

Prince George County Police Department News *'In Partnership With The Community'*



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Employee of the Month

Please join us in congratulating Sergeant Nick Wilder, as our January, 2018 “Employee of the Month” recipient.

During the month of January, members of the Prince George County Police Department executed a residential search warrant related to a child pornography investigation. During the execution of the warrant, the target of the investigation was located inside of the dwelling brandishing firearms. A barricaded situation ensued, and additional police resources responded to the scene to assist. In the end, the suspect was apprehended without any significant injury to anyone.

Whereas the success of this very dangerous situation was a culmination of excellent police work demonstrated from several officers, Sgt. Wilder’s efforts during this three and half hour ordeal were critical in attaining the best outcome we could have hoped for.

Please join us in proudly commending Sergeant Nick Wilder for his service, ability, bravery and dedication.

POLAR PLUNGE® SPECIAL OLYMPICS FEBRUARY 3, 2018 Results Are In!



Prince George “COPSicles” Polar Plunge 2018

With 23 members, the Prince George team was able to raise just over \$12,000 for the Virginia Special Olympics and finished 18th in total money raised. Collectively, they raised over 1 million dollars.

Thanks to all for your generous donations to this awesome cause! Trust us the water was freezing cold, but it was worth every moment! We cannot wait to come back bigger and better next year!

Police Department Achieves First State Reaccreditation



The Prince George County Police Department has achieved its first state reaccreditation through the Virginia Law Enforcement Professional Standards Commission (VLEPSC). On behalf of the men and women of PGPD, Colonel W. Keith Early, Police Chief, was presented a reaccreditation certificate at the Prince George County Board of Supervisors meeting on Tuesday, February 13, 2018. The Department of Criminal Justice Services Program Manager, Mr. Derrick Mayes, graciously presented the certificate.

The Police Department had their on-site assessment on December 4-5, 2017. The Department was found to be flawlessly in compliance with all 190 applicable standards. The Police Department first achieved state accreditation in January, 2014.

The lead assessor, Lt. David Hudson of Lancaster County Sheriff's Office, stated "the Assessment Team was impressed with the Prince George Police Department and the professionalism of both its sworn and non-sworn members. This agency clearly demonstrates a high level of commitment and dedication to law enforcement and the needs of the citizens they protect and serve."

To achieve reaccreditation, the Police Department must undergo a rigorous on-site inspection every four years by multiple, specially trained, independent assessors. These assessors examine all areas of the agency to ensure compliance with the professional standards set forth by the Commission.



Public Safety Award



(L-R) Beverly Epps - JRMC, Prince George Supervisors Marlene Waymack and Floyd Brown, Chief Keith Early

The Prince George Police Department was awarded the "Public Safety" award on February 23, 2018 at the Chamber Brunch & Awards Ceremony at Upper Shirley Vineyards.

Hopewell /Prince George Chamber of Commerce awarded the Police Department for implementing a Safe Exchange Zone for citizens to conduct face-to-face meetings for sale or trade of items in the parking lot of the Police Department.

If you still haven't visited our Safe Exchange Zone, check it out to safely exchange any items you buy online through Craigslist or Facebook groups.

Paw & Order Calendar 2019 SNEAK PEEK



Work has begun on the Paw & Order 2019 Calendar! Here is a sneak peek of a calendar shot in progress, who's going to be behind this sign?

Our 2019 Calendar featuring your very own hometown heroes along with the Center's pets waiting for their forever homes. All proceeds will benefit the pets at the Adoption Center.

Stay tuned! #PGPD Prince George County Animal Shelter

RECOGNITION

On Monday, February 12, 2018, Members of the Prince George County Police Department were recognized for participating in the execution of small acts of kindness to all county schools within our community by "paying-it-forward."

On December 18, 2017, Officers went to all Prince George County School in the county and paid off "meal balances" for the students.

We would again like to thank the assistance of the folks at Destination Church for making this initiative possible.



CONGRATULATIONS



We are pleased to announce that Erika Edwards (center) has been selected, effective immediately, for the position of Communications Supervisor.

Please join us in congratulating Supervisor Erika Edwards! We are confident that she will successfully fulfill all of the responsibilities that are affiliated with this very important position.

WELCOME

The Prince George Police Department is happy to announce the hiring of Brittney Artis (center) as our department's newest Dispatcher. Brittney started her training process which will prepare her to handle the tens of thousands of calls that come into the Prince George Police Department Communication center annually.

We welcome Brittney into the Prince George Police Department Family and look forward to watching her serve her community as a 911 Dispatcher.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Adoption Events

Saturday, April 21, River Street Market, 9am-12pm, 30 River Street, Petersburg
Saturday, October 6, Petersburg National Battlefield, 10am-2pm, "War Dog Day", 5001 Siege Rd, Petersburg
Saturday, October 27, Richard Bland Pecan Festival, 9am-2pm, 11301 Johnson Rd, Petersburg

Prince George County Animals Services and Adoption Center Open House

Saturday, October 20, 2018, 11am-2pm, 8391 County Dr. Disputanta

Prince George County Youth Public Safety Academy

June 18 – June 29, 2018 (Applications due by June 1, 2018)

National Night Out

Tuesday, August 7, 2018



Mission Statement

The Prince George County Police Department, in partnership with the community, will strive to protect and improve the quality of life in Prince George; providing Leadership through Open Communication, Fair and Dignified Service, and Interactive Problem Solving.

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