pornography cases.

In addition to the investigations of crimes against the person and property, the Sheriff's Office has two investigators assigned to the Central Virginia Drug and Gang Task Force. The Task Force is comprised of investigators from Appomattox Sheriff's Office, Amherst County Sheriff's Office, Campbell County Sheriff's Office and the Virginia State Police. The Task Force conducted operations in 2020 that yielded 274 criminal Charges, mainly consisting of drug distribution and firearms charges. In addition, 15 firearms were seized and 73 search warrants were executed. There were large seizures of Methamphetamine, Cocaine and Heroin throughout the year. The Central Virginia Drug and Gang Task Force is one of the most productive Task Forces in the state.

The Criminal Investigations Division also has a polygraph examiner on staff that is very helpful in solving cases. A total of 16 polygraphs were ran this year. In addition, the Division has two Investigators who have been trained by the Virginia Forensic Academy and are well versed in the latest evidence collection methods, which is critical in helping solve crimes.



ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DIVISION

Captain Samuel W. Green supervises all sections of the Administrative Services Division.

Civil Process

Total civil process served January 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020:	16,785
Total civil process served by Lt. Gerald Lacy, Sgt. Terry Cook, Sgt. Devon Tweedy, Deputy John Wingfield, Deputy Cameron Byrd, Deputy Brian Dudley:	9,324
Total EPO, PPO, and OOP (includes all protective orders):	1,320
Writ of Possession served:	243
Levies served:	24

Warrants

In the year 2020, the Sheriff's Office served **2,499** arrest warrants. The number of unserved (unable to locate) warrants is approximately **311**.

County Enforcement

Lieutenant Gerald Lacy is responsible for County Enforcement Officer duties and has done so since June 2013. Lieutenant Lacy works closely with the County Administrator's Office, County Attorney, Zoning Office and the Landfill. He is also an active member of the Campbell County Litter Commission. During the calendar year of 2020 Lieutenant Lacy worked **38** nuisance complaints

Project Lifesaver (PLS)

Project Lifesaver is a rapid response partnership with law enforcement aiding victims and families suffering from Alzheimer's disease and related disorders such as Down Syndrome and Autism.

A lost person with Alzheimer's or other dementia represents a critical emergency. They are unaware of their situation; they do not call out for help and do not respond to people calling out to them. Nearly half of them will die and many can become injured or fall victim to predators if they are not located within 24 hours.

Project Lifesaver uses a small wireless transmitter on the patient's wrist and if the patient wanders off, receiving equipment is used to track them. This equipment saves time and greatly improves the patient's chances for survival.

The Project Lifesaver program of the Campbell County Sheriff's Office is maintained and monitored by two certified instructor/operator's assigned to the Administrative Services Division. Sergeant Devon Tweedy and Deputy Allen Bowyer administer the program for the Sheriff's Office.

For the year 2020 there were 57 calls for service involving PLS consisting of normal client equipment servicing/inspection, school and instruction, public awareness presentations.

Approximately 70 hours were spent performing PLS functions, and fortunately we experienced no incidents of “lost clients”.

K-9 Activities

On August 19, 2020 Sheriff Clark kept his promise for bringing the K9 program back to the county. Introducing the Sheriff’s Office newly formed K9 unit: Sgt. Robert Layne and K9 Deeks: Deeks, a Belgian Malinois is certified in narcotics detection, tracking, article search and apprehension. Dep. Cameron Byrd and K9 Dyson: Dyson, a Bloodhound is certified in tracking. Dyson uses the scent of the person he is looking for. This could be a lost child to an Alzheimer’s patient or wanted person that has fled from a Deputy. Dyson can also be used to identify a person in a group of people. Dep. Marcus Schreiber and K9 Ranger: Ranger, a German Shepherd is certified in narcotics, article search and tracking.

K9’s Deeks and Ranger went through training at Shallow Creek Kennels in Pennsylvania.

K9 Dyson came from *Find m Friends* in Crystal River, Florida. Dyson and his training was donated by *Find m Friends*.

All three handlers and K9s went through K9 school which lasted anywhere from two and half weeks up to six weeks long.

Following are the stats for all the K9 teams and their accomplishments in the first four months of being in service.

K-9 Usage 2020

K-9	Deployments	Meth / MDMA	Cocaine	Heroin	Tracks	Locate / Confirmed	Patrol	Mutual Aid
Deeks	33	57.9 Grams	311.8 Grams	1 Grams	5	1	13	8
Ranger	22	101.6 Grams	.3 Grams	37.7 Grams	4	0	0	3
Dyson	20	0	0	0	20	5	0	8
Totals	75	159.5 Grams	312.1 Grams	38.7 Grams	29	6	13	19
	Street Value	\$17,589	\$31,210	\$9,675	TOTAL=	\$58,474		

Deployments: When K9 is requested and responds within Campbell County

Patrol: When K9 locates subjects

Mutual Aid: When other jurisdictions or agencies request a K9



We would like to thank the local businesses and community members for their generous contributions and support to get this much needed resource back into our community. The Sheriff's Office would not have had the funds and/or resources needed without their generosity.

Sgt. Robert Layne & K9 Deeks



Dep. Marcus Schreiber & K9 Ranger



Dep. Cameron Byrd & K9 Dyson



Sheriff's Office Training for 2020

The Sheriff's Office was fortunate to hire retired Chief Deputy Darren Bolling to assist with the Department of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS) mandated training and training developed by our agency.

Due to many events across the country during the year that involved police use of force, Sheriff Clark decided to place an emphasis on additional training for our deputies. Although additional training was not mandated, the Sheriff's Office makes every effort to be pro-active and train based on current events that impact law enforcement.

During 2020, training was held on many topics such as De-Escalation, Cultural Diversity, Biased Based Policing, Less than Lethal Options, and Field Force (Riot Control.) In addition, there were many policy changes to include our Use of Force and Vehicle Pursuit policies. All deputies were trained accordingly on policy and existing policies were reviewed throughout the year.

The Campbell County Sheriff's Office also hosted a regional SWAT training.

Campbell County Sheriff's Office Field Force Team

In reaction to the George Floyd incident, protests erupted across the nation and Central Virginia in 2020. In the days following the George Floyd incident, the Campbell County Sheriff's Office received multiple mutual aid requests from the City of Lynchburg, Appomattox County, the Town of Altavista, and Bedford County, to assist with protests and crowd control.

On May 31, 2020, members of the Campbell County Sheriff's Office Special Response Team and other deputies responded to the City of Lynchburg to assist the

Lynchburg Police Department with a large protest in the area of 5th and Federal Restaurant that had turned violent. Several Lynchburg Police Officers were injured as a result of objects thrown by the unruly crowd.

On June 2, 2020, a protest formed unexpectedly at the Sheetz on Wards Road in Campbell County. The crowd of protestors became unruly and required a substantial amount of deputies, along with Lynchburg Police Officers, to disperse the crowd. The Special Response Team spent 8 days assisting with protests throughout Central Virginia at the request of other jurisdictions for mutual aid.

Due to these protests, the Sheriff's Office realized that our deputies were not equipped or trained to face the dangers created by unruly and violent crowds. Sheriff Clark worked with the County Administrator to secure funding for the necessary riot control equipment. The equipment consists of helmets with face shields, shields, chest protection, arm protection, and shin protectors.

Once the equipment was obtained, a Field Force Team was organized. We currently have four – 6 man teams, for a total of 24 Field Force deputies and one Lieutenant as the Team Commander. We are in the process of getting each member through a basic field force training school. The Sheriff's Office does have some deputies that are certified Field Force instructors who are conducting in house training. Due to the need for mutual aid among neighboring jurisdictions, trainings are also planned with surrounding agencies and the Virginia State Police Field Force Team.

The Field Force Team will be in service once all training has been completed and the Sheriff's Office policy for its operation has been finalized.

SPECIAL OPERATIONS DIVISION

Captain Michael B. Lawhorn supervises the Special Operations Division which includes School Resource Officers, Property and Evidence, Court Security, and Fleet Management.

Court Security and Prisoner Control

In the year 2020, there were six full-time and four part-time deputies assigned to security in the Campbell County Courthouse complex. Lt Thomas Fairchild is assigned as the supervisor to the Courthouse Security Team. Sergeant William Elliott retired on Nov 1, 2020 after serving 26 years with the department. Most of which was in the courthouse. He was replaced by Sergeant Terry Cook.

There were 127 court days for General District Court, 246 days of Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court and 240 days of Circuit Court. Court Security logged 11,161 hours of service. These hours consisted of providing bailiffs for the four courtrooms and security officers for the courthouse security checkpoint. This is an increase of 1.9% from 2019.

The Sheriff's Office is fortunate to utilize retirees' of the Sheriff's Office to man the security checkpoint. The expertise and wealth of knowledge of these retirees is immeasurable. Together they have over one hundred years of experience.

Transports

The Campbell County Sheriff's Office utilizes both full-time and part-time deputies to provide transportation to and from courts, jails, hospitals, etc.

There were a total of 205 logged transports of prisoners in 2020 as well as 31 temporary detention order transports conducted by courthouse personnel. There were

approximately 1180 hours spent and more than 25,000 miles driven performing these functions.

There were 7 extraditions (out of state prisoner transports). These extraditions were completed either by two deputies or one deputy and a state trooper. Locations traveled included the following; North Carolina, West Virginia and Maryland with multiple trips being made to the above listed states.

The logged transport hours and mileage would have been far higher than the current numbers without the aid of the video advisements system in Campbell County Circuit Court, Campbell County General District and Juvenile and Domestic Relations Courts. Video advisements save travel expenses and many man hours for the Sheriff's Office. Many of the transports that had been scheduled were changed or cancelled due to Covid-19 reasons. These cases were either continued or heard using the video system.

Concealed Weapons Permits

Concealed weapon permits were investigated by Lieutenant Thomas J. Fairchild. Completed applications were reviewed and a thorough background check was conducted on all applicants. These permits were then presented to Circuit Court Judge John T. Cook for final approval. The approved permit is then issued by a Circuit Court Deputy Clerk.

During calendar year 2020, 2,502 concealed weapon permits were investigated / issued and 28 permits were denied or revoked as a result of adverse court actions involving the applicants. This is an increase of 86% from calendar year 2019.

Training

All courthouse personnel participated in department training and firearms qualifications in 2020, as well as training in accordance in DCJS to maintain certification

throughout the year. Some classes were taken online and others were attended in a classroom environment.

Additional Duties

Lieutenant Thomas Fairchild is a certified firearms instructor/range master and instructs classes for the Central Virginia Criminal Justice Academy as well as assists the agency when needed. He is also the lead instructor for officer survival at the Central Virginia Criminal Justice Academy and trained two basic classes in 2020 spending over 80 hours of time training.

Sergeant Terry Cook is active with the Project Lifesaver and currently maintains clients on the program.

Deputy Nathan Funderburk is responsible for the checkpoint vehicles operated by the part time employees. He performs routine maintenance on these vehicles and inspects them as required.

Deputy Murray assists the Investigations Division with computer and phone forensic work when needed and has done presentations to local colleges on narcotics. He is also actively involved in I.T. work needed in the courtroom and courthouse to ensure cases move along in an efficient manner.

Deputy Towler assists annually with the special needs community at events such as “Touch a Truck” and “trunk or treat”.

The Sheriff’s Office also provides two part time deputies to work the VDOT offender work force program. This program is used for highway beautification. This project was not performed in 2020 due to weather conditions January thru March and the Covid-19 pandemic thereafter. It will be resumed as soon as practical.

EVIDENCE

During the past year, all required inspections/audits were done on time and all evidence was found to be in order. Evidence that was no longer needed was destroyed in a timely manner. Evidence Room #1 holds evidence for active cases. Evidence Rooms #2 & #3 are utilized to hold old homicide and larger cases with evidence.

Our storage space for evidence is very limited. Purging of evidence no longer needed has continued. Working with the Commonwealth's Attorney's Office, many items from years ago that are no longer needed have been purged.

During the Sheriff's Office's four year Re-Accreditation process Evidence Specialist Kim Gallier was commended by the assessors conducting the accreditation for her knowledge and outstanding job performance. The Sheriff's Office received a perfect assessment of all evidence procedures to include policies, procedures, release, storage, and destruction of the nearly 9,000 items currently stored in evidence.

FLEET MAINTENANCE & REPAIR

During 2020, the office had sixteen (16) incidents of county owned vehicles damaged in accidents or by offenders' damage to the sheriff's office vehicles. Six (6) of these incidents were animal strikes. Total damage for accidents amounted to approximately \$47,011.13.

The Sheriff's Office received \$44,753.78 from insurance company payments. By repairing most accidents "in house" and using parts from our own retired cars, the total amount paid out to fix all damaged cars was \$6,016.94. **This resulted in a savings to Campbell County of \$38,736.84.**

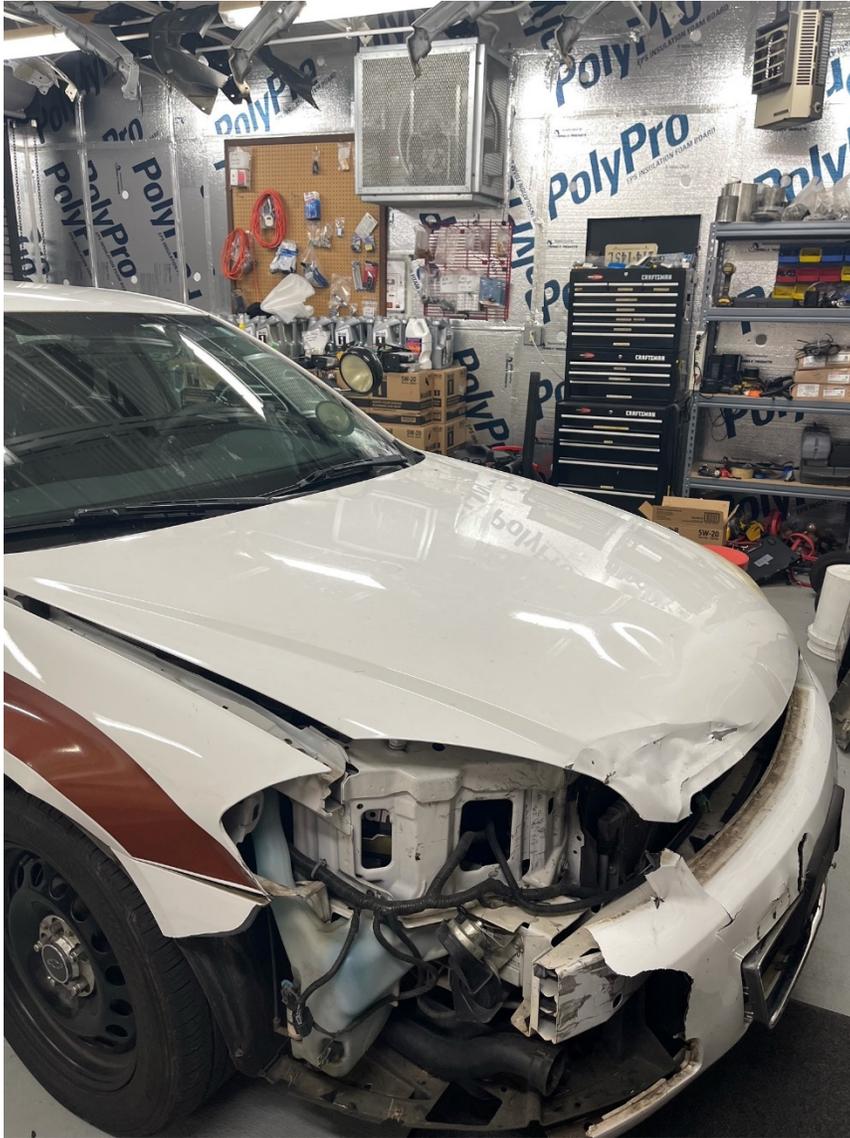


Photo of wrecked patrol vehicle that is being repaired in-house in the Sheriff's Office garage.

SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER ACTIVITIES

The SRO's assisted with "Lock-Down" Drills at all fourteen schools during 2020. Deputies were present at all the lock downs and assisted the school administration in ensuring that students were hidden correctly and that procedures were followed. State law now mandates each school to conduct four lockdown drills per school year. SRO's also participated in round table simulation drills with school administrators at each school. These drills are conducted once a month by each school in the county.

"Active Threat" presentations were conducted at every school during a faculty meeting prior to students returning to the buildings. Advice and recommendations were given in case of an active shooter situation at the school. The Avoid, Deny and Defend concepts were discussed.

July 1, 2013 Virginia mandated that each school establish threat assessment teams. Law Enforcement is specifically listed as needing to be a member of this team, so SRO's serve as key components on these teams.

To comply with Virginia Law 22.1-279.3:1, SRO's receive notice of every suspension for each of the 14 schools in the county. SRO's review the suspension to determine if it meets the Code of Virginia as an incident required to be reported to law enforcement by the principal.

The SRO's continued Active Threat training within the county schools. SRO's train on days that students are not in school to better prepare themselves to handle any critical incident they may face at any of our county schools. These trainings include policy reviews as well as scenario-based trainings with walk through responses.

Most SRO's have attended Active Shooter training conducted by ALERRT and by the Department of Homeland Security at the Federal Law Enforcement Training center.

SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS

A School Resource Officer was assigned to every high, middle, elementary school in Campbell County as well as the Cornerstone Learning Center located at the Campbell County Technical Center. All the Deputies are SRO certified. Each officer is responsible for taking law enforcement action when necessary as well as teaching Law related classes at their respective schools for 8th and 12th grade. SRO's conduct many other classes at the request of teachers to include but not limited to Drivers Education, DUI classes, English, Business Law and Search and Seizure classes.

School Resource Officers fingerprinted all new employees for the Campbell County Public Schools. All new employees, substitute teachers, bus drivers, any person working within the schools make appointments and are fingerprinted by a School Resource Officer. Each of the four high schools have Cross Match fingerprint machines placed in them. These were purchased by the school division. 345 fingerprints were completed by SRO's during 2020.

School Resource Officers also made presentations at all substitute teacher in-service trainings as well as the bus drivers in-service throughout the year. Issues concerning school safety and security are addressed.

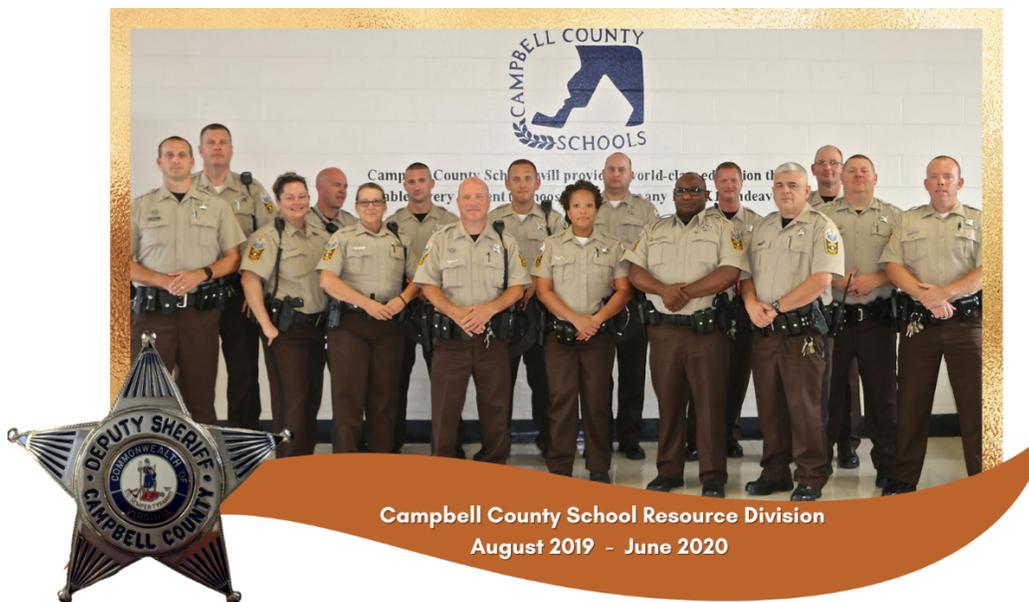
SRO's coordinate all off duty assignments at their schools for ballgames, dances, etc. SRO's are responsible for working or finding deputies to cover extracurricular activities where school administration request police presence. The Sheriff's Office provided security to the school system on every occasion when requested.

Schools requested K-9 drug searches throughout the school year. SRO's are responsible for coordinating these school searches for the schools. Drug searches are just one more effort put forth to make our schools a Safe and Drug free environment.

The following is a list of SRO assignments for 2020 School Year:

- LT Russ Glass – (Supervisor) Tomahawk Elementary School
- Sgt. Robert Hutcherson – (Supervisor) Altavista Combined School
- Sgt. Mike Mayberry – (Supervisor) Rustburg High School
- Deputy Josh Layne – Cornerstone Learning Center, Campbell County Technical Center
- Deputy Vince Keller – Rustburg Elementary School
- Deputy Mike Cowart – Yellow Branch Elementary School
- Deputy Aaron Swearingen - William Campbell Combined School
- Deputy Priscilla Elias – Brookneal Elementary School
- Deputy Michael Harper – Altavista Elementary School
- Deputy Jenna Collins- Concord Elementary School
- Deputy Terry Williams-Leesville Rd Elementary School
- Deputy Stephanie Cutlip -Brookville High School
- Deputy Allen Williams- Brookville Middle School
- Deputy John Wingfield- Rustburg Middle School

**Captain Mike Lawhorn, Lieutenant Russ Glass, and Deputy Vince Keller are certified Crime Prevention Specialists.



COVID RESPONSE

Captain Mike Lawhorn was tasked with all aspects of the Campbell County Sheriff's Office Covid Response plan of action. He was assisted by the Finance Manager, Rhonda Mason, as well as other office personnel.

In January of 2020 as the Covid 19 Pandemic was first beginning, the Sheriff's Office began to order N95 masks, sanitation supplies and PPE in preparation for a possible outbreak. When the country shut down in March of 2020, the Sheriff's Office was ahead of the game. As Masks, sanitation supplies, and PPE became extremely difficult to acquire we were fortunate to have already gotten items to help protect our Deputies and the public. We continued to stock up on supplies but were in a very good place compared to other jurisdictions. We acquired an Electrostatic Sprayer for use in sanitizing vehicles and sanitizing the Sheriff's Office building as well. Fortunately we received federal funding through the Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Program. This grant of \$32,416.00 greatly assisted the Sheriff's Office in purchasing these required supplies.

March 19th, 2020 the Sheriff's Office implemented the following procedures and continued to adjust these accordingly to CDC/VDH guidance:

- Mandated Facemask use in the Sheriff's Office, all public places, citizen contact and two or more persons in a car
- Separated the Sheriff's Office into two sections (Field Division and Administration Division) to reduce exposures within the agency
- Reduced Sheriff's Office entrances to two doors and provided a decontamination station at each door requiring everyone to decontaminate all duty gear, shoes and hands as well as temperature checks

- Limited every ones entry into the Sheriff's Office to only necessary business, all work that could be completed outside of the office was to be completed from their vehicle
- Any entry into the office required decontaminating the area you worked when you left
- Shift changes were conducted outside in open air with deputies maintaining social distancing
- Electrostatic sprayer was used every Tuesday and Thursday to sanitize the office
- Limited entry to all county buildings except for emergencies, asked employees to call and meet other county employees outside to conduct business
- Supervisors evaluated calls and handled all possible calls by phone that did not require a personal response
- Provided all deputies hand sanitizer and disinfecting wipes for the patrol cars
- Utilized the transport van for ALL prisoner transports with a large supply of sanitizing supplies and required extensive cleaning after each transport
- Required decontamination of all patrol cars after every prisoner transport should they have to be used
- Provided microwave, refrigerator and freezer and recommended packing lunch to avoid non-essential contacts in businesses and restaurants
- All employees were requested to notify their supervisor if they had any symptoms of illness and asked them to stay home
- All employees were required to report any possible exposure to their supervisor immediately

SUMMARY

2020 is a year that will no doubt live in infamy. Just as everyone in the world had to adjust to a daily, sometimes hourly or minute by minute change of plans or procedures, the Sheriff's Office had to regroup and strategize to ensure that services to our citizens would not be interrupted due to the pandemic. We've shown in this report how serious we took this virus and its implications to every ones daily lives.

Our main concerns were our ability to serve the citizens in need and maintain their safety from the virus as well as the safety of our personnel. Changes were made as to how we answered calls for service. We asked citizens, if they were able, to meet us outside so as to help protect the viral spread. We instituted a process whereby citizens could report simple crimes that only required a police report made via having a deputy on standby each shift to take those reports, over the phone lines, resulting in more safety for all involved.

The ability to use the school resource officers from the schools, while schools were closed, ensured our ability to provide more proactive patrol for the businesses that were forced to temporarily shut down as well as more "boots on the ground" to ensure timely response to the calls for service.

Many of our personnel and their families were infected by COVID. This caused ripple effects when their shift mates had to be quarantined to ensure that they had not

contracted the virus. Yet, we still managed to respond and perform our duties as you expect us to.

The Campbell County Sheriff's Office, like most government agencies, has felt the stress of an economy where funding is limited. The employees continue to be good stewards of the property and equipment belonging to the county as well as utilizing cost saving measures where and when possible. The majority of repairs to vehicles are conducted in house to save mechanic and repair fees. Old equipment is saved so that spare parts can be utilized to repair parts that need it. If funds can be saved through efficient use of equipment, it is accomplished. That is evident by the savings of \$38,736.84 in vehicle repairs for the calendar year of 2020.

Law enforcement is one of the most expensive and complex services provided by the county. The quality and extent of service provided may be limited by available resources. To ensure that the highest level of service is provided, the Sheriff's Office makes use of the most efficient management and budgeting techniques available. Grants are applied for as they become available and county resources/equipment are treated to promote longevity with minimal financial impact. The Sheriff's Office uses many "hand-me-down" items such as office furniture that is gifted to the county without cost.

As your Sheriff, I am proud of the men and women of the Campbell County Sheriff's Office and the service they provide to the citizens of Campbell County. Each of these employees exemplifies professionalism and dedication to their jobs. Citizens of our County expect and deserve a Sheriff's Office that is professional, proactive for crime prevention, and efficiently managed. I feel that the Campbell County Sheriff's Office, as evidenced by this report, exceeds these expectations.

I appreciate the opportunity that the citizens of Campbell County have entrusted in me to serve as Sheriff of this great County. It is my promise to each of you that I will lead this agency fairly and firmly during my tenure with an emphasis on the prevention and deterrence of crime, apprehension of offenders, and recovery and return of property.

Our motto is “We are a part of the community, not apart from.” We will continue to reach out to you, our community, for your input and assistance. My office is open and available to all citizens of the County, and I will always welcome your comments and input.

Sheriff Winston W. Clark, III

