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ANNUAL REPORT**





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MISSION STATEMENT

Statutory Mission:

West Virginia Code §15-2-12(a): The West Virginia State Police shall have the mission of statewide enforcement of criminal and traffic laws with emphasis on providing basic enforcement and citizen protection from criminal depredation throughout the state and maintaining the safety of the state's public streets, roads and highways.





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The Honorable Earl Ray Tomblin
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Sir:

In compliance with Chapter 5, Article 1, Section 20 of the West Virginia Code, the Annual Report of the West Virginia State Police (WVSP) for the period of July 1, 2014, through June 30, 2015, is respectfully submitted for your review. The contents of this report reflect the ongoing efforts of the WVSP in providing the highest standards of law enforcement possible to the citizens and visitors of this state. The report describes the accomplishments and advances the organization has made in its continuing endeavor to effectively and efficiently serve the citizens of West Virginia.

Approximately one-third of the WVSP workforce consists of civilian support staff that provides a number of services for the troopers and the entire law enforcement community. The WVSP is the central hub of information, communication, forensic analysis, and technology for all law enforcement in the state of West Virginia. The WVSP maintains the West Virginia Automated Police Network (WEAPON) and houses the State Criminal Identification Bureau which provides necessary traffic and criminal history information to law enforcement. Approximately \$8.0 million are expended annually from the WVSP general revenue fund to provide essential services for law enforcement, 911 centers, and the judicial system.

The WVSP Forensic Laboratory (WVSPFL) is the only forensic laboratory in the state. From its inception, the WVSPFL has provided forensic services to every law enforcement agency in the state, including federal agencies, at no cost. The operating cost of the WVSPFL was \$4.7 million in Fiscal Year 2014. The current operating cost of the WVSPFL is approximately \$5.2 million — a 9.3% increase in operating cost. The WVSPFL does not have dedicated funding or its own operating budget but is funded from the overall WVSP budget. During Fiscal Year 2015, 74% of the 7,282 cases received by the WVSPFL

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were from other law enforcement agencies. **The current case backlog has increased from 3,407 to 4,801 in the last 12 months — nearly a 30% increase.**

The costs incurred for the operation of the WVSPFL creates a detrimental effect on all components of the WVSP, therefore creating collateral effects to all other law enforcement agencies, court systems, and correctional facilities in the state. For example, due to the WVSPFL's case backlog and turnover in personnel, additional costs are incurred on the judicial system while waiting for evidence to be examined. Innocent parties may not be exonerated in a timely manner, prosecutors and judges must continue cases, and persons awaiting trial perpetuate the overcrowding of regional jails. When considering the criminal justice system as a whole, and the criminal courts specifically, it is imperative to bear in mind that **evidence** is the key element of the criminal justice system. In some manner, evidence is presented in every criminal trial — without it, there would be no convictions. Therefore, the WVSPFL's essential role in the criminal justice system cannot be overstated.

The WVSP Communications Section is a vital component not only to the WVSP, but to the statewide communications system and to all law enforcement and criminal justice agencies as well as many non-criminal justice agencies. The WVSP Communications Section maintains the only communications portal in the state that accesses federal communications networks and databases, thereby making it the **only** conduit for all in- and out-of-state criminal justice information database queries.

The Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) designates the WVSP as the only state agency to manage the WEAPON system. **All 911 centers are connected to the WEAPON system as well as many county and local criminal and non-criminal justice agencies.** All dispatchers and administrators must be trained by WVSP personnel in order to have access to the system. The WEAPON system allows law enforcement access to Division of Motor Vehicle files in the state and on the national level. Furthermore, it provides access to FBI records through the National Criminal Information Center (NCIC) to determine if persons are wanted as well as determine criminal histories on the national level.

The WEAPON system is entirely funded by the WVSP and has only two (2) dedicated staff members assigned to perform audits. All other administrative and technical staff responsibilities are accomplished by utilizing existing WVSP staff. Additionally, the WVSP Communications Section is critical to the infrastructure and databases relied upon by hundreds of state and federal law enforcement and government agencies at a cost of approximately \$1.2 million from the WVSP budget.

The WVSP maintains the State Criminal Identification Bureau (CIB). All fingerprints for the state of West Virginia are submitted to the Automated Fingerprint Identification System (AFIS) for processing to create and maintain a state fingerprint repository that is available to **all** law enforcement and submission to the FBI. CIB receives approximately 150,000 Livescan submissions each year, collectively, from the WVSP, county and municipal law enforcement organizations, West Virginia State Fire Marshals,

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West Virginia Supreme Court, and the Division of Corrections. The Livescan system is a biometric (fingerprint, palm print, photograph, and demographic information) capture and submission device.

The AFIS and Livescan software should be upgraded to meet the current requirements of the Federal Bureau of Investigation's Next Generation Identification (NGI) system. The costs associated with software and server upgrades is approximately \$2,295,000. Approximately 70 Livescan devices housed at various WVSP locations must be upgraded at a cost of \$1,820,000. The total purchase cost for upgrades is \$4,115,000. The purchase method will make the AFIS system compliant with the NGI system and will satisfy the needs of the state for the next eight years. There is no current funding allocated for the continuation of this system, which results in higher maintenance costs.

All arrest information from all law enforcement; court dispositions; fingerprint submissions; sex offender registry; child abuse registry; concealed weapon permit registry, and bail bondsman registry is stored in a database within CIB. The system being utilized by the WVSP at the present time was developed "in house" during the late 1980s and implemented in the early 1990s. The WVSP has made numerous modifications to the system during the last 20 years; however, while the modifications and changes have ensured functionality, the system cannot "house" information due to new technology architecture and/or new security features. **The WVSP was successful in securing \$1.2 million from the federal government through the National Criminal History Improvement Program (NCHIP) to begin critical updates.**

Currently, there are approximately 560 troopers strategically assigned to detachments located throughout the state that respond to calls for service and are responsible for investigating crime. Approximately one third of the fleet has over 120,000 miles and some troopers do not have an assigned vehicle. **A fleet in such condition not only increases repair and maintenance costs, but diminishes the agency's ability to maintain a constant roadworthy fleet of patrol vehicles and does not provide the highest standard of safety for the agency's troopers.**

The cost to maintain the fleet is becoming increasingly more difficult as the cost to maintain and repair vehicles continues to increase. In order to maintain a dependable and roadworthy fleet, 25% of the fleet should be replaced each year which equates to a four-year replacement cycle at an estimated cost of \$4 million.

In summary, the WVSP faces many challenges to meet its statutory mission. Many of the detachments and physical structures are in dire need of repair or replacement due to their acute state of disrepair and/or being antiquated. New technology enables the agency to be more efficient and increases its capabilities, but that same technology requires **additional funding** for maintenance. Also, manpower is a perpetual critical issue. The Crimes Against Children Unit is critically understaffed and with its current caseload, the unit must be expanded to meet its investigative needs to ensure children are effectively protected.

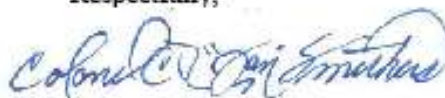
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While the WVSP maintains the reputation of being a premier law enforcement organization, the current scrutiny of law enforcement necessitates modification to its operations, logistics, and administration. Regardless of the adversities confronting the WVSP, it shall remain resolute in its mission statement and service to the citizens and visitors of the state. As always, the men and women of the WVSP will continue to serve the public with professionalism, bravery, and honor.

Respectfully,



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2015 Message from Cabinet Secretary Joseph C. Thornton

It is my privilege to present the latest Annual Report of the West Virginia State Police.

Thanks to the leadership of Colonel Smithers and his team, our State Police continue to achieve their vital public safety mission. They have earned this success amid challenges both native to the task and arising from tight economic times.

Highlights from the past year include the graduation of the 65th Cadet Class. The addition of these capable men and women help bring the ranks of the State Police to within 4 percent of their target strength.

The State Police have performed a leading role in reducing traffic fatalities, by focusing on safety enforcement during peak travel times and seasons while targeting DUI and distracted driving. I commend the State Police for its role in establishing the West Virginia Center for Children's Justice. By serving as a clearinghouse for information, resources, services, training and other assistance, the center will aid the promising "Handle With Care" program as it expands statewide as well as similar efforts.

The Crimes Against Children Unit continues to identify and expose predators, providing for their successful prosecution and incarceration. The State Police Forensic Laboratory remains a crucial tool of our criminal justice system. These positive results come as the budgetary situation presents opportunities for refining processes and pursuing needed adjustments.

Such examples show how each day, in every corner of the Mountain State, the State Police perform actions that result in a safer West Virginia. The State Police remain intent on their public safety mission in a time of increased tensions and with the specter of both global and homegrown terrorism still present.

I offer my sincerest appreciation to an agency that works tirelessly to ensure West Virginians have a safe environment to live, work and raise a family. The residents of the Mountain State owe an incredible debt of gratitude to the men and women whose commitment to this career in public service enhances the quality of life we have all come to expect and enjoy. I look forward to working with Col. Smithers and this outstanding work force in the coming year.

Joseph C. Thornton
 Cabinet Secretary



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Organizational Summary

In March of 1919 the West Virginia State Police, originally known as the West Virginia Department of Public Safety, was created during one of the most violent eras the citizens of the state have experienced. The unionization of coal miners throughout the state and the violence that ensued, prohibition, and political corruption led then-Governor John Jacob Cornwell to propose legislation that would lead to the birth of the agency. Today, steeped in a rich heritage, the West Virginia State Police is known for providing professional law enforcement services to the citizens of West Virginia and is nationally recognized for its efforts. Advances in communications, computer technology, forensic science, and equipment and training have poised the West Virginia State Police to continue its proud tradition for 96 years since its creation.

As West Virginia's statewide law enforcement agency, the West Virginia State Police is charged with the responsibility of general and special law enforcement and criminal investigation services with concentration in rural, unincorporated areas of the state. Troopers conduct traffic enforcement for both unincorporated areas and interstate highways, and provide security and police services throughout the state for many athletic events, fairs and festivals.

In order to accomplish the mission of the West Virginia State Police and perform the duties and responsibilities mandated by statute, the agency is comprised primarily of two divisions — Staff Services and Field Services. Personnel within Staff Services perform the administrative, accounting and executive functions necessary to operate the agency and are located mostly within the agency's headquarters in South Charleston, West Virginia. Existing organizationally within Staff Services are Executive Protection, Accounting, Information Services, Criminal Records, Forensic Laboratory, Planning and Research, Procurement, Promotional Standards, Traffic Records, Personnel, Medical Unit and the Photography Laboratory. There were 37 uniformed members assigned to the various sections within Staff Services as of June 30, 2015.

Field Services is the operational and largest division within the West Virginia State Police. Field Services is responsible for providing necessary police functions to citizens of the state. These functions are provided on a daily basis by seven uniformed field troops, which are divided into 20 districts consisting of 59 detachments. In addition to the seven uniformed troops, the Bureau of Criminal Investigations (BCI) provides personnel statewide for undercover and criminal investigations. Special Operations, Crimes Against Children, the Training Academy and Public Affairs are positioned organizationally within Field Services. There were 644 uniformed members assigned to Field Services as of June 30, 2015. The West Virginia State Police employed 381 civilian employees throughout the agency as of June 30, 2015.

Professional Standards and the Legal Section are separate units of the agency's headquarters, reporting directly to the superintendent. The function of members assigned to Professional Standards is to ensure the integrity of the agency is not compromised by investigating citizens' complaints and/or allegations of misconduct made against troopers and civilian personnel. The West Virginia State Police takes its responsibility and commitment to the citizens of the state seriously and strives to ensure that the agency operates according to its established policies and procedures in order to provide the highest quality of service. The Legal Section assists the superintendent and executive staff of the West Virginia State Police by providing legal advice on issues that affects the day-to-day operations of the agency.





Major Timothy D. Bradley
Chief of Field Services



Lieutenant Colonel Jack C. Chambers
Deputy Superintendent



Major William J. Scott
Chief of Staff Services



Captain Anthony L. Cummings
Deputy Chief of Field Services



Captain Michael G. Corsaro
Deputy Chief of Staff Services



Captain C. Joe White
Professional Standards



Captain Reginald Patterson
Executive Services



Field Services – Troop 1, Shinnston



Captain Dennis E. Johnson
Troop Commander



Troop 1 Facts

Detachments	12
Sworn Officers	88
Civilian Personnel	32
Population	442,747
Square Miles	3,422

Troop 1 consists of twelve counties located in the northern section of West Virginia. These counties include Hancock, Brooke, Ohio, Marshall, Wetzel, Tyler, Monongalia, Preston, Marion, Taylor, Harrison, and Doddridge.

TROOP 1 NOTEWORTHY CASES

On July 4, 2015, Trooper Kenneth Parker responded to a disturbance complaint along Meadowbrook Road in Harrison County. Trooper Parker arrived on scene and investigated the complaint. Trooper Parker discovered John Marra shot at his neighbor, Yancy Skinner with a shotgun. Multiple interviews were conducted and the shotgun was seized for evidence. Warrants were obtained and Mr. Marra was arrested for Wanton Endangerment.

On August 14, 2014, multiple Troopers from the Bridgeport Detachment including Sergeant Glen Doyle, Sergeant Mark Kiddy, Corporal Steve Swiger and Corporal Baron Claypool assisted members of the West Virginia Department of Health and Human Services, members of the Harrison County Prosecutors Office and members of the Harrison County Sheriff's Department with an extensive investigation of child abuse and child neglect reports from Miracle Meadows School in Harrison County. At the conclusion of this investigation, school administrator Timothy Arrington was arrested for Child Abuse with Injury by a Custodian. Information was generated which allowed DHHR to take emergency custody of nineteen juvenile students from the school. Students ranging from 9 years of age to 17 years of age were relocated. Miracle Meadows School was closed as a result of this investigation.

On December 1, 2014, Corporal Steve Swiger was dispatched to a female victim reporting she was stopped by a male subject impersonating a police officer along Despard Road in Harrison County. Corporal Swiger investigated the complaint and developed various leads. The impersonating officer stopped another female victim days later after Corporal Swiger had the earlier events broadcasted via media outlets and that female turned around behind the "officer" and obtained a registration number. This event occurred in the City of Bridgeport and Bridgeport PD and members of the State Police responded. The "officer" fled the area and his vehicle, a black Dodge Charger was later located in Taylor County. The "officer" was identified as Marion County Reserve Officer George Arnold Jr. Mr. Arnold was arrested for Impersonating an Officer.

On December 29, 2014, Ronnie D. Davis arrived at the Bridgeport Detachment and reported to Trooper Parker that his residence had been burnt. Trooper Parker drove to 887 Landing Way near Shinnston in Harrison



County and observed fire damage to the rear of the residence. Trooper Parker collected evidence from the scene and conducted a thorough investigation with the assistance of the WV State Fire Marshall. Trooper Parker developed a suspect and obtained a full confession from Leroy A. Williams for the Arson.

On May 7, 2015, Corporal Steve Swiger responded to the West Milford community to assist with locating the parents of a three year old child found walking the streets of West Milford, WV. Upon arrival, Corporal Swiger discovered a female child walking the streets unsupervised with no shoes and dressed in a night shirt. Sergeant Glen Doyle responded and assisted Corporal Swiger for approximately two hours looking for the parents. Child Protective Services representatives responded and took custody of the child. An hour later, the parents, Heather Gum and Joseph Richards, were located and responded to the courthouse to meet with Corporal Swiger and CPS. The parents were interviewed and a hearing was held at which time the child and her twin sister were removed from the parent's custody and placed in state's custody. Corporal Swiger filed charges on both Heather Gum and Joseph Richards for Child Neglect.

On May 20, 2015, Sergeant Glen Doyle obtained a request from the Tennessee State Police in locating Chad Everette Henry within Harrison County, WV. Sergeant Adam Killion, Tennessee State Police stated Mr. Henry was wanted for 1st Degree Murder and Aggravated Kidnapping in the State of Tennessee. Sergeant Killion stated Mr. Henry was working for a pipeline company somewhere in Harrison County. Sergeant Doyle discovered Mr. Henry was working as a welder at a pipeline yard along Meadowbrook Road near the Bridgeport State Police Detachment. First Sergeant Everett Kennedy, Sergeant Doyle, Corporal Edward Boyle and Corporal Matthew Horne of the Morgantown Detachment responded to the yard and located Mr. Henry. Mr. Henry was arrested without incident as a Fugitive from Justice.

On August 31, 2014, Sergeant Wayne Vessels responded to a domestic which resulted in a standoff with the suspect Oliver Berry. Mr. Berry got into a fight with his parents at their Doddridge County home and injured his mother. When Sergeant Vessels responded, the suspect held off units with a compound bow advising he was going to kill law enforcement officers before running into a wooded area. He was driven out of the woods and taken into custody by units from the West Union and Harrisville Detachments along with members of the Doddridge County Sheriff's Office. He was arrested and charged with Domestic Battery 2nd Offense and Terroristic Threats.

On March 21, 2015, Corporal Castle of the Wellsburg Detachment received a complaint from a subject in regards to finding her fifteen year old daughter, who may have been improperly engaging in sexual activity with her step brother. Corporal Castle interviewed the victim and confirmed that such activity had been taking place. The accused, after finding out about the investigation, staged a suicide scene by placing his vehicle on a railroad bridge and notifying his family he was committing suicide. Corporal Castle made exhausting attempts to locate the suspect and eventually found him in a behavior health facility in Ohio. Corporal Castle and First Sergeant Kush then travelled to the facility at the accused's request to conduct an interview. Upon traveling to the facility, Corporal Castle learned the subject had left. Corporal Castle subsequently located the suspect on a Greyhound bus in Wheeling, WV. Corporal Castle and First Sergeant Kush interviewed the suspect and obtained a confession for eleven counts of 3rd Degree Sexual Assault.

On March 13, 2015, Trooper C.Z. Thompson responded to a domestic violence call in Follansbee, Brooke County. The complainant stated to 911 that her husband Clifton Daniel Reintzel, had choked and threatened her. The victim also advised that the accused was armed with a knife and was threatening to kill anyone who came to his residence. The accused also threatened suicide by cop. Trooper Thompson and Brooke County Deputies arrived a short time later and immediately after making entry were confronted with the accused that was armed with a knife. The accused was ordered several times to put the knife down and failed to comply with the orders. The accused then aggressively went after the Brooke County Deputy with the knife, at which point the Deputy and Trooper Thompson stopped the threat by shooting the suspect, Clifton Daniel Reintzel.



It was subsequently discovered that the accused had been diagnosed with cancer and had choked the victim to unconsciousness prior to the officer's arrival. When the victim regained consciousness, Mr. Reintzel told her she was going out with him.

On December 1, 2014, in the morning hours, Jody Hunt of Morgantown murdered four people in Monongalia County to include his past girlfriend, her present boyfriend, a business rival and his cousin who he was partners with in a towing service. Three different crime scenes and agencies were involved as the crimes occurred in a short time frame and in three different areas and jurisdictions. Mr. Hunt fled to an unknown area and could not be found until late that night. The community and surrounding areas were on the lookout for Mr. Hunt's truck that he was seen using during the crimes. The West Virginia State Police, Monongalia County Sheriff's Department and Westover Police Department obtained warrants for Mr. Hunt. The West Virginia State Police, with the assistance of the United States Marshall Service helped track Mr. Hunt by social media. The West Virginia State Police Special Response Team responded to the area where Mr. Hunt was believed to be. Mr. Hunt was located in his vehicle where he had succumbed to a self-inflicted gunshot. The West Virginia State Police investigated the suicide as well. This investigation included Troopers from throughout Troop 1 as well as members of Troop 3. Due to the severity of this case it drew National Media Coverage.

On November 2, 2014, Senior Trooper M. J. Wilson was called to investigate a hit and run involving death on Hartman Run Road in Monongalia County. During the investigation, it was determined that Levi Stout was killed due to a motorist striking him on the roadway and then leaving. Senior Trooper Wilson was able to identify the driver as Brian Hart. Mr. Hart plead guilty to Leaving the Scene with Death or Injury and Second Offense Driving Revoked.

On January 15, 2015, members of the Morgantown Detachment were called to the Marjorie Gardens area of Monongalia County in reference to a shooting that had just occurred in the night time hours. Upon arrival, Senior Trooper M. Mucciola found one person dead and another seriously injured by gunshot wounds. During the investigation it was found that four individuals had travelled by vehicle to confront Jason C. Boyd. Upon confronting him, Mr. Boyd shot at and into the vehicle they occupied striking two victims. Trooper Mucciola gathered numerous statements and obtained the necessary evidence to arrest Mr. Boyd on Murder, Malicious Wounding and Wanton Endangerment charges. Mr. Boyd remains in jail pending trial.

On January 24, 2015, members of the Morgantown Detachment were called to a domestic incident on Cass Mount Morris Road in Monongalia County. Upon arrival, Corporal R. M. Gaskins found Howard G. Green dead at the scene with knife wounds and tire marks on his body. During the investigation, it was discovered that his girlfriend, Kimberly McInnis, ran Mr. Green over and then stabbed him. Ms. McInnis was found close to the scene and subsequently arrested for Murder. Ms. McInnis remains in jail pending trial.

On July 2, 2014, Senior Trooper M. S. White was called to investigate an armed robbery which had occurred at the CVS Pharmacy on Pineview Drive in Monongalia County. Once on scene and during his investigation, Trooper White was able to identify David Deane as a suspect. Mr. Deane had robbed the CVS Pharmacy at knife point and had injured the clerk during the robbery. Mr. Deane was charged with First Degree Armed Robbery and Malicious Wounding.

On March 11, 2015, members of the Morgantown Detachment were called to investigate an armed robbery/home invasion on River Road in Monongalia County. Trooper First Class C. J. Berry arrived on scene and found that the victim had awoken to intruders in his residence. The victim was able to retrieve a firearm and wound one person during the incident. During the investigation TFC Berry was able to identify three suspects, Timothy Conner, William Harlow and Stephanie Allen. All three were charged with First Degree Robbery and Conspiracy to Commit a Felony.



On July 30, 2014, Corporal J.A. McDougal initiated a traffic stop on William Amos who had just committed a bank robbery at Wesbanco in Marion Square. Corporal McDougal was able to secure evidence in the vehicle linking the suspect to the crime and also able to secure a confession to the bank robbery and another previous bank robbery which had occurred in Harrison County.

On August 18, 2014, Corporal J.A. McDougal investigated an embezzlement involving the Rivesville Volunteer Fire Department as the victim. The accused Justin Stover who was a member of the fire department embezzled approximately \$22,000. Mr. Stover was subsequently arrested for the embezzlement.

On August 14, 2014, Sr. Tpr. J.M. Willis was dispatched to a two vehicle accident near Terra Alta, WV. As a result of Sr. Tpr. Willis's investigation, Jerold Lee Sisler, 26 year old male, was arrested for DUI with death on August 14, 2014. Mr. Sisler's vehicle struck an oncoming vehicle killing, 34 year old Saunya Sines.

On August 8, 2014, TFC J.T. Gallaher received notification from a Deputy with the St. Croix County Sheriff's Department in South Dakota who reported he had received information regarding a possible sexual assault that occurred in West Virginia between a juvenile female and a family member, Franklin Bittner. TFC Gallaher initiated an investigation and as a result, Mr. Bittner, was arrested and charged with three counts of sexual abuse by parent or custodian and three counts of incest. This investigation also led to charges being filed in South Dakota for similar charges.

On January 14, 2014, TFC D.W. Simmons received a complaint from the Mayor of Albright regarding allegation that an employee of the Town of Albright had been embezzling money from the town. As a result of TFC Simmons investigation Melynda A. Cooper, the Town Clerk, was indicted in October 2014, for Embezzlement and Falsifying accounts. This investigation was initiated when the Mayor of Albright provided a letter that was received from the Office of the State Auditor, indicating deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting regarding the Town of Albright.

On October 4, 2014, Tpr. N.C. DeMedici was contacted by a subject who wanted to report information regarding a sexual assault that occurred sometime between October 1983 and October 1985. Through Tpr. DeMedici's investigation he discovered, Lindsley C. Nice, 49 year old male, had sexual assaulted two juvenile females between 1983 and 1985. Tpr. DeMedici was able to locate the two victims and one of the two confirmed the allegations. The other female did not want to cooperate with the investigation. Mr. Nice was arrested for ten counts of incest for a crime that occurred between 1981 and 1983. This crime was initially reported to another agency and dismissed as unfounded. Tpr. DeMedici obtained a confession from the suspect.

On October 10, 2014, Tpr. N.C. DeMedici was dispatched to an armed robbery at the Reedsville Dairy Queen. A male subject entered the business and brandished a knife at the clerk before removing currency from the cash register and fleeing the scene. Tpr. DeMedici received another reported armed robbery on October 11, 2014, in which it was reported a male subject brandished a knife to a homeowner near Reedsville and demanded money by threat of deadly force. Through Tpr. DeMedici's investigation he developed James Edward Moats as a suspect in both armed robberies. Mr. Moats was later arrested and convicted for two counts of armed robbery.

On April 16, 2015, TFC J.T. Gallaher was dispatched to complaint in Tunnelton regarding a female subject being shot. TFC Gallaher arrived on scene and discovered a 37 year old woman, from Preston County had been shot and killed. TFC Gallaher determined the suspect was the victim's ex-boyfriend, John W. Strawser. A BOLO was put out for Mr. Strawser and his vehicle. The Preston County Sheriff's Department located said vehicle and attempted to conduct a traffic stop at which time the vehicle fled and a pursuit ensued. The suspect was able to elude officers in the Terra Alta area of Preston County. After a several hour man hunt, John W. Strawser, Jr. was located by TFC Gallaher walking near his residence in Terra Alta. Mr. Strawser was arrested for first degree murder and is awaiting trial.



On June 6, 2015, Sergeant Clinton Lantz and Trooper First Class Benjamin Justice conducted an investigation of two juvenile subjects who had committed armed robberies and vehicle thefts in a three state area which ended when the Paden City Police Department started a vehicle pursuit on the subjects. The pursuit ended in a vehicle crash and traversed into a foot pursuit with the male and female subjects. The female was armed with a hand gun at the time of the incident. The two suspects were apprehended when they both jumped into the Ohio River in an attempt to evade capture. The juveniles were eventually charged in Ohio, Pennsylvania and West Virginia.

On June 8, 2015, Trooper First Class Benjamin Justice investigated a homicide in Paden City, WV. Kevin Clark Thompson, 26, was shot and killed outside a residence by Jessica Dawn Quinn. Ms. Quinn was charged with Murder and is awaiting trial.

On June 7, 2015, Senior Trooper William N. Beck investigated a Breaking and Entering at Our Lady of Peace Catholic School in Marshall County. The school sustained major damage from the incident and twenty-three iPads were stolen valued at \$9,200. Senior Trooper Beck diligently investigated this crime and was able to arrest able to arrest Steven Holmes, Jerry Ruskin and Rachel Midcap with Burglary. Tpr. Beck was also able to recover 10 of the I-pads.

Festivals and special events

Troop 1 Awards/Recognition

Corporal William D. Henderson-Superintendent's Award Trooper of the Year
Corporal James G. Baker-West Virginia State Police Life Saving Award
Corporal Larry M. Roberts and Trooper Michael P. Hoder #1 and #2 DUI Enforcers for the West Virginia State Police by WV Governor's Highway Safety
Sergeant Glen P. Doyle-FBI Director James B. Comey Community Leadership Award
Corporal Issac M. Harmon-Colonel Jackson Arnold Award, Harrison County 911
Corporal Steve D. Swiger-Sherlock Holmes Award, Harrison County 911
Corporal Joseph M. Bush- Sherlock Holmes Award, Harrison County 911
Corporal Harry C. Myers- Cornerstone Award WVU Healthcare
Corporal John A. McDougal-Lt. Joseph Kenda Award, Marion County First Responders Festival
Bridgeport Detachment-AAA Platinum Award for Community Traffic Safety
Wheeling Detachment-AAA Platinum Award for Community Traffic Safety
Wellsburg Detachment-AAA Platinum Award for Community Traffic Safety
New Cumberland Detachment-AAA Platinum Award for Community Traffic Safety
New Cumberland Detachment-#2 West Virginia State Police Detachment in DUI's, WV Governors Highway Safety

The annual Mountainfest motorcycle rally occurs every year at the end of July. This year attendance was over 60,000 on the night of the main concert. The rally encompasses four days. The rally includes venues, concerts every day and a 24 hour camp ground on the premises. The West Virginia State Police is responsible for the law enforcement security at the event. This year 470 man hours were allocated to the event.

The Buckwheat Festival in Preston County is always a large event with thousands of visitors over the four day period. The West Virginia State Police is a major contributor to the event, participating in security at the main venue as well as traffic control for the three major parades that take place during the festival.

The WVSSAC Super Six State High School Football championships are held on Wheeling Island in Ohio



County. The West Virginia State Police jointly provides security and crowd control for the games held during the championship weekend.

The Fairmont Detachment has assisted in several local events and festivals including the Fairmont 4th of July celebration, the Fairview 4th of July celebration, Monongahfest, the Paw Paw Fair, the Mannington District Fair, and the Three Rivers Festival.

Troop 1 Marijuana Eradication Statistics

Mountaineer Highway Interdiction Team (M.H.I.T.)

The West Virginia State Police in cooperation with the U.S. Attorney's office and members of local law enforcement agencies have formed the Drug Interdiction Team known by the acronym M.H.I.T. Mountaineer Highway Interdiction Team. M.H.I.T. now consists of a North and South Team based in Ohio and Harrison Counties. M.H.I.T. consists of members of the following agencies:

M.H.I.T. North

West Virginia State Police, Ohio County Sheriff's Office and Wheeling Police Department.

M.H.I.T. South

West Virginia State Police, Bridgeport Police Department and Clarksburg Police Department. The combined efforts of the M.H.I.T. members have yielded the following results:

Number of Plants	3160 (460 Cultivated)
Felony Cultivation Arrests	20
Recovered Firearms	10
Recovered Vehicles	1
Recovered ATV's	2
Initiated Federal Loan Fraud Case	1

Additional Significant Drug Cases

<i>Seizure Information</i>	<i>Total Amount</i>	<i>Total Value</i>
Marijuana	3,533.5 gms.	\$17,632
Cocaine	466 gms.	\$30,000
Heroin	55.5 gms.	\$5,500
Pharmaceuticals	1660 doses	\$49,800
Other Drug/Plants	Synth/plants/THC pops	\$6905
Other	1 Stolen Vehicle 4 recovered firearms	Total Drug Value \$109,837
U.S. Currency Seized	\$17,622	

Team Activity	Number of Veh. Stopped	Comercial Veh. Stops	Citations	Felony Arrest	Misd. Arrest	Misd. Citations	Number of Searches
Totals	3465	44	3109	108	157	263	353



On September 8, 2014, Corporal Isaac Harmon and Corporal Baron Claypool developed information of a location of a possible indoor marijuana grow at the residence of Barbara Beecher in the area of Pine Bluff in Harrison County. Corporals Harmon and Claypool arrived at the Beecher residence and seized twenty-five marijuana plants and a large irrigation system. Additional, information was generated which lead to the arrest and successful conviction of Barbara Beecher, her daughter Cheron Brown and her daughter's boyfriend Michael Walczuk for Cultivation of Marijuana and Conspiracy.

On September 13, 2014, Trooper First Class J.R. Barker, of the West Union Detachment, conducted a traffic stop on WV Route 18 in Doddridge County for multiple equipment violations. The driver initially provided a false name and identity. Trooper First Class Barker later identified the driver as Scott Sorge who had outstanding warrants in Harrison County, WV, for Domestic Battery and Domestic Assault. A search of the suspect and the vehicle found three plastic baggies of synthetic marijuana and 242 stamps of what were suspected to be Acid on multi colored blotter paper. Scott Sorge was arrested and charged by TFC Barker in this case.

On September 27, 2014, Corporal Joseph Bush initiated a traffic stop along WV Route 270 in Harrison County. Corporal Bush detected an odor of marijuana and obtained consent from the driver, Cody Stemple to search the vehicle. Corporal Bush seized components of a Butane Lab, sixteen Heroin stamps, one gram of Hash Oil/Wax, one hundred and eighty-three grams of Marijuana, four Buprenorphine Pills and U. S. Currency. Corporal Bush obtained consent to search Stemple residence on the same date and located and seized an additional Butane Lab and five grams of Hash Oil/Wax. Mr. Stemple was arrested for Possession with Intent to Deliver a Controlled Substance.

Troop 1 DUI Checkpoint Statistics

Number of Checkpoints	12
Number of Vehicles through Checkpoints	6862
DUI Arrest	5
Suspended or Revoked Arrest	23
Felony Arrest	3
Misdemeanor Arrest	7
Drug Related Offenses	10
Citations Issued	232
Warning Citations Issued	842
Value of seized Drugs	\$740.00

Troop 1 DUI Patrol Statistics

Number of DUI Patrols	269
Number of Traffic Stops	963
DUI Arrest	219
Driving Suspended or Revoked Arrest	53
Felony Arrest	4
Misdemeanor Arrest	88
Drug Related Arrest	36
Citations Issued	343
Warning Citations Issued	887
Value of Drugs Seized	\$6,953.00
Value of Property Recovered	\$750.00

Critical Needs:

Troop 1 is one of the most highly populated Troops in the state and experiences a population increase from year to year in over half of the counties. The burden and responsibility of the uniformed trooper is ever expanding and is becoming a critical factor in the approach to enforcing the law and officer safety. Troop 1 has seventy-seven patrol vehicles with over one hundred thousand miles (100,000) and fifty two that are in excess of one hundred and twenty-five thousand miles (125,000).

The current Troop 1 Headquarters building was built in 1939 and is sitting on approximately eleven acres. Since the restructuring of the State Police in the 90's, Headquarters is not centrally located and is subsequently



not as accessible as it should be for the twelve counties in the Troop. The heating system is an original "Boiler" system. Only two of the three units currently operate. Parts for these units are no longer manufactured. The electrical wiring in the building is mostly original, with the exception of the Radio Room. The wire is in a braided casing, fed through metal conduit. The wire system poses a fire hazard and may not be up to code. The roof of the main building leaks in various locations. Fixing the leaks would be difficult due to the air conditioner and attached duct work for the system being located on top of the roof. The AC duct work would then need to be replaced at an additional substantial cost. These are a few of the major repairs needed at this time, not to mention cracked/broken windows, old doors and other minor issues.

The Bridgeport Detachment was built around the late 70's to early 80's and sits on approximately five acres. The evidence room is 5' x 7', and is too small for a detachment of that size. The evidence room is currently full with little to no space for additional items. The bunk room doubles as a file room because there is insufficient filing space at the detachment. Office space is at a premium based on the number of troopers stationed at this detachment. The parking lot is in bad shape, the front needs sealed and the back needs replaced. In addition, there is a drainage issue with the back parking lot, which causes standing water to lay on the back lot and property.

Four detachment parking lots are in need of repair or resurfacing: Bridgeport, Grafton, Fairmont and Kingwood. In addition, four roofs need replaced: Headquarters, Bridgeport, Wellsburg and Kingwood as they are past their end of expected efficiency.

DETACHMENT	Calls for	Felony	Misd	HMV	HMV		Motorist	Crash	Criminal Investigations	
	Service	Arrests	Arrests	Citations	Warning Citations	DUI	Assists	Reports	Incidents	Offenses
TROOP 1 HEADQUARTERS	0	0	0	29	39	0	5	0	1	1
BRIDGEPORT	6984	292	417	2309	3515	49	846	189	805	1255
WEST UNION	1759	59	65	597	1761	4	531	51	285	341
GRAFTON	798	108	68	906	1396	10	70	50	137	187
MORGANTOWN	11476	241	449	1472	6109	58	1327	614	977	1253
FAIRMONT	3453	115	152	1213	2707	9	501	293	340	452
KINGWOOD	3924	192	416	1339	2015	22	182	183	628	964
MOUNDSVILLE	1176	89	234	692	4067	21	203	36	396	563
PADEN CITY	1050	42	99	468	3445	15	195	57	201	281
HUNDRED	503	32	20	78	380	1	65	18	84	112
WHEELING	1358	115	238	1787	5041	55	417	51	431	741
WELLSBURG	713	43	85	1542	1032	12	114	33	212	247
NEW CUMBERLAND	469	89	382	1065	1658	157	131	12	346	663
TROOP 1 TOTALS	33663	1417	2625	13497	33165	413	4587	1587	4843	7060



Field Services – Troop 2, Charles Town



Captain Eric D. Widmeyer
Troop Commander



Troop 2 Facts

Detachments	6
Sworn Officers	72
Civilian Personnel	23
Population	260,334
Square Miles	2,790

Troop 2 can be found in the northeastern section of West Virginia commonly referred to as the Eastern Panhandle / Potomac Highlands Region of West Virginia. The region is separated from the western part of the state by the Allegheny Front. The region includes the following seven counties: Berkeley, Jefferson, Morgan, Hampshire, Mineral, Hardy, and Grant. Both Berkeley and Jefferson Counties are considered suburbs of the Baltimore/Washington, D. C. area and are within an hour and twenty minute drive of either city. Jefferson and Berkeley Counties remain two of the fastest growing in West Virginia. According to the 2014 U. S. Census report, Berkeley County became the 2nd most populated county and was recently recognized as one of the top counties in the United States in population growth over the last decade. Harpers Ferry in Jefferson County is the lowest geographical point in West Virginia at 240 feet above sea level. Numerous historic sites are either within or located a short distance from this region of the State.

Troop 2 Marijuana Eradication Efforts:

Troopers destroyed 71,284 marijuana plants, 312 cultivated marijuana plants, 1,131 grams of processed marijuana, with three felony arrests and one federal indictment.

2014-2015 Fiscal Year Troop 2 Checkpoint Stats

Number of Vehicles thru Checkpoints: 6,147	Number of Checkpoints: 13
DUI Arrests: 11	Driving Suspended or Revoked Arrests: 27
Felony Arrests: 2	Misdemeanor Arrests: 2
Drug Arrests: 3	Warnings Issued: 658
Citations Issued: 90	Amount of Drugs Seized: \$180.00

2014-2015 Fiscal Year Troop 2 DUI Patrol Stats

Number of DUI Patrols: 270	Number of Traffic Stops: 1,618
DUI Arrests: 183	Driving Suspended or Revoked Arrests: 75
Felony Arrests: 10	Misdemeanor Arrests: 58
Drug Arrests: 40	Warnings Issued: 2,081
Citations Issued: 359	Amount of Drugs Seized: \$5,382.00



TROOP 2 CRITICAL NEEDS

Note: *Each facility within Troop 2 should be equipped with an AED (Automated External Defibrillator) device, in the event a serious cardiac arrest occurs on State Police property. Realistically, each cruiser should be issued an AED for emergency situations.*

Martinsburg Detachment:

The Martinsburg Detachment is in need of more storage space for criminal reports and other Detachment files that are required to be maintained for lengthy periods of time. A large storage building that has electrical service as well as climate control would help alleviate the current storage problems.

Charles Town Detachment:

The Charles Town Detachment is in need of a new roof. The metal roof is approximately fifteen years old and has leaked since it was installed. The Detachment is in need of a climate controlled facility for our current Crime Scene vehicle.

Berkeley Springs Detachment:

The current Detachment is lacking a handicap accessible ramp for the public. The Berkeley Springs Detachment needs a large emergency generator for backup power.

Romney Detachment:

The Romney Detachment is in need of an updated parking lot LED lighting system.

Keyser Detachment:

The Keyser Detachment needs a detached climate controlled garage for vehicle maintenance. This Detachment also needs a new HVAC system, as the current system is older and beginning to fail.

Moorefield Detachment:

The Moorefield/Petersburg Detachment is in need of an emergency generator for backup power.

TROOP 2 INDIVIDUAL RECOGNITION(S)

Senior Trooper D. R. Walker received the 2014 Officer of the Year award for the WVSP from the Jefferson County Chamber of Commerce.

Senior Trooper C. J. Hill received the Troop 2 Officer of the Year from the Troop 2 Command Staff. The **Charles Town Detachment** received the “Top Agency Award” for 2014 from the Governor’s Highway Safety Program, ranking **1st** in DUI arrests.

The **Martinsburg Detachment** received the “Top Agency Award” for 2014 from the Governor’s Highway Safety Program, ranking **3rd** in DUI arrests.

Office Assistant **Jill Richmond** received the Superintendent’s Civilian Service Award for 2014.



TROOP 2 NOTEWORTHY CASES

Martinsburg Detachment

On February 7, 2015, Senior Trooper D. W. Satterfield received a dispatch from West Virginia State Police Romney Communications regarding a gunshot victim lying on the ground in the 300 block of Fegan Road. Romney Communications stated a Dodge pickup was observed leaving the scene, northbound on Fegan Road. Senior Trooper Satterfield arrived at 397 Fegan Road and observed the victim, later identified as 19 year old Shamel S. Davis Jr. of Bunker Hill, WV, had sustained a gunshot wound to the neck and was unresponsive. The victim was transported by EMS to Winchester Medical Center where he was later pronounced dead due to his injuries. During the course of the investigation, two suspects were developed and quickly located. Brian M. Cook Jr., 19 years old of Hedgesville, WV, and a 17-year-old male of Bunker Hill, WV, were both taken into custody. Brian M. Cook Jr. was placed under arrest and charged with being an accessory to murder, after the fact. The juvenile male was transported to the Vicky Douglas Detention Center in Martinsburg and charged with first degree murder.

On December 8, 2014, Corporal Z. L. Nine responded to the Inwood area of Berkeley County to assist the Berkeley County Sheriff's Office with an attempted robbery at the Jefferson Security Bank, in which the accused was attempting to break into the ATM vault. The accused, later identified as Joseph Micah Watson, fled the scene on foot, but was located a short time later and arrested. Corporal Nine conducted an interview with the accused in reference to a similar incident reported to Corporal Nine at the Jefferson Security Bank in Martinsburg on November 28, 2014. The mode of operation was the same for both incidents and Corporal Nine questioned Mr. Watson about the attempted robbery. Mr. Watson advised he did attempt to break into the ATM vault at the Jefferson Security Bank on Edwin Miller Boulevard on the night of November 28, 2014. Corporal Nine arrested and charged Mr. Watson with attempted robbery, attempted grand larceny, breaking and entering, and felony destruction of property.

On August 04, 2014, Trooper M.C. Morgan received a call from Berkeley County Central Dispatch to assist the Fire Department with an investigation into a possible clandestine laboratory fire at 355 Shale Pit Drive in Falling Waters. Upon arrival at the scene, Trooper Morgan was advised that a male was transported to Berkeley Medical Center for severe burns to his body. The suspect was later identified to be Joseph Burcker. Upon checking for any persons located within the trailer, Troopers observed an inactive "shake and bake" style laboratory in the kitchen area of the trailer. Troopers also located equipment in an outbuilding utilized in the operation of a clandestine laboratory. A field test on remains from the inactive lab indicated positive for methamphetamine. A search warrant was later executed at the residence and Troopers discovered numerous items consistent with the operation of a clandestine lab, including cut open batteries, empty packages for medication with the ingredient pseudoephedrine along with other drug paraphernalia. Mr. Burcker was charged with operating a clandestine laboratory.

Charles Town Detachment

On July 2, 2014, members of the Mountain State Fugitive Task Force and the Capital Area Fugitive Task Force arrived at 269 Shagbark Lane in Harpers Ferry. Members of the task force executed a federal warrant on Timothy Patrick McDermott for distribution of heroin from Baltimore, Maryland. While at the residence, Sergeant Chumley located a marijuana grow. Mr. McDermott subsequently confessed to cultivating marijuana and directed officers to additional plants being grown in a camper on the property. A total of 583 marijuana plants and 11 plastic bags containing approximately 330 grams of marijuana were seized. Mr. McDermott was charged with cultivation of marijuana.



On December 26, 2014, Senior Trooper Hill received information concerning Klee Welliver being a Fugitive from Carroll County, Maryland. Trooper Hill was advised Mr. Welliver was residing at 110 Alla Willa Drive, Charles Town. Trooper Hill and Senior Trooper Epperly traveled to the aforementioned address in an attempt to locate Mr. Welliver, who was previously entered into NCIC by Carroll County, Maryland. Upon arrival, Trooper Hill detected the strong odor of marijuana coming from within the residence. Trooper Hill attempted to make contact with the residents, but was unsuccessful. On December 27, 2014, Trooper Hill, Trooper Epperly, and other members of the West Virginia State Police Charles Town Detachment traveled back to the residence to execute a search warrant obtained by Trooper Hill. After searching the interior of the residence, the Troopers located an indoor grow of marijuana consisting of marijuana plants and mason jars containing bulk marijuana. Mr. Welliver was arrested for being a Fugitive from Maryland, and charged with cultivation of marijuana, and conspiracy to cultivate marijuana. During the investigation, Trooper Hill seized 907 marijuana plants, 212 Mason jars filled with marijuana, and \$48,859.15 in US Currency. The money was later released to the West Virginia State Police by Court Order.

On August 04, 2014, Senior Trooper M. G. Hofer initiated a traffic stop at 13360 Leetown Road in Kearneysville, WV. The suspect vehicle was being operated by Kyle Andrew Williams. Senior Trooper Hofer conducted a roadside interview with Mr. Williams. Mr. Williams consented to a vehicle search. Senior Trooper located \$1,570 in US Currency, three plastic bags containing marijuana packaged for sale, and a blunt within the suspect vehicle. Senior Trooper Hofer arrested Mr. Williams and transported him to the Charles Town Detachment. While at the detachment, Senior Trooper Hofer began interviewing Mr. Williams about his involvement in narcotics. Mr. Williams advised Senior Trooper Hofer he had an indoor marijuana grow at his residence located at 8713 Leetown Road, Kearneysville, WV. Mr. Williams also advised he had more packaged marijuana at his residence ready for sale.

Senior Trooper Hofer obtained a search warrant for the residence of Mr. Williams. A subsequent search revealed an additional ten plastic bags of marijuana, five marijuana plants, and \$190 in US Currency. The total approximate value of the marijuana seized was \$5,260.00.

Berkeley Springs Detachment

On September 27, 2014, Trooper First Class S. R. Smith and Corporal V. E. Branham responded to a residence in Morgan County to assist the Morgan County Sheriff's Office with an armed robbery. The Troopers learned that the suspect, Joseph L. Cirigliano had kicked in a rear basement door to a residence belonging to two elderly females. The suspect then held the two women at knife point, taking both victim's purses and the keys to a 2002 Buick which he drove from the scene. Later that day, the suspect was involved in a pursuit in Maryland which was discontinued due to safety. That afternoon, Trooper First Class Smith and Morgan County Deputy S. Place responded to a residence in southern Morgan County searching for the suspect. The suspect fled from the residence and was arrested by Trooper First Class Smith after a short foot pursuit. The suspect was charged with being a fugitive from justice, possession with intent to deliver heroin, transferring/receiving stolen property and bringing stolen property into the state. Two other subjects were also charged with aiding and abetting.

On August 8, 2014, Corporal J. C. McDonald responded to a two vehicle crash in Morgan County on U. S. Route 522. Upon arriving Corporal McDonald noted the vehicles and a deceased, nine year old female located in a Toyota sedan. During his investigation, Corporal McDonald found the driver of the Toyota sedan to be Walter Weaver and the deceased to be Weaver's step-daughter. Also injured in the accident were Weaver, his five year old step-son and the driver of the second car, Sonia Andrews. It was determined through witnesses that Weaver had traveled left of center, striking the Andrews vehicle head on. Corporal McDonald's investigation revealed that Weaver had updated his Facebook page by posting a photo of his step-children inside his vehicle shortly before the crash. Through search warrants, Corporal McDonald obtained Weaver's phone and



Facebook records. Corporal McDonald has turned over this investigation to the Morgan County Prosecutor for future presentment to the Grand Jury.

On April 1, 2015, while conducting road patrol, Trooper First Class S. R. Smith stopped a Pontiac Grand Am in Morgan County for no MVI. Trooper First Class Smith spoke with the driver, Craig Lampkins and noted a passenger, Philip McAnulty, whom Trooper First Class Smith knew to be a drug user/seller. While speaking with the driver, Trooper First Class Smith observed Mr. McAnulty moving his hands under the rear passenger seat. A search of the vehicle located marijuana, heroin, methamphetamine, precursors for methamphetamine, numerous unknown liquids, bottles and a hot-plate. During an interview, Mr. McAnulty admitted that Mr. Lampkins had driven him to Rite Aid and had him purchase Claritin for the purpose of cooking methamphetamine. Mr. Lampkins and Mr. McAnulty were charged with operation of a clandestine lab and conspiracy. Janel Ray was charged with conspiracy.

Criminal Interdiction Patrol

On September 29, 2014, Trooper N.K. Campbell responded to assist other units in the investigation of a home invasion, which occurred at 2165 Shepherdstown Road. Trooper Campbell spoke to the resident, Robert Lee Miller, who advised the Trooper of the events that had taken place. Trooper Campbell completed a visual search of the home and observed the remnants of narcotics. Trooper Campbell spoke to Mr. Miller about the narcotics that he observed and was told by Mr. Miller that he does use marijuana and that he did in fact have some marijuana in his wall safe. During that time, Mr. Miller opened the safe to retrieve the marijuana and made the statement "there may be a little more than what I said in the safe". Mr. Miller handed the Trooper approximately one half pound bag of marijuana. After obtaining a search warrant, Troopers Campbell and North began searching the residence and discovered large amounts of narcotics, weapons and U.S. currency. Troopers seized approximately three pounds of marijuana, an eight ball of powder cocaine, multiple firearms and \$21,650.00 in U.S. Currency. Mr. Miller was charged with possession with intent to distribute cocaine and possession with intent to distribute marijuana.

On October 21, 2014, Trooper First Class P.L. North, Trooper D.W. Satterfield and Trooper M.C. Morgan conducted a traffic stop on a Dodge Caravan displaying Connecticut registration for a traffic violation. Upon approach of the vehicle, Troopers identified the occupants as Pedro P. Reyes and Alvin A. Contreras. Troopers then observed a large quantity of cigarettes in the back of the van. Troopers asked the subject where the cigarettes came from and they advised the cigarettes had been purchased in Virginia. Troopers confiscated the cigarettes and arrested both subject for excise tax violation. After conducting the count of the cigarettes, Troopers found approximately 1,170 cartons of cigarettes.

On March 18, 2015, Trooper First Class P.L. North and Sergeant K.E. Plumer conducted a traffic stop on a 2015 Chrysler Town and Country van for a traffic violation. Troopers approached the vehicle and identified the driver as Jameel Salah and the passenger as Mastour Ahmed. Troopers became suspicious after observing a large quantity of boxes in the cargo area of the van which was covered by a black blanket. Troopers also observed the van was a third party rental and it was supposed to be returned to the rental company on March 11, 2015. After conducting interviews with the occupants of the vehicle, Troopers was able to obtain an admission from Jameel Salah that they were carrying a large quantity of cigarettes from Virginia. An inventory of the vehicle produced 1,500 cartons of Virginia tax stamped cigarettes.

Romney Detachment

On August 4, 2014, Corporal M. G. Spence responded with the Hampshire County Sheriff Department to the residence of Robert Jeffery Householder in regards to an alleged domestic battery. Information gained on this date resulted in Corporal Spence obtaining a search warrant at the Householder residence. The search of the



residence yielded the seizure of a 9mm handgun and various types of ammunition. Mr. Householder was previously convicted of cultivation of marijuana and being a felon in possession of firearms. As a result, Corporal Spence worked with members of the Bureau of Alcohol Tobacco Firearms and Explosives. Mr. Householder entered a plea of guilty in federal court and was sentenced to thirty-six months.

Keyser Detachment

On December 30, 2014, Trooper W. S. Weakley entered into a multi-jurisdictional investigation of identity theft with investigators from Maryland and Pennsylvania. Kevin Grant of North Carolina had completed a credit check inquiry and discovered multiple discrepancies. One such error was a vehicle loan through the Potomac Federal Credit Union in Cumberland, MD. Mr. Grant alleged he has never been to the area or applied for any such loan. The loan was utilized to purchase a vehicle from a local car dealership within Mineral County. Working with investigators from Maryland, it was discovered the suspect provided a US Passport and a WV operators indicating he was Kevin Grant. He further provided an insurance card for the vehicle he wished to purchase and a paystub from the National Veteran's Resource Center in Raleigh, North Carolina to the loan company. Video surveillance was obtained of the suspect. The photograph of the suspect was later determined to be Christopher Linn. Mr. Grant advised he was a co-worker with Mr. Linn years ago in North Carolina. Mr. Grant further recalled he remembered before Mr. Linn left their shared employment, Mr. Grant's wallet was stolen containing his operators and social security number. The suspect was not located at the address listed on his operators, on the loan paperwork, or his Post Office address. Continued investigation revealed the suspect may have been residing with his girlfriend in Chambersburg, PA. A Facebook account was also located under the name of "Christopher Rocksandrolls" with matching photographs of Mr. Linn. His information on this account further revealed he claimed to be in the Marines. The Naval Criminal Investigative Services confirmed Mr. Linn was never enlisted in any branch of the armed services, indicating a case of stolen valor. The Pennsylvania State Police assisted in a search warrant to the residence and vehicle of Mr. Linn. Included in the evidence was a pawn receipt for a firearm. Mr. Linn is prohibited from possessing a firearm as well. In May 2015, Mr. Linn was indicted on seven felony counts consisting of charges of forgery, uttering, and identity theft. Additional indictments are pending in Hampshire County. The Federal Prosecutor has obtained a copy of the report in order to indict him on Federal weapons violation charges.

On May 6, 2015, Senior Trooper A. R. Hanlon initiated follow-up investigation into an anonymous tip indicating Wesley Baker was stashing large amounts of crack cocaine in a storage shed in Wiley Ford, WV. Senior Trooper Hanlon confirmed Mr. Baker had in fact paid cash to rent a storage shed. Subsequently, a K-9 was utilized to indicate on the storage shed in question. A search warrant for the shed was obtained. The search resulted in the discovery of a cocaine rock weighing over 44 grams valued at an estimated street value of \$15,000.00. Synthetic marijuana and digital scales were also located inside the storage shed. Over \$2000.00 worth of electronics and construction equipment was observed within the shed. While on scene, a vehicle matching the description provided by the anonymous tip entered the lot and attempted to leave. The vehicle was stopped and Mr. Baker was identified as the passenger. The driver, Tiffany Chambers, was a confirmed fugitive through NCIC. A search of the vehicle resulted in the seizure of additional marijuana. Mr. Baker was interviewed and confessed to being the owner of the narcotics. He further indicated the electronics and construction equipment were obtained via narcotic trade and were likely all stolen. Two items, a brand new welder and generator, were confirmed to have been stolen from Wal-Mart in Lavale, MD. Mr. Baker was arrested for the crime of possession with intent to distribute "crack" cocaine.

On January 15, 2015, Senior Trooper Paterline responded to ACE Hardware in reference to a shoplifting complaint in Keyser, WV. After reviewing the surveillance and conducting follow-up investigation, Senior Trooper Paterline developed Katie Gaither and Robert Shockey as suspects. Ms. Gaither initially denied involvement in the incident at ACE claiming it was not her on surveillance. Although she adamantly denied involvement in the ACE incident, she eventually made a confession to assisting Mr. Shockey in multiple reoccurring



thefts to various individual's private property as well as local businesses. Ms. Gaither agreed to cooperate and accompany Senior Trooper Paterline in riding through the county to identify all the locations she had committed larcenies with Mr. Shockey. In total, ten victims (businesses and individuals) were identified over a seven month span. Mr. Shockey and Ms. Gaither were arrested for the larcenies.

On September 8, 2014, Trooper Travepiece met with victim, Shelley Jackson, for a false pretense complaint on a vehicle she had purchased from Pristine Pre-Owned Auto Inc., operated by Fernando Smith and Jamie Crabtree, in Keyser, WV. On September 9, 2014, Ms. Jackson notified Trooper Travepiece her vehicle was stolen from her fiancé's house in Cresaptown, MD. Trooper Travepiece recovered the vehicle at Pristine Pre-Owned Auto Inc. Through follow-up investigation, Trooper Travepiece established the vehicle had been considered salvaged by Progressive auto insurance due to an accident in November of 2013. Pristine Pre-Owned Auto Inc. took possession and fixed the vehicle. Pristine Pre-Owned Auto Inc. elected not to forward the title to Progressive to be branded as a salvaged vehicle, and instead filed for a new title for the vehicle and sold the car to Ms. Jackson on May 19, 2014. On October 23, 2014, Trooper Travepiece performed a search warrant at Pristine Pre-Owned Auto Inc. Trooper Travepiece confiscated paperwork detailing bill of sales, repossessions, titles and vehicle services. Through review of all the paperwork and speaking with the victims, Trooper Travepiece discovered twenty-eight different victims of the Pristine Pre-Owned Auto Inc. "title washing" scheme. During the May 2015 Grand Jury Session, Mr. Smith and Ms. Crabtree were indicted on 112 felony charges, related to false pretenses.

Moorefield/Petersburg Detachment

On June 1, 2014, Senior Trooper N. J. Schellhaus was assigned an Adult Protective Service referral, regarding an incident of Financial Exploitation of an Elderly Person, occurring at 127 Early Avenue within Grant County. Over the course of the investigation, it was discovered that the suspect, Tressie Wilson, the Power of Attorney for the victim, Ruth Sites, was financially exploiting Ms. Sites, along with the assistance of her husband, Gary Wilson. Over the course of approximately four years, the Wilsons embezzled and financially exploited a total of \$466,469. In early 2015, Mr. and Mrs. Wilson were arrested for financial exploitation of an elderly person.

On March 24, 2015, Senior Trooper N. E. Higginbotham and Trooper B. W. Thorn responded to the Hermitage Inn, within the city limits of Petersburg, in reference to locating and executing an outstanding arrest warrant on Steven Michael Hawley. Mr. Hawley was located within room 129 of the Hermitage Inn. Upon securing Mr. Hawley, the officers located several items of illegal drug paraphernalia, Fentanyl patches, marijuana and a large sum of cash, totaling \$3,867.00. Mr. Hawley admitted the cash was profit from drug sales and arrested for possession with Intent to deliver.

DETACHMENT	Calls for Service	Felony Arrests	Misd Arrests	HMV Citations	HMV Warning Citations	DUI	Motorist Assists	Crash Reports	Criminal Investigations	
									Incidents	Offenses
TROOP 2 HEADQUARTERS	0	0	2	107	355	1	10	0	2	2
CHARLES TOWN	5078	226	670	1378	4398	164	231	126	852	1214
MARTINSBURG	11868	1135	1605	2575	8324	130	1149	649	1770	2414
BERKELEY SPRINGS	1762	40	144	835	1628	7	61	72	350	431
ROMNEY	1832	232	341	1137	2627	34	173	324	480	626
KEYSER	1721	510	542	1142	4375	38	181	141	773	1280
MOOREFIELD	2296	183	281	1613	2748	42	181	149	406	561
TROOP 2 TOTALS	24557	2326	3585	8787	24455	416	1986	1461	4633	6528



Field Services – Troop 3, Elkins



Captain David P. Reider
Troop Commander



Troop 3 Facts

Detachments	10
Sworn Officers	71
Civilian Personnel	22
Population	142,217
Square Miles	5,584

Troop 3 is located within the eastern section of the state and has the largest geographical area of any troop, encompassing 5,584 square miles. Troop 3 Headquarters is located in Beverly, W.V. Troop 3 is divided into three (3) Districts.

The structure of Troop 3 is as follows:

District #1 (30) uniformed personnel

Randolph County - Troop 3 H.Q., District #1 H.Q., and the Elkins Detachment

Tucker County - Parsons Detachment

Pendleton County - Franklin Detachment

Pocahontas County - Marlinton Detachment

District #2 (20) uniformed personnel

Barbour County - District #2 H.Q. and the Philippi Detachment

Upshur County – Buckhannon Detachment

Lewis County - Weston Detachment

District #3 (22) uniformed personnel

Gilmer County - District #3 Headquarters and the Glenville Detachment

Braxton County - Sutton Detachment

Webster County - Webster Springs Detachment

Due to Troop 3's vast, rugged, and mountainous terrain, it is a desired destination for hunters, hikers, and outdoor enthusiasts. Troop 3 is unique as it maintains the only trained West Virginia State Police Search and Rescue Team (S.A.R.). The team is comprised of approximately twenty uniformed members. During the past fiscal year, there were multiple requests for the S.A.R. Team's services in locating lost hikers, lost hunters, downed aircraft, etc. The SAR Team was activated nine times and during all nine of those incidents the missing individual was located.



During fiscal year 2015, Troop 3 was involved in a “Special Overtime” project which concentrated on conducting drug enforcement investigations and drug interdiction traffic patrols. A total of seven Drug Enforcement Operations were conducted. As a result of Troop 3’s efforts, the following statistics were generated:

<i>Drug Enforcement Activity</i>		
18 felony arrests	1 misdemeanor arrest	13 drug related arrests
\$1,450 in drugs seized	\$500 in property recovered	\$6,425 in U.S. currency seized

During the 2015 fiscal year, Troop 3 members conducted multiple marijuana eradication operations. Troop 3 confiscated a total of \$202,258,750 in marijuana. Troop 3 eradicated a total of 80,902 marijuana plants, (1,452 cultivated plants), and 1 ½ pounds of processed marijuana. Six suspects were arrested during these operations and charged with a total of twenty-six felony drug charges. Two felony cases are pending future Grand Jury indictments. One other pending case will be cleared by a felony drug arrest on a later date.

During 2015 fiscal year, Troop 3 members conducted 264 D.U.I. Patrols resulting in 128 D.U.I. arrests, with many other driving suspended/revoked and misdemeanor arrests also documented.

TROOP 3 NOTEWORTHY CASES

Elkins Detachment

On May 24, 2015, Sr. Tpr. C.S. Elliott and Sr. Tpr. D.T. Stallings responded to 1016 Kerens Ave. in Elkins to assist the Elkins Police Department on a call they received in reference to an armed suspect attempting to gain access to a residence. Upon arrival, officers were met by the suspect who was armed with a handgun. The officers ordered the suspect to drop the weapon and he would not comply. After a brief verbal exchange, the suspect raised his weapon and the officers fired, wounding the suspect. The suspect was transported to the hospital after the encounter and was subsequently charged with multiple criminal acts. No officers were injured during the incident.

On April 21, 2015, the Elkins Detachment and the Elkins Police Department investigated a murder that occurred at the Train Depot in Elkins. The victim was fatally shot by an unknown suspect during this incident. Within just a few hours, officers identified the suspect and the West Virginia State Police subsequently captured him several miles away as he was traveling across Point Mountain toward Webster Springs.

On March 10, 2015, T.F.C. D.R. Wolford investigated a home invasion case at a residence located near Coalton-Pumpkintown Road. The suspect entered the residence by force in pursuit of his girlfriend. The two had just been involved in a domestic incident and the female fled into the above mentioned residence. The suspect physically assaulted the elderly homeowner and his wife. During the struggle, a handgun was fired into the floor and the suspect fled the residence. TFC Wolford later located and arrested the suspect without incident.

On December 22, 2014, Sr. Tpr. C.E. Elliott, Cpl. S.P. Miller, and Cpl. K.A. Corley traveled to the Hampton Inn in Elkins to serve felony warrants on a suspect that was known by the officers to be staying there. Officers knocked and announced their presence but received no response from inside the room. A short time later, officers heard what appeared to be the “racking” of the action on a handgun and a subsequent gun shot. Officers were able to enter the room without incident and take the suspect into custody.

On July 28, 2014, members of the Elkins Detachment were conducting marijuana eradication efforts in Randolph County when ground crew units spotted several marijuana plants growing near a residence located along



Rich Mountain Rd., near Beverly. Several plants along with dried marijuana were subsequently located. A suspect was identified and taken into custody for Cultivation of Marijuana.

Parsons Detachment

On December 12, 2014, unknown suspects forcibly entered the Parsons State Police Detachment and ransacked the office area. Through exhaustive investigation and multiple leads provided by citizens of Tucker County, the investigating officer, Sgt. C.D. Siler, was able to identify and subsequently arrest three individuals for the commission of this crime.

On November 30, 2014, two juvenile suspects escaped from the Kenneth Honey Rubenstein Center located in Davis, W.V. The escapees were located by officers and returned to the facility without incident on December 01, 2014.

Franklin Detachment

On June 11, 2015, Tpr. D.J. Trenton was notified by Pendleton County 911 that there was a stolen Hyundai Accent traveling on U.S. Rt. 220 in Pendleton County. The vehicle was reported stolen in Grant County and it was believed the driver of the vehicle was armed. Tpr. Trenton located the suspect vehicle and a pursuit ensued. Eventually, the suspect decided to end the pursuit and pulled over. The suspect surrendered to Tpr. Trenton without incident. The suspect possessed multiple precursors for operating a clandestine laboratory. The suspect was also wanted in Hardy County for Operating a Clandestine Laboratory.

On May 11, 2015, Cpl. J.M. Ware was dispatched to Walnut St. in Franklin to a stabbing complaint. The victim was stabbed multiple times by the suspect. The victim was able to identify the suspect. Later that evening, officers located and arrested the suspect for Attempted First Degree Murder.

On February 28, 2015, Sgt. A.D. Teter was called to the scene of a vehicle crash on U.S. Rt. 33, near the top of South Fork Mountain. Upon arrival, Sgt. Teter observed that the occupant of the involved vehicle, was trapped inside the vehicle. Sgt. Teter climbed on top of the vehicle and used his Department issued ASP baton to break the rear glass. Sgt. Teter was able to administer first aid to the victim until EMS and other personnel arrived on scene. Sgt. Teter assisted with the extrication of the victim after EMS personnel arrived on scene. During the extrication, a hydraulic hose on the vehicle ruptured and began spewing hydraulic oil everywhere. Sgt. Teter was able to procure a blanket and shield the victim from the hydraulic oil.

On March 03, 2015, members of the Franklin Detachment were contacted regarding a missing person from Baltimore, M.D. who was possibly in the area. The missing person's car was located along Briery Gap Rd. and Forest Service Road 112. A search of the area was conducted by officers and the victim was located in a cabin near where his car was located. The victim suffered frost bite but was otherwise in good physical condition.

On December 29, 2014, Tpr. J.M. Hebb was dispatched to a call involving three male subjects walking along the road near Brandywine, W.V. It was reported that these subjects wrecked a car earlier in Virginia and they were also suspects in a robbery in Virginia. Tpr. Hebb located the three suspects and took them into custody. Further investigation revealed these three suspects committed the robbery in Virginia and further that the vehicle they wrecked was stolen from New York. This arrest cleared multiple felony cases in West Virginia, New York, and Virginia.



Marlinton Detachment

On May 15, 2015, Sr. Tpr. Waid stopped an impaired driver on U.S. Rt. 219, just south of Hillsboro, W.V. Sr. Tpr. Waid subsequently arrested the driver of the suspect vehicle for D.U.I. During the traffic stop, the front seat passenger of the suspect vehicle exited his vehicle and walked back toward Sr. Tpr. Waid's police cruiser with a handgun pointed at his own head. The subject subsequently shot himself instantly causing his own death.

On August 22, 2014, Cpl. M.A. Agee received information that two female suspects were soliciting someone to kill one of their husbands. Cpl. Agee posed as someone who could carry out the murder and made the necessary financial arrangements. A meeting was scheduled for the exchange of money and the exchange was subsequently carried out. After the meeting, the two female suspects were taken into custody.

Philippi Detachment

On February 23, 2015, a former member of the Davis and Elkins College baseball team was indicted by a Barbour County Grand Jury for 2nd Degree Sexual Assault stemming from an incident that occurred on September 13, 2013 after a baseball game he was involved in at the Alderson Broadus College baseball field. The suspect was accused of grabbing the victim, who was also a member of the Davis and Elkins baseball team, and forcibly penetrating the victim's anus with his finger.

On October 21, 2014, Cpl. C.B. Shrader responded to a fatal accident at the intersection of U.S. Rt. 250 and 4-H Camp Road. The accident occurred when a passenger car pulled out from 4-H Camp Road onto U.S. Rt. 250 in front of a Philippi V.F.D. fire truck. A T-bone style collision occurred killing all three occupants in the passenger vehicle. The five firemen on the fire truck were not injured.

On August 01, 2014, a CSX train derailment was investigated by Cpl. M.P. Denison in a rural area located near Tygart Junction on the railroad tracks. During the incident, a CSX locomotive was hauling coal cars belonging to Appalachian & Ohio Railroad. The rail cars were fully loaded with coal at the time of the incident. The train was traveling north between Belington and Philippi when it derailed. Eleven cars were overturned or damaged during the incident.

Buckhannon Detachment

On March 12, 2015, the Upshur County Sheriff's Department was investigating a domestic incident. The suspect in the case left the scene and advised that if any law enforcement traveled to his residence and tried to arrest him, he would kill them. The Upshur County Sheriff's Department contacted the West Virginia State Police to arrange a high risk warrant service. The WVSP SRT Team was contacted to serve the warrants on the suspect in this case. WVSP SRT traveled to the suspect's residence and arrested him without incident.

On December 09, 2014, Sr. Tpr. V.J. Pyles observed a vehicle speeding 99 m.p.h. in a 65 m.p.h. zone on U.S. Rt. 33. The suspect vehicle was stopped near Kesling Mill Rd. The driver was subsequently arrested for aggravated DUI, reckless driving, and no operators. The suspect was in possession of a stolen firearm that was found loaded on the front passenger seat. It was later learned that the suspect in this case was in the U.S. illegally.

On July 23, 2014, members of the Buckhannon Detachment were conducting marijuana eradication efforts in Upshur County when several plants were observed growing near a residence in Ellamore, W.V. Members of the ground crew made contact with the homeowners and subsequently located twenty-four marijuana plants along with five ounces of processed marijuana. A firearm was also located at the residence during this incident. Multiple felony drug charges were filed as a result of this incident.



Weston Detachment

On March 23, 2015, Sr. Tpr. A.N. Alton was called to William R. Sharpe Jr. Hospital to investigate the escape of a patient who was present at the facility for a competency evaluation. The patient was slated to stand trial on First Degree Murder charges in Brooke County, W.V. A two day manhunt ensued with extensive State Police resources being activated. The escapee was captured without incident near the Lewis County/Harrison County line by State Police units during the late evening hours of March 25, 2015.

On December 13, 2014, Cpl. M.S. Clark and Sr. Tpr. A.N. Alton arrested a subject for three counts of soliciting a minor via computer. These two officers conducted a nearly two month investigation wherein they posed as a female juvenile and interacted with the suspect.

Glenville Detachment

On June 11, 2015, Cpl. F.L. Raynor, initiated a traffic stop on W.V. Rt. 5 in Glenville, W.V. after receiving a call from 911 that the vehicle was being operated in a reckless manner. The driver of the vehicle was subsequently arrested for D.U.I. during the traffic stop. Also located during the traffic stop were multiple hypodermic needles and three bricks of heroin (64 individual stamps), along with a quantity of prescription pills. Both the driver and his passenger were charged with felony possession.

On February 04, 2015, Sr. Tpr. K.J. Varner received information from the Dupline County Sheriff's Department in North Carolina in reference to a subject that was arrested for inappropriate sexual acts with a child. It was believed this suspect may have also committed additional inappropriate acts with children in Gilmer County, WV. Sr. Tpr. Varner conducted an extensive investigation and ultimately obtained warrants containing 140 charges for the suspect for various sexual acts he committed against children in the State of West Virginia.

On September 09, 2014, Cpl. F.L. Raynor was conducting an investigation into a stolen trailer on Sycamore Road, in Gilmer County. The two subjects that were being investigated for the theft were also known to be convicted felons. A search warrant was obtained for the property and a stolen twenty foot trailer, two rifles, a pistol, ammunition, a marijuana plant, and a stolen backhoe were located. Several felony arrests were made at the completion of this investigation.

On July 23, 2014, members of the Glenville Detachment were conducting marijuana eradication efforts in Gilmer County when several plants were observed growing in the vicinity of a residence located on Messenger Road. Members of the ground crew made contact with the homeowner and subsequently located thirty marijuana plants. Felony cultivation of marijuana charges were subsequently filed as a result of this incident.

Sutton Detachment

On May 29, 2015, Cpl. K.W. Huddleston received a report of a tractor and trailer being stolen from the Pilot Travel Center in Flatwoods, WV. Cpl. Huddleston was able to determine the stolen tractor and trailer were separated after the theft. The tractor was located in Spencer, WV and the trailer was located in Arnoldsburg, WV. The estimated value of the recovered tractor was \$160,000. The estimated value of the recovered trailer and its contents was \$1,000,000.

On April 10, 2015, Cpl. J.D. Jordan was notified by officials at the Flatwoods Elementary School that a three year old child in a diaper and a T-shirt was walking alongside the road on Stone Run Road in Braxton County. Cpl. Jordan immediately responded to the scene and took custody of the child. Cpl. Jordan was able to locate the child's family/home and return him unharmed. Further investigation into the matter revealed the child



walked away from the home while being in the care of an older sibling.

On December 18, 2014, TFC L.D. Mohr arrested a subject for malicious wounding and wanton endangerment after investigating a shooting incident that occurred in the Flatwoods area of Braxton County. The incident started when two family members became involved in a dispute over a child. The situation escalated and one family member obtained a firearm and shot the other in the leg.

On October 11, 2014, a female subject was reported missing by her family in Braxton County. TFC P.A. Huff began an investigation into the matter. The investigation led to the discovery of the missing female victim's body. It was determined that she was the victim of a murder. Exhaustive investigation followed in order to identify a suspect and bring them to justice. On November 13, 2014, TFC Huff obtained enough information to arrest the suspect he identified in this case. The suspect was subsequently located and arrested for first degree murder.

On July 30, 2014, TFC L.D. Mohr was dispatched to assist a disabled motorist on I-79 near the Frametown Exit. TFC Mohr responded to the scene and spoke to the alleged driver of the vehicle. The driver was not able to provide any identification or vehicle information. The driver provided multiple names during the conversation and was ultimately charged with providing false information. An inventory search of the vehicle, which had to be towed from the scene, revealed \$14,450 in U.S. currency wrapped in multiple bundles. It was ultimately learned that the suspect in this case was wanted in another jurisdiction for felony drug charges.

On July 25, 2014, Sr. Tpr. G.H. Jones was dispatched to Milroy Road in Ireland, WV, in reference to a stabbing complaint. When Sr. Tpr. Jones arrived on scene, he was informed by a female subject that her boyfriend stabbed her in the arm after she threw a box containing his keys, a large sum of money, and methamphetamine into the woods. Sr. Tpr. Jones subsequently located the suspect, the box and all of its contents. The suspect was charged with Malicious Wounding and felony drug charges.

Webster Springs Detachment

On May 07, 2015, Troopers in Webster County located a dangerous fugitive on Pilot Knob Road. The fugitive in this case was wanted for attempted murder in Nicholas County and had been on the run since February 2009.

On May 05, 2015, Tpr. D.P. Dillon received a drug tip. Based on the information provided, Tpr. Dillon was able to obtain a search warrant for a residence located on Mill Fork Road. During the service of the search warrant, an inactive meth lab, heroin, and methamphetamine were located. Two suspects were arrested on felony drug charges as a result of this investigation.

On April 02, 2015, Webster Springs Detachment members traveled to a residence on Cranberry Ridge Road to serve multiple felony warrants. While at this residence, four inactive meth labs and multiple precursors were discovered on scene. Multiple felony drug arrests were made at the conclusion of this investigation.

On January 29, 2015, a female subject called the Webster County Child Protective Services Office posing as a CPS worker from Parkersburg, WV. The female caller was attempting to obtain information on children that were placed in foster care in Webster County. The caller advised that if she did not receive cooperation, the foster parents would be charged with kidnapping. TFC S.C. Baier became involved and posed as the foster father during multiple recorded phone calls with this subject. A bogus meeting was arranged near Parkersburg, WV, wherein the children were going to be returned. A sting operation was put in place and subsequently executed. The caller turned out to be the grandmother of the children in question and she was being assisted at the bogus pick up site by her boyfriend. Both were taken in to custody after this incident.



On August 14, 2014, the Webster Springs Detachment received a tip of an active meth lab on Foothill Drive in Cowen, WV. Multiple Troopers responded and observed the active lab along with multiple suspects actively managing the lab. Four individuals were charged in this case for operating a clandestine lab, possession of precursors, and conspiracy.

On July 21, 2014, members of the Webster Springs Detachment were conducting marijuana eradication efforts in Webster County when several plants were observed growing in the vicinity of a residence located on Gaulley Mills Road. Members of the ground crew made contact with the homeowner and subsequently located fifteen marijuana plants along with two baggies of marijuana "buds." Felony Cultivation of Marijuana drug charges were subsequently filed as a result of this incident.

Major Problem Areas

The major problem area in Troop 3 is undoubtedly the trafficking of illegal narcotics, especially methamphetamine, along with the "meth" labs, heroin, and marijuana. Troop 3 members indicted individuals for forty-nine felony offenses related to operating meth labs and another thirty felony offenses for possessing precursors used for operating meth labs. As a reference, the following statistics will prove very informative. Since July 01, 2014, Troop 3 has obtained nine hundred twenty-two Grand Jury indictments, of which two hundred sixty-one have been drug related. That equates to 28% of Troop 3's total indictments being drug related. With that being said, many of the other indictments were undoubtedly connected to drug activity. Many defendants were committing crimes to support their habits while others were committing crimes while they were in a drug induced state. These numbers do not reflect the various drug related misdemeanor arrests made throughout the Troop during this time period.

Troop 3 located and disassembled over thirty active and inactive meth lab sites during the fiscal year. Many of these sites had multiple active and inactive labs present. Due to the large number of meth labs encountered in Troop 3, a Meth Tech Team Leader, TFC D.R. Wolford, was appointed to coordinate all requests for Meth Techs within the Troop. A protocol was established for effectively responding to call outs and for completing all the required reporting.

The Mountain Region Federal Drug Task Force was formulated in Elkins to help combat these issues in the region.

A second problem area reflected by the Grand Jury statistics is sex related crimes. Since July 01, 2014, Troop 3 indicted multiple individuals on one hundred sixty-one sex related offenses. Another ninety-two indictments were obtained for offenses related to sex offender registration. This equates to two hundred fifty-three sexual offense related indictments which was 27% of Troop 3's total indictments during the fiscal year.

Special Events

Randolph County

Mountain State Forest Festival is held annually in Elkins during the month of October.

Beverly Days is held annually in the town of Beverly every July.

Maple Syrup Festival is held annually in the town of Pickens during the month of March.

Tucker County

Leaf Peepers Festival is held annually in the town of Davis during the month of September.

Brew Skies is held annually in the town at Davis either during the month of July or August.



Pendleton County

Treasure Mountain Festival is held annually in the town of Franklin during the month of September.

Pocahontas County

Pioneer Days is held annually in the town of Marlinton during the month of July.

Durbin Days is held annually in the town of Durbin during the month of July.

G.N.C.C. Bike Race is held annually at Snowshoe Mountain Resort in either June or September.

Treasure on the Mountain is held annually at Snowshoe Mountain Resort during the month of August.

Road Kill Cook-off is held annually in Marlinton during the month of September.

Great Greenbrier River Race is held annually in Marlinton during the month of April.

Snowshoe Mountain Resort, which at full capacity, brings an average of 15,000 additional people to the area.

Barbour County

Barbour County Fair held annually at the fairgrounds in Barbour County during the month of August.

Blue and Gray Festival held annually in Philippi during the month of June.

Upshur County

Strawberry Festival held annually in Buckhannon during the month of May.

Lewis County

West Virginia Law Enforcement Day held annually in Weston during the month of September.

Mountaineer Boys State held annually in Jackson's Mill during the month of June.

Lewis County Fair held annually in Jackson's Mill during the month of July.

Jackson's Mill Jubilee held annually in Jackson's Mill during the month of August or September.

Gilmer County

Folk Festival held annually in Glenville during the month of June.

Braxton County

Braxton County Fair held annually in Flatwoods during the month of August.

Gassaway Days held annually in the town of Gassaway during the month of July.

Webster County

Woodchopper's Festival held annually in the town of Webster Springs during the month of May.

Webster County Fair held annually near the town of Webster Springs during the month of September.

TROOP 3 CRITICAL NEEDS**Troop 3 Vehicle Fleet Information:**

Troop 3 currently has 31 cruisers with mileage exceeding 100,000 miles. This equates to 40% of the fleet.

The breakdown is as follows:

100,000 miles - 6 vehicles	110,000 miles - 3 vehicles	120,000 miles - 2 vehicles
130,000 miles - 3 vehicles	140,000 miles - 7 vehicles	150,000 miles - 3 vehicles
160,000 miles - 4 vehicles	170,000 miles - 2 vehicles	180,000 miles - 1 vehicle

Five vehicles have 90,000 miles and three more have 80,000 miles.



Critical Needs

Elkins Detachment

In November 2014, Troop 3 and the Elkins Detachment moved to the new Troop 3 H.Q. site, located in Beverly, WV. Renovations to the new Beverly Office continue in order to facilitate the Elkins Communications (Dispatch Center), Elkins Radio Technicians, and the Elkins Maintenance Shop, relocating there. The Troop 3 Communications/Dispatch Center, the only West Virginia State Police dispatch center in Troop 3, will remain in the old facility until a radio tower can be erected and the necessary radio equipment is installed at the new facility. Another block, garage type building needs to be built at the Beverly site to house the Elkins Radio Technicians and the Elkins Maintenance Shop.

The appraisal for the old Troop 3 H.Q. building came in at \$650,000.

Parsons Detachment

The parking lot area needs paved.

Franklin Detachment

The parking lot at the Detachment needs resealed.

Philippi Detachment

The Philippi Detachment is an older metal structure that needs to be replaced. Repairs to the current facility would not be an efficient use of resources. The building has several leaks and is in very poor condition.

Buckhannon Detachment

Due to the increase in population in Upshur County, additional troopers have been stationed at the Buckhannon Detachment. This structure does not have adequate office space to accommodate the additional Troopers. An addition to the building is warranted to add much needed office space. The current space allocated for the evidence room is not adequate for the amount of evidence being housed. The parking lot at this facility needs repaved.

Weston Detachment

The Weston Detachment is an older metal structure that will need replaced in the near future. For the immediate future, the Detachment needs new flooring throughout.

Glenville Detachment

The Glenville Detachment needs new flooring throughout. The roof of the facility is flat and has drainage issues, which often results in leaks. A new pitched roof needs to be erected to resolve this issue.

Sutton Detachment

The Sutton Detachment has an inadequate flooring system and needs to be repaired soon. Support beams need to be erected to support the floor joists, as the method of initial construction was not adequate for the building's current use. The floor in the file room sunk several inches over the last few years. New floor coverings are needed throughout the facility. The roof of the facility will need replaced soon.



Awards

- 1). Senior Trooper L.D. Mohr, from the Sutton Detachment, received the 2014 “Troop 3 – Road Warrior Award,” for his outstanding work in the area of road law enforcement.
- 2). Greg White, Troop 3 Maintenance, received the 2014 “Troop 3 – Golden Service Award,” for being the Troop 3’s outstanding civilian. Greg was recognized for his hard work and dedication during Troop 3 H.Q.’s and the Elkins Detachment’s transition to the new facility at Beverly.
- 3). Greg White, Troop 3 Maintenance, received the 2014 “Superintendent’s Civilian Service Award,” for being an outstanding civilian employee. Greg was recognized for his hard work and dedication during Troop 3 H.Q.’s and the Elkins Detachment’s transition to the new facility at Beverly.
- 4). Corporal M.A. Agee, from the Marlinton Detachment, received the “Troop 3 Sherlock Holmes Award,” for being Troop 3’s top criminal investigator.
- 5). Trooper D.M. Brock won the “Champions for Children Award,” which was presented by the Family Resource Network.

DETACHMENT	Calls for Service	Felony Arrests	Misd Arrests	HMV Citations	HMV Warning Citations	DUI	Motorist Assists	Crash Reports	Criminal Investigations Incidents	Criminal Investigations Offenses
TROOP 3 HEADQUARTERS	1	0	0	49	62	0	0	1	1	1
ELKINS	3571	254	601	1752	4784	37	164	205	976	1368
PARSONS	1080	61	131	536	1436	7	140	78	220	312
FRANKLIN	734	100	135	265	1971	11	140	101	153	243
MARLINTON	1132	53	178	135	1303	15	145	69	324	428
PHILIPPI	1222	85	88	413	1891	13	100	108	212	327
BUCKHANNON	3350	67	189	858	3292	19	305	145	534	740
WESTON	2200	187	348	1001	3297	33	230	91	437	689
GLENVILLE	929	198	242	195	1271	19	175	48	284	601
SUTTON	1995	456	579	519	2907	40	283	71	510	908
WEBSTER SPRINGS	828	450	453	472	2361	50	178	62	440	854
TROOP 3 TOTALS	17042	1911	2944	6195	24575	244	1860	979	4091	6471



Field Services – Troop 4, South Charleston



Captain David L. Lemmon II
Troop Commander



Troop 4 Facts

Detachments	12
Sworn Officers	84
Civilian Personnel	23
Population	447,628
Square Miles	4,428

Troop 4 consists of 11 counties in the western portion of West Virginia including Calhoun, Clay, Jackson, Kanawha, Mason, Pleasants, Putnam, Ritchie, Roane, Wirt and Wood Counties.

Troop 4 is one of the largest and most populous troops in the State, including the State Capitol, Charleston, within its confines. Troop 4 members look forward to working with all members of both WVSP community and Outside Law Enforcement Agencies in meeting the mission of the agency, in concurrence with the delivery of professional law enforcement services to all stakeholders. Members are encouraged to work cooperatively with personnel in achieving an optimal work environment. The troopers in Troop 4 are very well rounded and emphasize all aspects of law enforcement, including both traffic and criminal enforcement.

Troop 4 members and their detachment received notable awards during the past year. In July 2014, TFC C. S. Jackson of the Parkersburg Detachment received the annual C. Scott Durig Award for Excellence in Criminal Justice from the Parkersburg Area Community Foundation. The composition of the selection committee was chosen by Durig himself and consists of the Chiefs of Police of Vienna, Parkersburg, and Williamstown, the Chief Deputy of the law enforcement division of the Wood County Sheriff's Department, the detachment commander of the Parkersburg Detachment of the West Virginia State Police, the Wood County Prosecuting Attorney and the most recent five Durig Award recipients. TFC Jackson exemplified the criteria that Durig established for the award prior to his death. Meritorious service in the field of criminal justice as well as honesty, decency, hard work, attention to detail, common sense, tolerance, and the ability to completely ignore political pressure in the performance of his duties and responsibilities.

In March 2015 Cpl. C. J. Weekley of the Parkersburg Detachment received the West Virginia State Police Lifesaving Award for his actions during a domestic dispute in Walker, WV. A twenty-one year old male offender had battered his younger brother, his mother, and his live-in girlfriend. Cpl. Weekley arrived on scene and observed a female screaming from inside the home. Cpl. Weekley entered the home and was directed to a rear bedroom, where he encountered the male subject hanging from a belt around his neck and unconscious. Without hesitation, Cpl. Weekley cut the belt with his department-issued knife. Cpl. Weekley was able to loosen the belt from the subject's neck and reestablish his airway. The male subject eventually regained consciousness and Cpl. Weekley was able to build a rapport with the subject who was transported to the hospital, treated for his condition and later committed for psychological evaluation.

Sgt L.G. O'Bryan of the Quincy Detachment and Sgt B.K. Hammtree of the South Charleston Detachment received awards from the Governor's Highway Safety Program for DUI enforcement.



Sr. Tpr. S.C. Allen was awarded the Mason County Law Enforcement Officer of the Year by the Point Pleasant Rotary Club on 9/10/14.

Sgt O'Bryan of the Quincy Detachment and TFC. R. A. Phillips of the Winfield Detachment were chosen as finalists for the West Virginia Trooper's Association Trooper of the Year Award.

Sr/Tpr. S.C. Allen was awarded the Mason County Law Enforcement Officer of the Year by the Point Pleasant Rotary Club for his efforts in law enforcement and community service. Sr/Tpr Allen was given \$500.00 and a plaque that was inscribed with his name. The plaque is displayed at the Mason County Detachment West Virginia State Police in recognition of him winning this award.

During this time period members of Troop 4 performed additional patrols in order to enhance safety along the roadways within the Troop's geographical area. The additional patrols were made possible by the use of CDDP/Highway Safety Funding overtime. The following illustrates the activity of the members involved:

DUI Arrests: 174	Driving Revoked for DUI arrest: 66
Driving Suspended Operator License: 83	Felony Arrests: 34
Misdemeanor Arrests: 176	Drug Arrests: 62
Fugitives Arrested: 3	Vehicles Recovered: 3
Total Number of Traffic Stops Initiated: 1667	Property Recovered: \$28,000.00
Total Citations: 631	Total Warnings: 3530

The South Charleston Detachment is responsible for the registry of over 500 hundred sex offender/child abuse offenders. Corporal C.A. May is assigned the task of registering/verifying all sex offenders at the South Charleston Detachment. Cpl May averages between 250-300 registries a month. The South Charleston Detachment could use an additional 2-3 Troopers just to manage the sex offender case load. The Quincy Detachment is responsible for over 100 sex offender/child abuse offenders.

In May 2015 the Quincy Detachment placed 6th among State Police Detachments for DUI Enforcement for the 2014 calendar year. In addition, Sergeant L.G. O'Bryan, Quincy Detachment, and Sgt B.K. Hammontree, South Charleston Detachment, received individual achievement awards for being ranked in the top 50 officers for DUI enforcement in the entire state.

TROOP 4 NOTEWORTHY CASES

South Charleston

On January 11, 2105, Sgt B.K. Hammontree responded to a shooting at Motel 6 in Cross Lanes. The victim, Kalvon Casdorff, was discovered deceased in the motel room from multiple gunshot wounds. Through the investigation it was determined the incident occurred as a result from a robbery. Marcus Curtis, Terrick Hogan and Shayla Stephenson were arrested for first degree robbery, first degree murder and conspiracy.

On March 04, 2015, Sgt M.F. Johns investigated a fatality crash involving a Kanawha County Deputy. It was determined Greg Poole was traveling east bound on US Rt 60 in Jefferson when he traveled into the west-bound lanes, striking Deputy Ferrell head-on. Mr. Poole died at the scene from his injuries. It was determined



alcohol/drugs were a contributing factor in Mr. Poole's erratic driving. Deputy Ferrell and his K9 partner received non-life threatening injuries.

Quincy

On August 18, 2014, Sgt L.G. O'Bryan served a DVP on Rick Smith. Smith's mother, Linda Oda, was the head custodian at Riverside High School. Smith was angry at his mother and informed Sgt O'Bryan his mother was stealing from the school and had been doing so for the last 30 years. Sgt O'Bryan interviewed Ms. Oda about the accusation and learned Ms. Oda and other school employees had been stealing from the school. Items stolen included; large quantities of bulk food, garbage bags, light bulbs, toilet paper, cases of cleaning supplies, whole hams, turkeys and other food items. The employees would fill large garbage bags with these items, and take them home for personal use. At the conclusion of the investigation, five employees were arrested and suspended from employment.

On October 07, 2014, Sgt L.G. O'Bryan received information that Steven Compton was actively planning to assassinate Sr. Tpr. R.S. Minor for a DUI arrest which occurred on August 08, 2014. Details were also received that Mr. Compton possessed a large quantity of marijuana inside his residence located at 318 Monroe St., South Charleston. On October 08, 2014, an arrest warrant was executed on Mr. Compton for Retaliation Against a Public Official. The search warrant was executed at the residence and approximately 7-8 pounds of marijuana and \$1,100.00 was seized.

On March 23, 2105, TFC N.M. Manolakos responded to Sharon Dawes Elementary School regarding the theft of \$2,100.00 from the school's safe. TFC Manolakos was able to develop a suspect, Wendy Russell. During the interview, Ms. Russell provided a confession, advising she stole the money to pay bills. Ms. Russell was arrested for embezzlement and grand larceny.

On May 08, 2015, Sgt C.L. Adkins was assigned an investigation regarding the fraudulent use of a Supreme Court Justice's credit card. After an extensive investigation, Sgt Adkins was able to identify a suspect as John Williams from Raleigh, NC. Warrants were obtained for Mr. Williams, who was arrested in Wake County, NC and extradited back to WV. Mr. Williams provided a confession advising he obtained the credit card numbers from a web site and would make fraudulent credit cards.

On June 27, 2015, TFC N.M. Manolakos responded to an active shooting complaint on Spring Fork Road, Charleston, WV. TFC Manolakos located the victim, Christopher Paxton, lying on the ground with a gunshot wound to the chest. The suspect, Christopher Johnson, was inside the residence with a handgun. TFC Manolakos evacuated the victim to a safe location and was then able to detain the suspect. Mr. Johnson was arrested for malicious wounding.

Parkersburg Detachment

TFC C.S. Jackson concluded the second half of a yearlong pharmaceutical investigation. The initial investigation resulted in the arrest and federal prosecution of Dr. Hogan from Camden Clark Medical Center in Parkersburg. TFC Jackson completed the investigation which resulted in the arrest and prosecution of multiple co-conspirators. Furthermore, the investigation indicated that approximately 17,000 scheduled narcotic Oxycodone pills were illegally distributed during the operation in Wood County, WV and Washington County, OH.

In December 2014, TFC C.S. Jackson and Cpl. C.M. Snodgrass received information of a suspected drug house in Mineral Wells, WV, dealing large amounts of illegal drugs. TFC Jackson and Cpl. Snodgrass were able to obtain a search warrant resulting in the seizure of approximately one pound of marijuana, shatter THC candy, THC gold dust, ecstasy pills and a large amount of U.S. currency at the suspect's residence. The inves-



tigation resulted in a joint operation with the Washington County Task Force (Ohio) in which a traffic stop was conducted on a second suspect on the same date of the executed search warrant. The traffic stop resulted in the seizure of approximately four pounds of marijuana along with suspected LSD, steroids and ecstasy pills. It was later discovered that the suspect arrested in Mineral Wells was the executive director of the Latrobe Street Mission (known as a drug rehab facility) and had preached in churches in Wood County, WV.

On August 11, 2014, Trooper S. S. Michael received a complaint from CPS regarding a sexual assault of a 13 year old female by her father. The victim alleged that her father had sexually assaulted her, causing her to become pregnant, which led to the victim having an abortion at a clinic in Charleston, WV, the same day as the complaint. Tpr. Michael traveled to the abortion clinic and subsequently received a search warrant for the unborn fetus. The suspect consented to providing a blood sample to be used in a DNA comparison to the fetus for determining paternity.

The results indicated that there was a 99.9999% probability that the suspect was the father of the unborn fetus. The suspect was ultimately arrested and indicted by a Wood County Grand Jury.

Harrisville Detachment

On October 22, 2014, Sgt. C.E. Boring and Cpl. J.L. Brewer responded to a residence on Cairo/Cisco Road in reference to a runaway juvenile complaint. Upon arrival Troopers located the juvenile hiding in a bedroom closet. Upon further investigation Troopers learned the juvenile had ran away from a foster home in Wood County nearly two months prior, and that the residence he was located in belonged to his biological father. It was discovered an active DVP was in effect which did not allow contact between the father and the juvenile. The investigation determined that the father had concealed the minor child for approximately two months. The father was indicted by the Grand Jury.

On November 3, 2014, TFC S.E. McCullough and Cpr. J.L. Brewer received a complaint from a 14 year old female who was a junior fire fighter at the Pennsboro Volunteer Fire Department. From September 2014 to October 2014, the assistant fire chief had engaged in a sexual relationship with the victim, both inside the fire-house as well as at his residence. The suspect was indicted by the Grand Jury for sexual offenses.

Saint Marys Detachment

On July 23, 2014, Corporal J. J. Price was contacted regarding the fraudulent purchase of a bass boat and trailer from Wrights Riverside Marine in Belmont, WV. During the initial complaint a vehicle description was obtained as well as information regarding an event that the suspect was planning to attend in the near future. WVSP Grafton was contacted regarding this information at which time the boat and trailer were recovered later that same date. Follow up investigation with the financial institution which held the account of the suspect confirmed what investigators suspected; the vehicle driven by the suspect, a 2014 Toyota Tundra, had also been fraudulently purchased. Authorities in Monongalia County were contacted as well as University Motors of Morgantown regarding the investigation/crimes. The suspect was arrested on July 25, 2014 by WVSP Bridgeport for Obtaining Goods under False Pretenses. The 2014 Toyota Tundra was also successfully recovered. The suspect's fraudulent purchasing spree included Monongalia, Harrison, and Pleasants Counties. The suspect was on probation at the time, which subsequently revoked.

On February 28, 2015 an investigation regarding a registered sex offender was initiated after communications with his adult probation officer revealed that he had at least two social media accounts he had failed to report to the WVSP. During the course of this investigation, information was obtained that the suspect had been exchanging nude photographs with a 14 year old female and attempting to arrange to meet with the young girl to engage in sexual relations. On March 27, 2015 the suspect was arrested for two counts of Failure to Register, Use of Obscene Matter with Intent to Seduce a Minor, and Employment or Use of a Minor to Produce Obscene Matter or Assist in Doing Sexually Explicit Conduct. On this same date several electronic devices were



seized by means of a search warrant served at this residence. Those devices are still being analyzed at this time.

Elizabeth Detachment

On October 24, 2014 the body of an adult female was located just off of a ridge road in Wirt County with gunshot wounds to the back of her head. The victim, Cindy Ball, had been reported missing from Wood County two days prior. Sgt. B. J. Curran and Sr. Tpr. M. B. Jarvis began an investigation into the murder which has since culminated into several pieces of physical evidence and numerous interviews. The investigation is still pending as further forensic results come in.

Sr. Tpr. M. B. Jarvis began an investigation in which he was able to clear multiple burglaries and breaking and enterings, five for the West Virginia State Police and seven for the Wirt County Sheriff's office. The suspect, Nicholas Lockhart, was arrested and is currently awaiting trial. Sr. Tpr. Jarvis is also in the process of linking the arson of a residence to the same suspect, as well as numerous drug charges in Wirt and Wood Counties. BCI investigator Chris Blevins is assisting Sr. Tpr. Jarvis with the drug angle on this case.

Spencer Detachment

In August of 2014, a single vehicle crash on I-79, near the Amma and Wallback exits resulted in the arrest of 21 year old Seth Grim of PA. At the crash scene, Troopers had to gather numerous chickens and a dog as well as deal with an improvised explosive device, marijuana and AK-47 rifles. Mr. Grim, a Sovereign Citizen, was arrested, charged and eventually prosecuted in federal court for the unlawful transportation of weapons.

In September of 2014, Christopher M. Sloan was charged with manufacturing, delivery and possession with the intent to deliver. During 2014 annual marijuana eradication efforts, Cpl. J. T. Portillo observed apparent marijuana via air surveillance. The marijuana was located growing near Sloan's residence. Subsequently, Cpl. P. S. Fisher obtained a confession from Mr. Sloan with additional marijuana product being found in the residence and adjacent outbuildings.

In January of 2015, Sr. Tpr. J. M. Bragg investigated a grand larceny and daytime burglary complaint where Timothy Holbert, William Kerns and Melissa Putillion were found to have broken into and entered a residence belonging to James Holbert. The accused individuals stole a flat screen TV and a digital camera from inside the residence. Outside of the residence, the trio stole the victim's 1982 Chevy truck. Sr. Tpr. Bragg was able to obtain a confession from Melissa Putillion and recover the victim's truck. Sr. Tpr. Bragg's investigation lead to the arrest of all three individuals.

During May 2015, Sr. Tpr. N. S. Stepp, along with Tpr. S. W. Hartley investigated a sexual assault involving a 14 year old female. It was found that the female victim had been having sexual intercourse with a 19 year old male. A confession was obtained in the case with the male being charged with 3rd Degree Sexual Assault.

Clay Detachment

On January 22, 2015, Cpl. P. A. Green and Sgt. B. L. Keefer stopped a vehicle in the Prociuous area of Clay County. The traffic stop yielded a user amount of marijuana and prescription medication from the driver, Ronnie Fox of Ovapa, WV. Mr. Fox cooperated with the Troopers, admitting where he obtained the marijuana. Mr. Fox was cited and released. At that time, Cpl. Green and Sgt. Keefer drove to 102 Montana Drive, in Prociuous, where Mr. Fox stated he had purchased the marijuana. Upon arrival, the Troopers spoke with the owner of the residence, Michael "Chicago" Cahill. Mr. Cahill, a native of Chicago, IL, was very cooperative with the Troopers, admitting that he had been selling marijuana from his residence for approximately three years. Mr. Cahill directed the Troopers to two caches of marijuana with loose buds packaged in plastic. The total weight



of the seized marijuana was approximately 1.25 pounds. Some of the marijuana was “designer” marijuana widely marketed by the name “Kush”, which is highly concentrated with THC. Mr. Cahill stated he has the marijuana delivered to him by sources from Chicago, IL. The investigation is pending.

On January 23, 2015, Cpl. R. R. Cervera spoke with Kenneth Tanner, Superintendent of Clay County Schools. At that time, Mr. Tanner reported the theft of a computer tablet, valued at \$1500.00, from Clay County High School. Corporal Cervera and Sgt. Keefer responded to the school, at which time, the Troopers met with Vice Principal Nada Waddell and IT Specialist Jeffrey Krauklis. The Troopers learned the theft had occurred the January 17, 2015, while parents and children were present for a Bidy Basketball League. Mr. Krauklis provided the Troopers with video footage displaying a white adult female suspect roaming the hallways of the school. The suspect is observed entering several rooms of the school, and attempting to enter several other locked rooms. On January 27, 2015 Cpl. R. R. Cervera and Senior Trooper J. M. Ellis located the suspect, identified as Angela Salisbury. Ms. Salisbury admitted to stealing the computer from the Clay County High School and then selling it, due to financial problems. Ms. Salisbury then accompanied both Troopers to a residence located in Calhoun County, where the computer was recovered. Ms. Salisbury was arrested.

On January 27, 2015, Cpl. R. R. Cervera, Senior Trooper B. E. Young and Sergeant B. L. Keefer responded to 6101 Big Otter Highway for an armed robbery at the Go Mart. Then, during the early morning hours of January 28, 2015, another armed robbery occurred at the Shafer’s BP Station, at Clendenin, WV, which was investigated by the Kanawha County Sheriff’s Department. During the course of this investigation, information was developed pointing to three suspects, from Clay County, perpetrating both armed robberies.

On February 2, 2015, Sr. Tpr. Young observed one of the suspects, near Clay, WV. Sr. Tpr. Young arrested that suspect on an unrelated petit larceny warrant. The suspect was cooperative and provided information, implicating himself and others, in the robbery of the Big Otter Go-Mart, the Shafer’s BP Station and a nighttime burglary. Kanawha County Sheriff Detective Steve Hunter was contacted to apprise him of these developments in the investigation. At this time, five individuals, acting in concert, have been charged in an armed robbery in Kanawha County, three armed robberies in Clay County, one breaking and entering of a pharmacy in Clay County, a residential burglary in Clay County a grand larceny of a vehicle in Clay County, and credit card fraud cases in Clay, Braxton and Kanawha Counties.

On February 17, 2015, Braxton County 911 received a cell phone 911 call from the Duck area, advising a man had been shot. Initially, Braxton 911 Dispatchers believed the shooting had occurred at a residence in Braxton County, which led to Cpl J. D. Jordan (SP Sutton) and Cpl. M. S. Summers (SP Glenville) being dispatched to the area. While en route, it was learned that the residence was actually located, just into Clay County. That realization led to the notification of Sr. Tpr. J. M. Ellis and Cpl. P. A. Green, who then responded. While en route, the Troopers learned that Delwin A. Buzzard had been shot inside the residence, by another household member, identified as James M. Asbury. The Troopers learned that Mr. Asbury had become involved in an argument with several other household members, leading to him firing a high-powered rifle within the residence. This fired round struck and traveled through Mr. Buzzard’s left hand and then traveled into his lower abdomen. When the Troopers arrived, they placed Mr. Asbury in custody without incident and were able to recover the rifle. Mr. Buzzard was transported by ambulance to CAMC General Hospital, in Charleston, for surgery on his hand and abdomen. Mr. Asbury was charged in Clay County with malicious wounding and five counts of domestic assault.

On June 9, 2015, Trooper T. D. McFeeley and Senior Trooper J. M. Ellis went to a residence along Pisgah Ridge to further an ongoing burglary investigation. At that time, they encountered Ronald Boggs, who attempted to conceal a clandestine methamphetamine laboratory. Further investigation revealed several other discarded clandestine methamphetamine labs, burn piles and buried evidence in the woods surrounding the residence. Ronald Boggs was arrested for multiple counts of operating/attempting to operate clandestine drug labs and possession of methamphetamine manufacturing precursors.



On June 15, 2015, DNR Officer Stuart Simms observed Lloyd Rapp, a Federal fugitive, riding a motorcycle near Strange Creek, in Braxton County. Mr. Rapp had recently escaped from a holding cell at the Clay County Courthouse. Clay & Braxton State Police and Sheriff units along with DNR units responded to the area to search for the fugitive. A short time later, Senior Trooper B. E. Young and Trooper T. D. McFeeley were traveling north on WV Rt. 16, near the Clay Detachment, when they observed the suspect motorcycle traveling south on WV Rt. 16. The Troopers turned to catch up to the suspect's motorcycle. As the Troopers had just caught up with the motorcycle, the motorcycle lost control and struck a rock wall, ejecting the suspect who landed in the roadway ahead of the State Police cruiser. Senior Trooper Young, who was operating the cruiser, drove the cruiser into the rock wall, in order to avoid striking the suspect. Senior Trooper Young, Trooper T. D. McFeeley and Lloyd Rapp, the fugitive, all sustained non-life threatening injuries and were all transported to CAMC General Hospital. At the hospital, Deputy US Marshals took custody of Mr. Rapp, and he was subsequently arraigned on the federal charges, with other federal charges pending.

Winfield Detachment

On October 9, 2014, while conducting road patrol on WV Rt. 35, Cpl. R. A. Phillips conducted a traffic stop for speeding and during the course of his investigation the accused, Darajuan McNichols, confessed to possessing marijuana and to concealing a deadly weapon. Cpl. Phillips seized a handgun and \$14,000.

On October 20, 2014, after receiving information of drug activity in Hurricane, WV, Cpl. R. A. Phillips traveled to the residence and conducted a "Knock and Talk". After obtaining consent to search, Cpl. Phillips discovered prescription medications and obtained a confession from the accused, Travis Shull, that he had been selling controlled substances. Cpl. Phillips also obtained a forfeiture of \$700. Mr. Shull was arrested.

On December 10, 2014, Cpl. P. T. Kelly and Tpr. C. J. Eastridge conducted a death investigation on Putnam County Circuit Judge Orville C. Spaulding who had a prior diagnosis of Lou Gehrig's disease and was in very poor health. During the course of their investigation it was determined that Judge Spaulding had taken his own life.

Mason Detachment

On August 13, 2014, Tpr. N.W. Samples responded to Backwaters Drive in Letart, WV for a welfare check. This led to the discovery of a female victim at this location, who had been murdered. In investigating this incident, the female's husband was identified as the perpetrator of this crime. Two days later, the husband was located in Roane County, deceased, as the result of a self-inflicted gunshot wound.

On September 10, 2014, Senior Trooper S.C. Allen responded to the Coffee Shop along Chestnut Street in Henderson, WV for a grand larceny complaint. It was reported that a male subject came into the business and stole approximately \$3,000 from the cash register while the clerk was busy. Through investigation Sr/Tpr. Allen was able to identify Brenton Glover as the suspect responsible for this incident. Sr/Tpr Allen subsequently located Mr. Glover and obtained a confession in connection with this theft. Glover was arrested for this incident and was sentenced to prison for his actions.

On December 14, 2014, Tpr. G.C. Burnem responded to the Glenwood area of Mason County to investigate a complaint involving adult male sending sexually explicit messages via Facebook to a fourteen year old female. After collecting the initial information for the report, Tpr. Burnem was able to obtain a confession from the adult male and obtain a search warrant for his residence. Tpr. Burnem seized electronics in connection with this investigation and was able to get a three count indictment against the male subject.

On January 6, 2015, Tpr. Hughes was contacted by the U.S. Postal Service regarding an adult male exposing himself to one of the mail carriers each time she delivered mail to his residence. The mail carrier was able to



capture photographs of the man, later identified as Addison Herdman, standing nude in the front yard of his residence. Tpr. Hughes obtained warrants for seven counts of indecent exposure through Mason County Magistrate Court. The male subject was arrested a short time later, and admitted to the offenses.

On February 23, 2015, Sgt. J.M. Finnicum responded to investigate the theft of approximately 500 feet of copper core telecommunications wire from Frontier Communications that occurred during the early morning hours this date. This theft resulted in over 100 customers being without telephone services on this date. The investigation into this incident led to the development of two suspects, who were located and confessed to stealing the copper wire. This investigation cleared copper thefts in Ohio and Kentucky as well. The information developed during this investigation aided in obtaining grand jury indictments against a large business in Cabell County. Through searching records initially, it was found the suspects had made approximately \$130,000 over a fourteen month period prior to the initiation of this investigation.

On May 23, 2015, Sr Tpr S. C. Allen and TFC N. W. Samples responded to a call from WVSP Huntington of an LPR hit on a stolen vehicle from Virginia traveling northbound on U.S. Route 35. A short time later the vehicle which was a 1998 Buick 4 Door was located. At that time, the lone occupant of the vehicle, Heather Bell, was taken into custody and later stated that she stole the vehicle from Virginia. The accused was also wanted in Indiana for failure to appear on a previous auto theft charge. Bell was extradited back to Indiana.

Ripley Detachment

On December 6, 2014, TFC. M.P. Fannin was dispatched to a two vehicle crash on I-77 near Ripley, WV. Upon arrival, TFC. Fannin found that one of the vehicles involved was on fire and five of the occupants in that vehicle were deceased. The vehicle which was on fire was traveling north on I-77 when it had crossed the median and cable barrier. The vehicle struck a southbound vehicle head on which caused it to burst into flames. TFC. Fannin contacted Cpl. W.F. Donohoe for assistance and reconstruction of the crash. The driver and only occupant of the southbound vehicle did survive the crash and one of the six occupants of the northbound vehicle did survive the crash. The other five occupants of the northbound vehicle did perish in the crash.

On February 11, 2015, Cpl D. R. Herdman investigated a sexual assault case against Jedediah A. Collins which resulted in forty-one sexual related charges being filed and indicted on behalf of three victims.

On June 23, 2015, Cpl. W. F. Donohoe III and Tpr. T. L. Huffman responded to a BOLO from Meigs County, OH, in which a juvenile female was kidnapped at gun point from her father's residence. Cpl. Donohoe and Tpr. Huffman located the vehicle, five (suspects, and the victim in Ripley, WV. All five suspects were arrested and charged with being a fugitive from justice. The suspects were extradited back to Ohio and the victim was returned to her father and Ohio child protective services.

Troop 4 Fleet Status:

At this time, Troop 4 has 55 vehicles exceeding 100,000 miles. The average mileage of a cruiser in Troop 4 is 94,856. Troop 4 cruisers range from 2004 to 2015 model vehicles.

Critical Needs

The Troop 4 Headquarters building is in need of having the tar and gravel roof replaced. Heavy rain and snow have caused the roof to leak and drip inside the building causing damage to the drop ceiling tiles. The current roof is approximately 28 years old and has lived past its intended life span. Within the next 2 to 4 years each Detachment in Troop 4 will need to have their detachment parking lots resealed and restriped.



Parkersburg Detachment:

The floor tiles in the Parkersburg Detachment are in bad shape and in need of replacing. The exterior of the building, especially the soffits and fascia, need to be painted. The Parkersburg Detachment desperately needs a remodel of the current structure to better accommodate the addition of new Troopers. The Parkersburg Detachment needs more area to add more desks, which could be accomplished by downsizing a kitchen that is seldom used.

Saint Marys Detachment:

New carpet or tile is needed on all floors, particularly the front public entrance and the bathroom. Soffits/fascia by the garage need replaced or repaired.

Harrisville Detachment:

The Harrisville Detachment has gutters that are still leaking in several locations and the window shutters need replaced. The parking lot is in desperate need of resurfacing. The detachment has no sleeping quarters or operational shower. Sleeping areas and a shower would assist members who at times need to stay at the detachment or need to shower. An addition built on to the Harrisville Detachment would be very beneficial, which could contain a sleeping quarter, a small shower/toilet and a small kitchen area.

Elizabeth Detachment:

Manpower is always an issue with the Elizabeth Detachment, due to the lack of a fully-functioning Sheriff's Office. In most cases, The Elizabeth Detachment is much like the Calhoun Detachment. The Calhoun Detachment currently has five members, and the Elizabeth Detachment currently has four members. The addition of one more member would greatly benefit the citizens of Wirt County in allowing for more police protection, especially during the later night/early morning hours.

Clay Detachment:

The flooring throughout the office needs to be replaced. The processing room needs heating and air conditioning. There are ongoing issues with the road leading up to the Clay Detachment. Midway up the hill a large slip has developed, causing the road to slip, bow and the asphalt to break. After the winter months, WV DOH patched the broken asphalt area, but it has already started giving way again.

The Clay County Sheriff's Department currently only has one Deputy Sheriff, who has completed Academy training. The Clay County Sheriff's Department currently has one Deputy attending the Academy, one Deputy who is awaiting Academy training and one part-time Deputy, who is also employed by the Charleston Police Department. Currently, the Sheriff's Department's primarily is tasked with securing the Clay County Courthouse, and primarily are only available during day shifts, Monday through Friday. The Clay County Prosecutor has directed that he wishes that all violent crimes be investigated by the WV State Police. Granted, the Clay Detachment has increased its manpower to seven Troopers and one Sergeant. However, with the high volume of calls and investigations in Clay County, which are predominantly being answered by Troopers, an increase in manpower would add to State Police efficiency and effectiveness within the county.

Grantsville Detachment:

The Grantsville Detachment needs new carpeting or flooring throughout the office.



South Charleston Detachment:

The most critical need at present is man power. The flooring in the lobby needs to be replaced. The outside of the building needs to be re-painted with the windows and ledges being sealed from the elements. Additionally, the parking lot is in need of being sealed.

Spencer Detachment:

The Spencer Detachment is antiquated and is in need of replacement. Due to age and structural issues, the detachment has water leaking into the basement. The building's wiring and general, overall age is of concern.

Winfield Detachment:

The Winfield Detachment is in need of being replaced. This detachment is old, leaks, is rusting, molding, the sewer backs up and the shower had to be capped to prevent sewage seeping into the facility. They have no bedroom, no interview room, no lobby and no garage area. The building is not energy efficient for heating and cooling due to its metal construction. The parking area has a sink hole which needs repaired.

Ripley Detachment:

The side parking lot of the Detachment needs expanded to for additional parking. The front parking lot needs resealed.

Mason County Detachment:

The Mason County Detachment parking lot needs re-sealed.

DETACHMENT	Calls for Service	Felony Arrests	Misd Arrests	HMV Citations	HMV Warning Citations	DUI	Motorist Assists	Crash Reports	Criminal Investigations Incidents	Offenses
TROOP 4 HEADQUARTERS	1	0	1	10	98	5	16	2	2	2
SOUTH CHARLESTON	5509	287	432	1452	2967	63	465	118	998	1479
QUINCY	4184	405	700	980	3014	88	662	67	724	1525
PARKERSBURG	8934	250	561	1887	3444	40	1001	193	941	1930
ELIZABETH	1984	68	171	208	1450	15	164	33	296	551
HARRISVILLE	1843	62	154	581	2790	24	227	91	242	378
ST MARYS	1065	86	101	489	1541	7	203	29	163	305
CLAY	1819	202	310	788	2915	14	301	85	425	938
GRANTSVILLE	1480	100	233	599	1394	25	66	61	263	406
SPENCER	1497	236	368	500	1726	24	39	113	354	716
WINFIELD	2465	136	356	3091	1721	29	308	95	607	971
MASON CO DETACHMENT	2731	111	464	1445	3528	24	637	83	455	802
RIPLEY	2150	132	213	1432	2816	11	275	80	400	624
TROOP 4 TOTALS	35662	2075	4064	13462	29404	369	4364	1050	5870	10627



Field Services – Troop 5, Logan



Captain Dave Nelson
Troop Commander



Troop 5 Facts

Detachments	6
Sworn Officers	80
Civilian Personnel	21
Population	247,000
Square Miles	3,383

Troop 5 consists of six counties in the southwestern section of West Virginia. These counties include Boone, Cabell, Lincoln, Logan, Mingo, and Wayne.

Logan Detachment

On July 16, 2014, Sr. Tpr. M.A. Broadwater responded to an Armed Robbery at 7-11 in the Kitchen area of Logan County. Upon arrival, Tpr. Broadwater learned that two masked men entered the store, one armed with a firearm and the other with a knife. The two men demanded money, cigarettes and smokeless tobacco. The masked men proceeded to duct tape the attendant's hands and feet together and placed him in the rear of the store. A canvass of the area and evidence located directed Troopers to a nearby residence. Troopers learned that the occupant of the residence, Jason Adkins, had fled in a vehicle toward Route 10 and that his outbuilding was on fire. Mr. Adkins was located and a traffic stop was initiated. Mr. Adkins provided a confession and also named his co-conspirator, Shane Hensley. Both subjects were arrested for Armed Robbery, Conspiracy and Kidnapping.

On October 20, 2014, TFC. B.K. Wellman and Sr. Tpr. J.G. Honaker responded to the Eagles Roost area of Logan County in reference to a suicidal male. While enroute Troopers were advised via 911 radio that the male, Clint Richards, had made a threat at law enforcement should they arrive. Upon arrival the Troopers gave commands for the accused to exit the residence, at which time he discharged a shotgun in their direction. After a short time Mr. Richards surrendered without further incident. Mr. Richards was arrested and charged with Attempted Murder and Wanton Endangerment.

On October 26, 2014, Sr. Tpr. J.G. Honaker responded to an Armed Robbery at the Marathon Service Station located in the Omar area of Logan County. Upon arrival Sr. Tpr. Honaker was advised that a masked male entered the store with a firearm. The masked male brandished the firearm and left the store with \$320 in U.S. Currency. A vehicle description, as well as direction of travel, was obtained. Sr. Tpr. Honaker notified Troopers in Mingo County of the vehicle description. Sr. Tpr.. S.A. Belt observed a vehicle matching the description and initiated a traffic stop. Evidence recovered from the vehicle, and statements obtained, lead to the arrest of the accused, Kenneth Ooten for Armed Robbery.

On December 8, 2014, Tpr. R.L. Jennings received a complaint from the Army National Guard advising that an Army Recruiter may be involved in sexual misconduct with potential recruits. Tpr. Jennings was able to locate two victims, and obtained digital evidence depicting the accused, Daniel Reedy, who had sent explicit photographs to the victims. Mr. Reedy was arrested for several counts of Sexual Abuse by Parent or Guardian.



On April 26, 2015 Sr. Tpr. Broadwater responded to Fountain Place Mall to assist the Logan Police Department with an Armed Robbery. Upon arrival, Sr. Tpr. Broadwater was advised that the accused, Jonathan Means approached the victim, produced a firearm, proceeded to enter her vehicle and fled. The victim was knocked to the ground by the vehicle. Sr. Tpr. Broadwater received information that the vehicle had been involved in an accident in Lincoln County and that the occupant of the vehicle was no longer on scene. Sr. Tpr. Broadwater traveled to Lincoln County and was advised that the occupant of the vehicle was no longer on scene, but may have fled to a nearby Exxon Station. Sr. Tpr. Broadwater was able to locate Mr. Means and placed him under arrest for various crimes in Lincoln County and the Armed Robbery in Logan County.

On June 19, 2015, TFC B.K. Wellman responded to Buffalo Lick Branch in Logan County in regards to an unresponsive one month old female. While conducting the investigation, TFC Wellman obtained a statement from the mother, Angela Adams, advising she was under the influence of a controlled substance. She advised she had fallen asleep and slumped over on the infant, which was on her lap, causing the infant to suffocate. Ms. Adams was arrested for Child Neglect Resulting in Death.

In early 2015 Sgt. L.D. Hensley received information from Lt. Col. J.C. Chambers, that an Assistant Girls Basketball Coach at Logan High School may be having inappropriate relationships with female students. Sgt. Hensley, with the assistance of Sgt. R.L. Frye, began an investigation that revealed the accused, Ryan Waugh, was also an Assistant Boys Baseball Coach, as well as a teacher at Logan High. The Troopers were able to locate two victims and consequently obtained a confession from Mr. Waugh. Mr. Waugh was arrested for several counts of Sexual Abuse by a Parent or Guardian and Use of Obscene Matter to Entice a Minor.

On June 21, 2015, Sr. Tpr. J.G. Honaker and Tpr. S.M. Thompson were dispatched to a Malicious Wounding complaint, which occurred in the Chapmanville area of Logan County. Upon arrival, the Troopers learned that Robert Frye and Frankie Brewster were involved an argument, in which Mr. Frye stabbed Ms. Brewster. Ms. Brewster was transported to Logan Regional Medical Center where she received treatment and was released. Mr. Frye was arrested for Malicious Wounding.

On June 4, 2015, Sr. Tpr. J. E. Garren and Tpr. S. P. Bowling were dispatched to a physical altercation, in which a firearm was brandished, at the Kistler Apartments. Upon arriving on scene the officers were advised by the victim, that the accused, Lamar Dorsey, had brandished a firearm at the victim after the two had been involved in an argument. The officers were advised by several residents at the apartment complex that Mr. Dorsey brandished a firearm and then fled into an apartment which he had not yet exited. The officers made repeated requests for Mr. Dorsey to come out of the apartment, to which these officers had negative results. TFC J. K. Harris then contacted the Special Response Team, who responded to the complex. After a breach of the apartment, Mr. Dorsey surrendered to the officers and was placed into custody. The officers located a small black and silver Kel-Tec 9mm handgun under the refrigerator. Mr. Dorsey was charged federally with Felon in Possession of a Firearm.

On August 13, 2014, Sgt. R.L. Frye received an anonymous tip advising that Brannon Talbert, of Chauncey, Logan County, was cultivating marijuana in an unused in ground swimming pool. Sgt. Frye traveled to the residence and received consent to search. Sgt. Frye seized twenty-seven marijuana plants. Mr. Talbert provided a confession, and was charged with Cultivation of Marijuana.

On June 7, 2015, Sr. Tpr. M.A. Broadwater, along with Tpr. Z.S. Holden, responded to Logan Regional Medical Center in reference to a Sexual Assault. Upon arrival both Troopers were advised that the victim, who is a 12 year old female, had been sexually assaulted by her step grandfather, Kenneth Tomblin. Both Troopers located Mr. Tomblin and a confession was obtained. Mr. Tomblin was arrested for Sexual Assault 1st Degree. This crime occurred in the Chapmanville area of Logan County.



Mingo Detachment

On July 25, 2014, TFC J.K. Harris traveled to the residence of Debra Jude in an attempt to execute a warrant for Delivery of a Controlled Substance. TFC Harris had previously conducted a lengthy drug investigation on the accused. Once at the accused's residence, TFC Harris discovered a quantity of Morphine, Oxycodone, Hydrocodone, and Xanax. In addition to Delivery of a Controlled Substance, the accused was also charged with Possession with intent to Deliver a Controlled Substance.

On August 24, 2014, Sr. Tpr. D.L. Contos responded to a motor vehicle accident in the Dingess area of Mingo County. While traveling to the accident scene, Tpr. Contos was advised that the driver of the vehicle had discharged a weapon at the accident scene. Upon arrival Tpr. Contos learned that three individuals had been in the vehicle, but all three had left the scene prior to his arrival. A witness to the accident advised that a young child was involved in the accident and was injured. Sr. Tpr. R.E. Stowers, Sr. Tpr. T.G. Kania, Sr. Tpr. S.A. Belt, and Tpr. M.J. Miller responded to assist Sr. Tpr. Contos. Sr. Tpr. Contos learned the identity of the driver and a location as to where he may be. Upon locating the driver, Randy Matheny, he engaged the Troopers with a handgun and refused to comply with commands to drop the firearm. Matheny was subsequently shot and fatally wounded.

On September 28, 2014, Sr. Tpr. D.L. Contos received a report of Sexual Abuse by a Parent or Guardian. The report alleged the suspect, Troy Stafford had engaged in sexual intercourse with a six year old female relative. Through a lengthy investigation probable cause was obtained, and a warrant was issued for Mr. Stafford. Stafford was subsequently arrested and charged with two counts of Sexual Abuse.

On November 25, 2014, Sr. Tpr. D.L. Contos was advised by the United States Postal Service that they believed drugs were being mailed to an individual in the Williamson area of Mingo County. Through an investigation, a suspect, Calvin Wilder of Columbus, OH was identified. A search warrant was obtained, and subsequently, eight and one-half pounds of marijuana, a bag of heroin, and \$8,800 in US Currency were seized. Mr. Wilder was arrested and charged with Possession of a Controlled Substance with the Intent to Deliver and Conspiracy. Mr. Wilder's wife was later indicted by a Mingo County Grand Jury as a conspirator in this crime.

On December 17, 2014, Sr. Tpr. J.D. Matheny, Sr. Tpr. T.G. Kania, and Tpr. H.A. Rose responded to a domestic situation involving a firearm at the residence of the accused, Terry Huff, in the Delbarton area of Mingo County. While responding to the location, the Troopers were advised that shots had been fired. Upon arrival, these Troopers observed the accused to exit his residence, brandish and discharge a firearm, and then retreat back into the residence. These Troopers were able to learn the victim in the domestic situation, the accused's wife, had been able to escape the residence. A short time later, the accused emerged from his residence with a handgun and was able to make his way to his vehicle, a Ford Expedition. The accused then began to flee the area striking Sr. Tpr. Kania's cruiser. The accused's vehicle became disabled a short time later and the Troopers were able to place him into custody. At this point it was discovered the accused was wearing body armor. The accused was charged with Felony Destruction of Property, a Prohibited Person in Possession of a Firearm, Domestic Assault, Domestic Battery, Brandishing, Wanton Endangerment, Obstructing, Assault on an Officer, Battery on a Health Care Provider, Fleeing While DUI, and Wearing Body Armor in the Commission of a Crime.

On December 22, 2014, Sr. Tpr. D.M. Williamson received the report of a homicide in the Taylorville area of Mingo County. Once on scene, Sr. Tpr. Williamson and Sgt. M.S. Lively found the victim, an elderly male, to have been bound and brutally beaten inside his residence. Troopers further learned the victim's truck had been stolen. Members of the Williamson Detachment began a lengthy investigation. Over the course of the next two weeks Troopers conducted numerous interviews and investigated several leads. Two suspects were identified, Anthony Collins and Billy Mitchem. Troopers gained information the suspects may be in the Tazewell



County, Virginia area. The victim's stolen vehicle was subsequently recovered by the Tazewell County Virginia Sheriff's Department and the suspects were arrested. The two suspects were charged with First Degree Murder in West Virginia, and a confession was obtained from one suspect.

During the above noted murder investigation in late December 2014, and early January 2015, a major drug distribution operation was discovered in the Taylorville area of Mingo County. The investigation revealed that Sandra Prater was traveling to numerous locations out of state on a regular basis for the purpose of obtaining prescription medication. Furthermore, Ms. Prater was financing the trips for other individuals. In exchange, Ms. Prater would receive part of their prescriptions. As a result of this investigation, five people were indicted by a Mingo County Grand Jury on seventeen different felony drug charges from Distribution to Conspiracy.

On January 17, 2015, Sr. Tpr. D.L. Contos and Tpr. H.A. Rose responded to the Matewan area of Mingo County on a drug tip. Upon arrival they discovered a barn that appeared to have heavy insulation, and a ventilation system. Troopers made contact with Samuel Gooslin, one of the owners of the barn. The troopers observed a .38 caliber pistol, and three bags of marijuana. Further investigation revealed Mr. Gooslin's son, Johnsie Gooslin, had marijuana growing inside the barn. A consent to search was obtained and the Troopers seized one hundred marijuana plants from the barn. Johnsie Gooslin was arrested and charged with Cultivation of Marijuana.

On February 16, 2015, Sr. Tpr.. D.M. Williamson was notified by Women's and Children's Hospital in Charleston of a case at the hospital, where the victim was an eight week old girl that exhibited the signs of "shaken baby" syndrome. This incident had allegedly occurred at the residence of the victim and her parents in the Gilbert area of Mingo County. On February 19, 2015, Sgt. M.S. Lively, TFC J.K. Harris, and Sr. Tpr. T.G. Kania executed a search warrant on the residence of the victim, and the accused, her father, Christopher New in Gilbert. Subsequently the accused was located and agreed to speak with TFC Harris. The accused ultimately confessed that he shook the victim to make her stop crying and she then quit breathing and went unconscious. The accused was arrested and charged with Child Abuse Resulting in Serious Injury.

On March 7, 2015, acting upon information revealed by a confidential informant, Sr. Tpr.. D.L. Contos initiated a traffic stop on a vehicle in Williamson for improper registration. Probable cause was discovered that resulted in TFC J.K. Harris obtaining a search warrant on the vehicle. Once the search warrant was executed the Troopers located twenty-two grams of crack cocaine, a small amount of marijuana, \$1,291 in US Currency, and a .380 caliber pistol. The driver was identified as Tamaro DeShaun Tate of Cleveland, OH. The accused was arrested and charged with being a Felon in Possession of a Firearm, Possession with Intent to Deliver Crack Cocaine, and Possession of Marijuana. The accused was found to be on probation in Ohio for weapons and drug charges. The accused is awaiting Federal Indictment.

On June 24, 2015, Sr. Tpr. J.J. Dean III responded to a report of child neglect in the Kermit area of Mingo County. Upon arrival Sr. Tpr. Dean observed two accused, Samantha Thompson and John Moore, to be asleep in the bed with a one year old female lying on top of them, and three firearms laying in the floor. Sr. Tpr. Dean observed multiple prescription medication scattered throughout the residence. Both of the accused were arrested and charged with Child Neglect with Risk of Serious Injury.

HUNTINGTON DETACHMENT

In July 2014, Troopers from the Huntington Detachment executed a search warrant at a residence in Huntington, WV, in reference to a stolen property ring in the Tri-State area. Approximately \$15,000 dollars worth of stolen property, along with controlled substances, were recovered from the residence. Two males were subsequently arrested during this investigation.



In July 2014, Troopers from the Huntington Detachment were involved in a high speed pursuit on I-64 near Barboursville, WV, which resulted in the felon driver throwing guns from the suspect vehicle during the pursuit. The suspect was eventually stopped and apprehended and charged with DUI and Felon in Possession of a Firearm.

In August 2014, Troopers from the Huntington Detachment responded to an armed robbery call at the Plus Care Pharmacy in Barboursville, WV. The three suspects were apprehended by Troopers while fleeing the scene in the suspect vehicle. All three suspects were charged with Armed Robbery.

In August 2014, Troopers responded to three separate bomb threats that threatened Huntington TTA buses that were mobile in the Cabell County area. Troopers located the buses, utilized the WVSP ERT and all the buses were eventually cleared. Through cooperation with Huntington Police Department, a suspect was located and subsequently arrested for the bomb threats.

In October 2014, Troopers from the Huntington Detachment responded to a stabbing at the Adult Emporium in Huntington, WV. The victim was found to have substantial cuts and the suspect had fled the scene in a vehicle. Troopers quickly converged on the scene and located the suspect nearby. The suspect was charged with Malicious Wounding.

In November 2014, Troopers from the Huntington Detachment responded to a motor vehicle accident involving a pedestrian in Huntington, WV. Through further investigation at the scene of the crash, Troopers were able to obtain a search warrant for a residence in Huntington that led to the apprehension of three additional suspects and the seizure of drugs and currency. All suspects were charged with possession with intent to deliver.

In December 2014, Troopers from the Huntington Detachment received a report of a missing juvenile from Huntington, WV. Further investigation revealed that the lone male suspect had kidnapped the victim and was holding her against her will. The suspect was charged with Kidnapping as well as several other charges.

In February 2015, Troopers from the Huntington Detachment traveled to a residence in Huntington, WV, in reference to a follow-up investigation. Upon arrival, suspects began throwing drugs and guns from the rear of the residence. A search warrant for the residence was then obtained and Troopers seized guns, drugs and currency from within. A total of three suspects were arrested and charged with Possession with Intent to Deliver and Felon in Possession of a Firearm.

In February 2015, Troopers from the Huntington Detachment responded to Cabell Huntington Hospital in reference to a subject who had been shot. Further investigation revealed that the subject was a wanted felon and two stolen pistols were recovered from dumpsters located at the hospital. The suspect was subsequently arrested and charged with Felon in Possession of a Firearm.

In March 2015, Troopers from the Huntington Detachment and Wayne Detachment traveled to the area of WV Route 2 near Lesage, WV in an attempt to apprehend fleeing suspects from a home invasion in Mason County. Troopers subsequently observed the suspect vehicle and a pursuit ensued. The initial pursuit ended and three suspects ran from the suspect vehicle. At that time, one of the suspects shot three rounds from a .38 revolver at a Trooper, striking his cruiser's windshield. A Trooper returned fire and one of the suspects was wounded and apprehended, along with the female suspect. The lone male suspect that had fired at Troopers, consequently car-jacked a passerby and an additional vehicle pursuit ensued. That pursuit came to an end in Huntington, WV where the suspect was taken into custody. All three suspects were charged with Armed Robbery, Attempted Murder and Wanton Endangerment.



In March 2015, Troopers from the Huntington Detachment traveled to a residence near Huntington, WV, in reference to a drug complaint. Upon arrival, Troopers observed several components in plain view that could be used to operate a meth lab. Further investigation revealed that the two suspect occupants of the residence were indeed manufacturing methamphetamines. Also found to be present at the residence was a 2 year old child. Both suspects were arrested for Operating a Meth Lab and Felony Child Neglect.

In April 2015, Troopers from the Huntington Detachment executed a search warrant on a residence in Barbourville, WV, in reference to an ongoing theft-ring and drug dealing investigation. Upon execution of the search warrant, Troopers located stolen firearms from previously reported burglaries and the remnants of a meth lab. Three suspects were arrested and charged during this investigation.

In April 2015, Troopers from the Huntington Detachment were investigating an armed robbery that occurred at Connell Equipment in Barbourville, WV. The investigation led to the arrest of a lone suspect and the recovery of the property stolen. The suspect also subsequently confessed to several other larcenies from retail establishments in the Cabell County area.

In May 2015, Troopers from the Huntington Detachment were called to the Western Regional Jail in Barbourville, WV in reference to inmates overdosing on drugs. The investigation revealed that one inmate victim had died in his cell and another inmate was in serious condition at a local hospital. Troopers looked into how the drugs came into the facility and learned that everyone in that specific pod area had tested positive for drug usage. Troopers identified a suspect and subsequently obtained a confession from that individual to bringing the contraband into the jail. This case investigation is currently being reviewed by the Cabell County Prosecutor for possible indictment on the charge of felony murder.

In June 2015, Troopers from the Huntington Detachment initiated a traffic stop on a suspect vehicle on I-64 near Huntington, WV. The suspect driver was found to be concealing and transporting synthetic marijuana with an estimated value of \$10,000 dollars. The suspect was arrested and later stated that his intent was to transport the contraband to North Carolina for distribution.

In June 2015, Troopers from the Huntington Detachment were called to look into an embezzlement from the Super 8 Motel in Huntington, WV. An investigation was started and it revealed that an employee of the company had embezzled over \$200,000 dollars over the last four years. The suspect was arrested and charged with felony embezzlement.

In June 2015, Troopers from the Huntington Detachment initiated a pursuit in Huntington, WV, after observing a suspect vehicle that was involved in an attempted murder in Lawrence County, OH. Troopers gave chase to the fleeing felon and the suspect vehicle was finally immobilized after stop-sticks were deployed. The suspect was arrested by Troopers on a fugitive from justice warrant and soon extradited back to Ohio to face charges.

WAYNE DETACHMENT

On July 12, 2014, TFC Robinett responded to roll over crash on Spring Valley Road. Upon arrival it was discovered both occupants had been ejected and Nicholas Mcfann was deceased from injuries sustained in the crash. The driver, Jonathon Kennedy admitted to drinking at a party prior to driving. Jonathan Kennedy upon release from the hospital was charged with DUI Causing Death.

On August 9, 2014, TFC Dick, while on road patrol, discovered 2 year old Ashley Bowen waking along US RT 52 in Fort Gay, WV. His investigation led him to the child's home on Tabor Drive where the child's Aunt, Ida Robertson, who was charged with the care of the child could not account for her whereabouts and why she



was walking along US RT 52. Ida Roberston was arrested for Child Neglect.

On November 25, 2014, TFC Chapman obtained a search warrant for the residence of Marsh Hesson on James River Road, Huntington, WV for stolen property. During the execution of the search warrant fifteen long guns were discovered in a secret compartment within the residence. Marsh Hesson was revealed to be a convicted felon and was charged with Felon in Possession of a Firearm.

On December 20, 2014, TFC Robinett responded to Tripp Siding Road in Crum, WV for a complaint of an Armed Robbery and Stabbing. The homeowner, Larry Blackburn, had arranged to sell pharmaceuticals to Jeffery Crum. Prior to the arrival of Jeffery Crum, William Messer and Shane Marcum came to the residence to rob Larry Blackburn of pharmaceuticals and money. In the process of committing the robbery Jeffery Crum arrived. Jeffery Crum was subsequently stabbed in the chest. He was transported to the hospital where he died from the injury. William Messer and Shane Marcum were arrested and charged with Murder and Armed Robbery.

On January, 22, 2015, CPL Pennington responded to a complaint of the Sexual Abuse of a 14 year old girl by her step-father, Gregory White. The subsequent investigation revealed Gregory White had been sexually abusing the child for approximately two years. He was arrested and charged with Sexual Abuse by Parent or Guardian.

On June 9, 2015, TFC Robinett and Tpr. Curry responded to Kenova, WV, for a crash involving a Boyd County Sheriffs' Office cruiser. The crash was due to a pursuit involving John Adkins of Wayne County, WV. John Adkins had committed an Armed Robbery in Huntington, WV as well as an Armed Robbery in Boyd County, KY. Boyd County Deputies intercepted John Adkins following the second robbery and initiated pursuit but terminated it in Kenova due to the crash. Later that same evening, TFC Robinett and Tpr. Curry located John Adkins in the East Lynn area of Wayne County and took him into custody. They recovered the cash from the armed robberies. While processing the car, John Adkins attempted to escape from the cruiser and flee on foot but was caught by Tpr. Curry. John Adkins was charged with Attempted Escape and Fugitive from Justice.

HAMLIN DETACHMENT

On Friday, August 8, 2014, Trooper J. B. Grose from the Hamlin State Police Detachment conducted a traffic stop on a 2002 Chevrolet Trailblazer on U. S. 119 near Alum Creek, WV, in Lincoln County. During the investigation, Trooper J. B. Grose seized approximately 100 grams of marijuana packaged for sale, ten alprazolam pills, and 3.5 grams of psilocybin mushrooms. Trooper J. B. Grose then arrested Gary Bland Jr. and Rebehka Cate, both from Ohio, for the drug offenses. Trooper J. B. Grose also summoned CPS to take custody of four small children inside the vehicle.

On Sunday, September 21, 2014, the Hamlin State Police Detachment executed a search warrant at 222 Bark Camp Branch Road in Alkol, WV. The search warrant was obtained by the Hamlin units in responses to numerous burglary investigations lead by the Hamlin State Police Detachment. As a result of the search warrant, the Hamlin units recovered numerous hand and power tools, two firearms, and a Cub Cadet riding lawn mower that was reported stolen earlier in the month. The Hamlin State Police units recovered approximately \$5000 worth of stolen property.

On Saturday, October 18, 2014, at 1910 hours, Trooper J. B. Grose from the Hamlin State Police Detachment and Hamlin P. D. Officer Stanley were conducting a traffic stop on a Nissan Altima in the Hamlin, WV, area of Lincoln County. A search of the vehicle produced numerous prescription medications (pills) and an illegally possessed handgun. A search warrant was then obtained by Trooper J. B. Grose for the residence of the ac-



cused, James Reece Lusk. The search warrant produced Heroin and Marijuana. James Reece Lusk was arrested and charged by the Hamlin State Police for numerous offenses. Hamlin State Police also arrested the passenger of the vehicle, Jacob Edwards who was wanted by Cabell County for the charge of Petit Larceny.

On February 1, 2015, Hamlin State Police units initiated a traffic stop on a Buick Regal on U. S. 119 near Alum Creek, WV, in Lincoln County. The Hamlin State Police units seized a 1911 hand gun and the body armor the accused driver, Asadean Pauley, was wearing at the time of the stop. Hamlin State Police units charged Pauley with Committing a Violent Crime while Wearing Body Armor, Persons Prohibited from Possessing a Firearm, and numerous other offenses.

On February 23, 2015, a verbal and physical argument took place at the accused, Leo Jackie Berry's residence located in Alkol, WV. During the physical altercation, the accused hit the victim, Jeffrey Roberts, several times in the head, back, and legs with an aluminum baseball bat. Upon Hamlin State Police units arriving on scene, the accused was arrested and charged with Malicious Wounding. The victim was transported by Lincoln EMS to CAMC Memorial Hospital for medical treatment of life-threatening injuries.

On March 09, 2015, Trooper J. B. Grose, of the Hamlin State Police Detachment, initiated a traffic stop on a silver Chevrolet Impala for traffic violations on U. S. 119 in the area of Julian, West Virginia in Boone County. During this investigation, Trooper J. B. Grose seized a large amount of crack cocaine, a stolen gun, and US Currency. The accused driver, Jerome V. Tolliver, was arrested and charged with Possession with Intent, Transportation of a Controlled Substance into the State of West Virginia, and Transporting Stolen Property into the State of West Virginia.

On March 30, 2015, members of the Hamlin State Police Detachment responded to 5330 Coal River Road near Tornado, West Virginia in reference to a Lincoln County 911 call of a shooting. The investigation revealed that the accused, Andrew Staggs, fired multiple gunshots at Chad Mays during an altercation. The gunshots struck both Mays and Katie Toler, the driver of the vehicle Mays was in. Katie Toler died as a result of the gunshot. Mays was later transported to CAMC General to receive treatment for non-life-threatening injuries he received. Mr. Staggs was charged with Murder in addition to other charges.

On April 18, 2015, Sr. Tpr. C. F. Wingo and Sr. Tpr. M. C. McMillian of the Hamlin State Police Detachment responded to a tip of a possible methamphetamine lab located on Big Ugly Creek Road near Harts, WV. Upon arrival, these officers located the accused, Tab Eric Snider. The accused was found to have a 30-30 rifle in his living quarters as well as methamphetamine making materials. During the investigation, an inactive methamphetamine lab was located in an RV parked outside the residence. The accused was arrested for Operating a Clandestine Laboratory, Possession of Methamphetamine Making Materials, Possession of Pseudoephedrine in an altered state, and Felon in Possession of a Firearm.

MADISON DETACHMENT

On Tuesday, September 16, 2014, TFC E. B. McClung received information from the Chief of Security for Alpha Natural Resources of a subject on the job site of Black Castle Mining stealing diesel fuel. Upon arrival, the suspect, Cecil A. Dean Jr., departed the area in a truck and TFC E. B. McClung and Cpl. K. D. Harper pursued the suspect. The pursuit continued along WV Route 3 and WV Route 94 ending in the Kanawha State Forest with the suspect being taken into custody with no further incident.

On October 21, 2014, Madison State Police units responded to a Child Protective Service Hotline call of a man, Cameron E. Booth, who had barricaded himself inside of his residence threatening to kill his family. Once on scene, Madison State Police units were able to talk the accused out of the residence where he was ar-



rested without further incident.

On January 14, 2015, Madison State Police units responded to Rite Aid Pharmacy in Whitesville, WV, regarding a bomb threat. Upon arrival, State Police units spoke with a clerk who advised an unknown male subject with a foreign dialect called and stated if she did not cooperate a bomb secured to three vehicles in the parking area would detonate. Madison State Police units secured the scene and summoned the WV State Police Explosive Detection K-9 unit. The area was cleared without incident and nothing was located.

On May 28, 2015, West Virginia State Police units in Madison along with members of the Boone County Sheriff's Department responded to Nellis Elementary School in Boone County in reference to a man with a long gun being seen near school property. When school personnel noticed the man, he attempted to hide behind a retaining wall and a nearby school bus. A short time later school personnel thought they heard a gunshot. The school was put on lock down by the school administration. When the WV State Police arrived, the man was unable to be located. Law enforcement officers searched the area and developed information which lead them to believe the incident was not related to the school or the children; however, the West Virginia State Police took extra precautions to ensure the safety of the children. Law enforcement officers believe this incident may possibly be related to a previous domestic situation in which a female, Megan Belcher, was missing. During the course of the investigation, Madison State Police units learned the female, Megan Belcher, was located by family members unharmed. The accused, Donald H. Gillispie Jr. was arrested and charged with Possession of a Firearm on School Property.

Critical Needs:

Troop 5's most critical need is additional new cruisers to replace vehicles with excessive miles and in need of repair.

DETACHMENT	Calls for Service	Felony Arrests	Misd Arrests	HMV Citations	HMV Warning Citations	DUI	Motorist Assists	Crash Reports	Criminal Investigations Incidents	Offenses
TROOP 5 HEADQUARTERS	20	2	0	66	135	0	32	6	10	12
LOGAN	4830	799	2085	3888	5531	131	272	207	1925	4078
WILLIAMSON	2096	270	1116	3173	4629	59	113	82	897	1859
HUNTINGTON	7945	780	1506	2765	3304	68	136	135	2369	4088
WAYNE	3042	242	442	2388	3288	21	118	120	934	1622
HAMLIN	4568	366	1305	3709	6885	30	218	142	1116	2222
MADISON	2703	258	616	2579	2160	19	101	117	866	1434
TROOP 5 TOTALS	25204	2717	7070	18568	25932	328	990	809	8117	15315



Field Services – Troop 6, Beckley



Captain Brad L. Mankins
Troop Commander



Troop 6 Facts

Detachments	13
Sworn Officers	92
Civilian Personnel	26
Population	321,908
Square Miles	5,321

Troop 6 consists of 9 counties and 13 Detachments located in the southeastern portion of the state. Troop 6 offices serve Fayette, Greenbrier, McDowell, Mercer, Monroe, Nicholas, Raleigh, Summers and Wyoming counties, with Detachments located in Beckley, Jesse, Whitesville, Oak Hill, Gauley Bridge, Summersville, Richwood, Lewisburg, Rainelle, Hinton, Princeton, Welch, and Union.

During Fiscal Year 2015, Troop 6 lead all Troops in Felony arrests. Additionally, Troop 6 continued to place an increased emphasis on DUI arrests, improving on the previous year's totals.

Troop 6 participated in a series of “DUI / Special Drug Project Patrols” during Fiscal Year 2015. The statistics below reflect the activity generated from these patrols:

Total Number of Patrols: 282	Vehicles Stopped: 1,533
DUI Arrests: 164	Felony Arrests: 34
Misdemeanor Arrests: 265	Drug Arrests: 40
Drug Value Confiscated: \$16,256	Weapons Seized: 3
Vehicles Recovered: 2	Citations Issued: 73
Warning Citations Issued: 1,699	

Troop 6 Marijuana Eradication Efforts

Troopers recovered and destroyed a total of 16,226 marijuana plants, resulting in 43 felony arrests for the cultivation of marijuana.

Noteworthy Cases

Murder by Arson

On August 17, 2014, Trooper J. M. Browning responded to a structure fire resulting in a fatality, near the Soak Creek area of Raleigh County. Trooper Browning and members of the Beckley Detachment worked closely with the State Fire Marshal's Office to determine that the fire had been intentionally set, and the victim died of smoke inhalation. Trooper Browning and the other members worked tirelessly to develop a suspect in the case. The suspect was brought in for questioning and confessed to setting the fire that killed the victim in this incident. The suspect was consequently charged with 1st Degree Murder and is awaiting trial.



Missing Person / Murder Investigation

On September 29, 2014, Trooper S. G. Milam took a missing persons complaint at the Beckley Detachment. Trooper Milam was contacted by a man claiming his wife had been missing for a few days, and he was concerned of her well-being. Trooper Milam and members of the Beckley Detachment were able to find inconsistencies in the man's story, and called him in for questioning. At this time, the man confessed to killing his wife and then transporting her body into Mercer County, where he buried her in an attempt to conceal the crime. Trooper Milam and the other investigators were able to recover the woman's remains and arrested the suspect for 1st Degree Murder.

Double Homicide Investigation

On October 19, 2014, Trooper D. R. Murray was awakened at the Welch Detachment, in the early morning hours to respond to a report of a fatal vehicle fire, in the Long Pole area of McDowell County. Upon arrival, Trooper Murray discovered that there were two bodies inside of the burned vehicle. Initial investigation revealed that the fire was not the result of an accident, but had been intentionally set. A second crime scene was also discovered a short distance away. At the second crime scene, evidence of a shooting was collected. A subsequent autopsy revealed that both victims had been shot to death before their bodies were set on fire. Trooper Murray and other members of the Welch Detachment had no initial suspects in this case, but quickly pieced together a motive and mode of operation. Trooper Murray identified two suspects who were called in for questioning. Both suspects confessed to their roles in the murders and were consequently charged with a number of crimes to include 1st Degree Murder, Arson, and Conspiracy.

Officer Involved Shooting / Out-of-State Murder Investigation

On January 1, 2015, members of the Lewisburg Police Department initiated a traffic stop of a man driving an SUV, along I-64, near the town of Lewisburg. The vehicle was stopped pursuant a LPR hit, alerting of a stolen registration plate. As the officers were conducting the traffic stop, a second vehicle, a pick-up truck, pulled off the roadway in front of them. At this time, a male subject exited the second vehicle, approached the officers and opened fire on them. After being struck, the officers returned gunfire and both male suspects fled from the scene. An extensive, multi-agency manhunt ensued. As a result, both men (learned to be father and son) were captured in the nearby area. Follow-up investigation, revealed that the pick-up truck (driven by the father) contained the bodies of an elderly man and woman in the back of it. First Sergeant D. L. Bowles of the Lewisburg Detachment took charge of the investigation and learned that the elderly couple had been murdered by the father and son in Oxford, North Carolina. Both subjects were arrested on a multitude of charges to include Attempted Murder and Malicious Wounding of law enforcement officers. First Sergeant Bowles worked with the Granville County Sheriff's Department to secure North Carolina Murder charges on the men. Since that time, the officers from the Lewisburg Police Department have made a full-recovery from the shooting incident, and the father and son have been extradited back to North Carolina to face Murder charges for the murder of the elderly couple. The father has since committed suicide by hanging himself in a jail cell.

Sexual Assault of a Child at a Learning Center

On January 15, 2015, Trooper First Class B. A. Wood of the Beckley Detachment received a complaint of a five year old child being sexually assaulted by his music teacher at a specialty school. TFC Wood identified and interviewed the instructor, who gave a partial confession to the crime. During the investigation, several images of childhood erotica were also recovered from the suspect's computer. The suspect was arrested for 1st Degree Sexual Assault and Sexual Assault by a Custodian. This case is slated for an upcoming trial.



Copper Thefts / Mine Rescue

On January 23, 2015, Senior Trooper J. C. Mann of the Welch Detachment was contacted by a subject in reference to a report of a missing person. The complainant advised that he had not seen his friend in the last several hours, and the friend was last heard discussing stealing copper from an abandon mine site. Senior Trooper Mann and members of the Welch Detachment responded to the suspected location near Keystone, McDowell County. Once on scene, State Police members contacted a mine rescue team to assist in the search. The missing subject was found inside of the mine site and was initially unresponsive, due to oxygen deprivation. The subject was rescued from the mine and regained consciousness after receiving oxygen treatment. Following the rescue, the subject confessed that he and his friend had broken into the mine to steal abandon copper products, but he became lost inside of the mine. Both subjects were arrested for a number of crimes to include Breaking & Entering and Attempt to Commit a Felony.

Train Derailment

On February 16, 2015, a freight train carrying 109 cars of crude oil derailed in the Deepwater area of Fayette County. The derailment caused a fire to ignite, which was followed by a series of explosions that could be seen and felt for miles. The explosions caused a power and water outage that prompted an evacuation within a two mile area of the scene. The incident captured the attention of several national media outlets. Sergeant K. E. Tawes of the Gauley Bridge Detachment was the first law enforcement officer on scene and established a safety perimeter. Over the next several days, the West Virginia State Police worked closely with CSX and other federal officials to provide security for the workers and protect the property of the evacuated residents.

Prostitution Sting

On March 27, 2015, in an attempt to curb a growing prostitution problem in Mercer County, Troop 6 and the Bureau of Criminal Investigations worked jointly to conduct a prostitution sting in the Bluefield area of the County. Trooper J. M. Browning was utilized to pose as a prostitute seeking to provide services from a local hotel room. The project was successful and resulted in seven persons being arrested for Solicitation of Prostitution.

Special Events in Troop 6

The Greenbrier PGA Classic and Concert Series June 30 – July 6, 2014
 Friends of Coal Auto Fair July 18-20, 2014
 Cherry River Festival July 25 – August 2, 2014
 West Virginia State Fair August 8-16, 2014
 Bridge Day October 18, 2014

Troop 6 Recent Improvements

The interior of the Princeton Detachment is currently being renovated. The flooring throughout the building has been replaced and upgraded to meet the high volume of foot traffic. Currently, contractors are closing in the garage to create needed squad room space and a filing area. This project will be completed in the near future.

The Summersville Detachment received a facelift to the exterior landscaping. New wooden fence was purchased and erected around the front parking lot.



The Troopers at the Hinton Detachment constructed a wooden walkway and dock that extends from the Hinton Detachment to the waters of the New River. This addition has improved the appearance of an otherwise overgrown bank.

Troop 6 Critical Needs

There are 72 vehicles in Troop 6 having more than 100,000 miles. This accounts for roughly 60% of the vehicles in the Troop 6 fleet. New patrol vehicles remain a critical need for Troop 6.

Troop 6 Awards/Recognition

Corporal J. L. Howell (Beckley) Black Diamond F.O.P. Trooper of the Year, Raleigh Co.
 Trooper S. G. Milam (Beckley) Black Diamond F.O.P. Trooper of the Year, Raleigh Co.
 TFC B. A. Wood (Beckley) Governors Highway Safety Award –DUI Arrests
 Trooper D. C. Graham (Princeton) Governors Highway Safety Award – DUI Arrests
 Trooper J. R. Tupper (Princeton) Governors Highway Safety Award – DUI Arrests
 Sergeant D. A. Evans (Rainelle) Hometown Hero/Modern Woodmen of America Award

DETACHMENT	Calls for Service	Felony Arrests	Misd Arrests	HMV Citations	HMV Warning Citations	DUI	Motorist Assists	Crash Reports	Criminal Investigations Incidents	Offenses
TROOP 6 HEADQUARTERS	45	0	4	23	115	1	84	4	3	6
BECKLEY	5831	825	1218	862	2994	65	336	129	1228	2227
JESSE	2677	178	485	353	2383	53	399	38	363	728
WHITESVILLE	1534	169	330	457	1061	13	66	49	306	687
OAK HILL	2507	224	395	283	1320	30	181	71	380	636
GAULEY BRIDGE	1104	77	130	451	909	4	42	18	169	220
SUMMERSVILLE	2181	315	308	613	2267	19	103	65	399	868
RICHWOOD	1988	227	313	463	1971	16	300	55	248	735
LEWISBURG	2385	237	234	187	1066	13	223	89	337	453
RAINELLE	1467	134	271	216	1337	16	132	59	271	463
HINTON	1532	68	132	127	1028	8	111	41	189	317
PRINCETON	8820	841	1901	1288	4756	139	699	411	1291	2847
WELCH	4549	372	1037	429	1460	23	255	97	638	1505
UNION	1535	96	320	357	928	14	161	55	222	340
TROOP 6 TOTALS	38155	3763	7078	6109	23595	414	3092	1181	6044	12032



Field Services – Troop 7, Parkways



Captain Michael Crowder
Troop Commander



Troop 7 Facts

Three offices serve four counties that the West Virginia Turnpike passes through.

Sworn Officers 29

Length of Turnpike 88

On average, 96,000 vehicles pass through the Turnpike daily.

Troop 7 has the responsibility of providing law enforcement services for the West Virginia Turnpike. The primary area of responsibility for Troop 7 is Interstate 77 which passes through four (4) counties in the southeastern section of West Virginia. These counties include Fayette, Kanawha, Mercer, and Raleigh.

Troop 7 continued to man a four-member criminal patrol unit for the Turnpike throughout the fiscal year. This unit patrolled the Turnpike area on a daily basis looking for drivers violating the laws of West Virginia. This unit was trained to look beyond the traffic violation for more indications of criminal activity within the vehicle.

Commercial Motor Vehicle enforcement continues to be a priority for Troop 7. During Fiscal Year 2015 troopers conducted 468 commercial motor vehicle inspections, placed 158 vehicles out of service and issued 732 CMV violations/citations. In an effort to reduce the number of serious traffic crashes along the West Virginia Turnpike, Troop 7 members have become more visible during peak traffic hours, inclement weather and high travel holiday weekends.

Noteworthy Cases

On March 22, 2015 a call was transmitted for a vehicle traveling north in the southbound lane of the West Virginia Parkways. It was later learned that a tollbooth supervisor observed a dark colored SUV pull off the right shoulder at least three hundred yards prior to Barrier "A" south near Ghent. The driver parked on the side of the road for at least five minutes before turning and proceeding north in the southbound lanes. The driver drove for approximately 2.5 miles before striking head on a Ford Escape operated by Lisa McCormick, 43 years of age from Knoxville, Tennessee. Mrs. McCormick was killed in the crash. Mrs. McCormick's two teenage daughters, as well as another female juvenile passenger were transported to CAMC for medical attention. On March 23, 2015, the suspect, Rafael L. Herrera, was interviewed. He was later arrested for Murder 2nd Degree.

On May 28, 2015, Trooper First Class L. Price from Troop "6" Beckley contacted Sergeant R.R. Richards and Sergeant M.A. Painter to advise that credible information had been received that a suspect would be traveling from Charlotte, North Carolina to Beckley, West Virginia and would have ten pounds of marijuana. A description of the suspect was given as well as that of the vehicle. Units set up in strategic location along the West Virginia Turnpike and waited for the vehicle. Sergeant Richards advised that he had located the suspect and was following behind. TFC Price and Sergeant Painter stopped the suspect for speeding and contact was made with the driver during which time the odor of marijuana was detected. Sergeant Bowers arrived on scene and deployed his K-9 Unit Chico, who immediately indicated on the vehicle. A search of the vehicle was



conducted and ten pounds of marijuana was located inside a duffle bag in the trunk area. The suspect was arrested and charged with Possession with the Intent to Deliver.

	Calls for Service	Felony Arrests	Misd Arrests	HMV Citations	HMV Warning Citations	DUI	Motorist Assists	Crash Reports	Criminal Investigations Incidents	Offenses
PARKWAY AUTHORITY	4025	60	287	9711	22002	45	2492	594	455	686

Field Services – Troop 8, Bureau of Criminal Investigations



Captain Timothy Bledsoe
Troop Commander

The Bureau of Criminal Investigations (BCI) is a specialized unit that concentrates primarily on the investigation of felony related crimes. The crimes investigated by BCI include violent crimes, drugs trafficking, organized crime, political corruption, prescription fraud, insurance fraud, computer crimes, marijuana eradication, polygraph examinations, as well as a host of many other crimes. BCI is further supported of the following units, Insurance Fraud, Polygraph, Gaming and Drug Diversion Units; as well as Marijuana Eradication and the Criminal Intelligence unit, which includes the West Virginia Intelligence Exchange (WVIX).

The headquarters for BCI operations is located in Kanawha County. BCI field components are divided throughout the state into six regions. The focus of the BCI regions is the investigation of the illegal distribution of narcotics and violent crimes. BCI investigators assigned to regions are also at times co-located with multi-jurisdictional drug task forces serving in capacities as Task Force Commanders or Investigators. Investigators assigned to the regions receive advanced training in the area of narcotic investigation, and other investigative techniques to further operational effectiveness relating to initiatives within BCI.

Cases investigated by BCI that reflect the efforts of the unit include investigations that lead to the conviction of drug dealers and those who conspire to deal illegal narcotics in West Virginia. The investigations of these cases led to 1,429 federal and 1,119 state level felony arrests during the 2015 Fiscal Year. There was also \$5,261,045 in property seized during this same period.

West Virginia Intelligence Exchange

During the fiscal year of 2014/2015 The West Virginia Intelligence Exchange (WVIX) performed 7713 point-index / background investigations. Of this total 199 were performed for county departments, 123 were performed for federal agencies, 144 were performed for municipal agencies, 320 were performed for other state agencies, 6561 were performed for members of the West Virginia State Police, and 111 were performed for various task forces. In addition 255 non-electronic submissions were processed by the WVIX staff.

There were 595 additional investigative support requests for this period.

REQUEST BY AGENCY		
COUNTY		40
FEDERAL		96
MUNICIPAL		54
STATE AGENCIES		178
WVSP		225
TASK FORCE		2
	TOTAL	595



Training

The WVIX staff continued to provide training to entry level city, county and state law enforcement officers. In addition, on-site training was provided to participating agencies.

Purges

In keeping with the United States Department of Justice Criminal Intelligence Systems Operating Policies, Code of Federal Regulations Part 23, WVIX conducts an ongoing review of submission records for continuing compliance with system submission criteria. This includes verifying continued submission compliance with submitting officers and active purging of information on or before the five year retention period deadline date. A single purge consists of both destroying physical records and deleting electronic records. During this fiscal year, WVIX purged a total 3348 records that no longer met the submission criteria for storage and/or had reached the five year retention deadline.

Information Sharing

In keeping with the promotion of information sharing, WVIX staff continued to attend regional monthly intelligence meetings across the state as well as topic specific intelligence meetings.

Joint Terrorism Task Force (JTTF)

Members continued ongoing required training for Task Force Officers (TFO). Members provided assistance and support to counter terrorism efforts by the JTTF. WVIX and JTTF staff continue to conduct training and outreach to law enforcement, private industry and the general public in reference to terrorism awareness and suspicious activity reporting.

Polygraph Unit

For the 2015 fiscal year six (6) uniformed members (one only part of the year) and one (1) civilian examiner were assigned to the polygraph unit. During this year members of the polygraph unit provided a number of law enforcement agencies assistance in criminal investigations. A review of examination and interview reports submitted by the unit examiners revealed that six hundred four (604) examinations/interviews were conducted. Included in those examinations were fifty five (55) homicide/death investigations, one hundred sixty nine (169) sexual assault-abuse/child pornography/ child abuse investigations, sixteen (16) armed robbery investigations, one hundred seventy two (172) larceny/b&e/burglary investigations, one hundred fifty nine (159) pre-employment/administrative examinations, eight (8) arson investigations and twenty one (21) other criminal investigation examinations were conducted during this year. The examiners obtained fifty (50) admissions relating to criminal activity and obtained one hundred thirty eight (138) confessions which cleared two hundred three (203) cases during this year.



Marijuana Eradication

During Fiscal Year 2015 a total of 184,556 marijuana plants were eradicated, twenty-six indoor grows dismantled and 135 felony arrests were made involving individuals cultivating marijuana.

Clandestine Laboratories

During Fiscal Year 2015, 133 methamphetamine laboratories were dismantled statewide.

Drug Diversion

During Fiscal Year 2015, the Drug Diversion Unit recorded 119 felony arrests. The Unit also generated 283 Board of Pharmacy Reports and 125 WVIX submissions. The investigators continue to provide support to other law enforcement agencies by reviewing Board of Pharmacy Reports and assisting in other prescription drug related investigations. The Drug Diversion Unit also continues to work cases against "Pill Mill" Pain Clinics to stop the illegal distribution of scheduled narcotics and opiates by health care providers.

Insurance Commission

During Fiscal Year 2015, the Insurance Fraud Unit made multiple arrests for insurance law violations, seized \$533,333 in property illegally obtained by fraud, seized \$42,998 in illegal drugs, made 8 WVIX submissions and 114 Intelligence Reports. The Unit is continuing its efforts to investigate numerous conspiracy investigations that involve fraudulent insurance claims and continues to work cooperatively with the Insurance Commissioner and other local, state, and federal agencies to combat insurance fraud in and around West Virginia.

Gaming/Lottery

The Gaming Unit recorded 100 Federal felony arrests and 70 State felony arrests. There were 60 WVIX submissions and 54 Intelligence Reports.

Financial Crimes

The unit is currently manned by one civilian investigator. The investigator is assigned to assist members with investigating criminal complaints involving suspected financial crimes to include, but not limited to, money laundering, tax evasion, identity theft, and other investigations special investigations as required. Numerous independent investigations have been conducted involving money laundering and structuring crimes, but the greatest need and concentration has been with providing support to field members with general financial crime investigations and the various internal BCI units with drug trafficking and special investigations.



Field Services – Troop 0, Special Operations



Captain Ron Arthur
Director

The Special Operations Division of the West Virginia State Police exists organizationally within the Field Services Division. The division is comprised of uniformed members with specialized training and qualifications who are utilized in response to critical incidents involving the West Virginia State Police, as well as other local and federal agencies. The Special Operations Division is divided into five groups - Special Response Team (SRT), Aviation Section, K-9 Unit, Criminal Patrol and Explosive Response Team (ERT). This section of the WVSP has twenty-five uniformed members and one civilian employee assigned at Special Operations. Eighteen vehicles within Special Operations have over 100,000 miles. We also have 3 soft skin HMMWVS, and 1 Up Armored HMMWV, 1 ATV, 1 ERT Trailer, 2 Bomb POD Trailers, 2 Large ERT Trucks and 4 SRT Response Vans (1 with over 100,000 miles).

It is the Primary mission of Special Operations to assist every Trooper possible, making police work safer, as well as assisting in overall efficiency and effectiveness. Special Operations has seen a sharp increase in activity for every section during the past fiscal year. This is a result of hard working individuals, working together as a Team to meet the ever demanding need for specialized training. Whether it is dealing with a suspected explosive device (ERT), finding a lost individual in the woods (K-9/Aviation), interdicting narcotics from our state's roadways (K-9), or rescuing a hostage (SRT/Sniper), every Member of Special Operations realizes that the backbone of our department is the uniformed Troopers on Detachment. Our job is to make their job safer, easier and more efficient.

Special Response Team:

The Special Response Team (SRT) members are field officers holding the ranks of Senior Trooper through Lieutenant. The SRT is divided into four teams, each covering a specific geographical area of the state. The SRT entry teams/snipers/observers are utilized for high risk warrant service, tactical entries, barricaded suspects, hostage rescue, special security details, special woodland searches, covert surveillance and any other situation where specialized training may be beneficial. These members undergo a selection process based on a combination of shooting skills, an interview process and overall physical fitness.

Special Response Teams Calls For Service

Arrest/Search Warrants: 54

Security/Crowd Control: 9

Barricade/Hostage: 5

Active Shooter: 4

Aviation:

The Aviation Section of the West Virginia State Police responds to searches for fugitives and lost individuals. They additionally provide an aerial platform for surveillance, crime scene photography, traffic control (football games, special events) and damage assessments in the event of a natural or manmade disaster. Aircraft are also used for marijuana eradication and to fly Homeland Security missions around critical infrastructure sites in the state. The WVSP Aviation section received 116 calls for service. For those flights, pilots flew a total of 297 hrs. to include 81 missions for other state agencies for a total of 206 flight hours for the past year.



K-9 Unit:

The West Virginia State Police K-9 Unit currently consists of fifteen functional teams, including the Director. A K-9 team consists of a dog and a handler. These teams are located strategically throughout the state in order to provide timely support for various law enforcement efforts. The K-9 Unit consists of dogs trained in explosives detection, narcotics detection, tracking and patrol.

K-9 Activity

Building Searches: 22	Area Searches: 15
Officer Protection/K9 as Backup: 303	Tracks: 60
Narcotic Searches: 4051	Explosive Searches: 2066
Total Calls For Service: 2310	Total Hours Spent In Service: 6476
Total U.S. Currency Seized: \$507,169	Other Contraband Seized: \$150,875

Explosive Response/Dive Team:

The Explosives Response Team (ERT) members are situated in specific geographical areas of responsibility throughout West Virginia. The primary responsibility of the ERT is to render safe, real or potentially explosive devices or chemicals. Calls for service may include neutralization of a device, the disruption of suspicious packages, the removal of a device or package and the safe removal and destruction of explosive materials. ERT Members are also the Dive Team for the WVSP, and will take all under water evidence recovery missions and or explosive sweeps as approved by Special Operations OIC. A secondary responsibility of the ERT is to provide training and support to the National Guard's Civil Support Teams as well as the West Virginia Regional Response Teams. The ERT trains to respond with these teams to assist in the mitigation of a terrorist event.

ERT Activity

Calls for Service: 91	Details: 25	Courses Instructed: 18
Dives: 6	Electronic Sweeps: 1	Training Hours: 1643

Criminal Patrol:

The WVSP Special Operations Criminal Patrol Unit consists of one team comprised of 3 Troopers including a K-9 handler with K-9. This unit conducts Criminal Patrol and Narcotics interdiction. The unit moves toward high crime areas as directed by the Special Operations Commander concentrating on arrests and narcotics interdiction. The unit remains available to assist anywhere in the State with problem/high crime areas that need special attention.

Criminal Patrol Activity

Traffic Stops: 2,230	Vehicle Searches :686
Search Warrants: 9	Knock and Talks :71
Felony Arrests: 58	Misdemeanor Arrests: 73
Misdemeanor Citations: 404 (185 drug related)	
Total street value of drugs seized: \$760,718	
Currency/Other Seizures: approximately \$136,681	



Field Services – Troop 0, Training Academy



Captain David M. Lee
Director of Training

The training staff at the Academy is comprised of ten uniform members, including the Director of Training, who are considered experts in their respective fields of study. These staff members supervise and train every law enforcement officer in the state during their entry level training.

All newly hired members of the West Virginia State Police attend a twenty-five week Cadet Class administered by the Academy Staff. Current veteran officers from the State Police and other agencies receive annual in-service training through the Academy. The Academy is also responsible for conducting the sixteen week Basic Entry Level Police Training Course for all city, county, DNR and campus police officers.

During the 2015 Fiscal year, several entry level classes were conducted at the West Virginia State Police Academy with the completion of the 158th, 159th, 160th and 161st Basic Classes and the 65th Cadet Class totaling 229 graduates.

Numerous seminars and classes were also conducted at the Academy's Professional Development Center and were taught to various law enforcement agencies throughout the state. The Professional Development Center was utilized by over 5000 individuals for law enforcement training and related functions during the year. The Academy facilities were also utilized for various meeting by the Department, other law enforcement agencies, and various state agencies during the year. The Academy firearms range has functioned as a training facility for several agencies including the FBI, DEA, IRS, Yeager Airport Security, and various West Virginia National Guard and Air Guard units.

The 20th Junior Trooper Academy was held during this year. Young people (ages 14-17) from throughout the state who are interested in a career in law enforcement attended a weeklong class at the Academy where they are introduced to a variety of State Police operations

Projects for the upcoming year at the Academy include:

- Conduct one West Virginia State Police Junior Trooper Program
- Conduct four Basic Entry Level Police Training Programs
- Complete fifteen weeks of West Virginia State Police Annual In-Service
- Conduct equivalent/recertification course for qualifying officers
- Conduct one Cadet Training Course
- Conduct Semi-Annual Firearms Refresher Training

Critical Needs

- Heating & Cooling and Generator for "C" Building
- Lighting & Ceiling Tile Replacement in Classrooms #1 & #2 in "C" Building (in progress)
- Resurface (Asphalt) and Lighting for Parking Lot
- Two Ovens
- New Maintenance Truck for Academy
- Roof & Siding for Professional Development Center Dorms
- Extend Current Shop Area for more Storage of Mowing Equipment & Tractors

For the 2015 fiscal year the Academy Post Exchange had \$25,667.27 in expenditures and \$41,995.63 in final sales.



Field Services – Troop 0, Crimes Against Children Unit



F/Lieutenant Danny Swiger
Director

The investigators of this unit seek out those who hide in the shadows and pray on those who are the weakest and most vulnerable in our society. There have been several occasions where individuals that we meet say that they do not know how we can deal with the emotional turmoil it causes to investigate these crimes, and our answer is how can we not? We must protect our children before all others.

The Crimes Against Children Unit manages six sections including the Child Protection Unit, Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force, Digital Forensic Unit (DFU), the Missing Children's Clearinghouse, West Virginia Cybercrime Cooperative (WV3C), and the West Virginia Center for Children's Justice (WVCCJ).

There are twenty-one uniformed members assigned to this unit. Included in the twenty-one members are the Director, the Deputy Director, Digital Forensic Officer and eighteen investigators who cover an individual troop area in the State of West Virginia. The Investigators assigned to this unit are highly trained criminal investigators with specialized skills utilized in the interview of both child victims and the perpetrators of these crimes. Many of the investigators are crossed trained with technological skills used to identify perpetrators who use the internet to sexually exploit children.

There are ten civilian support staff assigned to the Crimes Against Children Unit to include, four Digital Forensic Analyst, one Victim Specialist and one Office Assistant, two ICAC Database Administrators, and two Criminal Justice Specialist with the Center for Children's Justice.

The investigators are called upon to assist and investigate cases of child abuse, child neglect, sexual assault, abuse and sexual exploitation cases. Many of these cases entail investigations of individuals who produce and trade images of child pornography or engage in the sexual solicitation of minors which are computer facilitated crimes.

The investigators are also called upon from other agencies to assist in their investigations and are also responsible for seeing that Multi-Disciplinary Investigative Team (MDIT) meetings are being conducted in the counties in their troops on a monthly basis by the prosecuting attorneys. These investigators also work with Child Protective Services in their area of responsibility coordinating referrals for the law enforcement investigation of child abuse, neglect or sexual abuse and assault cases.

Crimes Against Children Unit Activity

Felony arrests: 679	Misdemeanor arrests: 76
Criminal Investigations Conducted: 746	Offenses associated with Investigations: 1070
Intelligence Reports: 671	DHHR Referrals: 635
Sex Offenders Registered/Verified: 218	Child Victims Interviewed: 522
Suspects Interviewed: 333	Search Warrants Served: 676
Calls for Service: 3491	Community Outreach Presentations: 191
Number of Persons Attending Presentations: 12,767	



The following is a listing of some of the notable investigations conducted by the Crimes Against Children Unit during this reporting period.

On July 14, 2014, Jesse Ray Mason, age 29, of Martinsburg was arrested and charged with possession and distribution of child pornography via the internet in Berkeley County. The arrest of Jesse Mason came after an investigation was launched into child pornographic images being uploaded to the internet from an internet address located at 202 Janesa Drive in May 2014. The investigation began when Sgt D.C. Eldridge observed over 70 files containing child pornographic content being uploaded to the internet from 202 Janesa Drive in Martinsburg. Sgt Eldridge subsequently made contact with Cpl W.R. Garrett who took over the investigation which resulted in the execution of a search warrant on the residence located at 202 Janesa Drive. A search of the residence lead to the seizure of various electronic devices contained within the home; as well as a confession from Jesse Mason who admitted to accessing the internet and downloading the child pornography. Jesse Mason was arraigned in Berkeley County Magistrate Court and released on \$20,000 bond.

On August 4, 2014, Justin Daily Poland was taken into custody at his residence as the result of a proactive undercover operation into child exploitation initiated by Sgt. D. E. Boober and members of the West Virginia State Police Internet Crimes Against Children Unit. During this investigation, it was determined that Mr. Poland was in possession of more than 2,500 suspected child pornographic images and videos which were stored on his desktop computer under a file identified as "Spank Bank". Mr. Poland was arrested without incident and was released on bond.

On August, 18, 2014, Corporal Marlene Moore arrested Matthew Daniel Browning. In June of 2014 Corporal Marlene Moore began conducting an investigation regarding sexual abuse allegations involving a minor female child of Matthew Daniel Browning. During a Cabell County CPS forensic interview conducted with the victim she disclosed the sexual abuse. Corporal Marlene Moore conducted a lengthy investigation and obtained a confession from the accused of sexual acts that he performed on the victim. The sexual acts occurred sometime between January 1, 2014 and June 1, 2014, when the child was 4 years of age, at the family's residence. The accused was arrested on August 18, 2014 for three counts of Sexual Abuse by Parent and three counts of Sexual Abuse 1st Degree. The accused is housed in the Western Regional Jail on a \$420,000.00 cash only bond.

On Tuesday, August 12, 2014, Sergeant Adam Scott arrested Justin Griffith for Possession of Child Pornography after an initial investigation showed numerous child pornography files being accessed and downloaded at said residence. Some of these files contained videos of children as young as five years old engaged in sexually explicit conduct with adults. Sergeant Scott executed a search warrant on the residence of the accused based upon the initial investigation. At this time, Sergeant Scott seized a laptop computer belonging to the accused after he confessed to downloading said illegal child pornography files. The accused also stated more illegal files would be discovered upon a forensic examination of his computer. The accused was arraigned in Harrison County Magistrate Court where he posted a \$10,000 cash or surety bond.

On September 29, 2014, Sergeant Clemons arrested James Lee Gillenwater for eight felony counts of Sexual Abuse by a Custodian, seven felony counts of First Degree Sexual Assault, and one felony count of First Degree Sexual Abuse. In July 2014 a forensic interview was conducted with the victim, an eight year old female at Child Protect of Mercer County Inc. The victim disclosed sexual abuse by her aunt's boyfriend; James Gillenwater and advised that the sexual abuse had occurred over a period of several years. Sergeant Clemons and polygraph examiner Sergeant R.R. Richards subsequently interviewed James Gillenwater and obtained a confession from him. Mr. Gillenwater was arraigned before Mercer County Magistrate James E. Dent and was remanded to the Southern Regional Jail in lieu of \$100,000 bond.

On October 02, 2014, Jeremy Matthew Marple was arrested on 14 Felony Counts of Sexual Assault in the 1st



Degree, Sexual Assault by a Parent, Guardian or Custodian and Attempting to Commit the Felony of Sexual Assault. These charges are a result of an investigation conducted by Sgt. A. J. Shingler of the Crimes Against Children Unit. This investigation began in July 2014 with numerous interviews including the interviews of two separate female victims, one being the suspect's 10 year old daughter, the other his 14 year old girlfriend. Sgt. Shingler interviewed Mr. Marple on two occasions, and then obtained warrants for his arrest on August 13, 2014. It is believed that Mr. Marple was made aware of the warrants and then made the decision to abscond traveling to Colorado via Greyhound Bus in the middle of September. Multiple tips were followed up on and working with the US Marshal's Service, Mr. Marple was arrested on October, 2, 2014 by the US Marshals Service in Pueblo, Colorado. Mr. Marple was extradited back to West Virginia to face these charges.

October 31, 2014 Eduardo Trejo-Ruiz was arrested second degree sexual assault of 12 year old female. In June 2014, Corporal F. H. Edwards, Crimes Against Children Unit, was requested to conduct follow up investigation concerning the sexual assault of a 12 year old Martinsburg girl. The initial investigation was conducted by Corporal Bowman indicated that the victim had been communicating on the social media networking sight "kik" with what she believed to be a 15 year old boy identifying himself as "Brandon Smith". The victim made arrangements to meet with this subject who traveled to her residence. "Smith" arrived at the residence and began to kiss the victim, then pushed her onto a couch and proceeded to have sexual intercourse with her. The victim advised during a forensic interview that she froze during the assault and did not know what to do. Corporal Edwards learned during the investigation that the suspect had communicated with the victim via a cellular telephone number and also he had sent her a photograph. Through investigation Corporal Edwards was able to locate a Facebook page associated with this telephone number that had a photograph of the 23 year old suspect identified as Eduardo Trejo-Ruiz. The victim was able to identify the Facebook images as the same person she knew as Brandon Smith. The victim had also retained a photograph that the suspect had sent to her and they appeared to be one in the same. Corporal Edwards conducted further investigation linking this suspect to a DUI arrest where he obtained a booking photograph in which the victim was able to identify as the person she knew as Brandon Smtih. Also during this DUI arrest the suspect had provided the same cellular telephone number identified as being used to communicate with the victim. It became apparent that Brandon Smith was an alias used by Eduardo Trejo-Ruiz. Warrants were obtained for the suspect for the suspect charging him with second degree sexual assault. Corporal Edwards made several attempts to locate a current address for the suspect without success. Assistance was provided by the U. S. Marshal's service in locating the suspect's cellular telephone. On October 31, 2014 the suspect was located in Kearnyville, WV where he was taken into custody without incident. Corporal Edwards was able to further link the suspect to this crime through DNA analysis where evidence obtained from the victim was matched to the suspect. The suspect was lodged in the Eastern Regional Jail in lieu of a 100,000 bond.

On November 19, 2014, Senior Trooper Grose arrested Joshua Ryan Holley for two counts of Displaying Obscene Matter to a Minor and two counts of Solicitation of a Minor via computer. In August 2014 the WV ICAC Task Force was contacted by a police officer with the Corvallis Police Department in Oregon, who advised that they had conducted an undercover operation during which a Joshua Holley had engaged in the sexual exploitation of a minor by engaging in the sexual solicitation of who he believed to be a 14 year old girl. Joshua Holley further sent naked images of himself. Through further investigation the officer identified the subscribe for the IP address used during the solicitation identifying the suspect as Joshua Holley. The WV ICAC Task Force had received further information that the same suspect had engaged in multiple on-line sexual solicitation sessions with other police officers in California, Iowa, Wisconsin, and Kentucky. The investigation was assigned to Senior Trooper Grose for follow up investigation in West Virginia. Through further investigation, Senior Trooper Grose was able to positively identify Joshua Holley as the same person who had engaged in the multiple cases of on-line sexual exploitation. The suspect was then arraigned by a Wayne County Magistrate and lodged in the Western Regional Jail on a \$50,000 bond.

On November 28, 2014 the victim, a 2 year old child was taken to Women and Children's Hospital because he



had a seizure. The victim had been sick and throwing up for several days prior. Once at the hospital the victim was in critical condition and almost died. The victim was later diagnosed with Abusive Head Trauma (Shaken Baby Syndrome) based on the medical findings. The victim's injuries include: subdural hematoma, cerebral edema, acute respiratory failure, hypotension, acute anemia, retinal hemorrhages, and electrolyte abnormalities. The victim is also on a ventilator. On December 01, 2014, Sgt. T. M. Divita and TFC Ward began an investigation. Through an investigation and interview Nicholas Andrew was identified as a suspect in this crime. Sgt. Divita conducted an interview with Mr. Andrew. Mr. Andrew confessed to causing the injuries to the victim. Mr. Andrew stated on November 26, 2014 he was babysitting the victim along with his 2 year old daughter while his girlfriend left the residence. Mr. Andrew stated that he put both children down for a nap. He stated that the victim began to cry in his bed. He stated that he got the victim up and sat him at the kitchen table and tried to feed him something to eat, but the victim would not eat. Mr. Andrew stated that he also gave the victim a drink of apple juice and changed his diaper. Mr. Andrew stated that he laid the victim back down in his bed. Mr. Andrew stated that the victim got out of bed several times and he told him to lie back down. Mr. Andrew stated that the last time the victim got out of bed he was frustrated. Mr. Andrew stated that he went back to the bedroom and the victim was out of the bed again. Mr. Andrew stated that he took his hand and shoved the victim in the chest and the victim fell to the ground. Mr. Andrew stated that he struck the victim pretty hard. Mr. Andrew stated that the victim fell hard onto the floor which is an unpaddinged carpet. Mr. Andrew stated that after the victim fell he reached for him to pick him up. Mr. Andrew stated that the victim did not cry. Mr. Andrew stated that the victim began to throw up approximately 30 minutes after he struck him. On December, 04 2104 the suspect was arrested and arraigned in Kanawha County Magistrate Court. The suspects bond was set at \$500,000 surety for one count of Child Abuse causing serious bodily injury.

In January 2015 Sergeant Clemons arrested Christina Bolin for one felony count of Child Neglect Resulting in Serious Injury and both Christina Bolin and Billy White for Child Abuse resulting in Serious Bodily Injury. This investigation was initiated in mid 2014 when Sergeant M. D. Clemons received a child abuse with serious injury complaint involving the victim. The victim had been shaken multiple times resulting in a subdural hematoma on his brain, broken ribs, and he had tears in both his retinas and was not going to be able to see for some time if ever. Sergeant Clemons spoke with the victim's mother, Christina Bolin, and she admitted to leaving the victim alone with his father, Billy White, although Mr. White was not allowed to be alone with the victim per a circuit court order. Sergeant Clemons also obtained a statement from Billy White that he had "dropped" the victim on the couch and that the victim had struck his head on a board. Billy White also admitted to "shaking" the victim when he had stopped breathing.

On February 11, 2015 Cpl. Pringle conducted interview with a victim who is now nineteen years of age. She disclosed Sexual Abuse/Assaults that started when she was twelve years of age in 7th grade. She advised she moved in with her aunt and uncle in Ritchie County when she was twelve to thirteen years of age and was Sexually Assaulted/Abused by her Uncle James Andrews until she graduated high school in 2013. James Andrews was a mechanic teacher in Pleasants County at the Multi County Career Center and tennis coach for Pleasants County High School. On March 6, 2015, Cpl. Pringle and other Troopers executed a Search Warrant on the residence of James Andrews in an attempt to locate sexually explicit photographs that the victim indicated that James Andrew had taken of her. Cpl. Pringle was able to collect several items to be examined by the Digital Forensic Unit. An interview was conducted with James Andrew where he admitted to having sexual relations with the victim when she was seventeen. Cpl. Pringle then arrested and charged James Andrews with two counts of Sexual Abuse by a Parent, Guardian, or Custodian, one count of 1st Degree Sexual Assault, and one count of 2nd Degree Sexual Assault. James Andrews was arraigned and was able to post bond.

On March 13, 2015, Sgt. M. S. Adams was contacted by a counselor at Wellsburg Middle School. The counselor advised that the thirteen year old victim had texted her mother while the victim was riding the bus to school. The victim disclosed that she had been sexually abused by her father since she was eight years old.



Sgt. Adams arrived at WMS and met with the victim and her mother for a short period and asked them to accompany him to the Wellsburg Detachment. A statement was obtained from the victim by Sgt. Adams where the victim advised that the suspect, Zachary Allen, her adoptive father, had touched her inappropriately (breasts, butt, and vagina areas) since she was eight years old. The victim further stated the suspect had "tried" to have sexual intercourse with her on three occasions in the past few weeks. The victim stated on one occasion, the suspect did penetrate her vagina with his penis. Sgt. Adams conducted an interview with the suspect who confessed to touching the victim's breasts when she was nine years old and later confessed to asking the victim for a "favor" where the victim removed all of her clothing and laid on the bed. The suspect then stated he "straddled" the victim and touched his penis to the victim's vagina. Sgt. Adams arrested the suspect, charging him with 3rd Degree Sexual Assault, Sexual Assault by a Parent/Guardian, and Incest. The suspect was arraigned and lodged in the Northern Regional Jail in lieu of bond.

On April 10, 2015, Steven Ray Shreck, age 19, of Bunker Hill, Berkeley County was arrested on twenty-five counts of possession and distribution of child pornography. The arrest of Steven Shreck was the result of a five month long investigation pertaining to numerous child pornographic images being uploaded to the Internet from Shreck's gmail account. The child pornographic files were first intercepted by Google on November 5, 2014, and submitted to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children for further investigation. During the initial investigation, NCMEC discovered that the uploaded child pornographic files originated from an Internet address based in Bunker Hill, Berkeley County. Corporal W.R. Garrett received the complaint in January 2015 and further discovered that Steven Shreck's gmail account had posted files to the Internet from an IP address in Bunker Hill as well as an IP address at West Liberty University where Steven Shreck is enrolled as a student. On February 5, 2015, Corporal Garrett made contact with Sergeant M.S. Adams who subsequently obtained a search warrant for Steven Shreck's electronic devices at West Liberty University in Ohio County. During a search of Steven Shreck's electronic devices by Sergeant Adams, over 1,400 images of child pornography and child erotica were discovered on Steven Shreck's Apple iPod. Upon reviewing the electronic evidence, Corporal Garrett obtained a warrant in Berkeley County charging Steven Shreck with twenty-five counts of possession & distribution of child pornography. On April 10, 2015, Sergeant Adams executed the arrest warrant on Steven Shreck who was subsequently arraigned before an Ohio County Magistrate and incarcerated on \$250,000 bond.

On May 7, 2015, Sergeant L. D. Hensley, of the West Virginia State Police Crimes Against Children Unit, arrested Mr. Ryan J. Waugh of Stollings, WV, for eleven counts of sexual abuse by a parent, custodian, or guardian and one count of using obscene material to seduce a minor. The West Virginia State Police Crimes Against Children Unit, with assistance from the Logan Detachment, initiated this investigation after receiving credible information that Mr. Waugh, an assistant girls and boys basketball coach at Logan High School, was involved in sexual relationships with at least a couple of students. Mr. Waugh was released on bond pending trial.

On Friday, May 8, 2015, Sergeant Adam Scott with the WV State Police Crimes Against Children Unit arrested 30 year old, Ernest Marshall II, on one felony count of child abuse causing injury. The arrest results from an April 2015 investigation where day care workers discovered the three year old male victim complaining about his back hurting. When the victim's back was checked, severe bruising was discovered on his spinal area and left side. The victim also had what appeared to be fingertip bruises on his arm. The victim disclosed that the accused hit him with a bat because he had been bad at day care the day before. After initially lying to Sergeant Scott and failing a polygraph examination, the accused provided a second statement confessing to causing said bruising to the victim. The accused was arraigned in Marion County Magistrate Court where he was released on a \$5,000 personal recognizance bond.

On May 15, 2015, Sr. Tpr. J. M. DeMeyer arrested Dennis Kay Pugh for a felony soliciting a minor while utilizing a computer. Sr. Tpr. J. M. DeMeyer made contact with the suspect utilizing text messaging as a part of



an undercover operation. Sr. Tpr. DeMeyer communicated with the suspect through text messaging where the suspect engaged in sexually explicit messages to who he believed to be a 14 year old girl. Sr. Tpr. J. M. DeMeyer received a text on this same day that requested she meet the suspect at a predetermined location. The Parkersburg Narcotics Task Force and the Washington County Major Crimes Task Force placed the suspect under arrest at the predetermined location when he arrived. The suspect was arraigned before a Wood County Magistrate and released on a \$5,000 bond.

On June 2 2015, Senior Trooper R.N. Grose arrested Donald Lee Dean, Jr., after a two month long investigation in regards to the Peer to Peer File Sharing of Child Pornography. Prior to this arrest, this officer executed a search warrant due to the Peer to Peer file sharing from the IP address of the suspect. The suspect had admitted to previously viewing material depicting minors engaged in sexual explicit conduct. Several computers were seized and later previewed at the Digital Forensics Lab in which several videos were located on the hard drive of one computer which depicted minors engaged in sexually explicit conduct. The suspect was arraigned by a Lincoln County Magistrate and released on bond.

The Crimes Against Children Unit is responsible for maintaining statistics from all law enforcement agencies throughout the state involving the following West Virginia State Code Sections:

61-8D-2-Murder of a child by a parent, guardian or custodian or other person by refusal or failure to supply necessities, or by delivery, administration or ingestion of a controlled substance.

61-8D-2a-Death of a child by a parent, guardian or custodian or other person by child abuse.

61-8D-3- Child abuse resulting in injury; child abuse or neglect creating risk of injury.

61-8D-3a-Female genital mutilation.

61-8D-4-Child neglect resulting in injury; child neglect creating risk of injury.

61-8D-4a-Child neglect resulting in death.

Listed below is the number of crimes reported by those agencies.

Reported from Law Enforcement Agencies July 1, 2014 – June 30, 2015					
WV Code	WV Code	WV Code	WV Code	WV Code	WV Code
<u>61-8D-2</u>	<u>61-8D-2a</u>	<u>61-8D-3</u>	<u>61-8D-3a</u>	<u>61-8D-4</u>	<u>61-8D-4a</u>
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Child Protection Section

The Child Protection Section is the part of the Crimes Against Children Unit which was the originally created Child Protection Unit in 2006. That unit has evolved into the Crimes Against Children Unit. The primary function of this section is the investigation of crimes committed against children where typically there is some sort of physical contact either by physical abuse or sexual abuse or assault. There were 270 cases that were logged during this reporting period by the CACU. The Child Protection Section also took on a new role during this reporting period by becoming the central contact for Child Protective Services Central Intake Center on cases that are screened out by CPS. What this means is, that cases of abuse that are reported to CPS that are determined to not to have occurred in the home and the parents appear protective, typically will not be investigated by CPS. However, many of these reports are still crimes. These are reported to the Crimes Against Children Unit who evaluates each referral to determine 1. What type of crime is being alleged to have occurred, 2. Is there already another law enforcement agency involved, 3. Determination the area of the State in which the crime occurred 4. Distribution either to a CACU investigator or Troop area for follow up inquiry or investigation. Since January 2015 through June 2015 there were 597 referrals received, reviewed, and distributed for inquiry or investigation. Given the volume of these complaints the workload for the Crimes Against Children Unit and the State Police in General will increase by over 1,200 cases for 2015. This will need to be addressed in the future to allocate sufficient personnel to deal with the increased workload.

Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force

The West Virginia ICAC (Internet Crimes Against Children) Task Force is one of 62 coordinated task forces representing over 3,000 federal, state, and local law enforcement and prosecutorial agencies across the United States. These agencies are engaged in proactive investigations, forensic investigations, and criminal prosecutions. The ICAC Task Force was created to help Federal, State and local law enforcement agencies enhance their investigative responses to offenders who use the Internet, online communication systems, or computer technology to sexually exploit children. The Program is funded by the United States Department of Justice, Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention.

The West Virginia ICAC Task Force is headed by the West Virginia State Police and currently has 93 affiliate agencies spread across the state of West Virginia. These affiliates range from Sheriff's Departments, local police departments, county prosecutors, United States Attorney's Office, probation officers and child advocacy centers.

During this year the Task Force received 791 documented complaints. 453 of these addressed possession or distribution of child pornography, 24 traveler cases, 115 enticements, 165 obscenities to minors and 34 child prostitution cases. 724 subpoenas and 259 search warrants were served with 1,485 technical assists (Calls for assistance by outside agencies) and 248 arrests made. Members of the task force conducted 243 community outreach events on Internet Safety this year to 21,031 attendees.

For more information about the WV ICAC Task Force, visit www.wvicac.com

Digital Forensics Unit (DFU)

The Crimes Against Children Unit is responsible for all digital forensics examinations within the state of West Virginia for local and state law enforcement. We currently have two full service labs located at West Virginia University with a staff of three (3) analysts and Marshall University with a staff of one (1) uniformed member analyst and one (1) civilian analyst. We also have three fully trained investigators in the field that handle fo-



rensic cases locally. The Crimes Against Children Unit through the ICAC Grant Program supports limited digital forensic labs with Kanawha County Sheriff's Department, Bridgeport Police Department, and Parkersburg Police Department.

During this year, 465 cases were submitted for examination containing 2,682 items of evidence and 138,895 GB total storage amount on media. Among these were 121 child pornography investigations, 53 sexual enticements of minors, 18 display of obscene matter to minors, 61 drug investigations, 41 deaths, 73 sexual assaults/abuses, 31 Property Crimes and 67 other various types of investigations. 244 were State Police cases and 221 were from other law enforcement agencies. 265 cases were completed by analysts this period and returned to the investigating officers. Our current case backlog stands at 200 cases. While the number of cases we are receiving has not changed significantly, the number of items per case and the storage capacity of these items have increased dramatically. The increase in the amount of data per case has also increased the amount of time an analyst must spend doing each examination.

During the course of the year we sent two of our Forensic Analysts to Florida for a Basic Computer Forensic Examiner class with The International Association of Computer Investigative Specialists (IACIS). This class is a two week intensive training program that prepares the students to complete the Certified Forensic Computer Examiner (CFCE) certification. The program consists of a two stage process and both stages are required to be completed for the candidate to become certified. The candidate is required to demonstrate knowledge of core forensic competencies and practical skills thru a peer review process. In addition to the peer review process students are required to successfully complete a practical and written examination. It takes the candidate approximately six months to complete the CFCE process and receive certification.

In addition to the BCFE class we also sent an analyst to the Certified Advanced Windows Forensic Examiner (CAWFE) class, which is also offered thru IACIS. This was a week-long class which is meant to prepare the student for the CAWFE certification examination. The CAWFE program is an assessment process and not a simple, single test. The process is composed of two separate assessments. The first component is a written examination and the second component is a practical assessment.

Over the course of the year we have filled two Digital Forensic Analyst positions. We have hired one analyst in the lab in Morgantown and another in our lab in Huntington. These new positions have allowed us to reduce the backlog in our Morgantown lab significantly. The Morgantown lab has gone from a twelve month backlog to a three month backlog and is also accepting cases from some of our other labs in order to help reduce their backlog.

Over the last year we have also trained personnel and purchased equipment that allows us to perform investigations on mobile devices which we previously would not have been able to. We now have an analyst in our Morgantown lab and an investigator in our Huntington lab trained to JTAG mobile devices. This allows our labs to be able to analyze far more devices than would have been possible before. We anticipate equipping a mobile digital forensic vehicle in the coming year to have the ability to have on-site digital forensic capability for search warrants and crimes scenes that would necessitate the need for immediate analysis of digital media.

West Virginia Cyber Crime Cooperative (WV3C)

A formal relationship between the WVSP, WVU and NW3C

We continue to further the WV3C efforts on research and tool development along with training programs for law enforcement on dealing with electronic evidence. More information about this effort and WV3C may be obtained at www.wv3c.wvu.edu.



ICAC Data System

The ICAC Data System is a nationwide de-confliction, case referring, performance measure reporting, and undercover tool for all ICAC task forces. This project started in September of 2011 with the State Police receiving from the United States Department of Justice, Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, a \$500,000.00 grant to build this system. We have partnered with NW3C (Nation White Collar Crime Center) and WVU to build this tool. Since the initial grant OJJDP has added \$100,000.00 to our ICAC grant in 2013 and \$150,000.00 to our ICAC grant in 2014 to hire full time support and continue implementation on the ICAC Data System.

The ICAC Data System has been fully operational since 2014 with new features added with each new release. This system has revolutionized the way all ICAC Task Forces nationwide do business and making West Virginia the leader in child exploitation technology. Sergeant James Kozik who oversees the construction of the system has been asked by OJJDP to attend yearly meetings at Interpol in Lyon, France. Sergeant Kozik has also been asked to teach at the National ICAC Conference and large police agencies like LAPD.

Missing Children's Clearinghouse

The Crimes Against Children Unit has been and continues to monitor all reported missing children in West Virginia through the National Center For Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) and the West Virginia Missing Children Clearinghouse. In 2014, the Crimes Against Children Unit received thirty (30) tips from National Center For Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC). These tips range from missing children to endangered runaways. The National Center For Missing and Exploited Children reports that child sex trafficking is one of the most common types of commercial sexual exploitation. Child sex trafficking victims include girls, boys, and LGBTQ youth. It has been reported through NCMEC that 1 in 6 runaways in 2014 were likely sex trafficking victims and this statistic is up from 1 in 7 being reported in 2013.

The West Virginia Missing Children Clearinghouse has worked diligently since January 1, 2014 to monitor all reported missing youth through the West Virginia Automated Police Network (WEAPON). In 2014, the clearinghouse monitored 922 reported missing youth. In an effort to identify the reason "why" these youth are running away. The Crimes Against Children Unit has conducted follow up interviews with any youth who has been reported missing three (3) or more times. The West Virginia Missing Children Clearinghouse monitored thirty-one (31) reported repeat runaways in 2014, and the Crimes Against Children Unit was able to conduct 14 follow up interviews and were able to provide assistance to those youth.

In June 2015, the West Virginia Court Improvement Program invited Lieutenant Swiger and Victim Specialist, Cortney Simmons to the 2015 Court Improvement Program (CIP) meeting in Washington, D.C. The major focus of the three-day meeting was on the problem of human sex trafficking and how the courts, child welfare agencies, law enforcement and other partners will need to work together to implement the anti-trafficking provision of the Preventing Sex Trafficking and Strengthening Families Act of 2014. The National Center For Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) have reported that 68% of child sex trafficking cases were victims who were in the care of social services or foster care when they ran.

It is of interest to the West Virginia Missing Children Clearinghouse and Crimes Against Children Unit to identify the issues in West Virginia surrounding the issue of child sex trafficking. Under the West Virginia Center for Children's Justice is a Human Trafficking Task Force of different disciplines from across the state that've come together to identify the issues, bring awareness into the communities, and support changes in West Virginia legislation regarding human trafficking. With the efforts of each team member we will continue to work together and make a difference in West Virginia.



West Virginia Center for Children's Justice (WVCCJ)

The West Virginia Center for Children's Justice is the newest addition to the Crimes Against Children Unit. The WVCCJ is a collaborative effort between Office of U. S. Attorney Booth Goodwin, West Virginia State Police, and West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources, Bureau for Children and Families. It serves as a statewide clearinghouse for information, resources, training and technical assistance. The center is responsible for coordinating activities to include the Defending Childhood Initiative Handle With Care Program and the WV Children's Justice Act and WV Drug Endangered Children Program. All three task forces are charged with improving the investigation, prosecution and judicial handling of child abuse and neglect cases, strengthening prevention and intervention efforts, and promoting school-community partnerships aimed at ensuring that children who are exposed to trauma in their home, school or community receive appropriate interventions to help them achieve academically at their highest levels despite whatever traumatic circumstances they may have endured.

The highlighted program that is being expanded statewide is the Handle with Care program. Handle With Care is simply a notification system from law enforcement to a local school system that a child was exposed to a traumatic event and should be "Handled With Care" the next day coupled with follow counseling provided in the school system.

Handle With Care ("HWC") programs promote safe and supportive homes, schools and communities that protect children, and help traumatized children heal and thrive. HWC promotes school-community partnerships aimed at ensuring that children who are exposed to trauma in their home, school or community receive appropriate interventions to help them achieve academically at their highest levels despite whatever traumatic circumstances they may have endured. The ultimate goal of HWC is to help students to succeed in school. Regardless of the source of trauma, the common thread for effective intervention is the school. Research now shows that trauma can undermine children's ability to learn, form relationships, and function appropriately in the classroom. HWC programs support children exposed to trauma and violence through improved communication and collaboration between law enforcement, schools and mental health providers, and connects families, schools and communities to mental health services.

Crimes Against Children Fleet Inventory

The Crimes Against Children Unit is assigned a total of twenty-two (22) vehicles through the department. Out of those twenty-two (22) vehicles eleven (11) vehicles have mileage in excess of 100,000 miles.

Crimes Against Children Unit Critical Needs

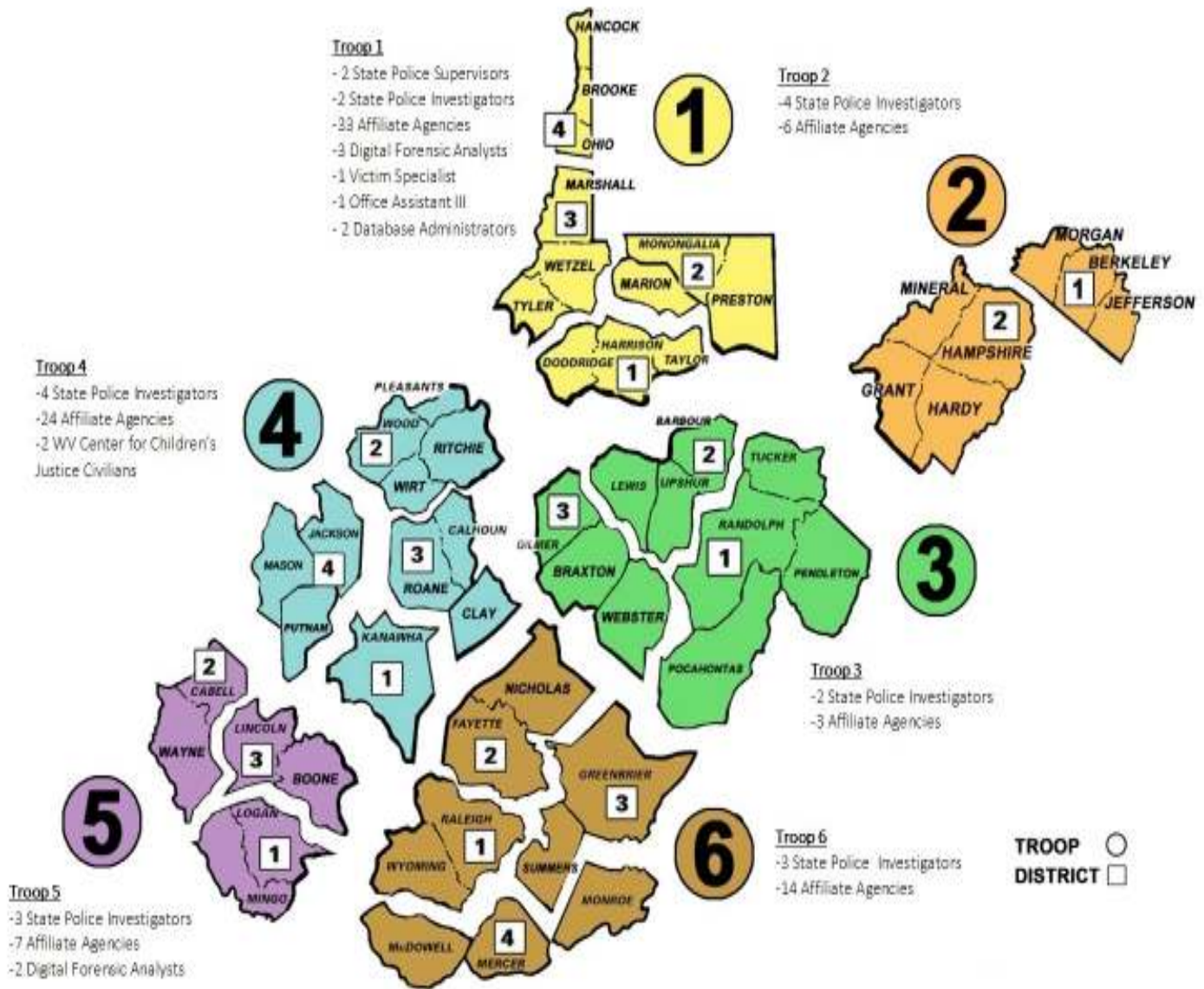
The most critical need for the Crimes Against Children Unit would be an increase in personnel both uniformed investigators and civilian support staff.

In the short term, the Crimes Against Children Unit would like to see an increase in uniformed personnel to a level at least four (4) investigators in Each Troop. This would require adding six (6) Troopers to the Unit. The long term goal of the Crimes Against Children Unit would be to increase the unit to provide at least twelve (12) investigators in each Troop area of responsibility. This would provide a breakdown of four (4) investigators designated as Child Protection Investigators, four (4) investigators designated at Internet Crimes Against Children Investigators, and four (4) designated as Sex Offender Compliance Investigators. All would be cross trained to perform duties in any of the three designated positions. This would require adding an Office Assistant in each Troop area and a Troop Clerk at the CACU Headquarters. With the additional investigators, the need for more Digital Forensic Analyst as well as Victim Services will arise.



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Field Services – Troop 0, Office of Public Affairs



F/Lieutenant Michael Baylous
Public Information Officer

The primary point of contact between the West Virginia State Police and the news media is the Office of Public Affairs. This section is responsible for the dissemination of information to the public and media entities via the Internet, news releases, press conferences, and briefings.

The Office of Public Affairs acts as a liaison at the scenes of crime which generate extensive media interest, natural or manmade disasters, or other law enforcement activities including presentations to civic groups, schools, colleges, and community organizations referencing topics of interest that enhance the cooperation of the West Virginia State Police and the public.

Staff Services – Troop 0, Executive Protection



Captain Gregory S. Bowman
Director

The Executive Protection Section of the West Virginia State Police is charged with the responsibility of providing protection for the Governor, his or her immediate family, and other persons so designated. The section provides 24-hour security at the State Capitol and the Governor's residence.

During Fiscal Year 2015, the Executive Protection Section consisted of a director, deputy director, and ten (10) executive protection officers. These West Virginia State Troopers function in both uniformed and plainclothes capacities, as circumstances dictate, and accompany the Governor, his or her family, and other designated individuals to a variety of scheduled events.

Executive Protection Officers are also responsible for the security of all rooms and vehicles utilized by the Governor and other protectees and perform advance security checks at scheduled events as needed. When directed, executive protection officers provide protection and transportation to visiting dignitaries and schedule the utilization of any state aircraft, vehicle, or other transportation used by the Governor or other individuals under their protection.

Staff Services – Troop 0, Recruiting



Captain Reggie Patterson
Recruiting Coordinator

The West Virginia State Police tested in July 2014 for the 65th cadet class and there were approximately 1400 applications on file. The class began on December 1, 2014 with 55 Cadets. This class enlisted 2 black males and 7 white females. On May 22, 2015, the 65th cadet class graduated 43 troopers, which included 2 black males and 6 females.

The recruiters have advertised by placing visual aids at each Detachment and various broadcasts via radio and television as well as attended numerous career fairs other events. The recruiters have received phone calls, e-mails, and walk-in inquiries regarding future employment and testing schedules.

The State Police continue to recruit year-around by attending recruiting fairs and events throughout West Virginia and neighboring states. The State Police has made strides in promoting the honorable profession of Trooper to youth and teenagers throughout the State. The State Police face the yearly uncertainty as to when we plan on having our next cadet class, thus recruiting efforts are complicated.

Staff Services – Troop 0, Personnel Section



Marsha Beasley
Director

The Personnel Section is responsible for the development and administration of personnel programs, personnel records management, employment applications and processing, and the observance of state and federal employment regulations. The section maintains records including background investigations, evaluations, assignments, promotions and retirement files of State Police personnel.

During the fiscal year office activities included completion of testing for the 65th Cadet Classes and continued participation in the statewide WVOasis Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) initiative. Day-to-date activities for the office include the completion of all personnel transactions for agency new hires, transfers, separations, reclassifications, leave of absences, promotions and longevity increases. The section is also responsible for civilian job postings, preparation of voluntary transfer reports, managing the Leave Donation Program, overseeing workers compensation claims, certifying employee hours for the On-The-Job Training Program governed by the Montgomery G.I. Bill, and leave certification under the Unused Sick Leave Program. The section maintains the automated manpower report, voluntary transfer listing, and the current and former member directory available to the State Police membership on the Department Intranet.

FY 15 PERSONNEL STATISTICS

FY 2014-2015 PERSONNEL STATISTICS	SWORN	CIVILIAN
ACTUAL MANPOWER 7/1/2014	673	370.5
ACTUAL MANPOWER 6/30/2015	681	380.5
ENLISTMENTS / NEW HIRES	47	56
RE-ENLISTMENTS/REINSTATE	0	0
RESIGNATIONS	13	36
RETIREMENTS	26	6
PROMOTIONS	24	20
TRANSFERS	136	19
RANK REDUCTIONS/REASSIGN	0	1
TERMINATIONS/DISMISSALS	0	2
RECLASS/REALLOCATIONS	172	9



Staff Services – Troop 0, Medical Unit



Karlina Vancamp
Registered Nurse

The Medical Unit of the West Virginia State Police is located at the Training Academy Complex in Dunbar, West Virginia and consists of three civilian employees which include one registered nurse, one medical billing expert, and one contractual physician. The unit is charged with the responsibility of providing a variety of medical services for the agency that include the following duties:

- Provide medical treatment for minor ailments and injuries that occur within the student population at the State Police Academy
- Coordinate the process for the physical examination of sworn personnel during annual in-service training
- Maintain individual medical files
- Administration of the physical examination requirements for the cadet screening process
- Review and processing of “line of duty” medical billing

The unit also manages the Temporary Alternative Duty (TAD) Program which provides a means of obtaining useful work for personnel who are unable to perform full police duties while recuperating from injuries or illnesses.

The Medical Unit, in cooperation with the Legal Section, is responsible for subrogation claims made on behalf of the agency when another party is at fault in an automobile crash.

Staff Services – Troop 0, Procurement



Sergeant M. L. Dickerson
Deputy Director

The Procurement Section is responsible for the acquisition and distribution of all goods and services integral to the day-to-day operations of the West Virginia State Police. In performing this task, every effort is extended to ensure that equipment, supplies and services obtained are of the highest quality available. Normally these items are obtained either by statewide contracts or by means of competitive bids solicited from reputable vendors who are registered to do business with the State of West Virginia.

Renovations were completed on the new West Virginia State Police Information Services Center and several sections were relocated in the month of April. The National Guard donated their old armory building to the West Virginia State Police which was renovated and is now the new Troop 3 Headquarters and Elkins detachment. The new building began to be utilized in November of 2014.

Eighty two new vehicles were purchased during the past fiscal year. Vehicles purchased were eleven Ford Interceptor Sedans, forty Ford Interceptor Utilities, two Ford Cargo vans, three Ford F-350 trucks, five Jeep Patriots, four Ford Fusions and seventeen Ford F-250 trucks. Twelve of the Ford F-250's were purchased with Federal Grant funds and will be placed throughout the state to be utilized for the dismantling and transportation of meth labs.

During the past year the body shop repaired seventy nine vehicles, painted the tops of forty Ford Interceptor Utilities and marked all of the new vehicles added to the fleet. A total of \$46,788 was spent in parts and materials for these repairs. During the course of the year vehicles that were deemed unserviceable were cannibalized and approximately \$17,000 was saved with this process. The field supplies section of Procurement processed a large number of inter-departmental requisitions. The Printing and Graphic Arts section also completed numerous projects throughout the year.



Staff Services – Troop 0, Information Services



Sergeant Russ H. Greene
Director

The Information Services Section is responsible for specifying, purchasing, installing, and maintaining the computer network infrastructure within the West Virginia State Police. The Section maintains connectivity to outside law enforcement agencies WEAPON (West Virginia Automated Police Network) systems, Nlets (National Law Enforcement Telecommunications System), and NCIC (National Crime Information Center) for the FBI. There are non-law enforcement agencies that utilize the WEAPON system and the criminal history information it contains for applicant background investigations, as well. The Section installs and maintains all of the Department's servers, desktops, laptops, network equipment, video surveillance systems, burglar/fire alarms, and telephone systems.

One of the many accomplishments Information Services completed in fiscal year 2015, was moving into the newly remodeled Information Services Building located at 701 Jefferson Road. The new facility contains traffic records, criminal records, information services, the primary dispatch center for Troop 4, and the communications center. This was a monumental task in the fact that approximately 75 employees were moved from their existing location in Headquarters and the functionality of the sections remained virtually uninterrupted in the transition.

We continue to work with the 911 centers throughout the state in moving them away from their T1 connections and installing a Cisco firewall with the same functionality. The initial one-time cost is approximately \$600, but this eliminates a monthly bill of \$515 with a yearly cost savings of \$6,180.

The web-based portal system continues to grow and advance giving law enforcement the ability to query the state criminal history system, child abuse registry, sex offender registry, warrants, and license plate recognition systems. The Virtual Office system continues to develop additional in-house forms, functionality, and daily business practices of the Department; which include accounting, personnel, procurement, traffic records, and activity submissions.

Critical Needs

Every dispatcher and administrator accessing the WEAPON network must be trained by WVSP personnel, which is currently limited to two employees statewide. Those same two employees are tasked with mandated FBI CJIS triennial audits for the more than 350 terminal agencies, as well as the non-criminal agencies. This is an enormous time consuming task that requires the auditors to travel all over the state throughout the year, while continuing to educate and certify new operators on WEAPON. There needs to be at a minimum of four additional auditors hired to encumber the substantial workload placed on the two current auditors.

There are only five database administrators that maintain the ever-growing infrastructure of the WVSP and WEAPON systems. These individuals not only maintain the current systems, but implement any new systems that are required within the Department. They have to be on call on a rotating weekly basis for after hour technical issues that commonly occur in the middle of the night. The Communication Section needs at a minimum four IT staff that could assist in the ever evolving WVSP network and infrastructure. There isn't a dedicated funding source to ensure the WEAPON & NCIC systems are functional for not only the 911 centers, but the nation's law enforcement as a whole and any updates or repairs are from general revenue funds.

The video/audio recorders within each detachment statewide are at their end of life cycle and need to be replaced at an approximate overall cost of \$90,000.



The Criminal History System is approximately twenty-five years old and has been modified repeatedly to meet the ever changing state and federal requirements. The current system maintains the sex offender registry, the child abuse registry, and the concealed weapon registry. If an additional state or federal registry were mandated, the WVSP would not be able to comply due to the antiquated and obsolete system in place.

There are thirty-four detachments that are in need of new or updated burglar/fire alarms with an approximate cost of \$41,000.

The current Cisco telephone infrastructure at Headquarters is approximately six years old and is at the end of its life cycle, which is typically five years. The estimated cost is approximately \$85,000 to ensure functionality.

Staff Services – Troop 0, Planning and Research



**F/Sgt Michael Lynch
Planning Officer**

The Planning and Research Section of the West Virginia State Police serves as support for the superintendent and his staff. The responsibilities of the section include general planning and policy development and implementation.

General planning responsibilities include development of short and long-range goals for the West Virginia State Police at the direction of the superintendent, providing research and development support to other sections throughout the agency, and working cooperatively with Field Operations as may be required to meet established objectives and improve agency law enforcement and non-law enforcement responses.

Policy development and implementation involves research, drafting, dissemination, and training of new and revised policies. The section receives and applies input regarding operational practices from a variety of sources and continually reviews and modifies existing policy and develops new policies as directed by the superintendent.

Planning and Research provides direct assistance to the office of the superintendent and other senior agency managers in matters of daily and special operations.

Active Shooter Survival Training

In 2010, the West Virginia Board of Risk Insurance Management (WVBRIM) approached the West Virginia State Police with an out-reach program designed to teach civilian employees on ways to survive an active shooter in the workplace. The WVBRIM personnel had purchased a training video that taught survival skills consistent with the Houston Model of “Run, Hide, Fight” and inquired on whether there was additional information they could incorporate to increase the effectiveness of their program. First Sergeant Michael Lynch from the Planning & Research Section was contacted and reviewed WVBRIM’s video and training program and was then asked to develop a training program to coincide with the video’s training objectives. 1/Sgt. Lynch developed a training program that consisted of a PowerPoint presentation, lecture, demonstrations, and dynamic exercises that would involve the course participants. The very first presentation of this combined program was later in 2010 and received resounding approval and heartfelt appreciation. Over the next few years, the program continued to develop and gain in popularity. Word eventually got out to other states about this unique program, resulting in 1/Sgt. Lynch and his WVBRIM partners presenting this training to groups in Texas, Louisiana, and North Carolina. During the 2015 fiscal year, this training was provided to various federal, state, and local agencies at numerous venues and to a total of thousands of course participants



Staff Services – Troop 0, Criminal Records



Sergeant Scott Pettry
Director

The Criminal Records Section was established in 1935 by Legislative Act. The original purpose was to receive and file fingerprints, photographs, records and other information pertaining to the investigation of crime and the apprehension of criminals. Further legislation has required the clerk of any court of record or magistrate to report to the Criminal Records Section any sentence or other disposition of criminal charges brought against any person. Since the inception of the section, criminal history record information (CHRI) has been processed and maintained in a manner fashioned from procedures followed by the Identification Division of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and has done so with few procedural changes over the past 62 years. Criminal Records is comprised of six distinct sections, including:

*Criminal Records *Concealed Handgun Permits Registry * Bail Bond Enforcer Registry * Sexual Offender Registry * Central Abuse Registry * Child Abuse Registry *Uniform Crime Reporting

During the past year, the Criminal Identification Bureau processed approximately:

15000 Sex Offender Registrations
70000 Applicant Background Investigations
63000 Concealed Weapon Permits were processed

87000 Criminal Arrests
1500 Expungements

Current projects Criminal Identification Bureau is working on:
Working with IT Section on the RAPBACK project
Virtual Office system with IT Section
Mobile ID Project with the FBI
Working with the Supreme Court on Court Disposition Reporting System
New NIBRS System with UCR
Applicant Background Check process

Critical Needs

The West Virginia State Police houses the State Criminal Identification Bureau. All arrest information from all law enforcement, court dispositions, fingerprint submissions, sex offender registry, child abuse registry, concealed weapon permit registry and bail bondsman registry is stored in the Criminal History System. The current system was developed in the late 1980's and implemented in the mid 1990's for the West Virginia State Police. The West Virginia State Police have made numerous modifications in the last 20 years to the system. While the modifications and changes have ensured functionality, the system cannot be modified to handle the new information, technology, architecture or new security features.

With new Federal and State Guidelines in record management along with state of the art advances in technology, and new security measures in place, the current system the Criminal Identification Bureau uses has become obsolete. A new Criminal History System would meet the standards and enable the department to meet the needs of all law enforcement in collecting and maintaining the Criminal Record.

The West Virginia State Police utilizes livescan devices for criminal arrest and sex offender registration. The system was implemented in 2009 with the purchase of a new Automated Fingerprint Identification System (AFIS). There is no current funding allocated for the continuation of this system.



Staff Services – Troop 0, Radio Communications



Sergeant Jeffery Perry
Director

There are five radio electronics shops located throughout the state that support radio communications. The primary function of the radio shops is to install and maintain towers, base stations, RF links, mobile and portable radios, RADARs, in-car video systems and emergency warning equipment. They also work with other state agencies, counties and local municipalities on the Statewide Interoperable Radio Network (SIRN).

This past year the radio shops installed equipment in forty new cruisers. The technicians were able to get out to the hilltops and conduct needed maintenance on our tower sites. Eventide recorders were purchased and installed at all primary dispatch centers, updating the old com log recorders to digital, allowing for better access and recording capability. There were 78 Motorola P-25 APX mobiles and 75 Motorola dual-band P-25/VHF APX portables purchased this past year, 40 mobile units were installed in the new cruisers and the 65TH Cadet Class all received new APX radios.

Also purchased were 60 Kenwood TK-690 Low Band radios, 60 Kenwood TK-7180 VHF (high band) radios, and 60 Pyramid VHF repeaters.

There were nine contracts drafted and awarded to allow us to continue purchasing items and services: DPS 1449 Lithium Polymer radio and flashlight batteries, DPS 1450 Nickel Cadmium radio and flashlight batteries, DPS 1451 Lithium Ion radio and flashlight batteries, DPS 1452 Nickel Metal Hydride radio and flashlight batteries, DPS 1436 Communications Infrastructure Supplies, DPS 1438 Generator Repair, DPS 1500000015 Microwave Communications Equipment, DPS 1500000006 Digital P-25 Mobile and Portable Radios, DPS 1500000004 Motorola 7500 Direct Connect Dispatch Consoles. Without these contracts we are limited in the amount of items we can purchase to keep the field supplied and our equipment maintained and serviced.

A new radio technician was hired for the Elkins Radio Shop. The Sharps Knob and Cacapon Towers were moved from their old tower locations to the SIRN sites. This allows for better reception through the microwave connection. Tower site work to install a tower at the new Beverly location for Troop 3 was completed and preparation is ongoing for moving the dispatch center to Beverly from Elkins. A Motorola MCC 7500 console was purchased for the South Charleston dispatch center and is being installed for the connection to the SIRN master switch. We continue to make connections to the SIRN microwave and upgrade our equipment allowing us to expand our communications system into the 21ST century.

Critical Needs

The salary of West Virginia State Police Electronic Technicians (ETs) is below that of other West Virginia state agencies, by as much as \$6,000 to \$8,000. Other state agencies, though higher than State Police salaries, are as much as \$12,000 below other industry salaries. This places State Police technicians \$20,000 below that normal range. It is becoming more difficult to find and hire qualified ETs for the rate of pay the West Virginia State Police offers.

In-Car Video Camera Systems:

The West Virginia State Police in-car video camera systems currently in use are more than seven years old and are no longer serviceable by the manufacturer for repairs, as the systems have been discontinued. The majority of these systems are non-operational, in whole or in part. The West Virginia State Police is in need of at least 550 in-car video camera systems at a cost of \$5,548.90 each (Total Cost: \$3,051,895.00).



Dual-Band Portable Radios:

The West Virginia State Police is in need of 225 dual-band portable radios at \$5,702.80 each, and 340 vehicular repeaters at \$938 each, to provide Troopers with portable radio communications with West Virginia State Police and 911 Dispatch Centers, while outside of their cruisers (Total Cost: \$1,602,050.00).

Dispatching Radio Consoles:

The West Virginia State Police are in need of new dispatch radio consoles, as five of the current dispatch consoles are obsolete, and spare parts are no longer available. Upgrading the consoles would greatly enhance communications with Troopers as well as interoperable communications with other agencies across the state. The four newest consoles in use by the State Police are not capable of full functionality with the Statewide Interoperable Radio Network (SIRN) efficiently. The SIRN P-25 Trunked radio system utilizes a direct microwave connection to the Zone Controller allowing real time connection to any talk group available in the system, thus providing redundancy for State Police Dispatch Centers to cover other areas in the state as needed. The current need is to replace the dispatch console equipment at Elkins (three positions) for an approximate \$85,000 per position, for a total of \$255,000.00. There are an additional thirteen radio console positions that will need to be updated to provide adequate SIRN connectivity. (Total Cost: \$1,360,000.00).

Microwave Connectivity for Primary Dispatch Centers:

The West Virginia State Police is in need of additional microwave radio equipment for connection of the State Police primary radio dispatch centers into the Statewide Interoperable Radio Network (SIRN) for direct connectivity into SIRN. This allows not only the ability to use the microwave as a transport method for all radio system connections, but additionally gives the required and desirable connections of consoles to the SIRN Zone Controller for access to all SIRN talk groups. The State Police has already installed the equipment for the SIRN microwave connectivity at four primary dispatch centers (Elkins, Romney, Shinnston and South Charleston). There are five remaining primary dispatch centers needing SIRN microwave connectivity (Beckley, Huntington, Logan, Moundsville and Parkersburg) at a cost of approximately \$160,000.00 per location. (Total Cost: \$800,000.00)



Staff Services – Troop 0, Forensic Laboratory



Sheri Lemons
Acting Director

The Forensic Laboratory of the West Virginia State Police has been providing forensic services since its inception in 1935. The Laboratory is supervised by a Director; an Assistant Director/ Quality Assurance Manager and eight (8) Section Supervisors; and is staffed with twenty nine (29) Analysts (including 3 vacancies and 9 trainees), seven (7) Evidence Technicians (including 4 trainees) and four (4) support staff. The Laboratory analysts are qualified through education (Bachelor's or Master's degree in Natural Sciences or related field), training and experience to testify to the results of forensic testing in state and federal courts.

The Forensic Laboratory offers a broad range of forensic services, scientific examinations and expert testimony, without charge, to all law enforcement agencies operating within the State. Examinations are conducted in connection with a crime, in support of a criminal investigation, or in the interest of the public safety. The Laboratory is organized into eight (8) forensic disciplines including Drug Identification, DNA, Firearms/Toolmarks/Impression Evidence, Latent Prints, Toxicology, Trace Evidence, Questioned Documents, and Evidence Processing. **Currently, only one of the eight disciplines is fully staffed and trained.**

The Laboratory has been accredited by the American Society of Crime Laboratory Directors/ Laboratory Accreditation Board (ASCLD/LAB) since 1994 and successfully completed ASCLD/LAB-International (ISO 17025) accreditation in December of 2014.

For fiscal year 2015, the Laboratory close to **7200 cases** (over 300 case increase from fiscal year 2014) from various law enforcement agencies across the state and tested approximately **36,000 samples**. The total cost of operations for the Forensic Laboratory was approximately **5 million**. The Laboratory utilized \$56,700 from the Paul Coverdell Forensic Science Improvement Program and \$396,320 in DNA Capacity Enhancement and Backlog Reduction from the National Institute of Justice (for use only in DNA analysis and related disciplines) for continued education for forensic analysts/technicians, renovation for newly acquired space, and to purchase instrumentation and software necessary to stay abreast with current technologies and emerging trends in the area of forensic analysis.

The Laboratory decided to discontinue the implementation of Forensic Advantage Laboratory Information Management System (LIMS) and purchased JusticeTrax for laboratory case management. This system will provide on-line access of laboratory reports and case status information to law enforcement agencies and officers of the court. This system will enhance communication between all law enforcement agencies and enable stakeholders to take decisive actions. The projected implementation date is early 2016.

The Drug Identification Section, comprised of four full time analysts (**down from six last year**), one part-time analyst, one trainee and two vacancies, continues to receive the majority of cases submitted to the laboratory (close to 3700 submissions in fiscal year 2015) with heroin and marijuana being the most common drugs tested. The Section continues to work toward decreasing their tremendous backlog of approximately 2,400 drug cases (**a 20% increase from last fiscal year**). Because of the backlog, the Section currently works primarily rush cases (those with a pending court date) and receives approximately 50 expedited letters each week. The most critical needs for the Drug Identification Section are at least 2-3 Gas Chromatograph Mass Spectrometers (GCMS) to replace current instruments that can no longer be serviced due to age. Even with a tremendous backlog and critical instrument needs, the Section continues to build its database of new synthetic drugs and has worked diligently to ensure state legislation is current with national synthetic drug trends. Recently acquired space in the current facility is allowing much needed opportunity for expansion.



The Latent Print Section, currently comprised of four full time analysts, received over 900 cases from various law enforcement agencies throughout the state of WV and finished the fiscal year 2015 with a statistically negligible backlog for the fifth year in a row. With the recent hire of a fully-trained analyst, the Latent Print Section still remains current with testing requests; offering a 30 day turn-around time. They are in great need of upgrades to the Automated Fingerprint Identification System (AFIS) to expand their current searching capabilities, increase searching speed, and to be more compatible with the current AFIS software utilized by the FBI. The Section now boasts **three** Certified Latent Print Examiners, *three of less than a thousand worldwide*.

The Biochemistry (DNA) Section is made up of five qualified analysts and three analysts and three DNA technicians in training. This Section is the largest staffed section of the Laboratory and receives close to 500 cases annually from across the state. The Section analyzes DNA from violent crimes such as sexual assault and murder as well as from non-violent crimes such as breaking and entering. In addition to comparing DNA obtained from evidence with DNA collected from a suspect/victim, the Biochemistry Section will upload eligible DNA results obtained from evidence to state and national databases known as Combined DNA Index System (CODIS) in hopes of linking the evidence to other crimes or a possible perpetrator. The West Virginia State Police DNA Laboratory is the only CODIS facility for the state of West Virginia. The number of convicted offender DNA profiles contributed to the National Database as of June 2015 was approximately 25,000. In addition the number of forensic casework DNA results entered into the National Database reached approximately 1000 this year. Our DNA Laboratory has aided almost 200 investigations with the use of CODIS since its inception. With the reallocation of building space, hiring of additional staff is feasible and imperative to meet the demand for DNA analysis, the Section hopes to begin decreasing its approximate **532 case backlog (up 43% from last year)**.

The Questioned Documents Section of the Laboratory, comprising of 1 full-time qualified analyst and one part-time qualified analyst, can provide less than 90-day turn-around time for testing results. The Section provides analysis in the areas of Handwriting and Questioned Documents Examination which includes examination of damaged documents, identifying forged documents, and examination of currency and security features on official documents. Over the past two years, the trend in this forensic discipline has moved from minor forgery cases to more complex forgeries, drug-involved cases and crimes against persons.

The Trace Evidence Section, made up of one fully trained analyst and two partially trained analysts, offers analyses of ignitable liquids, gun shot residue, glass, and paint. The Section received over 200 cases requesting these various types of analyses in fiscal year 2015 and currently must outsource certain casework review (a requirement for laboratory accreditation) due to limited trained staff, yet still maintains a minimal backlog. The Section is in dire need of new instrumentation to replace current instruments that can no longer be serviced due to age (the current GCMS is approximately 14 years old and the Glass Refractive Index Measurement (GRIM) instrument has been in use since 2002). The Trace Evidence Section has a goal to complete training for all members of the section in order to perform all technical reviews in-house and explore expansion of testing capabilities such as fiber, hair, and explosives residue analysis should resources allow.

The Toxicology Section, currently comprised of one fully trained analyst, one analyst in training and one vacancy, offers testing services in the areas of Blood Alcohol Analysis and Drug Toxicology. The Section lost two of its three analysts in FY 2014 and a recently hired trainee resigned in July 2015, which has caused a significant increase in case backlog. The Laboratory is currently working to fill the open vacancy. The Section received just over **1000 cases** during the past fiscal year (**up from 600 the previous year**) and currently must outsource a majority of its casework to a contract analyst due to the lack of a second qualified analyst within our Laboratory. Needs of the Section include an additional Liquid Chromatography Mass Spectrometer (tandem) to train new employees and meet casework demands simultaneously. Important to note, over the past year the Toxicology Section, in conjunction with the Commission on Drunk Driving Prevention, has been instrumental in supporting the initialization of the state first DRE program. The success of the DRE program has, in part, contributed to the increase in case submissions.



The Firearm and Toolmark Section, comprised of three full trained analysts and one trainee, received over 170 cases in FY 2015 and, due to an almost fully trained staff, saw a tremendous decrease in their overall case backlog (**under 100 cases**). The Section offers analysis in firearm and toolmark comparisons, distance determination, impression evidence, physical match and shooting reconstruction. The Section will soon need to purchase an additional comparison microscope and update existing equipment to stay current with testing technologies and requests. Upon acquisition of space, progression to another fully trained analyst, and retention of our current examiners, the Firearm and Toolmark Section will continue to meet the goal of a zero backlog.

The Central Evidence Receiving (CER) Section is staffed by three fully trained evidence technicians. CER is tasked with receiving evidence, disseminating for analysis, and releasing evidence for all sections of the Forensic Laboratory. They offer guidance to officers on proper submission of evidence, proper sealing of evidence and also route communications to different sections of the laboratory. In FY 2015, the Receiving Section processed and entered almost **7500** submissions into the current LIMS system. Some of the equipment in CER is quite old and will soon need replaced including bar code printers and scanners. Notably, the CER staff perform regular inventories throughout the year and have never reported a lost or missing item of evidence among the thousands of pieces they must track annually.

Finally, the Central Evidence Processing (CEP) Section, currently staffed with 4 fully trained analysts, one trainee and one evidence technician, examines evidence for the presence of biological material. They received over 600 cases in FY 2015 and, due to the loss of a trained analyst, saw an increase in case backlog to over **300 cases (up from approximately 175 last year)**. If current staff is retained and case submissions remain similar, the section will have no backlog in approximately three years. One of the most significant issues facing the Processing Section is the number of expedited testing requests made by investigators/officers of the court. Approximately 20% of cases processed in FY 2015 were “rush cases”, meaning they were processed out of received order for a significant reason (impending court date, danger to the public, etc.). Should the backlog diminish to near negligible in CEP and in all backlogged sections, investigators from around the state should no longer need to submit expedited requests because case analysis will occur in a more timely manner.

In summary, the WVSP Laboratory continues to be the only full service laboratory offering forensic services to all law enforcement (federal, state, county and local) throughout the state of WV. While we are acquiring much needed space within the building, dedicated Laboratory funding for instrumentation purchases, hiring/retention of forensic analysts, and overall general operations is crucial for the success of the Laboratory.

Forensic Laboratory Sections	Number of Cases Fiscal Year 2015	
	Received	Reported
Drug Identification	3692	3234
Evidence Processing	622	543
Firearm & Toolmarks	174	216
Latent Prints	938	933
Trace Evidence	223	246
Toxicology	1015	794
Documents	57	66
Biochemistry (DNA)	462	351
TOTAL	7183	6383



Staff Services – Troop 0, Traffic Records



F/Sgt Chris Zerkle
Director

The Traffic Records Section is a staff function of the West Virginia State Police. In this capacity, the section is responsible for collecting reports of accidents investigated by State Police Officers. These reports are indexed and made available to interested parties, such as insurance companies and persons involved in the accidents.

Although many projects were undertaken and completed by the Section during the 2015 Fiscal Year, including the update of all the intoximeters state wide, the Traffic Records Section is also looking at the 2016 Fiscal Year with hopes of completing the development and implementing the Electronic Citation (e-citation) on a state wide level for all agencies. The Section has updated the MVI Manual and is currently in the process of updating the Modified Manual in addition to improving computer technology for the Motor Vehicle Inspection (MVI) and Commission on Drunk Driving Prevention (CDDP) Units. This includes the computerization of the inspection stations to enable them to have a paperless audit trail and allow for ordering of stickers via Credit Card, Check and Electronic Funds Transfer.

Motor Vehicle Inspection

The West Virginia Motor Vehicle Inspection Program, which is administered by the Traffic Records Section of the West Virginia State Police, consists of an annual inspection of all motor vehicles registered in the state where motor vehicle brakes, exhaust, steering, and other mechanical aspects of a motor vehicle are closely evaluated.

While imposing the responsibility and duty of annual inspection upon the motoring public, the West Virginia Inspection Program has also assumed certain obligations to the motorists. It assumes the normal obligations to ensure the program is responsible to public complaints and that it does, in fact, meet its stated objective of promoting public safety and welfare by eliminating mechanical defects in motor vehicles.

During the 2015 Fiscal Year, the Traffic Records Section continued monitoring motor vehicle inspection stations for compliance of inspection regulations. Civilian Investigators began utilizing laptop computers to perform their daily inspection station audits which are electronically transferred to the State Police Headquarters, thereby eliminating the paper trail allowing for a more timely review of the Investigators work.

STATISTICS FOR MVI IN WEST VIRGINIA

July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015

TOTAL VEHICLES INSPECTED	1,325,821
COST OF VEHICLES INSPECTED	\$395,923.65
AVERAGE COST PER VEHICLE INSPECTED	\$29.86
TOTAL VEHICLES REJECTED	16,809
TOTAL INSPECTION STATIONS	1,738
TOTAL INSPECTOR MECHANICS	9,289
NEW STATIONS LICENSED	93
STATIONS VOLUNTARILY CANCELLED	42
STATIONS SUSPENDED	33
INSPECTOR MECHANICS SUSPENDED	25

REPAIRS, ADJUSTMENTS OR REPLACEMENTS

MADE TO VEHICLES INSPECTED

HORNS	630
WIPERS	12,556
MIRRORS	1,444
BRAKES	23,875
BODY	2,369
STEERING	13,075
EXHAUST SYSTEM	7,755
LIGHTS	40,746
SAFETY GLASS	1,814
TIRES	67,562
VEHICLES CORRECTED	109,226



HIGHWAY FATALITIES BY COUNTIES
INVESTIGATED BY THE WEST VIRGINIA STATE POLICE
JULY 1, 2014 THRU JUNE 30, 2015

COUNTY	Crashes	Fatalities	COUNTY	Crashes	Fatalities
BARBOUR	106	3	MINERAL	135	1
BERKELEY	574	3	MINGO	73	1
BOONE	86	2	MONONGALIA	537	5
BRAXTON	68	3	MONROE	53	1
BROOKE	135	0	MORGAN	69	1
CABELL	135	3	NICHOLAS	130	0
CALHOUN	63	0	OHIO	50	0
CLAY	58	5	PENDLETON	86	1
DODDRIDGE	58	0	PLEASANTS	24	0
FAYETTE	143	2	POCAHONTAS	70	1
GILMER	49	1	PRESTON	185	3
GRANT	70	0	PUTNAM	118	1
GREENBRIER	119	2	RALEIGH	416	4
HAMPSHIRE	293	6	RANDOLPH	200	2
HANCOCK	11	0	RITCHIE	67	0
HARDY	68	1	ROANE	97	0
HARRISON	192	2	SUMMERS	43	1
JACKSON	89	5	TAYLOR	48	0
JEFFERSON	120	2	TUCKER	68	0
KANAWHA	405	2	TYLER	19	1
LEWIS	90	3	UPSHUR	145	0
LINCOLN	149	3	WAYNE	133	3
LOGAN	207	1	WEBSTER	60	1
MARION	254	1	WETZEL	55	1
MARSHALL	30	1	WIRT	37	0
MASON	70	0	WOOD	177	2
MCDOWELL	93	5	WYOMING	26	0
MERCER	432	2			

	Crashes	Fatalities
TOTALS	7,288	88



Commission On Drunk Driving Prevention

The Commission on Drunk Driving Prevention (CDDP) is required to develop and maintain a comprehensive program to prevent drunk driving; enhance the enforcement of laws defining drunk driving offenses; inquire and determine from state and local law enforcement agencies the availability and need for equipment and additional personnel for the effective enforcement of laws defining drunk driving offenses; provide grants to state and local law enforcement agencies to purchase equipment or hiring of additional personnel. The Superintendent of the West Virginia State Police shall be the chairman, Ex-Officio of the Commission and his appointed a member of his staff to be the Executive Director to oversee the Commission activities.

Short term goals for the CDDP include design and implement an interactive web site for the CDDP that will include data retrieval, download capabilities and links to additional useful sites and purchase additional equipment to assist with our testing of drunk drivers. Other goals include the continuation of providing law enforcement agencies throughout West Virginia with funding through grants for the detection and apprehension of drunk drivers, continue statewide training of law enforcement officers on the Intox EC/IR II, Alco-sensor III and S-D2 PBT devices, which covers field sobriety testing, methods of detection, apprehension and prosecution of drunk drivers, and develop and implement printers for use with the EC/IR II to streamline the paperwork during a DUI arrest.

FDA

The Traffic Records Section is now over the FDA Tobacco Program (Federal Grant), which has eight (8) employees. The employees check businesses that sell tobacco products, checking to make sure the business is in federal compliance with selling tobacco. Tobacco has to be secured behind the counter, cannot be near any candy or food items, and advertisement of same has to be handled in the same way. Once the compliance checks are completed, a report is sent to the DHHR with the investigators findings.

September 1, 2014 to July 31, 2015	
Announced Inspections	917
Undercover Inspections	2,582
Warning Letters Issued	239
Civil Money Penalties	70

Staff Services - Troop 0, Accounting



Connie Gundy
Comptroller

The Accounting Section of the West Virginia State Police is located at the agency's headquarters in South Charleston, West Virginia and comprises Accounts Payable, Budget, Payroll, Cash and Grants Management, Fringe Benefits, and Auditing. Accounting is staffed with 11 full-time civilian employees. Supervision falls within the responsibilities of the Comptroller and Assistant Comptroller.

Accounting personnel are responsible for all revenue and expenditure transactions which include payroll, travel, vendor payments, cash deposits and refunds, fringe benefits plan maintenance, and preparation and expenditure monitoring of the annual operating budget. It is also charged with grants management to ensure compliance with state and federal grant regulations.

**WEST VIRGINIA STATE POLICE
GENERAL REVENUE FUND - ACCOUNT 0453
STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES COMPARED TO APPROPRIATION
FISCAL YEAR 2015**

A. PERSONAL SERVICES/EMPLOYEE BENEFITS - 00100

Appropriation	\$59,075,965	
Appropriation Adjustments	(507,913)	
Net Appropriation	<u>58,568,052</u>	\$58,568,052
Expenditures		
1200 Personal Services	\$46,460,868	
1201 Personal Services Temporary Position	(\$265)	
1202 Payroll Reimbursement	(\$2,753,174)	
1203 Overtime	(\$227,611)	
1206 Increment	\$236,642	
2200 PEIA Fees	\$49,165	
2201 Public Employees Insurance	\$62,235	
2202 Social Security	\$1,292,842	
2203 PEIA Insurance	\$4,824,847	
2204 Other Health Insurance (Aetna)	\$75,005	
2205 Workers Compensation	\$54,625	
2206 Unemployment Compensation	\$10,611	
2207 Retirement Contributions	\$1,377,117	
3265 Less: Reimbursements	(\$2,759)	
2208 WV OPEB Contribution	\$1,827,172	
Total Expenditures	<u>53,287,320</u>	\$53,287,320
Expired Appropriation		<u>\$5,280,732</u>

B. CHILD PROTECTION ACT - 09000

Appropriation	\$947,942	
Appropriation Adjustments	(12,123)	
Net Appropriation	<u>935,819</u>	\$935,819
Expenditures		\$935,819
Expired Appropriation		<u>\$0</u>



C. CURRENT EXPENSE - 13000

Appropriation	\$11,219,232	
Appropriation Adjustments	<u>(\$821,448)</u>	
Net Appropriation		\$10,397,784
Expenditures		
3200 Office Expenses	\$169,865	
3201 Printing & Binding	\$28,978	
3202 Rental Expense	\$78,228	
3203 Utilities	\$266,524	
3204 Telecommunications	\$610,796	
3205 Internet Service	\$179,111	
3206 Contractual Services	\$61,475	
3207 Professional Services	49,271.60	
3208 Consultants and Consulting Fees	\$0	
3209 Security Service	\$0	
3210 Research, Educational & Medical Contracts	\$0	
3211 Travel - Employee	\$41,795	
3212 Travel - Non Employee	0.00	
3213 Computer Service - Internal	\$240,307	
3214 Computer Service - External	\$277,991	
3216 Vehicle Rental	\$59,078	
3217 Rentals (Machine & Misc)	\$50,519	
3218 Association Dues & Professional Membership	\$10,738	
3219 Fire/Auto/Bond & Other Insurance	\$50,240	
3220 Food Products	\$87,000	
3221 Clothing Supplies	\$102,620	
3222 Household Supplies	\$133,803	
3224 Advertising & Promotional	\$3,304	
3225 Vehicle Operating Expense	\$492,820	
3226 Research Supplies	\$284,810	
3227 Educational Supplies	\$0	
3228 Medical Supplies	\$6,439	
3229 Routine Maintenance Contracts	\$291,185	
3231 Resale Goods	\$30	
3232 Cellular Charges	\$157,915	
3233 Hospitality	(\$1,580)	
3234 Educational Training	\$2,880	
3235 Energy Exp. Motor Vehicle/Aircraft	\$2,427,145	
3237 Subsistence	\$1,012,668	
3238 Energy Expense Utilities	\$908,944	



3241	Miscellaneous	\$441,588	
3242	Training & Development - In State	\$11,440	
3243	Training & Development -Out of State	\$10,053	
3244	Postage	\$139,978	
3245	Freight	\$17,534	
3246	Computer Supplies	\$138,056	
3247	Software Licenses	\$16,317	
3248	Computer Equipment	\$71,392	
3249	Office Equipment - Current Expenses	\$372	
3250	Attorney Legal Service Payments	\$2,295	
3251	Attorney Reimbursable Expense	\$194	
3252	Miscellaneous Equipment & Purchased	\$468,861	
3254	Payment of Taxes	\$41	
3263	Bank Costs	\$2,162	
3265	Reimbursement	(\$255,076)	
3267	Other Interest and Penalties	\$8,526	
3270	Fund Transfers	\$0	
3272	PEIA Reserve Fund	\$449,357	
3290	Debt Service (Leases - Principal)	\$65,000	
3291	Debt Service (Leases - Interest)	\$36,567	
3293	Medical Services Payments	\$675,950	
3324	State Treasurer's Office Fees	\$635	
6105	Vehicle Repairs	91.78	
	Total Expenditures		\$10,386,232
Expired Appropriation			\$11,552

D. REPAIRS & ALTERATIONS - 06400

Appropriation	\$450,523	
Expenditures		
6100	Office Equipment Repairs	\$35,547
6101	Communication Equipment Repairs	\$2,017
6102	Research & Educational Equipment Repairs	\$6,079
6103	Building & Household Equipment Repairs	\$81,348
6104	Routine Building Maintenance	\$28,186
6105	Vehicle Repairs	\$238,432
6106	Routine Maintenance of Grounds	\$19,391
6107	Farm and Construction Equip. Repairs	\$10,123
6108	Other Repairs & Alterations	\$29,400
Total Expenditures		\$450,523
Expired Appropriation		\$0



E. VEHICLE PURCHASE - 45100

Appropriation	\$2,403,790	
Appropriation Adjustments	<u>(\$903,790)</u>	
Net Appropriation		\$1,500,000
Expenditures		\$1,500,000
Expired Appropriation		<u>\$0</u>

F. BARRACKS LEASE PAYMENT - 55600

Appropriation	\$246,478	
Expenditures		\$246,478
Expired Appropriation		<u>\$0</u>

G. COMMUNICATION & OTHER EQUIPMENT - 55800 (FY 11)

Appropriation	\$111,725	
Expenditures		\$78,799
Reappropriated		<u>\$32,926</u>

H. COMMUNICATION & OTHER EQUIPMENT - 55800 (FY 12)

Appropriation	\$583,414	
Expenditures		\$111,511
Reappropriated		<u>\$471,903</u>

I. COMMUNICATION & OTHER EQUIPMENT - 55800 (FY 14)

Appropriation	\$221,399	
Expenditures		\$96,868
Reappropriated		<u>\$124,531</u>



J. COMMUNICATION & OTHER EQUIPMENT - 55800 (FY 15)

Appropriation	\$1,338,968	
Appropriation Adjustments	<u>(\$70,000)</u>	
Net Appropriation		\$1,268,968
Expenditures		\$524,892
Reappropriated		<u>\$744,076</u>

K. TROOPER RETIREMENT FUND - 60500

Appropriation	\$4,625,240	
Appropriation Adjustments	<u>(\$38,899)</u>	
Net Appropriation		\$4,586,341
Expenditures		\$4,375,454
Expired Appropriation		<u>\$210,887</u>

L. CAPITAL OUTLAY & EQUIPMENT SURPLUS - 67700

Appropriation	\$0	
Expenditures		\$0
Reappropriated		<u>\$0</u>

M. HANDGUN ADMINISTRATION EXPENSE - 74700

Appropriation	\$81,668	
Appropriation Adjustments	<u>(\$1,248)</u>	
Net Appropriation		\$80,420
Expenditures		\$80,420
Expired Appropriation		<u>\$0</u>



N. CAPITAL OUTLAY & MAINTENANCE - 75500 (FY 09)

Appropriation	\$3,633	
Expenditures		(\$12,341)
Reappropriated		<u>\$15,974</u>

O. CAPITAL OUTLAY & MAINTENANCE - 75500 (FY 10)

Appropriation	\$19,581	
Expenditures		\$19,581
Reappropriated		<u>\$0</u>

P. CAPITAL OUTLAY & MAINTENANCE - 75500 (FY 11)

Appropriation	\$170,056	
Expenditures		\$9,822
Reappropriated		<u>\$160,234</u>

Q. CAPITAL OUTLAY & MAINTENANCE - 75500 (FY 12)

Appropriation	\$36,427	
Expenditures		\$28,904
Reappropriated		<u>\$7,523</u>

R. CAPITAL OUTLAY & MAINTENANCE - 75500 (FY 13)

Appropriation	\$0	
Expenditures		\$0
Reappropriated		<u>\$0</u>



S. CAPITAL OUTLAY & MAINTENANCE - 75500 (FY 14)

Appropriation	\$2,091,945	
Net Increase to Appropriation		
Expenditures		\$26,525
Reappropriated		<u>\$2,065,420</u>

T. CAPITAL OUTLAY & MAINTENANCE - 75500 (FY 15)

Appropriation	\$314,425	
Appropriation Adjustments	<u>(\$64,425)</u>	
Net Appropriation		\$250,000
Expenditures		\$249,056
Reappropriated		<u>\$944</u>

U. RETIREMENT SYSTEM - UNFUNDED LIABILITY - 77500

Appropriation	\$20,860,000	
Expenditures		\$20,860,000
Expired Appropriation		<u>\$0</u>

V. AUTOMATED FINGERPRINT IDENTIFICATION SYSTEM - 89800

Appropriation	\$704,920	
Appropriation Adjustments	<u>(\$32,926)</u>	
Net Appropriation		\$671,994
Expenditures		\$671,994
Expired Appropriation		<u>\$0</u>



W. BRIM PREMIUM - 91300

Appropriation	\$4,946,608	
Expenditures		\$4,946,608
Expired Appropriation		<u>\$0</u>

GRAND TOTAL

Appropriation	\$110,453,937	
Appropriation Adjustments	<u>(\$2,452,772)</u>	
Net Appropriation		\$108,001,165
Total Expenditures		<u>\$98,874,464</u>
Expired Appropriation		\$5,503,172
Reappropriated		<u>\$3,623,529</u>

Comparison to Expended vs. Expired Gen. Rev. Appropriations

Total Appropriations	110,453,937
Appropriation Adjustments	(2,452,772)
Total Expenditures	98,874,464
Total Expired Funding	5,503,172



WEST VIRGINIA STATE POLICE
APPROPRIATED SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

FUND	6501	6513	6516	6519	6527	6532	6544	TOTAL
Cash Balance 7/1/14	\$1,749,037	\$3,899,959	\$188,863	\$560,128	\$584,637	\$9,095	\$24,450	\$ 7,016,169
RECEIPTS	1,534,081	1,666,307	-	77,245	328,090	490	39,474	\$ 3,645,687
EXPENDITURES:								
1200 Personal Services	682,346	-	-	-	95,928	-	-	\$ 778,274
1202 Payroll Reimbursements	(13,499)	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$ (13,499)
1203 Overtime	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$ -
1206 Annual Increment	27,920	-	-	-	900	-	-	\$ 28,820
2200 Employee Insurance Fees	1,035	-	-	-	200	-	-	\$ 1,235
2201 Personnel Fees	3,892	-	-	-	1,080	-	-	\$ 4,972
2202 Social Security Matching	42,955	-	-	-	6,979	-	-	\$ 49,934
2203 Public Employees Insurance	100,395	-	-	-	18,119	-	-	\$ 118,514
2205 Workers Compensation	2,027	-	-	-	337	-	-	\$ 2,364
2207 Pension & Retirement	71,943	-	-	-	13,556	-	-	\$ 85,499
3272 Public Employee Transfer	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$ -
2208 WV OPEB Contribution	30,905	-	-	-	6,722	-	-	\$ 37,627
3200 Office Expenses	8,042	-	-	-	-	-	65	\$ 8,107
3201 Printing & Binding	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$ -
3202 Rental Expense (Building)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$ -
3203 Utilities	2,011	-	-	1,452	-	-	-	\$ 3,462
3204 Telecommunications	1,524	-	-	432	-	-	-	\$ 1,956
3205 Internet	-	-	-	2,250	-	-	-	\$ 2,250
3206 Contractual	-	849,391	-	1,493	-	-	-	\$ 850,883
3207 Professional	213	103	-	2	23	-	-	\$ 341
3211 Travel-Employee	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$ -
3213 Computer Services Internal	4,848	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$ 4,848
3214 Computer Services External	544	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$ 544
3216 Vehicle Rental	2,341	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$ 2,341
3217 Rentals-Machine&Misc	-	-	-	24	-	-	-	\$ 24
3218 Association Dues and Professional Membership	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$ -
3219 Fire, Auto, Bond & Other Insur	302,432	154,452	-	-	18,524	-	-	\$ 475,408
3220 Food Products	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$ -
3221 Clothing supplies	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$ -
3222 Household supplies	47	-	-	-	-	-	37	\$ 84
3224 Advertising & Promotional	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$ -



3225	Vehicle Operating Expense	1,961	-	-	3,194	-	-	-	\$	5,155
3226	Research Supplies	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$	-
3227	Educational Supplies	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$	-
3228	Medical Supplies	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$	-
3229	Routine Maintenance Contracts	991	-	-	5,377	-	-	-	\$	6,368
3231	Merchandise for Resale	86,371	-	-	-	-	-	24,764	\$	111,135
3232	Cellular Charges	1,320	-	-	849	-	-	-	\$	2,169
3233	Hospitality	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$	-
3235	Energy Expense Motor Vehicle/Aircraft	36,159	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$	36,159
3237	Subsistence	3,175	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$	3,175
3238	Energy Expense Motor Vehicle/Aircraft	16,367	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$	16,367
3241	Miscellaneous	402	-	-	390	-	-	60	\$	852
3242	Training & Development - In State	198	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$	198
3243	Training & Development - Out of State	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$	-
3244	Postal	29,732	8	-	-	-	-	-	\$	29,740
3245	Freight	1,132	-	-	-	-	-	319	\$	1,451
3246	Computer Supplies	1,302	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$	1,302
3247	Software Licenses	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$	-
3248	Computer Equipment	532	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$	532
3249	Office Equipment - Current Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$	-
3252	Misc Equipment Purchases	1,415	-	-	2,428	-	-	-	\$	3,844
6100	Office Equip Repairs	22	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$	22
6101	Communication Equip Repairs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$	-
6102	Research, Educ, Med Equip Rep	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$	-
6103	Building and Household Equip Repairs	-	-	-	323	-	-	-	\$	323
6104	Routine Building Maintenance	359	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$	359
6105	Vehicle Repairs	3,220	-	-	528	-	-	-	\$	3,747
6106	Routine Maintenance of Grounds	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$	-
6107	Farm and Const. Equip. Repairs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$	-
6108	Other Repairs and Alterations	-	-	-	461	-	-	-	\$	461
5200	Office Equipment	10,214	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$	10,214
5201	Communication Equipment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$	-
5203	Research & Educational Equip.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$	-
5204	Household Equip. & Furnishings	-	-	-	-	6,321	-	-	\$	6,321
5205	Building Equipment	-	-	-	-	20,769	-	-	\$	20,769
5206	Vehicles	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$	-
5207	Livestock, Farm & Const Equip	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$	-
5209	Other Capital Equipment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$	-
3256	Grants	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$	-
3257	Awards	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$	-
3258	Scholarships	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$	-
3259	Loans	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$	-
3263	Bank Fees	5,049	-	-	-	-	-	423	\$	5,472



7400	Building Construction	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$ -
3265	Reimbursement	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$ -
3272	Public Employees Insurance Ins. Res. Transfer	7,111	-	-	-	1,077	-	-	\$ 8,188
8202	Consultant Payments for Capital Asset Projects	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$ -
7401	Building Improvements	-	-	185,000	-	-	-	-	\$ 185,000
7402	Building Purchase	-	-	-	40,000	-	-	-	\$ 40,000
3290	Debt Service (Leases-Principal)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$ -
3293	Medical Service Payments	-	-	-	96,171	-	-	-	\$ 96,171
3296	Imprest Funds	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$ -
5210	Computer Equipment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$ -
8203	Computer Software	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$ -
3270	Transfers Out	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$ -
3267	Other Interest and Penalties	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$ 20
FY14 13th Month		26,008	3	-	92	4,229	-	2,027	\$ 32,359

Total Expenses 1,504,981 1,003,956 185,000 155,465 194,765 - 27,694 3,071,861

Cash Balance 6/30/15 \$1,778,137 \$4,562,310 \$3,863 \$481,909 \$717,962 \$9,585 \$36,229 \$ 7,589,995

**WEST VIRGINIA STATE POLICE
EXPENDITURES
BY FUND TYPE AND ACTIVITY
FISCAL YEAR 2015**

	0453 GENERAL REVENUE	APPROPRIATED SPECIAL REVENUE	8741 FEDERAL FUNDS	OTHER FUNDS	TOTAL	%
PERSONAL SERVICES	\$53,287,320	\$1,092,163	\$1,429,705	\$3,135,626	\$58,944,813	53.63%
CURRENT EXPENSES	\$10,386,232	1,124,673	\$559,515	794,417	\$12,864,836	11.71%
REPAIRS & ALTERATIONS	\$450,523	\$4,912	\$12,692	\$29,388	\$497,515	0.45%
EQUIPMENT	\$812,070	\$37,304	\$169,696	\$874,436	\$1,893,505	1.72%
BUILDINGS	\$0	\$225,000	\$690,946	346,540	\$1,262,486	1.15%
OTHER	\$33,938,320	475,408.00	\$20,000	8,972	\$34,442,700	31.34%
TOTAL	\$98,874,464	\$2,959,459	\$2,882,553	5,189,379	\$109,905,856	100.00%
PERCENT OF TOTAL	89.96%	2.69%	2.62%	4.72%	100.00%	



WEST VIRGINIA STATE POLICE
SCHEDULE OF GENERAL FUND REIMBURSEMENTS RECEIVED
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

	WV Parkways Authority	Division of Motor Vehicles	Insurance Commission	Lottery Commission	Total
PERSONAL SERVICES/EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	\$721,438.36	-	\$164,065.72	\$179,239.79	\$1,064,743.87
CURRENT EXPENSE	\$15,080.00	\$103,479.46	\$4,301.72	\$16,840.17	\$139,701.35
BARRACKS LEASE PAYMENT	-	\$51,026.77	-	-	\$51,026.77
TROOPER RETIREMENT FUND	\$74,237.38	-	\$16,348.69	\$23,595.81	\$114,181.88
TOTAL REIMBURSEMENTS	<u>\$810,755.74</u>	<u>\$154,506.23</u>	<u>\$184,716.13</u>	<u>\$219,675.77</u>	<u>\$1,369,653.87</u>

WVSP FY 2015 INVESTMENT ACCOUNT BALANCES & ACTIVITY

Fund	7/1/14 Beg. Balance	Investments	Withdrawals	Interest	6/30/15 End. Balance
6504	\$1,577,298.07	-	\$200,000.00	\$1,817.50	\$1,379,115.57
6506	\$623,378.09	-	-	\$752.01	\$624,130.10
6518	\$2,401.82	-	-	\$3.27	\$2,405.09
6531	\$53,170.80	\$16,099.00	\$18,754.85	\$63.76	\$50,578.71
TOTALS	<u>\$2,256,248.78</u>	<u>\$16,099.00</u>	<u>\$218,754.85</u>	<u>\$ 2,636.54</u>	<u>\$2,056,229.47</u>



**WEST VIRGINIA STATE POLICE
NON-APPROPRIATED SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS - OTHER
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015**

FUND	*		*		*		*			TOTAL	
	6502	6504	6505	6506	6508	6518	6528	6529	6531		6543
Cash Balance & Investments * 7/1/14	\$1,037,823	\$1,577,298	\$151,155	\$872,849	\$64,456	\$599,117	\$76,551	\$4,849	\$175,431	\$69,312	\$4,628,842
*RECEIPTS	3,556,701	(198,183)	725,000	223,343	1,227,807	165,893	524	-	47,348	43,419	5,791,853
EXPENDITURES:											
1200 Personal Services	294,477	-	158,131	31,577	1,172,724	-	-	-	-	-	1,656,910
1202 Payroll Reimbursements	253,416	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	253,416
1203 Overtime	797,755	-	209,369	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,007,124
1206 Annual Increment	13,294	-	1,020	660	-	-	-	-	-	-	14,974
2200 Employee Insurance Fees	400	-	100	150	-	-	-	-	-	-	650
2201 Personnel Fees	1,440	-	270	450	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,160
2202 Social Security Matching	27,570	-	3,783	2,183	16,241	-	-	-	-	-	49,777
2203 Public Employees Insurance	43,242	-	15,926	15,716	-	-	-	-	-	-	74,884
2205 Workers Compensation	1,099	-	90	109	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,298
2207 Pension & Retirement	23,079	-	20,630	4,513	-	-	-	-	-	-	48,222
3272 Public Employee Transfer	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2208 WV OPEB Contribution	17,712	-	4,564	3,936	-	-	-	-	-	-	26,212
3200 Office Expenses	10,792	-	1,003	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11,795
3201 Printing & Binding	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3202 Rental Expense (Building)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3203 Utilities	-	-	23	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	23
3204 Telecommunications	-	-	701	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	701
3205 Internet	1,360	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,360
3206 Contractual	3,802	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,802



3207	Professional	3,654	-	73	14	-	91	-	-	-	-	3,832
3211	Travel-Employee	12,811	-	1,150	-	-	-	-	494	-	-	14,455
3213	Computer Services Internal	-	-	21	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	21
3214	Computer Services External	7,500	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7,500
3216	Vehicle Rental	61,831	-	48	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	61,879
3217	Rentals-Machine&Misc	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3218	Association Dues and Professional Membership	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3219	Fire, Auto, Bond & Other Insur	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3220	Food Products	331,655	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	331,655
3221	Clothing supplies	1,030	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,030
3222	Household supplies	14,766	-	57	296	-	913	-	-	-	-	16,033
3224	Advertising & Promotional	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3225	Vehicle Operating Expense	1,325	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,325
3226	Research Supplies	281	-	48,876	220	-	-	-	-	-	-	49,378
3227	Educational Supplies	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3228	Medical Supplies	592	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	592
3229	Routine Maintenance Contracts	-	-	5,436	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,436
3231	Merchandise for Resale	550	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	550
3232	Cellular Charges	13,251	-	990	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	14,241
3233	Hospitality	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3235	Energy Expense Motor Vehicle/Aircraft	16,807	-	9,222	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	26,029
3237	Subsistence	-	-	3,120	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,120
3238	Energy Expense Motor Vehicle/Aircraft	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3241	Miscellaneous	112,140	-	11,507	2,229	-	180	-	-	-	-	126,056
3242	Training & Development - In State	5,673	-	-	-	-	-	-	349	-	-	6,022
3243	Training & Development - Out of State	6,760	-	6,725	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	13,485
3244	Postal	270	-	1,425	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,696
3245	Freight	2,558	-	885	75	-	43	-	-	-	-	3,562
3246	Computer Supplies	414	-	2,478	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,892
3247	Software Licenses	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3248	Compuer Equipment	3,986	-	15,141	-	-	112	-	-	-	-	19,238
3249	Office Equipment - Current Expenses	-	-	525	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	525
3252	Misc Equipment Purchases	67,812	-	169	21,171	-	14,904	-	-	-	-	104,056



6100	Office Equip Repairs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
6101	Communication Equip Repairs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
6102	Research,Educ,Med Equip Rep	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
6103	Building and Household Equip Repairs	4,305	-	-	-	-	45	-	-	-	-	4,350
6104	Routine Building Maintenance	1,693	-	-	-	-	2,546	-	-	-	-	4,239
6105	Vehicle Repairs	10,059	-	4,323	3,020	-	-	-	-	-	-	17,402
6106	Routine Maintenance of Grounds	-	-	-	1,694	-	217	-	-	-	-	1,911
6107	Farm and Const. Equip. Repairs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
6108	Other Repairs and Alterations	506	-	-	980	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,486
5200	Office Equipment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5201	Communication Equipment	652,062	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	652,062
5203	Research & Educational Equip.	-	-	9,347	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9,347
5204	Household Equip.&Furnishings	-	-	-	-	-	18,677	-	-	-	-	18,677
5205	Building Equipment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5206	Vehicles	49,468	-	-	-	-	72,300	-	-	-	-	121,768
5207	Livestock, Farm&Const Equip	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5209	Other Capital Equipment	-	-	-	-	-	23,695	-	-	-	-	23,695
3256	Grants	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3257	Awards	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3258	Scholarships	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3259	Loans	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3263	Bank Fees	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
7400	Building Construction	-	-	-	-	-	43	-	-	-	-	43
3265	Reimbursement	-	-	-	-	(42,945)	-	-	-	-	-	(42,945)
3272	Public Employees Insurance Ins. Res. Transfer	3,460	-	1,290	323	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,073
8202	Consultant Payments for Capital Asset Projects	-	-	-	-	-	8,973	-	-	-	-	8,973
7401	Building Improvements	-	-	-	-	-	190,236	-	-	-	-	190,236
7402	Building Purchase	-	-	-	-	-	156,261	-	-	-	-	156,261
3290	Debt Service (Leases-Principal)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3293	Medical Service Payments	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3296	Imprest Funds	51,926	-	-	(3,040)	-	-	-	-	-	-	48,886
5210	Computer Equipment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
8203	Computer Software	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-



3270	Transfers Out	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
3267	Other Interest and Penalties	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	Total Expenses	2,928,584	-	538,419	86,277	1,146,020	489,237	-	843	-	5,189,379	
Cash Balance & Investments 6/30/15		\$1,665,940	\$1,379,116	\$337,737	\$1,009,915	\$146,243	\$275,773	\$77,075	\$4,006	\$222,779	\$112,732	\$5,231,315

*Receipts for Fund 6504 are Fund Transfers to Fund 8741 Per S.B. 2018

* Funds 6504,6506,6518,& 6513 balances include
both Cash and Investments with Treasurer



**WEST VIRGINIA STATE POLICE
FEDERAL FUNDS
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015**

FUND	8741
Cash Balance 6/30/14	\$1,419,492
RECEIPTS	2,310,450
EXPENDITURES:	
1200 Personal Services	91,038
1202 Payroll Reimbursements	315,659
1203 Overtime	987,026
2200 Employee Insurance Fees	-
2201 Personnel Fees	1,260
2202 Social Security Matching	10,526
2203 Public Employees Insurance	6,186
2205 Workers Compensation	353
2207 Pension & Retirement	13,557
2208 WV OPEB Contribution	3,786
3200 Office Expenses	4,362
3202 Rent Expense	1,068
3204 Telecommunications	-
3205 Internet	1,761
3206 Contractual	47,106
3207 Professional	(5,068)
3210 Research Educational	10,380
3211 Travel - Employee	54,187
3212 Travel -Non Employee	4,126
3213 Computer Services - Internal	-
3214 Computer Services - External	21,063
3216 Vehicle Rental	122,107
3220 Food Products	753
3221 Clothing Supplies	4,859
3222 Household Supplies	646
3224 Advertising & Promotional	2,485
3225 Vehicle Operating Expense	601
3226 Research Supplies	8,634
3227 Educational Supplies	-
3228 Medical Supplies	4,080

3235 Energy Expense - Motor Vehicle/Aircraft	24,549
3241 Miscellaneous	12,101
3242 Training & Development - In State	3,821
3243 Training & Development - Out of State	17,729
3244 Postal	356
3245 Freight	136
3246 Computer Supplies	2,026
3247 Software Licenses	16,090
3248 Computer Equipment	1,097
3249 Office Equipment - Current Expenses	2,407
3252 Misc Equipment Purchases	31,377
7400 Building Construction	88,493
7401 Building Improvements	497,453
7402 Building Purchases	105,000
3296 Imprest Funds	164,677
6102 Research, Educ, Med Equip Rep	4,281
6103 Building and Household Equip Repairs	-
6104 Routine Building Maintenance	7,828
6105 Vehicle Repairs	176
6107 Farm and Const. Equip. Repairs	350
6108 Other Repairs and Alterations	57
5203 Research & Educational Equip.	151,526
5205 Building Equipment	-
5206 Vehicles	-
5209 Other Capital Equipment	18,170
5210 Computer Equipment	-
8202 Consultant Payments for Capital Asset Projects	-
8203 Computer Software	20,000
FY14 13th Month Expenditures	(73)
Total Expenses	2,882,167
Cash Balance 6/30/15	\$847,774



Headquarters – Troop 0, Legal Section



John Hoyer
Chief Legal Counsel

The Legal Section of the West Virginia State Police consists of two attorneys, both of whom are Assistant Attorneys General and one paralegal. The section is housed within agency headquarters and deals with a multitude of legal issues ranging from civil to criminal matters that affect the agency.

The Legal Section is also responsible for administrative grievance hearings from grievances filed by agency employees. The section also handles Circuit and Supreme Court appeals that arise from these cases, as well as handling any unemployment hearings resulting from employee or member termination.

The section prepares written briefs or oral arguments on all civil or criminal appeals that directly affect the West Virginia State Police, such as those pertaining to sexual offender registration, expungements, Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) litigation, and concealed weapons.

On occasion, the Legal Section is called upon to provide instruction during annual in-service training for West Virginia State Police members. In this capacity, the Legal Section updates sworn members of pending or decided West Virginia Supreme Court and U.S. Supreme Court decisions that affect law enforcement. The Legal Section aids in the development of new policies and procedures, training for key personnel, and answering both administrative and field questions pertaining to the agency. In addition, the attorneys answer a wide variety of legal questions from members in the field on a daily basis.

Headquarters – Troop 0, Professional Standards Section



Captain C. J. White
Director

The Professional Standards Section is the Superintendent's principle point of contact regarding the professional conduct of both sworn members and civilian employees of the agency. It serves as a collection and dissemination point for all allegations of misconduct lodged against West Virginia State Police employees and ensures these allegations are thoroughly investigated. It provides an avenue through which the public can have complaints addressed and through which the Superintendent can receive complete and accurate information when determining appropriate action to address these complaints. The operation of the Professional Standards Section is governed by West Virginia Legislative Rule 81CSR10. The rule addresses procedures for receiving and investigating complaints, employee rights, the early identification system, psychological assessment, and progressive discipline.

The Professional Standards Section is supervised by a section director who holds an appointed rank position from one of the Superintendent's principal supervisor positions and answers directly to the Superintendent. In addition to the director, the section is staffed with a deputy director and a secretary at the agency's headquarters and an inspector at each troop headquarters who perform investigations and inquiries on behalf of the section. Investigations and inquiries are reviewed by the director for thoroughness, accuracy, and completeness before being submitted to the Superintendent for closure.

The Superintendent closes all allegations in one of six ways: Sustained, Not Sustained, Unfounded, Exonerated, Policy Failure, or Withdrawn. During Fiscal Year 2015 the section received and investigated 126 complaints involving 169 allegations of misconduct. A complaint may allege more than one act of misconduct or additional acts of misconduct may be uncovered during an investigation. The accompanying chart illustrates the adjudication of those allegations.

Complaints or allegations of misconduct are generated externally from citizens, and internally by employees of the agency and by the West Virginia State Police Crash Review Board who determines if an employee is at fault in vehicle crashes involving an agency vehicle. Complaints are accepted from the public by any means including those received in person, by mail, by the Internet or by telephone. During Fiscal Year 2015, 43 percent of the complaints were received from citizens and 57 percent received from within the agency.

Legislative Rule 81CSR10 authorizes the Professional Standards Section to maintain and administer the early identification system that identifies employees who may be at risk of job-related or other stressors that increases the likelihood of performance problems and complaints of misconduct. Additionally, the section also administers both the uniformed and non-uniformed employee grievance procedures and the random drug-testing program utilized by the agency. The section is also tasked with conducting inspections of West Virginia State Police owned, leased, or maintained facilities, equipment, and personnel to ensure compliance with West Virginia State Police Policy and Procedure. Professional Standards also reviews vehicle pursuits and reports of response to resistance or aggression by members of the agency to ensure compliance with established policies and procedures.

Allegations and Dispositions July 2014 to June 2015		
Sustained	86	50%
Not Sustained	25	15%
Unfounded	8	5%
Exonerated	37	22%
Policy Failure	0	0%
Withdrawn	2	1%
Pending	11	7%
Total	169	100%

In addition to supervising the Professional Standards Section, the director is also responsible for maintaining and facilitating the West Virginia State Police Career Progression System. The system provides troopers of the West Virginia State Police with career-advancement opportunities throughout the member's career, in both supervisory and non-supervisory roles, and is governed by Legislative Rule 81CSR3. These duties include coordination of all promotional events and reclassification requests for sworn members. In addition to the administration and oversight of the Career Progression System, the director provides recommendations to the superintendent concerning impending promotions to the ranks of sergeant, first sergeant, and lieutenant when vacancies are identified. Promotional candidates for these ranks are identified through a series of written and practical tests, oral interviews, educational background, and other criteria to identify qualified candidates to occupy these supervisory positions. Recommendations made by the director are based upon a rank-ordered list of promotional candidates for these supervisory positions and their availability to accept promotions to various locations throughout West Virginia in accordance with Legislative Rule.



Directory of State Police Facilities and Offices

Agency Headquarters

Superintendent

Colonel C. R. "Jay" Smithers 746-2115

Deputy Superintendent

Lieutenant Colonel Jack C. Chambers 746-2253

Chief of Field Services

Major Timothy D. Bradley 746-2112

Deputy Chief of Field Services

Captain Anthony L. Cummings 746-2106

Chief of Staff

Major William J. Scott 746-2205

Deputy Chief of Staff Services

Captain Michael G. Corsaro 746-2103

Executive Office

Kelly Carson 746-2115

Professional Standards

Captain C. Joe White 746-2114

First Lieutenant M. LaFauci 746-2164

Tara Davis 746-2110

Planning and Research

First Sergeant Michael D. Lynch 746-2107

First Sergeant Aaron Nichols 746-2190

Sergeant James Murphy 746-2109

Joy Cunningham 746-2195

Medical Unit

Karlina Vancamp 766-5820

James Rucker 766-5821

Crimes Against Children Unit

First Lieutenant Daniel Swiger 293-6400

Personnel

Marsha Beasley 746-2118

Sandy Handley 746-2119

Sherry Dunlap 746-2117

Jeanie Jordan 746-2130

Accounting

Connie Gundy 746-2203

Angie Metzger 746-2200



Promotional Standards

Captain C. Joe White 746-2114

Special Operations

Captain Ron Arthur 766-5877

First Sergeant Eddie B. Starcher 766-5880

Academy

Captain David Lee 766-5801

Professional Development Center

First Sergeant Shallon Oglesby 766-5807

Executive Protection

Captain Gregory S. Bowman 558-0514

Legal Services

John Hoyer 746-2471

Virginia Lanham 746-2425

Photography

Robert D. Carson 746-2213

Information Services

Sergeant Russ Greene 746-2489

Radio Communications

Sergeant Jeff Perry 746-2154

Criminal Records

Sergeant Scott M. Pettry 746-2498

Forensic Laboratory

Sheri Lemons 746-2181

Procurement

Sergeant Michael Dickerson 746-2136

Traffic Records

First Sergeant Chris K. Zerkle 746-2191

Sergeant S. D. Schoolcraft 746-2490

Commission on Drunk Driving Prevention

First Sergeant Jay Powers 746-2207



Detachment Directory

<u>Detachment</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Phone Number (304)</u>
BCI	Statewide	766-5560
Beckley	Raleigh	256-6700
Berkeley Springs	Morgan	258-0000
Bridgeport	Harrison	627-2300
Buckhannon	Upshur	473-4200
Charles Town	Jefferson	725-9779
Clay	Clay	286-3185
Elizabeth	Wirt	275-8961
Elkins	Randolph	637-0200
Fairmont	Marion	367-2701
Franklin	Pendleton	358-2200
Gauley Bridge	Fayette	779-2161
Glenville	Gilmer	462-7101
Grafton	Taylor	265-6101
Grantsville	Calhoun	354-6334
Hamlin	Lincoln	824-3101
Harrisville	Ritchie	643-2101
Hinton	Summers	466-2800
Hundred	Wetzel	775-4488
Huntington	Cabell	528-5555
Jesse	Wyoming	682-4717



<u>Detachment</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Phone Number (304)</u>
Keyser	Mineral	788-1101
Kingwood	Preston	329-1101
Lewisburg	Greenbrier	647-7600
Logan	Logan	792-7200
Madison	Boone	369-7800
Marlinton	Pocahontas	799-4101
Martinsburg	Berkeley	267-0001
Mason County	Mason	675-0850
Moorefield	Hardy	538-2925
Morgantown	Monongalia	285-3200
Moundsville	Marshall	843-4100
New Cumberland	Hancock	564-3854
Oak Hill	Fayette	469-2915
Paden City	Tyler	455-0913
Parkersburg	Wood	420-4600
Parsons	Tucker	478-3101
Philippi	Barbour	457-1101
Princeton	Mercer	425-2101
Quincy	Kanawha	949-3136
Rainelle	Greenbrier	438-3000
Richwood	Nicholas	846-6510
Ripley	Jackson	372-7850
Romney	Hampshire	822-3562



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South Charleston	Kanawha	558-7777
St. Marys	Pleasants	684-7101
Spencer	Roane	927-0950
Summersville	Nicholas	872-0800
Sutton	Braxton	765-2101
Union	Monroe	772-5100
Wayne	Wayne	272-5131
Webster Springs	Webster	226-3200
Welch	McDowell	436-2101
Wellsburg	Brooke	737-3671
Weston	Lewis	269-0500
West Union	Doddridge	873-2101
Wheeling	Ohio	238-1100
Whitesville	Raleigh	854-0101
Williamson	Mingo	235-6000
Winfield	Putnam	586-2000

