# Maryland Department of State Police

**2012 Facts and Stats** 



# Maryland Department of State Police 2012 Highlights

<u>Patrol Force</u> - In 2012, the Field Operations Bureau troopers, assigned to a statewide network of barracks, made 463,564 vehicle stops, issuing 302,376 citations, making 6,556 driving under the influence arrests, 4,583 adult criminal arrests, 3,762 drug arrests, and recovering 455 firearms.

<u>Gang & Gun Units</u> - In 2012, the Gang Enforcement Unit made 268 on-view criminal arrests, served 161 warrants, identified and documented 146 gang members, executed 51 search and seizure warrants, recovered 27 firearms, \$37,000 in drug or crime-related money, 61.4 lbs. of marijuana, 165 grams of cocaine, and 2.37 lbs. of heroin. The Maryland State Police Firearms Enforcement Section recovered 923 firearms in 2012. This included 337 regulated and 586 non-regulated firearms. The section increased its arrests by 20 percent with 138 arrests in 2012 compared with 115 in 2011.

<u>Maryland Coordination & Analysis Center (MCAC) Crime Fighting Efforts</u> - In 2012, MCAC implemented four new program areas designed to support the crime fight. Two of the programs focus on capturing and reporting arrests involving gangs and homicides/shootings. These programs endeavor to obtain statewide real-time arrest alerts for crimes related to the three programs and cross-jurisdictional awareness. Of the remaining two programs, one focuses on support to warrant reduction, and the other the expansion/usage of the statewide license plate reader program.

Warrant reduction support began in 2011, flourished in 2012, and will expand in 2013. The program will provide support to existing task forces and agencies with high numbers of violent offenders. In working with the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services (DPSCS), 2013 will bring an added benefit to offender/crime targeting. By accessing DPSCS's Dashboard system, law enforcement can be proactive by querying violent offenders by crime trends in their area of jurisdiction.

<u>Violence Against Women & Children</u> - During 2012, the Special Projects Division (SPD) coordinated with the Department Public Safety and Correctional Services (DPSCS) to explore data driven strategies to aid in the reduction of domestic violence in Maryland. This included the successful implementation of how protective order data is stored by the DPSCS, Information Technology & Communication Division and delivered to the Administrative Office of the Courts, Department of Judicial Information Systems. This procedure allows protective order data to be stored in a database allowing law enforcement to analyze and map data. Also, created was an automatic "system cross check" in METERS for protective order data vs. handgun permit data. This allows for the "immediate" notification to the MSP Licensing Division when a person is issued a protective order and that same individual has a valid handgun permit. Also explored and implemented was the Victim Information & Notification Everyday (VINE) being activated by the interim DPSCS database feed. As a result, VINE is now populated as soon as a protective order is issued by the Court, eliminating the need for law enforcement to enter protective orders into METERS. This eliminated the problem of domestic violence victims not being able to register for VINE.

Cyber Crime: Internet Crimes Against Children - The Computer Crimes Unit of the Maryland State Police (MSP) continues to operate and administer the Maryland Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force. The MSP Computer Crimes Unit coordinates the investigative efforts of the 30 partners within Maryland and provides liaison support to the 61 task forces located across the country, representing over 3,000 federal, state, and local law enforcement agencies. Troopers focus their efforts on cases to include child exploitation, child pornography, child prostitution, human trafficking, and missing children cases. The Computer Forensics Laboratory is comprised of five sworn forensic investigators, one forensic investigator from the Howard County Police Department, and one contractual civilian forensic investigator, who 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 the Department and allied agencies throughout the state, with the majority of the laboratory unit's cases involving child pornography or child exploitation.

**Office of the State Fire Marshal: Record Low Fire Deaths Recorded –** During 2012, there were 44 fatal fires investigated by or reported to the Office of the State Fire Marshal that resulted in 53 fire related deaths in 12 Maryland counties and Baltimore City, a historic record low. These totals represent a 21 percent decline from the 67 fire related deaths resulting from 56 fatal fires recorded in 2011 and is 12 percent below the previous record low of 60 fire deaths recorded in 2006 and 2008.

<u>Warrant Services</u> - Through state and local collaboration, the MSP established a goal to enhance warrant services to swiftly locate and arrest wanted offenders and ensure the number of open warrants was reduced and remained below previous levels. MSP focused on all warrants, regardless of the issuing department or authority. In 2012, MSP continued to participate in the Baltimore Metropolitan

Warrant Apprehension Task Force and the Capitol Area Region Fugitive Task Force. These task forces have contributed significantly to reducing crime in Prince George's County and Baltimore City. The Maryland State Apprehension Team is divided into four regional teams; the Baltimore Team, the Greenbelt Team, the Northern Team, and the Salisbury Team. These Maryland State Apprehension Teams are primarily responsible for the apprehension of the most violent offenders in and from Maryland. In 2012, the Maryland State Apprehension Teams' combined efforts had a major impact on violent crime reduction in Maryland as shown by the following arrests: murder-46, attempted murder-33, abduction/kidnapping-two, arson-nine, assault–first degree-107, child abuse-11, child pornography-four, carjacking-10, escape 19, handgun violations- 68, manslaughter-six, rape-18, robbery-133, sex offense-54.

<u>Maryland Gun Center Established</u> – At the end of 2012, the MSP finalized plans to open the Maryland Gun Center on January 1, 2013, in an effort to reduce gun crime and assist state and local law enforcement. State Police firearms experts now staff an around-the-clock operation that all police officers in Maryland can call when they make an arrest for a gun violation, or need assistance with an illegal firearms investigation. State Police gun law experts will quickly provide insight and information to ensure each person arrested for a gun violation is charged as accurately and as completely as possible under existing state and federal firearms laws.

<u>Support Local Police Departments</u> - During 2012, the MSP assisted various local police departments across Maryland. An example of this support includes assistance provided during the G8 Summit held in Frederick County in May. The MSP also supported the Baltimore Police Department (BPD) during the Star Spangled Sailabration, the July 4th Celebration at the Inner Harbor, Artscape, the Baltimore Grand Prix, and the New Year's Eve celebration. In addition, beginning in September 2012, BPD officers and MSP troopers teamed up to patrol high crime areas in Baltimore on weekend evenings in an effort deter crime. The MSP also supported the Ocean City Police Department, the Crisfield Police Department and other jurisdictions during Hurricane Sandy and other natural disasters in 2012.

Forensic Sciences - In 2012, the Forensic Sciences Division (FSD) focused its efforts on implementing new policy changes required to retain accreditation, movement of the Hagerstown laboratory into its new facility, and maintaining its quality management system. This was accomplished as the Forensic Sciences Division continued to produce high quality forensic analysis of evidence and meet the demands of court dates related to criminal investigations statewide. In 2012, the laboratory received 19,859 cases and completed 19,529 cases, both increases when compared to 2011 with 19,094 cases received and 19,431 cases completed. As seen in the past, approximately three quarters (72 percent) of the cases received in 2012 were from the allied law enforcement agencies. Overall, the casework backlogs within the disciplines decreased.

<u>MSPStat</u> - In 2012, the MSP continued to use a data-driven operational and managerial accountability system entitled MSPStat (aka Compstat) that was implemented in 2011. MSPStat was patterned after and designed to support Maryland's StateStat process that provides the Department with the capabilities to use modern data-driven crime and collision fighting strategies. The program utilizes resources such as crime mapping and the criminal justice dashboard to provide commanders with accurate and timely intelligence. This intelligence provides greater opportunities for the rapid deployment of troopers, the effective implementation of tactics and strategies, and the ability for continuous follow-up and assessment to ensure positive outcomes.

<u>138<sup>th</sup> Trooper Candidate Class Graduation</u> - Lt. Governor Brown and Colonel Brown presided over the graduation of the 138<sup>th</sup> Trooper Candidate Class of 82 new troopers. This is one of the largest and most diverse classes ever to graduate in the history of the Maryland State Police.

RAPID (Regional Automated Property Information Database) - With the 2009 passage of Maryland's statewide electronic reporting law for the pawn and precious metal industry and the May 2010 law requiring junk/scrap dealers to report the origins of their scrap metal inventory to law enforcement, the RAPID program completed its third full year of operation, with continued increases in stolen property recovered, closed cases and criminals arrested. In 2012, the use of RAPID led to the recovery of \$4,867,732 in stolen property and is associated with the arrest of 1,321 criminal suspects and the successful closing of 2,191 cases. Since enacted in October 2009, RAPID has led to the recovery of \$13,160,593 in stolen property, 2,453 criminal arrests, and the closure of 3,588 criminal investigations throughout Maryland. During 2012, the RAPID Team responded to an invitation from the Regional Information Sharing Systems program (RISS). RISS is a nationwide information sharing and investigative support program that serves thousands of local, state, federal, and tribal law enforcement and public safety agencies in all 50 states and the District of Columbia. RISS officials asked MD RAPID to provide input and expertise as they move forward with attempting to build a national secondhand database. RISS would assist law enforcement by establishing a single place secondhand transactions across the country could be located. One RISS member said about MD RAPID, "Whenever I talk to anyone about pawn shop databases they always point to yours as the 'gold standard.' What you have achieved in Maryland is light-years ahead of most of the rest of the world, but by working through RISS we hope that Pennsylvania can achieve some of the same success."

<u>Accreditation</u> - The MSP created the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA) Section on July 1, 2012, to pursue national law enforcement accreditation. Within the first six months, the Accreditation Section completely revised all policies related to personnel and issued the Personnel Manual, one of four manuals being developed. Additionally the section will simultaneously pursue training academy and communications accreditation

<u>Diversity & Inclusion</u> - In 2012, the MSP maintained its dedication to the concept of a diverse workforce and command staff by adopting a holistic approach to this issue. The MSP Council of Advisors on Diversity & Inclusion continues to monitor areas such as administration of discipline, assignment to specialized units, career development, and promotions. This Council enables public and private sector leaders to provide advice and consultation on these matters.

<u>Crime Fighting Technology</u> - Over 2,500 users were trained to use the Electronic Traffic Information Exchange technology in 2012. Of all the citations issued in the state, over 70 percent were issued through E-TIX in 2012. There were over one million traffic stops entered through E-TIX in 2012, which should increase throughout 2013.

The Automotive Safety Enforcement Division (ASED) staff worked with the MSP Information Technology Division and the Motor Vehicle Administration to develop and test an electronic system for safety equipment repair orders to be issued, certified, and transmitted electronically. The E-SERO system was implemented statewide in November 2012. Delta Plus has become the statewide standard for entering traffic data collection for all law enforcement agencies. Throughout 2012, the MSP developed a module to enter all traffic stop data collection elements required by law. All agencies are mandated through the training commission and analysis center to enter this data through Delta Plus beginning January 1, 2013.

<u>Hurricane Sandy</u> - The MSP Mobile Field Force was activated and deployed to the Eastern Shore prior to the arrival of Hurricane Sandy to assist the Ocean City Police Department with evacuation efforts. The Mobile Field Force, augmented by barrack personnel and troopers assigned to specialized divisions, assisted various jurisdictions with the hurricane's aftermath. The Aviation Command responded to calls for service following Sandy that included surge assessment flights for immediate response control and aerial reconnaissance missions for county and local emergency management storm damage evaluations. Requests for mission services were also performed in Crisfield, Somerset County.

As a result of Hurricane Sandy, 36 Maryland state troopers volunteered to assist New Jersey for more than two weeks. They were deployed to Ocean and Monmouth counties. They convoyed to New Jersey and provided law enforcement services to assist strained police services in the region due to the extensive damage caused by the hurricane. The troopers' experience included canine tracking/search and rescue, underwater recovery and marine operations, paramedic certification, criminal investigation and special weapons and tactics. The troopers were stationed at Fort Dix in New Jersey during their deployment.

<u>Unbiased Policing</u> - During 2012, the MSP continued its strong commitment to ensure fair and equitable treatment to all citizens. The Department remains determined to develop the best policies based on best practices used throughout law enforcement nationwide. The MSP has focused on "purposed policing" while maintaining the core values of integrity, fairness, and service. The MSP Recruitment Unit is fully diverse in an effort to fairly represent all of the communities the MSP serves. The MSP has the highest rate of hiring for minority officers, including African-American and female candidates. The Department stays committed to ensuring best practices are in place to prevent unbiased policing, including but not limited to, in-car cameras, 800-hot line numbers allowing motorists to file complaints, training, citizen information brochures and supervisory and management reviews of traffic stop data.

<u>Strategic Plan</u> - At the conclusion of 2012, the Maryland State Police attained an important milestone by issuing its first Strategic Plan in the recent past. The plan will serve as the MSP's guide in the crime fight and will enhance our efforts pertaining to data-driven policing supported by MSPStat and the StateStat process. The MSP has identified five goals to drive its Strategic Plan that are aligned with the Governor's strategic goals. Each goal is supported by a series of strategies with a focus on interstate highways & major roadways, gangs & other inter-jurisdictional criminal enterprises, and support to local law enforcement agencies.

<u>Western Operations Center Opened</u> - The new Maryland State Police Western Operations Center was opened which houses the Hagerstown Barrack, a significantly expanded State Police Forensic Sciences Laboratory for Western Maryland, the State Fire Marshal's Office, allied law enforcement offices, and a large training classroom available to all police departments. The new facility more than doubles the size of the previous Hagerstown Barrack. In addition to an expanded workspace for barrack personnel, other State Police units are able to have regional offices there. The new building expands the available space for the Western Regional Forensic Sciences Laboratory to more than six times its previous space. The new lab will provide expanded room for drug analysis and the future plan is to expand lab services to include latent fingerprint processing.

Vehicle Theft Prevention Council - During 2012, Maryland's Vehicle Theft Prevention Council and the Vehicle Theft Prevention Fund 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 58 percent in total numbers. To address and adapt to emerging trends, the Vehicle Theft Prevention Council reorganized in 2012 by adding a deputy director with internationally recognized credentials in vehicle theft investigation. The Council continues to support established statewide strategies and support community based law enforcement, prevention and education programs, while developing capabilities to provide actionable, relevant and useful intelligence to identify and investigate members of professional vehicle theft organizations and supporting statewide enforcement initiatives intended to remove opportunities for the professional vehicle theft organizations to exploit dated beliefs and efforts of law enforcement. With more than 94 percent of vehicle thefts occurring in the urban counties, relationships have been developed to link data efforts already underway to a statewide hub for the purpose of linking events and suspects operating in multiple jurisdictions. In an effort to ensure the capture of complete and accurate data, the Council's director and deputy director have directed educational resources to not only the most populated jurisdictions, but rural areas as well. From police chiefs to new recruits, community service officers to crime prevention personnel, training and informational briefings on emerging vehicle theft trends and the operations of professional vehicle theft organizations are being conducted to ensure the signs of emerging vehicle theft methods can be identified, are understood and addressed at the onset.

<u>New Helicopters</u>- Plans and details were finalized in preparation for the delivery the new AW 139 helicopters in early 2013. The new helicopters contain the latest in avionics and safety equipment, including terrain awareness warning systems, night vision compatibility, cockpit voice and video recorders, radar altimeters, and advanced instrument flight rating capabilities, all recommended by the Federal Aviation Administration. The new helicopters provide more space in the patient and cargo areas, enabling flight paramedics to have better access to patients and to carry rescue equipment on board all the time.

THE MEN AND WOMEN OF THE MARYLAND STATE POLICE HAVE A WIDE RANGE OF DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES. THE FOLLOWING SECTION PROVIDES A FEW EXAMPLES OF THE EVERYDAY WORK PERFORMED BY MARYLAND'S FINEST.

<u>Homicide Investigations</u> – In 2012, the **MSP Homicide Unit** investigated or assisted other law enforcement agencies in 32 murder investigations. In one of the most notable cases for the year, a Baltimore man was convicted of the murder of a teenager who had disappeared while visiting relatives in Baltimore City. When her body was discovered months later in the Susquehanna River, the MSP Homicide Unit became involved in the investigation. MSP investigators, working with Baltimore PD Homicide, had an integral role in the apprehension.

**<u>Human Trafficking and Crimes Against Children</u>** – Amidst rising state and national concerns regarding human trafficking and child exploitation, the MSP worked throughout 2012 to combat these heinous crimes as documented in these few examples.

- The Child Recovery Unit (CRU) was instrumental in the recovery of a 16-year old juvenile abducted
  in Michigan and being exploited for prostitution in a Hispanic brothel ring operating in Prince George's
  County. The federal Homeland Security Investigations contacted the CRU and advised the juvenile
  was in Prince George's County. The CRU identified the juvenile's location and assisted in the building
  entry and recovery of the child
- In 2012, the **Polygraph Unit** conducted post-conviction examinations of 344 sex offenders. During one examination, a 31-year old sex offender previously convicted of raping a 12-year old girl, admitted to engaging in sexual intercourse with a 15-year old girl since his release from prison. An expedited parole retake warrant was issued and the offender was immediately arrested following the polygraph examination.
- In August of 2012, Easton Barrack "I" investigators executed a search warrant and initiated a child sexual abuse investigation in Trappe. The investigation revealed that over a 20-year period, the suspect had sexually abused six children. The suspect was subsequently arrested and charged with six felony counts of sexual abuse of a minor.

Combatting Gangs – Throughout Maryland, drugs, and violent crime continue to be associated with gangs. With gang affiliation on the rise in Maryland, the Gang Enforcement Unit (GEU) has been tasked with identifying, infiltrating, and dismantling these criminal gangs. During the second week of April 2012, Northern Region Gang Enforcement Unit investigators conducted the North East Criminal Initiative in and around the town of North East in Cecil County, Maryland. Investigators identified an increase in gang criminal activity involving members of the Bloods, DMI, and Juggalos criminal street gangs. GEU investigators worked closely with members of the Maryland State Police North East Barrack, Cecil County

Drug Task Force and allied agencies. During the four-day operation, investigators made 27 arrests, served three search and seizure warrants, conducted 84 field interviews, contacted 18 criminal gang members and identified eight new gang members. Troopers seized \$6,860 in drug money and one vehicle that was used to transport drugs. Additionally, GEU investigators seized two firearms from a Dead Man Incorporated criminal gang member and seized felony amounts of marijuana, Xanax, Methadone, Morphine and Oxycodone.

<u>Preventing Illegal Gun Sales</u> – As law enforcement officials statewide work together to prevent the illegal sale of firearms, troopers assigned to the **Firearms Enforcement Unit** continued to work in conjunction with our uniformed troopers to accomplish this goal. One noteworthy case in 2012 began with a barrack investigation of a regulated firearm used in a non-fatal shooting, resulting in the seizure of 120 firearms that included seven machine guns. The firearm was traced to a 70 year old male who had over 200 firearms randomly placed throughout his home in open view, who told investigators he was unaware a firearm was missing. The investigation revealed that the gun owner had been selling firearms illegally for 30 years.

**Bath Salt Problem** – The MSP continues to combat bath salts and other synthetic drugs. Bath salts, which are sold over the Internet and in various retail locations under multiple names are being used as drugs that can be inhaled, ingested, smoked or injected. The bath salts have effects similar to amphetamines and cocaine but are often packaged with the warning "not for human consumption." During 2012, **Cumberland Barrack "C"** responded to a significant problem Allegany County was having with bath salts. As a result of a four-month investigation into two businesses selling the product, search and seizure warrants were executed on the businesses and two suspects were arrested.

Apprehension of the Most Violent Fugitives through Priority Warrant Services – As the Department continued to work to reduce the number of open warrants statewide, the Maryland State Apprehension Team (MSAT) focused its efforts on the most violent offenders in Maryland. On April 3, 2012, the Circuit Court for Baltimore City issued a violation of probation warrant for an individual who was placed on the Mayor's Top Ten Domestic Violence Offender List. On April 13, 2012, the warrant was forwarded to MSAT-Baltimore for service. An extensive investigation was initiated into the suspect's background to include family, friends, current and prior employers. On the following days, MSAT responded to the area of the suspect's known residence and conducted surveillance with negative results. Troopers assigned to MSAT-Baltimore conducted numerous interviews, learning that the suspect was aware of the warrant and had turned off his Facebook social networking account and powered off other devices in an attempt to avoid capture. Investigators were able to obtain a possible address for the suspect in the Abingdon area of Harford County. Task Force members responded to the address and observed the suspect inside of a residence and made entry through an open front door. The fugitive was placed into custody without incident and transported to Central Booking Intake Facility for processing and warrant service.

Inter-Jurisdictional Crime & Fugitives — With its statewide authority, the MSP is uniquely positioned to lead Maryland in the fight against multi-jurisdictional and cross-jurisdictional crime. We have often heard that "crime knows no boundaries" yet law enforcement in Maryland police within boundaries. The MSP recognizes this missing link and is uniquely qualified with statewide authority to impact crime in Maryland on a much larger scale. Criminals utilize local police boundaries to their benefit to avoid detection and to further their criminal enterprise. The MSP is always prepared to use their statewide authority to take these advantages away. The following two cases are an example of the MSP's success in this area.

- In April 2012, the Baltimore County Police Department initiated an investigation regarding a home invasion with a handgun. Police quickly developed two suspects in the crime. One had a lengthy criminal record and several open warrants ranging from handgun violations to numerous traffic charges. The fugitive was wanted by the Warren County Sheriff's Office in Ohio and in Maryland, being publicized in the Frederick News Post, as "Frederick's Most Wanted." The Maryland State Apprehension Team (MSAT) received information that the fugitive was hiding inside of an apartment in Frederick, Maryland. MSP Gang Unit, MSAT Baltimore, along with members of CARFTF arrived approximately one hour later. Task Force members approached the residence and knocked upon the door with no response. Investigators entered the residence, opened a closet door to clear it, and observed a rifle in plain view. As Investigators approached the hallway, the suspect was observed in the bedroom and was immediately ordered from the room and arrested. During the search of the residence, a 9mm rifle was located with one round chambered over an empty magazine (found during entry), approximately 100 rounds of ammunition, one magazine filled with .380 auto rounds, approximately 30 small baggies of cocaine packaged for distribution, one bottle of PCP, marijuana and ecstasy, a digital scale, and "Bloods" gang related material. The fugitive was convicted in the Circuit Court for Frederick County on numerous drug and firearms violations in October 2012 and, because of his repeat offender status, was exposed to an 85-year prison sentence.
- From January through March of 2012, the Regional Auto Theft Team (R.A.T.T.) initiated an in-depth
  multi-jurisdictional investigation pertaining to the thefts of multiple vehicles. Investigation revealed
  that the suspect unlawfully removed three tow trucks (two (2) from Pennsylvania and one (1) from
  New Jersey). The suspect utilized the stolen tow trucks to steal vehicles in numerous Maryland

counties/cities, usually from repair shops, after hours, while unattended on parking lots. While operating the stolen tow truck, with the stolen vehicle in tow, the suspect would pick up one of many co-defendants throughout Baltimore. The pair would traverse to local scrap yards, whereby they would complete the paperwork in the co-defendant's name to sell the vehicle to the scrap yard. The suspect kept the bulk of the payout (\$400.00 to \$1000.00 depending on the weight of the scrapped vehicle) and usually gave the co-defendant \$50.00. The suspect was linked to sixteen (16) stolen vehicles, thirteen (13) of which were scrapped. The total value of the stolen vehicles was approximately \$120,000.00. At the conclusion of the investigation, the suspect was indicted in Baltimore City on 101 counts of Theft, Motor Vehicle Theft, and related charges. At trial, the accused was found guilty on five counts of Felony Theft, one count of Motor Vehicle Theft, and one count of Unauthorized Use resulting in a prison sentence of eight years, with five years of supervised probation upon release.

LPR (License Plate Reader) Program – The MSP continues its leadership role in utilizing LPRs, as a valuable crime-fighting tool. This technology allows a trooper to patrol his/her area of responsibility and capture the images of vehicles encountered, either parked or moving. LPRs are also mounted at fixed locations throughout Maryland and provide for 24/7 monitoring. The LPR technology automates a process that in the past was conducted manually. With large numbers of agencies embracing this technology, Maryland embarked on a plan to network LPR data collected from these various agencies to one central server, housed at the Maryland Coordination and Analysis Center (MCAC). LPR data housed on the central server is maintained for a period of one year and is made available to all law enforcement agencies, provided that the data search requested is related to a criminal investigation or relevant to the safety of officers and citizens. As of December 31, 2012 there were 371 LPRs deployed statewide from 60 different law enforcement agencies and 262 LPR units networked to the MCAC central server from 44 different law enforcement agencies. The following are but two of the many examples of the program's success in Maryland's crime fight.

- A Golden Ring Barrack "R" trooper was operating a mobile LPR unit on Interstate 695 in Anne Arundel County when he received an alarm for suspended tags. Following the stop of the vehicle, a strong odor of marijuana was detected inside the motor vehicle. It was also learned that the operator's driver's license was suspended for child support. A probable cause search was conducted and revealed two large bags of marijuana in the center console with a weight of 220 grams. Also, between the driver's seat and the center console was a loaded semi-automatic pistol. The driver did not have authorization to carry a loaded firearm and he was on probation.
- A trooper from JFK Highway Barrack "M" was patrolling Interstate 95 in Harford County, operating a vehicle equipped with an LPR, when he received an alarm for stolen registration plate. The barrack was contacted and verified the registration plate was entered into NCIC as stolen on 4/4/2012. The vehicle was stopped and contact was made with the female driver. A check of the driver revealed that her Florida driver's license was suspended 12 times. It also revealed she had three outstanding fugitive warrants in Florida. Florida authorities extradited the suspect back to their state.

<u>Criminal & Terrorist Interdiction</u> – Maryland highways are often utilized to transport and smuggle illegal drugs and contraband monies. Furthermore, intelligence indicates that certain proceeds from the sale of untaxed cigarettes have been used to fund terrorist activities. As such, MSP focuses on these types of crimes on our state's highways as evidenced in the following examples of successful cases.

- In March of 2012, a trooper assigned to the **Pro-Active Criminal Enforcement (PACE) Team** conducted a traffic stop on a 2005 Toyota Sienna for speeding on Interstate 95 in Cecil County, Maryland. During the traffic stop, the trooper detected numerous indicators of criminal activity and observed a large quantity of cigarettes. A probable cause search of the vehicle was conducted. The search confirmed that the large amount of cigarettes did not display a Maryland tax identification stamp. The operator of the vehicle was subsequently arrested and turned over to the Maryland Comptroller's Office. It is believed the cigarettes were being transported from Virginia to New York for sale on the black market. A total count of the cigarettes was 12,510 packs or 1,251 cartons. These cigarettes have an estimated street value of \$74,809.80 with a tax loss to Maryland of \$25,020.
- A JFK Highway Barrack "M" trooper conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle for speeding. The operator was identified by her NC driver's license. A host of criminal indicators were observed and a K-9 was requested. The K-9 handler conducted a free air sniff of the vehicle during the normal business of the traffic stop resulting in a positive alert to the odor of narcotics. A hand search of the vehicle revealed a bag in the cargo area of the vehicle of 70 bundles containing 50 packs per bundle of wrapped brown powder, identified as heroin. Also in the bag was 1.8 grams of marijuana. During the traffic stop, the driver advised she was coming from New Brunswick, NJ and going to NC. The packaging of the heroin is indicative of the sale and distribution of controlled dangerous substances. The driver was arrested and over 1,186 grams of heroin was seized.
- A corporal assigned to the Waterloo Barrack "A", on July 26, 2012, observed a pedestrian walking
  on the shoulder of I-95 and confronted him. During the encounter, a loaded handgun was found in the
  man's waistband. Further investigation revealed the suspect had abandoned a stolen vehicle less
  than one-half mile from the location where he was found. The suspect was charged accordingly and
  the vehicle was returned to the owner without damage.

<u>Criminal Investigations & Arrests</u> – MSP criminal investigators and members of the patrol force are responsible for hundreds of successful investigations and prosecutions on an annual basis. Several examples of this fine work follow.

- A trooper from Salisbury Barrack "E" began investigating numerous burglaries throughout Wicomico County in 2012. Through investigation, the trooper obtained information that led to the identification of five suspects and a multitude of stolen items. It was learned that the suspects physically trained with weapons used during the burglaries. As a result of search and seizure warrants being executed, a total of 20 firearms were recovered.
- Glen Burnie Barrack "P" troopers investigated a theft-from-auto that occurred at an Annapolis Park & Ride lot. Investigation determined that musical instruments and amplifiers valued at over \$2,300 were stolen from a vehicle parked at that location. Troopers promptly entered information about this stolen musical equipment into the National Crime Information Center (NCIC). Days later, investigators were contacted by a member of the Regional Automated Property Identification Database (RAPID) program who advised there was a hit on the stolen items and an individual had pawned the stolen items at a pawnshop in Bladensburg. Investigators quickly recovered the stolen items and obtained an arrest warrant charging the suspect with felony theft and related charges.
- Troopers from the **Leonardtown Barrack** "T" responded to a robbery in progress at a Charlotte Hall gas station and upon arrival, they were advised that the suspect was still in the store. The first trooper arriving on the scene located the suspect in the store and was able to detain him until additional troopers could arrive to place the suspect into custody.
- A Golden Ring Barrack "R" trooper was flagged down by a passing motorist (later identified as an off duty police officer) while patrolling in high crime communities. The officer advised that he heard several gunshots coming from a nearby town home community. The trooper proceeded to the intersection of the entrance to the town home community and then was met by a Baltimore County Police unit, which was also responding to the area after several citizens reported hearing gunfire in the area. Once inside the town home community, a witness approached his patrol vehicle and stated: "It was a black Honda, it was a black Honda." The witness further stated that the black Honda was the vehicle that did the shooting, and that it should still be in the area. The trooper canvassed the area and observed the suspect vehicle and initiated a felony traffic stop. The suspect was detained and found to have bloodstains on his white t-shirt. The suspect was then positively identified by the witness as the person involved in the stabbing and shooting.

<u>Child Advocacy Centers</u> – The MSP continues to support child advocacy centers across Maryland. The **Bel Air Barrack "D"** continues to honor its commitment to the Harford County Child Advocacy Center where one trooper is assigned. Agencies involved in the center include the Harford County Sheriff's Office, the Department of Social Services and the Harford County State's Attorney's Office. During 2012, the trooper assigned to the Child Advocacy Center investigated 60 cases that included child sexual abuses, sexual assaults and physical abuse cases.

<u>Crash Prevention & Reduction</u> – A critical responsibility of the MSP is to reduce the number of motor vehicle collisions, associated deaths and injuries within Maryland. One of the strategies utilized in this effort was employed by North East Barrack "F" troopers who focus on reducing accidents by conducting high-visibility enforcement initiatives and routine patrol traffic enforcement to reduce speed and aggressive driving. The first **North East Barrack "F" Special Enforcement Team (NESET)** was created in 2012 that allows a proactive approach to crime and crash reduction. This team is consistently deployed to areas where they are needed most and can address community concerns based on crime/crash problems and concerns relayed to the barrack commander by community members and/or organization to professionally investigate fatal crashes and to vigorously prosecute them when warranted and appropriate. Another strategy utilized by members of the MSP is to professionally investigate motor vehicle crashes and vigorously prosecute violators when warranted and appropriate. Examples of troopers' work follows.

- A collision occurred on Maryland Route 75 in November 2012 involving a commercial vehicle and a Ford F-450. The impact resulted in the death of two occupants in the Ford F-450. As a direct result of a thorough investigation of the collision by the **MSP Crash Team**, the driver of the commercial vehicle was arrested and charged with numerous crimes to include criminally negligent homicide.
- In March of 2011, a vehicle struck a pedestrian along Maryland Route 6 in La Plata. The vehicle fled the scene leaving behind few clues and no witnesses. La Plata Barrack "H" troopers worked diligently on this investigation for over a year and were able to obtain charging documents for the suspect. The case was brought to trial in August of 2012, and the accused was convicted.

Motor Carrier Safety – MSP continued its efforts during 2012 to ensure that commercial vehicles utilizing Maryland's roadways are properly equipped, maintained and operated safely in accordance with federal and state laws. In May of 2012, the Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Division and allied Maryland law enforcement agencies conducted a truck safety initiative, directing hundreds of tractor-trailers, tankers and flatbeds off the Capital Beltway for safety inspection in a parking lot at FedExField. More than 112 troopers, civilian inspectors and police cadets were part of the operation at the Redskins' stadium, while

on surrounding roads other officers patrolled to identify truckers who attempted to evade the checkpoint. Inspectors checked for defective equipment, falsified logbook entries, unsafe cargo and drugs. More than a dozen trucks were cited for a range of problems, from bad brakes to dangerous tires.

Vehicle Safety Inspection Program - The MSP is responsible, by law, for Maryland's Vehicle Safety Inspection Program and licenses approximately 1,600 inspection stations throughout the state. The Automotive Safety Inspection Division (ASED) initiated an investigation in March 2012, of a state inspection station believed to be issuing inspection certificates without conducting proper inspections. After two days of video recording the station, a check of station inspection records were examined and compared to the video recordings. It was determined multiple vehicles received State inspection certificates without being properly inspected. Several of the vehicles were located and interviews with the owners confirmed that they were not inspected as indicated by both state inspectors at the station. This resulted in the immediate suspensions of the station's inspection license and both inspectors' ability to conduct inspections due to the issuance of inspection certificates without the proper inspection.

<u>First Responders for Medical Emergencies</u> - Law enforcement officers are often called upon to be the first to respond to a medical emergency. This is true for MSP troopers who respond to these type of calls hundreds of times each year. An example of this responsibility occurred when a **Centerville Barrack "S"** trooper responded to an emergency communications dispatch of a sudden death of a 20-year-old female. The trooper entered the residence with his medical bag to find a white female lying on the floor unconscious and unresponsive. The patient's mother was leaning over her as the trooper assessed the patient and found that she was not breathing nor did she have a pulse. Being the only emergency personnel on scene, the trooper immediately began performing CPR until the paramedics arrived. The female was revived and breathed on her own prior to being transported to a hospital. The paramedics on scene credited the trooper with saving the woman's life.

<u>Crime Prevention</u> – The MSP promotes crime prevention strategies designed to keep Maryland's citizens safe from crime. **McHenry Barrack** "W" troopers made great strides by focusing on crime prevention methods carried out through daily town patrols in communities that do not have their own police department. A concept developed in previous years and continued in 2012, the Town Patrol Program outlined a strategy where shift supervisors were to guarantee a minimum of eight hours in each community every month. In addition to their normal duties, troopers spent at total of 904 hours in community policing patrols in 10 different communities.

School Safety & Liaisons - In 2012, Princess Anne Barrack "X," assisted by the Somerset County School Board of Education, developed and implemented the "Safe School Project." The project examined the safety plan at all county schools and put a heavy emphasis on major events such as "active shooters." Safety and evacuation plants were all rewritten and have become standardized within the county. Prince Frederick Barrack "U" provides a trooper who serves as the Calvert County School Liaison Officer. The position is highly respected within the school system and throughout the county. During 2012, the sergeant assigned to this position arrested 43 juveniles, six of whom were charged with drug violations. He also completed 42 criminal investigative reports.

THE MEN AND WOMEN OF THE MARYLAND STATE POLICE SUPPORT THEIR COMMUNITIES AND ORGANIZATIONS. THE FOLLOWING PROVIDES A GLIMPSE OF THEIR EFFORTS.

<u>Special Olympics</u> Maryland - The men and women of the Maryland State Police have actively supported Special Olympics Maryland.

- During 2012, this included coordination of the Maryland State Police Polar Bear Plunge for Special Olympics for the 16<sup>th</sup> year. More than 14,300 people participated and were part of the more than 22,000 people who attended the event at Sandy Point State Park in January. More than \$2.5 million were raised to support Special Olympics Maryland. The 138<sup>th</sup> Trooper Candidate Class alone raised more than \$22,000 to support the Plunge in just 10 days during their first weeks of training in the Academy.
- MSP joined the Natural Resources Police to coordinate the 14<sup>th</sup> annual Deep Creek Dunk in February 2012. Almost 1,000 people jumped into Deep Creek Lake and raised \$165,000 for Special Olympics Maryland.
- Troopers and civilian employees participated in t-shirt sales and the statewide Law Enforcement
  Torch Run for Special Olympics. They also supported Special Olympics events sponsored by other
  police departments throughout the year, including "Cops On Rooftops", road races and golf
  tournaments.

### **Holiday Season**

- Golden Ring Barrack "R" hosted its fifth "Shop With a Cop" event in Baltimore County. More than 50 troopers and cadets teamed up with 50 children for shopping at Wal-Mart, breakfast, and a tour of the barrack.
- Members of the **North East Barrack** "F" held its first Shop With a Cop event for children and helped them buy the presents they wished for from a local Wal-Mart before treating them to lunch.
- Troopers from **Leonardtown Barrack "T"** teamed up with local law enforcement and helped more than 100 children participate in "Shop with a Cop" in St. Mary's County.
- Prince Frederick Barrack "U" troopers worked with allied police departments and helped more than 60 kids have a happy holiday.
- Troopers in Prince George's County and local police coordinated "Operation Santa With a Badge.
- Princess Anne Barrack "X" employees held a holiday community festival attended by more than 500 citizens in a high crime area of Somerset County.
- Members of Easton Barrack "I" coordinated their "Bears That Care" campaign, which has helped needy families on the Eastern Shore for more than 14 years.
- MSP employees across Maryland collected toys for the WMAR TV Annual Toy Drive and then helped deliver the toys in time for the holidays to children at the Ronald McDonald House, Kennedy Krieger Institute, and Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore.
- Current and retired members from the Carroll County area and Westminster Barrack "G" coordinated their Christmas for Kids that included dinner and gifts for more than 100 kids and their families, sponsored by Maryland Troopers Association Lodge 20.

<u>Maryland Food Bank</u> – The MSP developed plans to establish a long-term relationship with the Maryland Food Bank through its statewide network of barracks. The plan that will be implemented in 2013 will include food drive collection points at the barracks, employee volunteer efforts at food bank distribution centers and MSP efforts to publicize the program through the media.

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# VISION The Maryland State Police: 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; and,

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.
- 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.
- ☐ 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 Department of State Police is comprised of the Maryland State Police (MSP), the Office of the State Fire Marshal, and the Vehicle Theft Prevention Council. There are four bureaus in the MSP: Field Operations Bureau, Criminal Investigation Bureau, Support Services Bureau and the Support Operation Bureau, each commanded by a lieutenant colonel. The Superintendent chairs the Maryland Police & Correctional Training Commission, the Handgun Roster Board, Cease Fire Council, and the Vehicle Theft Prevention Council; and is a member of the Maryland Security Council, Family Violence Council, Governor's Executive Council and the State Information Technology Board.

Reporting to the Office of the Superintendent are:

Administrative Hearing Section
Criminal Intelligence Section / Maryland
Coordination and Analysis Center
Executive Protection Section
Fair Practices Section
Fire Prevention Commission
Internal Affairs Section

Legal Counsel Section Legislative Security Section Office of Media Communications Office of the State Fire Marshal Office of Strategic Planning Vehicle Theft Prevention Council

### **Criminal Intelligence Section / Maryland Coordination and Analysis Center**

The Maryland Coordination and Analysis Center (MCAC) staff consists of 71 employees from 26 federal, state and local law enforcement agencies. Members of the Maryland State Police – Criminal Intelligence Section staff are assigned as follows: 30 to MCAC, one to the Washington-Baltimore High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA), seven to the Regional Information centers and seven to the FBI Baltimore Joint Terrorism Task Force.

The mission of the 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.

MCAC units/functions include: Watch Division, FBI/Joint Terrorist Task Force, License Plate Reader Program, Law Enforcement Executive Daily Report, Gang Analysis and Training Unit, Critical Infrastructure Protection Unit, Regional Information Centers, Eastern Shore Information Center, Western Maryland Information Center and the Southern Maryland Information Center,

### **Executive Protection & Legislative Security Section**

The Executive Protection Section (EPS) provides security for the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, and 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 all 188 members of the General Assembly while in session. During 2012, the EPS provided protective assistance to 42 visiting governors and foreign dignitaries and were assigned to the National Governor's Association Winter Meeting, providing security and logistical assistance to all visiting governor's and their details. The EPS also coordinated the US Secret Service and the US Capital Police in logistical planning for the 2013 presidential inauguration.

### **Fair Practices Section**

The Fair Practices Section (FPS) ensures compliance with the Governor's Code of Fair Employment Practices, which obligates the Department of State Police to provide a work environment free from discriminatory practices or harassment of any kind. The FPS continues to train newly hired trooper candidates in the Department's police academy on workplace diversity and federal and state equal employment opportunity laws. Trooper candidates are informed of the Department's discrimination and workplace harassment policy and how to contact and file a complaint with the FPS. The FPS conducts mediation conferences throughout the year resulting in positive outcomes for employees involved in complex workplace conflicts. These mediation conferences de-escalated most conflicts and eliminated the need for more formal intervention. In 2012, FPS processed 34 complaints/concerns dealing with discrimination, harassment, retaliation, unfair treatment, employee conflict, hardships and poor performance. The FPS also handles and responds to citizen comments/complaints generated from the Citizen Comment Brochure troopers

give to drivers of all vehicles they stop. In 2012, of the 546 replies received, 60 percent were commendations, 35 percent were miscellaneous comments, and 5 percent were complaints.

### **Internal Affairs Section**

The internal Affairs Section (IAS) maintains the integrity, ethics and professionalism of the Department by ensuring that allegations and complaints of misconduct against employees are investigated and progressive supervision action is taken to ensure the Department's values are upheld. The IAS serves as the repository for all records of disciplinary action against sworn personnel, all Use of Force Reports and all Vehicle Pursuit Reports.

In 2012, the Penalty Assessment Review Committee (PARC) was created and implemented to ensure that discipline for administrative violations by troopers is administered in a fair and consistent manner.

# **Legal Counsel Section**

The Legal Counsel Section provides representation to the MSP and State Fire Marshal in all civil actions filed in State and Federal courts. The section 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 service to media outlets, 24 hours a day. The OMC provides on-call support to all barracks, divisions and units across the state, writing up to 200 press releases and responding to over 50 breaking news stories annually.

In addition to serving as media liaisons, OMC members use web-based technology to provide information to Maryland citizens. The OMC continually updates the official MSP Facebook page, YouTube channel and the website with useful information, to stay connected with communities throughout the state.

OMC coordinates press events throughout the year, promoting the Department and its specialized units. OMC organizes and promotes several annual events that include the MSP Fallen Heroes Ceremony, the Trooper & Non-Commissioned Officer of the Year ceremony, barrack dedications and other monumental milestones celebrated by the Department. In 2012, OMC publicized the 138<sup>th</sup> Academy graduation, one of the largest Academy classes to graduate in the history of the Department.

OMC publishes agency accomplishments in a bi-monthly newsletter, "The Maryland Trooper". Various Agency success stories and law enforcement information is broadcast in a 30 minute, quarterly produced program, "Trooper Magazine", which airs statewide on cable television.

New in 2012, is the IMPACT newsletter, written and published quarterly by OMC members and available for download on the MSP website. The purpose of IMPACT is to inform the public how the MSP is working to make the state of Maryland a safer place.

For the 16<sup>th</sup> consecutive year, thousands of plungers and dunkers participated in the MSP Polar Bear Plunge at Sandy Point State Park and the MSP/Natural Resources Police Deep Creek Dunk in McHenry, MD. Both events raised over \$2.5 million dollars for Special Olympics Maryland in 2012. The proceeds provide year round sports training and competition for children and adults with intellectual disabilities.

The OMC produced a 30-minute DVD of the MSP trooper who is the **Regional Automated Property Information Database** (**RAPID**) coordinator and the Delaware State Police RAPID coordinator presenting information on RAPID and how the MSP assists other states with implementing RAPID.

### Office of Strategic Planning

The Office of Strategic Planning (OSP) consists of the Budget Section, Finance Division, Special Projects Division that includes the Accreditation Section and Statistical Unit; Inspection and Compliance Division and the Planning and Research Division that includes the Government Affairs Unit, Grants Management Section and the Management Analysis Section.

### **Special Projects**

During 2012, the Special Projects Division (SPD) worked on numerous endeavors and assisted in coordinating many projects throughout the Department. The SPD coordinated with the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services (DPSCS) to explore data driven strategies to aid to reduce Domestic Violence in Maryland. This included the successful implementation of how protective order data is stored by the DPSCS, Information Technology & Communication Division and delivered to the Administrative Office of the Courts, Department of Judicial Information Systems. The new procedure allows protective order data to be stored permanently in a new database that enables law enforcement to analyze and map data. Also, the SPD worked with DPSCS to create an automatic "System Cross Check" in METERS for Protective Order Data vs. Handgun Permit Data. This allows for the "immediate" notification to the MSP Licensing Division when a person is issued a protective order and that same individual has a valid handgun permit. In addition, the SPD worked with Governor's Office of Crime Control & Prevention and DPSCS to explore the possibility of Victim Information & Notification Everyday (VINE) being activated by the interim DPSCS database feed. As a result, VINE is now populated as soon as a protective order is issued by the Court. No longer is VINE populated only after law enforcement enters the protective order into METERS. This has eliminated the problem of domestic violence victims not being able to register for VINE.

The SPD worked with the MSP Field Operations Bureau and the Towers' Association in Maryland to draft towing regulations for use by the MSP. The SPD also assisted the Quartermaster Division in drafting the appropriate contract in an attempt to obtain the services of a towing management company for the Golden Ring Barrack in 2013.

The SPD developed the new Criminal Citation Policy and worked with the MD Courts to develop and distribute an electronic version of the new criminal citation. The SPD also worked with the MSP Information Technology Division to develop a statewide electronic reporting procedure for all criminal citations issued to be in compliance with statute.

**Accreditation Section** began to pursue law enforcement and training academy accreditation from the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA) for the MSP in July of 2012. This multi-year process requires the revision of all MSP policy, an in-depth self-assessment and a site visit from a team of CALEA assessors. Within the first six months, the Accreditation Team completely revised all policies related to personnel and issued the Personnel Manual, one of four manual being published. The process is scheduled to continue until 2015.

**Statistical Unit** throughout 2012, facilitated approximately 28 of problem solving, analysis and accountability meetings (known as MSPStat) with all bureaus and units within the MSP. Field Operations Bureau (FOB) members presented once every three months. During the summer months, these meetings were held within the geographic region of the participating barracks. At the conclusion of each cycle, an assessment of data collection methods, analytical processes and procedures was performed. These assessments identified many obstacles to overcome, thus, many refinements were made throughout the year with input from commissioned officers at every level. Additionally, members of the Statistical Unit developed relationships with many allied department analytical units' and participated in their CompStat meetings.

Early in 2012, the Statistical Unit, partnered with Dr. Laura Wyckoff, of the University of Maryland College Park, Institute for Governmental Service and Research, to provide a block of instruction entitled "Implementing CompStat and Crime Analysis in Maryland Law Enforcement Agencies" for all MSP commissioned officers. The training, which ranged from 1 to 3 days, was provided at no expense to the MSP, to personnel of various ranks. In the spring of 2012, the MSP and the Washington College (WC), Chestertown, Maryland, finalized a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for statistical analysis and mapping of collision and crime data. Additionally, a member of the MSP Statistical Unit has been training at WC on geographic information system (GIS) analysis and mapping techniques. The expectation for WC to produce these products relied heavily upon the ability of the MSP to provide the data; forcing the MSP to evaluate existing data collection models to ensure timely analysis and mapping. As a result, the Statistical Unit developed relationships with

data source entities inside and outside the MSP. As a result, WC created approximately 1,580 products from obtained data related to statewide collision and electronic traffic stop data. As the year progressed, the analysis and mapping of this data became so efficient that products could not be developed until some of the more antiquated processes caught up. This forced the Statistical Unit to find innovative solutions to collect data without duplicating existing methods.

In late 2012, the Governor signed an "Open Data Executive Order" which required each State agency to identify an "Open Data Officer" to represent its department working closely with StateStat to monitor and ensure progress of his 15 strategic policy goals. The Commander of the Statistical Unit was identified as the Department's Open Data Officer.

# Other areas the Statistical Unit supported:

In 2011, the Department of Information Technology (DoIT) deployed the updated State of Maryland web environment. The MSP was given a portion of this web environment to customize and manage its online presence; <a href="www.mdsp.org">www.mdsp.org</a>. At that time, the MSP administration for the Department's web presence was structured for centralized management by MDSP Information Technology Division (ITD). In July 2012, after an analysis of the website management, the Department determined it could best serve its visitors by allowing its employees to create, customize and provide relevant information about local communities they serve. Unfortunately, no training had been provided to employees for its management. As a result, the Statistical Unit authored a written directive, organized and assisted ITD with the training of MSP personnel for website management. This training accomplished the following:

- Reconciled ITD's obstacles related to Department webpage management.
- 2. Provided employees with hands-on webpage management training designed to develop a greater understanding of design tools.
- Standardized mdsp.org internet presence through uniform template design.
- 4. Improved the MSP image/brand by customizing an internet presence that is community specific.
- 5. Expand the Department's website management resources through the mass development of employee technical expertise.
- 6. Increased MSP website's public activity through customized local webpage content and the dissemination of relevant information that is community specific, e.g., community policing, internships, Volunteers in Police Support, crime bulletins, wanted subject information, local press release information and relevant links.

The Statistical Unit assisted with training, assistance and tutorials during the preparation and implementation of the transition. Additionally, the Unit currently develops, coordinates and provides training on the Google Apps environment.

The Statistical Unit has guided, coordinated and developed the structure/platform for a bureau wide data collection process. Each bureau is currently developing and using the Google Apps environment to facilitate the timely collection of data and dissemination of information.

# **Inspection and Compliance Division**

Since January 1, 1979 the Inspections and Compliance Division (ICD), formally known as the Staff Inspection Unit, has been charged with promoting integrity, accountability, and improving Department personnel, programs and operations.

In 2012, ICD logged 135 special projects. One such project completed in 2012, was the Department's transition of its primary duty firearm from the Beretta PX4 Storm to the Glock Model 22 Gen 4. This project was spearheaded by the ICD Commander requiring months of research, evaluation, and testing that effectively demonstrated the essence of the unit's mission; to improve Department operations.

ICD also provided the framework for the Department's Bi-Weekly Overtime Analysis Project. This project produced the ability to provide senior managers a "snap shot" of budgeted overtime vs. expended allotments. The overtime analysis provides management a gauge to monitor overtime and provides real time balancing of remaining overtime budgeted funds.

Another special project was the review and analysis of the Department's use and management of service contracts and task orders. The review and subsequent analysis was required to provide an understanding to management on how the Department fiscally manages outsourced service contracts and related task orders.

During the first 6 months of CY 2012, the Inspection and Compliance Division served as the Department's liaison during our Tri-Annual Audit by the Office of Legislative Audits. The legislative auditors were on site from December, 2011 until June, 2012. In addition to this external audit, from September, 2012 until November, 2012, ICD acted as the Department's liaison during the Department of Information Technology's CAD/RMS Independent Review and Verification Validation Review. During these months, ICD coordinated and facilitated hundreds of requests for information and documents as well as completing as many internal process reviews and other internal management considerations. Upon receipt of the final reports, ICD evaluated the basis of 35 findings and coordinated all action plans as well as drafting and submitting the Department's overall final responses.

In 2012, the ICD continued its responsibility to the Department's Decentralized Line Inspection Program and reviewed, responded to and/or performed 63 line inspection audits. Additionally, for the first time in the history of the Program, ICD implemented, evaluated and assisted in the drafting of a comprehensive decentralized line inspection program for the Office of the Superintendent. Until this year, all units, sections and divisions assigned to the Office of the Superintendent were exempted from performing self - inspections. Included in its functional duties, ICD successfully reconciled the Department's annual firearms and ordinance inventory as well as the Department of General Services Materials and Supplies Sample Audits.

Continuing its tradition of representing the Department at the Maryland State Internal Auditor's Forum, in 2012 ICD was honored when its Chief Auditor was requested to present to the Forum his analysis and subsequent findings of the Department's copier/fax machine lease agreements. At the Forum, ICD reviewed for State auditors its cost analysis of the monthly payments for leasing of OCE copy/fax machines and related services. This analysis resulted in a cost savings for the Department that exceeded \$14,000 per year over a five-year contract. It is expected that this presentation extended the cost savings to other Departments within the Executive Branch

### Planning and Research Division

An important charge of the Planning and Research Division (PRD) is to assist in the strategic planning for Department-wide and division/section/unit specific activities, programs and initiatives.

As such, in 2012, the PRD realized great successes having been provided with a number of exciting, forward-thinking projects that were fiscally and operationally supported by Department management.

### Regional Automated Property Information Database (RAPID)

# Source: RAPID 2012 Year in Review Newsletter

With the 2009 passage of Maryland's statewide electronic reporting law for the pawn and precious metal industry and the May 2010 law requiring junk/scrap dealers to report the origins of their scrap metal inventory to law enforcement the RAPID program completed its third full year of operation attributed with continued increases in stolen property recovered, closed cases and criminals arrested. In 2012, the use of RAPID led to the recovery of \$4,867,732 in stolen property and is associated with the arrest of 1,321 criminal suspects and the successful closing of 2,191 cases. Since enacted in October 2009, RAPID has led to the recovery of \$13,160,593 in stolen property, 2,453 criminal arrests and the closure of 3,576 criminal investigations throughout Maryland. During 2012, the RAPID Team responded to an invitation from the Regional Information Sharing Systems program (RISS). RISS is a nationwide information sharing and investigative support program that serves thousands of local, state, federal, and tribal law enforcement and public safety agencies in all 50 states and the District of Columbia. RISS officials asked MD RAPID to provide input and expertise as they move forward with attempting to build a national secondhand database. RISS would assist law enforcement by establishing a single place secondhand transactions across the country could be located. One RISS member, said about MD RAPID, "Whenever I talk to anyone about pawn shop databases they always point to yours as the "gold standard". What you have achieved in Maryland is lightyears ahead of most of the rest of the world but by working through RISS we hope that Pennsylvania can achieve some of the same success."

The cornerstone of this successful statewide licensing regulatory effort is a standardized inspection and complaint process whereby any Maryland law enforcement officer can work simultaneously with any of the State's applicable licensing bodies; **Department of Labor Licensing & Regulation** (DLLR), **Office of the Comptroller**, and **Motor Vehicle Administration** (**MVA**), to enforce and uphold the reporting and operational obligations of Maryland's secondhand industry.

In 2012, law enforcement filed 55 complaints with **DLLR**, 69 complaints closed, 21 licensees were disciplined and 21 disciplinary orders involving 23 formal complaints were issued with \$58,700 in fines being collected. Since the inception of this collaboration, DLLR has collected over \$150,000 in fines.

Since assuming responsibility in 2011 for ensuring that Maryland's licensed **Automotive Dismantlers**, **Recyclers**, **and Scrap (ADRS) Processors** comply with the State's electronic reporting mandate the RAPID Team has developed a productive working relationship with the **Motor Vehicle Administration's Office of Investigations and Internal Affairs**. This office is responsible for conducting inspections of businesses that are licensed and regulated by the MVA as well as investigating complaints filed against these businesses. During 2012, RAPID and MVA investigators conducted both educational site visits and business/reporting compliance inspections of ADRS who demonstrated or articulated difficulties complying with Maryland's laws. Hundreds of violations were noted in 2012, many being reconciled by written warnings and additional education and training sessions. Others however, represented repeat violations, were cited under the Transportation Article.

There are 193 licensed ADRS Processors in Maryland. When the RAPID ADRS program began, 49 percent of all licensed dealers were failing to report as required. Now, less than 20 percent are failing to report. This successful reporting program is the direct result of the MSP working with the **MVA Investigative Division** to create and implement a standardized inspection, compliance and training program for licensed dismantlers and scrap processors. This partnership helps to ensure legal compliance with the Transportation Article's electronic reporting laws and associated business regulations.

For Maryland the MSP/MVA relationship not only benefits crime victims but it also goes far in ensuring that legitimate businesses who work hard to abide by Maryland's laws are not placed at a disadvantage by illegitimate, unlicensed persons coming to their areas and taking away business. An example of this is occurred on April 30, 2012, when a trooper charged a Talbot County man with operating without a license when he was found posting signs to buy/sell or remove junk cars and generally operating as an ADRS without a license. Further investigation revealed that in less than two years, the suspect had scrapped over 100 cars and earned more than \$45,000 from area salvage yards. The defendant pled guilty and was sentenced to 90 days in jail with all but four days suspended. He was also fined \$500. For his crime of operating without a license the defendant served two weekends in the Talbot County Detention Center.

Summarized, standardized business regulations when partnered with technology scores a huge win for law enforcement in combating theft and other crimes.

RAPID Statistics*	2010	2011	2012
Number of Users	1,559	2,062	2,541
Number of Dealers	756	1,047	1,189
Number of Queries	113,670	578,578	881,246
Scrap Transactions	100,000	758,414	725,518
Vehicle Transactions	N/A	119,737	139,531
Cases Closed	515	882	2,191
Arrests	490	642	1,321
Property Value Recovered	\$3,095,692	\$5,197,168	\$4,867,732

<sup>\*</sup> Case statistics are self-reported by agency and user.

### **Government Affairs Unit**

In 2012, 1,479 bills were presented to the House and 1,101 bills to the Senate for a total of 2,580 bills. The MSP Government Affairs Unit handled 495 House bills and 340 Senate bills for a total of 835 bills. The Unit supported 43 House bills; of the bills supported, 27 House bills failed in Committee, and 16 House bills were signed by the Governor. The Unit also supported 35 Senate bills; of the bills supported, 19 Senate bills failed in Committee, and 16 Senate bills were signed by the Governor. The Unit opposed 23 House bills; of the bills that were opposed, all failed in Committee. The Unit opposed 8 Senate bills; of the bills opposed, all failed in Committee. 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.

# **Grants Management Section**

The Maryland Department of State Police Grants Management Section received 38 grant awards totaling more than \$3,000,000 in 2012, 1.2 million was awarded for personnel at the Maryland Coordination and Analysis Center. The grants received were from federal and state agencies to further the mission of the Department of State Police and were for projects relating to the Secondhand Asset Monitoring, Internet Crimes Against Children, Port Security, DNA Backlog Reduction and various other law enforcement programs. The Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention provided grant funds to host a class, attended by MSP troopers and allied law enforcement personnel, on State and federal gun laws that may be used to charge and prosecute offenders. Almost \$500,000 of grant funding was received in 2012 for the Forensic Sciences Division. Included were funds to analyze DNA samples from convicted offenders at the laboratory, outsource DNA samples from crimes, and improve the operations of the division.

### Select Grants Administered by the Maryland Department of State Police in 2012

Auto Theft Support and Reduction\$ 125,8	
DNA Backlog/Convicted offender Program\$ 455,9	80
Gun Violence Reduction & Warrant Service\$ 90,6	40
Marijuana Eradication\$ 85,0	00
Maryland State Highway Operations\$ 320,0	00
Polygraph Unit\$ 206,3	00
School Bus Monitoring\$ 141,5	00

### **Management Analysis Section**

In 2012 this section published 12 general and 21 special orders, revisions to 19 sections of the Administrative and Patrol manuals, published the Department's 2012 Annual Report and Managing For Results report. This section responded to 196 requests for information from other states and the Ontario Provincial Police and responded to 57 requests for information from police agencies in Maryland. Coordinated the approval, submission and publishing of two COMAR revisions for the Office of the State Fire Marshal. Coordinated the revision of 12 department forms and conducted the annul forms inventory that required verifying the status of approximately 768 forms. Submitted 16 requests for information via the State & Provincial Police Planning Officers (SPPPO) listsery, coordinated the replies and as needed summarized the replies for distribution to the SPPPO members and the requestor of the information. Coordinated and compiled the replies of a review of all Department of State Police Code of Maryland Regulations (COMAR). Coordination the production of a 30 minute DVD of the MSP trooper who is the Regional Automated Property Information Database (RAPID) coordinator and the Delaware State Police RAPID coordinator presenting information on RAPD and how the MSP assists other states with implementing RAPID. The DVD was distributed at the annual SPPPO conference.

### **Handgun Roster Board**

Established by Maryland statute, the Handgun Roaster Board consists of 11 members: 10 appointed by the Governor, one who serves as an ex officio member, and the Secretary of the Department of State Police who serves as the chairman. The Board compiles and maintains a roster of handguns authorized for sale in Maryland that are useful for legitimate sporting, self-protection or law enforcement purposes. In 2012, the Board met 4 times and processed 73 petitions. The Board approved and added to the list the following: 54 new firearms, 12 caliber additions and 4 model additions. Additionally, 3 petitions were tabled, of

which 2 were later withdrawn by the petitioners and one tabled petition was carried over to the 2013 agenda. The Handgun Roster Board also submitted the annual personal handgun technology to Maryland Legislators, as well as published and distributed (twice a year) the list of handguns approved for sale in Maryland, to all Maryland regulated firearm dealers.

### **Property Unit**

The Property Unit is charged with receiving, holding and disposing of all non-departmental property that is recovered as evidence, lost/found property or property otherwise received by sworn personnel in the performance of their duties. This included receiving and storing all vehicles seized by troopers involving controlled dangerous substances (CDS) or gambling violations pending court ordered forfeiture. In 2012, the Unit processed 16,239 property records that included records for all items seized by MSP personnel, the CDS items the Forensic Sciences Division destroyed and property sent to the Unit for disposition. The property consisted of items for resale, items considered contraband with no resale value for destruction and weapons for destruction or conversion to law enforcement use. In 2012, the Unit received and processed 63 seized motor vehicles pending forfeiture proceedings and disposed of 60 vehicles with 20 of those forfeited to the MSP. In 2012, using GovDeals.com, \$17,310 was netted from auctioning resalable seized property.

### **Vehicle Theft Prevention Council**

Subtitle 2-702 of the Public Safety Article establishes the Vehicle Theft Prevention Council and Vehicle Theft Prevention Fund to assist in the prevention and deterrence of vehicle theft and related crimes, including vandalism and theft of property from vehicles. The Council develops statewide strategies; and awards grants to support community-based law enforcement, prevention and education, juvenile and prosecution programs. The Vehicle Theft Prevention Council (Council) is in its 18th year of service to the citizens of the State of Maryland. Council Programs have proven to be highly effective. Since the Council's inception in 1994, vehicle theft in MD has decreased by more than 58% in total numbers.



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 investigation 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 with six regional offices located throughout Maryland.

### Fire Investigations Services

The OSFM conducts fire investigations in 16 of the 23 counties of the state of Maryland. The investigation of fires includes making a determination as to the cause and origin of fires. If the cause of a fire is determined to be incendiary (of criminal design), the State Fire Marshal and Deputy State Fire Marshals conduct a criminal investigation; and arrest, or cause to be arrested, those individuals responsible for the criminal act.

### **Bomb Squad Services**

A Governor's Executive Order improved coordination among the seven Maryland bomb squads and established the framework for the regional response plan, joint training exercises and mechanisms for sharing and analyzing performance data. Maryland's seven bomb squads are strategically located in the State. The explosives expertise expanded in January 2012, with the implementation of the Underwater Hazardous Devices Team (UHDT). Using grant funds, the Office of the State Fire Marshal Bomb Squad trained and equipped four bomb technician divers with state of the art underwater operations equipment.

### **Engineering and Plan Review Services**

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 fire protection engineering advice, guidance, and direction to architects, engineers, and designers with regards to materials and methods to ensure fire protection criteria is in compliance with fire and building codes.

# **Public Fire and Life Safety Education Services**

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, which occur in Maryland. The Agency is one of the primary sponsors of the *Mid-Atlantic Life Safety Conference*, an annual fire prevention conference to promote fire safety. The 2012 featured speaker was Vickie Taylor, LCSW representing the National Fallen Firefighters Foundation; she spoke on, "The Power of Five".

### Record Low Fire Deaths Recorded

Office of the State Fire Marshal: Record Low Fire Deaths Recorded – During 2012, there were 44 fatal fires investigated by or reported to the Office of the State Fire Marshal that resulted in 53 fire related deaths in 12 Maryland counties and Baltimore City, a historic record low. These totals represent a 21 percent decline from the 67 fire related deaths resulting from 56 fatal fires recorded in 2011 and is 12 percent below the previous record low of 60 fire deaths recorded in 2006 and 2008.

Office of the State Fire Marshal Statistics	2011	2012
Fire and explosive investigations were conducted	1,072	965
Investigations were criminal in nature	376	342
Incendiary fires	268	264
Responses to explosive investigations	206	205
Criminal cases closed by arrest (National average is 18%)	41%	38%
Fatal fires in Maryland	56	43
Fire deaths in Maryland	67	52
Fire and Life Safety Inspections were conducted	17,283	16,186
Construction and fire protection system plan reviews were performed	1,599	1,685

# **Sworn Personnel Distribution**

Year	2006***	2007***	2008***	2009**	2010**	2011**	2012***
Authorized Strength	1,591	1,590	1,590	1,567	1,565	1,567	1,562
Actual Strength	1,547	1,522	1,488	1,483	1,439	1,432	1,451
Functional Groupings							
Barracks*	924	949	950	930	926	895	870
Investigative/Special Enforcement/Protection	356	349	349	331	327	331	364
Technical/Training	189	163	122	167	144	149	152
Administrative	78	61	67	55	54	65	65

<sup>\*</sup> Includes Uniformed Patrol, Investigators, and Troop/Headquarters Command Staff \*\*July \*\*\*December

# **Civilian Personnel Distribution**

Year	2006***	2007***	2008***	2009**	2010**	2011**	2012***
Authorized Strength	806	808	808	776	778	758	759
Actual Strength	699	723	722	733	694	689	686
Functional Groupings							
Barracks*	173	185	181	183	182	166	160
Investigative/Special Enforcement/Protection	120	121	136	134	123	132	134
Technical/Training	238	268	240	271	253	253	254
Administrative	168	149	165	145	141	147	138

<sup>\*</sup> Includes Uniformed Patrol, Investigators, and Troop/Headquarters Command Staff \*\*July \*\*\*December

MSP Statewide Traffic Stop Summary Citations							
Violation	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012		
55 Speed	72,394	72,323	69,875	54,542	53,289		
65 Speed	27,787	31,614	35,006	31,376	26,864		
Other Speed	44,358	51,702	43,216	42,097	35,000		
Right-of-Way	9,064	9,810	10,808	11,217	11,353		
Suspended/Revoked	12,669	13,436	14,481	15,086	15,550		
Seat Belt	39,393	40,367	37,887	38,442	36,351		
Child Restraint	810	1,258	1,139	1,233	1,130		
Other	142,318	165,571	151,003	147,378	141,431		

# **Field Operations Bureau**

### **Barracks**

The service the Maryland State Police (MSP) field force provides to the public, to some extent, is determined by the availability of local police resources. The MSP shares calls for service and provides full law enforcement services and functions in some areas of the State. In metropolitan areas of the State, the MSP generally provides patrol services on the interstates and other major roadways, leaving the local policing responsibilities to county and municipal law enforcement.

The following are examples of the numerous accomplishments, incidents and issues the 22 MSP barracks addressed in 2012.

### Waterloo Barrack "A"

- The Waterloo Barrack is responsible for patrolling 19 miles of I-70 from the Baltimore County line to the Carroll County line, 11 miles of I-95 from the Baltimore County line to the Prince George's County line, and seven miles of Maryland Route 100 from the Anne Arundel County line to Maryland Route 29. The MSP also has a Memorandum of Understanding with the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene for major crimes occurring at the Clifton Perkins Hospital.
- On 5/11/12, a memorial sign dedication ceremony was held at Barrack A for Trooper First Class Shaft Hunter who was killed in a motor vehicle collision in May of 2011. Through cooperation with the Maryland Department of Transportation, two signs were placed on I-95 south of Maryland Route 32.
- On 7/26/12, a corporal assigned to the barrack observed a pedestrian walking on the shoulder of I-95 and confronted him. During the encounter, a loaded handgun was found in the subject's waistband. Further investigation revealed the suspect had abandoned a stolen vehicle less than ½ mile from the location where he was found. The suspect was charged accordingly and the vehicle was returned to the owner without damage.
- During 2012, troopers responded to 1,038 accidents and made 20,546 traffic stops. They issued 14,367 citations, 10,943 warnings, and 1,319 Safety Equipment Repair orders. Additionally, troopers made 189 driving under the influence arrests, 144 warrant arrests, 78 controlled dangerous substance arrests, and 48 other criminal arrests.

### Frederick Barrack "B"

- The Frederick Barrack is responsible for patrolling nearly 900 miles of roadway and provides full
  police services on all Maryland, U.S. and interstate routes within Frederick County. Additionally,
  the barrack is responsible for responding to a myriad of calls for service at the Victor Cullen
  Center and the Jefferson School, as well as providing security for Camp David. Troopers work
  closely with the Frederick County Sheriff's Office by sharing primary law enforcement duties in
  their agreed upon area of responsibility.
- The MSP is also contracted by the Town of Walkersville to supply three resident troopers to serve their citizens. The town recently voted to retain the Resident Trooper Program based upon citizen input that troopers provide a high level of police services.
- Over the past 10 years, manpower has diminished almost 18 percent, even though the county has the 3<sup>rd</sup> fastest growing population in the State and has seen, on average, a 25 percent increase in traffic volume on major roadways. Some roads such as I-270, have seen as much as a 35 percent increase during the same period.
- From 5/18/12 to 5/19/12, the leaders of Britain, Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Russia, and the European Union joined President Obama at Camp David for the annual G8 Summit. The Frederick Barrack and Mobile Field Force personnel were an integral part of the security measures leading up to and during this event.
- From 6/15/12 to 6/17/12, the barrack, in conjunction with the Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Division, Virginia State Police, Pennsylvania State Police and the North Carolina Highway Patrol, participated in a multi-jurisdictional effort targeted at increasing driver awareness and reducing the number of motor vehicle collisions on U.S. Route 15. During the initiative, troopers for all four states stopped 509 persons for speeding and 16 for reckless driving. Seven people

were arrested for drunk driving and other 24 people were arrested for various felony and misdemeanor offenses.

• In support of the Frederick City Police Department (FPD), barrack personnel in cooperation with the MSP Gang Unit and Special Operations Division, worked within Frederick City to help quell on-going gang related violence. The initiative spanned the entire month of October and took place each Thursday through Saturday night. The operations consisted of both roving vehicle and foot patrols. Troopers were assigned to work in teams with FPD officers to aggressively patrol specific areas previously identified to have high crime and gang related activity.

### **Cumberland Barrack "C"**

- The Cumberland Barrack has worked closely with allied partners. An example is the barrack's
  working relationship with the town of Lonaconing. During the summer months, the small town
  was having problems with juvenile offenders and drug houses in the town. Saturation patrols
  conducted by barrack personnel, and working with narcotics personnel, significantly reduced
  crime and calls for service within the town.
- During the month of September, barrack personnel participated in a three day enforcement effort within the City of Cumberland along with the gang task force. Troopers and investigators were able to identify eight gang members and supported Cumberland City's crime reduction efforts.
- All law enforcement partners in Allegany County continue to benefit from the C3I Investigative
  Unit. The unit conducted over 400 criminal investigations during 2012 and currently has a 91
  percent case closure rate. The unit was praised by law enforcement from Florida for their efforts
  in interviewing a suspected murder from a 2001 cold case. Evidence obtained during the
  interviews led to the arrest of the suspect.
- Members of the barrack started an Explorer post for youth between the ages of 14 and 21 in September. The post now has nine active members and is expected to expand.
- Allegany County had a significant problem with bath salts. As a result of a four month investigation into two businesses selling the product, search and seizure warrants were executed on the businesses and as a result, two suspects were arrested.
- During 2012, troopers responded to 702 accidents and made 15,541 traffic stops. They issued 9,573 citations and 9,631 warnings. Additionally, troopers made 140 driving under the influence arrests, 251 warrant arrests, 150 controlled dangerous substance arrests, 372 adult arrests, and 61 juvenile arrests.

# Bel Air Barrack "D"

- The Bel Air Barrack has the responsibility for providing full police services in Harford County.
   The MSP currently shares jurisdiction with the Harford County Sheriff's Office by handling all collisions and responding to one out of every two emergency calls on all State and U.S. routes.
- The MSP has formed a partnership with the Harford County Sheriff's Office, the Aberdeen Police Department, the Havre De Grace Police Department and the Bel Air Police Department to create the Harford County Traffic Task Force. The task force maximizes available resources and promotes high visibility enforcement in problematic/high crash areas of the county four times per month.
- The Bel Air Barrack continues to honor its commitment to the Harford County Child Advocacy Center where one trooper is assigned. Agencies involved in the center include the Harford County Sheriff's Office, the Department of Social Services and the Harford County State's Attorney's Office. During 2012, the trooper assigned to the Child Advocacy Center investigated 60 cases that included child sexual abuses, sexual assaults and physical abuse cases.
- On 6/10/12, troopers responded to the Cricket Wireless store in Edgewood for an armed robbery. Upon their arrival, troopers learned the suspect had brandished a silver semi-automatic pistol. After stealing approximately \$900 in currency from the cash register, the suspect grabbed the victim by the hair and forcibly dragged her to a back storage room. Criminal investigators responded to the scene and were eventually able to locate video footage from a nearby business. The suspect was later identified through the use of E-TIX and video technology. As a result, he was arrested and brought to justice for the crime.

 During 2012, troopers responded to over 17,000 calls for service. They issued 17,202 citations and 19,358 warnings. Additionally, troopers made 365 driving under the influence arrests, 345 warrant arrests, 214 controlled dangerous substance arrests, 588 adult arrests, and 89 juvenile arrests.

# Salisbury Barrack "E"

- The Salisbury Barrack, in conjunction with the Wicomico County Sheriff's Office, provides all law
  enforcement functions in all areas of the county outside municipalities. The barrack is
  responsible for handling all traffic collisions on State and U.S. routes and alternates criminal
  calls for service with the Sheriff's Office in all other areas.
- The MSP partners with allied agencies in the Wicomico County Bureau of Investigation (WCBI) and the Child Advocacy Center. The MSP currently supervises WCBI.
- The Chief of the Salisbury Police Department requested assistance to help reduce the number of robberies, burglaries and crimes against person in parts of the city. The barrack provided uniformed personnel who were assigned to ride with city police officers every Thursday through Saturday evening. Troopers were also directed to conduct patrol checks of certain neighborhoods during their regularly scheduled shifts. Enforcement efforts were immediately recognized as a result of fewer gun crimes and robberies.
- In 2012, a trooper assigned to the barrack began investigating numerous burglaries throughout Wicomico County. Through investigation, the trooper obtained information that led to the identification of five suspects and a multitude of stolen items. It was learned that the suspects physically trained with weapons used during the burglaries. As a result of search and seizure warrants being executed, a total of 20 firearms were recovered.
- During 2012, troopers initiated 19,573 traffic stops. Additionally, troopers made 265 driving under the influence arrests and 143 controlled dangerous substance arrests.

### North East Barrack "F"

- The North East Barrack provides full service police functions to the citizens of Cecil County. The MSP has concurrent jurisdiction in Cecil County, excluding the municipalities. The MSP is also responsible for investigating all accidents that occur on all State and U.S. routes.
- During 2012, the barrack participated in a number of community policing initiatives. For example, the barrack hosted the Police Unity Tour as a lunch/rest point during their cross country leg to increase awareness of Fallen Heroes. Troopers also presented displays at job fairs, safety expos, and were in a number of parades. They were involved with the Boy Scouts of America by providing barrack tours and introducing law enforcement careers to Cecil County Public School students.
- North East troopers have focused on reducing accidents by conducting high-visibility enforcement initiatives and routine patrol traffic enforcement to reduce speed and aggressive driving. The first North East Barrack Special Enforcement Team (NESET) was created in 2012 that allows a proactive approach to crime and crash reduction. This team is consistently deployed to areas where they are needed most and can address community concerns based on crime/crash problems and concerns relayed to the barrack commander by community members and/or organizations. This team is also actively involved in warrant initiatives and serving priority warrants. As part of the team's focus on crash reduction, the team members are being sent to advanced accident investigation school to enhance the barrack's reconstruction efforts.
- During the early morning hours of September 29, 2012, troopers responded to a domestic dispute. Upon arrival of the first trooper, the victim advised that her boyfriend had assaulted her. Investigation revealed the suspect had struck her numerous times and had attempted to strangle her with a rope. The suspect fled the scene with his 11 year old son and was armed with a knife. Aviation, K-9, the High Risk Tracking Team and the State Apprehension Team were all called to the scene to assist with locating the suspect. During the search, the suspect was located in a building at a local Girl Scout camp. The suspect was taken into custody and the young boy was found without injury. The suspect was later charged with attempted murder.
- During 2012, troopers made 12,418 traffic stops, conducted 1,679 criminal investigations, and made 1,879 criminal arrests. Troopers at the North East Barrack led all barracks in the State in criminal arrests, warrants arrests and guns seized as well as in criminal investigations.

### Westminster Barrack "G"

- The Westminster Barrack provides primary law enforcement services to the citizens of Carroll County on all state roads within the county, including a small stretch of I-70. This agreement is new to the Westminster Barrack. For 36 prior years the Westminster Barrack provided the primary law enforcement services in Carroll County.
- The MSP maintains five resident troopers in the town Mount Airy and currently has 15 resident troopers assigned to Carroll County. The agreement with Carroll County is to transfer funding for the last 15 resident troopers in July 2013.
- The Barrack has two full time DARE instructors. The troopers are referred to as Youth Intervention Officers (YIO). The YIO is developed as a three tiered approach to provide public safety, prevention and intervention to the youths living in Carroll County. The program provides drug and law related educational programs in the schools and surrounding communities in an effort to reduce crime, drug abuse and violence; and to provide a safe school and community environment. This program has reduced the number of police calls to the schools. This decrease can be attributed to the School Resource Officer Program (SRO). The YIO also works as SRO in the seven high schools and nine middle schools to provide a visible deterrence to crime. The barrack hosted Carroll County Camp COPS program in July. The program was run by the YIOs and was attended by approximately 100 children from 10 to14 years of age. This program is well received by the community and is well attended every year.
- Westminster Barrack maintains an active Explorer Post. There are 20 members who have supplemented the barrack with numerous details such as the 4th of July Celebration, the Maryland Wine Festival and multiple field sobriety checkpoints.
- In October, a selective traffic enforcement team was created to concentrate on areas where
  there is a high concentration of motor vehicle collisions. Additionally, the team responds to and
  addresses traffic complaints and requested enforcement from the citizens of Carroll County.
  The team is composed of two troopers.
- The Criminal Investigations Section (CIS) remains a very important part of the barrack and to the allied law enforcement agencies in Carroll County. CIS is comprised of three units: general assignment, warrants, and the Carroll County Advocacy and Investigation Center (CCAIC). Two investigators are currently assigned to CCAIC.
- In August 2012, the victim of an identity theft met with troopers and reported the suspect used his identity to purchased approximately \$25,000 worth of items from numerous department stores throughout the State. Numerous search warrants were executed at the suspects' business and residences. Several stolen items were recovered along with equipment to make fraudulent driver's licenses. During the investigation, over 30 victims were identified. Based on the seriousness of the case, it was adopted by the U.S. Attorney's Office.

# La Plata Barrack "H"

- The La Plata Barrack shares concurrent jurisdiction within Charles County. All 911 calls are simulcast to both agencies as they are received by the Emergency Communications Center, with the first agency to arrive on the scene having the primary responsibility for handling the incident with the exception of Part I crimes. The MSP has primary responsibility for all collisions and traffic enforcement occurring on all State and U.S. routes within the county.
- In March of 2011, a vehicle struck a pedestrian along Maryland Route 6 in La Plata. The
  vehicle fled the scene leaving behind few clues and no witnesses. Barrack personnel worked
  diligently on this investigation for over a year and were able to obtain charging documents for
  the suspect. The case was brought to trial in August of 2012 and the accused was subsequently
  convicted.
- Throughout the year, barrack personnel participated in and/or attended several community-based organizations and programs to include: the Charles County Fair, the Summer Youth Achievement Program, National Night Out and Shop with a Cop.
- The La Plata Barrack responded to and/or investigated more than 10,000 calls for service.
   Troopers issued 2,044 citations and 10,063 warnings. They arrested 415 persons for driving under the influence of alcohol, 448 for outstanding warrants and 131 for controlled dangerous substances.

### Easton Barrack "I"

- The Easton Barrack is the only barrack in the state that is responsible for three counties. The barrack's jurisdiction includes the counties of Talbot, Caroline, and Dorchester. These responsibilities result in the barrack being responsible for the largest geographic area in the State of Maryland, covering approximately 1,146 square miles.
- The Easton Barrack does share jurisdiction with the sheriff's departments of the above listed counties. The barrack also coordinates and assists with the various municipalities that have police departments in the tri-county area, such as Easton, Cambridge, Denton, Preston, Ridgley, Greensboro, Oxford, Trappe, Hurlock, Federalsburg, and St. Michaels.
- The Easton Barrack is tasked with working with a significant number of allied agencies in the tricounty area. Many of the departments are small municipal departments with limited manpower who do not provide 24 hour coverage. This requires frequent assistance from barrack personnel to effectively address the calls for service in those areas.
- The Criminal Investigation Section (CIS) handled a vast majority of the serious crimes that the barrack generated during 2012. It also provided a multitude of assistance from requests of the 14 allied agencies that exist in the three counties that the Easton Barrack serves. CIS received 311 cases resulting in 209 criminal arrests and the execution of 37 search and seizure warrants, which resulted in a closure rate of 87 percent.
- In August of 2012, investigators from the Easton Barrack executed a search warrant and initiated a child sexual abuse investigation in Trappe. The investigation revealed that over a 20 year period, the suspect had sexually abused six children. The suspect was subsequently arrested and charged with six felony counts of sexual abuse of a minor.
- During 2012, troopers assigned to the Easton Barrack responded to 20,164 calls for service, made 42 gun seizures, 511 warrant arrests, 262 DUI arrests, 250 criminal arrests, 135 CDS arrests, and issued 19,083 citations.

### Forestville Barrack "L"

- The Forestville Barrack serves the citizens of Southern Prince George's County. This portion of the county is anchored by the Capital Beltway (I-495/I-95). The MSP maintains primary responsibility for traffic and criminal law enforcement on Interstate I-95/495, Interstate I-295, and Maryland Routes 4, 5, 202, 214 and US Route 301.
- The MSP provides supplemental support to the Prince Georges County Police Department, Prince Georges County Sheriff's Office, and the six area municipal police departments when called upon.
- In 2012, the troopers answered 15,555 calls for service, conducted 17,677 traffic stops, issued 14,125 citations, made 304 DUI arrests, arrested 367 individuals for violation of criminal law, served 250 warrants and handled 2,992 motor vehicle collisions.
- In January 2012, the MSP, Prince George's County Police, Prince George's County Sheriff's Department, Calvert County Sheriff's Office, and Charles County Sheriff's Office participated in an overnight warrant initiative in southern Prince George's County. The operation resulted in 51 apprehensions and the closure of over 100 warrants.
- Criminal enforcement efforts continued to increase at the Forestville Barrack. In 2012, Operation
  Urban Impact Initiative became a vital part of the Prince George's County Police Departments
  Transforming Neighborhoods Initiative ("TNI"). TNI continues to consolidate the efforts of the
  MSP and the Prince Georges County Police Department to combat crime in Prince George's
  County. Overall, the initiative has resulted in a decline in crime.

### JFK Memorial Highway, Barrack "M"

• The MSP is under contractual obligations with The Maryland Transportation Authority (MdTA) to provide law enforcement services on Interstate 95 from the Baltimore City Line north to the Maryland/Delaware Line. This section of Interstate 95 is approximately 50 miles long and traverses Maryland's Baltimore, Harford and Cecil Counties.

- During 2012, troopers made 989 criminal arrests and 587 DUI arrests. They made 38,546 traffic stops. The following CDS was seized: 87 lbs. of marijuana, 209 grams of cocaine, seven lbs. of heroin, 12,065 packs of untaxed cigarettes, \$396,055 of currency, 60 handguns, and 1,738 pieces of counterfeit goods.
- In January 2012, troopers responded to I-95 in Harford County regarding a road rage incident that escalated into a first degree assault when one of the motorists produced a handgun and fired three rounds at the other operator. The victim provided troopers with the tag number of the suspect's vehicle. The suspect surrendered to troopers and a search warrant executed on the residence resulted in the recovery of the handgun used in the shooting. The suspect was charged with first degree assault, reckless endangerment, second degree assault, possession of a handgun in the commission of a crime, and unlawful possession and transportation of a handgun.

### Rockville Barrack "N"

- The Rockville Barrack is primarily responsible for approximately 120 miles of interstate highways in Montgomery County that includes Interstate 270, Interstate 495, and Interstate 370. The Rockville Barrack is also responsible for the state properties in Montgomery County such as the Motor Vehicle Administration Buildings and the State Highway Administration Building.
- The Rockville Barrack conducted numerous selective traffic enforcement initiatives throughout the major holidays of 2012. On almost a monthly basis during 2012, Rockville Barrack troopers participated in "Operation Centipede." This goal of this initiative is to have several troopers taking enforcement action in close proximity to each other on I-270 and I-495, which ultimately creates police omnipresence to the motoring public.
- During 2012, troopers issued 11,243 citations and arrested 252 impaired drivers. Barrack N troopers made 44 adult arrests, 133 adult drug arrests, 238 warrant arrests, and seized 3 guns.
- In June 2012, the Barrack N Criminal Investigation Section (CIS) acquired a case from patrol troopers involving a sex offense that occurred after a motor vehicle accident. Investigation revealed that the suspect had fondled the victim's breast and made lewd suggestions and comments to the victim. A photo array was developed and the suspect was picked out by the victim. After interviewing the suspect, an arrest warrant was obtained and the suspect was arrested for 4th Degree Sex Offense and 2nd Degree Assault.

# Hagerstown Barrack "O"

- The Hagerstown Barrack shares concurrent jurisdiction with the Washington County Sheriff's Office. Washington County is comprised of 8 municipalities; four of these municipalities maintain an independent police department. Hancock, Smithsburg, and Boonsboro Police departments maintain limited hours of service and rely heavily on the MSP and Washington County Sheriff's Office to supplement their personnel with additional law enforcement coverage.
- July 2012 was the one year anniversary of the Hagerstown Barrack's partnership with the Washington County Sheriff's Office in a Data Driven Approach to Crime and Traffic Safety (DDACTS). This program involves the analysis of crime and crash data that results in law enforcement personnel being directed to those areas where elevated levels of crimes and crashes overlap. During this year of DDACTS, criminal complaints in the targeted areas were decreased by 17.2 percent.
- A member of the Hagerstown Barrack Criminal Investigation Section (CIS) serves as the regional Automated Property Information Database (RAPID) administrator for Washington County. Use of RAPID led to the recovery of over \$50,000 of stolen property during 2012.
- In November of 2012, troopers were called to Clear Spring for a subject being assaulted with a sledge hammer. Despite only having a nickname for some of the people involved, a lengthy and thorough investigation by the CIS resulted in the identity four suspects who assaulted two victims with sledge hammers and a wooden post. The suspects were charged with first and second degree assault.
- During 2012, Barrack O handled 16,639 calls for service. Barrack O troopers issued 9,556 traffic citations and made 16,083 traffic stops. Troopers were vigilant in removing 246 impaired drivers from the roadways and served 475 warrants. Additionally, troopers made 81 arrests for

controlled dangerous substance violations and an additional 100 criminal apprehensions for various other offenses.

### Glen Burnie Barrack "P"

- The Glen Burnie Barrack has primary responsibility on Interstates 695, 97, and 195 in Anne Arundel County, as well as the Anne Arundel County portions of U.S. Route 50 and Maryland Route 295. Given the congestion and heavy travel on these roads in the Baltimore Metro Area, the Barrack P works closely with the Maryland Transportation Authority Police, the Anne Arundel County Police Department and the United States Park Police to ensure public safety and efficient traffic management on these roadways.
- In addition to highway traffic responsibilities, the barrack assumes responsibility for the investigation of criminal incidents at the Baltimore City Juvenile Justice Center and the Thomas J.S. Waxter Children's Center in Laurel, Maryland.
- During 2012, troopers made 14,589 traffic stops and issued 13,860 citations. They also made 198 CDS arrest, 602 warrant arrests and 664 adult arrests.
- In May of 2012, troopers investigated a theft-from-auto that occurred at an Annapolis Park & Ride lot. Investigation determined that musical instruments and amplifiers valued at over \$2,300 were stolen from a vehicle parked at that location. Troopers promptly entered information about this stolen musical equipment into the National Crime Information Center (NCIC). Days later, investigators were contacted by a member of the **RAPID** program who advised there was a hit on the stolen items and an individual had pawned the stolen items at a pawn shop in Bladensburg. Investigators quickly recovered the stolen items and obtained an arrest warrant charging the suspect with felony theft and related charges.

## College Park Barrack "Q"

- The College Park Barrack is responsible for providing police services to the citizens of Northern Prince George's County in a densely populated area of Maryland bordering Montgomery and Howard Counties as well as the District of Columbia.
- Troopers are responsible for 37 miles of highway, concentrating primarily on traffic enforcement and control on Interstates 95 and 495, U.S. Routes 50 and 1, and State Routes 3 and 198. Additionally, barrack personnel are charged with coordination and enforcement/security functions for demonstrations and ceremonial events staged at the University of Maryland, College Park Campus and Bowie State University.
- Barrack Q troopers have worked closely with Prince George's County Police officers on a number of occasions throughout the year, patrolling in established "hot spots" in various areas of the County. Troopers have participated in many joint initiatives with focused patrols in targeted areas, aimed at identifying and apprehending criminals, as well as developing an MSP presence in local neighborhoods.
- During 2012, troopers issued 15,451 citations, arrested 352 persons for DUI, apprehended 81 persons for a variety of criminal infractions and 312 persons for outstanding warrants. In addition, 136 persons were arrested for CDS.

### Golden Ring Barrack "R"

- The Golden Ring Barrack serves the citizens of Baltimore County and maintains primary responsibility for traffic and criminal law enforcement on I-95 between the Baltimore City line and the Howard County line, I-695, I-795 and I-83.
- The MSP is the primary responding agency for two state run detention facilities in Baltimore County. The Charles Hickey Juvenile Detention Facility is directly handled by Golden Ring Barrack Criminal Investigation Division (CID). The cases include child abuse investigations, escapes, and juvenile assaults. Since the volume of calls is so frequent, a CID investigator is designated to service that facility. This has been an effective decision by the previous command staff; allowing for a more consistent response and disposition of incidents at the facility. Barrack R also responds to and handles incidents that occur at the Spring Grove Mental Hospital in Catonsville, and still responds to incidents at Rosewood Hospital in Owings Mills, even though that facility is now closed. These facilities have their own police or security personnel, but routinely call the barrack for assistance with rapes, serious assaults, escapes, suicides, thefts,

suspicious deaths and other serious offenses. Calls to Rosewood usually involve burglary, theft, and trespassing.

- The Golden Ring Barrack also focused on conducting complete traffic stops and emphasized drug interdiction stops with the support of a barrack Special Enforcement Team (SET).
- Barrack R troopers coordinated and participated in numerous special initiatives throughout the year. Several joint initiatives were conducted on targeted routes with Baltimore County Police as well as holiday DUI saturation and aggressive driving patrols. Troopers assisted the Baltimore County Police Department in Operation SOLO, a joint targeted enforcement initiative aimed at saturating a specific hot spot area in the County.
- Golden Ring Barrack troopers responded to more collisions than any other barrack in the state.
- Special assignment requests and public service demands remain at a level that exceeds available manpower. Fingerprinting, gun transfers, sex offender registrations and child seat installations overwhelm the barrack and road patrol troopers are used to meet the demands.
- Allied police requests for assistance have increased over the past few years with computer crimes and identity thefts. In addition to the criminal investigations and response to the State run facilities the administrative investigations assigned to CID investigators increased slightly from 181 in 2011 to 188 in 2012.
- On February 14, 2012, a Barrack R trooper stopped a 2004 Volkswagen Jetta for a seatbelt violation. Upon contact with the driver the trooper immediately detected the odor of marijuana. During a probable cause search numerous partially burnt marijuana cigarettes were found in the ashtray. A small container of raw marijuana (25.6 grams), individual baggies, two pipes and a loaded handgun were also found. The handgun is a Taurus PT24/7ProC, .40 caliber, loaded with 9 rounds (one chambered). Also seized was \$381 (to Carroll Drug Task Force). The gun was stolen and the suspect is a convicted felon. The suspect was charged with CDS possession & paraphernalia, felon in possession of a regulated firearm and possession of stolen property; he was held on \$100K bond.
- On March 20, 2012, a trooper was flagged down by a passing motorist (later identified as an off duty Police Officer) while patrolling in high crime communities. The officer advised that he heard several gunshots coming from a nearby town home community. The trooper proceeded to the intersection of the entrance to the town home community and then was met by a Baltimore County Police unit, which was also responding to the area after several citizens reported hearing gun fire in the area. Once inside the town home community, a witness approached his patrol vehicle and stated: "It was a black Honda, it was a black Honda." The witness further stated that the black Honda was the vehicle that did the shooting, and that it should still be in the area. The trooper canvassed the area and observed the suspect vehicle and initiated a felony traffic stop. The suspect was detained and found to have blood stains on his white t-shirt. The suspect was then positively identified by the witness as the person involved in the stabbing and shooting.
- Barrack R had 509 DUI arrests being the second highest of all barracks, made 25,414 traffic stops, 85 criminal arrests and 224 CDS arrests.

# Centreville Barrack "S"

- The Centreville Barrack is responsible for providing full law enforcement services in both Kent and Queen Anne's Counties. Police personnel handle all types of calls for service; from minor traffic complaints to serious criminal complaints, such as rapes and robberies. Calls for service outside the above three municipalities are handled by Barrack S personnel and the sheriff's deputies on a rotating basis in both Kent and Queen Anne's Counties with some minor exceptions. MSP investigates all traffic related incidents and collisions on State and U.S. highways outside of the three municipalities and the Sheriff' Departments responds to traffic related incidents and collisions on county roads and parking lots.
- Centreville Barrack personnel frequently assist the three municipal police departments and occasionally assume entire investigations that the smaller forces are not equipped or trained to handle such as child and sexual abuse investigations.
- The Kent County Detachment serves as the headquarters for the Kent Bureau of Investigation that consists of participants from the Centreville Barrack, Chestertown Police Department, Rock

Hall Police Department, Department of Natural Resources Police and the Kent County State's Attorney.

- In 2012, the Centreville Barrack Criminal Investigation Section (CIS) strengthened its partnership with the Department of Social Services in both Kent and Queen Anne's County. This entailed CIS's active role in the revising and renewal of the MOU for the CARE Team within the CAC for the Queen Anne's County Department of Social Services to enhance the services for that county. The CIS was instrumental in assisting both the Kent and Queen Anne's County Department of Social Services in obtaining additional grant funding. The CIS worked hard to support and work closely with the local law enforcement agencies in Kent and Queen Anne's County and taking the lead role in their investigations when the resources and expertise required it.
- Beginning in June of 2012, numerous boat and heavy equipment thefts started to occur up and down the eastern shore of Maryland and in Anne Arundel County. Investigators were able to positively identify the suspect vehicle and ultimately both suspects. The search and seizure warrant resulted in notable pieces of evidence to link the suspects in an ongoing crime spree. The total loss of property was valued at \$1,139,400.
- During 2012, troopers issued 16,598 citations, made 298 DUI arrests, 205 criminal arrests, 227 CDS arrests, 441 warrant arrests and seized 8 guns.

### Leonardtown Barrack "T"

- The MSP and the St. Mary's County Sheriff's Office share concurrent jurisdiction within St. Mary's County, with the exception of the Patuxent River Naval Air Station that falls under the jurisdiction of the Federal Department of Defense Police Department. All 911 calls are simulcast to both agencies as they are received by the Emergency Communications Center, with the first agency to arrive on the scene having the primary responsibility for handling the incident.
- Barrack T responded to and/or investigated 20,082 calls for service in 2012. Approximately 440
  Part I criminal incidents were investigated by barrack troopers during 2012, with an overall
  closure rate of 53 percent.
- Troopers, along with members of the St. Mary's County Sheriff's Office, conducted more than 80 joint initiatives that included, speed enforcement, warrants sweeps, saturation patrols, DUI checkpoints, seatbelt compliance checkpoints and criminal enforcement.
- The efficiency of this "Law Enforcement Team" is further evidenced by the work of the St. Mary's County Bureau of Criminal Investigations. In 2012, this investigative unit conducted 1,416 investigations and garnered a 95 percent closure rate, placing their accomplishments 50 percent above the national average.
- In August of 2012, troopers responded to a robbery in progress at a Charlotte Hall gas station and upon arrival they were advised that the suspect was still in the store. The first trooper arriving on scene, located the suspect in the store and was able to detain until additional troopers could arrive to place the suspect into custody.
- During 2012, barrack troopers issued 10,518 citations, made 323 DUI arrests, 490 criminal arrests, 180 CDS arrests and 400 warrant arrests.

### Prince Frederick Barrack "U"

- The MSP shares responsibility for responding to all 911 calls with the Calvert County Sheriff's Office.
- The Calvert Investigative Team (CIT) consists of the MSP, the Calvert County Sheriff's Office and the Calvert County State's Attorney's Office. In 2012, the CIT investigated a total of 532 criminal cases with a 79.51 percent closure rate. CIT also conducted 160 administrative investigations and obtained and executed 106 search and seizure warrants.
- In January 2012, a 14 year old reported that she was raped while intoxicated at a party.
  Troopers conducted an extensive investigation and developed several suspects. DNA search
  warrants were executed and the results revealed a suspect. An arrest warrant was obtained
  and served on the suspect charging him with 2nd degree rape.

- Barrack U troopers combined forces with members from the Calvert, Charles and St. Mary's County Sheriff's Offices to hold the 15th consecutive Junior Police Academy June 18 to 22.
   More than 50 high school students experienced a week of physical and mental training that parallels training received by police officers. This year, once again, the academy was held at the Sykesville Training Facility and was a great success.
- Barrack U provides a trooper who serves as the Calvert County School Liaison Officer. The
  position is highly respected within the school systems and throughout the county. During 2012,
  the sergeant assigned to this position arrested 43 juveniles, six who were charged with CDS
  violations. He also completed 42 Criminal Investigative Reports.
- Throughout 2012, the Calvert County Neighborhood Watch Program continued to flourish. This
  is coordinated through a combined effort between the MSP and the Calvert County Sheriff's
  Office. Approximately 40 communities are actively participating in this worthwhile endeavor.
  Information received from participants has resulted in closure of several criminal investigations.
- During 2012, troopers issued 14,052 citations, made 299 DUI arrests, 394 criminal arrests, 233 CDS arrests and 443 warrant arrests.

### Berlin Barrack "V"

- Barrack V shares jurisdiction outside of the municipalities that maintain police departments with the Worcester County Sheriff's Office. Maryland's largest resort area, Ocean City, is located within Worcester County. As a result, the county experiences an influx of more than 200,000 tourists during the summer weekends and holidays.
- The barrack routinely coordinates with and provides law enforcement assistance to the Ocean City Police Department for events occurring within Ocean City. The barrack also receives requests for assistance from some of the smaller municipal police departments.
- The Berlin Barrack conducted eight saturation patrols in 2012. Many of these patrols were joint operations with the Worcester County Sheriff's Office and other local agencies in Worcester County. Saturation patrols were conducted for all the major holidays/events to include New Year's Eve, Super Bowl, St. Patrick's Day, Halloween and Thanksgiving.
- In February of 2012, the Worcester County Bureau of Investigation was notified of an embezzlement investigation involving a former Treasurer of the Worcester County Teacher's Association. A six month long investigation revealed that from year 2007 to 2009, the suspect began writing unauthorized checks and making withdrawals from the Teacher's Association bank account. The investigation revealed that the suspect embezzled approximately \$433,000 dollars. She was arrested in August of 2012, and is currently awaiting trial on numerous theft and embezzlement charges.

### McHenry Barrack "W"

- The McHenry Barrack is responsible for patrolling 680 miles of county maintained roads and 185 miles of State highways, including 62 lane miles of Interstate 68. Barrack W shares its responsibilities with the Garrett County Sheriff's Office.
- In June 2012, the MSP entered into an inter-agency agreement with the Garrett County Department of Social Services, Garrett County State's Attorney's Office and the Garrett County Sheriff's Office creating the first ever Child Advocacy Center in Garrett County. Currently, the barrack has one full-time investigator assigned to the Center to investigate allegations of crimes against children.
- Barrack W conducted heavy saturation patrols in several areas with initiatives geared towards traffic safety. During 2012, the barrack, in cooperation with Washington College, began to map collision data to identify high accident areas within Garrett County. As a result, mandatory enforcement initiatives were conducted during identified high crash areas and times. Troopers logged over 200 hours of enforcement time within these high crash areas, helping to reduce the number of collisions.
- In May of 2012, troopers responded to a bank robbery in Friendsville. The suspect entered the bank, threatened force and demanded money. After obtaining the money, the suspect fled the bank on foot and entered into an unknown vehicle leaving the scene. Barrack criminal investigators determined that the suspects were involved in several bank robberies in

Pennsylvania and West Virginia and developed a suspect vehicle. A Pennsylvania State Police trooper located the vehicle and two suspects were identified and later charged with the robbery, in addition to numerous charges in other jurisdictions.

• Throughout the calendar year troopers made great strides by focusing on crime prevention methods carried out through daily town patrols in communities that do not have their own police department. A concept developed in previous years and continued in 2012, the Town Patrol Program outlined a strategy whereby shift supervisors were to guarantee a minimum of eight hours in each community every month. In addition to their normal duties, troopers spent at total of 904 hours in community policing patrols in 10 different communities.

### **Princess Anne Barrack "X"**

- The Princess Anne Barrack is the primary law enforcement agency within Somerset County. All 911 calls for service in the county that are law enforcement related are directed to the barrack for service. The barrack is minimally assisted by the Somerset County Sheriff's Department that staffs sporadic patrols that do not include a 24 hour operation. During 2012, the MSP handled over 80 percent of all Part I crimes in the county. The remaining percent was handled by the Sheriff's Office.
- Barrack X, in partnership with the Somerset County Health Department applied for and was awarded a grant that targeted underage drinking and driving, as well as compliance checks on licensed alcohol establishments throughout the County. Troopers utilized "Party Patrols" which targeted know areas in and around the University of Maryland, Eastern Shore. Troopers gained intelligence and targeted known areas and college residences enforcing underage alcohol possession. The enforcement had a direct impact on reducing juvenile alcohol related crashes, malicious destruction of property complaints and minor altercations that occur during college gatherings.
- The MSP, in partnership with the Somerset County Sheriff's Office, Princess Anne and Crisfield Police Departments and the Division of Parole and Probation conducted "Operation Wake Up." This operation focused on visiting every registered sex offender to validate the offenders address and other relevant information. In addition, law enforcement ensured all requirements were met for the offenders as prescribed by Parole and Probation. During the operation, several violations were discovered to include falsified addresses and curfew violations.
- In April of 2012, the MSP with the assistance of the Somerset County School Board of Education developed and implemented the "Safe School Project." The project examined the safety plan at all county schools and put a heavy emphasis on major events such as "active shooters." Safety and evacuation plants were all rewritten and have become standardized within the County.
- In October of 2012, the Crisfield Police Department responded to a murder that occurred in the city. The victim was a known Blood Gang member and it was suspected he was murdered by other Blood Gang members. The MSP was requested to assist with cell phone preservations, search warrants, photo line ups, neighborhood checks and interviews. The MSP also assisted with the execution of two search warrants. Further information was obtained which lead to the arrest of six individuals for murder.

MSP Statewide Traffic Stop Summary Citations							
Violation	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012		
55 Speed	72,394	72,323	69,875	54,542	53,289		
65 Speed	27,787	31,614	35,006	31,376	26,864		
Other Speed	44,358	51,702	43,216	42,097	35,000		
Right-of-Way	9,064	9,810	10,808	11,217	11,353		
Suspended/Revoked	12,669	13,436	14,481	15,086	15,550		
Seat Belt	39,393	40,367	37,887	38,442	36,351		
Child Restraint	810	1,258	1,139	1,233	1,130		
Other	142,318	165,571	151,003	147,378	141,431		

# **Fatal Accident Statistics**

Year	Non- Restraint Fatalities	Statewide Fatalities*	Percent of Non-Restraint Fatalities
2005	197	614	32%
2006	191	652	29%
2007	165	614	27%
2008	155	592	26%
2009	137	550	25%
2010	120	486	25%
2011	145	454	32%
2012	111	503	22%

<sup>\*</sup> Subject to change based on federal reporting period ending Dec 31 of following year.

# **Special Operations Bureau**

The Special Operations Bureau, formed July 1, 2012, consists of the Special Operations & Transportation Safety Command that includes the Automotive Safety Enforcement Division, the Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Division (which includes the Chemical Test for Alcohol Unit) and the Special Operations Division. The Aviation Command is also in the Bureau.

# **Special Operations & Transportation Safety Command**

The Command includes the Special Tactical Assault Team Element (STATE), Tactical Medical Unit, Hostage Rescue Team, Underwater Recovery Unit, K-9 Unit and Motor Unit that provide safety and rescue assistance to the citizens in Maryland.

# **Special Operations Division (SOD)**

### **Special Tactical Assault Team Element (STATE)**

This unit conducted 350 assignments in 2012, including:

- 65 high risk search and seizure/arrest warrants
- 5 suicidal/barricade situations
- 4 security/dignitary protection and escort details
- 112 training sessions given to MSP and allied agency personnel
- 113 assists to other MSP units/allied agencies for man tracking, evaluators, manpower, displays and miscellaneous assignments
- 50 training sessions received by STATE personnel

### **Tactical Medical Unit**

In 2012, the Tactical Medical Unit (TMU) continued to be a statewide resource and model program for law enforcement agencies in Maryland providing highly experienced medical personnel with a tactical medicine and tactical law enforcement skill set and a capability of providing potentially life-saving care within an active high threat tactical law enforcement perimeter/hot zone. The unit is staffed with one full time tactical paramedic assigned to the Special Operations Division, two part-time Aviation Command trooper/flight paramedics and two part-time tactical physicians who provide guidance, medical direction and on-site care as needed. MSP tactical paramedics, in addition to specialized tactical and firearms training, must remain active Aviation Command flight paramedics attending all flight/medical proficiency training events and periodic flight crew responsibilities.

The TMU responds to high risk law enforcement missions within the State, assists the SOD-STATE Team, FBI Baltimore SWAT, Executive Protection, the Underwater Recovery Team, the Gun Task Force, the Office of the State Fire Marshal, Natural Resource Police SOD, Maritime Tactical Operations Group, the Mobile Field Force and other allied agencies. In 2012, the MSP-TMU responded to 171 total mission and training requests.

As part of an existing Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), Johns Hopkins Hospital Division of Special Operations (JHHDSO) continues to assist with operational medical support when able. As part of that MOU, MSP-TMU offers an opportunity for SOD personnel to gain actual tactical experience through observation, training and controlled exposure to tactical missions. As a primary initiative, JHH-DSO and MSP-TMU/STATE presented a one week Tactical Medical Operator school in October 2012. Limited to 25 attendees, the participants included members from the law enforcement and fire/EMS communities representing Howard County, Anne Arundel County, MdTA, Cumberland City, Prince Georges County, MSP, Fugitive Task Force, Charles County and Johns Hopkins Dept. of Emergency Medicine.

### **Motor Unit**

The MSP motorcycles are full-service law enforcement vehicles that have unique maneuvering and handling characteristics that render them capable of performing specific law enforcement functions that oftentimes supersede the capabilities of a police cruiser. The MSP Motor Unit operates year round for a multitude of assignments to include; traffic and criminal enforcement, Homeland Security and traffic management for a variety of events. This six member unit handled 290 assignment requests, issued 471 citations, 1,669

warnings and 126 SEROs, made 21 arrests (16 for warrants) assisted barracks with 89 arrests and investigated 18 vehicle collisions.

### **Underwater Recovery**

The Underwater Recovery Team (URT) added 3 new divers in 2012, for a total of 12 active members, equipped to deploy with three boats at the request of the command. The boats include an 18 foot and 20 foot Boston Whalers and a 12 foot inflatable Zodiac. The team has a fourth boat in storage pending obtaining a transport vehicle. Team members on standby have a reliable history of being on scene in the state of Maryland within 90 minutes or less. In 2012, the team responded to 6 calls for service (criminal related). It is estimated the team spent over 11,580 work hours on dive special events (twice spent in 2011) and 5,320 hours on training and maintaining equipment. A major response was to the Baltimore Police Department for an 11 day deployment to Baltimore's Inner Harbor. This event was focused on providing support for the celebrations of 200th Anniversary of the War of 1812 in the Baltimore Inner Harbor. Divers conducted pier searches for explosives as well as tugs and barges scheduled to tie up against civilian and military ships. The MSP divers provided over 1,200 man hours to assist with dive operations, law enforcement patrols and equipment maintenance. Divers conducted 74 dives of tugs and barges with one whole day dedicated to underwater searching of over 780,000 square feet of dockage. Members of the MSP URT were faced with less than favorable water conditions for which MSP TMU personnel were on site to assist with medical emergencies if needed.

### **Hostage Recovery Team**

The mission of the Hostage Recovery Team (HRT) is to assist in negotiations with hostage takers and barricaded individuals. During 2012, HRT was activated 11 times with none of the incidents requiring extensive negotiation and all resolved without loss of life. There are 18 HRT negotiators with 8 having joined in 2012.

### K-9 Unit

The Special Operations Division K-9 Unit staff consists of five sworn handlers/trainers and one Volunteers in Police Support (VIPS) search manager. In 2012, there were 26 patrol dog apprehensions with no engagements, a testament of the patrol handler's sound judgment as well as their knowledge of policy and procedures in regards to the use of the police service K-9. The current national average for patrol dog engagements is 33 percent. During 2012, there were 36 K-9 handlers assigned to barracks that generated the following:

	2009	2010	2011	2012
Responded to K-9 related calls	618	527	776	781
Responded to non-K-9 related calls.	3,751	3,064	3,746	3,217
Narcotics detection dog scans conducted	1,039	1,271	1,477	1,585
Narcotics dog scans resulting in apprehensions	246	430	524	534
Currency CDS detection dogs credited with assisting in seizing	\$1,216,089	\$940,978	\$2,877,114	\$1,135,093
Bloodhound teams were requested	179	206	209	145
Bloodhound teams responded to search operations	101	121	90	61
Explosive detection dogs conducted sweeps with no explosive devices located	104	96	98	139
K-9 Teams backed up MSP troopers and other agencies	2,558	2,283	2,668	2,977

Disciplines of K-9 Teams	2009	2010	2011	2012
Patrol Dog Teams	9	10	10	7
Explosive Detection Teams	3	4	4	4
Bloodhound Teams	12	11	10	8
Narcotic Detection Teams	24	18	20	29
Article Detection Teams	2	0	0	0
Number of Single Purpose Dogs	38	34	36	38
Number of Dual Purpose Dogs	6	6	5	5
Total Number of Dogs	44	40	41	43

#### **Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Division (CVED)**

During 2012, CVED operated 10 weigh and inspection stations throughout the State and aggressively focused its efforts on safety inspections of commercial motor vehicles traveling in the State, while also concentrating efforts on the prevention of commercial vehicles being used as weapons of terror. The fixed weigh/inspection facilities are staffed eight hours per day, five days per week staggering the hours and days of the week. CVED also has roving crews of troopers and civilian employees (cadets and commercial vehicle safety inspectors) which look for commercial vehicles that by-pass the weigh stations or traverse roads without fixed weigh stations in order to avoid being detected and cited for violating state and federal regulations.

The Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Division works in partnership with federal, state and local agencies in programs dealing with regulating the operation of commercial motor vehicles on Maryland highways.

#### Size, Weight and Load Program

In 2012, a few of the weigh and inspections continued to undergo major renovations causing the facilities to be closed for a extensive time periods. During the latter months of 2012 numerous personnel assisted in the training of 25 trooper/inspectors transferred to CVED.

#### **CVED Statistics**

	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Total Vehicles Weighed – Static Scales	1,065,867	794,958	687,691*	690,656	658,432
Weigh in Motion	2,360,958	1,397,960	1,461,528	1,403,198	1,419,555
Portable Scale Weighs	3,098	2,031	2,331	2,003	2,331
Citations – All violations	60,170	46,508	41,219	40,639	39,111
Overweight	19,737	15,393	10,988	10,615	9,589
Seatbelt	3,698	2,644	2,079	1,073	957
Warnings	61,716	59,307	46,177	47,265	45,514
Roadside Inspections	74,343	74,442	63,142	69,050	69,050
Alcohol Violations	123	96	71	85	67
DUI	27	20	23	25	16
CDS Violations	69	20	28	60	25
Fines	\$9,497,812	\$7,634,981	\$6,952,218	\$7,712,431	\$7,126,373

<sup>\*</sup> Typo corrected in 2011 report.

#### **Entrant Safety Audit Program**

Introduced in 2010, this program was designed as an informational audit of trucking companies to ensure mandated records are maintained properly. Additionally, a component of the program is to instruct companies on regulations and mandates of which they are unaware. In 2012, this unit conducted 796 audits. Mandated by the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, this program is geared more as a public service as opposed to an enforcement tool.

#### **Post-Crash Investigation Program**

CVED personnel are routinely directed to respond to motor vehicle collisions throughout the State that involve commercial vehicles. CVED personnel 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 collision. A "post-crash" report is completed by the CVED investigator and filed at the division headquarters office for future reference.

During 2012, 60 post-crash investigations were conducted, which included 32 fatal collisions, and 26 personal-injury collisions. A review of commercial vehicle collisions indicate that commercial vehicle operators are at fault 65 percent of the time and the non-commercial vehicle operators 31 percent of the time. However when reviewing the fatal collisions statistics the results show that the commercial vehicle operators are at fault 31 percent of the time; the non-commercial vehicle operators are at fault 65 percent of the time.

#### **Preventive Maintenance Program**

Since 1990, vehicles registered in Maryland, weighing over 10,000 pounds are required to be maintained in a safe operating condition and must be inspected every 25,000 miles or once a year, whichever occurred first.

### **Compliance Inspections**

In 1999, Maryland legislation was passed giving CVED the authority 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. By law, Maryland companies operating in intrastate commerce are generally required to maintain records the same as those operating in interstate commerce.

**CVED Compliance Inspections** 

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Year	Preventative Maintenance Audits	Compliance Reviews	New Entrant Safety Audits	Citations	Suspensions				
2006	2,621	184	1,599	197	3				
2007	1,721	118	617	211	14				
2008	1,380	177	1,201	283	30				
2009	1,191	290	637	185	4				
2010	1,096	202	747	319	8				
2011	1,089	238	695	225	2				
2012	1,017	221	796	124	2				

#### Chemical Test for Alcohol Unit (CTAU)

The CTAU manages the statewide Breath Alcohol Testing Program. The State Toxicologist's Regulations were adopted into the Annotated Code of Maryland Regulations (COMAR) in October 2010. The program participants include the Maryland State Police (MSP) and 32 allied agencies. The MSP owned and maintained 103 breath test units in 2012, including those in service and those used for training and spare instruments. There were 686 certified operators (147 MSP and 539 allied agencies). All breath tests in Maryland in 2012 were conducted on the Intoximeter ECIR II. The new ECIR II instruments were deployed and training completed by August 2011. The CTAU coordinates the training for the Standardized Field Sobriety Testing and Drug Recognition Expert (DRE) program. CTAU staff trained 84 new operators during four 40 hours courses and retrained 598 allied operators during 27, eight hour classes. The staff also held the four day basic course for 84 members of the MSP Academy class.

CTAU staff conducted two training courses for prosecutors designed to give them a better understanding of the alcohol testing programs and two courses for District and Circuit Court judges to give them some facts upon which they could base their decisions. Intoximeter ECIR instruments were on site so the participants could have an up-close look at the instruments and hands-on demonstration. The training included information on the basic analytical principles of the ECIR,

defense attorney myths that have been argued in court and the research that validated both the Drug Recognition Expert (DRE) and Standardized Field Sobriety Testing (SFST) programs.

Noteworthy case: In October, the CTAU Commander was requested by a county State's Attorney's Office to provide expert testimony in a DUI manslaughter case where the breath test result of 0.16 BrAC was being challenged. The defense attorney argued for approximately 90 minutes against the CTAU expert who was testifying on the accuracy of the breath test instrument. The CTAU Commander qualified as an expert in the operation of the Intoximeter ECIR II and the defendant was found guilty on all charges.

#### **Driving Under the Influence Arrests\***

Age categories of the DUI arrests by all Maryland police agencies.

Age	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Less than 16	15	11	10	5	3	5
16 – 17	296	212	185	169	120	113
18 – 20	1,952	1,822	1,748	1,432	1,308	1,052
21 & Older	22,646	22,335	22,479	21,008	20,952	20,116
Total	24,909	24,380	24,422	22,604	22,383	21,286

<sup>\*</sup>Source: Department of State Police Chemical Test for Alcohol Unit

#### **Department of State Police DUI Arrests**

	Arrests							
Age	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012		
Less than 16	6	2	2	1	1	0		
16 – 17	103	76	58	68	68 39			
18 – 20	761	645	610	533	476	328		
21 & Older	8,497	8,267	7,781	7,231	7,213	6,727		
Total Arrests per Year	9,367	8,990	8,451	7,833	7,729	7,100		
Statewide DUIs by MSP	37.6%	36.9%	34.6%	34.6%	34.5%	33.4%		

#### **Crash Team**

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 presentation to the State's Attorney for manslaughter/homicide indictments. In some cases, a computer-generated simulation is constructed as a visual aid for court. During 2012, the Crash Team averaged seven investigators and authored and executed 60 search and seizure warrants (21 more than in 2011), completed 257 Level I, 87 Level II, and 3 Level III inspections, issued 182 citations 512 warnings and 35 Safety Equipment Repair Orders.

Serious case: A triple fatal collision on February 20, 2012 on MD Route 543 S/O Wheel Road. This collision involved a total of three vehicles. The at-fault vehicle was being driven at a high rate of speed at which time it crossed the center line while rotating. The vehicle was struck by two other vehicle headed the opposite direction. The impact with the other vehicles resulted in the at-fault vehicle splitting in half causing two of the occupants to be ejected. The third occupant was trapped inside the vehicle. All three people in the at-fault vehicle (all of which were brothers and sisters) died as a result of injuries suffered in the collision. No charges were filed in this collision being that the at-fault driver was dead.

Serious case: Two cases the Crash Team investigated in Frederick County in 2012 resulted in criminal charges against the drivers of commercial vehicles. One occurred on January 17, 2012, on MD Route 75 S/O Jones Road. The driver of the commercial vehicle was traveling northbound on Route 75 approximately 20 miles over the posted speed limit. As he entered into a right turn, he applied the brakes causing the trailer brakes to lock up. This caused the trailer to cross the center line and strike a southbound pickup truck. The driver of the pickup truck was killed as a result of injuries suffered in the collision. The driver of the commercial vehicle was charged with criminally negligent homicide and is awaiting trial.

Crash Team Incident Responses	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Total Calls (response)	128	131	119	94	111
Fatal crashes investigated	118	80	70	58	64
Manslaughter/Homicide/Driver Intoxicated Cases	31	40	45	27	28
Commercial Motor Vehicle cases	17	29	32	19	31
Homicide/Manslaughter/Crime scene assistance	10	11	7	9	6

# **Automotive Safety Enforcement Division (ASED)**

The ASED is responsible, by law (Title 23 of the Transportation Article), for the State's Vehicle Safety Inspection Program, as well as the central repository and clearing house for Safety Equipment Repair Orders (SERO) issued by all law enforcement agencies throughout the State. Maryland law requires that all used vehicles that are to be re-titled in Maryland have a complete vehicle safety inspection conducted prior to registration. The Division is funded by the Transportation Trust Fund and provided for under Title 12, Section 12-118 of the Transportation Article. Of the 599,582 vehicles inspected in 2012, 482,411 (80.5%) failed demonstrating the need for safety inspections to ensure that only safe vehicles are registered for use on Maryland highways.

In 2012, the Division supervised approximately 1,618 inspection stations throughout the State, with the number varying as stations are added and removed.

Since 2003, the Division has managed the Salvage Vehicle Inspection Program. In 2008, the Division implemented the Electronic Salvage Inspection Scheduling Program, and since 2010, controls the electronic payment program.

ASED staff worked diligently to revise the Code of Maryland Regulations (COMAR) and Division policy and procedures to permit the inspection of aftermarket window tint to authorized state inspection stations. Tint meters were tested with three meters being approved for the purchase by authorized inspection stations, and new station forms were developed to document aftermarket window tint inspections. The new regulations, effective February 1, 2012, require all window tint checks (state inspection / SERO) to be conducted by an authorized inspection station.

The ASED staff worked with the MSP Information Technology Division and the Motor Vehicle Administration to develop and test an electronic system for SEROs to be issued, certified, and transmitted electronically. The E-SERO system was implemented statewide in 2012. The E-SERO system will reduce the number of SEROs that ASED must process manually, however, ASED will follow-up on non-compliant SEROs.

Tag Suspensions (SERO Non-Compliance)	2008	2009	20010	2011	2012
Tag Suspension Letters Issued	57,324	82,401	53,855	46,216	49,163
Tag Suspension Releases	53,893	50,864	38,321	29,369	32,472

Inspection Station Application Investigations	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
New	40	103	86	86	78
Re-applications	76	76	58	46	73
Disapproved	29	36	36	27	27
ASED Station Checks/Visits Completed	9,507	9,859	8,004	8,425	8,234

Registered Inspection Mechanics	2009	2010	2011	2012
Total No. of Registered Inspection Mechanics	3,118	3,029	2,892	2,902
Mechanic Applicants	1,097	1,265	1,441	1,429
Mechanic Applicants Passing Written Examination	295	180	225	229
Demonstrative Ability Examinations Conducted	545	460	508	429

Vehicle Safety Inspections	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Total Number of Vehicle Inspections	511,336	554,588	565,636	626,416	599,582
Total Number of Vehicles Rejected	401,088	403,485	401,195	459,653	482,411
Percentage of Vehicles Rejected	78%	73%	71%	73%	80.5%
Total Number of Inspection Certificates Issued	494,471	537,513	524,161	578,300	614,637

Inspection Station Complaints/Discipline	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Inspection Complaints	160	161	216	170	114
Station Licenses Suspended/Revoked	14	15	20	19	3
Administrative Penalties	100	96	168	150	96
Emergency Suspension	11	8	26	21	12
Mechanics Suspended or Revoked	39	35	70*	67	62
Written Reprimand	47	46	78	43	31

<sup>\* 1</sup> Controller and 27 Licensees not included.

Covert Investigations	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Covert Investigations Conducted	20	17	7	21	2
Coverts resulting in violations	17	7	1	9	2

Authorized Inspection Stations	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Class A - Passenger vehicles, trucks 10,000 lbs & under, trailers w/o air brakes up to 20 ft, multipurpose passenger vehicles.	1,564	1,521	1,526	1,486	1,484
Class B - Any trailer, including those with air brakes	11	13	10	14	24
Class C - Trucks, Truck Tractors, buses over 10,000 lbs	20	19	21	28	36
Class D - Combination of Classes B and C	74	73	69	65	63
Class F - Fleet (Own, operate, or control at least 15 vehicles)		17	15	15	13
Class M - Motorcycle and 3-wheeled multipurpose vehicles.		234	229	219	218
Class R - Recreational Motor Vehicles (motor homes, converted buses)		10	11	13	15
Class T - Any trailer up to 10,000 lbs.		82	82	85	90
Class G - Combination of Class R and T		52	49	43	42
Total of Licensed Inspection Stations (Stations may be approved for more than one class)		1,634	1,623	1,596	1,618

ASED is responsible for the processing of Safety Equipment Repair Orders (SERO) 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.

# Safety Equipment Repair Orders Issued by Maryland State Police

MSP Division, Barracks**, Detachments	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
ASED	195	196	182	175	125
Aviation Division	37	58	67	110	186
Bel Air	390	438	302	513	566
Berlin	371 292		220	136	138
Cambridge	749	556	344	279	323
Centreville	672	703	1,174	846	447
Chestertown	69	55	51	75	25
College Park	3,322	2,858	1,582	1,227	1,134
Cumberland	368	150	172	180	220
CVED	3,366	2,313	1,328	1,329	887
Denton	584	335	319	280	113
Easton	1,077	677	605	823	419
Forestville	222	1,104	776	715	632
Frederick	1,901	724	414	397	215
Glen Burnie	2,062	2,129	1,298	780	372
Golden Ring	948	1,732	1,940	910	503
Hagerstown	360	537	850	214	276
JFK Memorial Highway	497	326	556	805	387
Leonardtown	2,090	1,166	1,198	1,154	344
McHenry	405	211	179	101	66
North East	342	161	195	122	67
Prince Frederick	1,873	1,692	2,145	2,278	713
Princess Anne	151	48	68	344	163
Rockville	998	1,004	499	364	191
Salisbury	1,077	893	545	239	176
Waldorf	1,571	2,343	2,596	2,628	1,148
Waterloo	1,729	647	1,002	1,050	500
Westminster	2,606	3,618	3,632	3,812	1,398
Other MSP Personnel	172	161	133	137	83
MSP SEROs tracked electronically	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	18,528**
MSP Total*	31,380	27,161	24,377	22,032	30,345
SERO Issued by Other agencies	<u>134,839</u>	<u>133,388</u>	<u>113,178</u>	<u>120,646</u>	110,922
Other agencies tracked electronically	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>12,186</u>
TOTAL SEROs Issued (Processed)	166,219	160,549	166,219	151,845	153,453
Additional SEROs Pending Processing		10,055	11,736	9.176	7,615
Total SEROs Received		1,70604	177,955	161,021	161,068

<sup>\*</sup>Totals reflect date SEROs were received & processed by ASED in calendar year as coded for each barrack.

Annapolis barrack closed in 2010.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Began issuing SEROs via the E-TIX system

#### Salvage Vehicles

The ASED salvage vehicle inspectors complete all salvage vehicle inspection requests.

Salvage Vehicle Inspections	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Salvage Inspections by ASED Personnel	10,332	12,127	12,682	13,188	13,520
Salvage Inspections by Other MSP Personnel	190	0	0	0	0
Recovered Stolen Vehicles	7	9	18	7	10
Total Salvage Inspections by MSP Personnel	10,522	12,127	12,682	13,188	13,520

#### **Aviation Command**

The Maryland State Police Aviation Command (MSPAC) remains a public safety organization that provides the following essential services to the citizens of Maryland: emergency medical transport (Medevac), search and rescue, airborne law enforcement, disaster assessment and homeland security operations. The Aviation Command operates 11 AS365N series helicopters and 2 fixed-wing aircraft out of seven bases throughout the State that are available 24-hours a day, seven days a week. Most maintenance operations and all administrative functions are conducted at the Aviation Command Headquarters located at Martin State Airport. In order to carry out its many missions, the Aviation Command utilizes sworn and civilian pilots, sworn flight paramedics, maintenance technicians, management personnel and related support staff. All helicopters are dispatched from a central dispatch center (SYSCOM) staffed by dedicated State Police and Maryland Institute for Emergency Medical Services certified flight communications specialists.

Throughout Maryland, the MSPAC transports critically injured citizens to trauma centers within the Maryland Institute for Emergency Medical Services System. The Command also provides aerial support for the Department and allied public safety agencies. Additionally, the MSPAC conducts search and rescue operations, and aids in criminal investigation and traffic control.

The MSPAC is primarily funded by the Maryland Emergency Medical System Operations Fund (MEMSOF), created by legislation adopted by the 1992 General Assembly. The MEMSOF source of revenue is a \$22 bi-annual surcharge on motor vehicle registrations for certain classes of vehicles, as specified in Transportation Article §13-954. Special funds from MEMSOF support emergency medical transport (Medevac) and search and rescue functions, and general funds support law enforcement and homeland security functions. The funding split for the Aviation Command has remained at 80 percent special funds and 20 percent general funds since fiscal year 2003, with the split based on the ratio of Medevac flights to non-medically related flights.

The MSPAC provides airborne support for the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) in protecting Maryland's natural resources. The flight crews received training from DNR officers. Select missions include a DNR Officer as a spotter for violations. The majority of DNR missions are flown incidental to other missions, i.e., after completing a mission for which a helicopter was airborne, a surveillance of a protected area is conducted resulting in an efficient use of resources without a significant increase in flight time.

The MSPAC currently operates 11 AS365N series twin engine helicopters, at seven bases strategically placed for a quick response to emergencies anywhere in Maryland. The MSPAC also operates two fixed-wing aircraft in support of its multi-mission profile.

The delivery of six new helicopter aircraft, the Augusta Aerospace Corporation's Westland AW-139 is expected within the first six months of 2013. In 2012, the MSPAC began the transition from a Public Safety Air Operation to an approved FAA Part 135 Operator. This transition remains ongoing in conjunction with delivery of the Agusta Westland AW-139 helicopters.

Noteworthy rescue: On March 17, 2012 at approximately 4:39 PM; Cumberland County (PA) Fire and Rescue officials requested MSPAC assistance for rescuing a male hiker who fell while hiking along the Appalachian Trail in the Pine Grove Furnace State Park. The victim was unable to walk and was injured nearly one mile from the nearest roadway. Trooper 3 and Trooper 5 were assigned to the mission for aerial patient removal utilizing a rescue hoist due to rugged terrain causing a difficult and extensive extrication from the scene location. With the victim secured in a rescue

device, Trooper 3 maintained a hover over an opening in the trees and successfully hoisted the victim to the aircraft. The flight crew transported the victim to a pre-designated landing zone, where he was transferred to Cumberland County EMS for transport to a local hospital.

Noteworthy event: Following super storm Sandy on October 30, 2012, MSPAC responded to nine calls for service that included surge assessment flights for immediate response control and aerial reconnaissance missions for county and local emergency management storm damage evaluations. Requests for mission services were also performed in Crisfield, Somerset County, with state and local officials onboard.

<b>Aviation Command Helicopter Missions</b>	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Completed Scene Medevac Missions	3,327	2,027	2,828	2,987	3,497
Inter-facility Patients Transported	76	52	85	40	53
Total Patients Transported	3,403	2,079	2,913	2,286	2,591
Completed Search and Rescue Missions	246	337	518	590	528
Victims Located/Rescued	67	45	60	110	71
Medically Oriented Support Missions	851	1,416	1,711	1,186	1,096
Total Medically Oriented Missions	5,411	4,350	5,858	4,803	4,593
Homeland Security Missions <b>Not</b> Linked to Medical Missions	124	18	11	52	94
Homeland Security Missions Linked to Medical Missions	2,181	1,281	1,294	1,674	1,285
Total Law Enforcement / Homeland Security / Disaster Assessment Missions	643	400	531	830	951
Suspects Located / Arrested	74	71	53	77	73
Total Flight Hours	3,804	1,257.5	3,281.8	2,994.2	3,431.9

# **Criminal Investigation Bureau**

The Criminal Investigation Bureau provides the investigative functions for the Department in partnership with allied law enforcement agencies and includes:

- Investigation Command
- Drug Investigation Command

#### **Investigation Command**

The Investigation Command includes the Forensic Sciences Division and the Criminal Investigation Division.

#### **Forensic Sciences Division**

The goal of the Forensic Sciences Division (FSD) is to provide the law enforcement community and the citizenry of Maryland with the highest-quality and integrity in forensic laboratory analysis and expert testimony.

In addition to producing high quality forensic analysis of evidence and meeting the demands of court dates, in 2012 FSD focused on: 1. Implementing new policy changes required to retain accreditation; 2. Relocating the Hagerstown's laboratory to a new facility; and 3. Maintaining its quality management system. After months of development and planning, the Controlled Dangerous Substances Units of the FSD changed their policies regarding the testing and reporting of controlled dangerous substances (CDS) to be compliant with the new accreditation policy. Effective May 2012, there was a switch from using a simplified testing and reporting format for CDS cases to one that provides the client with more clear and unambiguous results. These new procedures incorporate sample selection and statistically sound sampling plans as well as provide the net weights of the materials analyzed with gross weight of the remaining specimens. Using new Departmental internet based resources, these changes were presented via web meetings to the various State's Attorney Offices and local law enforcement agencies. The new more informative reports have been well received by both law enforcement and the courts.

With the construction of the new Hagerstown Barracks completed in April 2012, the laboratory that handles the work generated in the western region of Maryland moved into the new facility. The new laboratory space is approximately 6,000 square feet (six times larger than the previous lab) and has designated laboratory and office areas for Crime Scene, CDS, Evidence Receiving, and Latent Print/Impression units. By the end of 2012, the Hagerstown Laboratory staff completed the backlog of CDS casework that resulted from the shutdown and move. Additionally, despite shutdowns for asbestos and mold removal in the Berlin Barrack, the Berlin Barack satellite laboratory successfully handled its caseloads resulting in a smaller case backlog than in 2011.

In 2012, the FSD received 19,859 cases (428 more than in 2011) and completed 19,529 cases (98 more than in 2011). Of the cases received, 72 percent were from the allied law enforcement agencies.

State and federal funded overtime wages were used to address casework backlogs in the areas of CDS, Latent Prints/Impressions, Biology, and Firearms/Toolmarks. The shifting of work between locations, the use of part time contractual staff, grant funded outsourcing, and the spirit of teamwork were other means by which the workload demands were addressed.

New testing methods for the synthetic cannabinoids (K2/spice) and cathinones (bath salts) were developed by the CDS Units and the Toxicology Unit added the testing of Zolpidem (Ambien) to the existing drug panel. The Questioned Document Unit validated the use of the new Video Spectra Comparator (VSC) and the Photography Unit added the Department's new identification card system. The Firearms/Toolmarks Unit established new testing operations for function fires and the Latent Prints/Impressions Unit streamlined examinations in efforts to provide attention to as many cases as possible.

During this year, the Statewide DNA Database received national attention when the Maryland Court of Appeals found the collection of DNA samples from individuals arrested and charged with qualifying crimes of violence to be unconstitutional. With that ruling, these collections ceased in April; however, Maryland's Attorney General's Office requested and received an emergency stay in July 2012, and collections resumed. The question of the constitutionality of DNA collections from felony arrestees is scheduled to be heard by the U.S. Supreme Court.

In regards to supporting forensic science and the development of the next generation of future forensic scientists, FSD hosted 26 interns from various academic facilities. These institutions included the University of Baltimore, Towson State University, Penn State University, Stevenson University, West Virginia University, John Jay College, and Cedar Crest College.

#### Casework Summary - 2012

Unit	Cases Received	MSP Cases	Allied Agency Cases	Cases Completed
Latent Prints/Impressions	1,770	30%	70%	1,814
Firearms/Toolmarks	727	24%	76%	741
CDS-Pikesville Lab	8,950	27%	73%	7,994
CDS-Berlin Lab	4,365	22%	78%	4,684
CDS-Hagerstown Lab	2,105	45%	55%	2,382
Toxicology	1,205	34%	66%	1,220
Biology	487	21%	79%	496
Trace evidence	250	38%	62%	198
Totals	19,859	28%	72%	19,529

Operational Services Branch	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Forensic Investigations					
Maryland State Police Cases	712	637	662	792	690
Allied Agencies Cases	376	368	337	416	362
Assists	146	132	108	152	178
MSP CDS cases submitted for destruction	5,237	4,459	4,120	4,545	4,690
Allied agency CDS cases for destruction	713	326	396	409	519
Photography					
Special Assignments	50	163	126	84	203
Color Film Rolls Processed *Digital implemented	2,371	1,718*	1,053*	45*	115*
Color Prints *Digital photo images provided	45,079	24,795*	24,109*	17,914*	7,371*

# **Scientific Analysis Branch**

Unit (Action)	2010	2011	2012
Latent Prints / Impressions (Cases Received)	2,079	1,873	1,770
Latent Prints / Impressions (Cases Completed)	1,321	1,255	1,814
Latent Prints / Impressions (MAFIS Hits)	316	206	320
Latent Prints / Impressions (Case Uploads to MAFIS)	403	339	564
Latent Prints / Impressions (Latent Print Uploads to MAFIS)	670	619	1,087
Firearms / Toolmarks (Cases Received)	754	504	727
Firearms / Toolmarks (Cases Completed)	682	771	741
Firearms / Toolmarks (Case Uploads to NIBIN)	681	702	416
Firearms / Toolmarks (Operations Test Shot Samples Received)	307	102	166
Firearms / Toolmarks (Maryland IBIS Samples Received)	23,236	23,771	32,972
CDS-Pikesville (Cases Received)	6,592	6,948	8,950
CDS-Pikesville (Cases Completed)	6,872	7,808	7,994
CDS-Berlin (Cases Received)	5,020	5,201	4,365
CDS-Berlin (Cases Completed)	4,772	5,101	4,684
CDS-Hagerstown (Cases Received)	2,737	2,754	2,105
CDS-Hagerstown (Cases Completed)	2,851	2,705	2,382
Toxicology (Blood Alcohol Cases Received)	750	827	845
Toxicology (Blood Alcohol Cases Completed)	813	778	877
Toxicology (Blood Drug Cases Received)	314	346	360
Toxicology (Blood Drug Cases Completed)	332	324	343
Biology Casework (Cases Received)	395	416	487
Biology Casework (Cases Completed)	562	449	496
Biology Database (Total CODIS Hits)	408	430	414
Biology Database (Arrested/Charged CODIS Hits)	67	80	45
Biology Database (Convicted Offender Uploads to CODIS)	9,587	5,866	6,848

Biology Database (Arrested/Charged Uploads to CODIS)	6,030	4,327	3,174
Biology Database (Case Uploads to CODIS)	745	795	801
Trace Evidence (Cases Received)	251	225	250
Trace Evidence (Cases Completed)	247	240	198

#### **Criminal Investigation Division**

The components of the Criminal Investigation Division (CID) consists of sections, units, task forces, teams, and a laboratory that solve all facets of crimes throughout the state of Maryland that includes supporting allied agencies and being part of allied agencies joint task forces.

#### **Homicide Unit**

The Homicide Unit maintains regional offices strategically located throughout the State and investigates new homicides, cold case homicides, police involved shootings, criminal internal investigations and assists other police departments with homicide and suspicious death investigations. Investigators in the Cold Case unit focus on past unsolved murder investigations by applying state of the art forensic scientific applications such as DNA analysis, forensic odontology and forensic toxicology. In 2012, the Homicide Unit investigated or assisted in 32 homicide investigations, 9 police involved shootings, 11 criminal internals, 50 miscellaneous investigations and made 36 arrests.

Noteworthy case: A nude woman's body was found in an isolated area in Worcester County, with her identity learned as a result of her having been reported as missing to the Delaware State Police (DSP). She worked for a private school/church in Delaware. The DSP learned that the victim had been alone on the school/church property with a custodian who was a registered sex offender and had only been employed by the school/church for two months. The MSP detailed investigation, evidence collection and DNA analysis by the MSP Forensic Sciences Division resulted in the arrest of the custodian, prosecution pending.

#### **Polygraph Unit**

The Polygraph Unit provides polygraph and related services; principally interview and interrogations, to Maryland State Police and to other allied law enforcement and criminal justice agencies. There are currently 12 MSP polygraph operators; 7 sworn and 5 civilians strategically assigned to different barracks across the State.

Polygraph Examinations				
Year	2012			
Criminal	151			
Post-Conviction Sex Offender	344			
Allied Agency Applicant Pre-employment	293			
MSP Applicant Pre-employment	933			
Administrative Internal	14			
Total Examinations	1,735			

#### Noteworthy cases:

During a post-conviction polygraph examination of a 31-year old sex offender previously convicted of raping a 12-year old girl, the offender admitted that since his release from prison he engaged in sexual intercourse with a 15-year old girl. An expedited parole retake warrant was issued and the offender was immediately arrested following the polygraph examination.

A polygraph examination revealed deception resulting in a confession during the post-test interview associated with sexual abuse case of a 6-year old girl.

#### Gang Enforcement Unit

The mission of the Gang Enforcement Unit (GEU) is to work in an overt and covert capacity with federal, State, and local law enforcement partners to identify, infiltrate and dismantle criminal gangs within Maryland.

Year	2012
On-view Criminal Arrests	268
Warrants Served	161
Gang Members Identified and Validated	146
Search and Seizure Warrants Executed	51
Firearms Seized	27
U.S. Currency Seized	\$37,000

The Gang Enforcement Unit is regionalized into three areas of the State; North, East and West.

The **Northern Region Gang Unit** investigators concentrate their efforts in Cecil County and Harford County with additional emphasis on investigations that have cross border connections in Delaware and Pennsylvania.

The **Eastern Region Gang Enforcement Unit** is regionalized with investigators working cases that are primarily generated out of Wicomico County. However, this unit also works cooperatively with the Salisbury Police Department. A sub-section, the **Upper Shore Region Gang Enforcement Unit**, concentrates its efforts in Kent, Queen Anne, Caroline and Talbot Counties.

The **Western Region Gang Unit** investigators work closely with the Frederick Police Department to combat gang activity in and around the city of Frederick.

Noteworthy case: A traffic stop was made for inoperable lights and speeding and the driver and two passengers presented identity information. Upon the trooper observing a handle of a handgun protruding from underneath the front passenger's seat the occupants were ordered out of the car and immediately fled the scene. The trooper stayed with the car and evidence, but a search was quickly initiated for the suspects by the Frederick Police Department, Frederick County Sheriff's Office, MSP Frederick Barrack and an MSP K-9 team. The suspects were not located. However, with their identities known it was learned that all three suspects were prohibited from possessing a firearm due to previous convictions. They were also known members and/or associates of the criminal gang Bloods-Eastside Bounty Hunter set. The suspect's residences were obtained and they were served with DNA search and seizure warrants. The DNA samples, analyzed by the MSP Forensic Sciences Division, connected a suspect to the firearm and he was charged with being a felon in possession of a handgun. Another suspect had several outstanding warrants. Upon the Maryland State Apprehension Team entering his residence to affect his arrest the investigators observed firearms and illicit drugs in plain view. A subsequent search and seizure warrant led to the recovery of a semi-automatic rifle and illicit drugs. The suspect was charged with firearms and CDS related crimes, stood trial and was found guilty. This case initiated from GEU suppression patrols being conducted in a gang/drug area in Frederick County.

#### **Firearms Enforcement Unit**

The Firearms Enforcement Unit is responsible for the initial action of all regulatory firearms investigations developed through the MSP Licensing Division. The Unit completes the follow up investigation and/or consultation on firearms investigations developed from uniformed troopers and other units/divisions. The Unit also assists with firearms investigations referred to by allied agencies to include leads developed through the federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms.

Year	2010	2011	2012
Firearms Seized	125	1,314	923
Arrests	26	115	138
Assists to FOB for firearm related incidents/seizures	-	-	133*
Defendants in state & federal court charged for violations	-	-	43*

<sup>\*</sup> Newly tracked

A noteworthy case began with a barrack investigation of a regulated firearm used in a non-fatal shooting, resulted in the seizing of 120 firearms that included seven machine guns. The firearm was traced to a 70 year old male who had over 200 firearms randomly placed in his home in open view and he stated he was unaware a firearm was missing. The investigation revealed the gun owner had been selling firearms illegally for 30 years.

#### **Maryland State Apprehension Team**

The Maryland State Apprehension Team is divided into four regions: the Baltimore, Greenbelt, Northern and Salisbury Teams. These Teams are responsible for apprehending the most violent offenders in and from the state of Maryland. The type and number of offenders the Teams collectively apprehended in 2012 are:

Offences	Arrests		Offences	Arrests
Abduction/Kidnapping	2		Handgun Violations	68
Arson	9		Manslaughter	6
Assault – First Degree	107		Murder	46
Child Abuse	11		Murder – Attempted	33
Child Pornography	4		Rape	18
Carjacking	10		Robbery	133
Escape	19		Sex Offense	54

The **Baltimore Team**, comprised of MSP troopers and Baltimore Sheriff's Office deputies, aligned with the Capital Area Regional Fugitive Task Force in 2010. This task force includes the U.S. Marshal Service, Baltimore City Police Department and Howard County Police Department and operates within the Baltimore Metropolitan area. As a result of this re-alignment the Baltimore Team receives cases for violent federal fugitives wanted by the U.S. Marshals Service in Central Maryland. The Baltimore Team primarily serves Baltimore City Sheriff's Office failure to appear warrants for violent offenders, Baltimore Sheriff's Office violation of probation warrants for violent offenders and referred Baltimore City warrants in instances when the suspect is believed to be outside of Baltimore. The team is also responsible for all MSP felony warrants originating in Baltimore, Howard and Anne Arundel Counties, Baltimore City and allied department's requests for assistance in fugitive investigations for this region. In 2012, the Baltimore Team closed 1,308 warrants with 649 (49.6 %) by arrest.

**Greenbelt Team** encompassed the Capital Area Regional Task Force (CARTF) in 2010 and is comprised of five MSP troopers, one Metropolitan Police Department detective and one Prince George's County Police Department detective. This Team primarily serves violent crime and offender warrants originating from the Prince George's County Sheriff's Office and provides statewide fugitive investigations for the MSP. The team is responsible for all MSP felony warrants originating in Montgomery, Prince George's, Calvert, Charles and St. Mary's Counties and allied department's requests for assistance in fugitive investigations for this region. In 2012, the Greenbelt Team closed 872 warrants with 400 (45.9 %) by arrest.

**Northern Team** is comprised of four MSP troopers, has statewide responsibilities with a mission to serve MSP violent felony warrants and warrants in which the fugitive is extraordinarily difficult to locate. This Team also responds to requests from local, out of State and federal law enforcement agencies. In 2010, the United States Marshal's Service began funding the Northern team and has included the team in the Capital Area Regional Fugitive Task Force. The team is responsible for all MSP felony warrants originating in Cecil, Harford, Carroll, Frederick, Washington, Allegany and Garrett Counties and allied department's requests for assistance in fugitive investigations for this region. In 2012, the Northern Team closed 377 warrants with 303 (80 %) by arrest.

**Salisbury Team** was formed at the request of the Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention in March of 2010, and is comprised of troopers, U.S. Marshals, Parole and Probation Agent, Wicomico County Sheriff's deputy, Dorchester County Sheriff's and Salisbury Police Department personnel. This task force is devoted to the service of outstanding felony warrants for high risk offenders for Delmar Police Department, Fruitland Police Department, MSP-Salisbury

Barrack, Salisbury Police Department and the Wicomico County Sherriff's Office. Additionally, any warrants originating from the Maryland Department Public Safety and Correctional Services are considered for assignment. Due to the Team having State and nationwide jurisdiction, it also serves outstanding warrants from any state, county or local law enforcement agency seeking assistance in the locating fugitives believed to be in the Delmarva region. Being aligned with the Capital Area Regional Fugitive Task Force this team receives and investigates cases for violent federal fugitives wanted by the U.S. Marshals Service on the Eastern Shore of Virginia, Maryland, and Delaware while maintaining primary responsibility for all MSP felony warrants originating in Kent, Queen Anne's, Caroline, Talbot, Dorchester, Wicomico, Worcester and Somerset Counties and allied department's requests for assistance in fugitive investigations for this region. In 2012, the Salisbury Team closed 446 warrants with 426 (95.5 %) by arrest.

#### Maryland Attorney General's Office

For decades, the MSP CID has staffed and supported the Attorney General's Criminal Division (AG'sCD) which today is principally comprised of the Economic Crimes and Public Corruption Unit, the Environmental Crimes Unit, the Insurance Fraud Unit, the Firearms Trafficking Unit, Gang Unit and the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit. Currently there is one MSP CID investigator assigned to the AG'sCD and one MSP CID investigator assigned to the Maryland Insurance Administration / Insurance Fraud Unit who support the investigative / prosecutorial efforts of the above units and other such entities including the Office of the State Prosecutor. In 2011, the troopers, auditors, and attorneys assigned to the AG'sCD have screened 2,007 criminal and potential criminal cases, of which 51 cases have been accepted/opened for the AG'sCD troopers and auditors to investigate. The troopers assigned to the AG'sCD have served six search warrants, assisted with a search warrant, made four arrests and assisted with 13 others, served 11 subpoenas and conducted 43 interview/interrogations of suspects, victims, and witnesses.

Noteworthy case: Falsified Insurance Claims – Theft An Arnold, MD resident, pleaded guilty in the Circuit Court for Anne Arundel County to one count of Felony Theft over \$100,000. The maximum penalty for Felony Theft over \$100,000 is 25-years incarceration and a \$25,000 fine. An investigation revealed that from September 9, 2008 through July 27, 2010, the suspect, a former insurance company office manager, sent false documents and made false oral statements to her own insurance company, in support of fictitious claims seeking benefits for room and board fees associated with a child's hospital stays. Consequently, the insurance company issued a series of benefit checks totaling \$100,250 payable to the suspect.

#### **Baltimore Regional Auto Theft Task Forces (RATT)**

RATT is a multi-agency / multi-jurisdictional effort to reduce auto theft and associated crimes in the Baltimore metropolitan area. RATT began in 1995 as a cooperative effort with the Baltimore County Police Department and Baltimore Police Department. The MSP joined RATT to expand the resources and reach of the program in April 2009. Currently, one MSP CID investigator is assigned to RATT. In 2012, RATT recovered 794 stolen vehicles, arrested 547 people on different charges, executed 25 search warrants and recovered 13 firearms.

RATT	2010	2011	2012
Recovered Stolen Vehicles	775	794	850
Arrests	689	547	471
Search Warrants Executed	50	25	32
Firearms Recovered	7	13	1

Noteworthy case: From January through March of 2012, the Regional Auto Theft Team (RATT) initiated an in-depth multi-jurisdictional investigation into a suspect for theft of multiple vehicles and related crimes. The investigation revealed the suspect unlawfully removed three tow trucks (two from Pennsylvania and one from New Jersey). The suspect utilized the stolen tow trucks to steal vehicles in numerous Maryland counties/cities, usually from repair shops, after hours, while unattended on parking lots. While operating the stolen tow truck, with the stolen vehicle in tow, the suspect would pick up one of many co-defendants throughout Baltimore. The pair would traverse to local scrap yards, whereby they would complete the paperwork and use his/her identification to sell the vehicle. The suspect kept the most of the payout (\$400.00 to \$1000.00 depending on the

weight of the scrapped vehicle) and usually gave the co-defendant \$50.00. The suspect has been linked to a total of 16 stolen vehicles, 13 of which were scrapped. The total value of the stolen vehicles was approximately \$120,000. At the conclusion of the investigation, the suspect was indicted in Baltimore City on 101 counts of Theft, Motor Vehicle Theft and related charges and was also charged in Pennsylvania for the theft of two tow trucks.

# Washington Area Vehicle Enforcement (WAVE)

WAVE is a Washington metropolitan area auto theft initiative that combines the resources of the MSP and the Prince George's County Police Department (PGCoPD) to address auto theft in that county. The PGCoPD assigns 11 investigators to investigate auto theft and related offenses. The MSP assigns two plain clothes troopers who supplement those efforts by patrolling the county in undercover vehicles using covert license plate readers to recover stolen vehicles.

WAVE	2010	2011	2012
Recovered Stolen Vehicles	468	444*	414
Arrests	131	27	74
Firearms Recovered	1	0	15

<sup>\*</sup>Corrected from 2011 report

Noteworthy case: On August 9, 2012, an MSP senior trooper located a 2011 Nissan Maxima displaying a Public Vehicle Identification Number (PVIN) in Laurel, Prince George's County, Maryland. The PVIN was a duplicate of the "real & true" 2011 Nissan Maxima owned and located in Chicago, Illinois. Through investigation, it was determined that the Maxima in Laurel was a "cloned" vehicle, fraudulently titled/registered, and its true identity was not known. The "fraudulent" Maxima was monitored for several days and on August 17, 2012, the "fraudulent" Maxima was stopped at Annapolis Road and 53<sup>rd</sup> Street with the driver identified. The Maxima's Confidential Vehicle Identification Number (CVIN) was located. When checked through the stolen database the CVIN was revealed ("fraudulent" Maxima) was revealed to be reported stolen through the Chicago Police Department on September 4, 2011. The suspect was placed under arrest and transported to District 1. Central Processing and to be interviewed. Further investigation and a search of the stolen Maxima revealed multiple MVA documents, several fraudulent titles from various states, an Apple Mac Book, cell-phone, a GPS navigational device and \$19,600 in US currency. The cash, Apple Mac Book and GPS were immediately recovered as evidence. The stolen Maxima was recovered and towed to the county impound lot to be examined. The other items of evidentiary value were sorted and recovered at the Prince George's County impound lot. The suspect also had an outstanding arrest warrant through the New Jersey State Police for another vehicle theft. He was held at the New Jersey Essex County Jail pending trial on auto theft charges. A federal agency also has a detainer on the suspect to be processed for deportation. The value of the Maxima was approximately \$25,000.

#### Maryland Center for Missing Children (MCMC)

The MCMC was established in 1985 as the State's clearinghouse for missing children information and with the mission to provide assistance and support to MSP installations and law enforcement agencies nationwide in locating missing children. The MCMC presents informative seminars for parents and law enforcement to address incidents of runaways, stranger abductions, and parental abductions.

#### Child Recovery Unit (CRU)

The CRU's primary responsibilities are being the investigative arm for the Maryland Center for Missing Children (MCMC) and coordinating Maryland's AMBER and Silver Alert systems. Additionally, they are a key component of investigations involving technical nexus (computers, email communications, cell phones, etc.) as the investigative resources requiring for these skills is limited.

Noteworthy case: The Child Recovery Unit (CRU) was instrumental in the recovery of a 16-year old juvenile abducted in Michigan and being exploited for prostitution in a Hispanic brothel ring operating in Prince George's County. The federal Homeland Security Investigations (HSI), formerly Immigrations Customs Enforcement, contacted the CRU that the juvenile was in Prince George's County. Using modern technology the CRU identified the juvenile's location. The CRU was part of

the entry team along with HIS and the Prince George's County Police that resulted in the juvenile's recovery and arrests being made.

Child Recovery Unit	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Missing Children Cases / Assists	63	60	56	85	76
Child Prostitution / Human Trafficking	-	-	-	45*	80
Children Recovered	63	57	58	90	70
Other Investigations	39	45	69	60	54
AMBER Alert Requests	14	6	10	10	7
AMBER Alert Activations	2	0	3	2	3
Silver Alert Requests	N/A	N/A	27	59	47
Silver Alert Activations	N/A	N/A	22	55	45
Recovery due to Silver Alerts	N/A	N/A	7	16	20

<sup>\*</sup> Began tracking

# **Computer Crimes Section**

Computer Crimes Unit (CCU) – This is a specialized investigative unit that investigates highly technical and wide-ranging 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, a federally funded project designed to respond to and investigate complaints of online sexual child exploitation.

Computer Forensics Laboratory (CFL) - The CFL personnel are trained to search for and recover data on various digital storage devices. They trained as expert witnesses in the area of digital forensics in support of criminal investigations. Casework comes from the Department and allied agencies throughout the State. Examinations are conducted on a wide variety of devices. The majority of the cases are child pornography and child exploitation related, including the online solicitation of minors for sex and the manufacturing of child pornography. The Lab however, also provides support for numerous other serious investigations including: homicide/murder investigations, gang activities and serious frauds. The CFL provides training and technical assistance to prosecutors and law enforcement concerning the seizure, recovery, courtroom presentation, and analysis of digital evidence.

Computer Crimes Unit Investigations										
Crime / Incident	Cases 2009	Cases 2010	Cases 2011	Cases 2012						
Assist Other Law Enforcement	77	74	98	103						
Miscellaneous complaints	81	115	-	30						
Child Pornography Distribution	27	50	79	72						
Child Pornography Possession	10	30	35	34						
Child Pornography Manufacture	-	-	-	5						
Illegal Access to Computers	5	7	3	2						
Online Child Enticement	13	23	-	45						
Online Harassment	3	5	-	2						
Theft/Fraud	0	13	7	6						
Online Child Solicitation	10	4	-	2						
Total Investigations	231	321	222	301						

Noteworthy case: The MSP Computer Crimes Unit (CCU) was contacted after an investigator of the Virginia, Christiansburg Police Department identified a Washington County, MD resident of sexual solicitation of a minor. The suspect had been convicted in March 2012, for sex offense against a minor in Washington County. Virginia issued an arrest warrant. The CCU personnel and the Washington County Sheriff's Office arrested the suspect at his place of employment and seized digital evidence.

Computer Forensic Laboratory - 2012									
Department	Cases	Department	Cases						
Anne Arundel County Police	1	Laurel Police Department	1						
Caroline County Sheriff's Office	1	MD Dept. of Health & Mental Hygiene	1						
Charles County Sheriff's Office	4	MSP Barracks / Investigators	13						
Elkton Police Department	1	MSP Computer Crimes	18						
FBI / JTTF	1	St. Mary's County BCI	1						
Frederick County Sheriff's Office	1	University of MD Police	1						
Harford County Sheriff's Office	1	Wicomico County Sheriff	2						
Howard County Police	15	Worcester County BCI	1						
Case Intake - 62 Data Examined:									

Case Intake - 62

Cases Examined - 63

Total Forensic Parts - 187 (Case sub-parts)

Data Examined:
38,977,497 Megabytes
37.17 Terabytes

Several of the Computer Forensic Laboratory cases involve the distribution of child pornography and child sex abuse requiring the examination of thousands of images of child pornography, child pornography bondage, and hundreds of movies of the same.

#### **Drug Investigation Command**

The Drug Investigation Command leads the MSP drug control strategy by focusing on the disruption of the illicit drug market in Maryland. The division's mission is to identify, infiltrate and dismantle drug trafficking organizations operating in and through Maryland. Division personnel use a variety of investigative techniques, including covert operations, electronic surveillance and bulk drug interdiction to accomplish their enforcement efforts.

#### **Drug Enforcement Division**

Drug Enforcement Division 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. Drug enforcement troopers are assigned to 19 multi-jurisdictional drug task forces, three investigative support units, three drug interdiction units and five federal drug initiatives.

Noteworthy case: During September 2012, the Division coordinated and led the DEA National Prescription Take-Back Initiative for the Department. The participation resulted in the collection of 775 pounds of unwanted pharmaceutical medicine. The Department collected the largest amount of pharmaceuticals for any single police department in the State.

#### **Pro-Active Criminal Enforcement (PACE) Team**

The four members of the PACE Team perform patrol enforcement functions geared to identifying drug couriers and locating contraband in hidden compartments. The PACE Team uses traffic enforcement measures to identify interstate terrorism, interdict the flow of illegal drugs, seize drug proceeds, untaxed cigarettes, illegal weapons, and to detect other types of criminal activity. In 2012 the PACE Team made 18 Criminal Arrests and seized the following: \$ 710,158 in U.S. currency /drug proceeds, 1.25 pounds of heroin, 2.4 pounds of cocaine and 11.5 pounds of marijuana.

Noteworthy case: In November 2012, a traffic stop was conducted by a PACE Team member on a vehicle for failure to obey a traffic control device on Interstate 95, resulting in the seizure of

\$90,396. During the traffic stop, the trooper detected numerous indicators of criminal activity. A warrantless probable cause search of the vehicle was conducted and resulted in locating nine bundles of U.S. currency wrapped in aluminum foil and hidden inside of the natural voids of the vehicle. Based on the events surrounding the traffic stop, the positive K-9 alert and the manner in which the currency was packaged and concealed, the currency was seized.

#### **Asset Forfeiture Unit**

The Asset Forfeiture Unit serves as the clearinghouse for all asset seizures made by all Department personnel. 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 2012, this unit processed \$2,554,245 in seized currency, seized 73 motor vehicles, issued 19 bank subpoenas and served 12 tax petitions. As part of the Post-Arrest Asset Identification Program, the unit identified an additional three real estate properties and \$12,500 for seizure. The unit also followed-up on drug arrests made by patrol troopers to identify additional assets for seizure. As part of the Post-Arrest Asset Identification Program, the unit identified an additional four real estate properties and \$400,000 dollars of potential forfeitable assets.

#### Technical Surveillance Unit

The Technical Surveillance Unit provides expertise in the operation of electronic surveillance equipment and physical surveillance techniques. The unit is responsible for the maintenance and installation of the Department's surveillance and electronic monitoring equipment. In 2012, the Unit supported various law enforcement investigations by conducting 50 video surveillance installations, 10 electronic tracking of suspects, 153 pen register installations, 23 wiretap investigations and seven audio/video enhancements.

#### **Parcel Interdiction**

The Metro Area Task Force and the Delivery System Parcel Interdiction Initiative are High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) sponsored units that focus exclusively on drug smuggling organizations utilizing commercial delivery services to transport bulk quantities of drugs and money in and out of the state. During 2012, the units collectively arrested 132 drug suspects and seized: 2,565.7 pounds of marijuana, 53.9 pounds of cocaine, 1.1 pounds of heroin, 712 grams of methamphetamine, 7 handguns, 12 vehicles, and over \$2,349,912.00 dollars in U.S. Currency.

#### **Marijuana Eradication Operations**

The Marijuana Eradication Program supports all Maryland law enforcement agencies in the eradication of domestically cultivated marijuana in the State. The **Marijuana Eradication Unit** administers the Drug Enforcement Administration's Domestic Cannabis Eradication and Suppression Program through a \$95,000 federal grant. During 2012, 111 domestic marijuana grow investigations were initiated. As a result, 2,792 marijuana plants were eradicated and 57.71 pounds of processed marijuana were seized. Domestic cannabis suppression efforts led to the arrest of 90 drug suspects on felony cultivation charges, the seizure of 119 firearms, and \$931,165 in assets utilized in connection with marijuana cultivation and distribution operations.

Drug Enforcement	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Drug Investigations	3,979	3,548	3,339	2,772	3,019
Arrest: Drug Suspects	2,159	1,922	1,744	1,354	1,449
Gang Member Arrests	Not noted in 2008	42	39	48	40
Firearms Seized	339	551	259	377	470
Marijuana (pounds)	3,710	8,236	7,125	6,304	4,662
Cocaine (pounds)	416	219	133	190	189
Heroine (pounds)	100	22	n/a	47	20
Methamphetamine (pounds)	n/a	24	5.5	1.3	2.2
U.S. Currency/drug proceeds	\$5,538,239	\$7,900,000	\$9,622,832	\$6,877,255	\$77,641,012
Search Warrants Issued	1,255	1,125	1,232	1,050	1,005

#### **Extradition Unit**

The unit works in conjunction with the Department of Public Safety & Correctional Services in the transportation of fugitives to the jurisdiction authorizing the extradition. In 2012, the unit completed 17 MSP extraditions, 193 for Parole and Probation, 11 for Interstate Corrections Compact and assisted other states with 4 extraditions.

# **Support Services Bureau**

The Support Services Bureau provides materials and services to the Department of State Police and allied law enforcement agencies to enable them to meet their obligations and responsibilities. The Bureau's responsibilities include the Personnel Command, Technology and Information Management Command and the Logistics Command.

#### **Personnel Command**

# **Human Resources Division (HRD)**

In 2012, the HRD **Employment Services Section** (ESS) processed 2,103 personnel transactions that included appointments, retirements, resignations, terminations, name changes, promotions, reclassifications, transfers, reassignments, suspensions, written reprimands, administrative actions and payroll corrections. The ESS processed 223 reclassification actions of sworn and civilian personnel. The **Leave Desk** continues its 13 year run of processing the bi-weekly Work & Leave Reports for over 2,200 employees within 10 days of the end of each pay period.

Human Resources Division	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Statewide Sworn Applicant Orientations	48	53	47	48	47
Sworn Applicants Screened	1,887	2,551	2,231	2,932	2,544
Background Investigations Processed (sworn & civilian)	671	332	665	482	463
Trooper Candidates Selected	113	75	114	73	160
Cadets Processed and Hired	26	16	23	23	23
Processed Sworn Entering DROP	37	40	43	51	21
Assisted Spouses with Beneficiary Death Benefits	21	25	23	26	25

The Department's **Retirement Coordinator** remains current of new policies and procedures relative to the position and in 2012 attended two update retirement seminars sponsored by the Department of Budget and Management that are designed to enhance the knowledge, skills, and abilities of Retirement Benefits Coordinators. In 2012, the HRD hosted one sworn retirement seminar at Pikesville Headquarters and two at local field installations. Separation transactions follows.

Sworn Personnel	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Service Retirements*	53	52	54	47	55
DROP Exits	40	29	39	36	38
Special Disability Retirements	13	10	10	4	8
Ordinary Retirement	4	2	2	2	1
Deceased Personnel	2	1	1	1	0
Resignations	59	48	45	45	40
Transferred to other State Agency	0	0	0	0	0
Terminated	6	5	9	3	1

<sup>\*</sup> Includes DROP Exits

Civilian Personnel	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Service Retirements	17	15	20	18	18
Disability Retirements	2	4	4	2	1
Deceased Personnel	2	2	1	1	0
Resignations	48	28	48	42	26
Transferred to other State Agency	8	7	4	3	5
Terminated	6	5	8	4	5
Lay Offs	0	3	0	0	0

#### **Uniform Recruitment and Selection Unit**

In 2012, there were 2,544 potential trooper applicants screened with a rejection rate of 24.25 percent. Applications are only given to those who pass the screening. Of the 614 applications submitted to the Recruiting Unit, 160 (26%) applicants were accepted into the MSP Academy, 96 in Class 138 that started in January 2012, and 64 in Class 139 that started August 2012.

#### **Risk Management**

The mission of the MSP Risk Management Program is to administer a comprehensive approach to formulate, implement and enforce an occupational health and safety program for the Department of State Police which will support the identification of mission-critical risks, assess how to manage those risks, and align resources with risk management responsibilities to ensure compliance with local, state and federal regulations. This is done by working to improve compliance, work practices, building conditions, safety awareness and personal protective equipment programs to reduce the frequency of work-related injuries to Department personnel. Accomplishments include: 1. The inspection of 72 facilities resulted in the correcting hazardous work related issues. This included asbestos abatement at Pikesville Headquarters and the Berlin Barracks facilities. Risk Management secured \$330,000 to pay the cost for this from the Asbestos Oversight Committee. 2. Seven Wellness-Stat bulletins from the Governor's Office were distributed to all Department personnel. 3. Published a 2012 calendar dedicated to MSP Fallen Heroes, featuring a health or safety topic for each month that was distributed to Department employees, employee groups, State legislature and family members of fallen heroes.

## MARYLAND STATE POLICE Sworn Race / Sex / Rank Distribution Civilian Race / Sex Distribution

#### As of December 31, 2012

Race/Sex	WM	WF	вм	BF	AM	AF	IM	IF	нм	HF	ОМ	OF	Male	Female	Total
Rank															
Colonel	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Lt. Col.	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	4
Major	3	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	3	7
Captain	18	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20	2	22
Lieutenant	43	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	48	5	53
1 <sup>st</sup> /Det. Sgt.	76	3	4	0	1	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	85	3	88
Sergeant	218	19	33	7	3	0	1	0	4	0	0	0	259	26	285
Corporal	171	10	35	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	207	14	221
TFC	282	14	50	6	3	1	0	0	8	1	0	0	343	22	365
Trooper	317	30	56	2	5	0	0	0	10	1	0	0	388	33	421
Sworn Totals	1132	85	187	20	13	1	1	0	26	2	0	0	1359	108	1467
Civilians	308	243	39	92	5	5	0	1	5	2	0	1	357	344	701
Totals	1440	328	226	11 2	18	6	1	1	31	4	0	1	1716	452	2168

WM = White Male WF = White Female BM = Black Male BF = Black Female AM = Asian male AF = Asian Female IM = Indian Male IF = Indian Female HM= Hispanic Male HF= Hispanic Female OM = Other Male OF= Other Female

#### **Medical Services Unit**

The Medical Services Unit ensures the health, welfare and safety of MSP employees. The unit administers vaccinations to eligible MSP employees; conducts drug testing of applicants and random testing of current personnel. The MSP Medical Director conducts physicals on trooper applicants, civilian new hires and STATE Team (SWAT) applicants and conducts daily "Sick Call" for trooper candidates attending the MSP Training Academy.

Medical Services Unit Work Statistics	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Trooper Applicants Processed	202	214	288	380	223
Hearing Tests Administered	1,635	1,637	1,417	1,465	1,538
Cardio Stress Tests Administered	34	20	16	24	15
Random Drug Tests	663	595	609	598	453
Special Orders for Fitness-for-Duty	39	12	10	11	12
Restricted Duty Orders	571	578	414	448	475
Disability Retirement Applications	24	31	23	14	27
Injections Administered	*	701	320	42	191
Administrative/Accident Leave Requests					102
Child Care & Nurturing Leave Requests					69

<sup>\*</sup> No Medical Director

#### **Volunteers in Police Support (VIPS)**

The VIPS program has proven to be a continued success in 2012 with 115 volunteers working 8,122.5 hours in a variety of the areas such as data entry, crime prevention, photography and various clerical tasks.

#### **Chaplain Program**

The volunteer chaplains provide an invaluable service and support the Maryland State Police in crisis situations, such as homicides, suicide, and hostage situations, as requested. Additionally, Chaplains participate in Promotional, Fallen Heroes, Awards and Graduation Ceremonies and attends the Superintendent's dinner with each Academy Class and orientation for new Academy classes.

#### **Intern Program**

The Intern program services high schools, colleges, and universities by offering criminal justice and law enforcement volunteer opportunities for experimental and student service learning purposes. In 2012, the Westminster Barrack received 18 applications from students from various Carroll County schools including Francis Scott Key, Winters Mill, Westminster, North Carroll, Manchester Valley and Century. Of those 12 were selected on a first come first served basis. Four interns, selections based on interviews, were placed at the MSP Academy. Requests were received from students attending the following colleges: University of Maryland, Stevenson University, West Virginia University, Towson University and Howard Community College. The MSP continues to be invited to the Internship Fair at Howard Community College to promote and increase the awareness to the department's intern program. This program continues to grow in popularity which ultimately benefits the department by providing recruitment opportunities.

#### **Promotional Testing Division**

The Promotional Testing Division (PTD) provides the Department with fair, job relevant and legally defensible promotional instruments and processes, which are designed to identify the most qualified candidates for promotion to the next rank. All candidates successfully completing each phase of the promotional process are placed on a rank ordered eligibility list and forwarded to the Superintendent.

PTD is responsible for the development, creation and administration of the MSP promotional process for all the competitive ranks of corporal through captain. PTD does not employ the services of any private (for hire) testing or assessment companies. PTD is solely responsible for the development and construction of all written examinations, oral assessment boards and structured resume boards for each testable rank. PTD solicits feedback from subject matter experts within the MSP, at each rank, to ensure the accuracy, relevance and applicability of all information contained

in each of the written examinations and oral board questions. PTD also provides all necessary assessment training to out-of-state assessors and ensures the accuracy of all process scoring through routine audits both during and following each promotional process. The PTD is also charged with the administration of the Department's Performance Appraisal System, coordinating requests from and assisting local and out of state police department's (with their promotional processes), providing oversight of non-competitive promotions to include trooper first class (TFC) and senior trooper and for providing all training related to promotions and performance appraisals.

During 2012, PTD provided a block of instruction on the MSP Performance Appraisal System to newly promoted supervisors. This training was part of a week long program designed to prepare supervisors for success in their new roles. PTD also assisted the Field Operations Bureau with preparing and processing all non-competitive promotions from trooper to TFC and TFC to senior trooper. During 2012, the PTD handled 34 requests for assistance from 18 unique allied police agencies (11 in-state, and 7 out-of-state). The PSD identified 19 troopers to assist these agencies with their promotional processes and provided those agencies with detailed information regarding the MSP promotional system. The Division's expertise and support is routinely provided to any agency seeking assistance. The Division continues to monitor and maintain all yearly performance appraisals for sworn personnel through the rank of sergeant, and has contributed several important components to the Department's Diversity Plan.

In 2012, PTD offered promotional process training to all sworn employees, at different venues throughout the State to better prepare promotional candidates for success in the promotional process. The promotion testing, administered every other year for eligible personnel for the ranks of corporal to captain, was conducted in 2011 and will be conducted in 2013.

#### **Promotions**

Rank	2012 Promotions	Eligible Candidates	Promotion Rate						
Corporal	105	128	82.0%						
Sergeant	77	127	60.6%						
First/Detective	35	79	44.3%						
Lieutenant	15	24	62.5%						
Captain	5	17	29.4%						
All Tested	237	375	63.2%						

**Promotion Demography** 

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	2010	2011	2012			
White Male	54	81	198			
Black Male	11	15	20			
Hispanic Male	2	1	4			
Indian Male	0	1	0			
Asian Male	0	0	1			
Other Male	-	-	1			
White Female	4	8	12			
Black Female	3	0	1			

# **Education and Training Division**

The Education and Training Division consists of the Academy Section and the Specialized Training Section with the Firearms Training Unit being a unit under the Academy Section.

The Police Academy Section trains and certifies trooper candidates who will perform road patrol duties within the Field Operations Bureau upon graduation. The Academy staff instruct in the following major curriculums: Officer Survival, Defensive Tactics, Firearms, Emergency Vehicle

Operations, Criminal Law, Motor Vehicle Law, Physical Training, Report Writing and General Police Studies. The instructors lead by example and develop self-discipline in the trooper candidates with an emphasis on military bearing and attention to detail, continuing the traditions of the Maryland State Police (MSP) while instilling the professionalism expected from a Maryland State Trooper.

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

#### **Academy Section**

- Graduated 82 from Candidate Class 138 on July 13, 2012; the largest class in the Department's 91 year history.
- Class 138 participated in the Special Olympics MSP Polar Bear Plunge and raised \$22,000.
- Class 138 participated in the Special Olympics Torch Run for Carroll County running more than 16 miles from the Academy to Westminster City Hall. Candidates also participated in the Opening Ceremonies in Towson, Maryland.
- Class 139 commenced August 13, 2012 and was graduated February 8, 2013.
- After graduating from the MSP Academy, a total of 21 troopers from both classes completed
  the additional courses requirements for an Associate of Applied Science (AAS) degree in
  Police Science from the Frederick Community College (FCC). Through an agreement the
  MSP has with the FCC, troopers graduating from the MSP Academy earn credits towards
  an AAS degree and may remain at the MSP Academy for two more weeks and earn the
  additional credits required for the AAS degree from FCC.
- The importance of officer survival and remembrance was re-enforced as the Trooper Candidates researched and presented memorial programs for each of the Department's "fallen heroes" on the anniversary of their sacrifices. Class 138 also honored MSP fallen heroes by attending ceremonies at MSP Headquarters and Dulaney Valley Memorial Gardens.
- The Academy is making changes to help candidates deal with stress and anxiety. In addition to the availability and access to personal e-mails with family members and expanded phone call privileges, changes were made to the Academy disciplinary process, adjustments to the disciplinary weekend process were made, and candidates will be offered "liberty" on 2 to 4 occasions during their training and allowed to leave the Academy compound for a few hours.

#### **Firearms Training Unit**

- The Firearms Training Unit (FTU) successfully completed the Department's conversion from the Beretta handgun to the Glock Model 22 Gen 4 firearm. The conversion was completed with troopers spending one day of training at the Liberty Range and included acclimation to the new firearm, nomenclature, safety protocols and firing a qualifying score with the new firearm.
- The FTU continues to improve the courses of fire, incorporating more advanced training such as walking and shooting with target/threat recognition.
- The FTU conducted one-on-one training for all troopers returning from restricted duty, military leave, extended sick leave and troopers involved in police involved shooting incidents which required training prior to returning to duty as per agency policy.
- Conducted annual day and night fire training for approximately 1,500 troopers.

#### **In-Service and Specialized Training**

- Provided In-Service training to over 1,100 troopers at the rank of sergeant and below which
  included seven hours of classroom lectures, seven hours of practical training combined with
  six hours of on-line training, and five hours of firearms training.
- In 2012, in-service training was tailored and divided into two sessions concentrating on the different duties functions performed by field operations personnel and those performed by criminal investigators.
- In-Service Section staff conducted functional fitness assessment sessions, testing approximately 1,500 trooper applicants.
- Conducted 43 CPR recertification classes, assisted by an Aviation Command member.
- Specialized training offered in 2012 included:
  - First Line Supervisor Training

- Field Training Trooper Training Course
- Introduction to Technology Related Investigations
- MSP Train the Trainer General Police Instructor School
- Search Management
- Street and Outlaw Motorcycle Gangs
- Basic Criminal Investigation
- Supervisor Liability
- Introduction to Internal Investigations

#### **Trooper Candidates Admitted to MSP Academy**

Race - Sex	<b>2009</b> Class 134	<b>2010</b> Classes 135 & 136	<b>2011</b> Class 137	<b>2012</b> Classes 138 &139
White Males	61	94	57	105
Black Males	9	18	9	25
Hispanic Males	1	1	1	7
Asian Males	0	0	2	4
Other Males	0	0	0	0
White Females	2	6	4	15
Black Females	1	0	0	2
Hispanic Females	0	0	0	1
Asian Females	0	0	0	0
Other Females	0	0	0	1
Total	74	119	73	160

# **Technology and Information Management Command**

# **Information Technology Division (ITD)**

The ITD is charged with constructing and implementing an enterprise level information technology organization to support field troopers, investigators, support personnel, allied law enforcement agencies, state and local government agencies and the citizenry. The Division is responsible for the administrative management and oversight of technology projects, and develops budgetary justifications for technology initiatives, legislative responses and customer relations functions. It also oversees IT systems inventory control, IT policy and security and applications development.

#### Application Development Section

This Section is responsible for all in-house development of applications to support the Department's mission, supporting allied agencies and providing data base support. The flagship of this Section is the Electronic Citation System (E-TIX) which has continued to grow throughout the state. Approximately 94 agencies within the State are E-TIX participants with over 8,500 users. Over 2,500 users were trained to use E-TIX in 2012. In cooperation with the MSP Automotive Safety Enforcement Division, the electronic safety equipment repair order (SERO) module was released to all users by the end of 2012. Over 70 percent of all citations were issued through E-TIX in 2012. There were over one million traffic stops entered through E-TIX in 2012 and which should increase throughout 2013.

Delta Plus has become the state wide standard for entering traffic data collection for all law enforcement agencies. Throughout 2012, the MSP developed a module to enter all traffic stop data collection elements required by law. All agencies are mandated through the training commission and analysis center to enter this data through Delta Plus beginning January 1, 2013.

Development and a pilot deployment of the new crash reporting system was completed. By the end of 2012, there were over 350 crash reports entered into the Automated Crash Reporting System (ACRS). ACRS was developed in cooperation with the Maryland Highway Safety Office and the Federal Motor Carriers Section to improve accuracy, timeliness and completeness of crash data for Maryland. The new report brings Maryland closer to compliance with the Minimum Model Uniform Crash Criteria (MMUCC) recommended by the federal partners.

#### **Network Services Section**

This Section is responsible for developing, installing, and maintaining the Department's data communications infrastructure. Daily work includes maintaining over 200 servers, network devices, and various network appliances accessed by agency employees and allied agencies.

- The MSP was among the first six State agencies to participate in the migration to Google Apps. An initiative from the Governor's office, the Google Apps Suite provides email, document sharing, calendar management and sharing, and other time saving applications. The Network services team managed the transition from an antiquated Agency hosted application to cloud-based Google Apps for government. With guidance from the Department of Information Technology (DoIT), the Network Services Section dedicated much time to planning and executing the migrating of all MSP e-mail to Google Apps. Tasks included, but were not limited to, examination of over 2,000 user accounts, network modifications, and participation with DoIT in the advance planning as well as assistance to the Field Support Unit with Google Chrome deployment. The transition was successful, with very few repercussions and was ushered through from Pilot phase to full migration in three months.
- The Unit also conducted a transition from a single antiquated agency file server to a pair of fail-over clustered files servers. The agency file server was a single point of failure server that was well beyond its lifecycle and was running out of drive space. Two new servers and a pair of SAN devices were procured and planning the transition immediately started. With the increased storage space of the SAN, the Network Services Unit planed the decommissioning of a few antiquated file servers. The current agency file server now consists of two physical servers that are utilizing the Microsoft cluster service. This service enables the servers to fail over to the other server in the event of a failure.

#### Field Support Section

This section installs and maintains all Department computers, printers, and related peripheral equipment and in 2012 responded to over 200 requests for assistance calls.

- Through the gang grant initiative, the Department acquired 21 LiveScan systems from Cogent. With final configuration of the system as part of the Cogent contract, Field Support personnel still spent more than one day for each site as they received, assembled and delivered these systems to all 22 barracks.
- Another grant funded project was the purchase and deployment of over 250 semi-rugged laptops for investigators across the State. Equipped with docking stations at their desk, the investigators can use one computer in the office and in the field as they work a case.
- Cooperatively with Quartermaster Division (QMD), ITD has been configuring local networks
  for the use of network photocopiers. This QMD driven project has reduced the number of
  standard printers in each site, reduced printing costs and allowed ITD to redistribute the
  newer HP printers to replace failing printers. During 2012, with a change in contract
  vendors, end of lease copiers are being replaced with new Cannon copiers. This Section
  has been involved in the reconfiguring sites for the new copiers.

#### **Communication Services Section**

The Communication Services Section has been managing the ongoing upgrade of the Department's telephone systems. The 2012 progress includes:

- Three Barracks received new VoIP hybrid communications systems.
  - Designed and installed a system to accommodate the new multi-agency Western Maryland Operations Center at Hagerstown.
  - o Replaced an aging, end of life electronic key system at Bel Air Barrack.
  - Replaced Salisbury Barracks old system that was struck by lightning.
- All Department VoIP systems are capable of communicating with each other over the Wide Area Network. This is an additional project managed by the Communications Services Section that will provide a secondary path for telephonic communication across the state.

Next Generation E-911 System Project
On May 24, 2012, the Emergency Number Systems Board approved \$1,059,560.52 to fund
a pilot next generation state-of-the-art E 911 delivery system for the MSP Eastern Shore
Barracks, all of which function as secondary Public Safety Answering Points (PSAPs). The
Maryland Board of Public Works approval was received July 11, 2012, and implementation
planning began July 27, 2012. The pilot region is expected to be fully deployed, tested and
receive final acceptance first quarter 2014.

#### **Cellular Services Unit**

With volunteers from across the state, this Unit registered all MSP and allied issued Blackberry devices on the Google Blackberry Enterprise Server. Additionally, it developed tested and implemented a new faster, easier method of registration.

Supported by the Google Transition Team, this Unit implemented a new more reliable e-mail based STATE/HRT procedure. This new notification system resulted in the elimination of approximately 50 leased pagers and is saving approximately \$6,000 per year.

# Applications Management Section (METERS/ NCIC) – (MD Electronic Telecommunications & Enforcement Resource System) / National Crime Information Center)

In 2012 the METERS/NCIC Section merged with the Telecommunications Section forming the Applications Management Section, allowing the realignment of duties and responsibilities with job descriptions and technological advances.

The Federal Bureau of Investigation has designated the Maryland State Police as the Criminal Justice Information Systems Agency (CSA) for the State of Maryland, and these responsibilities are executed by the METERS/MILES/NCIC/NLETS Section. As CSA, the Section assures the security, quality, accuracy, and timeliness of the information submitted to the National Crime Information Center (NCIC)

The METERS/NCIC section tested and implemented several upgrades including automating the validation process for NCIC records which sends messages to allied agencies notifying them of records in need of validation plus notifying them of records that have been purged for failing to be validated. This process increases the timeliness and accuracy of the records in the system and saves man-hours and postage compared to the manual method. Additional upgrades to the system include the ability to enter "persons with information" to the missing persons file and "persons of interest" to the protected persons file. Working with Motor Vehicle Administration the section is able to provide users with titling information on mopeds and handicapped placard owner information.

The audit section completed the 2010-2012 biennial audits of all agencies and in May 2012 embarked on the 2012-2014 audit cycle of over 700 locations. The training section offered 8 classes of TAC (Terminal Agency Coordinator) training for all agency TACs, entry and recertification for all levels of access, and Instructor Training for 18 new instructors.

The section completed 148 requests for off-line searches, and manages the validation of 700,062 Maryland wanted persons records, 4,347 civil warrants, 7,847 protective orders, 27,034 stolen guns, persons on supervised release, 2,593 missing persons, 969 stolen securities, 205 stolen boats, 152 gang and terrorist members, 13,570 stolen vehicles, 62 unidentified persons, 17,236 articles, 29,302 stolen tags, 10,105 sex offenders, 216 identify thefts, and 54 gangs. The Section also manages 7,211desktop connections and 14,967 mobile devices with connection to METERS/NCIC/Nlets.

The telecommunication (Headquarters Duty Officer) operations include 24/7 quality control and user assistance responsible functions for all METERS/NCIC/Nlets, and the assigned ability to re-set passwords for various applications on a 24/7 basis. They continue to monitor the systems, provide compound security, keep command staff notified of significant events, maintain call-out rosters and assure that agency resources are notified, and respond when requested.

The NCIC staff and **Quality Control Unit** perform the tasks of the Control Terminal Agency and Control Agency for NCIC and National Law Enforcement Telecommunication System (NLETS) and coordinate with the Data Services Division as the point of entry for the state of Maryland. The NCIC Quality Control Unit and the NCIC staff are responsible for the technical application of the NCIC and NLETS policy and procedures and the Telecommunications Section handles the daily application of these policies, guidelines and procedures in the use of these systems by, and in support of the user agencies of the State.

#### **Police Communications Operators and systems Technicians**

The Police Communications Operators and Police Communications Systems Technicians enter and retrieve information from the data bases of NCIC/MILES/METERS on missing and wanted persons, protective orders, stolen vehicles and license plates, guns, boats, securities, articles, etc. They monitor and process NCIC notifications received from NCIC for the entry and removal of Maryland registered vehicle and license plate information entered on any NCIC entry nationwide, which also results in the "flagging" of the Motor Vehicle Administration (MVA) records. The information contained in these records is checked for accuracy and completeness with the MVA and NCIC 2000 and NICB Manuals and this information is communicated to entering agencies. Inconsistencies in the entries on NCIC or MVA are communicated via NLETS and MILES/METERS messages to the respective agencies to ensure accuracy of information entered in these files.

# **Mail Room**

In 2012, the Headquarters Mail Room, a one person unit, received and distributed 138,320 pieces of incoming mail and affixed \$72,560.7 of postage to 84,849 pieces of outgoing mail.

#### **Electronic Services Division**

This division is composed of four groups that provide technical logistical support to the Department. These groups are Electronics Group, Mobile Systems Group, Vehicle Radar Group and the Mobile Command Vehicle Technical Support Group.

The Electronics Group installs, maintains and repairs multiple electronic systems which are:

- 1. Multi-band Radio Communications (Low Band, High Band, UHF, 800 MHz and the new 700 MHz State System currently under construction)
- 2. Barrack Communication Consoles & Voice Logging Recorders
- In-Car Video Recording Systems (VHS & DVD)
- Statewide Interoperable Communication Systems (MSP/DNR ACU, CMARC, MEMA, MESIN & WAGIN)
- 5. Federal Interoperable Communication Systems (DHS-SPRS, DOJ-25 Cities)
- 6. Statewide Microwave & Fiber Optic Systems

#### New 700MHz Statewide Radio System

- On December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2010, Motorola was given the "Notice to Proceed" with the first phase of construction for the state-wide 700 MHz voice communication system.
- On October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2012, MdTA transitioned their radio communication fully to the new state 700 MHz radio system.
- On November 13<sup>th</sup>, 2012, MSP JFK Barracks transitioned their main communications to the new 700 MHz radio system with a 2-Way patch to the 39 MHz Low Band System
- On Dec 5<sup>th</sup>, 2012 Kent County transitioned their voice communications over to the State 700 MHz system
- In June 2012, Motorola was given the "Notice to Proceed" for the second phase of construction. This phase consist of counties from Queen Anne's to Somerset on the Eastern Shore. Tentative completion of the phase will be the end of 2013 into the beginning of 2014. Barracks affected by the phase two construction will be: Centreville, Easton, Salisbury, Berlin and Princess Anne Barracks.
- On December 12<sup>th</sup>, 2012, infrastructure equipment for Phase 2 construction began arriving into the state for assembly.

#### **New Radios**

With the combination of the new 700 MHz State radio system being constructed and the multiple counties in their rebuilding programs, MSP has begun a replacement &

standardization program with its trunking portables. The deployment of the new Motorola APX 7000 portables has begun. The new APX portable will allow MSP to have a long term investment with voice interoperability. It will have the capability to operate on current county non-P25 Motorola systems, new county digital P25 Motorola systems and the new state 700 MHz TDMA Motorola system. Additionally these portables will have connectivity to the current vehicle repeaters, SAR channels, National VHF Interoperability Channels and the capability of federal interoperability channels. Once in place and fully populated with MSP troopers, this will eliminate the need to carry multiple portables as currently done today. There will be *Interoperability of multiple layers, with multiple systems within one box.* The Division along with the state PMO has set up MOUs with local counties, West Virginia, Delaware and Pennsylvania to acquire enough subscriber system IDs from each region to equip all agency portables. The goal is to no longer have customized radio programming and/or regional programming which is a logistical management nightmare. Portables for all of MSP troopers will have a standard programming template.

#### **Lengthening Equipment Life Span**

The Mobile Systems Group has lengthened the life of many of computers used on patrol. It is expected that this process may extend the life expectancy of mobile data computers (MDC) by 3 to 4 years. Examples of this life extending process for the MDCs are:

- 1. Replace bad mechanical hard drives with new solid state hard drives.
- 2. Increase the RAM of the CF-29 and CF-30 series computers in order to handle current programming demands and programming demands not yet available such as the statewide CAD system and the new In-Car Camera Systems.
- 3. Replace older CF-29 series computers that are not supported or upgradable with the new CF-31 series currently in production as they become available.
- 4. For approximately \$200 in upgrades a \$4,000 replacement can be avoided.

Feedback from the troopers that have had their MDCs upgraded has been outstanding. Not only has the upgrades allowed them to perform their mission better but also has given a great morale boost. For MSP, each of the MDCs that are deployed within the patrol vehicles is becoming increasingly important because of the multiple systems they are tied into. Besides data retrieval, an MDC is connected to the vehicles in-car camera system, E-TIX system and the State iCCTV program.

#### **Central Records Division (CRD)**

The CRD mission is to collect, analyze and distribute traffic accident and crime statistics and to provide copies of documents maintained in the repository to legally-entitled entities. The CRD accomplishments include the following:

- Published the 2011 Crime in Maryland Uniform Crime Report (UCR) in June of 2012.
- Received over 90,000 motor vehicle accident reports, entering them into the Enhanced Maryland Automated Accident Reporting System (eMAARS) statistical database.

Central Records Division Activities		2011	2012
Requests processed for copies of motor vehicle accident reports and related documents	21,286	17,159	17,624
Motor Vehicle Accident Reports received	91,798	90,525	83,344
Adhoc requests for Motor Vehicle Accident and crime related statistics received & processed	36	186	53
Criminal Investigation Reports processed (MSP only)	14,661	13,867	13,283
Requests for MSP Criminal Investigations and other related documents – received & processed	1,711	1,693	1,779
Number of field contacts made with MD law enforcement agencies concerning UCR Discrepancies (Police agencies may have been contacted more than once)	997	1,064	990
Number of UCR discrepancies resolved	679	945	819
UCR Mail-In Quality Assurance Reviews (48 mailed - 47 received/processed)	47	48	50
Number of 3-day UCR Classes Conducted	5	8	10

Number of students trained	75	90	55
Number of law enforcement agencies represented at the UCR Classes	46	53	29

Motor Vehicle Data	2009	2010	2011	2012
Motor Vehicle Accidents – Total Fatal Accidents	516**	463**	456**	454*
Motor Vehicle Accidents – Total Fatalities*	550**	496**	486**	503
Motor Vehicle Accidents – Total Accidents	98,352**	90,517**	89,896*	54,148*
Citations Processed by Courts (MSP Only)	386,081	381,915	360,195**	345,943

<sup>\*</sup> Subject to change based on federal reporting period ending Dec 31 of following year.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Numbers updated from prior published report.

Revenues Realized for the Central Records Division	2011	2012
Motor Vehicle Accident Reports Non-Refundable Documents Search Fee	\$72,789.70	\$71,063.82
MSP Criminal Investigation Reports Public Information Act – Requests	\$5,092.25	\$3,049.75
Photographs – Motor Vehicle Accidents	\$4,635.00	\$3,156.50
Photographs – Criminal Investigation	\$703.00	\$1,166.50
Detailed Crash Investigation Reports – PIA Requests	\$6,959.00	\$6,399.50
Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Crash Reports – PIA Requests	\$22.50	\$41.25
Total Revenue Received	\$90201.45	\$84,877.32

#### **Licensing Division**

The Licensing Division administers laws and conducts investigations concerning the sale, transfer, and registration of handguns, machine guns, and listening devices.

# **Firearms Registration Section**

It is vital this Section completes, within seven days of the date applications are received, investigations of persons applying to purchase regulated firearms. Doing so identifies persons who are prohibited by law from purchasing, possessing, and or selling regulated firearms.

In 2012 there was a 79.8 percent increase in applications to purchase /transfer regulated firearms. Service to the public was improved in 2012: 1. By responding to phone calls and providing four email address allowing customers a ready access point for routine questions with supervisors of each section accountable to reply to the inquiries; 2. Reviewing the Code of Maryland Regulations (COMAR) that impacts the Licensing Division to identify means of improving service to the public requiring COMAR changes; 3. Posting on the MSP public web site a list of frequently asked questions and the answers, the Licensing Division receives. 4. Identifying and implementing enhancements to the business process.

Firearms Registration Section		2010	2011	2012
Applications to Purchase Regulated Firearms (FRM77R)	43,114	38,712	46,339	70,099
Disapproved Applications - Regulated Firearms	1,089	686	858	1,054
Maryland Firearms Dealers Applications	9	17	18	44
Firearms Collectors Applications	1,359	1,258	1,388	2,576
Machine Gun Registration Applications	23	48	37	38

#### **Handgun Permit Unit**

The Handgun Permit Section regulates the approval of all firearm instructors in accordance with COMAR Title 29.03.02.11.

Handgun Permit Unit	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
APPLICATIONS RECEIVED					
Original	1,883	2,023	1,932	2,020	2,503
Renewal	2,834	2,251	2,785	3,196	2,980
Disapprovals	306	173	162	251	128

# **Security Guard and Private Detective Unit**

The Security Guard Unit is responsible for the administration of Title 19, Subtitle 2 of the Business and Occupations Article in the Annotated Code of Maryland. The Private Detective Unit is responsible for the administration of Title 13, Subtitle 2 of the Business and Occupations Article in the Annotated Code of Maryland.

Security Guard Unit	2010	2011	2012
Security Guard Applications- New	3,023	3,800	4,795
Security Guard - Renewals	3,488	2,916	2,335
Security Guard Agency - New	89	93	80
Security Guard Agency - Renewals	85	95	138
Private Detective Unit			
Private Detective Agency - New	207	252	527
Private Detective Application - New	432	538	352
Security Systems Unit			
Security System Agency Applications	241	199	352
Security System Technician Applications	2,203	2,296	2,903
Railroad Police Unit			
Applications	232	195	427
Canine Registration Unit			
Applications	69	63	98

#### **Logistics Command**

#### Motor Vehicle Division (MVD)

The MVD has 20 repair garages throughout the State which are staffed by 42 Automotive Service Specialists and Electronic Technicians. The Division procures, maintains, repairs, and disposes of all Maryland State Police and Office of the Fire Marshal's vehicles. The MVD processed approximately 11,400 work orders for the repair and maintenance of the Department's 1,682 vehicles, approximately seven services per vehicle per year.

**Vehicle Repairs:** One of the cost saving measures the MVD has implemented is reducing the number of repairs/services performed by outside vendors. Such repairs/services are now performed by MVD personnel, either during the normal course of business or in a compensatory or overtime status. The overtime rate for MVD personnel is approximately 25 percent of the flat rate at a dealership which clearly represents a cost savings. Additionally, as a vehicle is placed out of service, any recoverable/operable parts or equipment are salvaged for use in other vehicles. In fact, MVD personnel have begun repairing vehicles involved in collisions with fenders, bumpers, etc., using parts from vehicles that have been designated for auction. The damaged parts are then placed on the auction vehicle in accordance with State Excess Property rules.

**Collision Reduction:** The MVD is tasked with maintaining, monitoring and analyzing all records associated with department vehicle collisions. In 2010 the Department instituted a policy designed to enhance driver improvement and awareness in an effort to reduce Department collisions. Sanctions, to include driver training, are now imposed upon an employee's use of State owned vehicles separate and apart from any punitive actions taken by the Department. In support of this policy, the Department's Accident Review Board (compromised of the Commander of the Motor Vehicle Division and the Department's

Emergency Vehicle Operations Supervisor) may suspend trooper's driving privileges for excessive preventable collisions. Since the policy was enacted, there has been a progressive decrease in the number of troopers whose driving privileges have been suspended going from 14 troopers in 2010, 8 in 2011 to 4 in 2012. Also, and likely as a result of the suspensions, the number of Department motor vehicle collisions decreased from 495 in 2010, to 397 in 2011, to 374 in 2012, a 24.4 percent decrease in from 2010 to 2012.

**Chevrolet Caprice Police Pursuit Vehicle:** After extensive study and research by MVD personnel, the Chevrolet Caprice was chosen as the most appropriate Police Pursuit Vehicle (PPV) for the Department which was introduced to the general fleet in 2012.

**Vehicle Purchases:** In CY2012, 56 new vehicles were purchased and placed into service with 83 vehicles ordered and received, though not deployed, from the FY2013 purchase. The MVD New Car Changeover Section installed the emergency equipment in the 56 Department vehicles in record time, as well as six vehicles for other State agencies.

**Emergency Lighting:** The MVD researched improving vehicle emergency lighting resulting in choosing the Federal Valor light bar that will provide troopers the ability to be clearly visible while responding to calls and will provide "stadium" type lighting at scenes or on traffic stops resulting in increased officer safety.

#### **Quartermaster Division (QMD)**

During 2012, QMD buyers processed 2,825 purchase orders, totaling \$33,514,539 and made 5,955 corporate credit card purchases, totaling \$1,713,550. The purchase amount includes \$6,378,921 for Aviation Command, \$6,510,417 for Electronic Services Division, \$4,929,401 for Information Technology Division and \$3,228,870 for Motor Vehicle Division. The Warehouse personnel filled 7,856 requisitions with each entered into the financial management database for tracking and accountability. The warehouse personnel also coordinated and assisted the Department's Property Unit with the *GovDeals* project by separating, logging, and photographing surplus equipment for sale.

In CY2012, the Department Armorer worked closely with the Firearms Training Unit to create a transition plan for new Department issued firearm, Glock model 22 Gen 4, which included training for the field armorers, testing and inspection of 1,710 new firearms.

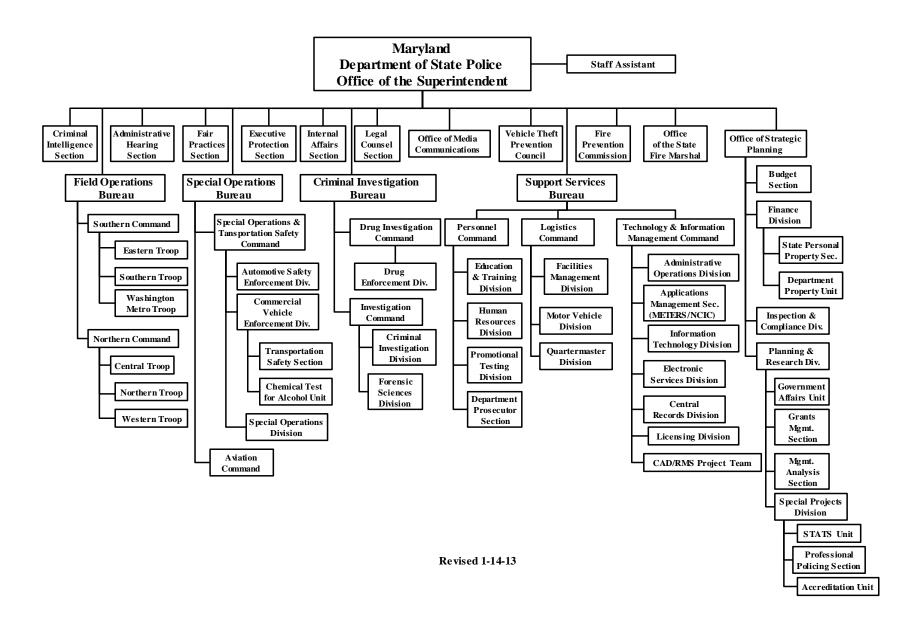
#### **Facilities Management Division (FMD)**

During 2012, the FMD processed over 3,500 in-house work requests and logged and forwarded 300 requests from barracks and divisions throughout the State with an estimated cost of \$500,000 to the Quartermaster Division for procurement. An additional 300 maintenance requests with an aggregate estimated cost in excess of \$2 million were deferred due to budgetary constraints.

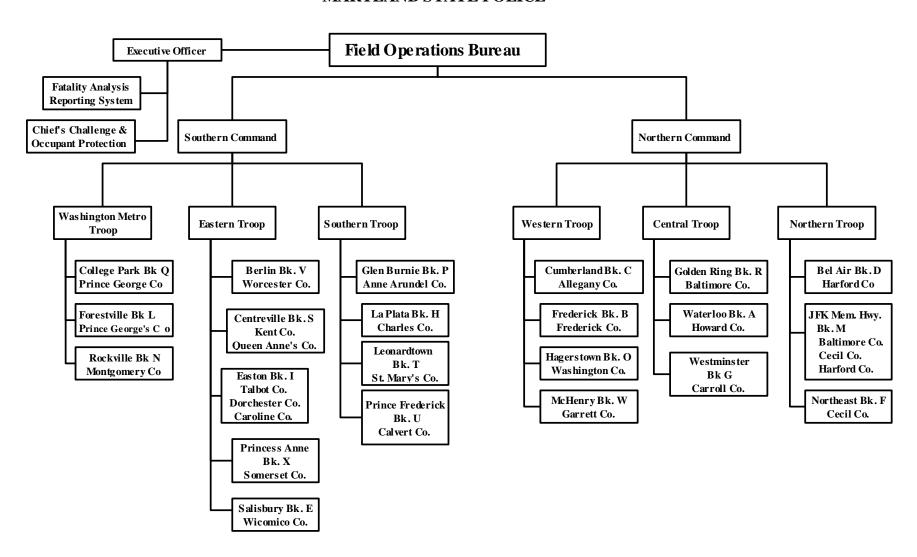
The FMD continues to work with the Department of General Services (DGS) to have critical maintenance issues resolved. The FMD/DGS projects involve preparations for construction to include roof replacement roofs at the Golden Ring and Centreville Barracks and the Trooper 4 Salisbury helicopter hanger, along with the replacement of critical electrical equipment on the MSP headquarters compound. An asbestos abatement project at the MSP headquarters compound was completed, which removed asbestos-containing materials presenting the highest hazards to persons working in or visiting the MSP headquarters buildings.

Division 2012 accomplishments included:

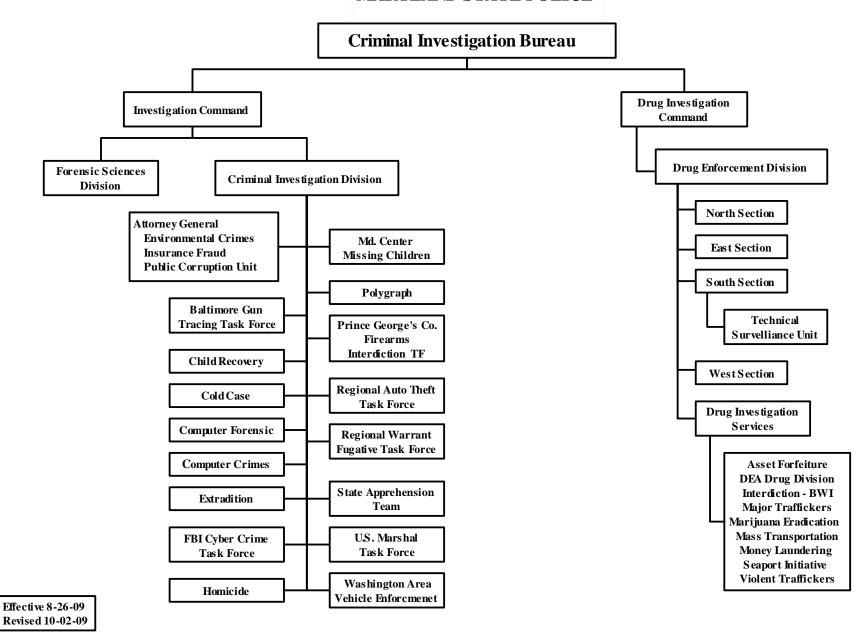
- Coordination of the construction of the Western Operations Center in Hagerstown
- Coordination with DGS to repair the fuel system at the Trooper 2 and Trooper 7 helicopter hangers. The Trooper 2 system replacement project will be completed early in CY2013, and the Trooper 4 replacement project will be completed in late spring of CY2013.
- Coordination of the removal and replacement of a non-compliant underground heating oil tank and the cleanup of a gasoline spill at College Park Barrack.
- Provided capital project planning and coordination with the Departments of Budget and Management and General Services.
- To continue the implementation of comprehensive maintenance contracts at MDSP facilities.
- To utilize all available resources to meet energy conservation, water conservation, and recycling goals.



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