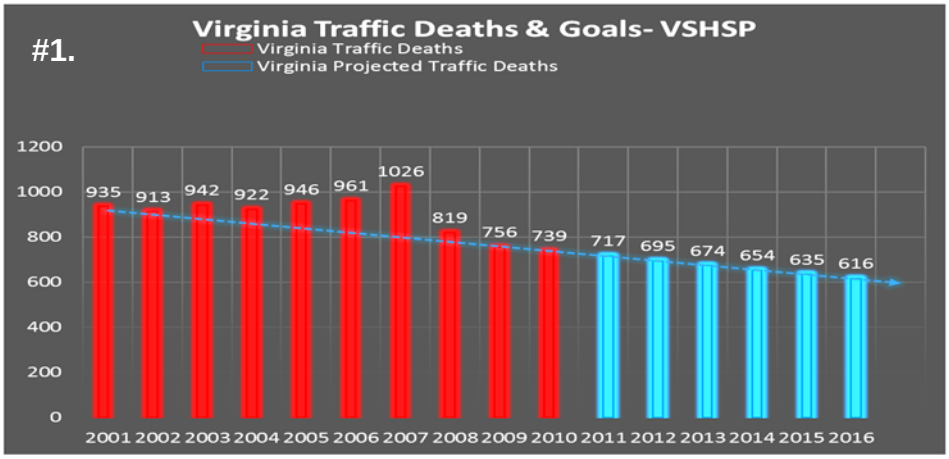
Problem Identification

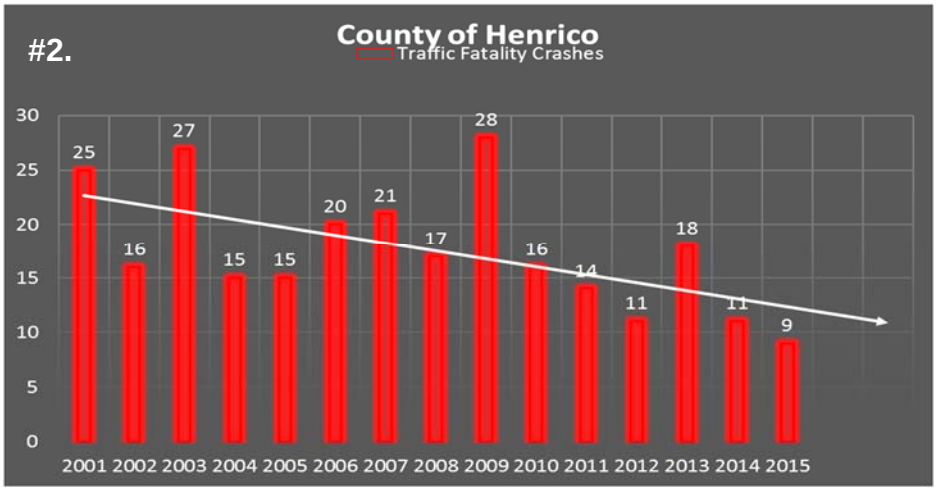
According to Virginia's Strategic Highway Safety Plan (VSHSP), alcohol impaired driving deaths represent about a third of all motor vehicle traffic deaths in the U.S. In Virginia, there are over 200 alcohol related fatalities per year and over 3,000 alcohol related injury crashes per year. Nearly one in three roadway deaths and one in six severe injuries occurred in an alcohol impaired crash.

The Henrico County Police Division is committed to the goals of the VSHSP and working to a goal of **"Toward Zero Deaths**." In support of this goal, Henrico Police strive to prevent collisions where impaired driving is a contributing factor. **In Henrico, alcohol related crashes have not been decreasing the past three years. They have remained at an average of 274. The Division is committed to reducing this number.**

Below are two graphs containing data from the current VSHSP (authored in 2011). The graphs compare Virginia's overall traffic deaths from 2001 to 2010. **As illustrated in graph #2 below, Henrico Police followed the projected goals set forth by VSHSP, and in 2015, Henrico experienced its lowest traffic fatality rate in twenty years. Our goal is to continue this downward trend.**

Henrico Police is also committed to preventing injuries and saving lives through the enforcement of our impaired driving laws while educating the public of the importance of safe driving. As a result of our efforts, Henrico's traffic fatalities overall have been declining for the past three years.

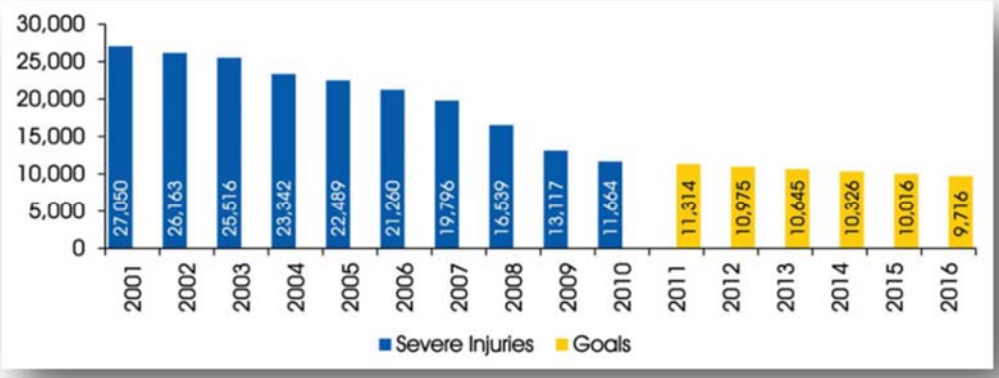




The VSHSP graph (#1, authored in 2011) depicts traffic deaths in Virginia from 2001 to 2010 and projections for goals from 2011 to 2016. Below is another VSHP graph (#2, authored in 2011) that depicts Henrico County's traffic fatality crashes over the same time period.

Severe Injury Crashes and Goals - Virginia

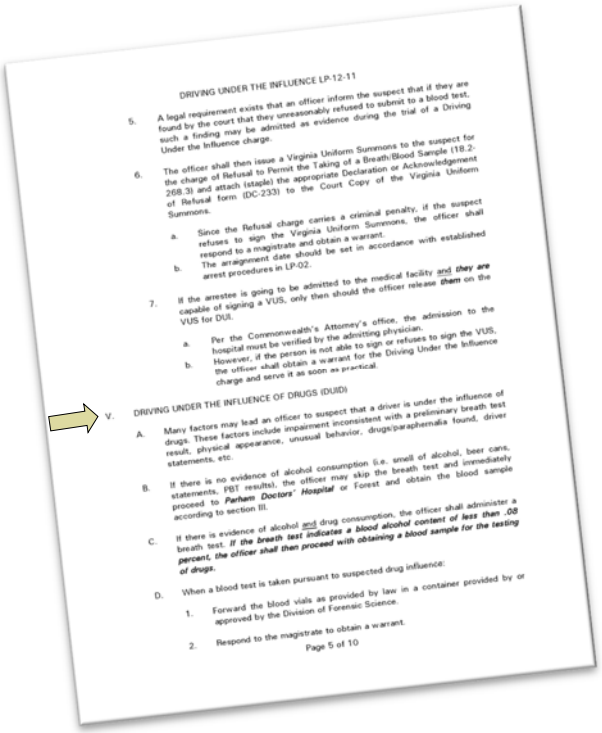
This graph (right) also is from the VSHSP. It depicts the decline of severe injury crashes from 2001 to 2010 and the projected goal numbers from 2011 to 2016. **Henrico Traffic Enforcement Unit has developed similar goals to reduce severe injury crashes.**



Policy

The Henrico County Police Division has developed a Directive (Line Procedure [LP] 12) that instills the aggressive approach that officers are to take when conducting impaired driving enforcement. The Directive states,

> *"Officers **shall** actively pursue, arrest, and assist in the prosecution of all persons who drive a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs."*



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5. A legal requirement exists that an officer inform the suspect that if they are found by the court that they unreasonably refused to submit to a blood test, such a finding may be admitted as evidence during the trial of a Driving Under the Influence charge.

6. The officer shall then issue a Virginia Uniform Summons to the suspect for the charge of Refusal to Permit the Taking of a Breath/Blood Sample (18.2-268.3) and attach (staple) the appropriate Declaration or Acknowledgement of Refusal form (DC-233) to the Court Copy of the Virginia Uniform Summons.
   a. Since the Refusal charge carries a criminal penalty, if the suspect refuses to sign the Virginia Uniform Summons, the officer shall respond to a magistrate and obtain a warrant.
   b. The arraignment date should be set in accordance with established arrest procedures in LP-02.

7. If the arrestee is going to be admitted to the medical facility and *they are* capable of signing a VUS, only then should the officer release *them* on the VUS for DUI.
   a. Per the Commonwealth's Attorney's office, the admission to the hospital must be verified by the admitting physician.
   b. However, if the person is not able to sign or refuses to sign the VUS, the officer shall obtain a warrant for the Driving Under the Influence charge and serve it as soon as practical.

V. DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF DRUGS (DUID)

A. Many factors may lead an officer to suspect that a driver is under the influence of drugs. These factors include impairment inconsistent with a preliminary breath test result, physical appearance, unusual behavior, drugs/paraphernalia found, driver statements, etc.

B. If there is no evidence of alcohol consumption (i.e. smell of alcohol, beer cans, statements, PBT results), the officer may skip the breath test and immediately proceed to *Parham Doctors' Hospital* or Forest and obtain the blood sample according to section III.

C. If there is evidence of alcohol and drug consumption, the officer shall administer a breath test. ***If the breath test indicates a blood alcohol content of less than .08 percent, the officer shall then proceed with obtaining a blood sample for the testing of drugs.***

D. When a blood test is taken pursuant to suspected drug influence:
   1. Forward the blood vials as provided by law in a container provided by or approved by the Division of Forensic Science.
   2. Respond to the magistrate to obtain a warrant.

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The Executive Staff's commitment and endorsement of written guidelines for impaired driving detection and apprehension are delivered in Directive LP-12. The Police Division trains all sworn personnel in the NHTSA recognized (SFST) Standardized Field Sobriety Tests during Basic Academy training and during periodic in-service classes. **It states an officer shall administer these tests upon contact with a driver suspected to be impaired or under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs.**

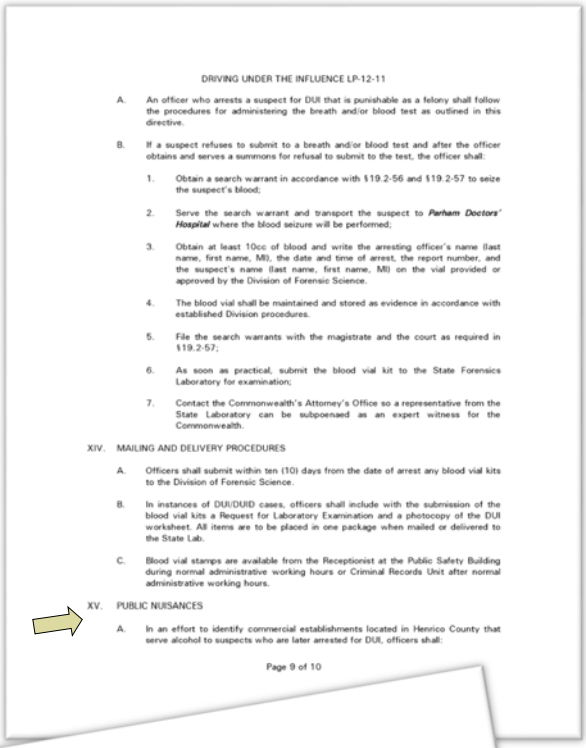
LP-12 consists of ten pages of impaired driving enforcement procedures and information. Included in this Directive are details about:

- Alcohol related license suspensions
- Administrative impoundment of vehicles
- Felony driving while intoxicated violations
- Dealing with persons under 21 years of age
- Administrative suspension of driver's licenses
- Violations by someone driving outside their license restrictions

The Police Division recognizes that not all impaired driving involves alcohol. This same directive (LP-12), includes guidelines and information on drug impairment (see photo bottom left). It describes how an officer should obtain a blood sample and the procedure for submitting the blood vials for analysis.

The Police Division identifies establishments where suspected impaired drivers repeatedly over-consume alcoholic beverages. **Arresting officers document business names in required reports. This data is collected to identify businesses (repeat offenders) that may routinely overserve guests. Directive LP-12 covers businesses deemed as public nuisances. The data helps the Division with identification of target areas for enforcement.** Public Nuisance establishments are also reported to our partner, the Virginia Alcohol Beverage Control Board, for further review.

To aid in the prosecution of drivers impaired by alcohol and/or drugs, LP-12 mandates that each officer provide the prosecutor's office with documents from the arrest. These documents assist with future prosecution of these cases and with bond hearings the next day after an arrest.



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A. An officer who arrests a suspect for DUI that is punishable as a felony shall follow the procedures for administering the breath and/or blood test as outlined in this directive.

B. If a suspect refuses to submit to a breath and/or blood test and after the officer obtains and serves a summons for refusal to submit to the test, the officer shall:

1. Obtain a search warrant in accordance with §19.2-56 and §19.2-57 to seize the suspect's blood;
2. Serve the search warrant and transport the suspect to ***Parham Doctors' Hospital*** where the blood seizure will be performed;
3. Obtain at least 10cc of blood and write the arresting officer's name (last name, first name, MI), the date and time of arrest, the report number, and the suspect's name (last name, first name, MI) on the vial provided or approved by the Division of Forensic Science.
4. The blood vial shall be maintained and stored as evidence in accordance with established Division procedures.
5. File the search warrants with the magistrate and the court as required in §19.2-57;
6. As soon as practical, submit the blood vial kit to the State Forensics Laboratory for examination;
7. Contact the Commonwealth's Attorney's Office so a representative from the State Laboratory can be subpoenaed as an expert witness for the Commonwealth.

XIV. MAILING AND DELIVERY PROCEDURES

A. Officers shall submit within ten (10) days from the date of arrest any blood vial kits to the Division of Forensic Science.

B. In instances of DUI/DUID cases, officers shall include with the submission of the blood vial kits a Request for Laboratory Examination and a photocopy of the DUI worksheet. All items are to be placed in one package when mailed or delivered to the State Lab.

C. Blood vial stamps are available from the Receptionist at the Public Safety Building during normal administrative working hours or Criminal Records Unit after normal administrative working hours.

XV. PUBLIC NUISANCES

A. In an effort to identify commercial establishments located in Henrico County that serve alcohol to suspects who are later arrested for DUI, officers shall:

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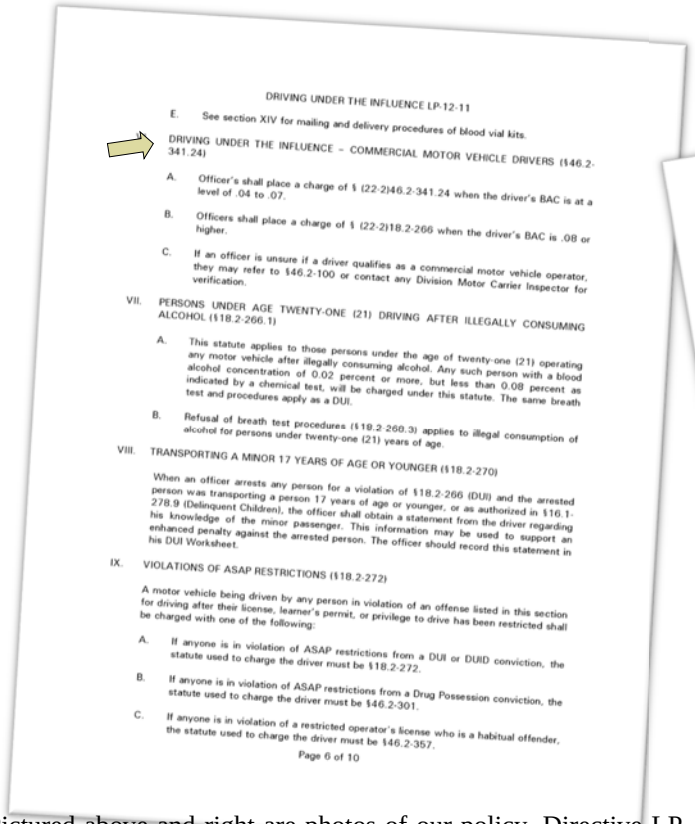

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E. See section XIV for mailing and delivery procedures of blood vial kits.

DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE – COMMERCIAL MOTOR VEHICLE DRIVERS (§46.2-341.24)

A. Officer's shall place a charge of § (22-2)46.2-341.24 when the driver's BAC is at a level of .04 to .07.

B. Officers shall place a charge of § (22-2)18.2-266 when the driver's BAC is .08 or higher.

C. If an officer is unsure if a driver qualifies as a commercial motor vehicle operator, they may refer to §46.2-100 or contact any Division Motor Carrier Inspector for verification.

VII. PERSONS UNDER AGE TWENTY-ONE (21) DRIVING AFTER ILLEGALLY CONSUMING ALCOHOL (§18.2-266.1)

A. This statute applies to those persons under the age of twenty-one (21) operating any motor vehicle after illegally consuming alcohol. Any such person with a blood alcohol concentration of 0.02 percent or more, but less than 0.08 percent as indicated by a chemical test, will be charged under this statute. The same breath test and procedures apply as a DUI.

B. Refusal of breath test procedures (§18.2-266.3) applies to illegal consumption of alcohol for persons under twenty-one (21) years of age.

VIII. TRANSPORTING A MINOR 17 YEARS OF AGE OR YOUNGER (§18.2-270)

When an officer arrests any person for a violation of §18.2-266 (DUI) and the arrested person was transporting a person 17 years of age or younger, or as authorized in §16.1-278.9 (Delinquent Children), the officer shall obtain a statement from the driver regarding his knowledge of the minor passenger. This information may be used to support an enhanced penalty against the arrested person. The officer should record this statement in his DUI Worksheet.

IX. VIOLATIONS OF ASAP RESTRICTIONS (§18.2-272)

A motor vehicle being driven by any person in violation of an offense listed in this section for driving after their license, learner's permit, or privilege to drive has been restricted shall be charged with one of the following:

A. If anyone is in violation of ASAP restrictions from a DUI or DUID conviction, the statute used to charge the driver must be §18.2-272.

B. If anyone is in violation of ASAP restrictions from a Drug Possession conviction, the statute used to charge the driver must be §46.2-301.

C. If anyone is in violation of a restricted operator's license who is a habitual offender, the statute used to charge the driver must be §46.2-357.

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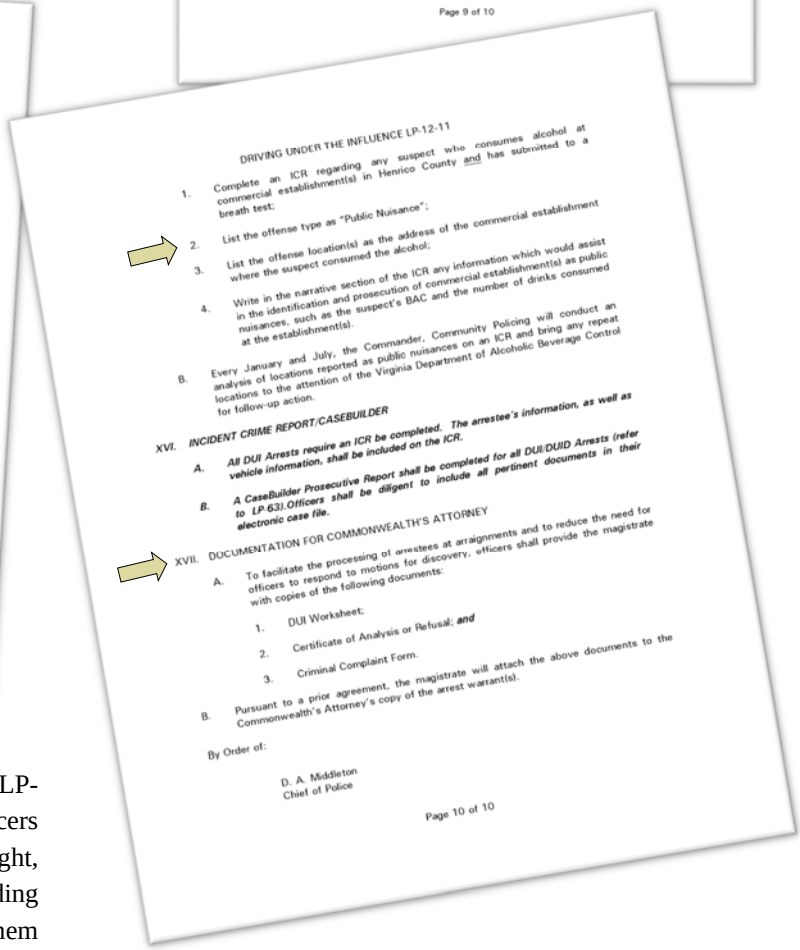

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1. Complete an ICR regarding any suspect who consumes alcohol at commercial establishment(s) in Henrico County and has submitted to a breath test;
2. List the offense type as "Public Nuisance";
3. List the offense location(s) as the address of the commercial establishment where the suspect consumed the alcohol;
4. Write in the narrative section of the ICR any information which would assist in the identification and prosecution of commercial establishment(s) as public nuisances, such as the suspect's BAC and the number of drinks consumed at the establishment(s).

B. Every January and July, the Commander, Community Policing will conduct an analysis of locations reported as public nuisances on an ICR and bring any repeat locations to the attention of the Virginia Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control for follow-up action.

XVI. ***INCIDENT CRIME REPORT/CASEBUILDER***

A. All DUI Arrests require an ICR be completed. The arrestee's information, as well as vehicle information, shall be included on the ICR.

B. A CaseBuilder Prosecutive Report shall be completed for all DUI/DUID Arrests (refer to LP.63).Officers shall be diligent to include all pertinent documents in their electronic case file.

XVII. DOCUMENTATION FOR COMMONWEALTH'S ATTORNEY

A. To facilitate the processing of arrestees at arraignments and to reduce the need for officers to respond to motions for discovery, officers shall provide the magistrate with copies of the following documents:

1. DUI Worksheet;
2. Certificate of Analysis or Refusal; ***and***
3. Criminal Complaint Form.

B. Pursuant to a prior agreement, the magistrate will attach the above documents to the Commonwealth's Attorney's copy of the arrest warrant(s).

By Order of:

D. A. Middleton
Chief of Police

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Pictured above and right are photos of our policy, Directive LP-12. Above left, the Directive excerpt outlines procedures officers must follow regarding Commercial Motor Vehicle DUIs. Right, the Directive excerpt also outlines procedures regarding businesses that repeatedly overserve alcohol and identifying them as public nuisances. Next, it outlines procedures for documentation submission to the Commonwealth's Attorney.

Planning

The Traffic Enforcement Unit is responsible for analyzing arrest records and crash data. The information allows the Division to focus on when and where to prioritize enforcement efforts. Unit Goals are established by the Commander of the Traffic Enforcement Unit each fiscal year. **Our goals serve as our annual guide to ensure we are continually prioritizing our resources in the most efficient and targeted manner.** The Commander determines an annual goal of implementing a certain number of DUI saturation patrols and road checks. Traffic Enforcement supervisors are responsible for creating traffic safety initiatives in addition to participating in national and regional campaigns. **Our traffic safety campaigns are prioritized in the following manner:**

- **School zones**
- **High crash locations and intersections**
- **Problem areas identified by citizen complaints**
- **Problem areas identified by high volume of violations**
- **Problem areas identified through arrest records (Public Nuisances)**

Henrico Police continues to support the Virginia's Strategic Highway Safety Plan's (VSHSP) "Toward Zero Deaths". The goal of the plan is to reduce deaths and severe injuries by half by the year 2030 (an average decline of approximately three percent per year). **In reviewing crash data statistics in Henrico, it was learned that alcohol related crashes had not been on a declining trend the past three years. Additionally, December was identified as having the highest number of alcohol related crashes in 2014.** The majority of those occurred in the evening or late night hours. Planning was developed by the supervisors of the Traffic Enforcement Unit to allocate Virginia DMV grant funding to target the most problematic hours throughout the year. An additional emphasis was directed toward the month of December due to the data generated. Higher alcohol related crashes in December can be attributed to the holidays and the many celebrations that occur involving alcohol. Henrico directed its DUI Enforcement Team to the targeted areas and time frames. Also, additional officers were utilized in the Operation H.O.P.E. (Henrico Officers Patrolling Effectively) in which they are directed to focus on alcohol impaired drivers in specific areas on each weekend during December. Operations Plans are completed by supervisors that detail each officer's efforts and are forwarded to the Traffic Enforcement Unit Commander for follow up review.

Training

The Henrico County Police Division is committed to providing quality training to all employees. Training is regarded as one of the most important aspects of law enforcement. **As seen in the chart below, 123 Henrico police officers received 658 staff-hours of training related to impaired driving enforcement during 2015.**

Training	Number of Officers	Staff Hours
Advanced DUI Training	2	22
Intoxilyzer Basic Certification	6	48
2015 DUI-D Program	8	8
SFST Instructor	1	32
Intoxilyzer Recertification	46	184
Blood Vial Procedures	632	316
Mid-Atlantic DUI Conference	2	24
Intoxilyzer Instructor	1	24
TOTALS	**123**	**658**

Details listed below describe DUI enforcement training our officers received in 2015.

Advanced DUI Training for Officers

Two officers attended this training to enhance arrest and prosecution methods in DUI cases. One of those was an instructor for the school which is offered to officers throughout the state of Virginia.

Breathalyzer Operator School Training

Six Henrico officers were trained to perform breathalyzer tests on individuals arrested for DUI through the Virginia Department of Forensic Science.

DUID Training for Officers

Eight Henrico officers received a full day training session specific to arresting drug impaired drivers.

SFST Instructor School

One officer received a 32 hour training certification course to become a SFST Instructor.

Breathalyzer Operator Recertification Training

Forty-six officers received training to recertify their breathalyzer operator's licenses.

DUI/DUID Blood Vial Procedure Training

All 632 sworn officers received in service training on the proper techniques of obtaining a suspect's blood sample and submitting for testing in 2015.

Mid-Atlantic DUI Conference

Two officers that excel at DUI apprehension were selected to attend this regional two day conference pertaining to various topics of DUI apprehension and prosecution.

Breathalyzer Instructor Training Course

One Henrico officer was certified to become a breathalyzer instructor at the Virginia Department of Forensic Science.

NHTSA DUI/SFST Training for the Academy

Two academies were held in 2015 in which all new officers received training in Standardized Field Sobriety Testing.

Public Information & Education

Henrico Police Division Traffic Enforcement Unit has adopted a three-element approach to educating and informing the public about impaired driving. The first element is to inform and educate the public about impaired driving through television, radio, and social media. The second element is to inform and educate the public about impaired driving by delivering and presenting impaired driving programs to the public at local high schools, colleges, and civic organizations. Finally, the third element is to educate and inform the public about impaired driving through high visibility enforcement via saturation patrols and checkpoints.

Social Media

Henrico County Police maintains a transparent and accessible relationship with our citizens through the use of social media outlets such as Facebook, Twitter, and YouTube. This will mark the fifth year Henrico Police's Public Information Office has enjoyed this relationship with our citizens online. These sites allow for the most efficient and timely means for distributing traffic safety related information. The Police Division shares topics such as "Click It Or Ticket" and Checkpoint Strikeforce campaigns, holiday travel safety tips, as well as hazardous roadway and weather conditions. **In 2015 the Police Division had over 7,500 followers on Facebook and over 9,000 on Twitter.**

This is just one example of the many Facebook posts that we dedicated to traffic safety and impaired driving prevention.

Public Information Officer

In addition, the Police Division's Public Information Officer, Lt. Chris Eley, provides the media with news releases containing information regarding sobriety checkpoints and saturation patrols, but does not usually provide a location. Local media often feature news stories from checkpoint locations.

Local Government Access Television

Henrico County has its own local television station, HCTV -17. **The Police Division regularly uses it to information in a continuous slideshows that raise awareness of sobriety checkpoints, saturation patrols, and holiday related driving safety. Frequently, HCTV-17 produces feature video stories that raise awareness of the Division's Traffic Enforcement Unit and their efforts to eliminate impaired driving and reduce/eliminate injuries and fatalities not only resulting from impaired driving, but also resulting from speed, texting, etc.**

Underage Impaired Driving Awareness

A Henrico Traffic Safety Officer greets students at one of the county's schools.

A Henrico Police Officer is assigned to every middle and high school in the county as School Resource Officers (SROs). SROs assigned to high schools are particularly involved in the county school's Driver's Education Program. **SROs assist with instructing some classes and conduct presentations that raise students' awareness of the consequences of drinking and driving, distracted driving, and not buckling up.**

Traffic Enforcement Unit Officers also participate in youth education of driving under the influence. In 2015, these officers delivered presentations to multiple high schools and college campuses in the area. Sergeant Rob Netherland annually gives a lecture pertaining to driving under the influence at Collegiate High School. Other presentation topics in the lecture include distracted driving, defensive driving, occupant protection, and general traffic laws. After his lecture, Netherland conducts an open question and answer session during which students ask any traffic related questions. Later that same evening, Sergeant Netherland hosts another lecture to which the parents are invited where he discusses many of the same topics. The parents leave with a thorough knowledge of traffic laws that pertain to young drivers and some tools to keep their young drivers safe.

I-Drive -Teen Driving Program

Hundreds of teens attend I-Drive each year.

I-Drive is an impactful teen driver safety event developed by AAA Mid-Atlantic and co -hosted by Henrico Police with assistance from the Virginia State Police. Held every September at Richmond International Raceway in Henrico County, the event hosts more than 600 driver education students over the course of two days. It is designed to supplement the current driver education curriculum with hands-on activities that help new teen drivers establish safe driving habits while urging them to concentrate on the task at hand - driving safe, sober, and focused.

Mothers Against Drunk Driving (M.A.D.D.) Support

Officer J.P. Gray (2nd from left) was one of three Henrico Officers who received an award at the annual M.A.D.D. Awards banquet.

Henrico Police maintain a close working relationship with the local M.A.D.D. organization and have done so for many

years. Every event held by the central Virginia chapter of M.A.D.D. during 2015 was hosted in Henrico County. Officers from Henrico County Police along with several other surrounding police agencies participated in the annual "Walk Like MADD" fundraiser that is held at Dorey Park in Henrico County. The Walk took place on April 11th and had over 500 participants. The walk is a fundraiser for the Richmond and State MADD offices and brings awareness to many citizens at the same time. Henrico Police participated in the Victim's Vigil, M.AD.D. Awards Ceremony, and M.A.D.D. kick off of the Red Ribbon Campaign. **Three Henrico Police Officers were recognized at the Annual M.A.D.D. Awards Banquet in 2014 for their DUI enforcement efforts. They were Officer L.C. Jones, Officer G.D. Gerlinger, and Officer J.P. Gray.**

"Over the Limit Under Arrest" and Operation "Checkpoint Strikeforce" Campaigns

An excellent way to raise public awareness of impaired driving is to allow drivers experience a Henrico County sobriety checkpoint. Henrico Police will notify local media outlets regarding these checkpoints without disclosing the location. This warns drivers that Henrico Police will be out in force to remove impaired drivers from our roadways. The media will often attend a checkpoint and broadcast footage during or after the operation is complete. **Henrico Police participates in the "Checkpoint Strikeforce" program and the "Over the Limit, Under Arrest" campaigns each calendar year. Many of the checkpoints are made possible through a collaborative relationship with Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV), which provides grant money to offset personnel costs.**

Boating Under the Influence Awareness

Members of the Police Marine Patrol (pictured left) conducted numerous special enforcement operations that targeted boating safety laws and boating under the influence (BUI). Operations were conducted on Memorial Day, Fourth of July, and Labor Day holiday weekends in 2015. Additionally the Marine Patrol participated in joint enforcement operations with the United States Coast Guard and Virginia Conservation Police.

Enforcement

Henrico County Police understands that visible and effective traffic enforcement is crucial to saving lives and reducing traffic crashes. Enforcement activities are executed to maximize the safe flow of traffic and to obtain compliance of laws from our citizens. **During 2015, Colonel Douglas A. Middleton led the Division as its Chief of Police. During his time as Chief, he continually identified Impaired Driving as a top priority in traffic safety. Chief Middleton, who retired on April 15, 2016, was deeply committed to a proactive traffic safety program that utilized education and enforcement to accomplish this task. Under his leadership, our entire police force made Impaired Driving enforcement a priority during every watch.**

There are five ways to violate Virginia's DUI law:

1.Operating a vehicle with a blood alcohol level above 0.08

2. Operating a vehicle while under the influence of alcohol

3. Operating a vehicle while under the influence of drugs

4. Operating a vehicle while under the influence of both alcohol and drugs

5. Operating a vehicle with a blood cocaine level of 0.02, a blood methamphetamine (meth) level of 0.10, a blood phencyclidine (PCP) level of 0.01, or a blood 3,4-methylenedioxymethamphetamine (MDMA) level of 0.10

Sobriety Checkpoints

This checkpoint from August 27, 2015, was conducted by Henrico Police, but we often partner with other agencies such as the Virginia State Police, Richmond PD, or Hanover or New Kent Sheriff's Offices to conduct them.

Henrico County Police conducted 22 checkpoints during 2015. Many of these checkpoints were conducted in conjunction with other agencies such as the Virginia State Police and local agencies that border Henrico County such as: Hanover Sheriff's Office, Richmond City Police, and New Kent Sheriff's Office. The checkpoints are always productive in removing many unsafe drivers, wanted subjects, and the recovery of illegal drugs and weapons from the roads.

Checkpoint locations are determined based on a list of criteria outlined in the Police Division's Directive's Manual. The criteria includes, however is not limited to high crash locations, impaired driving arrests, and traffic arrests. The media are invited to many of the checkpoints, but the location is not disclosed to the public until the end of the operation. This assists in spreading awareness not to drink and drive or to have a designated driver. Some of the major holidays when checkpoints were conducted in 2014 were Memorial Day weekend, Fourth of July weekend, Halloween, and over the Thanksgiving/ Christmas Holidays.

Impaired Driving Enforcement Team (DUI Team)

Over the last six years, Henrico County Police Traffic Enforcement Unit has utilized a part-time Impaired Driving Prevention Enforcement Team to assist in combating the issue of impaired drivers. The team currently consists of 15 Officers and 4 Sergeants. The officers are from various units within the Police Division such as Patrol Operations, Traffic Safety, and Community Policing. The officers that make up the team have shown extraordinary efforts in detecting and arresting impaired drivers. The Team conducts saturation patrols and assists with checkpoints throughout the county at least one night every week and on holidays. Their sole purpose is to interdict and arrest impaired drivers to make Henrico's roadways safer for the motoring public. The hours worked usually range from 8:00 PM to 3:00 AM when the majority of impaired drivers travel on county roadways.

In 2015, the team conducted 51 saturation patrols consisting of over 1,500 staff-hours. The team also assisted with DUI checkpoints conducted by the Police Division. The team is responsible for 153 impaired drivers being arrested during these patrols or checkpoints. The Police Division, as a whole, made 1,004 impaired driving arrests during the same time period.

Holiday Impaired Driving Enforcement-"Operation H.O.P.E."

Each year, the Henrico County Police Traffic Enforcement Unit participates in Operation H.O.P.E. (Henrico Officers Patrolling Effectively). This traffic enforcement initiative takes place between the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays. Henrico County sees a large increase in traffic volume during this time of year around its many shopping malls and shopping centers.

Officers are assigned to various areas to provide high visibility patrol and enforcement to interdict impaired and aggressive drivers so they can be removed from the roadways. Officers also conduct speed and occupant protection enforcement. The officers work during the peak shopping hours on Fridays and Saturdays to provide higher visibility to the shoppers. **Officers issued 392 summonses and conducted 12 DUI arrests during the four-week initiative.**

Outcomes

The Henrico Police Division recognized the below three officers for their hard work and dedication in the area of impaired driving enforcement apprehension. **These officers below were the top ranked in DUI arrests in 2015**.

Officer Craig Jones
62 DUI Arrests

Officer James Gray
51 DUI Arrests

Officer Enrique Santana
43 DUI Arrests

The Henrico County Police Division's Traffic Enforcement Unit uses statistical data throughout the year to provide information to the public in an effort to educate them about safe driving practices to reduce injury and fatal crashes. The Criminal Records Unit tracks all motor vehicle crashes, summonses issued, and types of arrests to provide officers and supervisors with information about crash locations to enhance the educational and enforcement efforts at these locations.

Officers and supervisors can also retrieve the majority of this information from their vehicles utilizing their mobile data computers (MDC). Supervisors from the Traffic Enforcement Unit, members of the Criminal Records Unit, and the officials from the local and state traffic engineering departments meet quarterly to analyze the data that has been collected to see if roadway improvements or enforcement would reduce crashes or crash types.

In 2014, December was identified as having the highest number of alcohol related crashes in Henrico. Due to this information, we directed resources to further educating the public about the dangers of driving impaired around the holidays. We also identified target locations and deployed DUI saturation patrols and strategically placed DUI road checks. **The results of our efforts are as follows:**

- **In 2015, alcohol related crashes in December were decreased by 29 percent.**
- **There were no fatalities in December of 2015. By comparison, Henrico experienced one alcohol related traffic fatality in December of 2014.**

December 2015 Directed Alcohol Initiatives

In review of the Division's 2015 directed efforts toward the reduction in alcohol related crashes, a number of successes were realized and are as follows:

- **Well-trained officers arrested 1percent more impaired drivers in 2015 than in 2014.**
- **Alcohol related injury crashes in Henrico decreased slightly to 75 in 2015 from 77 in 2014**.
- **Alcohol related fatal crashes were reduced to three in 2015 versus four in 2014.**

Type of Initiative	DUI Arrests	Drug Arrests
Saturation Patrols (7)	**12**	**12**
Road Checks (5)	**10**	**17**