



Sheriff's Office

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Annual Report 2022

Bristol Virginia Sheriff's Office

The Bristol Virginia Sheriff's Office has served the citizens of Bristol Virginia in the following capacities in 2022: Maintaining the safety and security of the jail; maintaining the safety and security of the courthouse; serving civil process; providing D.A.R.E. to our school age children; providing Project Lifesaver services to community members in need of monitoring; operation of the jail farm; crime prevention activities; property abatement and right-of-away clean-up; and aiding the Bristol Virginia Police Department. In 2022, the Sheriff's Office had forty-two fulltime and four part-time positions, including administrative, operations, dieticians, and medical staff.

During 2022, every aspect of the Bristol Virginia Sheriff's Office changed. The closing of the Bristol Virginia City Jail on July 1st, 2022, brought several operational changes. We currently have seventeen full time positions and three part time staff. One grant-funded full time Deputy is assigned to HCS/CITAC. We discontinued use of the jail farm in mid-2022. Property abatement and right-of-away clean-up also ended in mid-2022. The ongoing COVID-19 pandemic continues to impact our day-to-day operations and required changes to assure we continue to serve the community and carry out our mission. With the new face of the Bristol Virginia Sheriff's Office, each staff member strives to do their part to:

“Be The Difference” as we continue to “See the Future” and make Bristol Virginia
“A Good Place to Live”.



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Jail

The jail reported 833 total yearly confinements prior to closing July 1st, 2022.

Court Services

169	Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court Days
153	General District Court Days
<u>187</u>	<u>Circuit Court Days</u>
509	Total

Civil Process / Criminal & Civil

7455	Subpoenas served	2,597	Inmate transports
766	Jury summons served	86	Temporary Detention Orders served
607	Levies served	173	Criminal Warrants received
<u>1,084</u>	<u>Other civil process served</u>	461	Criminal Warrants cleared
9,912	Total Civil Process served	238	Extraditions completed
		228	Criminal Warrants Served

Courthouse Security Checkpoint

In 2022, a daily average of 202 patrons passed through the security post at the Bristol Virginia Courthouse. For the year, a total of 49,647 persons were screened to protect the safety and well-being of Judges, courthouse visitors, and employees. The manned security post prevented 157 knives, and 47 pepper spray canisters from entering the courthouse. Owners of these items, as well as anyone possessing a cellphone or smartwatch was instructed to secure the property in their vehicle.

Miscellaneous Community Service

Fingerprint services for non-profit agencies –	165 Sets Completed
Drug take back –	1 Event

DARE (Drug Abuse Resistance Education)

5 th Grade Core Lesson –	82 classes taught
Elementary Lessons –	192 lessons to 230 students
Middle School Lessons –	192 lessons to 240 students
Group Events –	8 including parent presentations
Special Projects –	4 including mentoring

Project Lifesaver

Officers certified in PLS –	11
Active clients monitored –	7 (Increased from 2)
Community activities –	4
Fund Raisers –	2

Project Lifesaver has received several generous donations from local businesses and individual community members.