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HIGHLIGHTS - 2014

SERVICE TO THE CITIZENS OF MARYLAND

SAVING LIVES

- On October 14, 2014, a trooper assigned to the Cumberland Barrack in Allegany County saved the life of a six month old child. Two troopers were dispatched to intercept a car that was taking a child to the hospital. One of the troopers stopped the vehicle and observed that the child was not breathing. The trooper began CPR and used back-blows to clear the infant’s obstructed airway at which time the infant began to cry and breathe again.
- On August 6, 2014, a trooper from the JFK Memorial Highway Barrack was patrolling Interstate 95. While crossing the Tidings Memorial Bridge, the trooper observed a man walking across the bridge on the opposite side. The trooper quickly turned his patrol car around at the other side of the bridge and approached the man. As the trooper pulled up, the man started to climb over the barrier in an attempt to jump off the bridge. The trooper sprinted to the man and wrestled him safely back onto the bridge just prior to him jumping, saving his life. The bridge is 90 feet above the Susquehanna River.



NALOXONE



Naloxone (also known as Narcan®) is a medication that can be administered to counteract the effects of an opioid (e.g., heroin) overdose. In 2014, patrol troopers were trained how to administer naloxone and issued a naloxone kit to carry on their gun belts. During the first three months of the program, troopers administered naloxone six times. The Maryland State Police was one of the first state police agencies in the country to establish this type of program.

AVIATION COMMAND

In 2014, the Aviation Command continued the transition from a Public Safety Air Operation into an approved Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Part 135 Operator. This transition remains ongoing, in conjunction with the delivery of the new AgustaWestland AW139 helicopters. By December 2014, all seven helicopter sections were flying the new AW139 aircraft. During 2014, 2,200 ill or injured patients were transported by Maryland State Police helicopters. Furthermore, the Maryland State Police Aviation Command completed over 100 search and rescue missions, during which 123 individuals were rescued or located.



COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT



POLAR BEAR PLUNGE

Last year marked the 18th consecutive year of the Maryland State Police Polar Bear Plunge for Special Olympics. Once again, thousands of plungers and dunkers participated in the Polar Bear Plunge and the State Police/Natural Resources Police Deep Creek Dunk. These events, and other winter water series fundraisers in which the MSP participates, raised \$2.25 million dollars for Special Olympics Maryland to provide year-round sports training and competitions for children and adults with intellectual disabilities.



STATE POLICE ACADEMY CLASSES

Class 141 completed a 5K running event to raise funds and awareness for a trooper who was severely injured on Interstate 95 while assisting another trooper on a traffic stop.

Class 142 completed the “Ice Bucket Challenge” to raise awareness and funds for victims of Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS/Lou Gehrig’s Disease) and also completed the Susan G. Komen 5K run to raise awareness and funds for victims of breast cancer.

CAL RIPKEN FOUNDATION

Troopers assigned to the Bel Air Barrack participated in the summer-long Cal Ripken Foundation “Badges for Baseball” program. Troopers worked closely with less-fortunate children to improve both their baseball skills and relationships with the police.



STATE POLICE EXPLORERS

The 17 members of the Wesley Brown Explorer Post, led by two troopers from the College Park Barrack, participated in numerous food drives, toy drives, community events and charity runs in Prince George’s County in 2014. They also helped paint the Temple Hills Elementary School.

MARYLAND FOOD BANK



For the second consecutive year, MSP partnered with the Maryland Food Bank to help end hunger in Maryland. During Hunger Action Month in September, Maryland State Police hosted a statewide food drive, in which citizens and employees were asked to donate non-perishable food items. All barracks and MSP Headquarters were designated as drop-off sites and the MSP website became a means for virtual donations. Efforts for the month culminated in a convoy of police and State Highway Administration vehicles driving to the official weigh-in at the Maryland Food Bank Headquarters in Halethorpe where a total of 23,071 pounds of food was donated.

NATIONAL PRESCRIPTION DRUG TURN-IN PROGRAM

Maryland State Police barracks participated in the Drug Enforcement Administration’s National Prescription Drug Turn-In Program by collecting and disposing of 3,228 pounds of unwanted prescription drugs. Additionally, the Prince Frederick, Cumberland, Bel Air, Westminster, Frederick, McHenry and Princess Anne barracks installed permanent receptacles so that citizens may dispose of prescription drugs at any time.





FIGHTING CRIME

APPREHENSION OF THE MOST VIOLENT FUGITIVES

As the Department continued to work to reduce the number of open warrants statewide, the Maryland State Apprehension Team focused its efforts on the most violent offenders in Maryland. Four regional teams are responsible for apprehending the most violent offenders in and from the State. In 2014, the teams made a major impact on violent crime reduction in Maryland as the statistics above illustrate.

2014 QUICK STATS – MSAT	
Arrests	1,583
Warrants Closed	2,181

LICENSE PLATE READER (LPR) PROGRAM

2014 QUICK STATS – LPR PROGRAM	
LPRs Deployed	471
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In 2014, MCAC processed thousands of requests (from federal, state and local agencies in and around Maryland) to query the LPR server in support of investigations and for other public safety purposes.

CRIMINAL INTERDICTION

Our highways are often used to smuggle illegal drugs and other contraband. In addition, fugitives use the highways to escape justice. On every traffic stop, troopers are on the alert for indicators of criminal activity.

- An LPR alert on a stolen vehicle led to the arrest of the suspect in a Florida homicide. The vehicle was initially entered as stolen and the suspect was entered as a missing person. Seminole County, Florida police investigators obtained a warrant for the suspect's arrest and conducted an interview in Maryland which led to a confession.
- On February 20, 2014, a trooper assigned to the Berlin Barrack highway criminal interdiction team stopped a vehicle for a traffic violation. The trooper noted several criminal indicators and requested a K-9 scan which resulted in a positive alert. A search of the vehicle revealed \$38,000, 12 cartons of cigarettes and other items consistent with cigarette smuggling. Homeland Security Investigations was contacted regarding the currency seizure and assumed the investigation and forfeiture.



GANGS

Throughout Maryland, drugs and violent crime continue to be associated with gangs. With gang affiliation on the rise in Maryland, the Maryland State Police Gang Enforcement Unit has been tasked with identifying, infiltrating and dismantling these criminal gangs. This dedicated unit of troopers, which operates in many areas of the State, had a very successful year in 2014, as the table illustrates.

2014 QUICK STATS – GANGS	
Arrests	539
Cases Closed	204
Guns Seized	42

FIREARMS ENFORCEMENT UNIT

2014 QUICK STATS – FIREARMS	
Arrests	97
Investigations	423
Firearms Seized	894

The Firearms Enforcement Unit consists of highly trained firearms experts, who are focused on preventing the illegal sale of firearms. This Unit is available daily on a 24-hour basis to provide assistance and guidance to law enforcement officers and prosecutors throughout the State. Since its inception, the number of requests for assistance has increased significantly.

RAPID (REGIONAL AUTOMATED PROPERTY INFORMATION DATABASE)

2014 QUICK STATS – RAPID		
Arrests	1,704	↑ 27%
Cases Closed	2,950	↑ 29%
Property Recovered	\$6,688,666	↑ 32%

As the result of several laws relating to the electronic reporting of pawn, precious metal and scrap transactions, the RAPID program completed its fifth full year of operation. RAPID received three prestigious crime prevention awards in 2014: the International Association of Chiefs of Police Webber Seavey Award, the Governor's Victim Assistance Award and the Governor's Crime Prevention Award.



WORKING WITH ALLIED LAW ENFORCEMENT

SUPPORT TO ALLIED LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES

During 2014, the MSP assisted local police departments across Maryland, including:

- Assisting the Baltimore Police Department (BPD) during the July 4th celebration at the Inner Harbor, Artscape and the New Year's Eve celebration.
- Barracks and local police departments have joined forces for initiatives such as serving warrants, drug and criminal enforcement and DUI enforcement.

HOWARD COUNTY MALL SHOOTING

One of the major roles of the Maryland State Police is the support of local law enforcement. This role was clearly evident on January 25, 2014, when a lone gunman entered a store in The Mall in Columbia and shot two employees.



Troopers from all over the State responded. Troopers and Howard County Police Officers entered the mall and found the shooter dead from a self-inflicted gunshot wound. The mall was surrounded by the responding law enforcement officers and a command post and staging area were established. The MSP command vehicle responded quickly and was established as an auxiliary command post for tactical operations.

In all, approximately 70 troopers and two MSP helicopters responded to the scene. In addition, deputy state fire marshals arrived with specialized equipment, including a bomb robot. Howard County Police maintained overall control of the incident and assigned specific tasks to responding agencies. The MSP Special Tactical Assault Team Element (STATE) joined several other federal and local SWAT teams that were divided into units and systematically cleared the entire mall.

CONTINUALLY IMPROVING

ACCREDITATION

In 2012, the MSP began pursuing accreditation in all three Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA) programs: law enforcement, training academy and communications. In December 2013, CALEA assessors conducted on-site evaluations of the Education & Training Division and MSP emergency communications facilities. The MSP received the training academy and communications accreditation awards in March 2014, at which time the MSP became the only state police agency accredited for communications and the second to have an accredited police academy. The CALEA on-site evaluation for law enforcement was conducted in August 2014 and CALEA accreditation was awarded November 2014. The MSP is the only state police agency to have earned the Tri-Arc award for accreditation in all three programs.



UNBIASED POLICING

The MSP maintains its strong commitment to ensure fair and equitable treatment of all citizens. One successful strategy in accomplishing this relies upon developing policies that are based on national best practices. The Department remains committed to ensuring that policies and procedures (e.g. in-car cameras, toll-free number allowing citizens to file complaints, training, citizen information brochures and supervisory reviews of traffic stop data) are in place to prevent bias-based policing.

TROOPER CANDIDATE CLASSES

Almost 100 new troopers were hired and trained in 2014. On March 28, 2014, the 22 new troopers in the 141st Trooper Candidate Class graduated and were assigned to barracks. An additional 70 troopers were added to the barracks when the 142nd Trooper Candidate Class graduated on December 12, 2014.



TRAFFIC SAFETY

CRASH PREVENTION & REDUCTION

A critical responsibility of the MSP is the reduction of the number of motor vehicle collisions and the resulting deaths and injuries. While all barracks focus on this goal, the efforts of the Cumberland and Rockville barracks were notable.

- In 2014, the Cumberland Barrack crash reduction and traffic enforcement efforts reduced personal injury collisions by 3.5 percent compared to the same time period in 2013. Crash research data was used to identify problem area “Hot Spots” and over 1,000 special traffic enforcement initiatives were conducted in those areas.
- During 2014, troopers from the Rockville Barrack participated in eight initiatives with the Montgomery County Police and Sheriff’s departments. One successful example in the spring of 2014 was “Operation Prom Patrol,” which targeted underage drinking parties and underage drinking and driving. The Operation resulted in 1,614 traffic stops, 93 DUI arrests, 45 criminal citations and 91 alcohol citations. In addition, eight underage parties were shut down.

MOTOR CARRIER SAFETY

In September 2014, the Audit, Compliance and Enforcement Section of the Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Division (CVED) received national recognition from the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration. At the Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance annual meeting, this unit was recognized as the top mid-size state investigative team.

Also in September 2014, the American Transportation Research Institute released the results of its study in which Maryland was recognized as the leading state in commercial inspections per lane mile. The study also recognized Maryland for its reduction in commercial vehicle crashes through traffic enforcement. This is the second consecutive year that Maryland has received this recognition.

VEHICLE SAFETY INSPECTION PROGRAM

By law, the MSP is responsible for Maryland's Vehicle Safety Inspection Program. This program is administered by the Automotive Safety Enforcement Division. Of the 720,071 vehicles inspected in 2014, 71 percent failed. This demonstrates the value of safety inspections to ensure that only safe vehicles are registered for use on Maryland highways.

TRAFFIC STATISTICS

CRIMINAL & TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT - 2014	
Vehicles Stopped	540,988
Citations Issued	363,278
Warnings Issued	333,932
Safety Equipment Repair Orders	73,825
Firearms Seized	1,987
Criminal, Warrant & Drug Arrests	17,347
Driving Under the Influence Arrests	7,044

TRAFFIC CITATIONS ISSUED					
	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Speeding	148,097	128,015	115,153	120,062	120,239
Right-of-Way	10,808	11,217	11,353	14,191	15,658
Suspended/Revoked	14,481	15,086	15,550	17,999	19,114
Seat Belt	37,887	38,442	36,351	35,952	18,561
Child Restraint	1,139	1,233	1,130	1,229	1,165
Other	151,003	147,378	141,431	161,099	170,451
Total	363,415	341,371	320,968	350,532	345,188

Funding from the Maryland Highway Safety Office for seat belt enforcement was frozen on April 1, 2014

FATAL CRASHES IN MARYLAND – ALL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES										
	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Fatalities	614	652	614	592	550	486	454	503	464	442
Not Restrained	197	191	165	155	137	120	145	111	101	105
% Not Restrained	32%	29%	27%	26%	25%	25%	32%	22%	22%	24%
Alcohol Related	Not Reported	Not Reported	Not Reported	Not Reported	Not Reported	Not Reported	200	165	175	136



VISION A Statewide Force for a Safe & Secure Maryland

MISSION The mission of the Maryland State Police is to serve the people of Maryland and those who visit our State through purposed policing that protects our citizens, prevents criminal acts and traffic crashes and provides the highest quality of law enforcement services available anywhere. This is accomplished through a network of local barracks and specialized divisions working in consultation and cooperation with allied public safety agencies to address issues impacting public safety in Maryland and each jurisdiction through an inter-jurisdictional strategy.

GOALS Prevent and reduce violent crime in Maryland.

Protect Maryland from foreign and domestic terrorist threats and secure its critical infrastructure.

Prevent and reduce fatalities and injuries caused by motor vehicle crashes.

Work in partnership with and provide support to allied public safety agencies.

Provide for a "world-class" workforce equipped with the tools, technology, training, supervision and leadership to perform their jobs with efficiency and excellence.

FOCUS INTERSTATE HIGHWAYS & MAJOR ROADWAYS to reduce death and serious injuries from motor vehicle crashes and apprehend criminals and terrorists.

GANGS & CRIMINAL ENTERPRISES to reduce violent crime associated with gangs or other inter-jurisdictional criminal enterprises with an emphasis on guns, drugs, fugitives and repeat violent offenders.

SUPPORT LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT through resources from specialized units and innovative crime fighting technology.

VALUES Troopers will continuously recommit to their Oath of Office as a contract to uphold the Constitution of the United States, accomplish the mission of the Maryland State Police and serve the people of the State and nation to the best of their ability while supporting our values of:

Integrity: uphold the public trust by being honest and maintaining the highest standards of ethical and moral character.

Fairness: treat all people with respect and preserve every person's dignity in an unbiased manner.

Service: provide dedicated and compassionate assistance to all citizens.

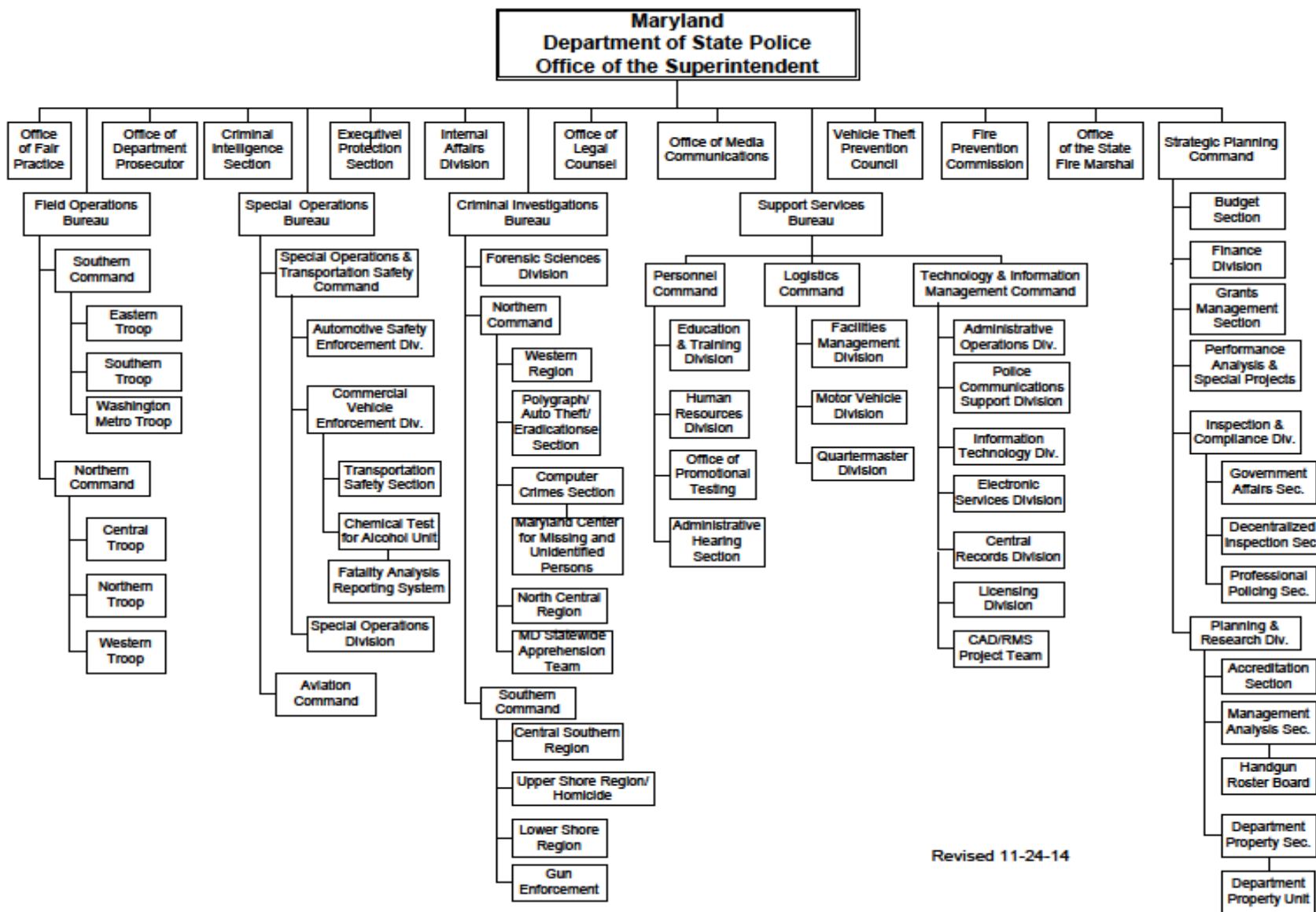


OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

The Maryland Department of State Police includes the Maryland State Police (MSP), the Office of the State Fire Marshal, the Maryland State Fire Prevention Commission and the Vehicle Theft Prevention Council.

The Secretary of the Department of State Police is a member of the Governor's Cabinet. Within the MSP, the Secretary is known as the Superintendent and holds the rank of Colonel. The Superintendent chairs the Maryland Police & Correctional Training Commissions, the Handgun Roster Board, the Cease Fire Council and the Vehicle Theft Prevention Council. In addition, the Superintendent is a member of the Maryland Security Council, the Family Violence Council, the Governors' Executive Council and the State Information Technology Board.

The Maryland State Police is comprised of four bureaus: the Field Operations Bureau, the Criminal Investigation Bureau, the Support Services Bureau and the Special Operation Bureau. Each bureau is commanded by a bureau chief who is a lieutenant colonel. In addition to the four bureaus, certain units report directly to the Office of the Superintendent.



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OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

CRIMINAL INTELLIGENCE SECTION/MARYLAND COORDINATION AND ANALYSIS CENTER



The mission of the Maryland Coordination and Analysis Center (MCAC) is “to serve as the focal point for federal, state, local and private sector partners, in the gathering, analysis and dissemination of criminal and homeland security information to help keep Maryland safe.” The MCAC seeks to provide strategic analysis to better focus the investigative activities being conducted by law enforcement agencies within the State and to better enable public health and safety agencies to perform their protective functions.

ANTI-TERRORISM DIVISION

The Anti-Terrorism Division includes the Watch & Warning Section. A Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) Assistant Director commands the Division with an MSP lieutenant serving as the Deputy Assistant Director. The Watch & Warning Section has 14 task force officers, seven of which are MSP troopers. The Watch & Warning Section serves as the State’s only 24-hour Fusion Center.

WATCH UNIT

The Watch Unit is responsible for processing and vetting suspicious activity reports, processing and fulfilling requests for service from law enforcement, disseminating intelligence, monitoring local, national and international events and reporting these incidents to policymakers, as well as analyzing the events for any possible impact on Maryland.

ANTI-TERRORISM DIVISION - 2014		
	2013	2014
Suspicious Activity Reports (SAR)	428	441
Terrorism SARs	265	291
Other SARs	163	150
Request for Service	13,592	16,206

REQUEST FOR SERVICE (RFS) UNIT

The RFS Unit processes information to assist with law enforcement investigations. The RFS Unit processes these requests quickly and often in less than one hour. Urgent requests (e.g., homicides, hostage situations) are handled in minutes. The RFS Unit supports the warrant initiative that is overseen by the Deputy Assistant Director. Offender-based service and prioritization is the key to this program. Sex offender, violence prevention initiatives and detainees are the core targeting categories.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION JOINT TERRORISM TASK FORCE

This unit is comprised of three troopers who are assigned to the FBI Maryland/Delaware Joint Terrorism Task Force (MDJTTF). One trooper was assigned to the International Terrorism Squad until May 2014 and was assigned to investigate significant terrorism-related cases which allowed him to work closely with the United States Attorney’s Office on a regular basis. Effective May 15, 2014, this trooper was designated as the MDJTTF Guardian Coordinator. The Guardian Threat Squad consists of troopers and state and local law enforcement officers.

The Guardian Threat Squad has been assigned approximately 650 investigations involving suspicious activity with a possible connection to terrorism. Several of these investigations have been referred to FBI counterterrorism or counterintelligence squads and have resulted in preliminary or full field investigations.

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An example of the value of the LPR program comes from Anne Arundel County. On August 21, 2014, a trooper assigned to the Glen Burnie Barrack was patrolling on Interstate 97 when he received an alert for a stolen vehicle. Observing the vehicle described in the alert, the trooper attempted to initiate a traffic stop. The operator fled but was soon apprehended in the parking lot of a gas station. Troopers then learned that the stolen vehicle was also involved in a hit and run motor vehicle crash. The operator was charged with motor vehicle theft and numerous traffic violations.

LAW ENFORCEMENT EXECUTIVE DAILY REPORT

Also known as the Daily Homicide and Shooting Report, this Report was first published in 2012 to support cross-jurisdictional awareness of violent crimes and to support criminal investigators by providing a summary of statewide shooting and homicide incidents. The Report is distributed to law enforcement executive-level leadership and is used for investigative support. The summary of incidents includes identities and numeric identifiers for confirmation and auditing purposes. The summaries are compared to the previous years' incidents to identify possible trends and potential changes to resource allocation.

GANG BRANCH

The Gang Branch is supervised by the MSP and was established to provide analysis for the State of Maryland. This includes available investigative and analytic support to gang suppression efforts by law enforcement partners across the State. It also manages several State-certified gang awareness and recognition trainers. The Gang Branch also produces numerous tactical and strategic reports (e.g., annual Statewide Gang Threat Assessment, monthly Gang Intelligence Summaries) that provide insight and direction to law enforcement executives and street-level investigators. These reports allow agencies to efficiently and effectively use their available resources to combat the ever-increasing threat of criminal gang activity across the State.

CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE PROTECTION UNIT

The Critical Infrastructure Protection (CIP) Unit works in conjunction with the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), the FBI, state and local law enforcement, emergency managers and private sector partners to enhance the physical and virtual protection of Critical Infrastructure and Key Resources (CI/KR) throughout the State of Maryland and in the National Capitol Region (NCR). The CIP Unit is responsible for developing a program to identify and prioritize CI/KR, assess infrastructure risks, provide information and intelligence to the public and private sector and suggest protective measures to enhance the overall security of identified CI/KR facilities.

EXECUTIVE PROTECTION & LEGISLATIVE SECURITY SECTIONS

The Executive Protection Section provides security for the Governor, Lieutenant Governor and the State's constitutional officers, including the Attorney General, Comptroller of the Treasury and State Treasurer.

The Legislative Security Section is charged with ensuring the safety and security of the President of the State Senate, the Speaker of the House of Delegates and the 188 members of the General Assembly while the General Assembly is in session.



INTERNAL AFFAIRS DIVISION

The Internal Affairs Division (IAD) maintains the integrity, ethics and professionalism of the Department by ensuring that allegations and complaints of misconduct against employees are investigated and progressive disciplinary action is taken. IAD serves as the repository for all records of disciplinary action against troopers, all Use of Force Reports and all Vehicle Pursuit Reports.

In 2014, IAD was restructured so two detective sergeants are now tasked with case management as well as investigations. The goal is to have supervisory involvement and oversight from the beginning of a case to ensure that investigators complete quality investigations. Prior to this restructuring, only the IAD Commander and Assistant Commander focused on case management.



The Maryland State Police uses an Early Intervention System to help identify certain patterns of behavior and provide intervention to enhance supervision with non-disciplinary remedies. The ability of IAD to monitor the Early Intervention System has improved with the acquisition of BlueTeam, a web-based application for reporting use of force, vehicle pursuits and other related information. BlueTeam is being expanded to allow troopers and supervisors to enter and manage incidents from the field. Incidents (including use-of-force, field-level discipline, complaints, vehicle accidents and pursuits) are entered into BlueTeam and can then be routed through the chain-of-command with review and approval at each step.

In 2014, the Division improved the intake of citizen complaints and is now capturing better quality data. A simple re-direction of complaints made to the Headquarters Duty Officer has yielded an increase in citizen complaints which are now tracked in the IAPro database.

The first full year for the Penalty Assessment Review Committee (PARC) was completed in 2013. PARC ensures that discipline for administrative violations by troopers is fair and consistent. The IAD Commander serves as the Chairman of the Vehicle Pursuit Review Committee.

OFFICE OF THE DEPARTMENT PROSECUTOR

DEPARTMENT PROSECUTOR	
Integrity Violations	6
Disciplinary Cases	52
Personnel Grievances	9

The Office of the Department Prosecutor represents the Department in administrative hearings and develops training for specialized units to enhance their ability to investigate and prosecute administrative violations.

In 2014, the Office of the Department Prosecutor was given the responsibility of representing the Department in all Licensing Division appeals that are forwarded to the Office of Administrative Hearings. In 2014, there were 39 cases, of which 19 were handgun appeals. The Office successfully defended all of these cases and prevented the sale or transfer of handguns to or from citizens who are disqualified from possessing them.

OFFICE OF FAIR PRACTICES

The Office of Fair Practices Section (OFP) ensures compliance with the Governor’s Code of Fair Employment Practices which obligates the Department to provide a work environment free from discriminatory practices or harassment.

OFFICE OF FAIR PRACTICES			
	2012	2013	2014
Brochures Received	546	434	446
Commendations	60%	51%	54%
Complaints	35%	15%	20%
Other	5%	34%	26%

Until 2014, the Office of Fair Practices was commanded by a trooper who held the rank of captain. In October 2014, a civilian director with extensive experience in equal employment opportunity was hired and continues to oversee the Office.

OFP continues to train newly hired trooper candidates in the State Police Academy on workplace diversity and federal and State equal employment opportunity laws. Trooper candidates are also informed of the Department’s discrimination and workplace harassment policy and the procedures for contacting OFP and filing a complaint. New commanders who attend First-Line Administrator training are instructed in the Department’s policies on discrimination and harassment in the workplace and fair employment practices that comply with federal and State laws.

Equal Employment opportunity posters, in both English and Spanish, were updated with new information and posted in all facilities. OFP created a PowerPoint presentation that will provide online training to all employees.

In 2014, OFP processed 64 complaints related to discrimination, harassment, retaliation, unfair treatment, employee conflict, hardships and poor performance. OFP also handles and responds to citizen comments and complaints generated from the Citizen Comment Brochure that troopers give to the drivers of all vehicles that they stop (see Quick Stats).

OFFICE OF LEGAL COUNSEL

The Legal Counsel Section provides representation to the MSP and State Fire Marshal in all civil actions filed in State and Federal courts. The Unit also initiates forfeiture cases; provides legal advice to the Maryland Emergency Management Agency; and reviews contracts, agreements and memoranda of understanding entered into by the MSP.



OFFICE OF MEDIA COMMUNICATIONS

The Office of Media Communications (OMC) provides around-the-clock response to media inquiries at the local, state and national levels. OMC personnel provide on-call support and response to all barracks and units involved in incidents that generate specialized or significant media attention. OMC takes pride in promoting the Department’s many accomplishments throughout the year.

A focused effort on improving social media outreach was coordinated by OMC during 2014. OMC activated a Twitter account and increased communication through that channel, as well as Facebook, YouTube and Pinterest. Multiple videos were produced and promoted on social media dealing with traffic safety, officer safety, community service and acts of heroism by troopers. One posting of in-car camera video showing a trooper saving a suicidal person about to jump off a bridge received 500,000 views in just four months.



OMC worked to highlight other heroic actions of troopers as well as efforts and successes in the ongoing fight to reduce crime and traffic crashes. This included the production of the IMPACT newsletter, which highlighted outstanding traffic and criminal enforcement efforts throughout the State and was distributed statewide and through the State Police website www.mdsp.org. Special emphasis was given to Maryland’s “Move Over” Law, in response to four troopers who were struck in four weeks while on the roadside. This emphasis included a news conference in cooperation with AAA Mid-Atlantic to promote the expansion of the “Move Over” Law, as well as repeated news releases and social media messages highlighting enforcement efforts and awareness.

OMC coordinated multiple events during the year, including the Maryland State Police Fallen Heroes Ceremony, the food drive for the Maryland Food Bank, the 18th Annual MSP Polar Bear Plunge and the MSP/NRP Deep Creek Dunk for Special Olympics. OMC also developed the Champions on Patrol Program, in cooperation with the Field Operations Bureau. This program, in partnership with Special Olympics Maryland, gives interested children and adults with intellectual disabilities the opportunity to visit an MSP barrack, spend time with troopers and civilian employees and go on a ride-along with a trooper.



STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMAND

The Strategic Planning Command (SPC) is responsible for the financial management, policy development and compliance oversight of the Department. The Chief Financial Officer is the Director of SPC. The units that comprise SPC are discussed below.

FINANCE DIVISION

The Finance Division is comprised of the:

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE UNIT that processed almost 16,000 invoices totaling over \$60 million in calendar year 2014 and forwarded those invoices to the Maryland Comptroller for payment.

PAYROLL UNIT which processes bi-weekly payroll and overtime through the Central Payroll Bureau for approximately 2,250 permanent and 30 contractual employees.

GENERAL ACCOUNTING UNIT that records and maintains daily deposits, manages working funds and expense reimbursements and processes accounts receivable and invoice billings.

GRANTS MANAGEMENT SECTION

The Grants Management Section received 48 grant awards totaling more than \$15 million in 2014. The grants received were from federal and State agencies and were for projects relating to Drunk and Drugged Driving, Port Security, DNA Backlog Reduction and various other law enforcement programs. More than \$2.9 million was awarded for personnel and projects at the Maryland Coordination and Analysis Center. The Governor’s Office of Crime Control and Prevention provided grant funds for Safe Streets and the Maryland Gun Center. The Forensic Sciences Division received more than \$725,000 to analyze DNA samples from convicted offenders at the laboratory and to outsource DNA and fingerprint samples from crimes.

GRANTS MANAGEMENT - 2014	
SPIDRE Project	\$1,189,360
Highway Operations	\$765,200
Internet Crimes Against Children	\$346,145
School Bus Monitoring	\$147,000
Port Security	\$600,000
Auto Theft	\$145,000



INSPECTION & COMPLIANCE DIVISION

The Inspection & Compliance Division (ICD) is comprised of the:

GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS UNIT (GAU) which acts as the Department’s liaison on all legislative matters. All bills the Unit opposed were detrimental to the MSP and law enforcement throughout the State. Many of the bills opposed impacted public safety, so their failure is a success for Maryland citizens and public safety initiatives. All other bills were found to have no effect on the MSP.

GAU also worked with the Chief Judge of the District Court, the State’s Attorneys’ Association and the Maryland Chiefs of Police Association and the Maryland Sheriffs’ Association to develop a Uniform Civil Citation which would allow law enforcement officers to efficiently enforce the new marijuana possession laws. The Unit created a model policy for use by all police agencies in the State to provide guidance on the implementation of the new law. MSP coordinated statewide training that was provided by the State’s Attorneys’ Association for all law enforcement agencies and prosecutors to establish uniform enforcement standards.

LEGISLATION - 2014		
	House	Senate
Total Bills Presented	1,555	1,117
GAU Reviewed	482	226
MSP Supported	27	27
Became Law	9	18
MSP Opposed	33	18
Failed in Committee	33	18

DECENTRALIZED INSPECTION SECTION which ensures that MSP complies with internal and external policies and audit requirements. The Internal Audit Unit conducted follow-up audits based on the findings of the Office of Legislative Audits (OLA) and internal audits based on MSP and State policy.

Audits activity in 2014 included the Information Technology Division (follow-up from 2012), Motor Vehicle Division, grants, firearms inventory, asset forfeiture, overtime and accounts receivable. Unscheduled audits and special projects included a security report review of the Financial Management Information System (FMIS), firearms inventory reconciliation, inventory of several MSP units, unannounced evidence inspections and the creation of the new Decentralized Line Inspection program.

In addition, ICD personnel spent several months assisting the Department Property Unit to resolve the backlog of weapons awaiting destruction and assisted in the organization and disposal of thousands of pieces of excess property. Civilian auditors attended quarterly MDOT Audit Forum Conferences, FMIS Training and External Continued Audit Monitoring Training. For the first time, sworn members of ICD received formal training when they attended the 27-hour Law Enforcement Inspections and Auditing class.

PROFESSIONAL POLICING SECTION (PPS) which oversees the Department’s unbiased policing program. During 2014, PPS conducted compliance reviews of the In-Car Camera Programs at all barracks and the PACE Team. PPS also worked with the Information Technology Division and Washington College to improve the traffic stop data collection and analysis which now encompasses all traffic stops conducted by troopers. Washington College will create a graphical analysis of all traffic stops for each barrack to allow each commander to more easily identify how each trooper’s traffic stop performance compares to his peers.

PPS continued the Bias-Based Review Committee for the purpose of conducting administrative reviews of all closed internal investigations which involved bias based policing allegations. The committee meets semi-annually and completes a report to make recommendations regarding bias-based policing policy and training.

Four troopers attended instructor training on fair and impartial policing sponsored by the US Department of Justice in 2014. Training for in-service and the entry-level academy begins in 2015.

PPS worked collaboratively with the chiefs and sheriffs associations as well as the State’s Attorneys’ Association and the District Court to develop training and a model policy for the enforcement of the State’s new marijuana law which was presented regionally throughout the State for all law enforcement agencies and prosecutors. PPS developed an electronic version of the criminal citation, juvenile citation and civil citation that were approved by the Court and made available to all law enforcement agencies.



PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS UNIT & SPECIAL PROJECTS SECTION

The Performance Analysis Unit & Special Projects Section support the Department by assisting units in creating and using efficient and effective business processes to achieve success in the Department’s Managing for Results program. The Performance Analysis Unit coordinated the Department’s performance analysis program and modernized the data reporting methods used by the bureaus.

During 2014, the Performance Analysis Unit worked closely with Washington College to develop products that focused on areas where crimes and crashes were in close proximity. These tools provided commanders with “hot spots” in their primary areas of responsibility.

PLANNING & RESEARCH DIVISION

The Planning & Research Division is responsible for policy development, the maintenance of national accreditation, support to the Handgun Roster Board, the management and disposal of all capital equipment and the tracking and disposal of many types of evidence. It consists of the:

ACCREDITATION SECTION which manages all facets of accreditation through the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA). In 2012, the MSP began pursuing accreditation in all three CALEA programs: law enforcement, training academy and communications. In December 2013, CALEA assessors conducted on-site evaluations of the Education & Training Division and MSP emergency communications facilities. The MSP received the training academy and communications accreditation awards in March 2014, at which time the MSP became the only state police agency accredited for communications and the second to have an accredited police academy. The CALEA on-site evaluation for law enforcement was conducted in August 2014 and CALEA accreditation was awarded in November 2014. The MSP is the only state police agency to have earned the Tri-Arc award for accreditation in all three programs.



DEPARTMENT PROPERTY SECTION (DPS) which is responsible for the control, care, maintenance and security of all agency property. During 2014, DPS focused on several areas that were in need of improvement. Excess property disposal had been backlogged for several years. Additional space was acquired to allow for storage of this equipment prior to disposal. The disposal process for the backlogged equipment will continue through 2015.

DPS has been working on a process to streamline the acquisition, transfer and disposal of capital equipment by replacing the existing paper-based process with an electronic system.

DEPARTMENT PROPERTY UNIT (DPU) which is charged with receiving, holding and disposing of all non-departmental property that is recovered as evidence, found or otherwise received by troopers in the performance of their duties. This included receiving and storing all vehicles seized by troopers pending court ordered forfeiture. Resalable seized property is sold online via GovDeals.com. DPU is also responsible for processing all Property Records which are used to track certain evidence.

PROPERTY UNIT - 2014	
Items Sold	4,646
Property Records Processed	8,500
Weapons Destroyed	1,633
Ammunition Destroyed (rounds)	17,791
Seized Vehicles	67

MANAGEMENT ANALYSIS SECTION (MAS) is responsible for policy development and revision, all MSP forms and is the Department’s liaison with other police agencies throughout Maryland and nationwide.

2014 QUICK STATS – MANAGEMENT ANALYSIS	
Information Requests	311
COMAR Revisions	3
Forms Created/Revised	16
Forms Inventories	800

In addition, MAS compiles, formats and publishes the Annual Report and the Managing for Results Report and coordinates the approval, submission and publishing of all MSP-related COMAR revisions.

MAS is responsible for the creation, revision and annual inventory of all MSP forms.



HANDGUN ROSTER BOARD, established by statute, consists of 11 members (10 appointed by the Governor, one who serves as an *ex officio* member) and the Superintendent of the State Police serves as the chairman. The Board compiles and maintains a roster of handguns authorized for sale in Maryland. The Handgun Roster Board also submits the annual personal handgun technology report to Maryland Legislators and publishes

2014 QUICK STATS – HANDGUN ROSTER BOARD	
Average Yearly Petitions	81
2014 HRB Meetings	4
2014 Petitions	143
2014 Petitions Approved	143

and distributes (twice a year) the list of handguns approved for sale in Maryland.

In 2014, the increase in the number and types of firearms submitted to the Board resulted from the Firearms Safety Act of 2013. Effective October 2013, the Firearms Safety Act of 2013 required short barrel rifles, short barrel shotguns and Title II weapons to be on the Handgun Roster prior to sale. Other requirements of the Act also increased the interest in different makes and models of firearms. As a result, 33 of these firearms that were already being sold in Maryland were submitted to the Board in 2014. The number of petitions is expected to be reduced in 2015.

OFFICE OF THE STATE FIRE MARSHAL



The mission of the Office of the State Fire Marshal (OSFM) is to protect life and property from fire and explosion through the efforts of a diverse, highly trained staff, in partnership with other public safety agencies and the community. This is accomplished through aggressive criminal investigations of fire and explosive incidents, quality fire protection engineering services, enforcement of the State Fire Prevention Code, data collection and analysis and public fire safety education. The OSFM has both fire service and law enforcement duties and responsibilities and operates from six regional offices.

FIRE AND EXPLOSIVE INVESTIGATIONS

The OSFM conducts fire and explosive investigations in 16 of the 23 counties of the State of Maryland. The investigations of fires and explosive-related incidents include making a determination as to the origin and cause of fires and/or explosions. If the cause of a fire or explosion is determined to be of criminal intent, Deputy State Fire Marshals conduct a criminal investigation; and arrest, or cause to be arrested, those individuals responsible for the criminal act.

WESTERN REGION investigators conducted a joint investigation with the Cumberland Fire Marshal's Office and the Cumberland City Police Department which led to the arrest of a 23 year-old suspect who confessed to setting multiple fires in the city. The suspect was a member of the Baltimore Pike Volunteer Fire Department and was involved with igniting fires involving two vehicles, a garage, trash containers, storage containers and a brush fire. He was held on \$250,000 bond.

NORTHEAST REGION investigators charged a 58 year-old male suspect after determining that he was responsible for attempting to cause damage to the World Trade Center in Baltimore. The suspect entered an unsecured basement with the intent to cause damage to the structure. The suspect was charged with Attempted Arson 1st & 2nd Degree, Arson Threat, Reckless Endangerment, Manufacture of a Destructive Device and Possession of Incendiary Material.

BOMB SQUAD

The centralized Bomb Squad performs explosive and blasting inspections, conducts training and responds to potential explosive threats. The Unit also conducts a comprehensive annual inspection of consumer fireworks that can be used within the State. The Bomb Squad works closely with all local bomb squads in the areas of training, response, equipment compatibility and operational readiness. The Bomb Squad provided land and maritime explosive protection to the Star Spangle Spectacular in Baltimore and worked with the Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Division during the July 4th holiday.

METRO REGION BOMB SQUAD investigators arrested a 53-year-old male, who was determined to be responsible for using an explosive device and causing injuries to a 17-year-old victim. The suspect detonated the device next to a rock, which caused debris to strike the juvenile. The suspect was charged with Destructive Device Manufacture/Possession and Reckless Endangerment.



UPPER EASTERN SHORE REGION assisted with a barricade incident in Queen Anne’s County at the request of on-scene troopers. Bomb Squad technicians responded with a robot to a barricade situation at a residence and used the robot to breach the door of the residence. The suspect was subsequently taken into custody and no injuries were reported during the incident.

ENGINEERING, PLAN REVIEW & FIRE CODE ENFORCEMENT

The Fire Protection Engineering staff reviews plans for new construction, renovations, modernizing projects and specialized fire protection systems. These engineering services are provided on a statewide basis in coordination with local building and fire code officials. The Fire Protection Engineering staff provides architects, engineers and designers with advice, guidance and direction as it relates to materials and methods to ensure that fire protection is in compliance with fire and building codes.

Deputy state fire marshals and civilian fire inspectors conduct new and existing building fire and life safety inspections throughout the State to ensure compliance with the State Fire Prevention Code. Inspections and re-inspections are conducted in State-owned facilities, commercial buildings and multi-family residences in all regions of the OSFM’s jurisdiction.

PUBLIC FIRE & LIFE SAFETY EDUCATION

The OSFM is responsible for the development and implementation of fire and life safety education programs. These programs are developed in an effort to reduce the number of fires and fire-related deaths and injuries in Maryland. The OSFM works in partnership with all local fire and rescue departments and allied agencies to ensure that these issues are being addressed and that a comprehensive message is delivered to all Maryland residents.

DATA COLLECTION AND ANALYSIS

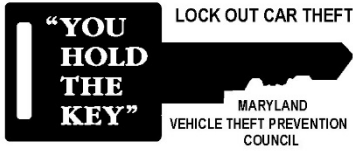
Fire incident data is collected from all of the counties via the Maryland Fire Incident Reporting System and it is then uploaded to the US Fire Administration National Fire Incident Reporting System.

2014 QUICK STATS – OFFICE OF THE STATE FIRE MARSHAL			
	2012	2013	2014
Total Investigations	965	1021	1061
Total Fire Investigations	716	738	770
Total Explosive Incidents	205	225	229
Total “Other” Investigations	44	58	62
Total Criminal Investigations	342	356	288
Criminal Fire (Incendiary) Investigations	264	252	206
Criminal Explosive Investigations	N/A	56	41
Criminal “Other” Investigations	N/A	48	41
Total Criminal - % Closed by Arrest	38%	41%	40%
Criminal Fire (Incendiary) - % Closed by Arrest	N/A	93	66
Criminal Explosive - % Closed by Arrest	N/A	18	14
Criminal “Other” - % Closed by Arrest	N/A	34	35
Fatal Fires in Maryland	43	57	55
Fire Deaths in Maryland	53	69	64
Fire and Life Safety Inspections	16,186	16,113	16,131
Construction and Fire Protection System Plan Reviews	1,685	1,858	1,849
Fees Collected (Fire & Life Safety Review/Inspection)	\$1,219,467	\$999,683	\$1,050,080
Community Outreach (hours)	791	1076	845



VEHICLE THEFT PREVENTION COUNCIL

During 2014, Maryland's Vehicle Theft Prevention Council and the Vehicle Theft Prevention Fund (established under Public Safety § 2-702) continued its leadership role to assist in the prevention and deterrence of vehicle theft and related crimes. Since the Council's inception in 1994, vehicle theft in Maryland has decreased by 65 percent. The Council continues to support established statewide strategies and community-based law enforcement, as well as prevention and education programs. With more than 91 percent of vehicle thefts occurring in the urban counties, relationships have been developed to link existing data collection efforts to a statewide hub to enable the detection of events and suspects operating in multiple jurisdictions. In an effort to ensure that complete and accurate data is captured, educational resources are also being directed to rural areas.



Training and briefings on emerging vehicle theft trends and the operations of professional vehicle theft organizations are being conducted. The Council's deputy director was named the Chair of the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) Vehicle Theft Committee, which demonstrates that Maryland has done great things in reducing vehicle theft and related crimes.





FIELD OPERATIONS BUREAU

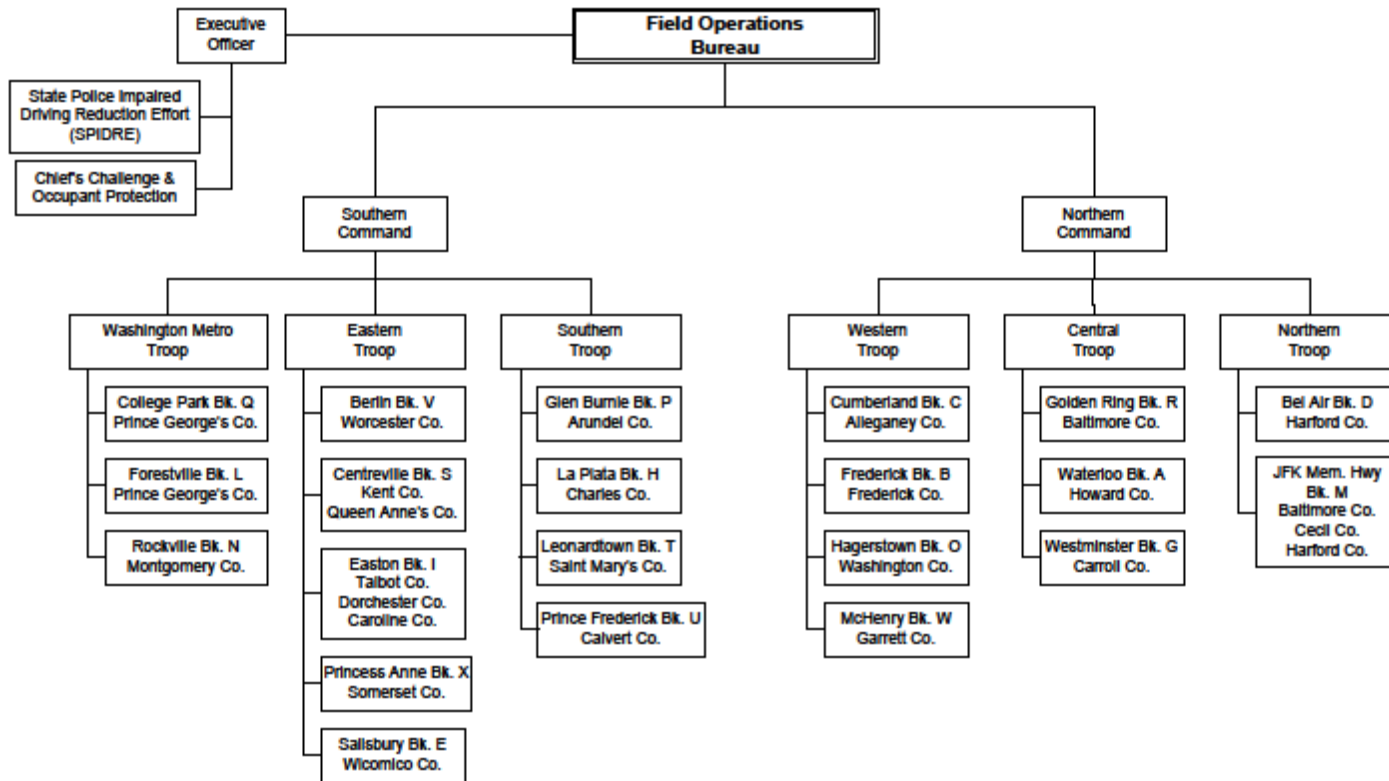
The services provided by the Maryland State Police Field Operations Bureau vary from county to county and often depend on the availability of other law enforcement resources. In some areas, troopers share calls for service with the sheriff's office and provide all law enforcement services to the residents of those counties. In metropolitan areas of the State, the MSP generally provides patrol services on the interstates and other major roadways, while assisting county and municipal law enforcement when requested.

The Field Operations Bureau is divided into the Northern Command and Southern Command, which are both overseen by a major. Each command is divided into three troops which are commanded by captains. The 22 barracks are commanded by lieutenants who report to the troop captains. In addition to the barracks, the Field Operations Bureau also includes the State Police Impaired Driving Reduction Effort (SPIDRE), which is the statewide impaired driving enforcement team.

The following pages provide brief examples of the numerous incidents handled by the barracks as well as some of the noteworthy accomplishments of troopers assigned to the Field Operations Bureau.



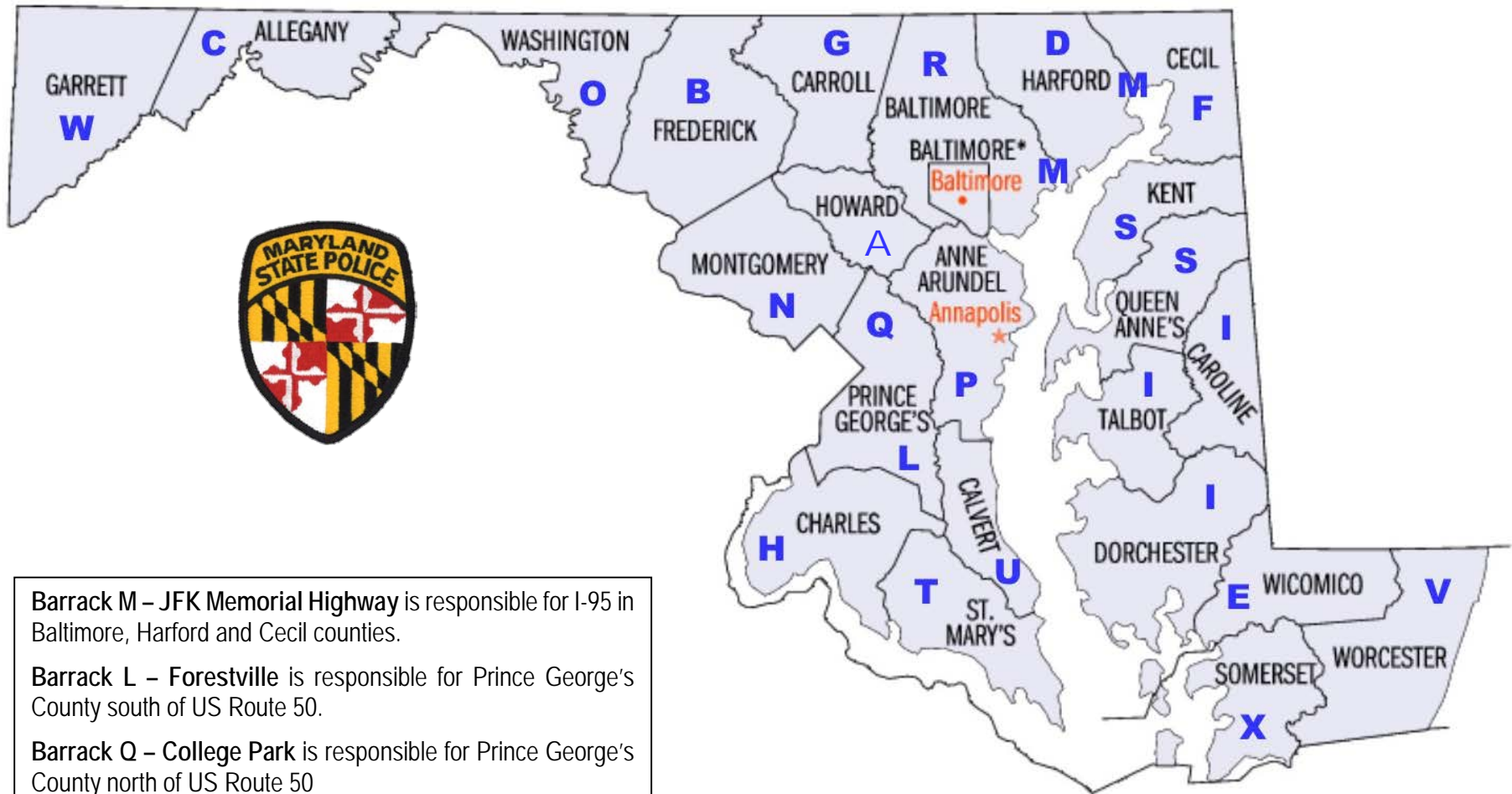
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State Police Barracks by County







BARRACK A - WATERLOO	QUICK FACTS		7777 Washington Boulevard Jessup, Maryland 20794 410-799-2101 msp.waterloo@maryland.gov	Criminal Arrests: 376 Traffic Stops: 19,102 DUI Arrests: 239 Crashes Investigated: 1,104
	<p>GEOGRAPHIC AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY – HOWARD COUNTY</p> <p>I-70 from the Baltimore County line to the Carroll County line, I-95 from the Baltimore County line to the Prince George’s County line and Maryland Route 100 from the Anne Arundel County line to Maryland Route 29. Troopers also investigate major crimes at the Clifton Perkins Hospital.</p> <p>2014 HIGHLIGHTS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> On September 11, 2014, a Waterloo trooper assisted the Metro Area Drug Task Force (MADTF) with the surveillance of a suspicious vehicle. Multiple traffic violations were observed that led to a traffic stop. A search of the vehicle based on a positive K-9 scan of the vehicle revealed four parcels in the vehicle’s trunk that contained 2.3 kilograms of heroin and 15 pounds of marijuana. A License Plate Reader alert on a stolen vehicle led to the arrest of a person of interest in the homicide of his mother in Oviedo, Florida. The vehicle was initially entered as stolen and the suspect was entered as a missing person. The Seminole County, Florida Police investigators obtained a warrant for his arrest and conducted an interview in Maryland, which led to a confession. A Waterloo trooper conducted a traffic stop on Interstate 95. A positive K-9 scan of the vehicle led to a search that revealed 406 cartons of untaxed cigarettes. The Maryland Comptroller’s Office responded to the Barrack and adopted the case. 			


BARRACK B - FREDERICK	QUICK FACTS		110 Airport Drive East Frederick, Maryland 21701 301-600-4151 msp.frederick@maryland.gov	Criminal Arrests: 680 Traffic Stops: 19,470 DUI Arrests: 216 Crashes Investigated: 1,283
	<p>GEOGRAPHIC AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY – FREDERICK COUNTY</p> <p>The Frederick Barrack is responsible for patrolling nearly 900 miles on 24 roadways and provides police services on all Maryland, US and interstate routes in Frederick County. The barrack is also responsible for responding to calls for service at several State facilities, as well as providing security for Camp David. Troopers work closely with Frederick County Sheriff’s deputies.</p> <p>2014 HIGHLIGHTS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> On August 5-6, 2014, troopers worked a warrant initiative with the Frederick City Police Department (FPD) that targeted 31 addresses and resulted in the service of 10 warrants. On October 23, 2014, troopers responded to the fatal, mid-air crash of an airplane and a helicopter. Troopers established incident command and deployed resources to two crash sites. Troopers managed the scene for two days and assisted the National Transportation Safety Board. On October 29, 2014, Frederick Barrack was notified of a bank robbery that had just occurred in Hagerstown and broadcasted a description of the suspect and vehicle. Frederick troopers located the vehicle and arrested the suspect who was also wanted for bank robberies in several states. At the request of FPD, Barrack B troopers assisted FPD officers during the summer of 2014 after 11 complaints were received for shots fired. Two troopers were assigned to assist FPD for two months. Troopers made 32 arrests and assisted with 40 additional arrests. Barrack B also assisted with all calls for service related to violent crimes, including the apprehension of five shooting suspects and the execution of search and seizure warrants. Troopers located a suspect vehicle involved in a police shooting, which yielded a large quantity of cocaine. 			




BARRACK C - CUMBERLAND	QUICK FACTS		1125 National Highway Cumberland, Maryland 21502 301-729-2101 msp.cumberland@maryland.gov	Criminal Arrests: 734 Traffic Stops: 15,906 DUI Arrests: 87 Crashes Investigated: 673
	<p>GEOGRAPHIC AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY – ALLEGANY COUNTY</p> <p>Barrack C shares all law enforcement responsibilities throughout the county with the Allegany County Sheriff’s Department. There is a collaborative work environment among all law enforcement agencies in the county which supports the Department’s goal of providing assistance to allied agencies.</p> <p>2014 HIGHLIGHTS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A trooper and his K-9 partner, Red, were called to assist the Allegany County Sheriff’s Department with an armed home invasion on January 26, 2014. The K-9 team tracked the suspect who had fled on foot and located him hiding behind an air conditioning unit. • Data-driven crash reduction and traffic enforcement efforts focused on “hot spots” reduced personal injury collisions by 3.5 percent compared to the same time period in 2013. • On October 14, 2014, a trooper saved the life of a six-month-old child. Two troopers were dispatched to intercept a car that was taking a child to the hospital. One of the troopers stopped the vehicle and observed that the child was not breathing. The trooper began CPR and used back-blows to clear the infant’s obstructed airway. The infant threw up and began to cry and breathe. • Retail thefts were reduced by 18 percent as a result of troopers and barrack command staff, making monthly business contacts to hand out information on crime prevention and commercial security. • The Barrack C Explorer Post has 15 members who are very active in the community and assist with many events such as the Allegany County Fair and American Red Cross blood drive. 			


BARRACK D - BEL AIR	QUICK FACTS		1401 Belair Road Bel Air, Maryland 21014 410-879-2101 msp.belair@maryland.gov	Criminal Arrests: 754 Traffic Stops: 20,475 DUI Arrests: 274 Crashes Investigated: 1,260
	<p>GEOGRAPHIC AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY – HARFORD COUNTY</p> <p>The Bel Air Barrack is responsible for providing full police services in Harford County. The MSP investigates all collisions and every other criminal call occurring on US and State routes; the Sheriff’s Office handles county roads. Troopers work closely with Harford County Sheriff’s deputies.</p> <p>2014 HIGHLIGHTS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Barrack D troopers, in cooperation with MSP investigators, Harford County Sheriff’s Office, North East Barrack and Pennsylvania State Police, conducted a regional investigation involving 30 thefts of copper wire valued at \$500,000. The investigation resulted in several arrests. • Bel Air troopers handled several burglary cases in the Joppa area and collected video evidence that was shared with allied agencies. Investigators in Baltimore and Harford counties were investigating the same suspects for 20 other burglaries. Troopers were able to identify and arrest the suspects who gave a confession and also admitted to their gang involvement. • Barrack D troopers worked with the Harford County Sheriff’s Office Gang Unit, Safe Streets Unit and Violent Crimes Unit to identify, track and arrest members of the Bloods and WMD gangs who were committing crimes in the Edgewood area, resulting in an overall reduction in crime. • Several Bel Air troopers participated in the summer-long Cal Ripken Foundation “Badges for Baseball” program. Troopers worked closely with less-fortunate children to improve both their baseball skills and relationships with the police. 			




BARRACK E - SALISBURY	QUICK FACTS		2765 North Salisbury Boulevard Salisbury, Maryland 21801 410-749-3101 msp.salisbury@maryland.gov	Criminal Arrests: 1,004 Traffic Stops: 28,211 DUI Arrests: 413 Crashes Investigated: 677
	<p>GEOGRAPHIC AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY – WICOMICO COUNTY</p> <p>Troopers and Wicomico County Sheriff’s deputies share law enforcement responsibilities throughout the county. The Barrack also works closely with the Salisbury Police Department.</p> <p>2014 HIGHLIGHTS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> On May 10, 2014, a Salisbury trooper stopped a motor vehicle for speeding. Upon making contact with the operator, the trooper observed a high-powered rifle on the front passenger seat. During the investigation, the driver was found to be under the influence of alcohol and was in possession of drug paraphernalia. The weapon was seized. On July 25, 2014, a trooper assigned to the Salisbury Barrack conducted a traffic stop in the area of Division Street and Decatur Avenue in Salisbury. A probable cause search revealed marijuana, 665 grams of heroin, a loaded 9 mm handgun and \$7,010 in cash. On October 8, 2014, a trooper took a report for a burglary and theft of jewelry, valued at \$9,000. The trooper used the RAPID pawn database to locate several pieces of stolen jewelry that were pawned in Delaware and he was able to identify the suspect. Further investigation revealed that the suspect had three warrants and that several similar burglaries had occurred in Wicomico County. In cooperation with Ocean Pines Police investigators, the trooper located the suspect who confessed and was arrested. Multiple cases were closed as a result of this investigation. 			


BARRACK F - NORTH EAST	QUICK FACTS		2433 West Pulaski Highway North East, Maryland 21901 410-996-7800 msp.northeast@maryland.gov	Criminal Arrests: 852 Traffic Stops: 10,124 DUI Arrests: 163 Crashes Investigated: 885
	<p>GEOGRAPHIC AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY – CECIL COUNTY</p> <p>The North East Barrack has concurrent jurisdiction with the Cecil County Sheriff’s Office and provides all law enforcement services to the citizens of Cecil County. The MSP is also responsible for investigating all vehicle crashes that occur on all State and US routes.</p> <p>2014 HIGHLIGHTS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> In September 2014, North East Barrack began working with the Family Violence Coordinating Council to improve the strategies used to support domestic violence victims. In December, the barrack began contacting victims who had requested assistance on more than two occasions in 2014. Victims were given information on services, resources and home safety plans. They discussed their current status with the offender and provided troopers with valuable information. On October 19, 2014, Barrack F troopers acted quickly after being notified of a shooting/homicide in North East. Troopers located the suspect’s vehicle heading towards Pennsylvania on Route 272. Troopers and deputies pursued the vehicle to Nottingham, Pennsylvania where the suspect lost control of the vehicle and fled on foot. He was soon located and taken into custody. North East troopers spent most of their work days in high-crime areas to ensure high visibility. North East Barrack was active in the community during 2014 when troopers participated in the Food Drive, Cecil County Color Run, Perryville 5K Run and Maryland Charities Torch Run. 			




BARRACK G - WESTMINSTER	QUICK FACTS		1100 Baltimore Boulevard Westminster, Maryland 21157 410-386-3000 msp.westminster@maryland.gov	Criminal Arrests: 1,376 Traffic Stops: 18,434 DUI Arrests: 220 Crashes Investigated: 796
	<p>GEOGRAPHIC AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY – CARROLL COUNTY</p> <p>Westminster troopers provide primary law enforcement services on major State roads in Carroll County, as well as Interstate 70. There are five resident troopers assigned to the Town of Mount Airy.</p> <p>2014 HIGHLIGHTS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> On October 4, 2014, Westminster Barrack received a 911 call for a person in the road with gunshot wounds (the victim died at the scene). The caller reported two persons standing over the victim who fled the scene. The witness provided the 911 dispatcher with a description of the vehicle and subjects. Minutes later a vehicle matching the description was stopped by a Carroll County Sheriff’s Deputy and a trooper. This stop led to the identification and arrest of the homicide suspects. On May 13, 2014, a trooper took a report for a residential burglary in Westminster in which a firearm was stolen. The suspect was identified as the victim’s brother who had two active warrants. The following day, a Westminster trooper notified the Fugitive Task Force to attempt to locate the suspect. With the victim’s cooperation, the suspect was located and apprehended on a traffic stop and the AR-15 firearm was recovered. 			


BARRACK H - LA PLATA	QUICK FACTS		9500 Mitchell Road La Plata, Maryland 20646 301-392-1200 msp.laplata@maryland.gov	Criminal Arrests: 1,237 Traffic Stops: 21,607 DUI Arrests: 340 Crashes Investigated: 1,406
	<p>GEOGRAPHIC AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY – CHARLES COUNTY</p> <p>The La Plata Barrack and the Charles County Sheriff’s Office share concurrent jurisdiction within Charles County, excluding Part I crimes, with priority 911 calls simulcast to both agencies. The La Plata Barrack has primary responsibility for all traffic-related issues occurring on US and Maryland routes in Charles County.</p> <p>2014 HIGHLIGHTS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> An analysis of vehicle crash data revealed that a large number of crashes, including three fatal crashes, occurred on US and State routes in Waldorf. A plan was implemented in which troopers focused their enforcement efforts on traffic violations in these areas that directly related to crashes. This resulted in zero fatal crashes and an 18 percent decrease in personal injury crashes. La Plata Barrack investigated five fatal crashes in 2014, the lowest number in over a decade. La Plata troopers responded to a call of a motor vehicle collision involving a pedestrian. It was determined that a driver struck an employee of a bail bonding agency with his vehicle trying to avoid apprehension. The trooper apprehended the subject and located documents that were determined to be fraudulent. This information was used to obtain a search and seizure warrant at the suspect’s home. With the assistance of the MSP Criminal Enforcement Division, a search was conducted which resulted in the seizure of over \$100,000 in fraudulent checks and numerous false identification cards. While conducting a sobriety checkpoint in Charles County, troopers assigned to Barrack H arrested a subject for impaired driving. A K-9 scan of the vehicle was completed which resulted in a positive alert. A probable cause search of the vehicle revealed marijuana packaged for sale along with a ledger of previous sales. This information led to the execution of a search and seizure warrant at the suspect’s residence where troopers seized a large amount of marijuana and other controlled dangerous substances. 			




BARRACK I - EASTON	QUICK FACTS		7053 Ocean Gateway Easton, Maryland 21601 410-822-3101 msp.easton@maryland.gov	Criminal Arrests: 845 Traffic Stops: 37,955 DUI Arrests: 229 Crashes Investigated: 748
	<p>GEOGRAPHIC AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY – TALBOT, CAROLINE & DORCHESTER COUNTIES</p> <p>The Easton Barrack is the only barrack in the State that provides full law enforcement services in three counties (totaling 1,146 square miles). The barrack has concurrent jurisdiction with the sheriff’s offices and regularly assist the municipal police departments, some of which have limited manpower.</p> <p>2014 HIGHLIGHTS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Barrack I worked closely with the Drug Free Caroline Coalition to help reduce alcohol and tobacco use in Caroline County. Participants meet monthly and plan grant-funded initiatives. Compliance checks have been successful in deterring businesses from selling alcohol and tobacco to underage patrons. During three initiatives, MSP cadets attempted to buy alcohol at 90 stores with seven selling alcohol to a minor. MSP explorers attempted to purchase tobacco at 18 stores with four making the sale. Due to their success, these initiatives will continue. • Easton Barrack troopers are tasked monthly with identifying one “wanted” person who is known to reside in their assigned patrol area. After confirming that it is still active, troopers attempt to serve the warrant. These are in addition to any other warrants they are assigned to serve. • On February 11, 2014, Talbot County Sheriff deputies and troopers stopped a vehicle with three occupants after receiving information that the occupants had attempted to enter a home. Located in the back seat of the vehicle were two flat screen televisions and other property which had been stolen in two separate burglaries. The three were arrested and the vehicle was seized. 			


BARRACK L - FORESTVILLE	QUICK FACTS		3500 Forestville Road Forestville, Maryland 20747 301-568-8101 msp.forestville@maryland.gov	Criminal Arrests: 444 Traffic Stops: 22,532 DUI Arrests: 342 Crashes Investigated: 3,925
	<p>GEOGRAPHIC AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY – PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY</p> <p>Forestville Barrack has primary responsibility for traffic and criminal law enforcement on Interstate 95/495 (south of US Route 50), Interstate 295, US Route 301 and Maryland Routes 4, 5, 202, 214.</p> <p>2014 HIGHLIGHTS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • During 2014, troopers assigned to Barrack L received training to enhance their enforcement efforts, which included Advanced Roadside Impairment Driving Enforcement (ARIDE) training. With the decriminalization of marijuana, there has been a dramatic increase in the number of drivers operating under the influence of marijuana. • Responding to a national crime trend, troopers also received Human Trafficking training. A countless number of victim interviews have revealed detailed accounts of interstate travel to further the efforts of criminal enterprises. • Forestville Barrack developed a media outreach campaign to target the high number of alcohol related collisions on Cinco de Mayo. This campaign, in conjunction with increased enforcement, resulted in the lowest number of alcohol-related collisions on May 5th in many years. • During 2014, troopers participated in warrant sweeps with the Prince George’s County Sheriff’s Office in cooperation with the Governor’s Office of Crime Control & Prevention. These warrant sweeps resulted in over 1,000 arrests and closed over 800 open warrants. 			




BARRACK M - JFK MEMORIAL HIGHWAY	QUICK FACTS		15 Turnpike Drive Perryville, Maryland 21903 410-537-1150 msp.jfkhighway@maryland.gov	Criminal Arrests: 877 Traffic Stops: 34,777 DUI Arrests: 353 Crashes Investigated: 1,224
	<p>GEOGRAPHIC AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY – BALTIMORE, CECIL & HARFORD COUNTIES</p> <p>The MSP is under contract with the Maryland Transportation Authority to provide law enforcement services on 50 miles of Interstate 95 from the Baltimore City Line to the Maryland/Delaware Line.</p> <p>2014 HIGHLIGHTS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • During April and May 2014, suspects were breaking into tractor trailers at the Maryland House rest area on I-95. While the drivers slept, the suspects stole their wallets. Similar thefts were occurring at the I-95 rest stop in Jessup. Troopers obtained surveillance footage of the suspect using the victim’s credit card and also his vehicle description. On June 27, 2014, JFK Barrack troopers responded to the Maryland House for a report of someone breaking into a tractor trailer and quickly located the original suspect. He was arrested on first degree burglary and other charges. • On August 6, 2014, a trooper from the JFK Memorial Highway Barrack was patrolling I-95. While crossing the Tidings Memorial Bridge, the trooper observed a man walking across the bridge on the opposite side. The trooper quickly turned his patrol car around and as the trooper pulled up, the man started to climb over the barrier. The trooper sprinted to the man and wrestled him safely back onto the bridge just prior to him jumping. The bridge is 90 feet above the Susquehanna River. • On November 8, 2014, Barrack M troopers responded to a disabled vehicle on I-95 and found the driver to be under the influence of drugs. A search of the vehicle revealed over 2,200 grams of ketamine. When interviewed, the suspect explained that he has been purchasing the ketamine in New York and transporting it south for six months. He was charged with possession with the intent to distribute and other charges and his Mercedes was seized pending forfeiture proceedings. 			


BARRACK N - ROCKVILLE	QUICK FACTS		7915 Montrose Road Rockville, MD 20854 301-424-2101 msp.rockville@maryland.gov	Criminal Arrests: 612 Traffic Stops: 24,214 DUI Arrests: 360 Crashes Investigated: 1,250
	<p>GEOGRAPHIC AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY – MONTGOMERY COUNTY</p> <p>The Rockville Barrack is responsible for Interstate 270, 495 and 370. The Rockville Barrack is also responsible for State properties in Montgomery County (e.g., Motor Vehicle Administration buildings).</p> <p>2014 HIGHLIGHTS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To address increased crime in Silver Spring, Wheaton and Tacoma Park, Rockville troopers partnered with the Montgomery County Police and used a variety of innovative patrol tactics. The result was a 96 percent increase in drug-related arrests (26 in 2013 up to 51 in 2014). • In 2014, Rockville Barrack set a goal to reduce the number of reportable collisions on I-495 between Route 355 to Route 97. Using crash data and mapping technology, troopers focused enforcement efforts based on identified “hot spots,” which reduced crashes by 41 percent. • During 2014, Barrack N worked on eight initiatives with the Montgomery County Police and Sheriff’s departments. A successful example is “Operation Prom Patrol,” which targeted underage drinking parties and underage impaired driving. This initiative resulted in 1,614 traffic stops, 93 DUI arrests, 45 criminal citations and 91 alcohol citations. In addition, eight underage parties were shut down. • With a focus on traffic safety, Rockville troopers participated in “Operation Distracted Driver” and “Operation Move Over,” an enforcement effort to educate the public on the new move over law. 			




BARRACK O - HAGERSTOWN	QUICK FACTS		18345 Col. Henry K. Douglas Drive Hagerstown, Maryland 21740 301-766-3800 msp.hagerstown@maryland.gov	Criminal Arrests: 722 Traffic Stops: 14,561 DUI Arrests: 188 Crashes Investigated: 1,479
	<p>GEOGRAPHIC AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY – WASHINGTON COUNTY</p> <p>The Hagerstown Barrack shares concurrent jurisdiction throughout the county with the Washington County Sheriff’s Office. In addition, four municipal police departments have limited hours of service and rely on the MSP and the Sheriff’s Office for additional law enforcement coverage.</p> <p>2014 HIGHLIGHTS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> On March 4, 2014, two Hagerstown Barrack troopers prevented a man from jumping off of the Interstate 81 Bridge located over the Potomac River. While a deputy sheriff was talking to the man, troopers slowly moved closer, grabbed him and got him over the railing before he jumped. In September 2014, Hagerstown Barrack issued a news release to remind citizens that marijuana is still illegal and that the barrack would be implementing an initiative to enforce the law against driving under the influence of alcohol and drugs. In 2014, Barrack O made 188 DUI arrests and 153 drug arrests, which was a 48.5 percent increase compared to 2013. A traffic stop for a seat belt violation resulted in troopers seizing 16.2 grams of crack cocaine, 10.6 grams of heroin and \$941. On September 12, 2014, Hagerstown troopers were called to a tire company where an employee had taken a phone order for \$4,000 in tires. The tires were loaded into the customer’s rental truck which sped off prior to payment being made. A tip from a citizen led troopers to the four people involved. Troopers are now investigating an elaborate, multi-state credit card theft scheme. 			


BARRACK P - GLEN BURNIE	QUICK FACTS		6800 Aviation Boulevard Glen Burnie, Maryland 21061 410-761-5130 msp.glenburnie@maryland.gov	Criminal Arrests: 679 Traffic Stops: 25,083 DUI Arrests: 441 Crashes Investigated: 1,475
	<p>GEOGRAPHIC AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY – ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY</p> <p>Glen Burnie Barrack has primary responsibility on Interstates, 97, 195 and 695 as well as US Route 50 and MD Route 295. The barrack also investigates criminal incidents at the Baltimore City Juvenile Justice Center, the Thomas Waxter Children’s Center and Maryland Live Casino. Barrack P works closely with Maryland Transportation Authority Police, Anne Arundel County Police and US Park Police.</p> <p>2014 HIGHLIGHTS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> On May 27, 2014, a trooper was patrolling I-97 and stopped a vehicle for driving too slowly. An MSP K-9 unit arrived and conducted a scan of the vehicle which resulted in a positive alert. A search of the vehicle revealed 39 one-gallon bags that contained a total of 30 pounds of marijuana. The driver was arrested and charged with possession of marijuana with the intent to distribute. On August 21, 2014, a trooper assigned to the Glen Burnie Barrack was patrolling on I-97, when he received a License Plate Reader (LPR) alert for a stolen vehicle. Observing the vehicle described in the alert, the trooper attempted to initiate a traffic stop. The operator fled but was soon apprehended in the parking lot of a gas station. Troopers then learned that the stolen vehicle was also involved in a hit and run motor vehicle crash. The operator was charged with motor vehicle theft and numerous traffic violations. 			




BARRACK Q - COLLEGE PARK	QUICK FACTS		10100 Rhode Island Avenue College Park, Maryland 20740 301-345-3101 msp.collegepark@maryland.gov	Criminal Arrests: 695 Traffic Stops: 18,835 DUI Arrests: 356 Crashes Investigated: 1,348
	<p>GEOGRAPHIC AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY – PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY</p> <p>College Park Barrack maintains primary responsibility for traffic and criminal law enforcement on Interstate 95/495 (north of US Route 50), US Routes 50 and 1 and Maryland Routes 3 and 198.</p> <p>2014 HIGHLIGHTS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • During 2014, Barrack Q troopers worked closely with Prince George’s County Police officers on a number of occasions, patrolling in “hot spots” throughout the county. These focused patrols were aimed at apprehending criminals and establishing an MSP presence in local neighborhoods. • Barrack Q addressed the increasing number of pedestrian fatalities on Route 1 near the University of Maryland (UM) by partnering with the UM Police, the Forestville Barrack and the Prince George’s County Sheriff’s Department. The weekend initiatives focused on improving pedestrian safety on Route 495 and roads that intersect with Route 1. These efforts resulted in 360 DUI arrests and 102 criminal arrests. • The 17 members of the Wesley Brown Explorer Post, led by two troopers from the College Park Barrack, participated in numerous food drives, toy drives, community events and charity runs in Prince George’s County in 2014. They also helped paint the Temple Hills Elementary School. On August 16, 2014, a graduation ceremony was held for the explorers at the MSP Academy. The primary goals of the program are to help young adults choose a career path within law enforcement and to challenge them to become responsible citizens of their communities and the nation. 			


BARRACK R - GOLDEN RING	QUICK FACTS		8908 Kelso Drive Essex, Maryland 21221 410-780-2700 msp.goldenring@maryland.gov	Criminal Arrests: 618 Traffic Stops: 23,488 DUI Arrests: 482 Crashes Investigated: 1,838
	<p>GEOGRAPHIC AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY – BALTIMORE COUNTY</p> <p>The Golden Ring Barrack serves Baltimore County and has primary responsibility for traffic and criminal law enforcement on Interstates 83, 95 (between Baltimore City and Howard County), 695 and 795.</p> <p>2014 HIGHLIGHTS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • During 2014, Barrack R troopers focused on stopping and arresting impaired drivers. Golden Ring troopers made 482 DUI arrests, which was the number one producing barrack in the State. • On November 12, 2014, the Baltimore County Police DUI Team and Golden Ring troopers participated in a joint initiative that focused on impaired driving, resulting in eight DUI arrests. • On November 27, 2014, a trooper stopped a vehicle on Pulaski Highway. When a second trooper arrived as backup, he recognized the driver, who had provided a false name. The driver was transported to the barrack, where he confirmed his true identity. He was found to have four active arrest warrants. Further investigation led troopers to a motel room, where they located \$11,062 in cash, marijuana, drug packaging material and ammunition. • On December 24, 2014, a Golden Ring trooper responded to a crash on I-95 at I-695. The trooper detected the odor of an alcoholic beverage coming from the driver’s breath and noticed that the driver was acting suspiciously. A pat down for weapons revealed \$25,801 in cash. The driver was arrested for DUI and the cash and drug paraphernalia were seized. 			




BARRACK S – CENTREVILLE	QUICK FACTS		311 Safety Drive Centreville, Maryland 21617 410-758-1101 msp.centreville@maryland.gov	Criminal Arrests: 883 Traffic Stops: 22,023 DUI Arrests: 284 Crashes Investigated: 581
	<p>GEOGRAPHIC AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY – KENT & QUEEN ANNE’S COUNTIES</p> <p>The Centreville Barrack is responsible for providing full law enforcement services in both Kent and Queen Anne’s Counties. Calls for service outside of the three municipalities are handled by troopers and deputies on a rotating basis. MSP investigates all traffic crashes on State and US routes.</p> <p>2014 HIGHLIGHTS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> On January 6, 2014, a trooper received a License Plate Reader (LPR) alert for a suspended registration. Upon contact with the driver, a single pill was observed on the floor. The driver stated that it was an OxyContin and admitted that he did not have a prescription. A search of the vehicle revealed 87 additional pills. He was charged with possession with the intent to distribute (PWID). On May 1, 2014, a trooper assigned to Barrack S stopped a vehicle on MD Route 20 for a speed violation. A canine scan resulted in a positive alert. The resulting search revealed 199 packets of heroin, crack cocaine and \$537. The driver and passenger were charged with PWID. On September 29, 2014, a trooper stopped a BMW on Route 301. While conversing with the driver, the trooper noticed that the driver was chewing on what appeared to be raw marijuana, which the driver confirmed. A search of the vehicle revealed over one pound of marijuana. The BMW was seized and the driver was charged with PWID. On November 18, 2014, a trooper was dispatched to a residence in Galena for a complaint of domestic assault and the aggressor was arrested for second degree assault. Numerous firearms were observed and 46 firearms were seized as a result of the domestic violence arrest. 			


BARRACK T - LEONARDTOWN	QUICK FACTS		23200 Leonard Hall Drive Leonardtownt, MD 20650 301-475-8955 msp.leonardtownt@maryland.gov	Criminal Arrests: 807 Traffic Stops: 21,005 DUI Arrests: 214 Crashes Investigated: 302
	<p>GEOGRAPHIC AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY – ST. MARY’S COUNTY</p> <p>Troopers and St. Mary’s County Sheriff’s deputies share concurrent jurisdiction within the county. All 911 calls are simulcast to both agencies by the Emergency Communications Center, with the first agency to arrive on the scene having the responsibility of handling the incident.</p> <p>2014 HIGHLIGHTS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Leonardtownt Barrack troopers partnered with St. Mary’s County Sheriff’s deputies to conduct more than 40 joint enforcement initiatives that included speed enforcement, warrants sweeps, saturation patrols, DUI checkpoints, seatbelt compliance checkpoints and criminal enforcement. On September 29, 2014, Barrack T troopers responded to a movie theater in Lexington Park for an alarm. An additional call advised that the night manager was being held at gun point. The suspect approached the victim and forced her to open the safe. The suspect fled when the alarm sounded. The victim recognized the suspect’s voice as a former employee who was arrested four days later. In October 2014, Barrack T troopers participated in a “Using a Cell Phone While Driving” initiative that resulted in 339 citations and 342 warnings. Barrack T troopers and St. Mary’s County Sheriff’s deputies joined forces in a violent offender/sex offender initiative that focused on apprehending fugitives with outstanding warrants as well as monitoring and apprehending registered sex offenders that have violated the terms of their release. 			




BARRACK U - PRINCE FREDERICK	QUICK FACTS		210 Main Street Prince Frederick, Maryland 20678 301-855-1975 msp.princefrederick@maryland.gov	Criminal Arrests: 1,074 Traffic Stops: 21,289 DUI Arrests: 312 Crashes Investigated: 219
	<p>GEOGRAPHIC AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY – CALVERT COUNTY</p> <p>Troopers and Calvert County Sheriff's deputies share concurrent jurisdiction responsibility for responding to all 911 calls. Troopers and deputies share a common radio channel for dispatch.</p> <p>2014 HIGHLIGHTS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> In July 2014, Prince Frederick Barrack hosted the 18th Annual Camp C.O.P.S. (Courage to be Outstanding with Pride and Self-Confidence). This week-long camp was attended by over 150 Calvert County public school students who competed in events and challenges (e.g., obstacle courses, military drills, martial arts, fitness, swimming) that were designed to promote teamwork and leadership. The camp is quasi-military and the children are taught order and discipline. The instructors and "Team Leaders" are troopers, Calvert County Sheriff's deputies, Metropolitan Police Department officers and members of the Department of Juvenile Services. Numerous police agencies participated in displays and events that included helicopters, K-9 and specialized units. On October 12, 2014, a trooper was dispatched to a stabbing and located the male victim who was transported to the hospital. The victim did not know his assailant who had fled the scene. The next day one of the victim's friends informed the trooper that he found a photograph of the suspect posted on Instagram on the night of the stabbing. The trooper recognized the suspect from prior criminal investigations, screened the case with the Calvert County State's Attorney's Office and arrested the suspect for 1st and 2nd degree assault. 			

BARRACK V - BERLIN	QUICK FACTS		9758 Ocean Gateway Berlin, Maryland 21811 410-641-3101 msp.berlin@maryland.gov	Criminal Arrests: 513 Traffic Stops: 24,012 DUI Arrests: 352 Crashes Investigated: 316
	<p>GEOGRAPHIC AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY – WORCESTER COUNTY</p> <p>Barrack V shares jurisdiction, outside of the municipalities that maintain police departments, with the Worcester County Sheriff's Office. Ocean City, is located within Worcester County and the county experiences an influx of more than 200,000 tourists during the summer weekends and holidays.</p> <p>2014 HIGHLIGHTS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> On February 20, 2014, a trooper assigned to the Berlin Barrack Highway Criminal Interdiction Team stopped a vehicle for a traffic violation. The trooper noted several criminal indicators and requested a K-9 scan which resulted in a positive alert. A search of the vehicle revealed \$38,000, 12 cartons of cigarettes and other items consistent with cigarette smuggling. On March 2, 2014, a Berlin trooper stopped a vehicle and noted several criminal indicators. In addition, the passenger provided a false name. The passenger was wanted in Virginia for possession of a firearm by a felon and possession with intent to distribute. A search of the vehicle was conducted and 121 grams of powdered cocaine were located in the engine compartment. On November 25, 2014, two Berlin troopers stopped a vehicle and noted several criminal indicators when speaking with the driver. A positive K-9 alert resulted in a search of the vehicle which revealed a shoe box that contained a pound of cocaine. The driver and passenger were arrested. On December 13, 2014, Barrack V partnered with the Worcester County Children's Advocacy Center for the 2nd Annual "Shop with a Cop." This event helps families who are struggling financially to put gifts under the Christmas tree. Twenty-four students were each paired with a trooper, taken to Walmart and given \$100 to spend to brighten their holidays. 			



BARRACK W - MCHENRY	QUICK FACTS		67 Friendsville Road McHenry, Maryland 21541 301-387-1101 msp.mchenry@maryland.gov	Criminal Arrests: 492 Traffic Stops: 18,904 DUI Arrests: 59 Crashes Investigated: 233
	<p>GEOGRAPHIC AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY – GARRETT COUNTY</p> <p>The McHenry Barrack is responsible for patrolling 680 miles of county roads, 185 miles of State highways and Interstate 68. Barrack W shares responsibilities with the Garrett County Sheriff’s Office.</p> <p>2014 HIGHLIGHTS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • During 2014, Barrack W troopers conducted 19 special criminal and traffic initiatives that focused on seatbelt use, distracted driving, DUI, the “Move Over Law,” and crime. These initiatives resulted in 904 traffic stops, 52 drug arrests, eight warrants served, six DUI arrests and 23 other arrests. • The McHenry Barrack “Town Patrol” initiative provides increased visibility and crime deterrence in Garrett County’s 10 towns that do not have police departments. During 2014, troopers provided 600 hours of patrol coverage, conducted 600 traffic stops and made over 500 community contacts. • On May 31, 2014, McHenry troopers stopped a vehicle for speeding and detected an odor of marijuana in the vehicle. A search of the vehicle revealed over 5,000 hits of LSD and many other drugs. The driver was charged with possession with intent to distribute numerous drugs. • On July 5, 2014 the McHenry Barrack received a call for a domestic assault in Finzel. While responding, troopers identified the suspect leaving the scene and attempted to stop him. The suspect refused to stop and an extended pursuit ended when the suspect stopped and barricaded himself in his vehicle. He discharged one round from a rifle while sitting in his vehicle. After a six hour standoff, negotiators were able to talk the suspect into surrendering and he was arrested. 			

BARRACK X - PRINCESS ANNE	QUICK FACTS		30581 Perry Road Princess Anne, Maryland 21853 443-260-3700 msp.princessanne@maryland.gov	Criminal Arrests: 340 Traffic Stops: 17,323 DUI Arrests: 104 Crashes Investigated: 179
	<p>GEOGRAPHIC AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY – SOMERSET COUNTY</p> <p>Princess Anne Barrack is the primary law enforcement agency in Somerset County (including Smith Island). All 911 calls for service are directed to the barrack. Somerset County Sheriff’s Department is not fully staffed around the clock and assists the barrack when available.</p> <p>2014 HIGHLIGHTS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On July 10, 2014, a Princess Anne trooper conducted a traffic stop on MD Route 13 and observed numerous criminal indicators. A positive K-9 scan was conducted and a search of the vehicle revealed \$23,534 in cash as well as evidence that the driver was dealing in untaxed cigarettes. • On November 30, 2014, Barrack X was informed that a college student had been abducted and was being held against her will. Troopers and investigators responded to a motel and located two victims and a suspect. An additional suspect and victim were located in Delaware. The investigation revealed that suspects had been operating a prostitution ring in Maryland and Delaware. The suspects were charged with two counts of human trafficking, kidnapping, false imprisonment and drug charges. • Barrack X, with the assistance of Somerset County Board of Education, continued the “Safe School Project” that began in 2008. This project examined the safety plan at all county schools emphasizing “active shooter” and other action plans. Safety and evacuation plans were all rewritten and have (for the first time) become standardized within the county, making schools safer. 			



STATE POLICE IMPAIRED DRIVING REDUCTION EFFORT (SPIDRE)

On July 2, 2013, the State of Maryland launched the State Police Impaired Driving Reduction Effort, an elite team of troopers who are focused on reducing the number of alcohol related crashes in Maryland. SPIDRE is a statewide DUI-focused patrol team that is funded by the Maryland Department of Transportation’s Highway Safety Office. The SPIDRE Team consists of seven troopers who are dedicated to DUI enforcement. The SPIDRE team conducts impaired driving enforcement initiatives across a “web” that spans the State but concentrates on areas with repeated incidents of alcohol related collisions.

SPIDRE Team		
	2013 (April 16 - Dec 31)	2014
DUI Arrests	427	631
DUI (of drugs)	4	3
Criminal Arrests	39	58
Traffic Stops	1,963	1,958
Citations	2,672	4,630
Warnings/SEROs	1,085	770



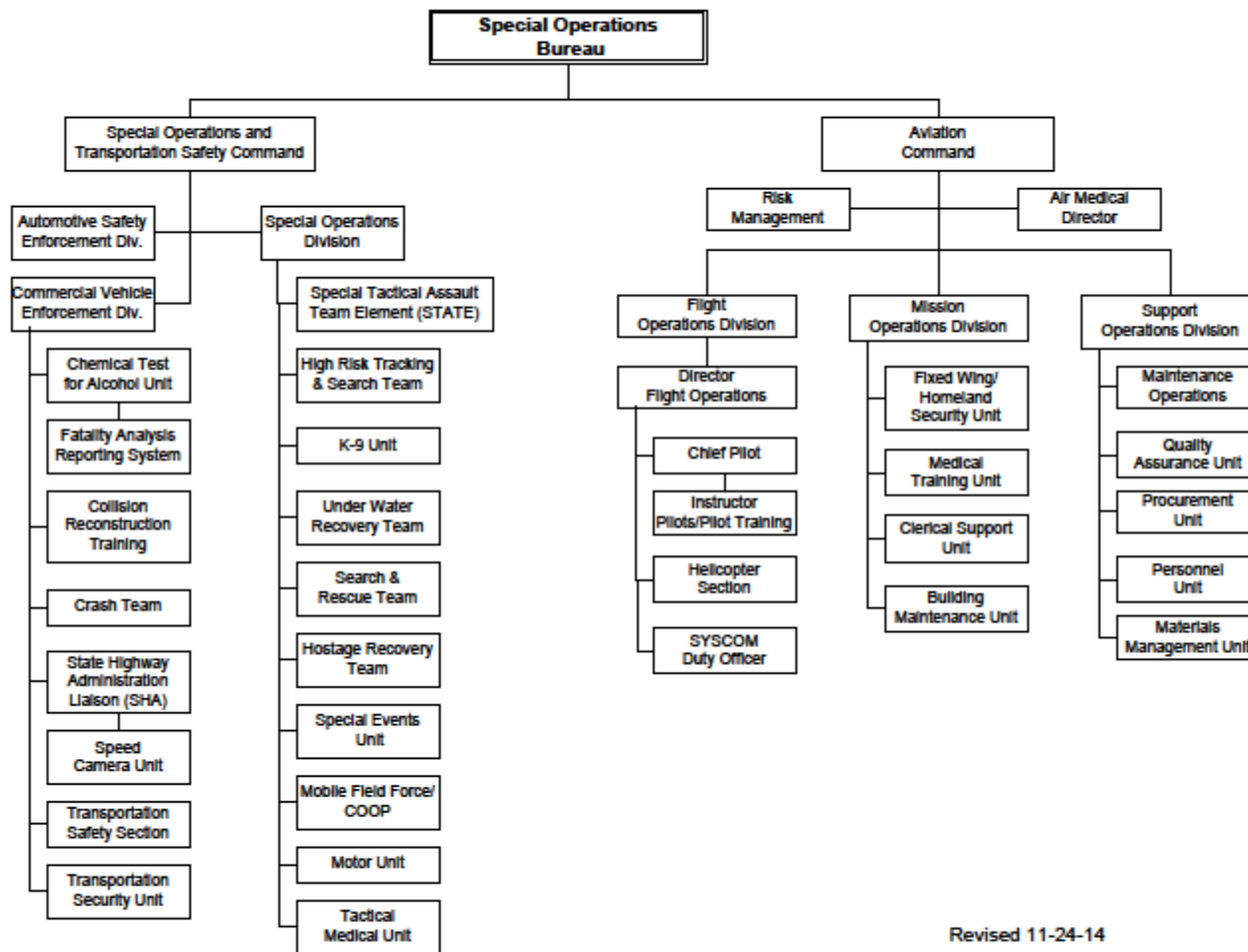


SPECIAL OPERATIONS BUREAU

The Special Operations Bureau, formed in 2012, consists of the Special Operations & Transportation Safety Command and the Aviation Command. The Special Operations & Transportation Safety Command includes the Automotive Safety Enforcement Division, the Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Division and the Special Operations Division. The Aviation Command provides statewide medevac, law enforcement and homeland security services with a fleet of 10 AgustaWestland AW-139 helicopters and two fixed-wing aircraft.



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**SPECIAL OPERATIONS & TRANSPORTATION SAFETY COMMAND**

The Special Operations & Transportation Safety Command includes the Automotive Safety Enforcement Division, Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Division and the Special Operations Division.

AUTOMOTIVE SAFETY ENFORCEMENT DIVISION

The Automotive Safety Enforcement Division (ASED) is funded by the Transportation Trust Fund and is responsible, by law, for the Maryland Vehicle Safety Inspection Program. ASED is also the central repository and clearing house for Safety Equipment Repair Orders (SEROs) that are issued by all law enforcement officers in Maryland.

Maryland law requires that all used vehicles that are to be retitled in Maryland have a complete vehicle safety inspection conducted prior to registration. Of the 720,071 vehicles inspected in 2014, 71 percent failed, demonstrating the need for safety inspections to ensure that only safe vehicles are registered for use on Maryland highways.

VEHICLE SAFETY INSPECTIONS				
	2011	2012	2013	2014
Vehicle Inspections	626,416	599,582	640,722	720,071
Vehicles Rejected	459,653	482,411	462,444	509,795
Percentage Rejected	73%	80.5%	72%	71%
Inspection Certificates Issued	578,300	614,637	495,604	655,936

In 2014, ASED supervised 1,578 inspection stations and 2,914 mechanics throughout the State, which varied as stations and mechanics were added and removed. In 2014, the fees associated with the supervision of inspection stations and mechanics generated over \$115,000 in revenue.

AUTHORIZED INSPECTION STATIONS & INSPECTION MECHANICS				
	2011	2012	2013	2014
Authorized Inspection Stations	1,596	1,618	1,639	1,578
Station Applications (new, renewal, etc.)	153	152	174	164
Annual Station Renewal	1,549	1,515	1,518	1,507
ASED Station Checks/Visits	6,790	6,576	6,944	6,749
Inspection Complaints	170	114	138	216
Station Licenses Suspended/Revoked	19	3	12	7
Registered Inspection Mechanics	2,892	2,902	2,882	2,914
Mechanic Applicants	1,441	1,429	1,608	1,597
Applicants Passing Written Exam	225	229	232	264
Mechanics Suspended/Revoked	67	62	34	18

ASED has managed the Salvage Vehicle Inspection Program since 2003 and ASED salvage vehicle inspectors currently complete all salvage vehicle inspection requests. The Electronic Salvage Inspection Scheduling Program was implemented in 2008 and the electronic payment program was added in 2010.

SALVAGE VEHICLE INSPECTIONS				
	2011	2012	2013	2014
ASED Salvage Inspections	13,188	13,520	13,804	15,522
Recovered Stolen Vehicles	7	10	13	16



ASED is responsible for the processing of Safety Equipment Repair Orders (SERO) that are issued statewide by all law enforcement agencies in Maryland. ASED also processes compliance copies and issues non-compliance suspension notices. The SERO program is the main enforcement tool for removing vehicles with defective equipment from the State's highways. In 2012, law enforcement officers began issuing SEROs electronically via the Maryland State Police E-TIX system. This has resulted in a substantial increase in the number of SEROs issued statewide.

SAFETY EQUIPMENT REPAIR ORDERS				
	2011	2012	2013	2014
Issued by MSP	22,032	30,345	61,490	62,003
Issued by Other Agencies	151,845	165,639	292,185	327,520
Additional SEROs Pending Processing	9,176	7,615,	7,372	4,414
Total SEROs Received	161,021	161,068,	219,963	228,436
Tag Suspensions	46,216	49,163	71,779	73,893
Tag Suspension Releases	29,369	32,472	23,353	18,094

During 2014, ASED conducted quarterly regional enforcement initiatives that were worked in cooperation with the barracks and other units. In September 2014, the ASED Western Region conducted a successful two-day SERO initiative that focused on window tint violations in Carroll and Frederick counties.

ASED personnel perform post-crash investigations on automobiles and light trucks that have been involved in crashes that resulted in serious injury or death or when the vehicles were used in crimes. The purpose of the inspections is to determine if the vehicle's safety equipment met the minimum standards at the time of the crash. This investigative service is provided statewide to all police agencies and these investigations are generally complex and require expert court testimony. The inspections are generally completed by a supervisor, with assistance from a trooper or civilian vehicle safety inspector

POST-COLLISION INVESTIGATIONS				
	2011	2012	2013	2014
Vehicles Examined	44	20	23	19
Defects Identified	33	10	47	38

In 2014, ASED troopers identified and recovered 16 stolen vehicles. One noteworthy case began on May 15, 2014, when a 2009 Ford Edge was brought to the ASED Glen Burnie MVA salvage inspection site. The trooper conducting the inspection discovered that the front and rear doors on the left side of the vehicle had been replaced. The VIN on the doors was checked through the National Insurance Crime Bureau and NCIC, which revealed that the doors were stolen from New York City.

On December 19, 2014, a 2007 Lexus was presented for salvage inspection at the ASED Beltsville location. The ASED inspector examined the vehicle and found that the public VIN, concealed VIN and Federal Safety Certification Label had all been altered. Additional examination revealed that the vehicle had been stolen in Prince Georges County. The vehicle was purchased from an ad on Craigslist.

In June 2014, the ASED Investigation Section received information from a concerned citizen regarding a fraudulent inspection certificate issued in Baltimore City. After locating the vehicle in question, the investigator conducted a field interview of the vehicle owner, who was cooperative and admitted to paying \$250 for the inspection certificate. During an interview of the station mechanic inspector, it was revealed that he did not inspect the vehicle. A re-inspection of the vehicle, conducted by the investigator, revealed numerous safety violations. The station's license and the inspection mechanic's registration were immediately suspended and eventually revoked.



COMMERCIAL VEHICLE ENFORCEMENT DIVISION

In 2014, the Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT) Motor Carrier Safety Program (MCSP) completed its 29th year of operation in Maryland. This program includes the Maryland State Police, four state agencies and 25 allied law enforcement agencies. The Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Division (CVED) is the lead law enforcement agency in the program and is tasked with training and certifying all allied police officers who participate in the MCSP.

In 2014, CVED continued to maintain a close partnership with MDOT, the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA), the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), the Transportation Safety Administration (TSA) and the Domestic Nuclear Detection Office (DNDO).

During 2014, CVED operated 10 weigh and inspection stations throughout the State and focused on safety inspections of commercial motor vehicles traveling in the State. CVED also concentrated efforts on the prevention of commercial vehicles being used as weapons of terror. CVED roving crews look for commercial vehicles that by-pass the weigh stations or travel on roads without fixed weigh stations in order to avoid being detected and cited for violating State and federal regulations.

CVED personnel also used the Virtual Weigh Station (VWS) at five locations throughout the State. A VWS is able to weigh commercial vehicles on the highway at highway speed. Vehicles violating specified criteria are captured and the information is sent to mobile units in the area for enforcement action.

In September 2014, the CVED Audit, Compliance and Enforcement Section (ACES) received national recognition from the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration. At the Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance (CVSA) annual meeting, ACES was recognized as the top mid-size state investigative unit.

Additionally, in September 2014, the American Transportation Research Institute (ATRI) released the results of its study, in which Maryland was recognized as the leading State in commercial inspections per lane mile. The study also recognized Maryland for its reduction in commercial vehicle crashes through traffic enforcement. This is the second consecutive year that Maryland has received this recognition.

In 2014, a few of the weigh and inspection stations continued to undergo major renovations, which caused the facilities to be closed for an unusual amount of time. After 18 months of renovations, the Parkton Weigh and Inspection Facility on I-83 reopened in November.

CVED HIGHLIGHTS				
	2011	2012	2013	2014
Total Vehicles Weighed –Static Scales	690,656	658,432	598,569	652,208
Weigh in Motion	1,403,198	1,419,555	1,275,695	1,153,874
Portable Scale Weighs	2,003	2,331	3,551	2,558
Citations – All violations	40,639	39,111	47,559	47,586
Overweight	10,615	9,589	9,386	9,080
Seatbelt	1,073	957	1,759	1,990
Warnings	47,265	45,514	49,956	48,862
Roadside Inspections	69,050	69,050	83,195	73,531
Alcohol Violations	85	67	82	109
DUI	25	16	34	23
CDS Violations	60	25	67	43
Fines	\$7,712,431	\$7,126,373	\$8,921,004	\$9,074,823
Unsafe vehicles placed out of service	10,010	10,482	12,092	13,684
Drivers placed out of service	3,731	3,285	3,978	4,189

CVED TRAINING UNIT

The CVED Training Unit is responsible for training all motor carrier inspectors for the State of Maryland and keeping all inspectors certified in accordance with the Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance bylaws and policies. In 2014, CVED conducted 12 training courses that were attended by 275 inspectors.



ENTRANT SAFETY AUDIT PROGRAM

Introduced in 2010, this program is designed as a public service rather than an enforcement tool. It is designed to provide an informational audit of trucking companies to ensure that mandated records are being properly maintained. Additionally, one component of the program instructs companies about regulations and mandates of which they may be unaware. In 2014, this unit conducted 1,068 audits.

POST-CRASH INVESTIGATION PROGRAM

CVED personnel respond to commercial motor vehicle collisions throughout the State. They assist investigators at the scene by inspecting the involved commercial vehicle to determine if equipment violations or other factors concerning the commercial vehicle may have contributed to the crash. A “post-crash” report is completed by the CVED investigator.

COMMERCIAL MOTOR VEHICLE CRASH INVESTIGATIONS			
	2013	2014	Change
Post-Crash Investigations	92	72	-22%
Fatalities	40	28	-30%
Personal Injury Crashes	51	38	-27%
Property Damage	---	7	

COMPLIANCE REVIEW PROGRAM

In 1999, legislation was passed, which authorized CVED to conduct compliance reviews not only on maintenance records, but also on driver qualification files, insurance records, drug and alcohol testing records and hours-of-service records. According to this statute, Maryland companies operating in intrastate commerce are required to maintain the same records as those operating in interstate commerce. The Compliance Review Program was designed and instituted to conduct more thorough

CVED AUDITS & REVIEWS				
	2011	2012	2013	2014
Preventive Maintenance Audits	1,089	1,017	1,225	1,228
Compliance Reviews	238	221	184	160
New Entrant Audit	695	796	1,100	1,068
Citations	225	124	108	84
Suspensions	2	2	6	6

reviews of commercial motor carriers and their records. The program focuses on companies with an enforcement history that suggests “marginal safety compliance.” It provides a means for CVED troopers to conduct in-depth audits at the company’s place of business.

INSIDE THE CAPITAL BELTWAY SWEEP

From October 6 through 10, 2014, CVED personnel from Upper Marlboro, the Park & Ride and Hyattstown conducted a Central Region enforcement and inspection initiative for commercial vehicle safety and accident reduction on and around the Capital Beltway in Prince George’s County. This initiative included Greenbelt Police Department officers who were trained in commercial vehicle inspection.

This initiative was the result of citizen complaints concerning unsafe truck operations as well as an analysis of ongoing serious commercial vehicle traffic safety violations in the region. The operation focused on specific “Hot Spots” around the Capital Beltway.

Commercial vehicle drivers were checked for license violations and some were placed out-of-service for serious safety violations and trucks were placed out-of-service for defective equipment and unsafe cargo securement.

INSIDE THE CAPITAL BELTWAY SWEEP RESULTS	
Commercial Vehicles Inspected	471
Vehicles & Drivers placed Out-of-Service	187
Safety Repair Orders Issued	87
Warnings Served	392
Overweight Violations	21
Seatbelt Violations	41
Citations Issued	391
Warrant Arrests	4
Controlled Dangerous Substance Arrests	1
Fines	\$81,420

CHEMICAL TEST FOR ALCOHOL UNIT

The Chemical Test for Alcohol Unit (CTAU) manages the statewide Breath Alcohol Testing Program in accordance with the regulations promulgated by the State Toxicologist. The program participants include the Maryland State Police and 34 allied agencies. The MSP owned and maintained 105 breath test units in 2014. There were 684 certified operators (151 MSP and 533 allied agencies).



CTAU conducted 51 Standardized Field Sobriety Testing courses, three Preliminary Breath Testing courses, two Drug Recognition Expert (DRE) courses, four Sobriety Checkpoint Manager courses and four Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement courses. CTAU staff also provided training sessions for prosecutors and the Motor Vehicle Administration law judge. In addition, CTAU personnel processed over 1,000 blood test kits.

DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE ARRESTS – ALL MARYLAND AGENCIES & MSP										
Age	2010		2011		2012		2013		2014	
	All	MSP	All	MSP	All	MSP	All	MSP	All	MSP
< 16	5	1	3	1	5	0	3	1	3	2
16 – 17	169	68	120	39	113	45	97	33	69	33
18 – 20	1,432	533	1,308	476	1,052	328	933	336	788	253
21 +	21,008	7,231	20,952	7,213	20,116	6,727	20,164	6,741	19,694	6,756
Total	22,604	7,833	22,383	7,729	21,286	7,100	21,197	7,111	20,554	7,044
% MSP		34.6%		34.5%		33.4%		33.5%		34.3%

WORK ZONE AUTOMATED SPEED ENFORCEMENT

Maryland statute authorizes the issuance of a citation from a speed camera to drivers who do not observe the speed limit in an area posted for road maintenance work in progress. The statute also requires a police officer to review and authorize the issuance of these citations. MSP troopers assigned to the Work Zone Automated Speed Enforcement (WZASE) Unit conduct this review for work zone violations on State roads. In 2014, the WZASE Unit processed 160,424 transactions and approved 152,750 with the potential of collecting \$6,110,000. There were 7,674 warnings issued during the initial phase of a camera being deployed in a new location.

CRASH TEAM

The Crash Team is comprised of highly trained vehicle crash reconstructionists. Members of the Crash Team investigate or oversee the investigation of fatal and serious crashes. Expert opinions are developed by Crash Team members based on the interpretation of scene evidence, vehicle damage, interviews, injury and post mortem examinations, toxicology results, speed calculations, tire marks, pavement gouges and debris patterns. The cause or causes of the collisions are then analyzed and screened for motor vehicle charges or presented to the State’s Attorney for manslaughter or homicide indictments. In some cases, a computer-generated simulation is constructed as a visual aid for court.

CRASH TEAM INCIDENT RESPONSES					
	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Total Calls (responses)	119	94	111	108	112
Fatal Crashes Investigated	70	58	64	65	26
Manslaughter/Homicide/Driver Intoxicated Cases	45	27	28	21	24
Commercial Motor Vehicle Cases	32	19	31	29	30
Homicide/Manslaughter/Crime Scene Assistance	7	9	6	5	8





SPECIAL OPERATIONS DIVISION (SOD)

The Special Operations Division includes the Special Tactical Assault Team Element (STATE), Tactical Medical Unit, Crisis Negotiation Team, Underwater Recovery Unit, K-9 Unit and Motor Unit.

SPECIAL TACTICAL ASSAULT TEAM ELEMENT

The Special Tactical Assault Team Element (STATE Team) responds to incidents such as hostage/barricade situations, high-risk warrant services and other situations that require specialized tactical training.

On January 25, 2014, at approximately 11:15 a.m., a lone gunman entered a store in The Mall in Columbia and opened fire, killing two individuals before committing suicide. Law enforcement agencies from Howard County and surrounding jurisdictions responded to the scene.

This was the first incident in which the newly formed Tactical Area Command (TAC) was implemented. The TAC is comprised of the eight Tier 1 county, State and federal tactical teams that operate within Maryland. To be certified as a Tier 1 tactical team, the team must have the personnel, training and equipment to respond to and resolve the most dangerous missions. The STATE Team integrated with their tactical partners and cleared the entire mall, which included five major stores, 200 specialty stores and a 14-screen movie theater. While conducting this operation, the teams had to navigate around several Improvised Explosive Devices (IEDs) that were discovered in the vicinity of the shooting location. The teams encountered several customers and mall employees, who were sheltered in place and escorted them to awaiting law enforcement officers at the mall exits. This incident highlighted the coordinated and efficient response of the tactical teams working effectively together to resolve a common mission.

STATE TEAM ASSIGNMENTS		
	2013	2014
Hostage/Barricade Situations	5	4
High Risk Warrant Services	65	56
Assists to Criminal Investigation Bureau	29	27
Assists to Field Operations Bureau	17	15
Assists to Education & Training Division	104	44
Assists to Other MSP Divisions/Agencies	45	72
Protective and Escort Details	5	6
Displays	9	8
Training Given	126	119
Training Received	112	198
Total	517	549

MOTOR UNIT

The MSP motorcycles have unique maneuvering and handling characteristics that allow them to perform specific law enforcement functions that are beyond the capabilities of a police vehicle. The MSP Motor Unit operates year round and completes many types of assignments.

In 2014, Motor Unit personnel completed nearly 500 escorts for homeland security, dignitaries, funerals, military remains and charity. They were called for specialized, targeted traffic enforcement, saturation patrols, displays and training events. Motor Unit troopers are also trained and certified in All Terrain Vehicle (ATV) operations to assist MSP and allied agencies with search and rescue missions.

In 2014, the Motor Unit received new equipment that included Super Seer helmets and rain gear. Motor Unit troopers investigated 73 vehicle crashes, assisted with 2,017 crashes and issued 150 citations, 611 warnings and 100 repair orders. They made three arrests and assisted with 42 arrests.

UNDERWATER RECOVERY TEAM

The Underwater Recovery Team (URT) has eight active members equipped to deploy with three boats (18' and 20' Boston Whalers and a 12' inflatable Zodiac). Team members on standby have a reliable history of being on scene within 90 minutes.

With the retirement of a diver in 2014 and another retirement pending in 2015, URT has initiated recruiting efforts to increase the number of URT divers. In 2014, URT received the Kirby Morgan Dive Helmet, a major equipment upgrade, which provides divers with protection when performing overhead work. This helmet provides continuous oxygen flow, communications with the surface and a means to work without interruption. Troopers assigned to URT have devoted 11,580 hours to dive callouts and special events and 5,320 hours to training and equipment maintenance.



Crisis Negotiation Team

The mission of the Crisis Negotiation Team (CNT), formerly the Hostage Recovery Team, is to negotiate during hostage and/or barricade situations and with suicidal persons. This team works to preserve human life and prevent injuries through successful negotiation, suicide prevention and crisis management. In 2014, CNT was activated nine times, including six calls for hostage negotiations/barricades and three calls for search warrants. All of the negotiations were resolved without loss of life. CNT works closely with allied agencies conducting scenarios and command center training. Due to the great relationships the Team shares with allied agencies, MSP is able to share all resources and work with allied negotiation teams.

SPECIAL EVENTS UNIT

The Special Events Unit (SEU) develops plans for major events requiring police services. During 2014, 76 percent of the missions that the SEU coordinated were in support of allied agencies. The plans generally include measures to ensure the safe and orderly flow of traffic, proper implementation of crime prevention strategies, crowd control and adequate safety of participants and attendees. The SEU oversees the Department’s Mobile Field Force, the Tactical Medicine Unit and the MEMA Regional Liaison (RLO) Program.

In 2014, SEU participated in large events in Baltimore City such as the New Year’s Eve Celebration, Preakness, Fourth of July Celebration, Star Spangled Spectacular and the Army-Navy Game. In addition, the SEU coordinated the International Canoe Federation World Championship in Garrett County which included athletes from 42 countries. State-of-the-art security resources helped ensure that the event was conducted safely.

MOBILE FIELD FORCE

In 2013, the Mobile Field Force (MFF) expanded its mission to include civil disturbances, disaster relief and wilderness search and rescue. In 2014, the MFF was restructured. The six strike teams are located regionally to correspond with the Field Operations Bureau troops. Due to the increase in special events, the MFF created a Counter Terrorism Section that specializes in detecting suicide bombers and the prevention of mass casualty incidents.

In 2014, MFF troopers received specialized training which has allowed the Department to upgrade the MFF to a Type 1 Law Enforcement Strike Force and a Type 1 Wilderness Search and Rescue Team. In 2014, Wilderness Search and Rescue teams were activated to assist with 16 searches for critically missing persons, all of which were successful.

During 2014, MFF Civil Disturbance platoons responded to the University of Maryland, Ocean City, Annapolis and Baltimore City for civil disturbances, protests and unruly crowds. The MFF was activated on four occasions for dignitary escorts for the Vice President and President of the United States during large profile events.

In 2014, the MFF further adapted its mission to accommodate the overwhelming number of large-scale events that the MSP was required to staff in Baltimore City. Overall, the MFF experienced a 153 percent increase in missions compared to 2013.

K-9 UNIT

Within the Maryland State Police, K-9 handlers and their dogs are assigned to the Special Operations Division or to barracks. In 2014, 34 K-9 teams were assigned to barracks. SOD K-9 Unit staff consists of four troopers, who are handlers and trainers, as well as two Volunteers in Police Support, who oversee handlers and canines assigned to multiple units within the MSP.

In 2014, the SOD K-9 Unit implemented the first state police Person Bourne – Improvised Explosive Detection (PB-IED) K-9 Program. This program consists of four K-9 teams that are capable of detecting body-worn or carried explosives, in addition to traditional explosive detection. The SOD K-9 Unit joined forces with the Department of

SOD K-9 ACTIVITY FOR 2014	
Patrol Dogs	
Tracks	23
Building Searches	16
Area Searches	14
Apprehensions	13
Bloodhounds	
Missing Child Searches	30
Missing Adult Searches	24
Suicidal Person Searches	30



Homeland Security and the John Hopkins University Applied Physics Laboratory for 12 weeks of advanced response, procedures and training techniques geared towards a statewide response to terrorist threats. The PB-IED K-9 Program also implemented a proactive response initiative. These "contact teams" provide tactical contact/coverage as the K-9 team moves freely within areas of dense pedestrian traffic. The visibility of the team serves as a deterrent, allowing for high visibility without being intrusive.

K-9 ACTIVITY FOR TEAMS NOT ASSIGNED TO SOD				
	2011	2012	2013	2014
K-9 Related Call Response	NR	NR	NR	1,807
Miscellaneous K-9 Calls	776	781	383	263
Non-K-9 Related Calls	3,746	3,217	3,490	2,053
Narcotics Scans	1,477	1,585	1,636	1,447
Narcotics Scans Apprehensions	524	534	465	423
Currency Seized from Scans	\$2,877,114	\$1,135,093	\$4,747,998	\$1,022,292
Bloodhound Requests	209	145	168	179
Bloodhound Responses	90	61	78	84
Explosive Sweeps	98	139	109	121
Assist Troopers	2,668	2,977	1,765	1,334
Special Assignments	338	429	391	429
Assisted Other Agencies	NR	902	792	606
K-9 Demonstrations	36	51	89	67

DISCIPLINES OF MARYLAND STATE POLICE K-9 TEAMS				
	2011	2012	2013	2014
Patrol Dog Teams	10	7	7	7
Explosive Detection Teams	4	4	5	7
Bloodhound Teams	10	8	7	7
Narcotic Detection Teams	20	29	26	26
Explosive Detection Team	0	0	0	1
Article Detection Teams	0	0	0	0
Number of Single Purpose Dogs	36	38	33	33
Number of Dual Purpose Dogs	5	5	6	4
Total Number of Dogs	41	43	39	43

TACTICAL MEDICAL UNIT

A trooper assigned to the Tactical Medical Unit (TMU) participated as a member of the Maryland Active Assailant Workgroup throughout 2014. This workgroup produced a publication entitled "Guidance to First Responders for the Active Assailant Incident" which received a State-level award. Work continues as the State moves into the training phase. The TMU supervisor successfully completed the ALERRT Level 2 Instructor course. This will allow him to teach advanced response to active shooters to both MSP and allied agency personnel.

REGIONAL LIAISON OFFICERS

The Regional Liaison Officer (RLO) program has continued to develop. It has improved communications between the Maryland Emergency Management Agency (MEMA) and the MSP and has increased coordination of assets to local jurisdiction. The members of the Unit have solidified lines of communication across the selected regions (Western, Lower Shore and Upper Shore) and have increased their knowledge and experience to improve disaster preparedness responses. They have also established new lines of communication between MSP, MEMA, MCAC and local jurisdictions which will improve intelligence sharing with local emergency management personnel.



AVIATION COMMAND

The Maryland State Police Aviation Command (MSPAC) is a public safety organization that provides emergency medical transport (medevac), search and rescue, airborne law enforcement, disaster assessment and homeland security operations. During 2014, the Aviation Command operated 10 AgustaWestland AW139 series helicopters and two fixed-wing aircraft from seven bases throughout the State. All seven helicopter sections are staffed by two pilots and two medical providers 24 hours a day, seven days a week. All helicopters are dispatched from SYSCOM, a central dispatch center that is staffed by MSP and the Maryland Institute of Emergency Medical Services Systems (MIEMSS) certified flight communications specialists.

In 2014, the Aviation Command focused on continuing the transition from the Eurocopter Dauphin to the AW-139 helicopter, which began in June 2013. The transition was completed in January 2015, five months ahead of schedule. In 2014, 10 Aviation Maintenance Technicians completed the Pratt and Whitney PT-6A training program.

Throughout Maryland, the MSPAC transports critically injured citizens to trauma centers within the Maryland Institute for Emergency Medical Services System. The Command provides aerial support for the Department and allied public safety agencies. Additionally, the MSPAC conducts search and rescue operations and aids in criminal investigations and traffic control. The MSPAC also provides airborne support for the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) to help protect Maryland's natural resources.

The Fixed-Wing Section, consisting of a Cessna P210 and a Beechcraft King Air 350, completed 51 extradition flights with 71 prisoners transported, three executive transports, one US Coast Guard disaster assessment flight and 169 missions in support of the Natural Resources Police conservation efforts.

AVIATION COMMAND HELICOPTER MISSIONS					
	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Completed Scene Medevac Missions	2,828	2,987	3,497	2,920	2,119
Inter-facility Patients Transported	85	40	53	39	28
Total Patients Transported	2,913	2,286	2,591	2,139	2,200
Completed Search and Rescue Missions	518	590	528	444	257
Victims Located/Rescued	60	110	71	21	123
Medically Oriented Support Missions	1,711	1,186	1,096	1,341	1,165
Total Medically Oriented Missions	5,858	4,803	4,593	4,259	3,720
Homeland Security Missions	11	52	94	223	71
Homeland Security Mission after Medical Mission	1,294	1,674	1,285	1,050	408
Total Non-Medical Missions	531	830	951	904	898
Suspects Located/Arrested	53	77	73	24	50
Total Flight Hours	3,281.8	2,994.2	3,431.9	3,700.0	3,778.4

Highlights from 2014 include:

- Trooper 3 (Frederick) located an eight-year-old girl in sub-freezing temperatures, a previously unreported fire that required a large fire department response and the source of a direct laser strike to the aircraft.
- Trooper 4 (Salisbury) is posted on weekends at the Coast Guard Station in Ocean City to reduce the response time to Ocean City and to support the Coast Guard and Beach Patrol. Trooper 4 coordinated all Natural Resource Police missions statewide and performs most of the Oyster Sanctuary patrol flights.
- Trooper 5 (Cumberland) serves the needs of nearby neighbors in West Virginia and Pennsylvania for life-threatening cases while maintaining maximum availability in Maryland. The crew responded to Grantsville for a farmer, who went into cardiac arrest after being crushed between a tractor and a farm implement. Family members performed CPR on the victim. He was resuscitated by EMS and made a full recovery after being transported to the hospital by Trooper 5.
- Trooper 6 (Easton) was instrumental in the apprehension of a fleeing felon who shot at MSP troopers in Talbot County. Trooper 6 also provided support at a STATE Team operation, deploying the aircraft's Vislink camera that gave commanders a high tech vantage point while planning the apprehension of a barricaded robbery suspect.



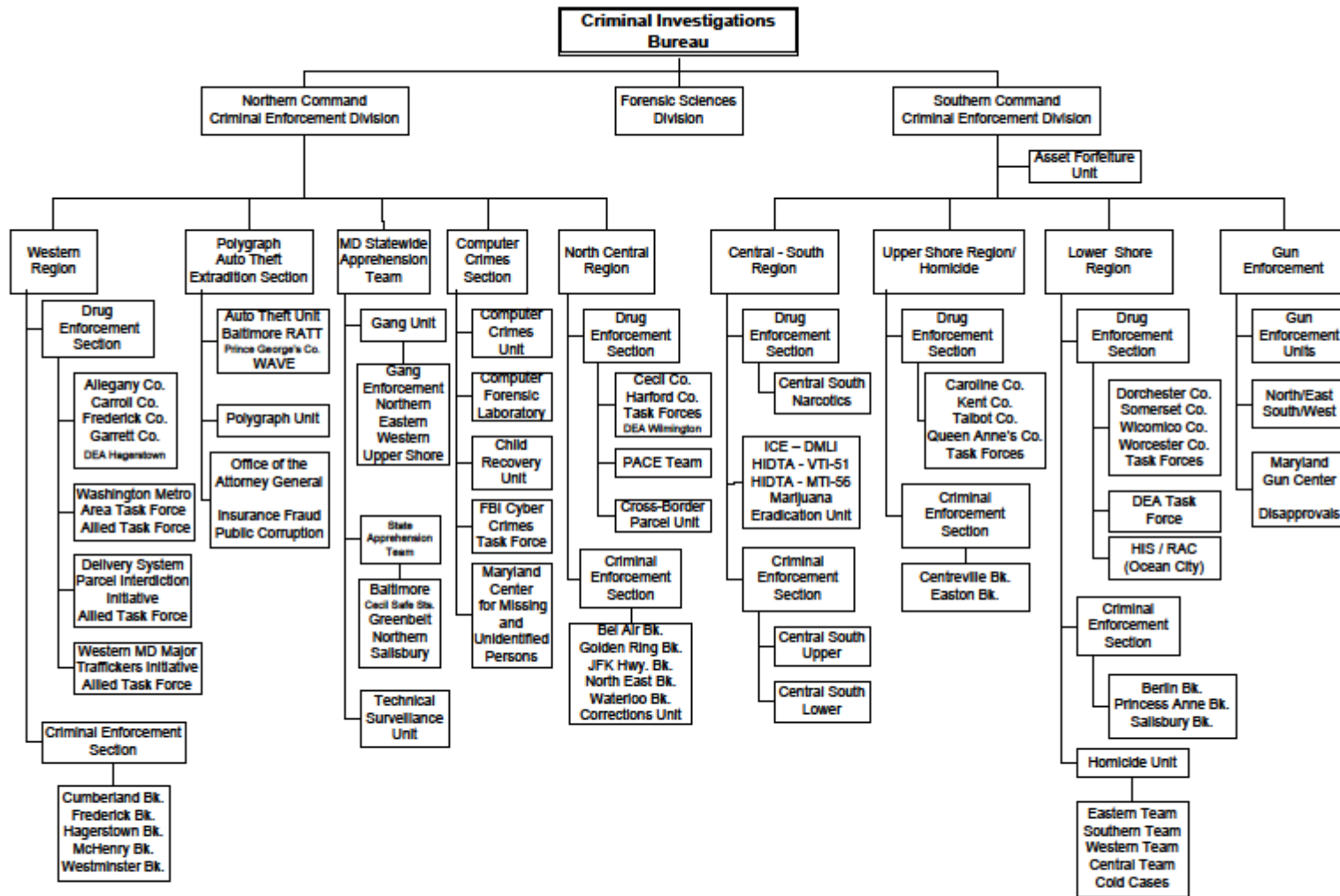
CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION BUREAU

The Criminal Investigation Bureau provides a variety of investigative services. Preventing and reducing crime in Maryland is a goal of the Maryland State Police and one of the primary strategies to achieve this is a focus on inter-jurisdictional and cross-border crime. Using a regional configuration, the Criminal Enforcement Division (CED) focus on crimes that cross state and jurisdictional borders and capitalizes on the Department's statewide authority to apprehend criminals and dismantle criminal enterprises.

CED regional drug investigators routinely collaborate with federal, state and local law enforcement agencies to achieve an effective and coordinated drug enforcement strategy. Building relationships with key partners facilitates the exchange of intelligence, avoids duplication of services and eliminates potential operational conflicts. Troopers are assigned to multi-jurisdictional drug task forces, investigative support units, drug interdiction units and federal drug initiatives. CED is organized into two commands, Northern and Southern, which are both commanded by a major, as well as the Forensic Sciences Division, which is commanded by a civilian director.



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NORTHERN COMMAND

MARYLAND ATTORNEY GENERAL’S OFFICE

CED has staffed and supported the Attorney General’s Criminal Division (AGCD) for decades. Today, troopers assist the Economic Crimes and Public Corruption Unit, the Environmental Crimes Unit, the Insurance Fraud Unit, the Firearms Trafficking Unit, the Gang Unit and the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit. These troopers support the investigative and prosecutorial efforts of the Criminal Division and the Maryland Insurance Administration/Insurance Fraud Unit. In addition, they assist the Office of the State Prosecutor, Maryland Office of Legislative Audits, Maryland Comptroller’s Office, Department of Health and Mental Hygiene Inspector General’s Office and many others.

The Criminal Division operated at significantly reduced staffing levels during 2014. Despite this reduced staff, the troopers, auditors, civilian investigators and attorneys assigned to the Criminal Division have screened 5,867 criminal and potential criminal cases of which 506 cases resulted in an investigation. The troopers assigned to the Division served three search warrants, made 12 arrests, assisted with 50 criminal complaints, served three subpoenas and conducted 137 interviews of suspects, victims and witnesses.

During 2014, troopers participated in several noteworthy investigations. These cases included a Morgan State University employee’s theft of \$67,000, which resulted in a 10-year sentence and restitution; an insurance agency’s \$117,000 theft scheme, which resulted in a five-year jail sentence and restitution; and a Department of Social Services employee’s theft of \$200,000. In addition, two Harford County pharmacy workers are awaiting sentencing on a Medicare and Medicaid pharmacy fraud case that defrauded the two programs of up to \$7 million.

POLYGRAPH UNIT

The Polygraph Unit provides polygraph and related services – principally interviews and interrogations – to Maryland State Police and allied law enforcement and criminal justice agencies. There are currently 13 polygraph examiners (eight troopers and five civilian employees) statewide.

POLYGRAPH EXAMINATIONS 2013 & 2014		
	2013	2014
Criminal	156	148
Post-Conviction Sex Offender	899	1,017
Allied Applicant Pre-employment	317	244
MSP Applicant Pre-employment	1,281	1,249
Administrative Internal	29	6
Total	2,682	2,664

During 2014, the Polygraph Unit handled 1,017 referrals from Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services Parole and Probation agents. These post-conviction polygraph examinations of convicted sex offenders assist Parole and Probation with sex offender management.

A post-conviction polygraph of a Washington County man, who was convicted of sexually assaulting a 10-year-old girl in 2002, revealed that he was involved with child pornography. CED investigators seized his computer and recovered evidence of child pornography. He was found guilty, sentenced to eight years and was then federally indicted on new child pornography charges, which resulted in 10 years in federal prison.

A polygraph examination was used after a female student at Frostburg State University reported that she was sexually assaulted. The suspect denied the allegations and agreed to undergo a polygraph examination during which he confessed to the sexual assault and also confessed to sexually assaulting another female student on the same date.

BALTIMORE REGIONAL AUTO THEFT TASK FORCE

RATT STATISTICS			
	2012	2013	2014
Recovered Stolen Vehicles	850	834	705
Arrests	471	375	461
Search Warrants Executed	32	26	21
Firearms Recovered	1	5	2

The Baltimore Regional Auto Theft Task Force (RATT) is a multi-agency/multi-jurisdictional effort to reduce auto theft and associated crimes in the Baltimore area. RATT began in 1995 as a cooperative effort with the Baltimore County and Baltimore City Police departments. MSP joined RATT to expand the resources and reach of the program in April 2009. One MSP CED supervisor, overseeing ten investigators, is assigned to RATT.



Noteworthy cases conducted by RATT investigators include one involving sovereign citizens and another involving commercial vehicles. In May 2014, a Chevrolet dealership in the Baltimore area completed the sale of seven vehicles, which totaled \$161,000. A Harford County man paid for the vehicles with an “International Bill of Exchange” check, which was later determined to be fictitious. The dealership was unable to retrieve the vehicles and RATT was contacted to assist. RATT investigators coordinated with law enforcement in Maryland, New York and Georgia to recover all seven vehicles. The suspect was charged with numerous felonies.

During October and November of 2014, RATT investigators began an investigation focused on \$224,000 worth of thefts, including truck tractors, trailers, tractor trailer rims and tires from businesses in several counties. Investigators determined a common thread in these thefts was the use of rental trucks. After an extensive investigation, two suspects were charged with multiple counts of felony theft and related charges in three counties.

WASHINGTON AREA VEHICLE ENFORCEMENT (WAVE)

The Washington Area Vehicle Enforcement (WAVE) auto theft initiative combines the resources of the Maryland State Police, Prince George’s County Police, Charles County Sheriff’s Office and Anne Arundel County Police to investigate auto theft and related crimes in the Washington metropolitan area. The MSP investigator provides statewide cross-jurisdictional enforcement powers, as well as covert license plate reader technology.

RATT STATISTICS			
	2012	2013	2014
Recovered Stolen Vehicles	414	379	426
Arrests	74	107	111
Firearms Recovered	15	21	13

In March 2014, a Toyota Tundra pickup truck was stolen and reported to the Prince George’s County Police Department. For several days after this theft, there were numerous reports of purse snatchings that involved suspects driving this vehicle. Several weeks later, the truck was located in Anne Arundel County. WAVE investigators conducted surveillance as the truck was loaded onto a tow truck and transported to a repair facility in Owings Mills. After additional investigation, the owner of the facility was arrested and provided valuable information concerning a stolen vehicle operation in Washington, DC.

COMPUTER CRIMES SECTION

The Computer Crimes Section includes several units that are responsible for investigations with a connection to technology or a child exploitation.

COMPUTER CRIMES UNIT

COMPUTER CRIMES UNIT INVESTIGATIONS				
	2011	2012	2013	2014
Assist Other Law Enforcement	98	103	97	21
Miscellaneous complaints	-	30	33	15
Child Pornography Distribution	79	72	163	174*
Child Pornography Possession	35	34	28	0
Child Pornography Manufacturing	-	5	12	3
Illegal Access to Computers	3	2	13	3
Online Child Enticement	-	45	35	174
Online Harassment	-	2	5	4
Theft/Fraud	7	6	11	4
Online Child Solicitation	-	2	33	16
Total Investigations	222	301	430	414
* Includes Child Pornography Possession, due to advances in data storage.				

The Computer Crimes Unit (CCU) investigates highly technical cases that include Internet theft schemes, fraud and online harassment. The majority of the investigations are related to the sexual exploitation of children using technology. The CCU operates and administers the Maryland Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force. The ICAC Task Force is a federally funded project comprised of 35 Maryland law enforcement agencies. The ICAC is designed to respond to and investigate complaints of online sexual child exploitation.

The Computer Crimes Unit conducted over 400 investigations in 2014. In February 2014, CCU investigated a 27-year-old male from Prince Georges County for distributing child pornography. During the course of the investigation, evidence was seized and the suspect provided a confession confirming that he was sexually abusing a minor as well as filming the criminal activity. Investigators from the US



Department of Homeland Security joined the investigation and the case was federally prosecuted. The suspect entered a guilty plea and was sentenced to 30 years in federal prison.

In May 2014, CCU, the US Department of Homeland Security and the Carroll County Sheriff’s Office conducted an investigation into a cyber tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children. The tip was in reference to the manufacturing and distributing of child pornography in Carroll County. Investigators identified the suspect as a male who had been posting images of child pornography online. As a result of the search of the residence, substantial evidence was seized and submitted to the MSP Digital Forensics Laboratory for analysis. The investigation revealed that the suspect had been taking pornographic images of a child, who was living at his residence and posting them online. The suspect was arrested and the case is being federally prosecuted.

DIGITAL FORENSICS LABORATORY

The Digital Forensics Laboratory (DFL) is comprised of seven forensic investigators: six troopers and one Howard County Police officer. These investigators are specially trained to search for and recover data on various digital storage devices. Lab personnel are highly trained as expert witnesses in the area of digital forensics in support of criminal investigations. Casework comes from law enforcement agencies throughout the State. Examinations

DIGITAL FORENSICS LABORATORY CASES			
	2012	2013	2014
New Forensic Cases	62	87	52
Completed Forensics Cases	56	54	47
Associated Forensic Parts	179	231	280
Data Analyzed (terabytes)	36.9	45.1	46.4
Associated Analysis Hours	5,436	4,692	4,857
End-of-Year Backlog	5	34	26

are conducted on a wide variety of devices, such as computers, mobile phones and GPS units. While the majority of the cases are related to child pornography and child exploitation, the lab also provides support for many other types of investigations that include homicides, gang activity and serious frauds. The DFL provides training and technical assistance to prosecutors and law enforcement agencies concerning the seizure, recovery, analysis and courtroom presentation of digital evidence.

In March 2014, the Digital Forensic Lab examined digital evidence associated with a homicide in Cecil County. The computer forensic investigator was able to obtain evidence from the suspect’s cell phone which demonstrated he committed the murder despite the fact that the weapon was never located. The subject was charged with first degree murder as a result of the work of the Digital Forensic Lab.

In May 2014, the Baltimore County Police Department’s Crimes Against Children Unit began an investigation focusing on a Baltimore County man, who was suspected of distributing child pornography. When their investigation determined that the suspect was an information technology specialist, the Baltimore County Police requested the direct assistance of the Digital Forensic Lab due to their nationally recognized expertise. The DFL mobilized a digital forensic lab on-site and previewed 32 pieces of media (11,000 gigabytes of data). This operation by the DFL resulted in a successful investigation.

MARYLAND CENTER FOR MISSING CHILDREN

MARYLAND CENTER FOR MISSING CHILDREN			
	2012	2013	2014
Assistance to Family	279	267	199
Assistance to Law Enforcement	3,004	2,941	1,940
NCMEC Leads Received	422	394	336
Posters Created	417	598	369
Cases Closed	439	463	363

The Maryland Center for Missing Children (MCMC) was established in 1985 as the State's clearinghouse for information about missing children. The mission of MCMC is to provide assistance and support to all law enforcement agencies in Maryland and nationwide to help locate missing children. The MCMC presents seminars for both parents and law enforcement officers to address incidents of runaways, stranger abductions and parental abductions.

CHILD RECOVERY UNIT (CRU)

The Child Recovery Unit (CRU) consists of two troopers and is the primary investigative arm for the Maryland Center for Missing Children. In addition, the CRU coordinates Maryland’s AMBER and Silver Alert systems. Since 2014, the main focus of the Unit has been on human trafficking and child



prostitution investigations. The CRU is part of the Maryland Child Exploitation Task Force. This is a Federal Bureau of Investigation task force that is comprised of several Maryland law enforcement agencies. It is focused on missing and abducted children as well as child prostitution/human trafficking.

During February 2014, the CRU spoke with a female victim in Laurel during a proactive human trafficking operation. The victim was contacted from the escort section of the website where she was advertising as a prostitute. An undercover CRU investigator made a “date” with her. When they met,

CHILD RECOVERY UNIT					
	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Missing Children Cases/Assists	56	85	76	95	109
Child Prostitution/Human Trafficking	NR	45	80	184	227
Children Recovered	58	90	70	78	99
Other Investigations	69	60	54	2	5
AMBER Alert Requests	10	10	7	3	10
AMBER Alert Activations	3	2	3	0	2
Silver Alert Requests	27	59	47	70	85
Silver Alert Activations	22	55	45	69	85
Recovery due to Silver Alerts	7	16	20	38	47

the victim disclosed that she had recently been “robbed” by an individual who stated that he was a police officer assigned to a Human Trafficking Task Force. He displayed a ballistic vest with a police patch on it as well as a radio, badge and gun. He then told her that the only way out of getting arrested was to have sex with him, which she did.

Working with police in Anne Arundel and Montgomery counties, CRU investigators obtained video of a man who was robbing prostitutes. The victim identified the suspect, who was arrested by Laurel City Police and charged with impersonating a police officer and solicitation of a prostitute. The suspect was implicated in eight similar cases.

MARYLAND STATE APPREHENSION TEAM

The Maryland State Apprehension Team (MSAT) is dedicated to locating and apprehending dangerous and violent fugitives. While they work primarily in Maryland, they are deputized US Marshals and also track Maryland fugitives when they go out of state. MSAT is divided into five regions: Baltimore, Greenbelt, Safe Streets, Salisbury and West. Each team assists allied law enforcement agencies with fugitive investigations in their areas of responsibility and is responsible for all Maryland State Police warrants in their respective areas. In 2014, the Maryland State Apprehension Team had a major impact on violent crime reduction in Maryland by closing over 2,600 warrants.

MARYLAND STATE APPREHENSION TEAM – STATEWIDE WARRANT CLOSURES BY REGION												
	Baltimore		Greenbelt		Safe Streets		Salisbury		West		Total	
	2013	2014	2013	2014	2013	2014	2013	2014	2013	2014	2013	2014
Total Warrants Closed	788	788	682	629	201	389	402	375	N/A	439	2,073	2,620
Administrative Closures	115	33	191	168	31	44	17	78	N/A	41	354	364
Closed by Arrest	545	579	369	402	157	308	383	294	N/A	353	1,454	1,936
Detainers	128	176	122	59	13	37	2	3	N/A	45	265	320

MARYLAND STATE APPREHENSION TEAM STATEWIDE ARRESTS BY TYPE – 2014				
Offense	Arrests		Offense	Arrests
Abduction/Kidnapping	11		Escape	23
Arson	19		Family Offense	11
Assault – Felony	194		Homicide	54
Assault – Misdemeanor	168		Robbery	208
Burglary	200		Sex Assault/Offense	90
Crimes Against Person	48		Vehicle Theft	25
Drugs - Felony	346		Weapons Offense	90



MARYLAND STATE APPREHENSION TEAM – BALTIMORE

The Maryland State Apprehension Team – Baltimore is comprised of three troopers and three Baltimore Sheriff's Office deputies. MSAT – Baltimore primarily serves Baltimore City Sheriff's Office warrants for violent offenders and referred Baltimore City Police warrants when the suspect is believed to be outside of Baltimore. The team is also responsible for all MSP felony warrants originating in Baltimore and Howard counties and Baltimore City. In September 2010, MSAT-Baltimore aligned with the Capital Area Regional Fugitive Task Force (CARFTF) which includes the US Marshals Service, Baltimore City Police Department and Howard County Police Department. As a result of this re-alignment, MSAT-Baltimore now receives cases for violent federal fugitives who are wanted by the US Marshals Service in Central Maryland.

The Maryland State Apprehension Team was contacted by the Lakewood (NJ) Police Department in August 2014 and requested to lead an on-going fugitive case regarding an individual wanted for an armed home invasion and robbery in their jurisdiction. A month-long investigation led investigators to a Baltimore City address where the fugitive was apprehended in a vehicle stolen from Delaware.

In November 2014, MSAT was contacted by the US Marshals Service and requested to respond to an on-going fugitive investigation regarding a highly publicized kidnapper and rapist who was believed to be in Howard County. MSAT participated in the suspect's capture and the safe recovery of the abducted victim.

MARYLAND STATE APPREHENSION TEAM – GREENBELT

The Capital Area Regional Fugitive Task Force (CARFTF) was formed under the US Marshals Service in 2004 to operate in the Washington, D.C. region. The Maryland State Police joined CARFTF in 2008, and supervises a squad that is comprised of four troopers and one detective from the Prince George's County Police Department. This team's primary mission is to serve violent crime and offender warrants from the Prince George's County Sheriff's Office.

In August 2014, Prince George's County Police developed suspects in an armed robbery and home invasion in Temple Hills. MSAT – Greenbelt received the fugitive investigation and a two-month investigation led MSAT to a location in Washington, D.C., where the fugitive was apprehended in possession of a loaded AK-47 assault rifle.

In September 2014, the Annapolis City Police investigated a shooting with a .45 caliber handgun that followed a physical altercation at a recreational facility. MSAT investigators developed several leads during the investigation. The suspect was observed during covert surveillance and was taken into custody within two weeks of the crime.

MARYLAND STATE APPREHENSION TEAM – SAFE STREETS

In March 2012, there were over 1,000 open warrants within Cecil County. To address this issue, the Maryland State Police formed the MSAT – Safe Streets team comprised of three troopers and one Cecil County Sheriff's Office deputy. MSAT – Safe Streets warrant apprehension efforts center on a targeted approach to warrant service by prioritizing outstanding warrants for the highest-risk offenders. This team is responsible for serving outstanding felony warrants for North East, Perryville and Rising Sun police departments.

During 2014, MSAT investigators received a request for assistance with locating five suspects from Cecil County, who were wanted for the use of a firearm in an attempted murder that occurred in Colora. An intensive fugitive investigation was initiated and through extensive follow-up it was learned where the suspects were in hiding. In August of 2014, a coordinated effort apprehended all five fugitives at separate locations in both Harford and Cecil counties.

MARYLAND STATE APPREHENSION TEAM – SALISBURY

The Maryland State Apprehension Team – Salisbury was formed in March 2010 and is comprised of four troopers, a Maryland Parole & Probation agent, a Wicomico County Sheriff's Office deputy, a Dorchester County Sheriff's Office deputy and two detectives from the Salisbury Police Department. MSAT – Salisbury is responsible for serving outstanding felony warrants for the Delmar, Fruitland and Salisbury police departments as well as the Salisbury Barrack and Wicomico County Sherriff's Office. Additionally, any warrants originating from the Maryland Department Public Safety and Correctional



Services will be considered for MSAT – Salisbury assignment. MSAT – Salisbury is aligned with the Capital Area Regional Fugitive Task Force and investigates cases for violent federal fugitives, who are wanted by the US Marshals Service on the Eastern Shore of Virginia, Maryland and Delaware.

Several police officers were assaulted during a covert drug investigation in Wicomico County in March 2014. The target of the drug investigation was able to evade apprehension after injuring a detective who was attempting to stop the suspect. After nearly two weeks, covert surveillance by MSAT investigators located the fugitive in a vehicle. He was captured while in possession of a loaded .38 caliber handgun, a loaded sawed off shotgun and nearly \$3,000.

In October 2014, MSP investigators developed suspects in an armed robbery, in which an individual pistol whipped a store clerk in Queen Anne’s County. The suspects were initially able to elude police after a high speed pursuit. Within two days, MSAT had identified the suspect and located the vehicle. The fugitive was apprehended at a home, where a subsequent search warrant resulted in the seizure of a loaded 9 mm handgun, ski mask and stolen goods associated with the robbery.

MARYLAND STATE APPREHENSION TEAM – WEST

The Maryland State Apprehension Team – West was formed in 2014 to focus on the western region of the State. The team is comprised of three troopers.

MSAT was contacted by the Anson County (NC) Sheriff’s Office in February 2014 and requested to lead an ongoing fugitive case regarding an individual wanted for murder in their jurisdiction. A thorough background investigation led to numerous interviews that resulted in locating the suspect’s vehicle in Frederick. A residence was identified, and the fugitive was apprehended in possession of a felony amount of marijuana as well as .357 caliber ammunition that was linked to the North Carolina homicide.

In June 2014, MSAT was requested by the Washington County Sheriff’s Office – Child Advocacy Center to locate and apprehend a suspect charged with the rape of a child. Within a week, investigators were able to locate and capture the fugitive, who had relocated to Charlestown, WV to avoid prosecution.

GANG ENFORCEMENT SECTION

The Gang Enforcement Section (GES) works with federal, state and local law enforcement partners to identify, infiltrate and dismantle criminal gangs throughout Maryland. The 11 GES troopers are assigned to the East, North, Upper Shore and West regions. GES has assisted the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services with over 800 home visits of Violence Prevention Initiative offenders during 2014.

GANG ENFORCEMENT SECTION STATEWIDE ACTIVITY – 2014								
Arrests		Gang Members Identified	Search Warrants	Contraband & Currency Seizures				
Criminal	Warrant			Heroin	Cocaine	Marijuana	Firearms	Currency
376	163	172	51	4.1 lbs.	366.2 g	28.8 lbs.	42	\$46,954

GANG ENFORCEMENT UNIT - EAST

The Gang Enforcement Unit – East is a three-member unit that focuses primarily on Salisbury in a cooperative effort with the Salisbury Police Department. Investigators also work with the Safe Streets Program in Cambridge as well as Worcester and Somerset counties.

In May 2014, members of GEU – East were patrolling the area of Waterside Apartments and heard a gunshot. GEU investigators observed an individual bleeding from his torso and a second subject fleeing on foot into an apartment complex. When backup arrived, an apartment-by-apartment search was conducted and the shooting suspect was located hiding within a closet. Heroin and a handgun were also recovered.



GANG ENFORCEMENT UNIT – NORTH

The Northern Region Gang Enforcement Unit is a three-member unit that concentrates most of their efforts in Cecil County and are partners in the Cecil County Safe Streets Coalition. They also focus on investigations that have cross-border connections with Delaware and Pennsylvania.

In August 2014, GEU – North investigators received information from a confidential informant that a residence contained a significant amount of heroin. After obtaining a search warrant, investigators entered the house and located two suspects. A search of the residence yielded three handguns, nine long guns and 319 bags of heroin. Both suspects were arrested and charged.

During September 2014, members of GEU began an investigation in Elkton. Concerned citizens, surveillance and confidential informants assisted investigators in obtaining a search warrant for a residence. When the warrant was executed, investigators located over 100 baggies of crack cocaine, heroin, marijuana, Suboxone pills and \$858. They also located three firearms, including a loaded handgun. Two subjects were charged with felonies; a third suspect had a warrant from Pennsylvania and was held awaiting extradition.

GANG ENFORCEMENT UNIT – UPPER SHORE

The Gang Enforcement Unit – Upper Shore is a one-person unit. This sergeant coordinates investigations with local, county and federal agencies in Kent, Anne Arundel, Caroline and Talbot counties. A strong relationship has been built with local detention centers that has greatly increased the gathering and sharing of gang related intelligence information in these counties.

In December 2014, members of the GEU were in the area of Connelly's Market in Caroline County. Investigators were aware that the market was robbed at gun point a day prior. Investigators conducted covert surveillance and observed a possible suspect who was a member of the Crips gang and who had an active warrant. A search of the suspect located bags of heroin.

GANG ENFORCEMENT UNIT - WEST

The Western Region Gang Enforcement Unit is a three-member unit that works closely with allied law enforcement personnel in Carroll, Frederick, Washington and Allegany counties. Investigators also work closely with the Division of Parole and Probation in the region.

In September 2014, the Waterloo Barrack duty officer contacted the Gang Enforcement Unit regarding a gang-related motor vehicle theft. A semi-truck had been stolen from an Oklahoma company weeks prior. The complainant had received information that his truck was at a Pagans clubhouse in Maryland. An investigation led GEU to Clinton, where the vehicle was recovered.

ASSET FORFEITURE UNIT

The Asset Forfeiture Unit serves as the clearinghouse for all asset seizures made by troopers. This unit tracks all drug assets, from seizure to final disposition and follows up on drug arrests made by patrol troopers to identify additional assets for seizure. In 2014, the unit processed 101 cases. As part of the Post-Arrest Asset Identification Program, this unit initiated seven investigations, executed three search warrants, issued five bank subpoenas, and served two tax petitions.

WESTERN REGION CRIMINAL ENFORCEMENT SECTION

The Criminal Enforcement Division, Northern Command, Western Region is comprised of criminal investigators assigned to the barracks in Carroll, Frederick, Washington, Allegany and Garrett counties who investigate the most serious crimes that are initially handled by troopers and certain allied law enforcement agencies.

Western Region - 2014	
Investigations	497
Part I Crimes	190
Arrests	183
Search Warrants	96



ALLEGANY COUNTY

In August 2014, Allegany County Sheriff's Deputies responded to Midland for a report of a subject who had fallen on a knife. Upon arrival it was learned the victim had been stabbed in the chest at his residence and went to the neighbor's residence where he collapsed and died. The victim's wife told investigators that the victim had obtained a knife from the kitchen and was attempting to stab her when he fell on the knife. During an interview with investigators, the suspect admitted that she, not the victim, obtained a knife from the kitchen drawer. The suspect ultimately admitted she stabbed her husband but had not meant to do so. The suspect was charged with second degree murder and several other charges.

CARROLL COUNTY

In June 2014, troopers began an investigation after suspects passed counterfeit currency in Hampstead and Westminster Walmart stores. These suspects returned the property that was purchased at different stores to obtain actual currency. A flyer with the suspects' descriptions was distributed to Walmart stores in the area, which led to a tip from the Owings Mills Walmart and the arrest of three suspects. Further investigation led to the arrest of 12 suspects, who were involved in a multi-state counterfeit ring. The leaders of this counterfeiting ring were investigated and arrested by the U. S. Secret Service.

FREDERICK COUNTY

During May 2014, Maryland State Police investigators arrested and charged a Frederick County juvenile as an adult in two separate sexual assaults that occurred in a park. Investigators executed multiple search warrants and conducted an extensive interview that led to a confession. Following the confession, another victim was located and the suspect faced additional charges in that case.

GARRETT COUNTY

In March 2014, troopers conducted a theft and forgery investigation involving fraudulent cashier's checks that were used to purchase items such as electronics, jewelry and vehicles. Investigators recovered two diamond engagement rings that were purchased using fraudulent cashier's checks at a pawn shop in Baltimore. Further investigation revealed that the suspect had used fraudulent cashier's checks to purchase items in eight states valued at over \$150,000. An arrest warrant was obtained and the suspect was arrested in Georgia. This case is being prosecuted federally by the US Secret Service.

WASHINGTON COUNTY

In August 2014, a woman reported that she was assaulted, falsely imprisoned and her child was abducted by her ex-boyfriend. The crimes occurred in both Maryland and West Virginia. Investigators began a multi-state investigation and were able to determine that the child and the suspect were in Pennsylvania. Detailed information was provided to police in Pennsylvania and the suspect was quickly arrested outside a hotel. The suspect has since been extradited to Maryland and is awaiting trial. He will also face charges in West Virginia.

WESTERN REGION - DRUG ENFORCEMENT SECTION

The Criminal Enforcement Division, Northern Command, Western Region Drug Enforcement covers Allegany, Carroll, Frederick, Garrett and Washington counties. Drug Enforcement personnel collaborate with federal, state and local law enforcement agencies to achieve an effective and coordinated enforcement strategy. Building relationships with key partners facilitates the exchange of intelligence, avoids duplication of enforcement services and eliminates potential operational conflicts between agencies.

Western Region Drug Enforcement – 2014	
Cases	383
Arrests of Drug Suspects	181
Firearms Seized	54
Currency Seized	\$296,114
Marijuana Plants	1,507
Cocaine (grams)	700
Heroin (grams)	197
Methamphetamine (grams)	185
Prescription Pills	2,317
Undercover/Controlled Buys	127
Search Warrants Issued	140

ALLEGANY COUNTY

During the summer of 2014, the Allegany County Narcotics Task Force (C3I Narcotics) initiated an investigation into a suspect known to be distributing heroin and cocaine. The suspect was from the Baltimore area and traveled to Allegany



County to sell drugs. The investigation resulted in the Task Force executing a search warrant with members of the Frostburg City Police Department. As a result of the search warrant, 44 grams of crack cocaine, 32 grams of cocaine and 15 grams of heroin were seized. Two felony arrests were made.

CARROLL COUNTY

In early 2014, the Carroll County Drug Task Force received information that suspects were dealing large amounts of marijuana from a residence in Carroll County. A joint investigation that included the US Secret Service and US Postal Service resulted in the execution of a search warrant on the home that yielded 4.4 pounds of marijuana as well as psilocybin (mushrooms), methamphetamines, MDMA (Molly), heroin, LSD and ecstasy. In addition, \$44,580 in was seized and one person was arrested.

NORTH CENTRAL REGION - CRIMINAL ENFORCEMENT SECTION

The Criminal Enforcement Division, North Central Region investigates cases with a nexus to Baltimore, Cecil, Harford and Howard counties and Baltimore City. Investigators conduct criminal and administrative investigations as well as providing support to the Field Operations Bureau, specialized units within the Criminal Enforcement Division, and allied law enforcement agencies. Highlights of some significant cases are detailed below.

North Central Region - 2014	
Investigations	470
Part I Crimes	241
Arrests	152
Search Warrants	245

BALTIMORE COUNTY

In May 2014, a group of employees of the Charles H. Hickey School were shot at from a moving vehicle as they left the school. The suspects fired five rounds before fleeing the scene. CED investigators, through interviews with witnesses and the evaluation of physical evidence, identified the shooter and his co-conspirators. The three suspects confessed and were charged with various offenses including felony assault and multiple weapons-related charges.

CECIL COUNTY

A male suspect disguised as a middle-age woman made off with nearly \$43,000 cash from a bank in Rising Sun after he entered the bank branch and threatened to shoot employees. Within hours, investigators identified the suspect and developed evidence that placed him at the scene. CED Investigators subsequently led a multi-jurisdictional investigation with the Delaware State Police and Pennsylvania State Police that resulted in the capture of the suspect and his wife in a Delaware motel. Investigators recovered more than \$35,000 in cash. Other evidence linked the suspect to numerous crimes in multiple states. The suspect confessed to five bank robberies, eight unsolved convenience store robberies and two unsolved pharmacy robberies.

HARFORD COUNTY

In July 2014, a Joppa restaurant was burglarized twice. CED investigators developed possible suspects based upon interviews with employees. During surveillance of a residence, they observed a vehicle used in several burglaries in Baltimore County. A coordinated investigation, which included Baltimore County Police Department and the Harford County Sheriff’s Office, identified three suspects. Search warrants netted evidence that linked the suspects to at least 20 additional burglaries and robberies committed across the three counties.

HOWARD COUNTY

During the spring of 2014, there were numerous break-ins to commercial vehicles in Howard and Harford counties. The vehicles were operated by long-haul truckers, who routinely lived in the trucks and frequented public highway rest areas. The suspect stole cash as well as credit cards, with which numerous charges were made before the rightful owners were alerted and cancelled the cards. CED Northern Region investigators, along with CVED and patrol troopers, identified a suspect in the case. Search warrants were served on the suspect’s residence and vehicle. Evidence obtained linked the suspect to five cases and resulted in felony charges in both Harford and Howard counties. No additional similar thefts have been reported since the suspect’s arrest and continued confinement.



NORTH CENTRAL REGION - DRUG ENFORCEMENT SECTION

The Criminal Enforcement Division, North Central Region, Drug Enforcement Section investigates cases with a nexus to Baltimore, Cecil, Harford and Howard counties as well as Baltimore City. Drug Enforcement troopers are assigned to two multi-jurisdictional task forces: the Harford County Drug Task Force and the Cecil County Drug Initiative. The troopers are also assigned to the Pro-Active Criminal Enforcement (PACE) team, which is a uniformed criminal interdiction unit. Due to the cross-state border drug trends in the Northern Region, MSP has made a strong unconventional partnership with the Delaware State Police (DSP) and DEA Wilmington. Maryland troopers are assigned to multi-agency task forces based in Delaware. For example, the DEA Wilmington Tactical Diversion Squad targets suspects who violate statutes pertaining to the diversion of pharmaceutical controlled substances or listed chemicals.

North Central Region Drug Enforcement - 2014	
Total Cases	312
Arrests of Drug Suspects	269
Firearms Seized	75
Currency Seized	\$1,688,881
Marijuana (pounds)	129
Marijuana Plants	474
Cocaine (pounds)	58
Heroin (pounds)	66
Methamphetamine (grams)	2,346
Synthetic Marijuana(grams)	5,685
Prescription Pills	9,211
Untaxed Cigarettes (cartons)	3,147
Parcels Intercepted	29
Search Warrants Issued	181
Title III Intercepts	27

CECIL COUNTY

In January 2014, after an investigation that lasted several weeks, a search warrant was executed at a residence in Elkton where suspects were packaging raw heroin for resale. While two suspects were detained, a third suspect arrived in a vehicle that had two pounds of marijuana in the trunk. Heroin, marijuana and oxycodone were seized. The three suspects were arrested and indicted.

HARFORD COUNTY

In the spring of 2014, the Harford County Narcotics Task Force received information concerning the dealing of cocaine and heroin in eastern Harford County and western Cecil County. In October 2014, after an extensive investigation, investigators arrested two suspects and seized 1,250 grams of cocaine and 50 grams of raw heroin from their vehicle. A subsequent search warrant netted approximately \$228,000 in cash as well as additional cocaine, marijuana, oxycodone, three firearms and nine vehicles. Twenty-two suspects face charges as a result of this investigation.

PRO-ACTIVE CRIMINAL ENFORCEMENT TEAM (PACE)

In March 2014, a traffic stop was conducted on Interstate 95 in Cecil County. A positive K-9 alert led to a search of the vehicle during which an aftermarket false compartment was located in the rear passenger seat back. The compartment was accessed and found to contain four bricks of cocaine, which totaled 9.5 pounds, with an estimated street value of \$425,000.





SOUTHERN COMMAND

UPPER SHORE REGION CRIMINAL ENFORCEMENT SECTION

The Criminal Enforcement Division Upper Shore Region is comprised of criminal investigators assigned to the Centreville and Easton Barracks. These two barracks are responsible for five counties on the Upper Eastern Shore and are involved in every serious incident that occurs in their area of responsibility. In addition, these investigators also take the lead on serious crimes reported to certain municipal law enforcement agencies.

Upper Shore Region - 2014	
Investigations	151
Part I Crimes	65
Arrests	51
Search Warrants	82

QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY

In October 2014, the 7-11 Store in Centreville was robbed at gunpoint. The suspect was identified through a rental agreement on a vehicle that was used during the robbery. Two days later, the suspect was arrested at his residence in Washington, D.C. A search of his residence led to the recovery of two handguns, a mask, and clothing, all of which were similar to what the suspect wore during the robbery. Property that was stolen from the 7-11 was also recovered. The suspect was arrested and charged.

TALBOT COUNTY

In June 2014, CED detectives investigated an armed bank robbery at the Talbot Bank in Trappe. The suspect entered the bank and brandished a handgun while demanding money, which the teller turned over to him with a dye pack. Within a few hours of the robbery, it was discovered that the suspect and two accomplices had traveled to the Harrington Casino in Delaware and were placing dye-stained money into the machines and cashing the money out (laundering). The suspects were identified, one of whom was the suspect in an armed robbery in St. Michaels. A multi-jurisdictional operation was organized with MSP, Trappe Police Department, St. Michael's Police Department and Delaware State Police. The three suspects were quickly apprehended. The case is currently being prosecuted in Talbot County; however, there is interest in having the case prosecuted federally.

UPPER SHORE REGION DRUG ENFORCEMENT UNIT

The Criminal Enforcement Division, Eastern Region Upper Shore, Drug Enforcement Unit is responsible for the Talbot, Caroline, Queen Anne's and Kent counties. Drug enforcement troopers are assigned to four multi-jurisdictional drug task forces and have partnerships with three federal enforcement agencies.

UPPER SHORE DRUG ENFORCEMENT – 2014	
Investigative Cases	348
Arrests of Drug Suspects	182
Gang Members Arrested	7
Firearms Seized	31
Currency Seized	\$112,593
Vehicles Seized	29
Marijuana Seized	119
Marijuana Plants	221
Cocaine Seized (pounds)	0.77
Heroin Seized (pounds)	0.80
Prescription Pills Seized	2,023
Search Warrants Issued	104

QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY

From January through April of 2014, Upper Shore drug investigators conducted a comprehensive Title III wiretap investigation, which involved a Queen Anne's County-based drug trafficking organization that reached from Maryland to Delaware and Pennsylvania. Two primary suspects were federally indicted and ten others were indicted in Maryland. The Task Force seized cocaine, marijuana and heroin as well as \$12,000 and seven vehicles.

CAROLINE COUNTY

In June 2014, the Caroline County Drug Task Force initiated the first ever wiretap investigation in Caroline County to target a drug trafficking organization based within the county. This organization was responsible for supplying heroin, cocaine and marijuana to the Eastern Shore, Anne Arundel County and Delaware. As a result of the investigation, 25 suspects have been indicted locally and one suspect has been federally indicted. During the investigation, there were 48 pounds of marijuana, heroin, cocaine, eight vehicles, three handguns and \$42,950 in cash seized.

**LOWER SHORE REGION CRIMINAL ENFORCEMENT SECTION**

The Criminal Enforcement Division Lower Shore Region is comprised of criminal investigators assigned to the barracks in Salisbury, Berlin and Princess Anne.

Western Region - 2014	
Investigations	497
Part I Crimes	190
Arrests	183
Search Warrants	96

WORCESTER COUNTY

In June 2014, CED investigators in Worcester County became involved in a cross-jurisdictional rape investigation that originated in Calvert County. It was learned that the victim met the suspect through an advertisement on Craigslist which investigators knew was similar to two other Craigslist rape cases from 2013 that had occurred in Pocomoke. Investigators worked with detectives from the Pocomoke Police Department and the Accomack County, Virginia Sheriff's Office and were able to identify a suspect. As a result of these combined efforts, investigators were able to arrest the suspect in Virginia and close three rape cases.

WICOMICO COUNTY

During the first week of October 2014, six residential burglaries were committed in southern Wicomico County in which guns, jewelry and electronics were stolen. In one of the burglaries, the elderly resident was pistol whipped, resulting in life threatening injuries. Suspects were identified by investigators who learned that the stolen property had been pawned in Maryland and Delaware. Search warrants of two suspect residences were executed and evidence connecting the suspects to the burglaries and assault was recovered. Three arrests were made and stolen items that include firearms were recovered.

SOMERSET COUNTY

In September of 2014, an investigation began into the sexual assault of a child from many years ago. The investigation revealed that the victim was sexually assaulted by her stepfather, under her mother's direction, between the ages of four to 17. The victim gave birth to four children that were fathered by her stepfather. Due to the crimes occurring in the late 1970s and early 1980s, coupled with the victim's children being put up for adoption, investigators found it very difficult to obtain evidence. Investigators were ultimately able to gain enough evidence to arrest both the stepfather and mother for sexual assault.

DRUG ENFORCEMENT - LOWER SHORE REGION

The Criminal Enforcement Division-Lower Shore Region-Drug Enforcement covers Dorchester, Wicomico, Worcester and Somerset counties. Drug enforcement troopers are assigned to four multi-jurisdictional drug task forces and two federal task forces.

LOWER SHORE DRUG ENFORCEMENT – 2014	
Cases	406
Arrests of Drug Suspects	212
Gang Members Arrested	1
Firearms Seized	40
Currency Seized	\$724,592
Marijuana (pounds)	159
Marijuana Plants	989
Cocaine (pounds)	4.5
Heroin (pounds)	2.4
Untaxed Cigarettes (cartons)	2,673
Prescription Pills	352,942
K2/Spice (pounds)	14.6
Search Warrants Issued	185

DORCHESTER COUNTY

Members of the Dorchester County Drug Task Force concluded a long-term, cross-jurisdictional investigation of a drug trafficking organization in April 2014. This organization had operated throughout the Lower Eastern Shore since 1998 and was believed to have distributed cocaine, valued at several million dollars each year. This was the largest drug investigation conducted in Dorchester County. Recognizing that this organization could not be dismantled by traditional means, the Lower Shore Narcotics Task Forces and the Maryland State Police Major Trafficking Unit investigated all aspects of the organization. Search warrants led to the seizure of marijuana, cocaine, three guns, drug paraphernalia, \$464,356 in cash, 10 vehicles and a \$700,000 residence.



HOMICIDE UNIT

The Homicide Unit is divided into four subunits: the Eastern Region, the Western Region, the Central Region and the Cold Case Unit. The Homicide Unit is responsible for investigating new homicides, cold case homicides, police-involved shootings and criminal internal investigations. The Unit also provides assistance to other police departments with homicide and suspicious death investigations. Investigators in the Cold Case Unit focus on past unsolved murder investigations using state-of-the-art forensic scientific techniques such as DNA analysis, forensic odontology and forensic toxicology.

Homicide Unit – 2014	
Homicide Investigations (Primary)	15
Homicide Investigations (Assisting)	9
Police-Involved Shootings	7
Other Investigations	32
Search Warrants	89
Arrests	27

In June 2009, emergency personnel responded to a residence in Kent County for a carjacking. The complainant reported that he had been driving from New York City with his wife, when they were carjacked by an unknown assailant and ended up in Kent County. The complainant's wife was found dead in a field. Investigation revealed the suspect concocted the carjacking story and murder of his wife in order to collect a \$500,000 insurance policy. He was charged with murder, convicted and sentenced to life in prison. The suspect's accomplice remained unknown until January 2014, when a DNA hit was received on a subject from California. The accomplice was indicted, pled guilty and received a 30 year prison sentence.

Troopers assigned to the North East Barrack responded to Port Deposit to assist paramedics with a cardiac arrest in February 2014. Troopers found the victim deceased, suffering from several gunshot wounds. After months of extensive investigation by Homicide investigators, three suspects, all of whom were the victim's stepsons, were identified and arrested.

In August 2014, a hunter discovered a badly decomposed body buried in a shallow grave located in a wooded area in East New Market. The victim had been shot three times in the back of the head. Investigators identified the victim as a missing person from Delaware. Investigation revealed that the victim was an informant for a Delaware State Police narcotics unit and had provided criminal drug information on a male subject, who was believed to be responsible for his murder. The suspect had a female acquaintance communicate with the victim to set up a date. The female met the victim in Delaware. They traveled to Maryland, where she turned him over to the suspects, who killed him. Both suspects have been indicted for first-degree murder and related charges.

FIREARMS ENFORCEMENT UNIT

The Firearms Enforcement Unit consists of two teams of highly trained troopers who are responsible for the entire State. The Firearms Enforcement Team is comprised of investigators who are responsible for a wide array of firearms of investigations that are both self-generated, developed through the MSP Licensing Division or developed from other MSP units. They also investigate cases that are referred from allied agencies such as the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives.

Firearms Enforcement Unit – 2014	
Firearms Seized	894
Regulated Firearms	404
Non-regulated Firearms	490
Criminal Arrests	97
Search and Seizure Warrants	87
New Investigations Initiated	423
Persons Interviewed	756

The Firearms Enforcement Unit is also responsible for the Maryland Gun Center. The Maryland Gun Center, which opened January 1, 2013, was established in an effort to reduce gun crime and assist State and local law enforcement. This 24/7 operation is a much-needed tool that is available to any prosecutor or law enforcement officer to assist with the interpretation and prosecution of both federal and State firearms laws. These investigators ensure that each person arrested for a gun violation is charged appropriately and as completely as possible. In 2014, the Gun Center received 4,753 calls for service.

In January 2014, the Firearms Enforcement Unit assisted troopers from the McHenry Barrack after a suspect ran in to a wooded area following a traffic stop. Although the suspect was not located, troopers observed a rifle in the vehicle. Troopers were able to identify the operator and contacted investigators at the Maryland Gun Center, who determined that the operator was prohibited from possessing firearms. The Firearms Enforcement Unit continued the investigation and were able to obtain a search warrant for the suspect's residence, which led to the seizure of 16 firearms. The suspect was arrested without incident.



In November 2014, an officer from the Baltimore Police Department contacted the Gun Center and advised that he had arrested a suspect, who was in possession of a loaded .45 caliber pistol. Maryland Gun Center personnel determined that the firearm was reported stolen to the Frederick Police Department and that the suspect was prohibited from possessing firearms due to prior felony convictions. Maryland Gun Center investigators recommended eight firearms-related charges, and the suspect was held without bail.

CRIMINAL ENFORCEMENT DIVISION - CENTRAL SOUTH REGION

The Criminal Enforcement Division Central South Region encompasses seven barracks in the six southern counties. The region is comprised of 13 troopers who are responsible for conducting criminal investigations within the region. Two Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) agents are co-located with Central South Region troopers. Troopers and agents join forces to work cases that meet federal guidelines ensuring federal prosecutions for qualifying crimes.

Central South Region - 2014	
Investigations	233
Part I Crimes	47
Part II Crimes	107
Part III Crimes	79
Arrests	103
Search Warrants	91
Firearms Seized	51

ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY

In February of 2014, investigators were contacted by the US State Department regarding a theft and fraud investigation with potential international ties. Investigators, assisted by HSI and State Department agents, identified an international theft ring that was purchasing large items with fraudulent credit cards and exporting the items to other countries. Investigators conducted a controlled delivery of a generator which was purchased fraudulently. Following the controlled delivery, the suspect was arrested and currently awaits trial.

CALVERT COUNTY

In January 2014, Prince Frederick Barrack troopers and investigators from CED Central South Region responded to a residence in Lusby for a burglary in which 50 firearms had been stolen and transported to North Carolina to be sold. Investigators, assisted by HSI agents, identified the suspect and tracked him to North Carolina, where he was arrested on an unrelated offense. Investigators and an HSI agent responded to North Carolina, where the suspect waived extradition, was brought back to Maryland, and was charged with burglary and theft. Twenty-two of the 50 stolen guns were recovered.

ST. MARY’S COUNTY

In June 2014, troopers from the Leonardtown Barrack and CED Central South Region investigators responded to a jewelry store in Charlotte Hall for a reported armed robbery. Two suspects entered the jewelry store brandishing assault weapons and stole a substantial amount of jewelry. Investigators identified suspects who were also being investigated by the St. Mary’s County Sheriff’s Office. A collaborative effort led by MSP that included the St. Mary’s County Sheriff’s Office, the FBI, the Maryland State Apprehension Team, and the Special Tactical Assault Team Element resulted in the arrest of two suspects and the recovery of some of the jewelry. One of the suspects provided a confession and both suspects await trials on both State and federal charges.

PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY

In March 2014, investigators and HSI agents began investigating a major heroin trafficking organization operating in Prince George’s County, Anne Arundel County and New York. An extensive investigation allowed investigators to identify the hierarchy of the organization. Investigators arranged an undercover buy/bust operation involving the leader of the organization. The operation led to the recovery of 339 grams of heroin. Investigators executed a search and seizure warrant on a residence frequented by the suspect, which resulted in heroin packaging materials being seized. The suspect is facing state and federal charges and is cooperating with investigators.

**MARIJUANA ERADICATION UNIT**

The Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) Domestic Cannabis Eradication and Suppression Program supports all Maryland law enforcement agencies in the eradication of domestically cultivated marijuana. The Marijuana Eradication Unit (MEU) administers this program through the use and oversight of a federal grant provided to the Maryland State Police and works to identify and dismantle marijuana grow operations

Marijuana Eradication Unit - 2014	
Marijuana Plants Seized	5,638
Bulk Marijuana (pounds)	111
Weapons Seized	141
Grow Sites Eradicated	93
Suspects Arrested	70

throughout the State. The MEU Coordinator works closely with the DEA, the Maryland Army National Guard Counter Drug Raid Unit and the Maryland Agricultural Center. The MEU Coordinator schedules all flight missions for law enforcement to fly eradication missions with the Maryland Army National Guard.

In August 2014, the Marijuana Eradication Unit conducted a Marijuana Eradication Flight Mission with the Maryland Army National Guard in Baltimore County. During the flight, Baltimore County detectives observed several suspected marijuana plants and contacted the MEU. Investigators and DEA agents responded to the scene, where the suspect provided consent to search his property. Over 80 marijuana plants were located and 26 firearms were seized.

FORENSIC SCIENCES DIVISION

The Forensic Sciences Division (FSD) has approximately 100 employees who work in three different laboratories and 14 different crime scene offices. The goal of FSD is to provide Maryland law enforcement and citizens with the highest quality crime scene processing, forensic laboratory analysis and expert testimony.

The past year was very positive for FSD. A new Director was appointed in 2014 following the retirement of the previous Director. Almost every FSD group collaborated with another laboratory or agency in 2014 in an effort to improve the Division's ability to serve the citizens of Maryland. The Quality Assurance/Safety Manager worked with quality managers from other Maryland crime laboratories to start a much-needed regional Association of Forensic Quality Assurance Managers to establish best practices for meeting accreditation and licensing requirements. FSD also made contributions to the advancement of education and self-assessment on a global level in 2014 when the DNA Technical Leader continued his work as a member of the DNA Mixture Committee on the Scientific Working Group for DNA Analysis Methods and routinely presents DNA mixture workshops that benefit the entire forensic DNA community.

CRIME SCENE SUMMARY								
	Scenes Processed		MSP Scenes		Allied Agency Scenes		Scene Assists	
	2013	2014	2013	2014	2013	2014	2013	2014
Eastern Region	367	303	44%	45%	56%	55%	63	34
Western Region	290	238	75%	70%	25%	30%	27	22
Central Region	247	224	80%	73%	20%	27%	33	26
Totals	904	765	64%	61%	36%	39%	123	82

Casework Summary – Cases Received and Completed								
	Cases Received		MSP Cases		Allied Agency Cases		Cases Completed	
	2013	2014	2013	2014	2013	2014	2013	2014
Latent Prints/Impressions	1,363	1,085	24%	22%	76%	78%	1,418	1,827
Firearms/Toolmarks	676	684	31%	25%	69%	75%	805	488
CDS-Pikesville Lab	8,471	7,462	26%	28%	74%	72%	8,333	7,874
CDS-Berlin Lab	4,987	4,634	16%	26%	84%	74%	4,747	4,900
CDS-Hagerstown Lab	3,600	3,611	38%	32%	62%	68%	3,175	4,140
Toxicology – Drivers (Alcohol & Drugs)	1,063	1,066	29%	32%	71%	68%	1,014	971
Biology	676	542	21%	18%	79%	82%	616	628
Trace Evidence	178	147	47%	69%	53%	31%	100	274
Questioned Documents	32	34	--	21%	--	79%	--	37
Totals	21,014	19,265	26%	28%	74%	72%	20,208	21,139



Central Receiving and Photography Units				
	2011	2012	2013	2014
Central Receiving Unit				
CDS Cases Submitted for Destruction	4,954	5,738	6,330	7,650
Forensic Cases Received	--	--	21,014	19,265
Photography Unit				
Special Assignments	84	203	187	257
Color Film Rolls Processed	45	115	296	173
Color Prints	17,914	7,371	6,023	7,133

Forensic Sciences Division Casework – 2013 & 2014		
	2013	2014
Latent Prints/Impressions		
<i>Cases Received</i>	1,363	1,085
<i>Cases Completed</i>	1,418	1,827
<i>MAFIS Case Hits</i>	234	309
<i>Case Uploads to MAFIS</i>	468	555
<i>Latent Print Uploads to MAFIS</i>	935	1,282
Firearms/Toolmarks		
<i>Cases Received</i>	676	684
<i>Cases Completed</i>	549	488
<i>Case Uploads to NIBIN</i>	375	331
<i>Operation Test Shot Samples Completed</i>	256	132
<i>Samples Processed</i>	31,369	68,883
Satellite CDS Labs		
Pikesville - <i>Cases Received</i>	8,471	7,462
Pikesville - <i>Cases Completed</i>	8,333	7,874
Berlin - <i>Cases Received</i>	4,987	4,634
Berlin - <i>Cases Completed</i>	4,747	4,900
Hagerstown - <i>Cases Received</i>	3,600	3,611
Hagerstown - <i>Cases Completed</i>	3,175	4,140
Toxicology		
<i>Cases Received</i>	1,063	1,066
<i>Cases Completed</i>	1,014	971
Biology		
<i>Casework - Cases Received</i>	676	542
<i>Casework - Cases Completed</i>	616	628
<i>Database - Total CODIS Hits</i>	478	623
<i>Database - Arrested/Charged CODIS Hits</i>	88	104
<i>Database - Convicted Offender Uploads to CODIS</i>	4,752	3,569
<i>Database - Arrested/Charged Uploads to CODIS</i>	4,071	4,144
<i>Database - Case Uploads to CODIS</i>	886	954
Trace Evidence		
<i>Cases Received</i>	146	147
<i>Cases Completed</i>	65	274
Question Documents		
<i>Cases Received</i>	32	34
<i>Cases Completed</i>	35	37

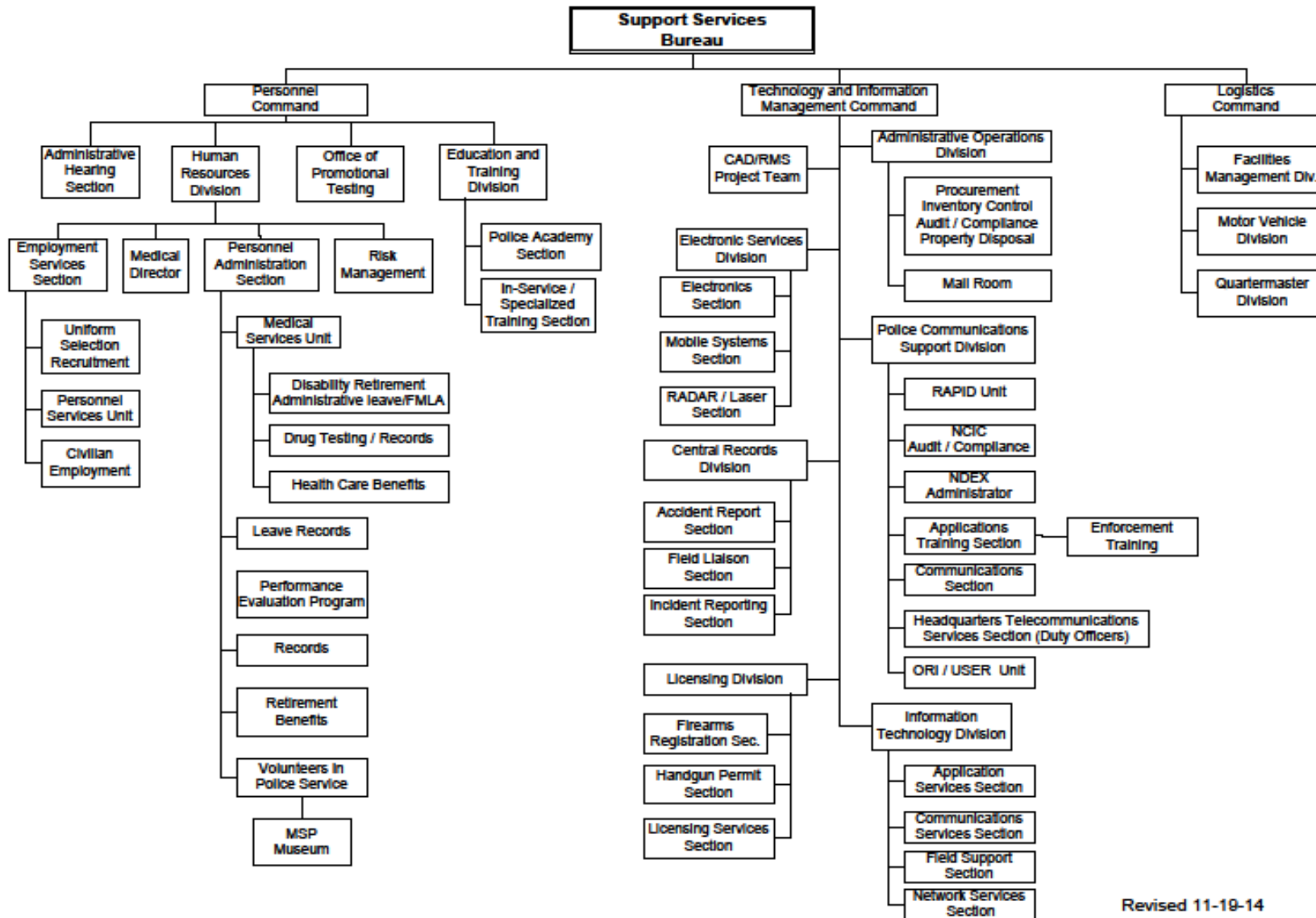


SUPPORT SERVICES BUREAU

The Support Services Bureau provides materials and services to the Department and to allied law enforcement agencies to enable them to fulfill their obligations and responsibilities. The Bureau's responsibilities include all aspects of personnel management, information technology as well as procurement, vehicles and facilities. The Licensing Division is also part of the Support Services Bureau.



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LOGISTICS COMMAND

MOTOR VEHICLE DIVISION

The Motor Vehicle Division (MVD) has 20 garages throughout the State which are staffed by 33 mechanics and electronics technicians. The Division requisitions, maintains, repairs and disposes of all agency vehicles. MVD processed approximately 10,800 work orders for the repair and maintenance of the Department's 1,783 vehicles.

In 2014, the following 194 new vehicles were purchased: 121 Chevrolet Caprices, 56 Ford Interceptors, 12 Chevrolet Tahoes, four Ford Expeditions and one specialized vehicle used for impaired driver testing. There were 149 vehicles taken out of service or totaled and sent to auction.



During 2014, MVD was tasked with developing a viable plan for vehicle replacement and rotation to provide command staff and the Department of Budget and Management (DBM) with a clear understanding of the costs and timelines involved with replacing the fleet. MVD co-authored, with DBM, a vehicle replacement report for legislative review. This resulted in funding being secured for the next four years to replace the vehicle fleet.



As a result of concerns related to the size and storage space of the Chevrolet Caprice, the MVD authored a vehicle assessment report to determine which vehicle would best suit the Department's needs as well as the needs of the patrol troopers. The report covered various issues and included an assessment of the cargo space as well as a survey of all troopers currently driving the Chevrolet Caprice. It was determined that the Ford Interceptor all-wheel drive sport utility vehicle (AWD SUV) best suited the Department's needs.

In August 2014, the Maryland State Police was given \$7 million to purchase vehicles as a result of the vehicle replacement plan. This resulted in the ordering of 171 vehicles for the MSP fleet. Additionally, as a result of the vehicle assessment report, the MSP, for the first time, ordered 50 SUVs to be deployed throughout the State. All 50 of the Ford Interceptor SUVs arrived at MVD in November 2014. The delivery of the 121 Chevrolet Caprices began in 2014, continued into early 2015 and were equipped and deployed to the field as quickly as possible.

MVD maintains all records and analyzes the data associated with Department vehicle crashes. In 2014, there were 475 crashes involving agency vehicles, 62 more than in 2013. Of the 475 collisions, 95 were classified as preventable, 99 were classified as non-preventable and 281 are pending classification. In an attempt to reverse this trend, MVD enhanced the driver improvement policies and awareness. Administrative remedies such as driver training are now imposed upon employees who operate State-owned vehicles. These measures are in addition to any punitive actions taken by the Department.

The MSP Accident Review Board also added a Certified Collision Reconstructionist to provide expertise in determining the cause and preventability of crashes. The Board suspended the driving privileges of 30 troopers in 2014 for preventable collisions, an increase from eight suspensions in 2013.

MVD has implemented numerous cost-saving measures. Many repairs and services that were traditionally performed by outside vendors are now performed by MVD personnel. It was determined that the overtime rate for MVD personnel is approximately 25 percent of the flat rate at a dealership, which clearly represents a cost savings. Additionally, if a vehicle is placed out of service, any recoverable/operable parts or equipment are salvaged for use in other vehicles.



QUARTERMASTER DIVISION

The Quartermaster Division (QMD) acquires and distributes property, services and commodities. In addition, the Department Armorer and the coordinator of certain federal programs are assigned to QMD.

PROCUREMENT SECTION

The Procurement Section is responsible for acquiring services, commodities and maintenance for all units throughout the State. The procurement guidelines are strict and numerous laws and regulations make the process lengthy.

QUICK STATS - PROCUREMENT			
	2012	2013	2014
Purchases	8,680	10,829	10,363
Value	\$35,228,089	\$31,037,220	\$34,932,301

The Department is also mandated, through its procurements, to achieve a 29 percent Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) participation goal. Due to the number of sole source procurements in Aviation and Forensic Sciences Divisions, it is difficult to achieve this goal. However, based on the funds the Department has available for vendor selection, the agency averages a 20 percent MBE rate. In addition, the Department must also award 10 percent of its total dollars each year to vendors in the Small Business Reserve (SBR) program. To help achieve these mandates, a new five-year, \$10,000,000 contract for temporary information technology professional contractors was awarded to four registered small businesses, two of which are also MBE certified.

WAREHOUSE OPERATIONS SECTION

In 2014, warehouse employees processed more than 11,587 orders that were each entered into FMIS. With financial restrictions in place, the warehouse successfully filled requisitions by reducing the quantities disbursed and recycling returned stock in good condition to the field.

The only truck driver position in the Department was filled with a temporary employee who logged nearly 26,000 miles while making more than 175 delivery runs throughout the State in 2014.

CHIEF DEPARTMENT ARMORER

The Chief Department Armorer is responsible for the inventory, testing and repair of duty weapons (firearms), body armor, ammunition and related equipment. In 2014, QMD had 100 percent accuracy in the firearms inventory for all four quarters.

During 2014, the Chief Department Armorer requested and received approval to stock a two-year supply of ammunition, solving the problem caused by a skyrocketing demand for ammunition.

FEDERAL PROGRAMS 1033 AND 1122

The Governor appointed the Department of State Police to oversee Federal Programs 1033 (dealing with surplus equipment) and 1122 (dealing with federal supply sources) and appointed a trooper as the State Coordinator. The State Coordinator must approve or disapprove all requests by any law enforcement agency in Maryland and conduct audits of the 100 participating Maryland agencies.

FACILITIES MANAGEMENT DIVISION

The Facilities Management Division (FMD) is responsible for maintenance and renovations of the Department's facilities. MSP had facilities consisting of over 750,000 square feet of buildings throughout Maryland as well as the hanger for one of our helicopters, Trooper 5, which is based in West Virginia. FMD is also responsible for facility inspections, management of all fuel tanks, energy conservation, water conservation and recycling programs.

During 2014, FMD processed over 3,000 in-house work requests and forwarded almost 300 requests to the Quartermaster Division for procurement with an estimated cost of \$1.1 million. Over 350 additional maintenance requests, totaling \$2.25 million, continue to be deferred due to budgetary constraints

FMD continues to work with the Department of General Services (DGS) to resolve critical maintenance issues. The most critical statewide issue that the Department is facing involves underground fuel tanks. The MSP maintains fueling facilities in dozens of locations. Some have leaked and all must be tested. Many have been removed or replaced and the remaining underground tanks will be replaced in the future.



PERSONNEL COMMAND

ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING SECTION

The Superintendent designates the Commander of the Administrative Hearing Section as the Department’s Administrative Hearing Officer (AHO) to coordinate and direct all Maryland State Police administrative hearings. The AHO is the permanent hearing chairman, who is responsible for disciplinary hearings for troopers, civilian employee mitigation meetings, grievance processes for troopers and civilian employees, emergency suspension hearings for troopers, and administrative hearings from the Automotive Safety Enforcement Division.

The AHO interprets statutes and Department rules, regulations and policies and provides recommendations to the Superintendent to resolve disciplinary matters. The AHO has also been entrusted to impose fair and impartial disciplinary actions against civilian employees. In 2014, the Administrative Hearing Section processed 68 cases.

HUMAN RESOURCES DIVISION

The Human Resources Division (HRD) is comprised of the Personnel Administration Section and the Employment Services Section. It also includes the Chaplains Program, Intern Program and the Volunteers in Police Support Program.

QUICK STATS - HUMAN RESOURCES DIVISION					
	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Trooper Applicants Screened	2,231	2,932	2,544	2,183	2,707
Background Investigations	665	482	463	603	563
Trooper Candidates Selected	114	73	160	110	81
Cadets Processed and Hired	23	23	23	19	21
DROP Applications Processed	43	51	21	27	19
Death Benefits Assistance	23	26	25	27	30

Since June 2008, the labor relations functions have been consolidated within HRD. The labor relations responsibilities include assuring compliance with the State’s collective bargaining laws, assisting in contract negotiations and the interpretation and application of the State’s memoranda of understanding that are executed with the employee’s exclusive representatives.

		MARYLAND STATE POLICE PERSONNEL BY GENDER & ETHNICITY														Total
		WM	WF	BM	BF	AM	AF	IM	IF	HM	HF	OM	OF	M	F	
RANK	Colonel	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
	Lieutenant Colonel	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	4
	Major	5	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	3	9
	Captain	14	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	3	18
	Lieutenant	41	3	4	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	46	3	49
	1 st & Detective Sergeant	72	3	7	2	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	82	5	87
	Sergeant	206	18	32	4	2	0	1	0	4	0	0	0	245	22	267
	Corporal	174	10	29	4	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	206	14	220
	Master Trooper	60	3	13	0	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	76	3	79
	Senior Trooper	77	6	15	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	94	6	100
	Trooper First Class	283	9	44	5	1	1	0	0	6	1	0	0	334	16	350
	Trooper	182	20	29	3	7	0	0	0	13	1	0	0	231	24	255
	Trooper Candidate	18	5	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	19	5	24
TOTALS	Troopers	1136	82	176	19	16	1	1	0	30	2	0	0	1359	104	1463
	Civilian Employees	314	238	43	100	6	6	1	1	4	2	0	1	368	348	716
	Troopers + Civilians	1450	320	219	119	22	7	2	1	34	4	0	1	1727	452	2179

As of December 22, 2014 W=White B=Black A=Asian I=Indian H=Hispanic O=Other M=Male F=Female



MARYLAND STATE POLICE – DISTRIBUTION OF TROOPERS (ALL RANKS)								
	2007 ³	2008 ³	2009 ⁴	2010 ⁴	2011 ³	2012 ³	2013 ³	2014 ³
Authorized Strength	1,590	1,590	1,567	1,565	1,567	1,562	1,570	1,622
Actual Strength	1,522	1,488	1,483	1,439	1,432	1,451	1,484	1,463
Authorized Positions Filled	95.72%	93.58%	94.64%	91.95%	91.38%	92.89%	94.52%	90.20%
Trooper Candidates							25 ⁵	70
FUNCTIONAL GROUPINGS								
Barracks ¹	949	950	930	926	895	870	820 ²	779
Investigative/Sp. Enf./Protection	349	349	331	327	331	364	422	406
Technical/Training	163	122	167	144	149	152	105	188
Administrative	61	67	55	54	65	65	96	89

¹ Includes uniformed patrol troopers and investigators. ² Investigative responsibilities were transferred to Criminal Enforcement Bureau.
³ December ⁴ July ⁵ Position classification created in 2013.

MARYLAND STATE POLICE – DISTRIBUTION OF CIVILIAN PERSONNEL (ALL CLASSIFICATIONS)								
	2007 ¹	2008 ¹	2009 ²	2010 ²	2011 ²	2012 ¹	2013 ¹	2014 ¹
Authorized Strength	808	808	776	778	758	759	796	820
Actual Strength	723	722	733	694	689	686	717	716
Authorized Positions Filled	89.48%	89.36%	94.46%	89.20%	90.90%	90.38%	90.08%	87.32%
FUNCTIONAL GROUPINGS								
Barracks ¹	185	181	183	182	166	160	212	149
Investigative/Sp. Enf./Protection	121	136	134	123	132	134	128	127
Technical/Training	268	240	271	253	253	254	252	272
Administrative	149	165	145	141	147	138	177	168

¹ December ² July

EMPLOYMENT SERVICES SECTION

The Employment Services Section includes the Trooper Recruitment & Selection Unit, the Personnel Services Unit and the Civilian Employment Unit.

TROOPER RECRUITMENT & SELECTION UNIT

Since the transition to the statewide online employment application system, JobAps, on March 15, 2013, trooper applicants receive preliminary screening through an online questionnaire. Approved applicants are provided a link to self-schedule their orientation. This reduces the number of applicants attending the orientation as well as decreasing the rejection rate and withdrawal rate after orientation.

In 2014, recruitment for Class 142 and Class 143 was completed. Additionally, two contractual employees were hired to screen the online trooper applications. This has reduced the administrative workload of the troopers, who are assigned to the Recruitment & Selection Unit and has allotted them with more time to focus on recruiting high-quality applicants.

TROOPER RECRUITMENT		
	2013 ¹	2014
Accessed and Started to Complete the Online Application	7,130	8,603
Completed Part A of the Online Application and were Screened	6,045	7,457
Rejected Based on Drug Use and/or Criminal History	1,149	1,692
Approved to Attend Orientation	4,896	5,765
Attended Orientation	2,334	3,027
Rejected Based on Information Applicant Provided	151	160
Eligible for Testing Elements ²	2,183	2,867
Admitted to the MSP Academy	110	81

¹ March 15, 2013: implemented the statewide online employment application system, JobAps; applications increased 138%.

² Written test, physical exercise test, medical physical exam, polygraph, background check



CANDIDATES COMPLETING PHASES OF THE HIRING PROCESS								
	Minimum Standards	Written Test	Fitness Test	Background Check	Polygraph Exam	Psych Exam	Oral Exam	Medical Exam
2010	1,500	515	670	153	153	177	226	177
2011	2,057	737	802	207	244	234	307	234
2012	1,978	658	854	142	199	230	247	230
2013	2,183	759	827	215	194	141	219	141
2014	2,867	657	764	163	175	157	224	157

TROOPER CANDIDATES ADMITTED TO THE MSP ACADEMY						
		2010 Classes 135 & 136	2011 Class 137	2012 Classes 137 & 139	2013 Classes 140 & 141	2014 Classes 142 & 143
Male	White	94	57	105	75	83
	Black	18	9	25	12	21
	Hispanic	1	1	7	6	4
	Asian	0	2	4	3	4
	Other	0	0	0	0	0
Female	White	6	4	15	13	11
	Black	0	0	2	1	1
	Hispanic	0	0	1	0	0
	Asian	0	0	0	0	0
	Other	0	0	1	0	0
	Total	119	73	160	110	124

MILITARY RECRUITER & LIAISON

In April 2014, a trooper was assigned to the Employment Services Section to assist with recruiting qualified applicants from the military and supporting MSP employees who are military veterans. He established partnerships with the military reserves and the National Guard as well as civilian companies that assist veterans with finding jobs (e.g., Hero2Hired, Maryland Vet Centers, Employee Support of the Guard and Reserve). Numerous active duty recruiting events were attended both in and out of state.

Considerable time and effort was put forth to support the MSP troopers and civilians employees who serve in the military reserves and National Guard. Assistance was provided to the families as well as the commanders with any need that arose. At an awards ceremony the MSP was presented with 23 plaques signed by the Secretary of Defense to recognize MSP's support of National Guard and reserve troopers and civilian employees.

PERSONNEL SERVICES UNIT

In 2014, the Personnel Services Unit (PSU) processed 2,061 personnel transactions, including appointments, retirements, resignations, promotions and reclassifications.

In 2014, the Department of Budget and Management (DBM) introduced Work Day, the new statewide personnel system that automates many practices and procedures of personnel transactions. The HRD Administrator is the help desk liaison.

The PSU HRD administrator continues to be responsible for in depth training and providing technical guidance for the DBM JobAps program to the HR liaisons in Aviation Command and the Office of the State Fire Marshal. The DBM JobAps program is a fully automated online employment program with enhanced capabilities to streamline and accelerate the entire employment process.

PERSONNEL SERVICES UNIT - 2014	
Transactions	2,061
Promotion/Reclassification	556
Position Studies	42
Acting Capacity Requests	52
Hiring Freeze Exemptions	89



CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT UNIT

In 2014, this unit completed the successful recruitment and selection of 91 full-time, permanent employees and 11 contractual employees, which was a 12-percent increase over 2013. This included hiring 29 pilots to meet the demands of the new Aviation Command helicopter fleet.

PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATIVE SECTION

MEDICAL SERVICES UNIT

The Medical Services Unit (MSU) provides clinical and administrative services to all MSP employees and trooper applicants. Trooper applicants, newly hired civilian employees and STATE Team physicals are conducted in the MSU. Vaccinations are administered to eligible MSP employees. Daily "sick call" is administered by the Medical Director to the candidates

QUICK STATS – MEDICAL SERVICES UNIT			
	2012	2013	2014
Trooper Applicants Processed	223	163	194
Hearing Tests Administered	1,538	1,698	1,419
Random Drug Tests	453	599	608
Special Orders for Fitness-for-Duty	12	14	4
Restricted Duty Orders	475	434	451
Disability Retirement Applications	27	13	16
Administrative/Accident Leave Requests	102	109	79
Child Care & Nurturing Leave Requests	69	35	52
FMLA designations processed (new 2014)	-	-	120
Drug Screens (new 2014)	-	-	653

while attending the Maryland State Police Academy. The MSU conducts drug testing for MSP employees and applicants. In addition, the MSU processes all requests regarding restricted duty, leave benefits and health benefits forms. Due to significant changes to health benefits plans, open enrollment was held in November 2014 to allow employees to change their coverage.

LEAVE DESK

In 2014, the Leave Desk continued 15 years of accurate and on-time processing of bi-weekly Work & Leave Reports for 2,200 employees. For 390 consecutive work periods, the Leave Desk has received, processed, corrected and reconciled all leave balances and distributed bi-weekly Leave Balance Reports. The Leave Desk is also responsible for emergency release issues, the State Employees Leave Donation Program, Military Administrative Leave issues and requests and numerous employee inquiries. The Leave Desk also continues to manage the Governor's Service Reduction and Reduction Recovery Days for fiscal year 2015.

RECORDS UNIT AND PERFORMANCE PLANNING & EVALUATION PROGRAM COORDINATOR

The Records Unit maintains personnel files for approximately 2,200 employees, processes all civilian probationary reports, complies with subpoenas for records in 2014 and addresses employment verification inquiries. All full-time civilian employees, except cadets, are required to receive an annual Performance Planning and Evaluation Program (PEP) appraisal. Following the 2014 June PEP reporting period, 741 PEP appraisals were processed for a 100-percent compliance rate. The Records Unit also complied with all subpoenas for records and provided access to authorized persons seeking to review personnel files.

RETIREMENT COORDINATOR

The Retirement Coordinator continues to remain current on new policies and procedures by attending two Department of Budget & Management seminars designed to enhance the knowledge, skills and abilities of Retirement Benefits Coordinators. The Retirement Coordinator also notifies Central Payroll to have deductions taken for employees who are members of the Immediate Death Relief Fund and forwards the monies to the Fund.

CHAPLAIN PROGRAM

At the end of 2014, the MSP had 24 active chaplains throughout the State. There are still some barracks without a chaplain, but recruitment efforts continue. In 2014, the MSP was honored to have new chaplains at the Police Academy, Frederick Barrack, Prince Frederick Barrack and Waterloo Barrack. During 2014, two chaplains meetings were held.



Chaplains continue to participate in graduation and promotional ceremonies, Fallen Heroes and awards ceremonies, the Awards Review Committee, orientation for new Academy classes and the Superintendent’s dinner with each Academy class.

VOLUNTEERS IN POLICE SUPPORT (VIPS) PROGRAM

In 2014, 79 volunteers provided a total of over 6,000 hours of service to the MSP in a variety of capacities. The total number of volunteers continues to drop because fingerprints are no longer done at the barracks. However, six new volunteers joined in 2014 and more are waiting to be placed. Sadly, the Program had four long-serving volunteers pass away in 2014.

INTERN PROGRAM

The student intern program continues to grow as both high school and college students seek internships as an introduction into the workforce. In 2014, the Police Academy had two interns for the fall semester from South Carroll High School and Marriott’s Ridge High School. The department continues to receive requests to accept student interns from high schools and universities such as the University of Maryland, Stevenson University, West Virginia University and Towson University. HRD personnel regularly attend the Internship Fair at Howard Community College to promote and increase the awareness of the Intern Program.

RISK MANAGEMENT

The mission of the Risk Management program is to develop, implement and enforce an occupational health and safety program for the Department which will identify mission-critical risks, assess how to manage those risks and ensure compliance with federal, state and local regulations.

2014 QUICK STATS – RISK MANAGEMENT	
Work-Related Injuries	364 (↓ 15%)
Claim Costs	\$1,342,466 (↓ 29%)
Asbestos Abated	5,320 sq./ft.
Wellness Programs	13

Risk Management partnered with the Injured Workers Insurance Fund (IWIF) to produce the 2015 Maryland State Police Calendar which contains health and safety tips to reinforce training and protect personnel from harm. The Risk Manager also works with IWIF

and the State Employees Risk Management Administration to proactively mitigate hazards. Two recent projects focused on reflective safety clothing and the new “Move Over” law.

OFFICE OF PROMOTIONAL TESTING

The Office of Promotional Testing (OPT) provides the Department with fair, job-relevant and legally defensible promotional instruments and processes that are designed to identify the most qualified candidates for promotion. Candidates, who complete all phases of the promotional process successfully are placed on a rank-ordered eligibility list for their rank, which is forwarded to the Superintendent.

OPT is responsible for the development, creation and administration of the promotional process for all competitive ranks of corporal through captain. By statute, promotions to the ranks of major and lieutenant colonel are appointed, not tested. OPT does not employ the services of any commercial testing or assessment companies. OPT is solely responsible for the development and construction of all written examinations, oral assessment boards and structured résumé boards for each testable rank.

PROMOTIONS TO ALL TESTED RANKS - DEMOGRAPHICS						
		2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Male	White	54	81	198	29	135
	Black	11	15	20	3	14
	Hispanic	2	1	4	0	2
	Asian	0	0	1	0	1
	Other	0	1	1	0	0
Female	White	4	8	12	3	11
	Black	3	0	1	0	2
	Hispanic	0	0	0	0	0
	Asian	0	0	0	0	0
	Other	0	0	0	0	0
Totals		74	106	237	35	165






In October 2014, OPT began developing the 2015 promotional process. The 2015 business needs were calculated to be 121 corporals, 152 sergeants, 59 first and detective sergeants, 48 lieutenants and 25



captains. New for the 2015 promotional process, promotional candidates will have a five minute preparation period to read and make notes for the four questions asked by the oral board.

OPT also provided training regarding the Department’s Performance Appraisal System at the First-Line Supervisor and First-Line Administrator schools. This Unit also assisted with the promotional process for 30 troopers who were promoted from trooper first class to senior trooper and 86 senior troopers who were promoted to master trooper.

During 2014, the Department made 165 promotions to the ranks of corporal through captain using the 2013 eligibility lists which are valid for two years.

PROMOTIONS TO TESTABLE RANKS							
		Eligible		Promoted		Promotion Rate	
		2013	2014	2013	2014	2013	2014
	Corporal	130	105	3	63	2%	60%
	Sergeant	126	81	6	50	5%	62%
	1 st or Detective Sergeant	78	56	15	28	19%	50%
	Lieutenant	24	30	8	17	33%	57%
	Captain	17	17	5	7	29%	41%
All Ranks		375	289	37	165	10%	57%

EDUCATION & TRAINING DIVISION

The Education & Training Division (ETD) consists of the Police Academy Section and the In-Service and Specialized Training Section. The Firearms Training Unit falls under the Police Academy Section. The ETD staff includes 18 troopers and two civilian employees. In March 2014, the Maryland State Police Academy completed the accreditation process through the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies and became the first accredited state police academy in the country.



IN-SERVICE AND SPECIALIZED TRAINING SECTION

The In-Service and Specialized Training Section is responsible for ensuring that current troopers receive the training that is required to maintain their certification as a Maryland law enforcement officer. In addition, the Section provides non-mandated training to current troopers such as Basic Criminal Investigator's, Street Narcotics Investigations and Human Trafficking Investigations.

In 2014, there were 136 days for in-service training, which were attended by 1,645 participants. The Section conducted a three-day in-service for sergeants and below and a two-day in-service for lieutenants. This year’s program was very dynamic, hands-on training, with only seven of the 24 hours of training being classroom-based. Topics included distracted driving, seven points of cover, emergency medical care and active shooter training. This was in addition to online training and semiannual firearms training. In-Service instructors also assisted with 54 Functional Fitness Assessment sessions in 2014 during which 2,069 people were tested.

POLICE ACADEMY SECTION

The Police Academy Section trains trooper candidates who will perform road patrol duties upon graduation. Some of the areas in which candidates receive instruction are officer survival, defensive tactics, firearms, emergency vehicle operations, criminal law, motor vehicle law, physical training and report writing. Instructors help develop self-discipline in the trooper candidates with an emphasis on military bearing and attention to detail. This continues the traditions that have made the MSP such a highly respected agency and instills the professionalism expected from a Maryland State Trooper.



The Police Academy Section continued the very successful Trooper Candidate Acclimation Program. In this program, trooper applicants are invited to attend a weekend acclimation and readiness program to provide them with an idea of what life will be like in the Academy. This program has helped reduce resignation rates by as much as 10 percent. This program has also contributed to increased initial and final physical health and fitness scores.

Trooper candidates meet or exceed all training mandates and objectives set forth by the MSP and Maryland Police & Correctional Training Commissions over a 26-week training cycle. Entry-level training occurs in a residential setting. This training includes classroom lectures as well as interactive and practical learning techniques delivered through scenario-based training.

Two Academy classes graduated in 2014. The twenty-two troopers in Class 141 graduated on March 28, 2014. The 70 members of Class 142 graduated on December 12, 2014.

TECHNOLOGY AND INFORMATION MANAGEMENT COMMAND

The Technology and Information Management Command (TIMC) develops and manages all technology resources in the Department. In addition, TIMC includes the Licensing Division, which is responsible for the transfer of regulated firearms and the licensing of certain individuals, as well as the Central Records Division which acts as the central repository for all crash and crime data in the State.

ADMINISTRATIVE OPERATIONS DIVISION

The Administrative Operations Division (AOD) provides managerial oversight and support to the five other TIMC divisions. AOD is responsible for approving information technology (IT) hardware and software purchases (307 ITD requisitions totaling more than \$6,025,495 in 2014), managing task orders, inventory control and property disposal. AOD also oversees the Department mail room which handled over 200,000 pieces of mail in 2014.

AOD manages all software and maintenance contracts and renewals. Centralized receiving of all IT equipment (5,000 items in 2014) under the direction of AOD has been successful. In addition, AOD also located 3,100 items previously reported missing on the ITD annual capital inventory.

In 2014, AOD improved the IT procurement process and fiscal accountability. They also worked with the Department Property Unit to reduce the amount of excess IT equipment.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DIVISION

The Information Technology Division (ITD) develops, implements and maintains an enterprise-level information technology infrastructure to support field troopers, investigators, support personnel, allied law enforcement agencies, state and local government agencies and citizens. The Division is responsible for the management and oversight of technology projects, the development of budgetary justifications for technology initiatives, legislative responses and customer relations. It also oversees IT policy, security and application development.

APPLICATION SERVICES SECTION

Delta+, the software application developed by the MSP, has become the standard for data collection across the State. Within Delta+ there are modules into which multiple agencies enter information (e.g., race-based traffic data and criminal citation data) that is maintained in a central MSP database.

The Automated Crash Reporting System (ACRS) has been developed within Delta+. All Maryland law enforcement agencies will be required to submit all crash reports via ACRS, as of January 1, 2015. In 2014, over 52 percent of all crash reports were submitted via ACRS.

A module was developed to allow officers throughout Maryland to submit a driver re-examination form to the Motor Vehicle Administration via Delta+. The number of driver re-examination forms submitted by officers tripled within the first year of deployment. These forms indicate that a driver is no longer able to safely operate a vehicle, which has made Maryland roadways safer.

The Electronic Traffic Information Exchange (E-TIX) program has significantly enhanced the capabilities of troopers and all Maryland law enforcement officers. E-TIX, which was developed by ITD,



is the only electronic citation authorized by the District Court of Maryland. E-TIX, which is capable of issuing citations, warnings and safety equipment repair orders, is used by over 14,000 officers and almost 150 law enforcement agencies. The system uses scanners to read the barcode information from driver's licenses and registrations.

COMPUTER AIDED DISPATCH & RECORDS MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

In 2014, the implementation phase of the Computer Aided Dispatch and Records Management System (CAD/RMS) was completed and the new systems was deployed at all MSP barracks. The cloud-based RMS enables MSP to share data with its partner law enforcement agencies (Maryland Transportation Authority Police, Maryland Transit Police and Natural Resources Police) as well as other law enforcement agencies across the country that use the system. Several Maryland counties and municipalities have implemented the system or have plans to implement the system, which will further expand the data sharing benefits within Maryland. The CAD/RMS allows cloud-based and inter-agency sharing and opens the way for statewide data mining and analysis as well as crime and incident mapping, predictive policing and improved resource allocation.

The CAD/RMS provides an automated vehicle locator (to improve officer safety and enable efficient dispatching), HAZMAT locations and address information on calls for service. The mobile application interfaces with the existing CAD/RMS solution and allows the police agencies to self-dispatch, update incident status and view stacked calls from mobile units.

FIELD SERVICES SECTION

The Field Services Section installs and maintains all Department computers, printers, servers and related equipment throughout the State. Although severely understaffed, the Field Services Section met the challenge of rolling out new hardware to many barracks in 2014. The technicians also moved and re-installed over 60 computers and related equipment for Licensing Division in two days.

COMMUNICATION SERVICES SECTION

The Communication Services Section has been managing the ongoing upgrade of the Department's telephone systems. Though the emphasis has been on the barracks, several other sites have been upgraded over the past several years. This year, the Waterloo Barrack received a VoIP Hybrid PBX phone system that replaced a 21-year-old system. This system provides unique six-digit dialing for the IP enabled telephone systems across the State. There are currently four MSP sites using this system with five more planned in the near future. In addition, the Section manages approximately 750 cellular phones for the Department and acquired 300 new phones this year (most at no cost).

ENHANCED 911 SYSTEM

This project was requested by the Emergency Number Systems Board (ENSB) to demonstrate and pilot new Enhanced 911 technology statewide. The pilot project included only the Eastern Shore, but included the option of funding the remainder of the State afterward. This project was designed to allow local 911 centers to send data, including mapping information, to MSP barracks as well as enabling advanced call failover, call return and call transfers with data.

Unfortunately, the vendor has been unable to demonstrate its ability to provide failover and return call data. Therefore, work on the project has been officially suspended. The State and vendor are working towards contract dissolution. The ENSB was briefed, and project funding has been unencumbered.

WEB HELPDESK

Due to personnel reductions, the MSP no longer staffs a live help desk. Instead, all users must submit requests via the Web HelpDesk. During 2014, the system logged 13,501 service calls ranging from password resets to network outages.



POLICE COMMUNICATIONS SUPPORT DIVISION (PCSD)

The Police Communications Support Division (PCSD) was formed in April 2013 to focus on the needs of our emergency dispatchers who hold the title of Police Communication Operators (PCOs). PCSD is comprised of METERS/NCIC personnel, telecommunications trainers, Headquarters Duty Officers as well as PCOs, and personnel assigned to the Regional Automated Property Information Database (RAPID).

In March 2014, the MSP successfully completed the communications accreditation process through the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA). With this award, the Maryland State Police became the only state police agency in the country to have earned accreditation in communications.

METERS/NCIC SECTION

The Federal Bureau of Investigation has designated the MSP as the Criminal Justice Information Systems Agency (CSA) for Maryland. This responsibility requires the Department to maintain the overall integrity of the Maryland Electronic Telecommunications & Enforcement Resource/National Crime Information Center (METERS/NCIC) system in the State through the Criminal Justice Information Systems Officer (CSO). As the CSA, the MSP must assure the security, quality, accuracy and timeliness of the information submitted to NCIC and coordinate the training and recertification of all users of NCIC within Maryland.

In 2014, a new METERS switch was successfully implemented with no interruption to service. An upgrade to NCIC Unidentified Person entries now allows the addition of DNA information if available.

METERS/NCIC - 2014	
Agency User Agreements	1,130
Unique Users	16,192
Entries Validated	172,355
FBI Security Audits	238

This extra feature increases the possibility for law enforcement to identify unidentified persons. In addition, the Maryland Center for Missing and Exploited Children now receives all notifications from the FBI of missing and unidentified persons that may match entries in NCIC. Also in 2014, the National Instant Criminal Background Check System was upgraded to allow law enforcement to determine if a person is licensed to carry a firearm.

TELECOMMUNICATIONS SECTION

The Duty Officers at State Police Headquarters in Pikesville, supported by civilian PCOs, are responsible for the 24/7 operation, supervision and security of the Headquarters compound. They coordinate requests for service with all MSP units and allied law enforcement agencies.

COMMUNICATIONS TRAINING UNIT



With the formation of PCSD, full-time trainers are focused on communications for the first time. The programs of instruction include initial training for new employees as well as continuing education for the 120 PCOs who staff the phones and radios throughout the State. In addition, 45 Communications Training Officers were certified to provide instruction to newly hired PCOs at all barracks.

In 2014, the Communications Training Unit partnered with the Information Technology Division to provided dozens of training classes to all troopers and civilian personnel on the new statewide Computer Aided Dispatch/Records Management System, the Automated Crash Reporting System, E-TIX, RAPID and Delta+. The Communications Training Unit has taken over all end-user training for the 700 MHz radio system.

For the first time in many years, in-service training was provided to all PCOs and troopers who act in the capacity of a PCO. This training was developed and delivered by the Training Unit and over 130 employees were recertified. The Standard Operating Procedures used by all PCOs that were first issued in 2013 were updated in 2014.

The Communications Training Unit assisted the Department of Budget and Management with the development of a written test for PCOs. Training Unit staff administered the test to 700 applicants at six locations in one month.



REGIONAL AUTOMATED PROPERTY INFORMATION DATABASE

The Regional Automated Property Information Database (RAPID) celebrated its five-year anniversary as a joint venture with multiple agencies and states participating. The success of RAPID continues to increase every year. RAPID received three prestigious crime prevention awards in 2014: the International Association of Chiefs of Police Webber Seavey Award, the Governor’s Victim Assistance Award and the Governor’s Crime Prevention Award.



During the 2014 legislative session, the RAPID Unit spearheaded efforts to have automated purchasing machines banned from operating in Maryland. This was a collaborative effort between all Maryland law enforcement agencies, as well as the DC Metropolitan Police Department, to regulate an industry that provides a way for criminals to dispose of stolen property. This legislation helped stop many of the current business practices which seriously hindered the ability to recover stolen property.

RAPID - 2014		
Arrests	1,704	↑ 27%
Cases Closed	2,950	↑ 29%
Property Recovered	\$6,688,666	↑ 32%

RAPID now gives investigators the ability to search craigslist to identify stolen property that suspects are not taking to pawn shops and are attempting to sell, undetected by police.

A new email distribution system was developed to allow RAPID administrators to send information to users and business owners to help prevent fraud.

ELECTRONIC SERVICES DIVISION

Electronic Services Division (ESD) is composed of four groups that provide technical and logistical support to the Department. These groups are Electronics Group, Mobile Computer Systems Group, Vehicle Radar/Laser Group and the Mobile Command Vehicle Technical Support Group.

ELECTRONICS GROUP

The Electronics Group installs, maintains and repairs numerous electronic systems such as the existing radio systems as well as the new 700MHz radios, barrack communications consoles and in-car video recording systems. Despite three vacancies, technicians assigned to the Electronics Group completed almost 10,000 requests for service in 2014.



The State of Maryland began construction of a statewide 700 MHz radio system in 2010. Engineering designs for the new radio system are configured in five phases. The first phase, along the I-95 corridor, was completed in 2012. Phase two was completed in 2013 on the Eastern Shore. Phase three is currently underway in Central Maryland and is expected to be completed in 2016. Completion dates for the rest of the State are pending.

As barracks transition onto the MDFirst system, their radio communication capability increases to all neighboring jurisdictions. For example, Berlin Barrack will be able to communicate with the surrounding counties, Delaware State Police, Accomack County Police in Virginia and the National Interoperability Channels.

MOBILE SYSTEMS GROUP

The Mobile Systems Group is responsible for installing, maintaining and repairing the 1,600 mobile data computers in MSP vehicles. This group is also responsible for software installations and upgrades, joint maintenance and repair of in-car camera systems and technical support for Crisis Negotiation Team deployments. To reduce travel time for troopers, technicians from the Electronics Group have been cross-trained to service certain MDC issues.

VEHICLE RADAR GROUP

In 2014, an additional 46 laser units were deployed to the barracks, adding to the 22 laser units that were distributed in 2013. The repair and certification backlog remained low despite a technician vacancy.



MOBILE COMMAND VEHICLE TECHNICAL SUPPORT GROUP

The Mobile Command Vehicle (MCV) Technical Support Group consists of ESD technicians from both the Electronics and Mobile Systems Group who provide operational, maintenance and transport support for the MSP Mobile Command Fleet. Because each of these vehicles is considered a “Logistical Platform” an ESD technician must be available for each deployment to configure, operate and maintain the systems on board these vehicles while they are being used. In 2014, the MCV was deployed 16 times, with each deployment ranging from one to many days.



CENTRAL RECORDS DIVISION

The Central Records Division (CRD) collects, analyzes and distributes traffic accident and crime statistics and provides copies of certain documents to legally-entitled entities. The distribution of these documents generated over \$100,000 in revenue last year.

The Maryland Uniform Crime Reports (UCR) Program (to which 156 police agencies contribute) is administered by CRD and has successfully transitioned to electronic data submission. CRD personnel resolved over 800 discrepancies in UCR data in 2014. CRD published the 2013 *Crime in Maryland Uniform Crime Report* in June 2014.

REPORTS RECEIVED & DISTRIBUTED		
	2013	2014
Crash Reports Received	79,713	96,076
Crash Reports Distributed	17,582	27,004
Criminal Reports Received	12,386	7,464
Criminal Reports Distributed	1,709	1,775

CRASHES & MSP CITATIONS - 2014				
	2011	2012	2013	2014
Fatal Crashes	456	462	432	415*
Fatalities	486	511	466**	441*
Total Crashes	89,896	90,520	92,586**	96,076*
MSP Citations	360,195	337,934	368,052	362,427

Numbers may differ from those previously reported and may change based on federal reporting requirements.

LICENSING DIVISION

The Licensing Division administers the provisions of the Annotated Code of Maryland and Code of Maryland Regulations (COMAR) related to: licensing and registration of firearms, wear and carry permits, security guards, private detectives and agencies, special police, railroad police and other public safety licensing.

The Licensing Division’s areas of responsibility are grouped into two main categories: the licensing and regulation of professional public safety licenses and the regulation of firearms dealers and transfers of State-regulated firearms.

During 2014, the Licensing Division was able to eliminate every identified backlog and worked to ensure that every firearm purchase application was processed in the timeframe required by law, regulation or policy. Several automation projects continued with the goal of improving service delivery. To help educate gun dealers, training seminars were offered throughout the State.

PROFESSIONAL LICENSING SECTION

The Professional Licensing section focuses on the needs of security professionals and is comprised of several units that are dedicated to servicing individuals and agencies.

SECURITY GUARD, PRIVATE DETECTIVE AND AGENCIES UNIT

During the first few months of 2014, the Security Guard Unit focused on eliminating the backlog of all certification cards. This backlog was created in large part due to a hardware failure that occurred in December 2013 that prevented the Unit from printing certification cards. The Security Guard Unit was able to eliminate this backlog and has continued to process and mail all security credentials to the respective departments within 90 days from the receipt of an application.



In 2014, the Security Guard Unit became notably more efficient through the implementation of new standard operating procedures and the requirement that all employees be cross-trained. Process improvements enabled the unit to reach its goal of processing all applications and issuing all credentials within 90 days or less in April 2014.

SECURITY GUARD & PRIVATE DETECTIVE UNIT STATISTICS			
	2012	2013	2014
Security Guard – New	4,434	4,918	4,483
Security Guard – Renewal	3,576	3,904	3,139
Private Investigator - New	412	452	466
Private Investigator - Renewal	114	112	189
Security Agency – New	32	59	40
Security Agency - Renewal	67	44	39
Private Inv. Agency – New	33	54	36
Private Inv. Agency – Renewal	136	151	108
Dual Agency – New	47	43	5
Dual Agency Renewal	108	73	56

The Security Guard Unit denied certification to 195 unqualified security guard applicants and convened 73 informal hearings. Twelve denials were appealed; however, all MSP decisions were upheld by the Office of Administrative Hearings (OAH).

In addition, 11 private investigators were denied a license because they lacked required qualifications; none of the denials were appealed.

Five agencies were denied licensure, with all five requesting an informal hearing. Two applicants appealed the Department’s decision and in both cases the OAH upheld the denial.

Security Systems Agencies and Security Systems Technicians

During the first few months of 2014, this Unit focused on the elimination of all backlogged applications. This backlog was created in large part due to incomplete applications that were awaiting additional information or required documentation. The Unit was able to eliminate this backlog. It has continued to process and mail all security systems credentials to the respective department within 90 days from the receipt of a completed application.

Three technicians were denied certification; none of the denials resulted in informal hearings or appeals. Two complaints were received by the Unit regarding unlicensed activity by either agencies or technicians providing services. Both were investigated, sustained and appropriate action was taken.

SECURITY GUARD & PRIVATE DETECTIVE UNIT STATISTICS			
	2012	2013	2014
Security Systems Agency - New	71	86	75
Security Systems Agency - Renewal	248	188	102
Security Technicians – New	1,896	2,088	2,263
Security Technicians – Renewal	957	594	645

SPECIAL POLICE AND RAILROAD POLICE COMMISSIONS

During the first few months of 2014, the Special Police and Railroad Police Commission Unit focused on the elimination of all backlogged applications that were more than 90 days old. This backlog was created in large part due to an inefficient business process in which Special Police

SECURITY GUARD & PRIVATE DETECTIVE UNIT STATISTICS			
	2012	2013	2014
Special Police Officer - New	167	193	214
Special Police Officer - Renewal	264	366	328
Railroad Police Officer – New	11	15	9

Commissions, approved by the Maryland State Police, were sitting with the Office of the Secretary of State and/or the Clerk of the Court. Efforts to streamline the process and open the lines of communication with the

executive and judicial branches were very successful and quickly alleviated the problem. Since that time, the Unit has been able to achieve its strategic goal of processing all applications for commissions and is issuing required credentials within 90 days.

In 2014, two Special Police and Railroad Police applicants were not recommended for commissions. One of the two denials was appealed. The Office of Administrative Hearings upheld the denial and agreed with the MSP’s decision to not recommend the applicant for commission. During 2014, the MSP investigated and sustained violations against one entity that holds special police commissions. The entity complied with the orders of the Department.



ADMINISTRATIVE INVESTIGATION UNIT

The Administrative Investigation Unit is responsible for conducting background investigations for applicants applying for a professional license, wear and carry handgun permits and persons seeking employment with the Maryland State Police. The Unit also conducts investigations of complaints against persons or entities licensed by the MSP Licensing Division, internal investigations involving sworn and civilian members of Licensing Division and compliance inspections of gun dealers, security guard agencies and other license holders.

The efficiency of this Unit is critical to the success of the units it serves, particularly the Handgun Permit Unit and the Special Police and Railroad Police Commissions Unit. Ninety percent of the Unit's cases are completed within the required 45 days.

At the beginning of 2014, a new background investigation reporting system was instituted. This system was developed with the input and cooperation of all of the Licensing Division's units that request investigation services from the Administrative Investigation Unit. The new reporting system is more thorough, informative, organized, and produces a more uniform investigation, regardless of the assigned investigator.

As of December 1, 2014, this Unit had been assigned 2,194 cases for investigation and had completed 2,093 investigations. The Unit completed two internal investigations. Both investigations resulted in sustained findings, leading to the discipline of one employee and the termination of another. The Unit conducted nine regulatory investigations, six of which resulted in sustained findings. In addition to its division's responsibilities, the Unit completed 36 civilian and sworn employment background investigations in 2014.

FIREARMS SERVICES SECTION

The Firearms Services Section is comprised of the Firearms Registration Unit, Handgun Qualification License Unit (HQL), the Handgun Permit Unit and the Regulatory Compliance Unit.

FIREARM REGISTRATION UNIT

The Firearms Registration Unit is responsible for ensuring that all regulated firearms transactions in Maryland adhere to State and federal laws. The Unit is also responsible for machine gun registration, Class III firearms reviews and training all new Maryland-licensed firearm dealers.

During 2014, in addition to processing more than 28,000 firearms transactions, the Unit completed the processing of an additional 29,000 regulated firearms transactions from 2013. The backlog was eliminated during a Surge Operation that included allied police personnel. On April 4, 2014, the 2013 firearms application backlog was eliminated and the Surge Operation was concluded.

Calendar year 2014 saw the continued development of the Information System for Applicant Background & Licensing (ISABL). ISABL receives digital images of faxed firearm applications and allows the unit to perform data entry of the applicant's demographic information. It records each individual background check, sends the result of the application back to the originating dealer and has billing/accounting, quality control, and reporting features.

The Firearms Registration Unit processed 28,633 firearms transactions. These transactions represent dealer sales and private sales, as well as gifts and inheritances. The Unit disapproved 346 applications. As a result of the denial, 53 of these applicants requested informal hearings, and six requested formal hearings with the Office of Administrative Hearings. The Unit licensed 37 new firearm dealers in Maryland and renewed another 269 licenses. Thirty-three State-licensed firearm dealers were disciplined in 2014.

HANDGUN QUALIFICATION LICENSING UNIT

The Handgun Qualification License (HQL) Unit, was created as a result of the 2013 Firearms Safety Act. This Act requires that a person selling, purchasing, renting, transferring or receiving certain regulated firearms possess a Handgun Qualification License. The Act also requires any new Maryland resident to register regulated firearms with the Maryland State Police within 90 days of



establishing residency. The HQL Unit ensures that all applications are processed within 30 days as mandated by statute.

HQL UNIT STATISTICS		
	2013	2014
HQL – New	4,775	16,306
HQL – Disapproved	41	27
HQL – Revoked	3	14
Instructors Certified	352	348
New Residents	44	384

The Unit is also responsible for the New Resident Registry and the Qualified Handgun Instructor Program.

In 2014, the Unit disapproved 234 applicants. Twenty-seven of the denied applicants requested informal hearings; one was referred to the Office of Administrative Hearings. Fourteen Handgun Qualification Licenses were revoked in 2014.

HANDGUN PERMIT UNIT

The Handgun Permit Unit is responsible for the issuance of new and renewal wear and carry handgun permits. The Unit is also responsible for the issuance of the Law Enforcement Officer's Safety Act (LEOSA) credentials for retirees of the Department of State Police, which includes the Maryland State Police and the Office of the State Fire Marshal.

In 2014, the Handgun Permit Unit denied 317 applications. The Unit held 70 informal hearings and testified in 33 Handgun Permit Review Board hearings. Of those 33 hearings, the Handgun Permit Review Board overturned the Department's decision once, upheld the Department's decision in 12 cases, dismissed one case and has 19 decisions pending. In these instances, denials are not directly related to new or renewal applications, but may be the result of applications from the prior year.

HANDGUN PERMIT UNIT STATISTICS			
	2012	2013	2014
Wear & Carry – New	2,503	2,868	2,024
Wear & Carry – Renewal	2,980	2,798	3,572
Wear & Carry – Denial	128	724	292
LEOSA – New	49	55	32
LEOSA – Renewal	177	212	248