



The monthly report is intended to serve as an overview of the Ashland Police Department's effort to combat crime within the Town of Ashland. The report contains information about the number of criminal offenses during the past month and the activities undertaken by the Police Department to improve the overall quality of life for the community.

The data helps the Police Department develop strategies for providing a safe environment in which to live, work, visit and play.

**Chief A. Troy Aronhalt**

**Feb 2023**

Part 1 Offenses	Feb 2023	Feb 2022	YTD 2023	YTD 2022	YTD Diff	YTD CLR Arrest	YTD CLR Exception	Total Cleared	Total 2022
Homicide			0						2
Rape			0		0				3
Robbery			1	1	0	0	0	0%	3
Aggravated Assault		1	4	2	2	2	0	50%	30
Arson			0		0				0
Burglary		3	0	3	-3				9
Larceny (below categories)	4	8	15	24	-9	2	0	13%	149
Pick Pocket			0		0				0
Purse-Snatching			0		0				0
Shoplifting	1	4	6	6	0	2	0	33%	58
Theft from a Building	1		3	1	2	0	0	0%	10
Theft from a Coin Machine			1		1	0	0	0%	0
Theft from a Motor Vehicle	1	2	2	8	-6	0	0	0%	38
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts	1	1	1	3	-2	0	0	0%	17
All other Larceny		1	2	6	-4	0	0	0%	26
Auto Theft		1	2	4	-2	2	0	100%	12
<b>Total Part I Offenses</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>-12</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>27%</b>	<b>208</b>

Other Offenses of Community Concern	Feb 2023	Feb 2022	YTD 2023	YTD 2022	YTD Diff	YTD CLR Arrest	YTD CLR Exception	Total Cleared	Total 2022
Destruction/Vandalism	5	7	11	12	-1	3	0	27%	70
Drugs/Narcotics	1	4	2	4	-2	1	0	50%	11
Weapons Violations	3	5	6	5	1	4	0	67%	18
Disorderly Conduct	3	4	6	7	-1	5	0	83%	40
Liquor Law Violations	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0%	4

Service Demands and Productivity	Feb 2023	Feb 2022	YTD 2023	YTD 2022	YTD Diff		Total 2022
Calls for Service	492	498	997	999	-2		6,636
Self Initiated Activities	998	1,585	1,969	2,838	-869		15,307
Criminal Arrests	28	24	52	51	1		321
Traffic Summonses	153	139	249	247	2		1,614
DUI Arrests	2	0	3	0	3		13
Accidents	11	8	28	14	14		100

## PATROL OPERATIONS DIVISION

Patrol Operations is comprised of 16 sworn officers under the leadership of **Captain James Shelhorse**. Officers are assigned to one of four squads, each led by a Sergeant, working 12-hour shifts. Patrol Operations handles all dispatched calls for service, conducts self-initiated enforcement activities and provides high visibility patrols in hopes to prevent and deter criminal activity.

Patrol Activities	Day Squads		Night Squads	
	710	720	730	740
Responses to Calls	241	260	221	100
Criminal Arrests	4	3	6	2
DUI Arrests	0	0	2	0
Park, Walk & Talks	103	110	127	91
Incident Reports	21	26	12	7
Traffic Stops	52	52	87	44
Field Interviews	5	2	1	6
P2B/C Contacts	13	5	6	4
Adopt a Senior Visits	0	0	0	0
School Visits	7	16	0	0
Bank Checks	10	12	0	0
Funeral Escorts	1	8	0	0
Property Checks	46	74	796	805
Open Doors	1	0	5	0
ECO/TDO	2	4	0	2

### STAR Corridor Update

Officers handled **8** calls for service in this area; completed **33** park, walk and talk activities as well as 17 hours of traffic enforcement and general observation time. Officers had **17** community contacts and conducted **9** roll call meetings.

### Patrol Highlights

On February 1, officers responded to the 100 block of North Carter Road in reference to a wanted subject. Upon completion of the investigation, officers arrested a subject with the assistance of the U.S. Marshalls for two felony warrants.

On February 3, officers conducted a traffic stop in the 500 block of North Washington Highway. Upon completion of the investigation, a subject was arrested for narcotic violation, weapon offense and traffic offense.

On February 7, officers conducted a traffic stop in the 100 block of Thompson Street. Upon completion of the investigation, the driver was arrested for driving under the influence and refusal of breath test.

On February 16th officers conducted a traffic stop in the 100 block of England Street. Upon completion of the investigation, the adult female driver was arrested on an outstanding warrant and issued a traffic summons.

On February 26th, officers conducted a traffic stop in the 100 block of North Washington Highway. Upon completion of the investigation, the driver was arrested for DUI.

# SPECIAL OPERATIONS DIVISION

Under the command of Special Operations Division, the **Investigative Unit** is comprised of three investigators led by **Captain Marie Kemp**. This operational component is responsible for the investigation of all felony and serious/repeat misdemeanor offenses reported to the police department. Additionally, this unit is tasked with proactive investigations into narcotics trafficking and other criminal behavior.

Investigative Activities	
Cases Assigned This Month	15
Cases Assigned (YTD)	36
Cases Cleared (YTD)	16
Clearance Rate (YTD)	44.4%
Surveillance (hours)	15
Report Writing (hours)	23
Search Warrants	10
Warrants Obtained	2
Court Proceedings (hours)	10
Forensic Processing (hours)	0
Meetings with Other Agencies	3

## Investigative Highlights

On February 7, investigators were assigned a report involving the possible abuse of children in a home located in the 200 block of North James Street. It was determined that there was no abuse, but that the family needed services and assistance. Investigators worked with Hanover CPS and, through that partnership, services have been provided to this family that will greatly impact their lives in a positive way.

On February 22, investigators obtained one felony grand larceny warrant for a subject that stole a vehicle in December of 2021 from the 800 block of England Street. The subject has not been located but investigators are working with surrounding jurisdictions to locate the suspect.

On February 22, investigators obtained one felony threaten to kill warrant on a suspect stemming from a call in October 2022 in the 200 block of McMurdo Street. The subject has not been located but investigators are working with a surrounding jurisdiction, where the suspect is believed to work, to locate the suspect.

On February 23, investigators attended and testified in court on a preliminary hearing involving a suspect in a child abuse case which resulted in the death of a juvenile in October of 2022. Due to the efforts of the Investigator and Commonwealth Attorney, the case was certified to the Grand Jury.

Investigations attended various training sessions in February. One investigator attended Criminal Investigations Using Cellular Technologies. This course enhances our ability to analyze cell phone data, map locations, and expert courtroom testimony.

Investigators have been working with the Hanover Commonwealth Attorney's Office and Hanover Probation in a case involving two individuals sentenced and convicted of violent crimes. The two suspects violated their conditions of probation to the detriment of the public necessitating multi-agency collaboration. Through these partnerships new guidelines have been placed on the suspects to include GPS electronic monitoring and show cause violation orders.

# SPECIAL OPERATIONS DIVISION

Under the command of the Special Operations Division, the **Crime Prevention/Logistics Unit** entails several functional components of the agency: Crime Prevention (1 officer) and the Cadet Program (5 cadets) all led by **Captain Marie Kemp**. In addition to duties tasked to individual members, this component is responsible for Recruitment, Selection, Training, Public Information, FOIA, and IT Administration.

Crime Prevention Activities	
Neighborhood Watch Meetings	3
Association Meetings	2
Security Assessments	0
Presentations	2
CPTED Plan Reviews	4
Training (hours)	46
Park, Walk and Talk	10
Adopt a Senior Visits	5
Lunch Buddies	1
Project Lifesaver Visits	2
FOIA Responses	12
Crime Analysis Meetings	1
Social Media Outreach (Posts)	12

14,051 reached/1,565 engagements/191 reactions

## Crime Prevention Notes

February 1: Hanover Opioid Taskforce Meeting

February 7: Ashland Woods Neighborhood Watch Meeting

February 8: Central Virginia Crime Intel Meeting

February 11: Project Sticker Shock underage drinking prevention campaign with the Sheriff's Office and Hanover Cares

February 16: Hanover County Communications Meeting

February 21: APD Cadet Meeting

February 21: Juvenile Executive Team, Directive Initiative Meeting

February 27: Mystery Reader at Henry Clay Elementary School

February 27: Berkley Town Neighborhood Watch Meeting

February 28: Jamestown Road Neighborhood Watch Meeting

## Items of Note

Authorized sworn: 27

Actual Sworn: 23

Recruits in the Academy: 2 (one graduating on March 16)

Vacancies: 2