



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**

**Jan 2023**

Part 1 Offenses	Jan 2023	Jan 2022	YTD 2023	YTD 2022	YTD Diff	YTD CLR Arrest	YTD CLR Exception	Total Cleared	Total 2022
Homicide									2
Rape					0				3
Robbery	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0%	3
Aggravated Assault	4	1	4	1	3	3	0	75%	30
Arson					0				0
Burglary					0				9
Larceny (below categories)	11	15	11	15	-4	0	0	0%	149
Pick Pocket					0				0
Purse-Snatching					0				0
Shoplifting	5	1	5	1	4	0	0	0%	58
Theft from a Building	2	1	2	1	1	0	0	0%	10
Theft from a Coin Machine	1		1		1	0	0	0%	0
Theft from a Motor Vehicle	1	6	1	6	-5	0	0	0%	38
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts		2		2	-2	0	0	0%	17
All other Larceny	2	5	2	5	-3	0	0	0%	26
Auto Theft	2	3	2	3	-1	2	0	100%	12
<b>Total Part I Offenses</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>-2</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>28%</b>	<b>208</b>

Other Offenses of Community Concern	Jan 2023	Jan 2022	YTD 2023	YTD 2022	YTD Diff	YTD CLR Arrest	YTD CLR Exception	Total Cleared	Total 2022
Destruction/Vandalism	6	4	6	4	2	1	0	17%	70
Drugs/Narcotics	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0%	11
Weapons Violations	3	0	3	0	3	3	0	100%	18
Disorderly Conduct	3	3	3	3	0	3	0	100%	40
Liquor Law Violations	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0%	4

Service Demands and Productivity	Jan 2023	Jan 2022	YTD 2023	YTD 2022	YTD Diff		Total 2022
Calls for Service	505	501	505	501	4		6,636
Self Initiated Activities	979	1,253	979	1,253	-274		15,307
Criminal Arrests	23	25	23	25	-2		321
Traffic Summonses	93	110	93	110	-17		1,614
DUI Arrests	1	0	1	0	1		13
Accidents	17	6	17	6	11		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	194	335	197	101
Criminal Arrests	3	4	7	1
DUI Arrests	0	0	1	0
Park, Walk & Talks	90	187	73	78
Incident Reports	17	33	17	7
Traffic Stops	27	42	54	37
Field Interviews	2	1	1	3
P2B/C Contacts	8	5	11	2
Adopt a Senior Visits	0	0	0	0
School Visits	7	6	0	0
Bank Checks	5	11	0	0
Funeral Escorts	1	3	0	0
Property Checks	54	112	603	928
Open Doors	1	1	2	0
ECO/TDO	1	3	2	0

### STAR Corridor Update

Officers handled **7** calls for service in this area; completed **26** park, walk and talk activities as well as **13** hours of traffic enforcement and general observation time. Officers had **10** community contacts and conducted **5** roll call meetings.

### Patrol Highlights

On January 3, officers located a suspicious vehicle in the 700 block of South Taylor Street. Upon completion of the investigation, the driver was arrested on a outstanding warrant.

On January 18, officers conducted a traffic stop in the 200 block of South Washington Highway. Upon completion of the investigation, the driver was arrested for DUI.

On January 22, officers responded to the 100 block of Linden Street for a report of a 911 hang-up. Officers discovered a domestic incident, and after an investigation, a subject was arrested for domestic assault.

On January 23, officers responded to the 11000 block of Laura Lane in reference to a domestic assault. Upon completion of the investigation, a subject was arrested for domestic assault and obstruction.

On January 28, officers responded to the 400 block of Arbor Oak Drive for a hit and run. Upon completion of the investigation, a subject was located and arrested for hit and run.

On January 29, officers responded to the 400 block of Cornwallis Court for a domestic assault. Upon completion of the investigation, a subject was arrested for malicious wounding and domestic assault.

## 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	21
Cases Assigned (YTD)	21
Cases Cleared (YTD)	9
Clearance Rate (YTD)	42.8%
Surveillance (hours)	0
Report Writing (hours)	19
Search Warrants	10
Warrants Obtained	5
Court Proceedings (hours)	8
Forensic Processing (hours)	15
Meetings with Other Agencies	3

### Investigative Highlights

On January 4, The Ashland Police Department received a call for a missing/runaway juvenile. During the investigation it was determined that the juvenile had most likely left Virginia. Investigators were able to safely locate the missing juvenile in North Carolina and reunite the juvenile with family.

On January 15, a vehicle stopped on the railroad tracks, the driver exited the vehicle, and a train collided with the vehicle. The driver fled the scene after the crash. Investigators were able to locate and arrest the subject for hit and run, no driver's license, and no insurance.

On January 23, investigators attended court for a subject that they arrested for attempted murder, malicious wounding, and use of a firearm in the commission of a felony. The subject was found guilty on all three charges. This was a case stemming from a shooting in December of 2021.

On January 26, investigators attended court for a subject that they arrested for two different incidents involving assault by mob and one incident for disorderly conduct. The subject was found guilty on all three charges. As a stipulation for his bond/release prior to this court date, the subject was placed on specific court orders as part of his release. Investigators discovered the subject was not obeying the court orders and presented this information to the court. The subject was then arrested and found guilty on the charge of violating a court order as well.

On January 27, investigators responded to the 100 block of Jamestown Road to process a scene in which a subject fired a gun inside of a residence. At the conclusion of the investigation they arrested the subject for shooting within an occupied dwelling and reckless handling of a firearm.

In the month of January Investigators received seven separate CART reports to investigate possible child abuse and neglect. These investigations are on going.

# 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 civilian volunteers (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	1
Association Meetings	3
Security Assessments	1
Presentations	4
CPTED Plan Reviews	3
Training (hours)	0
Park, Walk and Talk	11
Adopt a Senior Visits	3
Lunch Buddies	3
Project Lifesaver Visits	2
FOIA Responses	12
Crime Analysis Meetings	1
Social Media Outreach (Posts)	8

157,020 reached/40,452 engagements/1,811 reactions

## Crime Prevention Notes

January 6: Hanover Cares Education Committee Meeting.

January 10: Hanover Apartments Neighborhood Watch Meeting.

January 12: TRIAD Meeting

January 13: Hanover Cares Opioid Taskforce Meeting.

January 17: Silent No More Planning Meeting.

January 18: Security Assessment Randolph-Macon College.

January 19: Public Safety Day at Hanover Academy with Hanover Fire/EMS and AMR.

January 24: Cadet Meeting

January 25: Regional PIO Meeting, Hanover Cares Coalition Meeting, Project Recover Meeting.

## Training

PowerDMS Training: LODA, Fire Extinguisher, FOIA, Temporary Detention, Harassment, and Consular Notification.

## Items of Note

Authorized sworn: 27  
Actual Sworn: 23  
Recruits in the Academy: 2  
Vacancies: 2