



Calvert County Sheriff's Office

Quarterly Report- 2nd

July 15, 2023

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SHERIFF'S MESSAGE

Summer is finally here in full swing. I hope everyone takes the time to enjoy some of the things Calvert County has to offer. We are closing out the second quarter of 2023 here at the Sheriff's Office. The second quarter has been filled with many important changes and a continued effort to improve the way your Sheriff's Office operates. I just wanted to take a moment and fill you in on some of the events that have occurred as well as some of the objectives we are working toward in the second quarter.

Lt. Colonel Dave Payne and I have continued to implement strategic goals and visions for the office. Longtime Assistant Sheriff, Major Dave McDowell, left the agency and assumed the role of Public Safety Director of Calvert County. I wish him luck and great success in those endeavors. In his place, Major David Canning was promoted and will assume the role of Operations Major. We look forward to his leadership as we continue to change the culture of the office while continuing to provide the great level of service expected by the citizens of Calvert County.

The second quarter also closes out the budget cycle for the year. This is unique to us, as this budget was a holdover from the last administration. In the upcoming fiscal year, we were able to identify areas to reduce our costs without any loss of service to the citizens. Moving forward we will continue to be fiscally responsible while maintaining a progressive forward-thinking department. This includes working closely with the Detention Center Administration to coordinate efforts in this area.

While we have many priorities moving forward, one of the most important is the hiring of qualified Deputies and Correctional Deputies. This continues to be a tough task for most departments around the country. To this end, we have changed from an open and



closed hiring process to one that is open continuously. As hiring becomes more and more difficult, we will continue to implement new strategies throughout the year to ensure we hire the most qualified deputies and correctional deputies. If you know of any qualified men and women who would enhance this office, please do not hesitate to send them our way.

Some of the other things we have accomplished in the quarter include:

- Thwarting a Bank Robbery escape, which helped to close out several in surrounding regions
- Conducted Autism Training to help our deputies have better responses
- Revamped the Employee Contracts bringing them into compliance
- In addition to weekly Captains meetings, instituted Quarterly Command Staff meetings
- Facilitated a team building range safety day with department heads



- Participated in the opening of the Child Advocacy Center
- Conducted range qualifications for the department
- Applied for several grants to help reduce our costs to the citizens
- Presented several Eagle Scout AND Girl Scout Awards



- Attended the Become One Mental Health Form
- Sheriff Cox gave Leadership Presentation to Leadership Southern Maryland
- Participated in evaluating the courthouse security systems
- Fully implemented the Workday platform in concert with the County
- Participated in the installation of the new officers at the Gray Ray Post 220

- Participated in several Touch a Truck events



- Evaluated and renewed several out of date law enforcement computer applications
- Met with Parks and Rec officials to better secure the North East Community Center and other facilities
- Conducted the newly required physical fitness testing for all deputies
- Applied for several grants to help reduce our costs to the citizens
- Attended the Dedication to the Wye Oak Facility
- Worked with the Police Accountability Boards to develop an MOU
- Met several times with Surrounding Sheriff's on several issues
- Attended the State-Wide Sheriffs association meetings
- Meet with county officials to work on streamlining the billing processes
- Attended the Law Enforcement Awards at the American Legion

- Held meeting with FOP leadership about several issues
- Participated in the Neighborhood watch meetings
- Conducted several civilian active shooter trainings
- Hosted and attended the Corrections Graduation



- Participated in the Neighborhood watch meetings
- Attended Calvert Alliance Against Substance Abuse board meetings
- Met with Calvert Health Leadership about various mental health issues
- Conducted several civilian active shooter trainings
- Conducted new applicant testing
- Conducted training in concert with the nuclear power plant
- Expanded school speed camera initiative with a permit approval for a speed camera at Calverton School

- Commanders and Civilian staff team building event at Farming for Hunger facility



- Instituted exit interview processes to be used for all departing employees
- Attended county employee appreciation event
- Implemented and conducted regular CCSO Defensive Tactics training
- Participated in the Maryland Coalition of Families Tri-County Town Hall
- Attended weekly Commissioner meetings and Department Head meetings
- Met with ATF and FBI representatives to foster investigative partnerships
- Further reorganized personnel to enable the hiring of a CALEA Accreditation Manager
- Met about utilizing a variety of strategies to reduce accidents

- Met with procurement to ensure the department is following proper procedures concerning contracts
- Conducted Special Operations Team (SOT) Tryout
- Met with county officials to develop a better plan for the homelessness issues in Calvert
- Coordinated the planning of special events with the Solomons Business Association
- Finalizing the NIXLE/Everbridge alerting system implementation
- Continued to expand the Deputy Neighborhood Liaison Program
- Promoted 5 people with the departure of a Major



- Continued patrol checks of every school
- Continued development of a plan to place the first deputies in elementary schools this upcoming year



- Participated in the Special Olympics Medal Ceremony
- Implemented in-house training to provide more cost-effective efficient delivery of training
- Continued to work with county officials to work on a new Sheriff's Office building
- Met about utilizing a variety of strategies to reduce accidents
- Honored to participate in every high school graduation

While I think we are moving in the right direction, there is still much work to do. We will continue to make strides to ensure the safety and security of everyone in our county. However, we simply cannot accomplish that task without the help of our citizens. The support we enjoy in Calvert County does not go unnoticed. Thank you all for your help, and we will continue to represent and serve you the best we can. As always, please do not hesitate to reach out to me directly with any questions, comments, or concerns.



SHERIFF RICKY COX

Corrections Bureau

The Corrections Bureau would like to congratulate Master Correctional Deputy **Ronald Richardson** as the Corrections Bureau Deputy of the Second Quarter of 2023.

CORRECTIONAL DEPUTY OF THE QUARTER



Master Correctional Deputy R. Richardson

The Corrections Bureau is issuing the following report summarizing the major events and statistics of the Second Quarter of 2023:

STAFF

- The Corrections Bureau Deputy of the Second Quarter of 2023 is Master Corrections Deputy Ronald Richardson. Runner-up for this quarter is CDFC Bradley Revoir.
- New deputies; Zickefoose, Baker and Montgomery have completed FTO.
- Transfers: CDFC Curtin to Team #1, CD Hutchins to Midnights, CD Morlock to Midnights, CD Thomas to Team #4
- The Corrections Bureau hosted a statewide Emergency Response Team Basic Operator School May 22nd, 2023 through May 26th, 2023. The program covered responsibilities of the corrections Emergency Response Team, situational response, and decision making. 19 individuals applied to attend the program from three different agencies. 13 recruits passed the selection process to begin the program and seven recruits successfully

completed the program. Amongst the graduates were Correctional Deputy Jake Angell and Correctional Deputy Cory Hart from the Corrections Bureau.

EQUIPMENT / FACILITY

- Replacement of Security Door Controls are ongoing
- Bid process re-initiated for new generator
- New boilers are at 50% completion (material delay)
- New HVAC system above main housing near completion

OPERATIONAL

This Quarter:

- Two Use of Force events
- 121 inmates placed on suicide prevention measures based on situation or incident
- 10 inmates transferred to the prison system (MD DOC) this quarter
- 50 Inmate Disciplinary Hearings conducted
- 229 fingerprints completed by the new CSU Livescan operation
- 373 prisoners processed in / 371 processed out / Avg. Daily Pop-102
- 5 on-duty injuries were reported by staff



PROGRAMS / REHABILITATION

This Quarter:

- Two inmates actively enrolled in the GED Program this quarter
- 8 inmates have participated in Medically Assisted Treatment
- The Intense Outpatient Program (IOP) has graduated 5 inmates this quarter/4 Enrolled now
- 3 inmates on Work Release
- 10 participants through the Home Detention Program
- 14 inmates currently monitored on Pre-Trial Release

PATROL BUREAU

The Patrol Bureau is comprised of four Patrol Squads, the Twin Beach Detachment, Support Services Unit, Fleet Services, Automated Enforcement Program, the K-9 program and Civilian Staff.

The Bureau is commanded by Captain Roscoe Jones and Lieutenant Jason Dean with the assistance of Patrol Shift Commanders F/SGT. Basham, F/SGT. Naecker, F/SGT. Morder, F/SGT. G. Shrawder, Support Services Commander F/SGT. Phelps and Lieutenant Hollinger of the Twin Beach Detachment.

During the 2nd quarter of 2023, the Patrol Bureau continued to implement the Neighborhood Deputy Program. This program assigns a Deputy to each enrolled neighborhood as a direct point of contact between the Neighborhood Watch and the Sheriff's Office. The program initially consisted of 9 Deputies assigned to 9 different neighborhoods but has since expanded to 12 neighborhoods during the 2nd quarter.



Congratulations to DFC Contic who was awarded the Deputy of the Quarter for his efforts during the 2nd quarter. DFC. Contic handled several lengthy investigations that included writing multiple search and seizure warrants for cases involving controlled dangerous substances and a robbery that was closed by arrest.

The below statistics offer a brief overview of the number of calls for service, traffic citations and warnings issued, DWI arrests and traffic accidents handled:

Calls for Service – 23,798

Traffic Warnings – 3,421

Traffic Accidents - 193

Traffic Citations - 877

DWI Arrests - 47

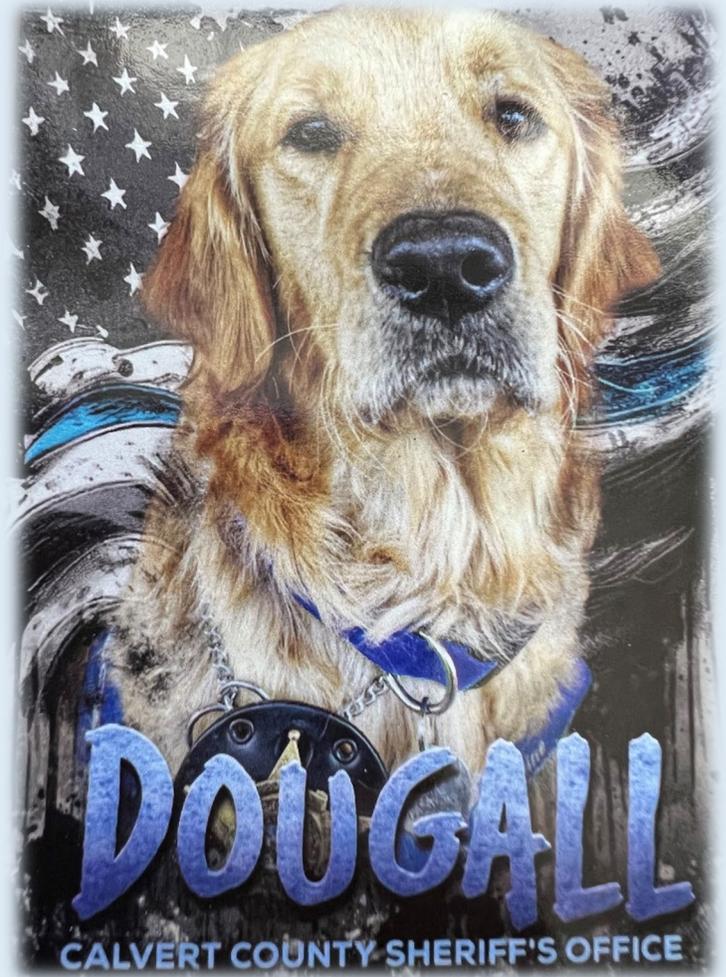
MEET DOUGLALL



Canine Companions, the nation's first and largest service dog organization, is proud to announce the Calvert County Sheriff's Office is the recipient of a highly trained service dog who will work with children and other victims/witnesses in Calvert County. Facility dog Dougall is a two-year-old lab-golden retriever cross that has been bred and trained by Canine Companions to perform service dog commands working with a facilitator in a professional environment such as law enforcement. Dougall has been matched with Sheriff's Deputy Cpl. Durner who is the supervisor of the department's Project Lifesaver Program and teaches D.A.R.E. among other presentations to children and youth in the community. Canine Companions facility dogs like Dougall are bred to be calm, reliable, and affectionate while he works alongside Cpl. Durner in the community.

SPOTLIGHT

Cpl. Durner and Dougall have responded to over 183 assignments since their graduation on February 10, 2023. These assignments include teaching D.A.R.E, community events, Department of Social Services callouts, call outs to public schools for students in crisis, mental subject calls for services as well as being called out to scenes by EMS personnel. Dougall has successfully been utilized to help guide kids back into a positive learning environment when normal means of crisis



intervention have not been successful. The use of Dougall has assisted the Sheriff's Office in bridging the gap between the community and officers and creates an environment that promotes positive and open communication between community members and law enforcement.

To schedule a Dougall appearance, please contact Cpl. Durner at Eric.Durner@calvertcountymd.gov.



In the second quarter of 2023, the Special

SPECIAL OPERATIONS BUREAU

Operations Bureau executed 11 search warrants and two arrest warrants on behalf of the Criminal Investigations Bureau and mitigated one barricaded person.

During this time period several training opportunities were completed for deputies, county and business partners and community members. SOT personnel assisted with multiple training courses for the recruits at the Southern Maryland Criminal Justice Academy including Firearms and Taser Certifications. SOT personnel conducted Violent Critical Incident Response training for approximately 200 County Parks and Recreation Employee's, 70 Calvert County Library employees and staff, 100 Chesapeake Beach Waterpark Employees, as well as a community church. Personnel worked directly with the Calverton School to help better develop their all-

hazards plan and potential drills. SOT Firearms Instructors certified all agency personnel with the primary and secondary firearms systems and conducted the newly developed physical fitness



test. Additionally, those same Firearms instructors certified over 60 retirees under the LEOSA firearms program. Training was conducted for St Mary's Emergency Services Team on Night Vision Device deployment and tactics. In conjunction with representatives from Calvert Cliffs Nuclear facility, facility familiarity training was conducted with all patrol personnel via "Roll Call" training. The Special Operations Team also participated in the community outreach program "Farming for Hunger".

Various members of SOT completed a Sig Rifle Instructor Course, Mobile Drone Assessment

and Response Tactics Course and Prince George County Sniper school. The explosives detection K-9 and his handler assigned to SOT

completed dozens of explosive scans at the courthouses and assisted as needed for various other operations. In collaboration with the Patrol Bureau, SOT assisted with the service of 18 Court Ordered Emergency Petitions.



DFC Boerum and DFC Evan graduate PG Sniper School

Criminal Investigations Bureau

Message from CIB:



Detective Will Freeland has been named Detective of the 2nd Quarter and received a 'Sheriff's Salute' for his hard work. Although Det. Freeland is a relatively new detective, he has become an invaluable member of the Criminal Investigations Bureau. Det. Freeland carries a wide array of cases and continually challenges himself to work cases outside of his comfort zone – thus making him a well-rounded detective in all matters related to criminal investigations.

Recently, Det. Freeland worked a very serious investigation that resulted in the unfortunate death of a small child. Supervision received glowing remarks from those close to this situation commending Det. Freeland's interpersonal skills and compassion when dealing with this sensitive situation. These characteristics are not able to be taught – rather they are ingrained in Det. Freeland's personality.

Det. Freeland is a pleasure to work with and his teamwork mentality brings out the best in his fellow detectives. Det. Freeland represents the best of the Criminal Investigations Bureau.



Capt. Fridman, Lt. Bowen, Det. Freeland, Sheriff Cox

School Resource Officers

Total Student Arrests- 21

Criminal Arrests- 12

CDS: 9

Total Case Reports -46

Drug	Amount Seized
Cannabis	8,154 grams
Crack Cocaine	339.9 grams
Cocaine	273.4 grams
PCP	221.6 grams
Methamphetamines	45.9 grams
Fentanyl	26.3 grams
Heroin	10.4 grams
Compressed Fentanyl Pills	1,919
Prescription Pills	113

Drug Enforcement Unit

Cases Initiated – 20

K9 Sniffs – 8

Search Warrants- 26

Felony Arrests – 12

Misdemeanor Arrests – 13

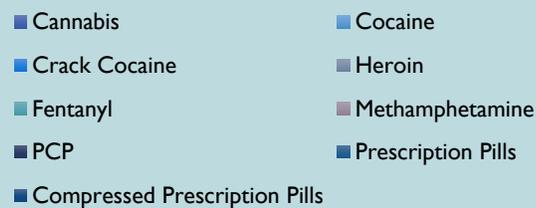
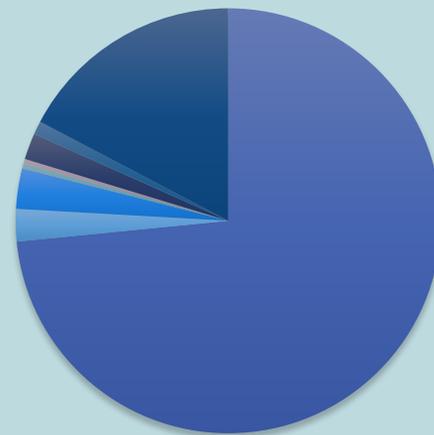
Indictments – 3

Controlled Purchases of Narcotics – 38

U.S. Currency Seized:
\$13,284.00

Vehicles Seized: 7

Drugs Seized



NOTEWORTHY CASES

Four Suspects Apprehended Following Dunkirk Bank Robbery

On Monday, May 1, 2023, around 1:30 p.m., deputies from the Calvert County Sheriff's Office Patrol Bureau responded to an armed bank robbery at the M&T Bank located at 10090 Southern Maryland Blvd. in Dunkirk, MD.

Preliminary investigation revealed a male suspect approached the counter and passed the teller a note, then displayed a handgun demanding money. The suspect fled with an undisclosed amount of cash.

Witnesses observed the suspect enter a brown Kia with no front tag fleeing SB on Rt. 4. Detectives with the Criminal Investigation Bureau located a vehicle matching the description provided by witnesses at Rt. 4 and Dares Beach Road in Prince Frederick. Detectives initiated a traffic stop where the suspect vehicle fled through a red light causing several property damage accidents along northbound Rt. 4. A pursuit ensued along Rt. 2 and Rt. 260 in Owings, where the suspect vehicle struck an uninvolved citizen's vehicle leaving both vehicles disabled ending the pursuit.

Two occupants in the suspect vehicle were transported to area hospitals with minor injuries. Two additional occupants in the suspect vehicle were apprehended and transported to the Calvert County Detention Center.

The uninvolved citizen was flown to an area trauma center with serious injuries and remains in critical condition.

Anyone with additional information about this incident is asked to contact Detective W. Wells at wayne.wells@calvertcountymd.gov or 410-535-2800 ext. 2595.

In accordance with Maryland State Law, The Maryland Attorney General's Independent Investigations Division (IID) was contacted, but based on a lack of qualifying factors, declined to handle the investigation.





NOTEWORTHY CASES

Detectives Recover Narcotics During Traffic Stop

On May 31, 2023, members of the Criminal Investigations Bureau (CIB) Drug Enforcement Unit (DEU) observed a burgundy Chevrolet Trailblazer, with Maryland registration travelling northbound Route 4 in Lusby. A traffic violation was observed by detectives and a traffic stop was initiated along northbound Route 4 in the area of White Sands Drive.

The driver, and sole occupant of the vehicle was identified as Avery Dionnie Wills, Jr., 26 of Brandywine. Det. B. DeLeon and his K9 partner Rico conducted a K9 sniff of the vehicle. K9 Rico gave a positive alert for the odor of narcotics. A probable cause search was conducted on the vehicle and the following evidence was located:



- Approximately 18 grams of suspected cocaine
- Approximately 12.6 grams of suspected marijuana
- Approximately 47.3 grams of suspected crack cocaine
- Digital scales
- Cellular telephones

Wills was placed under arrest and transported to the Calvert County Detention Center and charged accordingly.

Bureau of Administrative and Judicial Services

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Attempt to Locates: -----	748
Process Services: -----	621
Calls for service unrelated to CP duties -----	73
Evictions: -----	26
Manual/Policy Revisions: -----	10
Processed Applicants: -----	9
Applicant Oral Boards: -----	9
Polygraphed Applicants -----	0
Job Fairs Attended: -----	1
Assigned Backgrounds: -----	1
Hired Applicants: -----	4
High School CJ Classes Taught -----	4
Applied for Recruiting & Retention Grant: -----	1

OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS

During the second quarter of 2023, the Office of Professional Standards received the following for investigation and/or data entry into the IAPRO database:

- Public Service Reports – 7
- Internal Complaints – 1
- Departmental Crashes - 12
- Vehicle Pursuits – 12
- Use of Force – 15
- Show of Force - 24

Received Public Service Reports were investigated and/or are currently under investigation, two of which have been forwarded to the Administrative Charging Committee for review.

During the quarter, OPS staff attended several Police Accountability and Administrative Charging Committee meetings. Topics for discussion included, investigative case findings, police accountability law interpretations, suggested agency policy additions/revisions, CALEA, and exploring the idea of an MOU between the Sheriff's Office and Police Accountability Board.



LOOKING AHEAD & MOVING FORWARD



The Calvert County Sheriff's Office mission is to build relationships through community policing that will lead to reduced crime and increased safety.

