

STAFFORD COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

# ANNUAL REPORT

# 2021



*Dedicated, innovative people, working with the community, to serve and protect Stafford County while using the best tools and technology available.*



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*Sheriff's Office members delivered toys to children throughout Stafford in December 2021. The toys were donated during the Sheriff's Office annual Holiday Toy Drive.*



# In Memoriam

The deaths of Deputy Toby Humphrey and Deputy Jason Mooney are reminders of the inherent dangers of police work, and that any given shift may end abruptly in serious injury or death. In honor of Deputy Humphrey, the Public Safety Center in Stafford County, which houses the Sheriff's Office and the Fire and Rescue Department, was named after him. In memory of Deputy Mooney, a sign was erected on I-95 southbound at the scene of his accident, the road for Fire and Rescue Station 2 where he volunteered, was named after him, and Lake Mooney Reservoir opened in 2016.

In memory of our fallen brother, Deputy Sheriff Ford Tyson "Toby" Humphrey, who lost his life in the pursuit of serving and protecting the citizens of Stafford County. On October 9, 1980, 26-year-old Ford Tyson "Toby" Humphrey was killed in the line of duty by a gunman while attempting to quell a domestic disturbance. Deputy Humphrey served his community as a Deputy Sheriff as well as a volunteer member of the Fredericksburg Rescue Squad. In Deputy Humphrey's honor, the Public Safety Building which serves as the headquarters for both the Stafford County Sheriff's Office and the Stafford Department of Fire and Rescue, was named after him.



In memory of our fallen brother, Deputy Sheriff Jason Edward Mooney, who lost his life on October 19, 2007, in service to the citizens of Stafford County. Jason Edward Mooney, age 24, was killed in the line of duty while responding to a traffic accident on I-95. Deputy Mooney epitomized public service. He served in the United States Marine Corps in Al-Asad, Iraq, had been a boy scout and was also a volunteer fireman with Stafford Company 2 at the time of his death. There are several memorials in honor of Deputy Mooney including the Lake Mooney Reservoir, Lake Mooney Drive at Fire and Rescue Station 2 where he volunteered. In addition, a sign was erected on I-95 at the scene of his accident.





# Sheriff's Message

Annual Reports are usually a reflection of what has happened in the past. This one is no different, however, we should also use it to look forward. Take, for instance, the photo on the cover of this report of our junior deputies. These young students today could become the law enforcement officers of tomorrow. In the picture, the junior deputies are attending a demonstration in July 2021 by Deputy F.A. Martinez and his K9 partner, Mija. The demo took place during last year's Junior Deputy Academy, which is aimed at elementary and middle school students. The one-week program provides kids with basic instruction in law enforcement duties and responsibilities. At the same time, they participate in daily activities that focus on building character. What a great glimpse into our future! We are honored to play a role in shaping how these boys and girls turn into men and women who will lead productive lives.

Another area that I hope will bode well for our future is our crime rate. Stafford's crime rate has decreased steadily over the last five years (see page 13). From 2017 to 2018, it decreased by almost 12%; from 2018 to 2019, it decreased by almost 4%; from 2019 to 2020, it decreased by almost 14%; and from 2020 to 2021, it went down by almost 3.4%. While some of the decrease from 2019 on could be attributed to Covid-19 and more people staying home, other factors include the Sheriff's Office's community engagement efforts and strong partnerships with businesses, citizens and elected officials. These are areas in which we will continue to enhance this year and for many years to come because we truly believe that keeping Stafford County safe takes the whole community working



together.

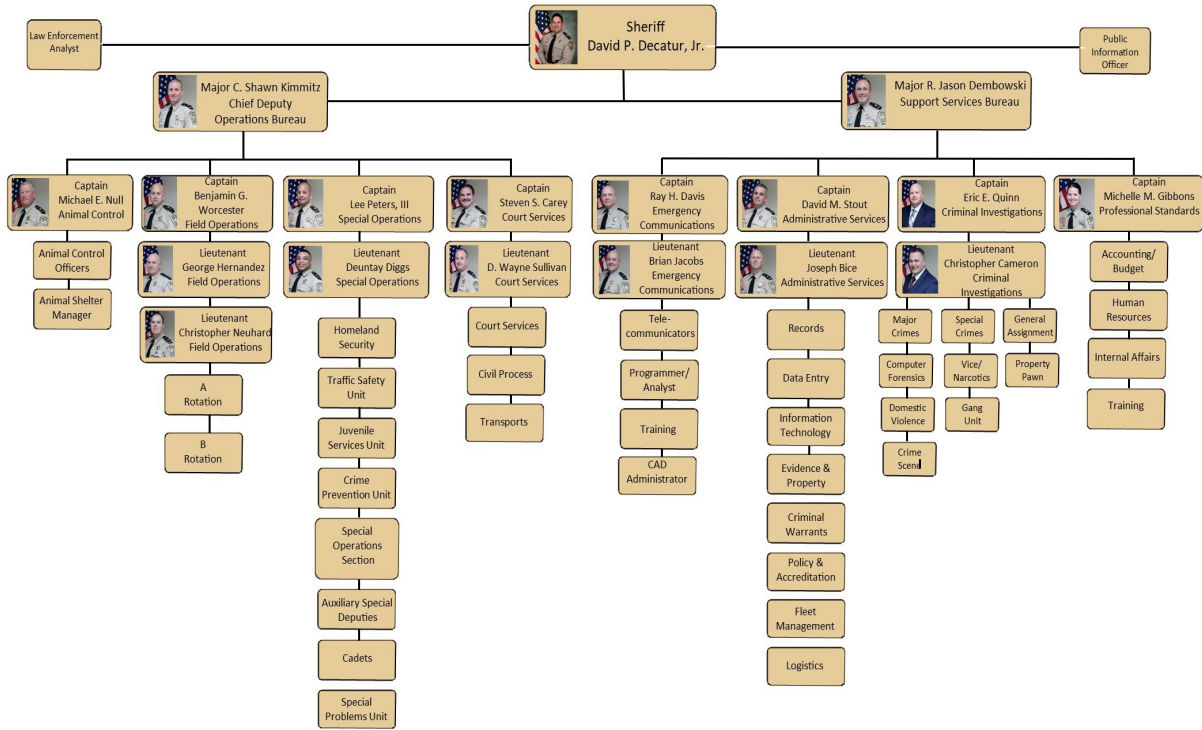
For another glimpse into our future, please take a look at our Strategic Planning efforts that start on page 23. The work that our staff has done in these Focus Areas embodies our vision that we highlight on the cover of this report: *"Dedicated, innovative people, working with the community, to serve and protect Stafford County while using the best tools and technology available."* Please read the "Impact on Our Community" section for further evidence of how we are planning to step up the quality of our service to our community.

I count myself truly blessed to live and serve in Stafford County. Thank you for your never ending support that allows me and my Sheriff's Office colleagues to do that.

*Sheriff David P. Decatur*



# Organizational Chart



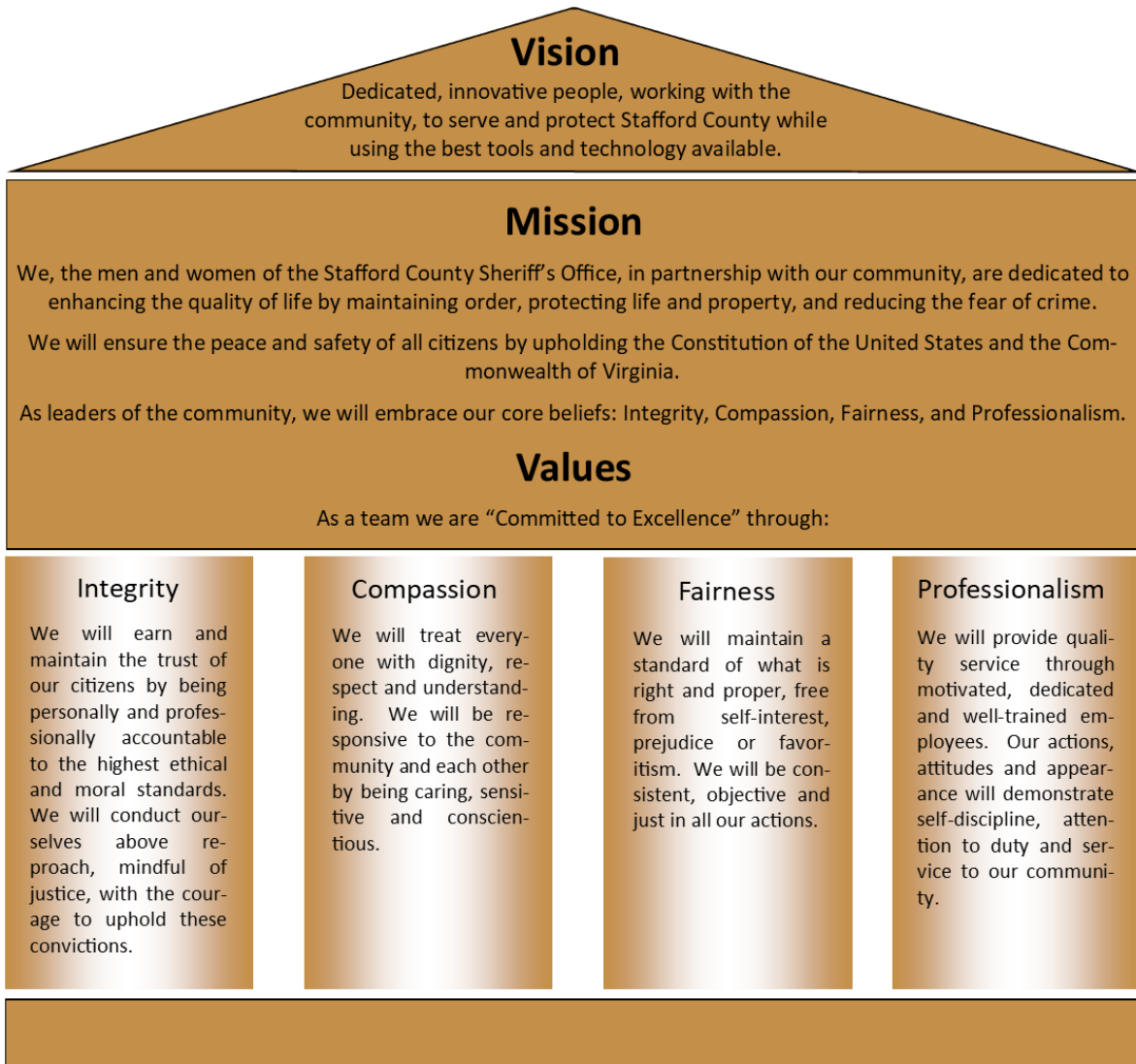
*Sheriff David Decatur celebrated the deputies who graduated from Law Enforcement Basic 155 Class of the Rappahannock Regional Criminal Justice Academy in May 2021. The ceremony was held at the Fredericksburg Nationals stadium.*

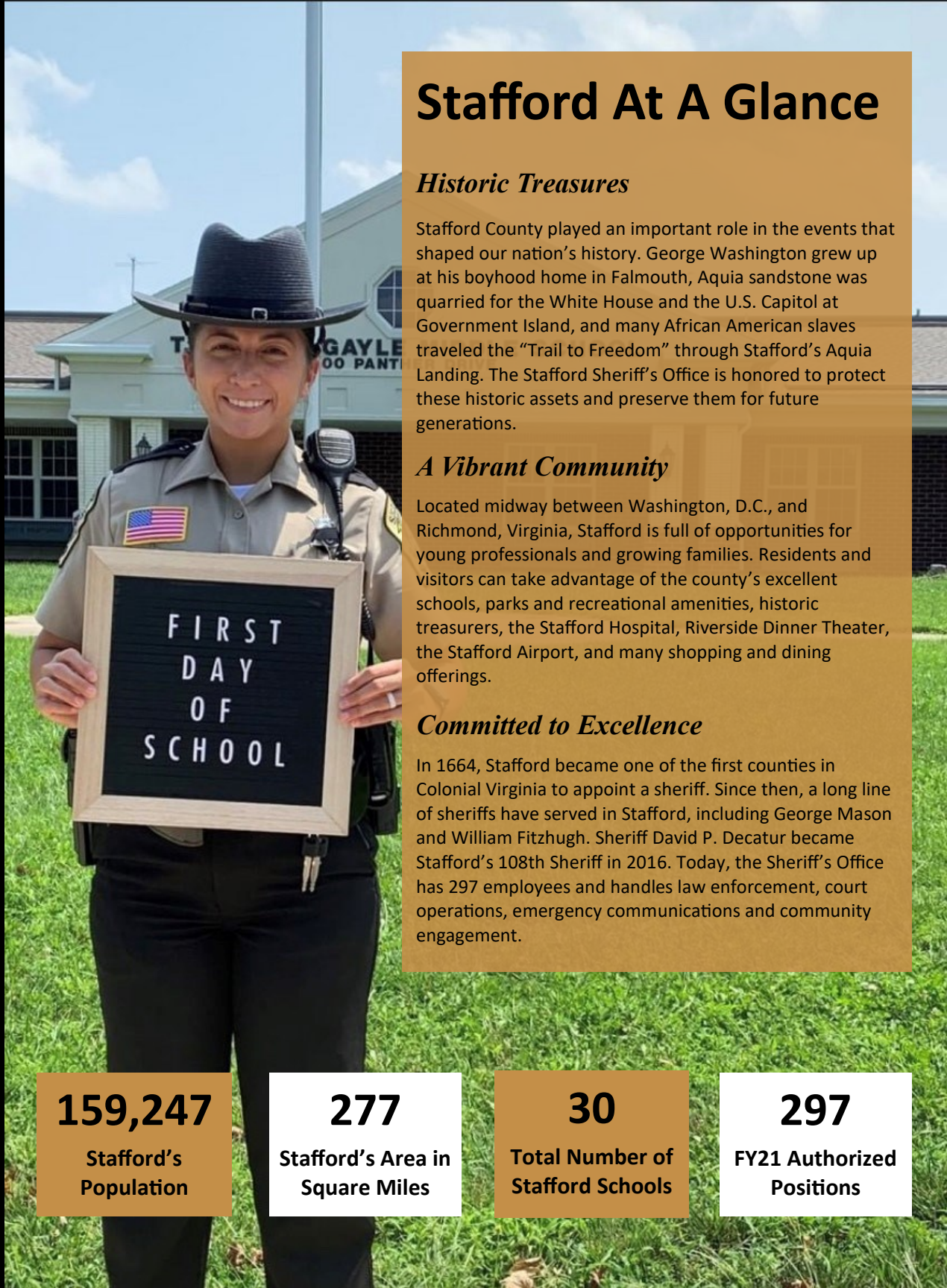


# Vision, Mission and Values

Our vision, mission and values provide a roadmap for our organization for the future. Our vision is an aspiration that describes what we would like to achieve for its future. Our mission describes how we can fulfill our vision. Values provides guidance for how we should behave in carrying out our mission and fulfilling our vision.

Sharing a vision, mission and values helps to inspire us to coordinate our actions toward common future. During our Strategic Planning Process, members of the Sheriff's Office Strategic Planning Team reaffirmed our Mission and organizational values. They were also asked to envision their desired future state as a department. Common elements of these statements were culled to develop the Vision and Vision Principles.





# Stafford At A Glance

## *Historic Treasures*

Stafford County played an important role in the events that shaped our nation's history. George Washington grew up at his boyhood home in Falmouth, Aquia sandstone was quarried for the White House and the U.S. Capitol at Government Island, and many African American slaves traveled the "Trail to Freedom" through Stafford's Aquia Landing. The Stafford Sheriff's Office is honored to protect these historic assets and preserve them for future generations.

## *A Vibrant Community*

Located midway between Washington, D.C., and Richmond, Virginia, Stafford is full of opportunities for young professionals and growing families. Residents and visitors can take advantage of the county's excellent schools, parks and recreational amenities, historic treasures, the Stafford Hospital, Riverside Dinner Theater, the Stafford Airport, and many shopping and dining offerings.

## *Committed to Excellence*

In 1664, Stafford became one of the first counties in Colonial Virginia to appoint a sheriff. Since then, a long line of sheriffs have served in Stafford, including George Mason and William Fitzhugh. Sheriff David P. Decatur became Stafford's 108th Sheriff in 2016. Today, the Sheriff's Office has 297 employees and handles law enforcement, court operations, emergency communications and community engagement.

**159,247**

Stafford's  
Population

**277**

Stafford's Area in  
Square Miles

**30**

Total Number of  
Stafford Schools

**297**

FY21 Authorized  
Positions



# 2021 Highlights

## January

The Sheriff's Office's Use of Force standards was certified by the Virginia Law Enforcement Professional Standards Commission (VLEPSC). This means that its policies adhere to all federal, state, and local laws and ban the use of chokeholds except in deadly force situations. The certification demonstrates the SCSO's commitment to professionalism and to delivering the highest quality law enforcement services.

## February

The Sheriff's Office announced that it would receive its first ever bloodhound, Ruby. She is used for tracking lost children and citizens who have cognitive disorders such as dementia and Alzheimer's. Ruby was donated by a police chief in South Carolina.



## March

Divine World Ministries International and the Fairfax County Communities of Trust presented the Excellence in Community Service Award to the Sheriff's Office. The award recognizes police and fire and rescue organizations for their support and outstanding community service during the pandemic.



## April

Communications officers in the Stafford County Emergency Communications Center were recognized for their hard work and dedication during National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week (April 11-17). Stafford's communication officers process an average of 19,828 phone calls per year.

## May

First Sgt. Jeremiah Rakoczy (left in the photo below) and then Lieutenant (recently promoted to Capt.) Joe Bice participated in the Law Enforcement United Road to Hope. The ride honors law enforcement officers who have died in the line of duty and works to ensure their families are supported and not forgotten.



## June

Baseball Camp returned after being cancelled because of the pandemic. During the five-day camp, deputies coached kids in fielding and hitting, but also taught them lessons on life skills, team work and sportsmanship.





# 2021 Highlights

## July



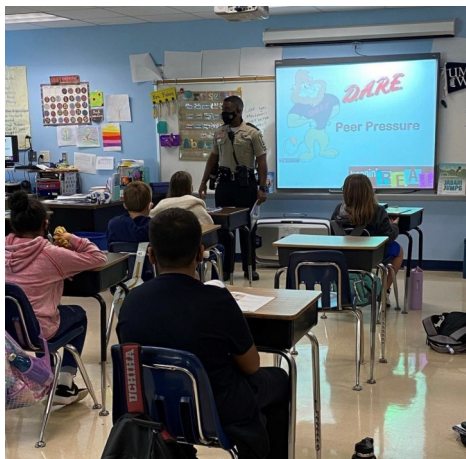
The Junior Deputy Academy welcomed elementary school students and middle schoolers from Stafford County during two different sessions. Deputies and members of the SCSO Cadet program taught kids about law enforcement through interactive and fun activities.

## August

Sheriff David Decatur presented a donation to Healthy Generations Area Agency on Aging. Several of the agency's vehicles used to help senior residents were disabled because of thefts of catalytic converters. The donation was made possible by Mission BBQ's Hometown Heroes Cup fundraiser.

## September

Deputies returned to Stafford schools to teach the D.A.R.E. Program in person. They had spent the last two years teaching it virtually to students because of pandemic safety concerns.



## October

Smart911, a free service that allows individuals and families to sign up online to provide key information to 9-1-1 call takers during an emergency, became available to Stafford citizens. Individuals are able to create a Safety Profile for their household through Smart911's website or by downloading the app on their mobile device. From there, they can include any information they want 9-1-1 dispatchers and first responders to have in the event of an emergency.

## November

Thanks to its community partnership with GCubed, G2C3, S.E.R.V.E., Alpha Phi Alpha chapter OAL and Enough, 250 turkey baskets were delivered for Thanksgiving to families and communities in Stafford. Stafford Fire and Rescue also gave out gift bags for kids.



## December

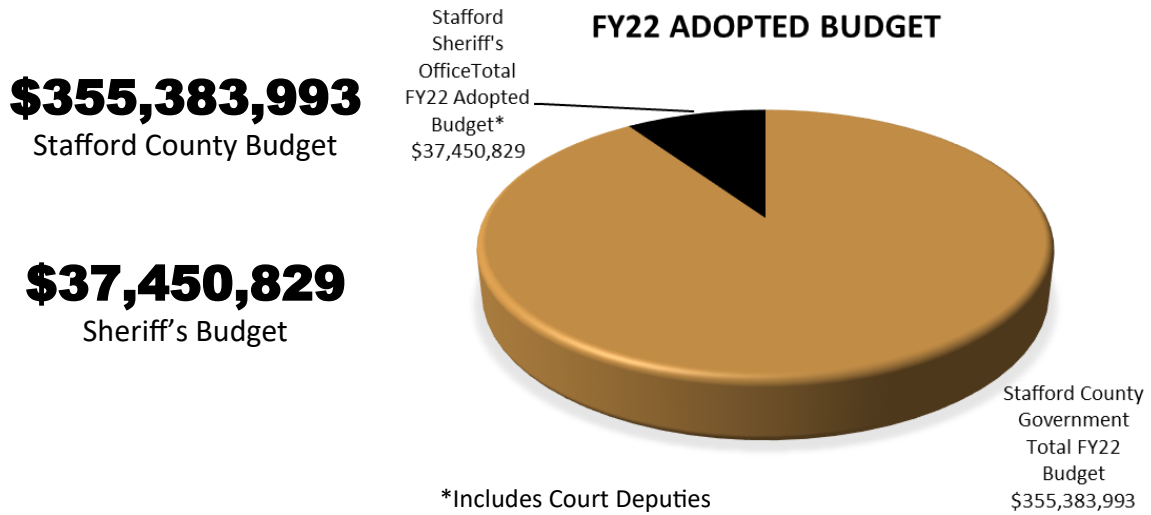


The Sheriff's Office held its annual Holiday Toy Drive with donations coming in from several organizations in Stafford. Deputies and other members of the Sheriff's Office delivered toys to children throughout the community shortly before Christmas.



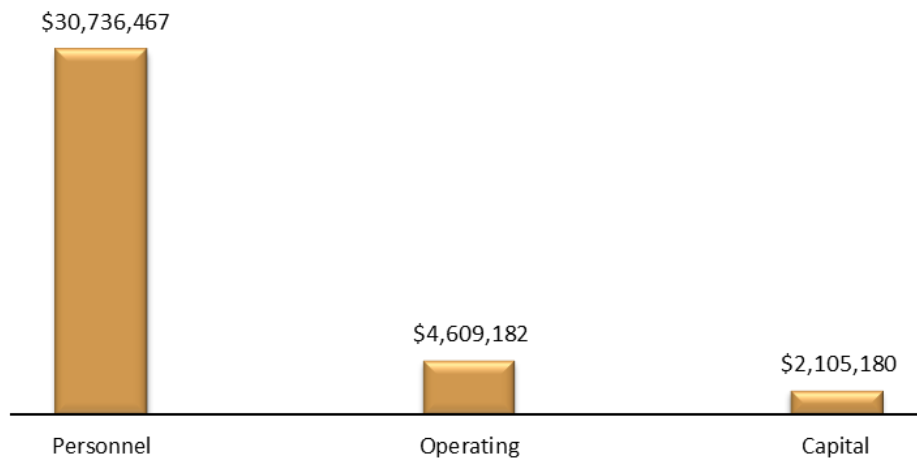
# Financial Statistics

The Stafford County Sheriff's Office budget is but one piece of the overall Stafford County budget (see chart below). For the FY 2022 (July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022) the total County budget was \$355,383,993. The Sheriff's Office budget was \$37,450,829 (including the Court Deputies) or 10.5% of the overall County Budget.



The 10.5% slice of the County Government's budget pie divides into three major categories totaling \$37,450,829 (see chart below). The three categories are Personnel, Operating and Capital. Personnel costs include the salaries and benefits of the 297 Sheriff's Office employees. Operating costs deal with the day-to-day operations of the Sheriff's Office to include training, technology and fuel. Capital costs include vehicles and associated equipment for the Sheriff's Office.

## Sheriff's Office Categories \*



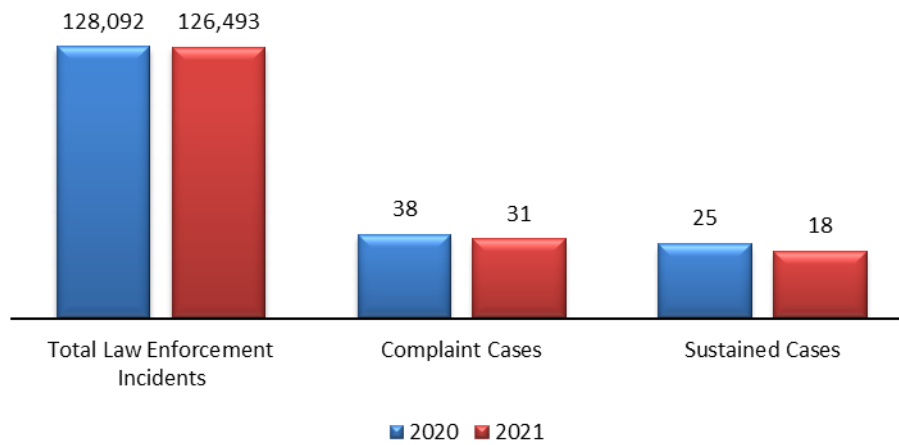
\*Includes Court Deputies



# Personnel Statistics

The image of the Stafford County Sheriff's Office depends on the personal integrity and discipline of every one of its employees. The Sheriff's Office encourages citizens to bring forward grievances regarding misconduct by personnel. The Sheriff's Office investigates all complaints made by citizens. In addition, many of the complaints investigated are internally initiated by the Sheriff's Office. Proactive internal investigations ensure the public that our personnel adhere to the highest standards in performance.

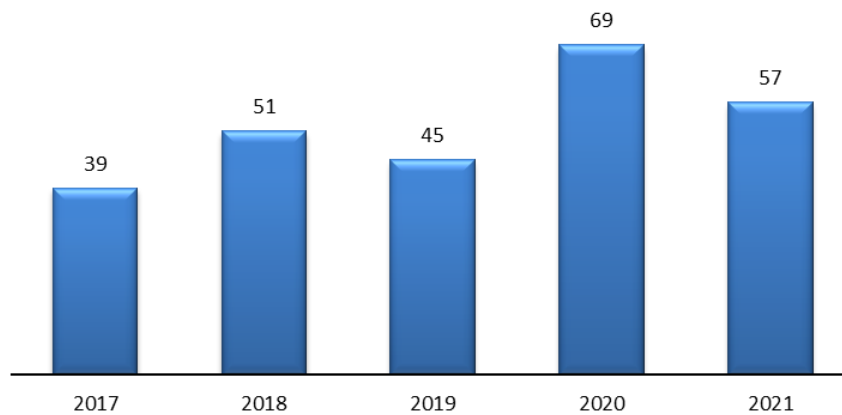
## Personnel Investigations



In 2021, the Sheriff's Office responded to 126,493 law enforcement incidents. The 31 personnel investigations in 2021 accounted for less than .02% of all the calls responded to by Sheriff's Office Personnel.

## Deputies Assaulted

The graph on the right shows the number of assaults on deputies over the past five years. Assaults decreased by about 17.4% from 2020 to 2021.

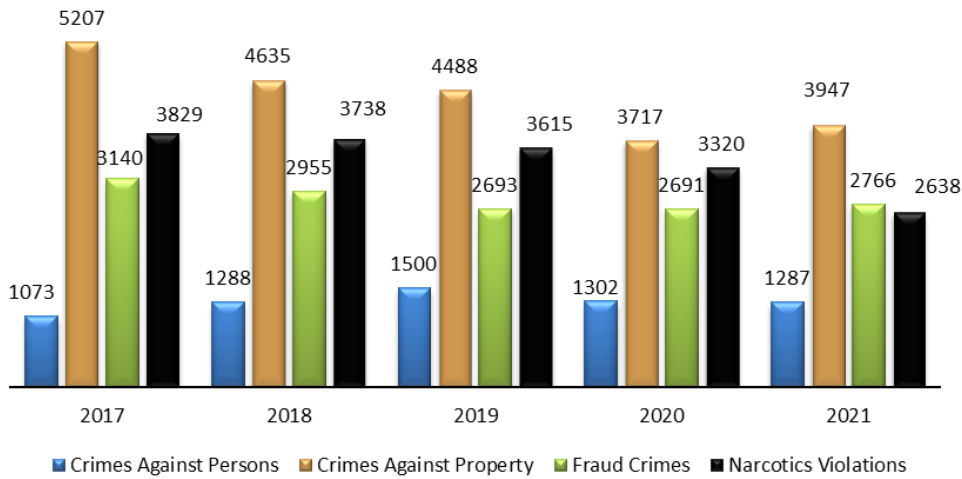




# Crime Statistics

The following pages provide statistics that reflect different activities handled by the Sheriff’s Office in Calendar Year 2021. It is important to note that 2021 statistics were captured while the Covid-19 pandemic continued and its impact was felt throughout every facet of operations in the Sheriff’s Office. Careful consideration should be given to drawing any conclusions about the year’s trends based on these statistics.

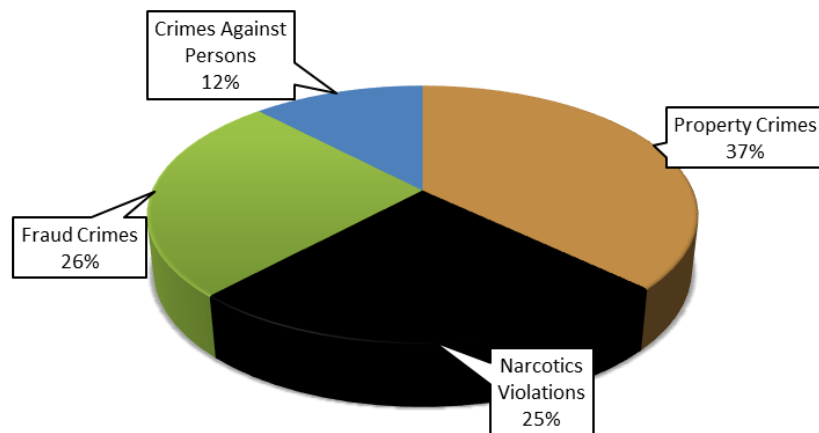
## All Crimes Reported for CY2021



In the chart above, Narcotics Violations saw the biggest change from 2020 to 2021 with a decrease of approximately 21%. Crimes Against Persons dropped 1%. The two areas that saw increases were in Crimes Against Property, which rose 6% and Fraud Crimes, which increased almost 3%.

The chart on the right summarizes the major crimes reported in Calendar Year 2021. Property Crimes made up the largest percentage of all major crimes in 2021 at 37%, but the number of crimes rose only 6% from 2020 to 2021. The Fraud Crimes category made up the second largest group of crimes but it saw the smallest growth at 3% in 2021. Narcotics Violations saw the biggest change in the number of crimes from 2020 to 2021, dropping 21% in 2021.

## Crime Distribution

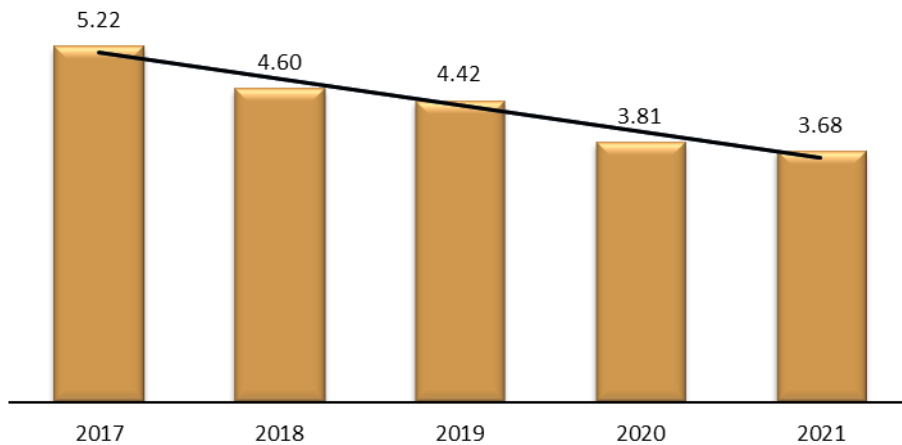




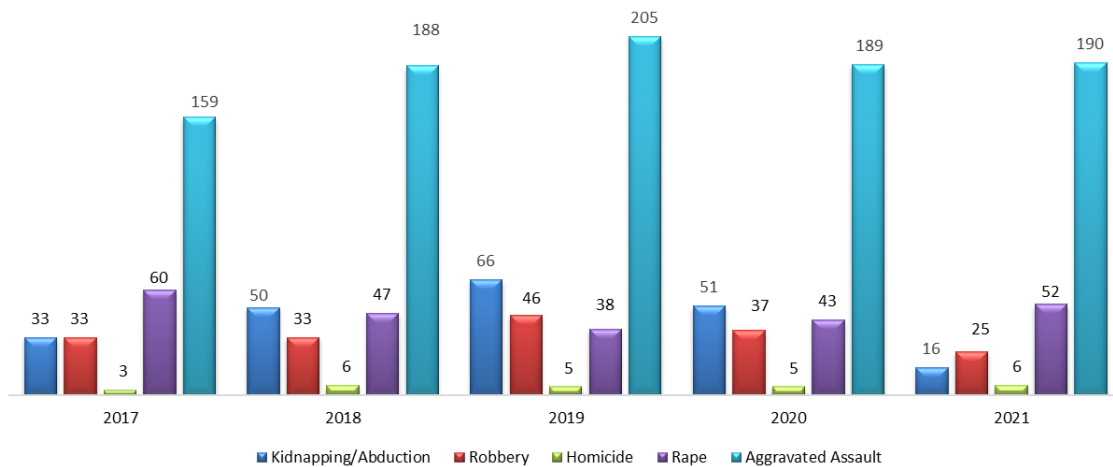
# Crime Statistics

Stafford’s crime rate continues to show a decrease. From 2020 to 2021, it went down by almost 3.4%. From 2019 to 2020, it decreased by almost 14%; from 2018 to 2019, it decreased by almost 4%; and from 2017 to 2018, it decreased by almost 12%. While some of the decrease from 2019 and later could be attributed to Covid-19 and more people staying home, other factors include the Sheriff’s Office’s community engagement and strong partnerships with businesses, citizens and elected officials.

## Crime Rate per 100 Residents



## Crimes Against Persons



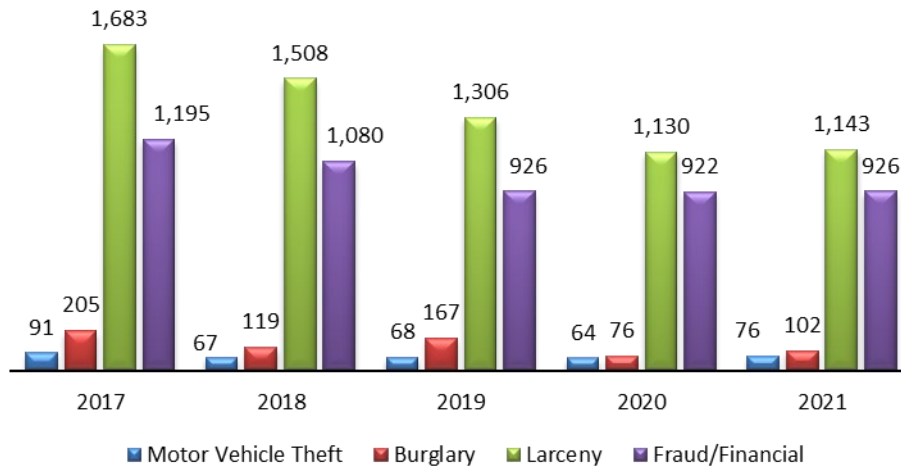
Of all the Crimes Against Persons, two categories decreased from 2020 to 2021: Kidnapping/Abductions decreased almost 69% in 2021 and Robbery decreased about 32%. Homicides rose by just one, increasing from 5 in 2020 to 6 in 2021; Aggravated Assaults also increased by one, growing from 189 in 2020 to 190 in 2021. The biggest increase was in the Rape category, going from 43 in 2020 to 52 in 2021, a 21% increase.



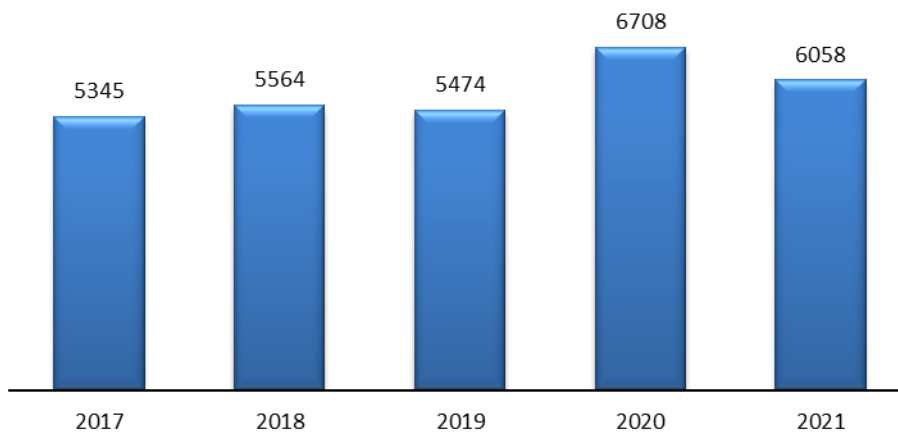
# Crime Statistics

All categories in Crimes Against Property showed increases from 2020 to 2021 with the biggest increase in the Burglary Category at 34.2%. Motor Vehicle Theft followed with an almost 19% increase and Larceny increased 1.2%. The Fraud/Financial category showed the smallest increase at .43%.

## Crimes Against Property



## Criminal Arrests



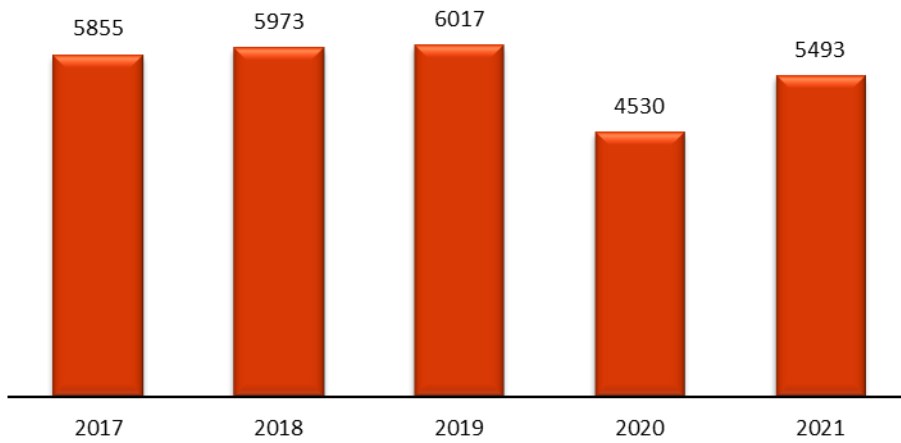
After an almost 23% increase from 2019 to 2020, Criminal Arrests decreased by almost 10% from 2020 to 2021.



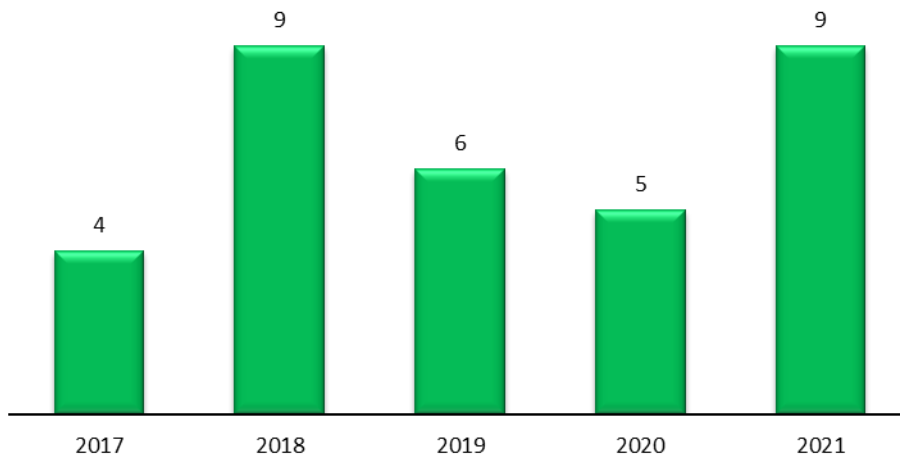
# Traffic Safety Statistics

The Special Operations Division is responsible for the Traffic Safety Unit, which manages the control of traffic movement, enforcement of traffic laws and the reduction of traffic collisions through directed and proactive enforcement. Traffic Accidents in general increased 21% from 2020 to 2021. Fatal Auto Accidents increased 80% from 2020 to 2021 (but rose in number by only 4).

## Traffic Accidents



## Fatal Auto Accidents

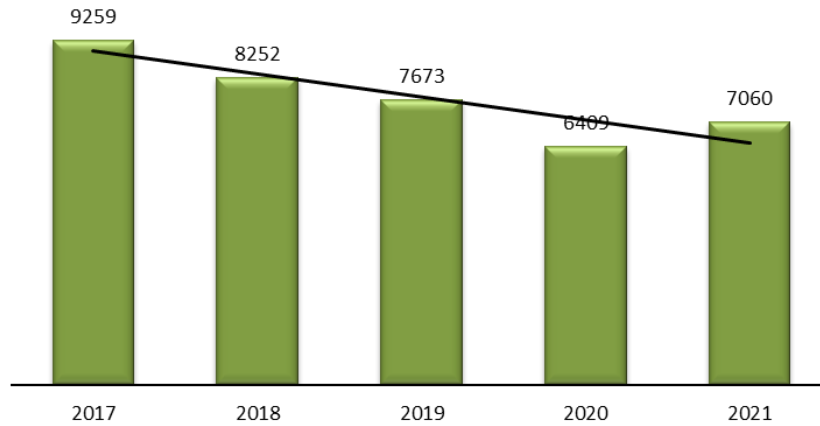




# Traffic Safety Statistics

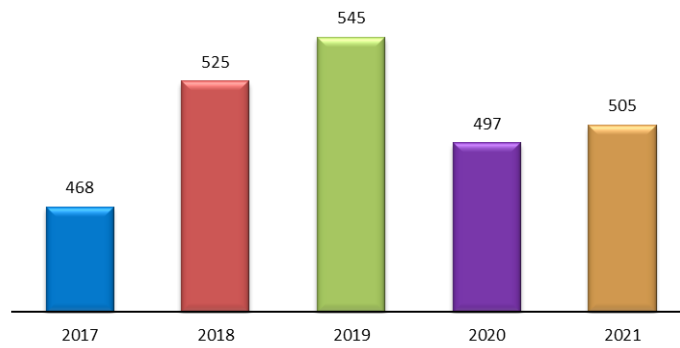
After years of steady declines, the number of citations from 2020 to 2021 rose 10% but the category overall still trends downward.

## Citations

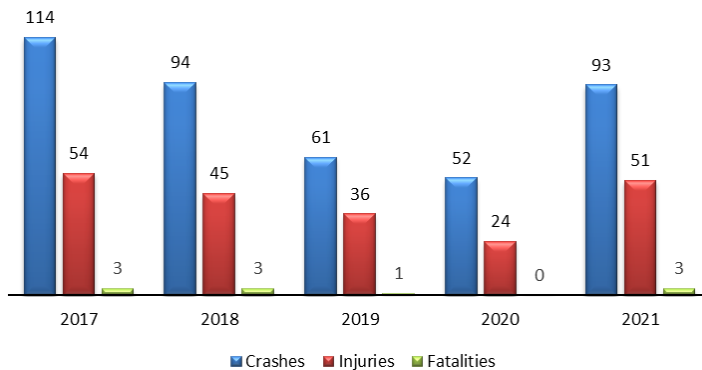


## DUI

DUIs increased slightly from 2020 to 2021 at 1.6%.



## Alcohol Related Incidents



Each category of Alcohol Related Incidents reflected increases from 2020 to 2021. Crashes increased almost 79%; Injuries increased about 113%; and the number of Fatalities rose by a total of 3.





# Court Services Statistics

The Operations Bureau oversees the Court Services Division. The Court Services/Civil Process Division provides a variety of services such as security at the Stafford Courthouse, prisoner transportation and the processing of all legal civil documents. They also provide regular security checks around the Stafford Government campus. After the challenges of Covid-19, all courts resumed normal operations with in-person proceedings in January 2021. The numbers below reflect some of the growing number of visitors and resulting interactions as a result of the re-opening (percentages have been rounded).

<b>Court Service</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>% Change</b>
<b>Courthouse Visitors Screened</b>	90,901	101,209	11%
<b>Jurors Screened</b>	574	1,631	184%
<b>Civil Process</b>	35,317	28,727	-19%
<b>Civil Process at Rappahannock Regional Jail</b>	1,093	832	-24%
<b>Evictions</b>	268	83	-69%
<b>Transports</b>	600	438	-27%
<b>Extraditions</b>	65	49	-25%
<b>Mental Transports</b>	162	127	-22%
<b>Warrants Served</b>	265	269	1.5%
<b>Prisoners Transported</b>	3,215	3,793	18%
<b>Circuit Court Days</b>	593	628	6%
<b>General District Court Days</b>	340	332	-2%
<b>Juvenile/Domestic Relations Court Days</b>	335	420	25%

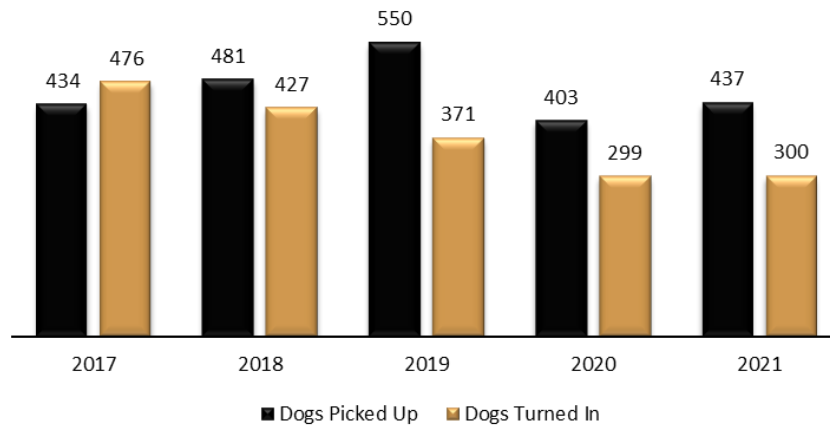


# Animal Control Statistics — Dogs

Animal Control is composed of two entities: sworn officers and the Animal Shelter staff. Each group falls under the command of the Stafford County Sheriff, but they have different regulating authorities under the Commonwealth of Virginia. The officers are regulated by the Sheriff and the Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services with specific training requirements set by the Virginia Department of Agriculture (VDAC). The Animal Shelter and staff are regulated and inspected by VDAC, the Virginia Board of Pharmacy and the Drug Enforcement Administration.

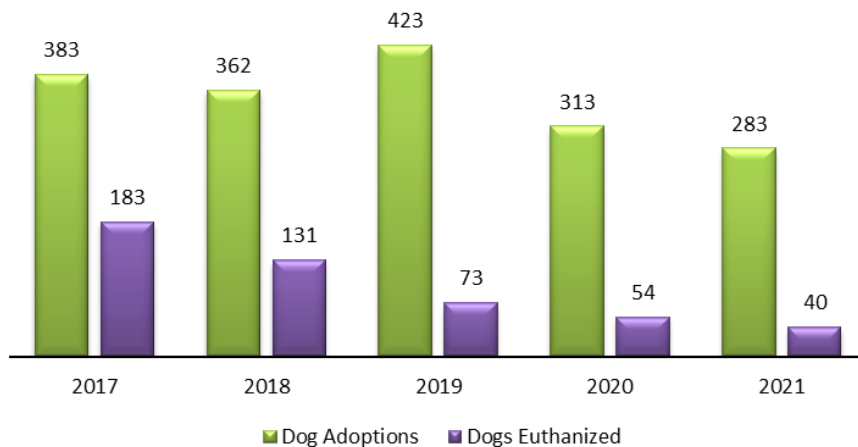
## Dogs Coming to the Shelter

The number of dogs picked up increased by about 8% from 2020 to 2021. Dogs turned into the shelter increased by 1 or .3% from 2020 to 2021.



## Dogs Leaving the Shelter

Dog Adoptions decreased almost 10%. Dogs euthanized decreased by 26%.

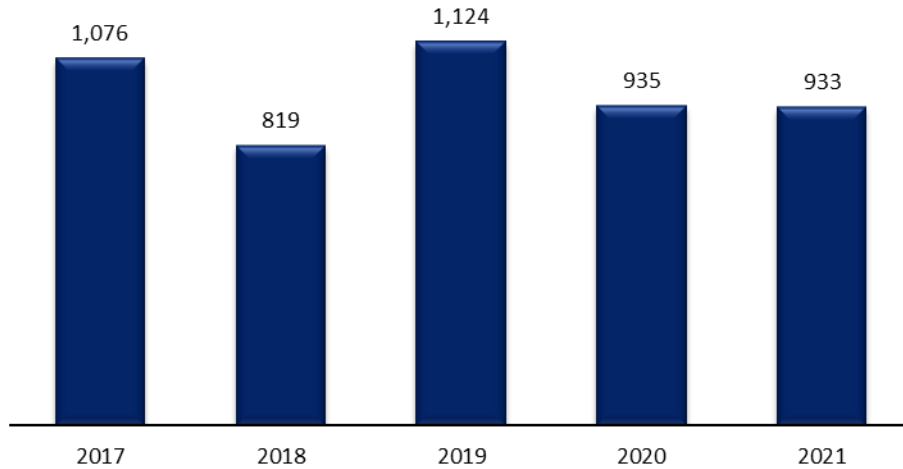




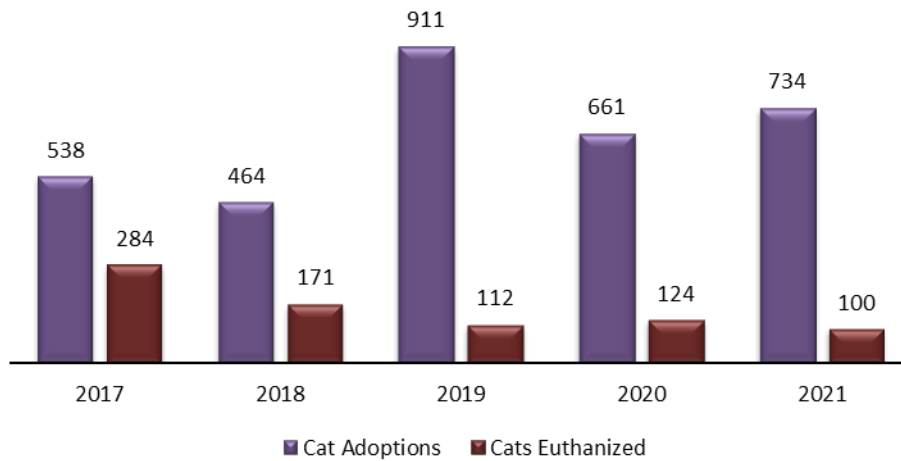
# Animal Control Statistics — Cats

The number of cats turned in decreased in number by 2 (a .2% decrease) from 2020 to 2021.

**Cats Turned In**



**Cats Leaving the Shelter**



Cat adoptions increased 11% from 2020 to 2021. The number of cats euthanized decreased by 19%.



# Law Enforcement Operations

The Support Services Bureau consists of the Criminal Investigations Division, the Administrative Services Division, the Professional Standards Division and the Emergency Communications Division. Staff monitors and coordinates technology initiatives, service delivery programs, crime patterns and data shifts, budget efficiencies, community expectations and the impact of new laws and regulations.

## Criminal Investigations Division

The Criminal Investigations Division oversees the assignment, coordination and investigation of cases. The Major Crimes Unit handles the assignment and investigation of all major crimes. The General Assignment Unit handles runaways, missing persons and property crimes. The Special Investigations Unit manages drug-related crimes and investigations. The chart to the right reflects statistics involving the division's cases in 2021.

## Administrative Services Division

The Administrative Services Division supports Sheriff's Office operations including Records, Data Entry, Information Technology, Evidence and Property, Criminal Warrants, Policy and Accreditation, Fleet Management and Logistics.

## Professional Standards Division

Professional Standards oversees Accounting/Budget, Human Resources, Internal Affairs and Training. Human Resources recruits and hires personnel, administers employee benefits and maintains personnel records. Internal Affairs provides oversight for the Sheriff's Office and investigates complaints of Sheriff's Office personnel. Training staff documents, certifies and implements training requirements.

*First Sergeant J.A. Adams retired from the Sheriff's Office in 2021 after 28 years of service. He is shown in the photo at right standing to the right of Commonwealth's Attorney Eric Olsen.*



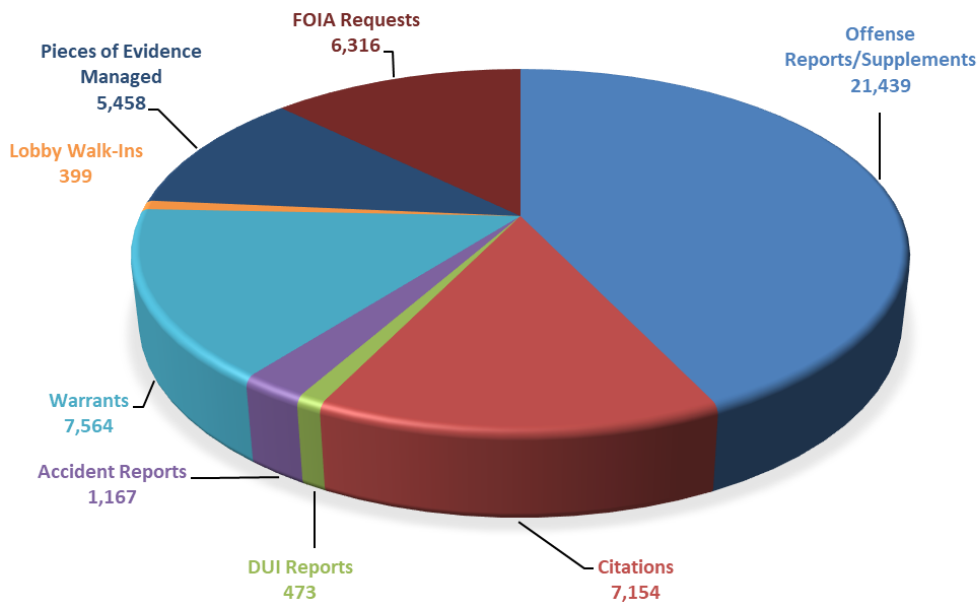
Major Crimes Unit	
Search Warrants Issued	204
Court Orders Issued	92
Direct Indictments	118
Felony Warrants	183
Misdemeanor Warrants	36
Child Forensic Interviews	105
General Assignment Unit	
Search Warrants Issued	251
Court Orders Issued	263
Direct Indictments	13
Felony Warrants	120
MISD Warrants	65
Value of Prop. Recovered	1,071,300.66
Special Investigations Unit	
Search Warrants	74
Court Orders	300
Direct Indictments	46
Felony Warrants	221
MISD Warrants	49
Surveillance Events	458
Surveillance Hours	1872
Control Buys	79
Money Spent	\$25,727.00
Est. Value of Prop. Seized	\$903,691.38
Est. Value of Drugs Seized	\$204,635.00



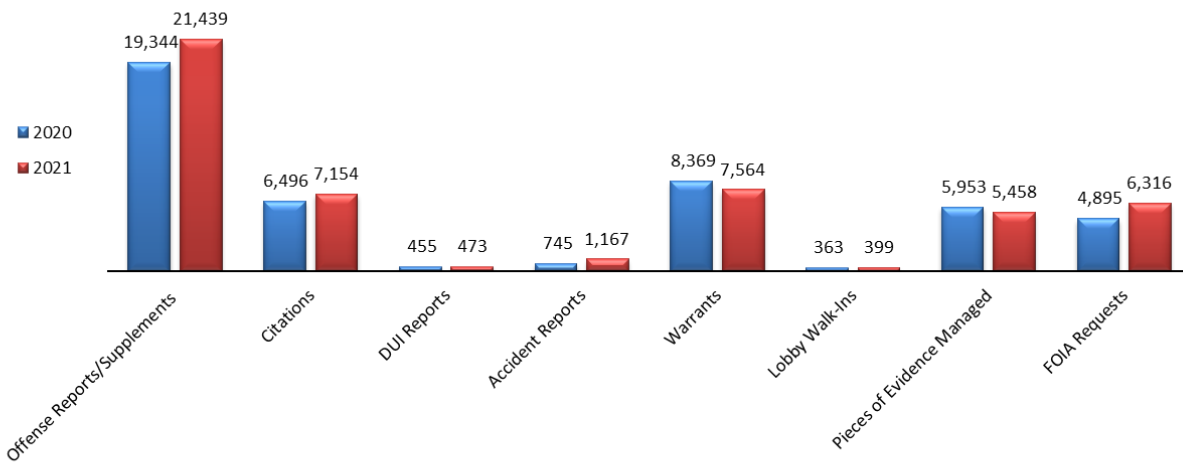
# Law Enforcement Operations

The chart below reflects the number of major activities handled by the Support Services Bureau in 2021. The second chart below compares the number of activities in each category in 2021 and 2020. All activities showed increases in 2021 except for Warrants and Pieces of Evidence Managed. Offense Reports/Supplements increased 11%; Citations increased 10%; DUI Reports increased 4%; Accident Reports increased 57%; Lobby Walk Ins increased 10%; and FOIA requests increased 29%. Warrants decreased 10% and Pieces of Evidence Managed decreased 8%.

**Activity Summary 2021**



**Activity Summary 2020 vs. 2021**



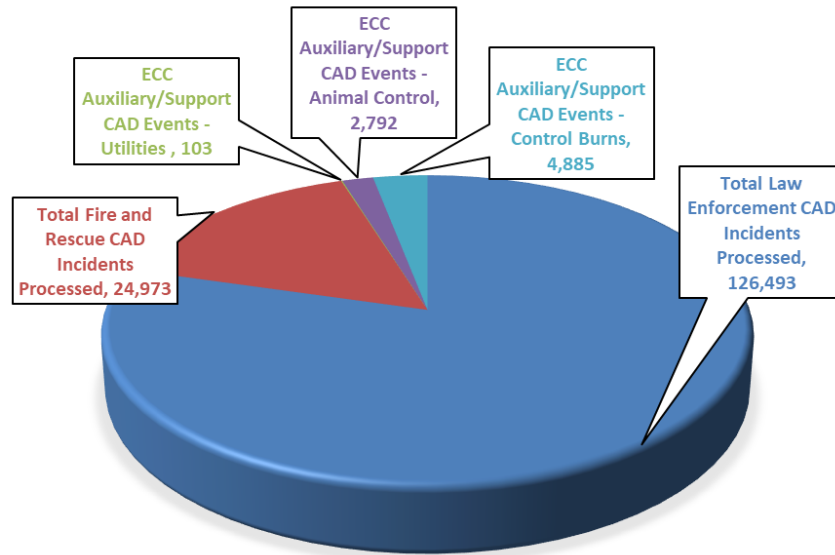


# Emergency Communications Center

The Emergency Communications Center (ECC) is staffed 24 hours a day, 365 days a year supporting operations through an ever-changing comprehensive communications infrastructure. In 2021, the ECC added the Fredericksburg Regional Transit to its Emergency Radio System, which allows direct communications with them in emergencies for evacuations and emergency transportation.

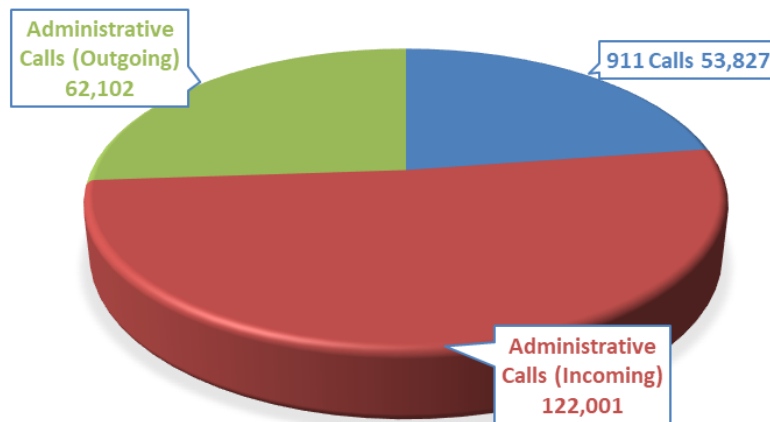
The Emergency Communications Center processed a total of 159,246 incidents in 2021. The chart to the right shows the type and number of incidents that dispatchers received as well as the number of ECC phone calls. The majority of incidents are Law Enforcement-related, but Animal Control issues, Fire and Rescue, and Utility calls after hours are also part of the division's daily workload.

**Total CAD Incidents Processed in 2021**



The total volume of phone calls that the Emergency Communications Center processed in 2021 is 237,930. The chart to the right indicates the types and number of calls handled by the division. Of the 911 calls from the public, 9,257, or 17%, were made from landline phones and 44,495, or 83%, were made from cell phones. Also, 75 calls of the total 911 calls were 911 to Text calls (.14%).













**ECC Phone Activity 2021**





# Strategic Plan Overview

After a joint effort by the Strategic Planning Leadership Team and the Strategic Planning Team on a SWOT (Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats) Analysis, Focus Areas and corresponding Strategic Goals and Objectives were developed. Focus Groups were first set in place in 2018 when the Strategic Planning Leadership Team appointed members of the Sheriff's Office to participate in the groups to work on selected goals and objectives from our Strategic Plan. To date, there are a total of 12 Focus Areas (see below). Details on all of the Focus Areas and Objectives can be found in the Strategic Plan document on the Sheriff's Office website at [www.staffordsheriff.com](http://www.staffordsheriff.com). Click on the "About Us" link. The following pages reflect the Strategic Plan's impact on our community.

1	2	3	4	5
<p>Effective and Comprehensive Community Engagement</p> 	<p>Recruiting and Retention of Personnel</p> 	<p>Effective Contemporary Policies</p> 	<p>Effective Career Training and Development</p> 	<p>Effective and Comprehensive Employee Communications</p> 
6	7	8	9	10
<p>Effective Use of Current and Emerging Technologies</p> 	<p>Filling Funding Gaps</p> 	<p>Homeland Security and Crime Prevention</p> 	<p>Traffic Safety</p> 	<p>Taking Care of Our People</p> 
11		12		
<p>Infrastructure</p> 		<p>Legislative and Regulatory Influences</p> 		



# Impact on Our Community

The following reflects concrete examples of how the Sheriff's Office's strategic planning efforts impacted Stafford County in 2021.

## COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Community Engagement has long been a priority of the Stafford County Sheriff's Office. Strategic Planning efforts enhanced the office's legacy programs while also implementing new programs—such as the Community Engagement Team—which was established in 2020. The following Community Engagement initiatives took place in 2021.

### Established More Neighborhood Partnerships

The Community Engagement Team partnered with the property manager in low income neighborhoods to start ongoing outreach programs to build relationships with kids and adults in the communities.

### Partnered with the Stafford Food Security Program

The Community Engagement Team worked with the Stafford Food Security Program to identify low income communities and provide hot, freshly prepared meals for the residents. The program also feeds the homeless families living in hotels off of Warrenton Road. The Community Engagement Team packaged, prepared and delivered meals to the families. The team also participated in the Summer Feeding Program which takes place two days a week in selected communities. The team purchased snacks and drinks to take to the communities.

### Hotel Watch

Sheriff's Office staff partnered with leaders of local hotels for the new Hotel Watch program, which is designed to strengthen the relationship between the Sheriff's Office and management and employees in the hotel/motel industry.



*Deputy R.L. Richmond wishes a young citizen a Happy 4th Birthday in June 2021.*

## Ongoing Community Engagement Programs

### "In the Know with the Stafford S.O." Podcast

The podcast, which is staffed and produced in-house by Sheriff's Office employees, was used to communicate Covid-19 information to the public in 2020 as well as to highlight different programs, issues, events and other important information. The podcast can be found on the Sheriff's Office website at [www.staffordsheriff.com](http://www.staffordsheriff.com).

### Developed "Happening Now" Videos

Happening Now" videos were used on social media to inform the community of incidents currently underway such as crimes or traffic incidents. The videos allow SCSO staff to quickly inform citizens about emergency events in real time and provide updates until the incident has ended.

### Stafford County Public Schools

After many years of working together on various issues and projects including participating on a Joint Safe School Task Force examined current safety practices and procedures, the Sheriff's Office and Stafford County Schools entered into





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an official Schools Law Enforcement Partnership in January 2021. The goal of the partnership is to foster relations, mutual respect and understanding to build a positive and safe school environment.

The Sheriff's Office has designated a point of contact between the agency and the Schools to address operational and administrative issues and to serve as a consultant on safety and security.

School Resource Officers work in middle and high schools, and two D.A.R.E. Officers who work with elementary schools. Two School Protection Officers are assigned to three elementary schools to protect the schools, school staff and students.

Cameras installed in the Emergency Communications Center at the Ford T. Humphrey Public Safety Center have software which is able to monitor schools. In addition, radios on all school buses helped to improve the safety of kids riding the buses.

High schools also offer the Youth of Virginia Speak Out (YOVASO) leadership program that focuses on saving the lives of teenage drivers. Deputies assigned to the Traffic Safety Unit work with the school YOVASO Sponsor.

## Badges for Baseball

During this annual summer program, Stafford deputies serve as mentors and coaches to youth from community-based organizations. The goal of the five-day camp is to teach kids the fundamentals of baseball, foster a relationship with coaches and mentors and expand participants' life skills. A character education curriculum is also included.

## Business Watch

This partnership among businesses, law enforcement, and other organizations that represent business interests seeks to reduce and prevent crime through cooperation and education. The program was rebooted in late 2019. Monthly meetings are held with businesses at which the Sheriff's Office exchanges trend information and provides training.

## Cadet Program

Since 1973, the Sheriff's Office has offered young men and women between the ages of 14 and 20 an opportunity to experience law enforcement first hand through its Cadet Program. Lead by Sheriff's Deputies, the program allows youth to train and work in a wide range of law enforcement procedures. The goal is to help interested individuals cultivate a better understanding of the profession and enable them to make an informed decision about pursuing a law enforcement career.

## Citizens Police Academy

This 11-week program was designed to enhance citizens' understanding of the functions and services of the Sheriff's Office. Participants get an inside look at the daily operations and the "Hows and Whys" of police work. Graduates of the academy act as advocates to promote community policing.



*The Stafford Sheriff's Office Baseball Camp was held in June 2021 and teaches kids the fundamentals of baseball as well as lessons on life skills, teamwork and sportsmanship.*



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## Coffee With a Cop

These informal gatherings with the Sheriff and other members of the Sheriff's Office allows citizens and business representatives to connect on a one-on-one basis with law enforcement. Events are held at different businesses throughout Stafford.

## Crime Solvers

Crime Solvers is a non-profit community-based organization that works with the Sheriff's Office and the community to combat crime. The group pays individuals for tips that lead to the arrest and conviction of suspects involved in crimes. Crime Solvers holds several fundraising events, such as the Stafford Shredding event and the Community Yard Sale, throughout the year.

## D.A.R.E.

The Drug Abuse Resistance Education Program seeks to provide kids with the skills they need to avoid drugs, gangs and violence. Each year, fifth grade students from Stafford County Public Schools commemorate the completion of their DARE program with a huge celebration hosted by the Stafford Sheriff's Office.

## Halloween Safety

The Sheriff's Office goes above and beyond to ensure trick-or-treaters enjoy a safe and fun-filled Halloween. Deputies increase their presence in neighborhoods throughout the community on Halloween night to ensure trick-or-treaters have a safe night. Traffic tips are also sent out to remind motorists to watch for pedestrians, especially when driving through residential areas where children may be going door to door trick-or-treating. In addition, the Sheriff's Office x-rays candy at the Stafford Courthouse on Halloween night to detect metallic objects.

## Junior Deputy Academy

This one-week summer program is geared toward upper elementary and middle school students. Participants attend a camp-style educational program during which they participate in daily activities that focus on building character as well as basic instruction in law enforcement duties and responsibilities.



*After being canceled because of Covid, National Night Out returned to the Stafford Marketplace in October 2021.*

## LEU Ride

The Law Enforcement United Ride honors officers who have died in the line of duty and works to ensure their family members are supported and not forgotten. Members of the Stafford Sheriff's Office participate in the ride each year, which starts in Chesapeake, Virginia and ends in Washington, D.C.

## National Night Out

National Night Out is an annual event held at Stafford Marketplace and in Stafford neighborhoods that promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie to make our neighborhoods safer and more caring places to live. Stafford's National Night Out has been recognized by the National Association of Town Watch. Participation and attendance in this celebration grow every year.

## Neighborhood Watch

The Neighborhood Watch program allows communities throughout Stafford County to work together and in partnership with the Sheriff's Office to reduce crime and improve their quality of life. The Sheriff's Office provides a starter kit, information guide, and meets regularly with Neighborhood Watch groups.

## Operation Medicine Cabinet

The Sheriff's Office is a regular participant in Opera-



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tion Medicine Cabinet and the annual Fall Drug Take Back program at Stafford Hospital. In addition, there is a drug disposal unit in the lobby of the Ford T. Humphrey Public Safety Building, which provides a safe and easy way to dispose of expired or unwanted prescription drugs.

Ring to provide the community with real-time, local crime and safety information. Citizens can text “staffordco” to 555888 from their smartphone to download the Neighbors app for free and share crime and safety related videos, photos and text-based posts. They can also receive real-time safety alerts from their neighbors, law enforcement and the Ring team.

## Ring Neighbors App

The Sheriff’s Office joined the Neighbors app by

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## Social Media Connections

The Stafford County Sheriff’s Office is committed to being transparent and accountable to Stafford citizens. A key tool to fulfill that goal is communication. The Sheriff’s Public Information Officer (PIO) serves as the spokesperson for the Sheriff’s Office and is on call 24 hours a day/365 days a year. The PIO is responsible for contact with all media outlets, disseminates information and responds to information requests from the public on a daily basis. In addition, the Public Information Officer acts as the Sheriff’s Office photographer and social media coordinator.

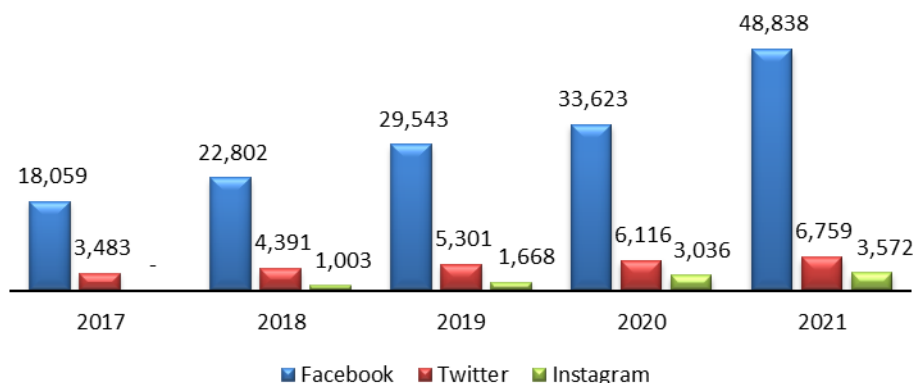
The Sheriff’s Office has Facebook (Office of Stafford County Sheriff), Twitter (@StaffcoSheriff) and Instagram (staffordsheriff), which was launched in 2018. All platforms have been instrumental in helping to spread the word on events and issues. The Sheriff’s website at [www.staffordsheriff.com](http://www.staffordsheriff.com) offers a multitude of resources for citizens including information about community events, media releases, crime statistics as well as requests for child car seat inspections.

The chart below reflects the increase in users over the last five years in the Sheriff’s Office social media tools.

The Sheriff’s Office has Facebook (Office of

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## Social Media Statistics





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## Special Olympics

The Sheriff's Office supports Special Olympics each year and participates in the program's events such as the Torch Run and the Polar Plunge.

## Special Star Force Cadets

The Special Star Force Cadets is a program for young people with intellectual challenges, ages 13-22. Cadets experience various duties of a law enforcement officer in a safe and hazard free environment.

## Worship Watch

This partnership with Stafford's places of worship aims to fight crime and keep members safe. The program includes training, information exchanges and security assessments.

## RETENTION & RECRUITING

### Public Safety Pay Scale

All public safety personnel are now on the new pay scale that was first implemented in 2020. The scale enhanced the full compensation package for employees and is more competitive with neighboring jurisdictions. For Fiscal Year 2022, the Board of Supervisors approved a 2.25% salary scale adjustment and a salary increase for public safety following the pay scale step plan (2.85% average increase). Analysis of the pay scale is ongoing to ensure it remains accurate and competitive.

### Night Shift Differential Approved

Night Shift Differential Pay was approved by the BOS on December 15, 2021. Night Shift Differential pay applies to employees who work evenings (\$1.00 per hour) and midnights (\$1.50 per hour).



*Members of the Sheriff's Office's Worship Watch group are made up of representatives from Stafford's many places of worship.*



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## EFFECTIVE POLICIES

### Standard Operating Procedures and General Orders Redefined

Standard Operating Procedures and General Orders were reviewed and updated in 2021 to ensure that the Sheriff's Office is using best practices for law enforcement agencies.

## TRAINING & DEVELOPMENT

### Annual Civilian Training Implemented

To ensure all employees, including civilians, are trained in safety practices, the Sheriff's Office conducted Active Shooter training for staff. The plan is for this type of training to occur on an annual basis.

### Training Provided for Supervisory Development

Additional training programs covering various topics such as employment law were facilitated to con-

tinue developing supervisors' managerial and leadership skills.

### New Training Schedule Developed

To help enhance the quality of life for sworn personnel, the training schedule has been revised and implemented to accommodate the evening and midnight shifts. Previously, some employees would have to come in on their days off to complete training, thereby effecting their personal time. The new schedule allows staff to get needed rest after long shifts or spend quality time with family.

## EMPLOYEE COMMUNICATIONS

### Employee Newsletter Created

To keep SCSO employees regularly informed of department-wide news, a one-page newsletter was created by the Public Information Officer. The newsletter was distributed via email once a month.



*Members of the Sheriff's Office dressed in super hero costumes for the 2021 Polar Plunge to benefit the Special Olympics.*



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## TECHNOLOGY

### New Information Technology Policy Implemented

A new Information Technology acquisition policy was completed. The policy provides a consistent process for the acquisition of technological advancements within the Sheriff's Office.

## FILLING FUNDING GAPS

### Additional Positions Approved

Nine new positions were added in Fiscal Year 2022 including five deputies in mid year. A full-time IT Programmer/Analyst (additional position) was also approved in the FY22 Budget. Authorized full-time positions increased over the last five years with the largest increase from FY21 to FY22 at 4.3%.

### Grants Leveraged for Education/Equipment

SCSO staff were approved for a number of grants to help provide services or upgrade equipment. For example, the Crime Prevention Unit used a \$5,000 grant to provide information about domestic violence, fraud and scams, and bullying.

## HOMELAND SECURITY/CRIME PREVENTION

### Intra-Agency Training Conducted

The Homeland Security/Crime Prevention Unit provided training to other SCSO departments to help raise awareness of its capabilities and to educate staff about the SHIELD program. SHIELD works to increase community awareness of criminal and terrorism trends and incidents within Stafford.

### Motel Partnership Leads to Arrests

"Operation We'll Turn the Lights On," an enforcement and interdiction operation targeting criminal activity such as drug offenses, sex offenses and parole violations. surrounding the motels along Warrenton Road in south Stafford, resulted in nu-



merous arrests. SCSO staff partnered with the motels for the targeted enforcement.

### Unit Plays Role in Afghan Refugee Crisis

The Homeland Security Unit attended multiple meetings with local, state and federal partners about the refugees placement at Camp Ushur at Quantico Marine Corps Base. The unit worked with local Muslim leaders to prepare cultural information training for SCSO staff. Also, the unit helped connect federal partners and local resources to assist in concerns of domestic violence and crimes against children at Camp Upshur.

## TRAFFIC SAFETY

### New Positions Assist in Traffic Safety

In Fiscal Year 2021, the Sheriff's Office received an additional six deputy positions, four of which were assigned to the Traffic Safety Unit. The four depu-



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ties have enhanced the services provided by the Traffic Safety Unit including traffic control for multiple community events and serving on an emergency response taskforce.

## Revitalized Community Partnerships

The Traffic Safety Unit revitalized the Sheriff's Office's partnerships with community organizations, such as GEICO. Regional meetings and programs are back underway.

## Completed Research for E-Ticket Implementation

Staff from Traffic Safety and Patrol have completed researching the E-ticket system for future implementation in Stafford. E-ticket streamlines how deputies generate reports and citations in their patrol vehicles. They can capture driver's license information as well as information from registrations and other forms while in their vehicles and complete their reports easily and quickly. A \$5.00 fee has been added to any traffic citation. The money will go toward the annual maintenance fee

of the E-ticket system. Funding for the program is expected in the summer of 2022.

## TAKING CARE OF OUR PEOPLE

### Mental Health for Employees Remains a Priority

The Sheriff's Office is enhancing its focus on mental health for its staff. Employees involved in a critical incident will now be mandated to have a psychological exam as part of the post-critical incident process. Also, more classes and roll call trainings will take place on topics such as suicide awareness as well as stress first aid.

### Wellness Program To Be Revitalized

The agency's existing Wellness Program will be enhanced with nutrition classes and other wellness classes such as heart health, sleep management, financial wellness and stress management. Also, the program would host different initiatives such as health screenings and yearly physicals.



*Deputy S.H. Curtis, Jr. hugs Bishop Leonard Lacey at the Sounding of the Trumpet event at Pratt Park in Stafford in October 2021.*



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## Fighting Drug Addiction

Mitigating the use of illegal drugs is a goal of the Homeland Security and Crime Prevention Unit. The unit engages in several activities each year such as DARE Day and National Drug Take Back Day to help rid the community of illegal drugs. On National Drug Take Back Day in 2021, the Sheriff's Office collected 364lbs of drugs and 120lbs of sharps.

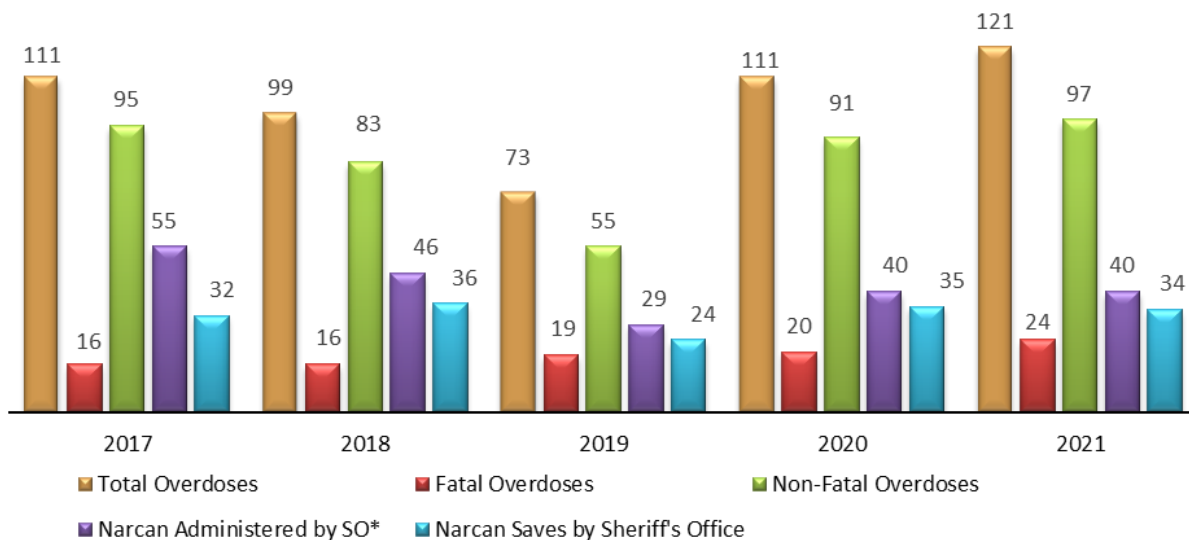
In addition, a drug collection unit is installed in the lobby of the Public Safety Building located at 1225 Courthouse Road. Drug drop-off is available Monday through Friday between 8 a.m. and 9 p.m. in the lobby. The unit allows citizens to dispose of prescription medication properly and safely.

The battle against opioids continues to be a growing challenge in Stafford County. The graph at the bottom shows the drug activity for the last four

calendar years. The following three categories showed increases from 2020 to 2021: Total overdoses increased 9%; Non Fatal Overdoses increased about 7%; and Fatal Overdoses increased 20%. The number of Narcan administrations by Sheriff's Office personnel stayed the same from 2020 to 2021, but Narcan saves by Sheriff's Office personnel decreased in number by just one.

To help combat this crisis, the Sheriff's Office has implemented many programs. All deputies began carrying Narcan in their vehicles in August 2016. Narcan is a lifesaving nasal spray that neutralizes heroin/opiate overdoses. The graph at the bottom shows the impact of Narcan. In addition, the Sheriff's Office has teamed up with officials from the Knockout Addiction program to raise awareness of the drug addiction problem in the Stafford, Fredericksburg and Spotsylvania region.

Overdose and Narcan Use







# Law Enforcement Awards

The Sheriff's Office held its annual awards ceremony in May 2022 to honor law enforcement personnel who provided exemplary service to the community in 2021. The Medal of Valor is the highest award presented for Bravery and Heroism. It is awarded in situations in which a Sheriff's Office member knowingly places their his or her life in peril of death or extreme bodily injury while saving or attempting to save the lives of others. Meritorious Awards recognized a Sheriff's Office member for demonstrating judgment, ingenuity or performance that clearly exceeds what is required and expected during an emergency situation. Commendation Awards were given in instances during which a Sheriff's Office member demonstrates exemplary service. Traffic Safety Awards were given to deputies for traffic safety prevention, education and enforcement. Individuals for all awards are nominated by other deputies or personnel of the Sheriff's Office. Candidates are selected by an Awards Committee consisting of personnel from the Operations Division, Professional Standards Division, and Criminal Investigations Division. The committee evaluates the nominations and forwards them to the Sheriff for his review and action.

## Medal of Valor

### 1st Sergeant Joseph Floirendo, Sergeant James Mangan III, Deputy Brian Gildea, Deputy Christopher Lee, Deputy Dominic Ferrell and Deputy Joshua Truslow

On January 17, 2021, 1st Sergeant Joseph Floirendo, Sergeant James Mangan III, Deputy Brian Gildea, Deputy Christopher Lee, Deputy Dominic Ferrell and Deputy Joshua Truslow responded to a shots fired call that rapidly evolved into a shooting of a person. Deputies arrived to find the victim in the parking lot suffering from gunshot wounds. The suspect was walking around the scene still armed with a handgun. Despite repeated orders to drop the handgun, the suspect raised the weapon toward deputies. Deputies shot the suspect and he fell to the ground, dropping the gun. Sgt. Mangan immediately began first aid to the victim while the other deputies provided cover and continued to give commands to the suspect. Instead of giving up, the suspect reached for the weapon, causing the deputies to have to shoot again. The suspect was incapacitated and able to be taken into custody and first aid treatment started. The shooting victim passed away at the hospital a short time later. As a result of the efforts of these deputies, the suspect survived his wounds and pled guilty to murder. The Medal of Valor was awarded to these deputies for advancing on this violent chaotic scene and taking the necessary actions to take the suspect into custody.

*From left to right: Sheriff David Decatur, Deputy Brian Gildea, Deputy Christopher Lee, Deputy Joshua Truslow, First Sergeant James Mangan III, and 1st Sergeant Joseph Floirendo received the Medal of Valor award at the Sheriff's Office awards ceremony on May 19, 2022.*





# Law Enforcement Awards

## Meritorious Awards

### Sergeants Justin Forman and Gregory Haney and Deputies Franco Martinez and Jonathon Thomas

On March 11, 2021 Deputies Thomas and Martinez encountered a suspect suffering from a mental health episode brandishing a butcher's knife in Spring Lakes Farm subdivision. The deputies tried to establish a rapport with the man, but he would not calm down. He continued to approach the deputies while brandishing the knife. Deputies showed great restraint as they continued to give command and deescalate the situation. Sergeant's Haney and Forman arrived to help contain the distraught man as he attempted to run through the subdivision.

Sgt. Forman deployed rounds from his less lethal shotgun and the suspect was taken into custody without any injury to the public, deputies or the suspect. The man was subsequently taken for a mental health evaluation. Sergeants Forman, Haney and Deputies Martinez and Thomas were awarded the Meritorious Awards to successfully protect the residents of Stafford County and get the distraught man the help he needed.



*From left to right: Sheriff David Decatur, Deputy First Class Jonathon Thomas, Deputy Franco Martinez, Deputy Jeremy Hurt, Sergeant Randall Pinkard, Sergeant Gregory Haney, and Sergeant Justin Forman received a Meritorious Award at the SCSO Awards Ceremony on May 19, 2022.*

### Sergeant Justin Forman

On December 19, 2021, Sergeant Forman responded to a shooting in Lakewood Apartments. The initial information provided to dispatch was a male had accidentally fired a gun and shot himself in the head. The caller believed the man was beyond help. Sergeant Forman was just across the street from the apartment complex and arrived in seconds. He entered the home with the limited information to attempt first aid. He located the victim with a gunshot wound to the head and positioned himself to provide immediate first aid, while watching for any threats from the uncleared apartment.

Sgt. Forman used an improvised dressing to mitigate the loss of blood from the wound and rolled the victim on his side to maintain an airway. Sgt. Forman is a member of the Tactical Medical Program and has some of the most advanced medical training in the agency. He received the Meritorious Award for his professionalism and dedication in providing first aid in a chaotic scene.



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## Meritorious Award

### Deputy Brian Gildea

On July 27, 2021, Deputy Brian Gildea responded to an address in South Stafford for a man suffering from depression, who had cut himself with a knife. The man had multiple deep lacerations to both arms and legs and his clothing was soaked in blood. He appeared to be in grave condition and had dropped the knife at his feet. Suddenly, the man reached down and grabbed the knife and began stabbing himself. Deputy Gildea quickly deployed the taser, causing the man to drop the knife and deputies could move in with medics to provide life-saving first aid. Deputy Gildea received the Meritorious Award for his quick actions, which helped the man survive his wounds.

### First Sergeant Joseph Floirendo, Deputy First Class Deandre Taylor, Deputy First Class Shawn Eastman and Deputy Tanner Givler

On December 18, 2021, deputies were dispatched to a suicidal subject who had texted his family good bye and driven to Widewater State Park. The subject's car was found at the park entrance and Deputy Taylor kept the subject's family there to get more information as First Sgt. Floirendo and Deputies Eastman and Givler began searching the path near the water. The deputies located the man at the water's edge, holding the firearm to his head and chest. Deputies maintained a position of cover and began building a rapport with the distraught man and emphasized the need to put down the firearm.

Deputies thought that they had him convinced, when a squirrel ran through the nearby woods and he thought a deputy was approaching him. Deputies continued to use dialogue to deescalate the situation, but the man put the gun to his chest and fired a round. Deputy Taylor rushed down the path with a medical kit and was instrumental in administering first aid by applying chest seals to the wound. A helicopter flew the man to the hospital. These deputies received the Meritorious Award for their actions in administering to the wounds of this man and saving his life.

*From left to right: Sheriff David Decatur, Deputy Tanner Givler, Deputy First Class Shawn Eastman, Deputy First Class Deandre Taylor, and First Sergeant Joseph Floirendo receive a Meritorious Award at the SCSO Awards Ceremony on May 19, 2022.*





# Law Enforcement Awards

## Meritorious Awards

### Deputy Steven Jett

On August 4, 2021 Deputy Steven Jett responded to an assist rescue call in Argyle Heights. A 68-year-old victim choked on food and the item had completely obstructed her breathing. Deputy Jett arrived in four minutes, two minutes ahead of the first rescue unit and his first aid training was put to use. The woman was completely unresponsive and Deputy Jett used his training to dislodge the blockage and remove it from her mouth. Rescue units advised Deputy Jett had saved his woman's life.

Deputy Jett received a Meritorious Award for his swift response to this medical call, providing life saving treatment for a resident. He is shown in the photo at right, standing to the right of Sheriff David Decatur.



*From left to right: Sheriff David Decatur, Detective Cassandra Lawrence, Detective William McWaters, Detective Hunter Young, Detective Nicholas Ridings, and Detective Brandon Boyle receive a Letter of Commendation at the SCSO Awards Ceremony on May 19, 2022.*



# Law Enforcement Awards

## Other Award Recipients

### Letter of Commendation

Detective Brandon Boyle  
 Sergeant Lucas Burgess (2 Awards)  
 1st Sergeant Burton Collins  
 Sergeant Baris Demirci  
 Deputy First Class Dominic Ferrell  
 Deputy David Flues  
 Sergeant Justin Forman  
 Senior Deputy Scott Fulford  
 ACO Olivia Hepperle  
 Detective Cassandra Lawrence  
 Detective William McWaters  
 Lieutenant Christopher Neuhard  
 Deputy First Class Michael Pearce (2 Awards)

Sergeant Brandon Reed  
 Detective Nicholas Ridings (2 Awards)  
 Master Deputy Frank Shannon  
 First Sergeant Christopher Smith  
 Deputy Zachary Smith  
 Deputy First Class Charles Szentkuti  
 Deputy First Class Travis Vasquez (2 Awards)  
 Sergeant Benjamin Woodson  
 Detective James Wright  
 Detective Hunter Young

### Traffic Safety Award

Deputy John Alford  
 Deputy First Class Erin West



*Deputy First Class Erin West received a Traffic Safety Award from Sheriff David Decatur at the SCSO Awards Ceremony on May 19,*

## Civilian Awards

Each year, the Sheriff's Office recognizes its civilian employees who have provided exemplary service to the community and the organization. A ceremony is held to honor the efforts of civilian personnel and to highlight four individuals who personify the core values of the Sheriff's Office: Integrity, Compassion, Fairness and Professionalism. The 2021 award winners follow:

### Integrity

Daniela Langa

### Compassion

Carol Heflin

### Fairness

Alycia Scott

### Professionalism

Cathy Vollbrecht



# Volunteers

Volunteers play an integral role in helping the Stafford County Sheriff's Office keep citizens safe. Their duties range from performing data entry, to assisting with special events, or participating in the Sheriff's Office counterterrorism efforts. Stafford's citizen assistance volunteers annually give thousands of hours in service to assist throughout Stafford County Government. The volunteers who were able to come in served more than 3,500 hours. Volunteers are recognized each year by the Stafford Board of Supervisors for their contribution and dedication to Stafford County.

## SCSO's Citizen Volunteers

Albert Anderson  
Keith Angle  
Vladimir Bauer  
Edmund Bowen  
Kimberly Brooks  
Ki Chang  
Leo Contreras  
Denise Cooper-Water  
Amanda Cabbage  
Dymond Dempster  
Toni Doyle  
James Duncan  
Janice Edenfield  
Ann Estrada  
Lisa Ference  
Roxanne Grieggs  
Jordan Griffith  
Sydney Griffith  
Melissa Habayeb

Gregory Hanville  
Justin Hendrickson  
Paul Henry  
Richard Herdt  
Ralph Hitt  
Laron Jones  
Ayleen Keeton  
Joshua Lenzini  
Stephen Littlewood  
Ashley Medlock  
Brianna Mitchell  
Stacy Mitchell  
Bart Mix  
Jose Orellano  
Katherine Orellano  
Camryn Patterson  
Frank Pote  
Jennifer Purcell  
James Reightler

Frank Ringquist  
Dorothy Russell  
Kenna Sander  
Anthony Santos  
Aiden Schultz  
Tom Seal  
Mark Seymour  
William Smith  
Chloe Somohano  
Laurena Soybel  
Julianna Threatt  
Ainsley Vickers  
Laurie Vorrath  
Brian Whited  
Brian Willey  
Jeannine Willingham  
Brooke Wilson  
Bryan Woolner  
Camila Zucita



*Volunteers like Amanda Cabbage (with K9 Merle Haggard) are valued members of the Stafford County Sheriff's Office Search and Rescue Team.*



# Elected Officials

## Constitutional Officers

Stafford County has five Constitutional Officers elected by citizens every four years with one exception. The Clerk of the Circuit Court, who serves for an eight-year term. Below are the Constitutional Officers:

### Sheriff

David P. Decatur  
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ddecatur@staffordcountyva.gov

### Commonwealth's Attorney

Eric Olsen  
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### Clerk of the Circuit Court

Kathy Sterne  
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### Treasurer

Laura Rudy  
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### Commissioner of the Revenue

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## Board of Supervisors

Stafford County is governed by a seven-member Board of Supervisors. Board members are elected for four-year terms. Elections are held as part of the Virginia general election in November of odd-numbered years. Below are the current members of the Board:

### Chairman

**Crystal Vanuch**  
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### Vice Chairman

**Pamela Yeung**  
Garrisonville District  
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### Darrell English

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### Meg Bohmke

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### Monica Gary

Aquia District  
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### Tom Coen

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The County Administrator is appointed by the Board of Supervisors and serves at the will of the Board. Mike Smith was acting County Administrator at the time this publication was printed.

Mr. Smith's phone number is (540) 658-4541. His email is msmith@staffordcountyva.gov.



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Instagram: staffordsheriff**

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