

Mission Statement of the Annapolis Police Department

The Annapolis Police Department is dedicated to preventing and controlling crime and preserving the quality of life in Annapolis through firm, fair, and impartial law enforcement strategies.

How we accomplish our Mission

We are committed to preserving democracy and freedom by recognizing the constitutional rights of all;

We are committed to nurturing the public trust by maintaining professionalism in every facet of our operations and demanding the highest levels of personal and professional integrity;

We value partnerships with diverse communities to ensure safety, security, and mutual trust. We are committed to open communication and cooperation with our residential and business communities in an effort to reduce crime and improve the quality of life for all;

We take a proactive approach while encouraging and motivating the community to do the same. We value an environment which focuses on solving problems through teamwork, participation, cooperation, and enthusiasm, fostered by decisive, professional leaders who support creativity and innovation.

A Message from the Chief

The Annapolis Police Department is committed to reducing crime. Although crime numbers are at near record lows, the perception of safety is equally important and we are grateful for the promising and positive community feedback.

In 2015 crime in Annapolis increased by two percent. Violent crime dropped by three percent compared to 2014, but property crime increased by three percent.

The Annapolis Police Department follows the reporting rules established by the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Uniform Crime Reports (UCR). The crimes reported are classified as Part One Crime, they include: homicide, rape, robbery, aggravated assault, burglary, larceny, and motor vehicle theft.

Annapolis experienced a drop in violent crime in 2015; however, reported rapes increased. Homicides remained the same, with one each occurring in 2014 and 2015. Robberies decreased by three percent or a total of two incidents. There was a 10% decrease in aggravated assaults, or thirteen fewer incidents than in 2014.

A total of thirteen rapes were reported in 2015, compared to four in 2014. After investigation, one of the rapes reported has since been unfounded, meaning no offense occurred or was attempted. In six of these cases suspects have been arrested and charged. In one case a warrant has been obtained, but the suspect has not been arrested yet. Three of the cases have known suspects, but the investigations are still open. Two of the cases are open, with unknown suspects. Of the thirteen rapes reported six involved underage or mentally disabled victims, including one historical report that occurred over thirty years ago. In nine of the thirteen reported rapes the victim knew the suspect before the day of the offense.

Property crime increased by three percent in 2015. Burglaries increased by ten percent or 17 reported incidents and larcenies increased four percent. Motor vehicle thefts decreased by 27%.

Michael Pristoop
Chief of Police

OATH OF OFFICE

“I, do swear that I will support the constitution of the United States; and that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to the State of Maryland and support the constitution and enforce the laws thereof; and that I will, to the best of my skill and judgment, diligently and faithfully, without partiality or prejudice, execute the position of Police Officer according to the constitution and laws of this state.”

THE CITY AT A GLANCE

Annapolis Police Department

Organized

1867

Chief of Police

Michael A. Pristoop

Full-Time Sworn Police Officers

114 Authorized Positions

Civilian Members

38 full time

16 part time

Volunteers: 11

Budget

\$ 15,393,142 (FY15)

Calls for Service

33, 758

Starting Police Officer Salary

\$48,425

Police Officer Training

26 weeks upon entry

1-2 weeks post academy training

10 weeks of field training (approx. 360 hours)

18 hour (minimum) in-service training annually

City of Annapolis Government

Settled

1649

Chartered

1708

Mayor

Mike Pantelides

City Council

Ward One - Joe Budge

Ward Two - Frederick M. Paone

Ward Three - Rhonda Pindell Charles

Ward Four - Sheila M. Finlayson

Ward Five - Jared Littmann

Ward Six - Kenneth A. Kirby

Ward Seven - Ian Pfeiffer

Ward Eight - Ross H. Arnett, III

City Budget

\$ 97,333,734 (FY15)

Service Area

8 square miles

Population

38,722

COMMAND STAFF BIOGRAPHIES

Chief Pristoop

Chief Michael A. Pristoop began his police career in 1986 as an officer with the Baltimore Police Department and retired in 2007 as a Major in command of the Northern District. During his tenure with the Baltimore Police Department, he held the ranks of Police Officer, Sergeant, Lieutenant, Deputy Major and District Commander (Major). After 21 years of service with Baltimore, he left to become Chief of Police with the Maryland Capital Police, Department of General Services, where he commanded 180 sworn, security, and civilian personnel in both Annapolis and Baltimore, Maryland. In April 2008, Chief Pristoop was selected to serve as the interim Chief of the Annapolis Police Department and was sworn-in as the 25th Chief of Police on July 29, 2008.

Chief Pristoop holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Jurisprudence from the University of Baltimore and a Juris Doctor from the University of Baltimore, School of Law, graduating with distinction in both degrees. He is a member of the Maryland Bar, the Heusler Honor Society, Maryland Chiefs of Police Association, and the International Association of Chiefs of Police. Chief Pristoop is a graduate of the FBI National Academy, 215th Session. He is currently the President of the Maryland Chiefs of Police Association. He is the father of two children.

Major Scott Baker retired from the Baltimore Police Department after more than 20 years of service. He was last assigned to the Homicide Section, as a Shift Commander, where he oversaw 20 detectives. Major Baker joined the Annapolis Police Department in May 2008. He holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Criminal Justice from the University of Baltimore and a Juris Doctor from the University of Baltimore School of Law. He is also a graduate of the 245th Session of the FBI National Academy.

Captain Cynthia Howard joined the Annapolis Police Department on April 3, 1987. She has 27 years of experience in law enforcement, starting with foot patrol and earning successive promotions through the ranks to her present position as Commander of the Patrol Division. She was appointed to the rank of Captain in November 2008. She is a graduate of Southern Police Institute in Louisville, Kentucky, where she earned certifications in management and administration.

Captain Scott Williams is a veteran officer with 27 years of law enforcement experience serving with the Baltimore Police Department for 22 years. His assignments included supervisory roles on the SWAT Team and Homicide Unit, Commanding Officer of the Northern and Southeast Districts, and Commanding Officer of the Special Operations Section before retiring at the rank of Colonel, overseeing the Homeland Security Division. Capt. Williams has served with the Annapolis Police Department since September 2009 and is the Commander of the Operations Division.

Captain Christopher Amoia joined the Annapolis Police Department in June of 1991. In May of 2013, he was appointed to the position of Captain and is currently the Commander of the Administration Support Services Division. Through the course of his career, he has assumed various positions throughout the Annapolis Police Department and served in other capacities within the law enforcement community. Captain Amoia holds a Bachelors of Science in Criminal Justice from the University of Baltimore.

POLICE OFFICERS HIRED IN 2015

Anthony Ashton	Lateral Officer	January 15, 2015
Christine Wheatley	Lateral Officer	January 15, 2015
George Artigues	Lateral Officer	June 18, 2015
Edward Cooper	Lateral Officer	June 18, 2015
Gwynne Tavel	Lateral Officer	August 13, 2015
Bruce Ko	Lateral Officer	August 27, 2015
Raul Rodriguez	Police Recruit	September 24, 2015
Mattisin Yacobozzi	Police Recruit	September 24, 2015
Gerrard Williams	Lateral Officer	October 22, 2015
William Noel, Jr.	Police Recruit	November 5, 2015
Jobi Joseph	Police Recruit	November 5, 2015

CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES HIRED IN 2015

Jennifer Ferracane	PCO I	February 26, 2015
Kathleen Buchanan	Records Supervisor	June 4, 2015
Paul Herman	IT Projects Manager	June 4, 2015

PROMOTIONS IN 2015

Kevin Buie	Officer First Class	July 30, 2015
Carlos Olin	Officer First Class	July 30, 2015
Thomas Woolfolk	Officer First Class	July 30, 2015

RETIREMENTS IN 2015

Eric Crane	Sergeant	March 1, 2015
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REVIEW OF 2015

As the table below illustrates, total Part One offenses increased by **two percent** in 2015 when compared to 2014. Total Part I offenses totaled 1,166 in 2015.

Total Part One Crimes	2015	2014	+/-	+/- %
Homicide	1	1	0	0%
Rape	13	4	+9	+225%
Robbery	64	66	-2	-3%
Aggravated Assault	111	124	-13	-10%
Burglary	194	176	+18	+10%
Larceny	742	715	+27	+4%
M/V Theft	41	58	-17	-29%
Total	1166	1144	+22	+2%

There were **22 more** Part One offenses in 2015 when compared to 2014.

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF

Major Scott Baker

The Office of the Chief is commanded by Major Scott Baker. Major Baker joined the Annapolis Police Department in May 2008 after retiring from the Baltimore Police Department. Major Baker holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Criminal Justice from the University of Baltimore and a Juris Doctor from the University of Baltimore School of Law.

Administrative Assistant

The Chief's Office is staffed by an administrative assistant. This administrative assistant serves as the executive secretary to Chief Pristoop and is responsible for maintaining employees' personnel files.

Special Projects

Special Projects oversees the Annapolis Police Department's participation in regional initiatives, like iCCTV, the state sponsored network to share live camera feeds and regional Substance Abuse Prevention Coalitions.

Crime Analysis

The Crime Analyst carefully provides executive leadership with strategic reports and trends and works with operational staff to identify tactical crime patterns. For example, strategically the Crime Analyst provides statistics and reports to identify crime patterns, hot spots, and trends in order to inform policy and decisions regarding long term planning. Tactically, the Crime Analyst seeks to identify patterns in crimes with similar M.O. and provide officers and detectives with information necessary to identify criminal offenders, and when and where they are most likely to next strike. Additionally, the Crime Analyst assists in investigations by providing materials to officers and detectives to help organize information and/or confirm or expose suspect alibis.

Criminal Justice Coordinator

The Criminal Justice Coordinator provides real-time comprehensive information-sharing among our partners in the law enforcement and criminal justice community. The Coordinator attends the monthly Safe Streets policy meetings and is the facilitator at the bi-weekly Heightened Enforcement Accountability and Treatment (HEAT) Team strategy meetings.

Grants

Grants are used to augment existing resources (and by requirement, could not supplant existing resources). Grant funding was directed toward police overtime, modernizing technology, and equipment for improved policing tactics; expanded community policing; and specialized training.

Professional Standards

Professional Standards includes staff inspections, accreditation, and the Internal Affairs Section.

Accreditation

The Annapolis Police Department became fully accredited in March 2004 by the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies. We maintain accreditation by ensuring compliance with standards. In November of 2015, a site visit was conducted to ensure compliance with nationally set standards. APD successfully completed the compliance audit and was awarded accreditation in March 2016.

Internal Affairs Section

The policy and goal of the Annapolis Police Department is to ensure that the department's integrity is maintained by investigating all complaints against the agency or its employees thoroughly, fairly, and promptly.

During 2015 there were thirteen misconduct complaints, nine policy complaints, four excessive force complaints, and no administrative complaints. Examples of misconduct violations are discourtesy, harassment, and unbecoming conduct. Examples of policy violations are tardiness and equipment violations.

The Intelligence Section

The Intelligence Section is responsible for all investigations regarding homeland security, domestic preparedness, gang activity, dignitary protection and federal, state, and local agency coordination relating to all the above.

Alcohol Compliance

This unit falls under the Intelligence Section and detectives enforce the Liquor Laws of the City of Annapolis and the State of Maryland.

External Affairs Officer

The External Affairs Officer (EAO) interacts with the media and the citizens of Annapolis. The EAO is responsible for the dissemination of the Daily Report, media releases, press conferences, email alerts, and contacting individuals when a significant crime or arrest occurs. The EAO is also a member of the Community Services Section.

PATROL DIVISION

The Patrol Division is commanded by Captain Cynthia Howard. Captain Howard joined the Annapolis Police Department on April 3, 1987 and was appointed to the rank of Captain in November 2008. She is a graduate of Southern Police Institute in Louisville, Kentucky and attended the Baltimore Police Academy.

The Patrol Division is the enforcement component of the Annapolis Police Department. It is comprised of the Patrol Section and the Traffic Unit.

Patrol Section

The Patrol Section is the most visible part of the Annapolis Police Department. The visibility is designed to deter crime and provide a sense of security. The Patrol Section contains the Department's largest allocation of manpower; it is both the front line and backbone of the police department.

Patrol is made up of uniformed officers divided into four squads. There are two squads per shift and each shift is 12 hours. Each shift is commanded by a Lieutenant who runs the day-to-day operations.

Patrol squads are responsible for responding to calls for assistance, the detection and prevention of crime, traffic accident investigation, traffic enforcement, and preventative neighborhood patrol. Patrol resources are often directed to specific areas of the City to prevent problems before they occur. This focusing of resources provides for the most efficient use of available manpower.

Officers assigned to the Patrol Section are trained in a variety of skills such as crime scene processing, S.W.A.T., negotiating, crash reconstruction, and other disciplines.

Traffic Unit

Along with responding to calls for service, the Traffic Unit conducts pro-active law enforcement through DUI patrols, seat belt, school bus, cross walk, and speed limit enforcement in problem areas. The unit's primary goal is to enforce traffic laws within the City. One of the most consistent concerns from residents and business owners is speeding vehicles. In 2015 APD officers made 656 traffic arrests and 102 DWI-DUI arrests. There was a 13% increase in traffic crashes. There was a decrease in personal injury crashes of 10.8%, but an increase in hit-and-run injury crashes of 33% percent. There was an increase in pedestrian related crashes, with 34 occurring in 2014 and 46 in 2015. The number of alcohol related crashes also increased, with 44 in 2014 and 48 in 2015. Crash re-constructionists responded for 8 crashes where the victim's injuries were deemed life threatening. There was one fatal traffic accident in 2015.

Crossing Guards

The Crossing Guards are a dedicated group who assist young students throughout the school year. They work in all types of weather, ensuring the safety of our children as they travel to and from school. The Crossing Guards are supervised by the Traffic Unit.

Honor Guard

The Annapolis Police Honor Guard is a volunteer post, composed of sworn officers who have a variety of duty assignments. The Honor Guard represents the City of Annapolis and the Department at parades, ceremonies, and officer funerals.

Auxiliary Officers

Members of the Auxiliary Police Unit are an essential asset to the Annapolis Police Department. Members of the unit assist the department without compensation and perform specific duties to include patrols throughout the City with limited responsibilities. They work closely with the police officers, support staff and the community.

OPERATIONS DIVISION

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The Operations Division is composed of enforcement and investigative components of the Annapolis Police Department. It is comprised of the Flex Unit, K9 Unit, Neighborhood Enhancement Team, Criminal Investigations, Annapolis' Special Emergency Team, and Special Events Coordinator.

Some of these are pro-active discretionary units deployed to specific areas based on crime trends, citizen complaints, interdiction efforts and special events. They act as support units for the Patrol Division, or as stand-alone units targeting specific persons, crimes and complaints.

Flex

Officers assigned to the Flex Unit are the discretionary arm of the department. Along with supporting the patrol and investigative sections, they focus on crime trends and neighborhood complaints as well as address quality-of-life issues and conduct warrant service.

Canine Unit

The Canine Unit, comprised of dog and handler teams, is specially trained to find illegal drugs, explosives, and criminal suspects. The Canine Unit supports all other units in the department by conducting building searches for suspects, tracking criminal suspects, and conducting scans of vehicles, buildings, and other areas for either illegal drugs or explosives. One dog can do the work of many officers in a search.

Neighborhood Enhancement Team (NET)

Officers in this unit are assigned to foot patrol in specific communities. In 2015 Harbour House and Eastport Terrace were communities constantly covered. At other times throughout 2015 the Robinwood and Clay Street communities were also covered. The goal of this unit is to walk and patrol in the community making connections with the community members and addressing ongoing concerns.

Annapolis Special Emergency Team

The Annapolis Special Emergency Team (A.S.E.T) is a group of highly trained officers from various units. The A.S.E.T. conducts high-risk search and seizure warrant service, is deployed to all hostage/barricade incidents, and may be called upon to handle any critical incident. They receive enhanced training on a monthly basis to prepare them for complex and volatile situations. The response team is supported by specially trained paramedics from the Annapolis Fire Department.

Criminal Investigation Section

The Criminal Investigation Section is comprised of the Investigation Unit, Victim Assistance Unit, Drug Enforcement Unit, Cold Case Investigator, and Forensic Service Unit.

Investigation Unit

The Investigation Unit is responsible for investigating serious assaults, burglaries, thefts, other assaults, and homicides. They also investigate other criminal and non-criminal matters.

Victim Assistance Unit

This unit provides victim support, information, and resource referrals to sources of help and support in the aftermath of crime.

Some of the information provided includes:

- Information on resources available in and around our community
- Victim Advocacy for victims and non-offending family members
- Crime prevention tips
- Security suggestions for homes and businesses

Drug Enforcement Unit

The Drug Enforcement Unit is responsible for the investigation of violations of State and Federal laws associated with the possession or distribution of controlled dangerous substances, weapons, prostitution and other related offenses. This unit targets street level through major distribution suppliers.

Cold Case Investigator

This unit is responsible for review of all Cold Case Violent Crimes and the evidence associated with them. This type of review has proved successful recently and in the past closing cold cases.

Forensic Service Unit

The Forensic Service Unit is staffed by two full-time civilian employees, six sworn officers that assist as on-call technicians and 5 squad evidence officers that have been trained to handle small, less detailed crime scenes on their assigned patrol squads.

Special Events Coordinator

The Special Events Coordinator reviews parade and rally permits.

ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT DIVISION

Captain Christopher Amoia

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Training

The Training Unit oversees all training for members of the Annapolis Police Department. The unit plans and arranges the mandatory annual In-Service Training as well as identifies and arranges specialized training throughout the year.

Selection

The Selection Unit oversees the application process for all applicants, including sworn, non-sworn, and volunteers. The unit is responsible for all the testing, interviews, and background investigations necessary in the hiring process.

Armory

All officers complete twice yearly Firearms Qualification Courses and yearly Use of Force and Firearms Safety training. Judgmental drills and skills training in firearms are also conducted annually, including scenario training in which officers' judgment is tested, observed, and assessed. The department's firing range was closed during 2015 due to its condition and is scheduled to be renovated in 2016.

Fleet Maintenance Section

The Fleet Maintenance Section is responsible for the maintenance of all of the vehicles used by the Annapolis Police Department. The unit is staffed by one civilian mechanic, James Nevin, who maintains over 80 vehicles for the Department, including several that are running 24 hours a day.

Property and Evidence Section

The Property and Evidence Section is for the storage of evidence, found and confiscated property. The unit also maintains the inventory and issuance of property and equipment purchased by the department.

Planning and Research

The Planning and Research Unit consists of the Payroll Section, Uniform Crime Reporting, Budget, Purchasing, and Reception. These units support both sworn and civilian members of the department.

The Payroll section posts, tracks, and reports labor hours as well as a variety of leave time. The section also interfaces with City Finance personnel to assure that Department employees receive appropriate pay and benefits.

The Uniform Crime Reporting section reviews and classifies each incident report consistent with requirements of the FBI. A monthly tally is reported to the FBI which uses the data to track crime trends in the United States.

The Budget section develops the budget for the entire department, using previous expenditures as a baseline, then modifying to account for current needs. Budget considerations include officers' uniforms, supplies, and a host of other provisions.

The Purchasing Unit is responsible for the acquiring of all supplies and equipment for the Department and for monitoring various allowances and expenditures (like uniform cleaning or local travel reimbursements).

Asset Forfeiture Unit

The Asset Forfeiture Unit processes property seized due to narcotics, gambling and computer fraud investigations. This unit is responsible for monitoring all asset forfeitures for the department.

Information Systems

Information Technology (IT) personnel are responsible for ensuring proper functioning of phone systems, computers, networks and mobile data terminals. The Annapolis Police Department's IT staff works closely with the City of Annapolis' Management Information and Technology (MIT) office.

Police Communications Division

This unit supports the mission of the Department through the operation of telephone, radio, teletype, and computer systems ensuring prompt and efficient delivery of police services throughout the community. The Annapolis Police Department responded to 36,252 calls for service, averaging 92.4 calls for service per day. Average Department response time for emergency calls was 2 minutes and eleven seconds.

Records Unit

The Records Unit maintains and disseminates records, reports and citations generated by the Police Department and maintained the booking room. The unit responds to requests for copies of police reports and acts as the liaison between the Police Department and the courts. The Warrant Control Clerk is responsible for maintaining arrest warrants and criminal summons. The unit kept track of 3,159 arrests in 2015.

Civilian Volunteers

Volunteers are unpaid citizens or college interns who perform functions that may or may not require them to wear a uniform. The duties of volunteers include clerical functions, crime scene services, computer entries, and other duties.

Community Services Section

The Community Services Section (CSS) is supervised by Corporal Amy Miguez. Cpl. Miguez joined the Annapolis Police Department in 2000.

CSS Community activities include:

- Community Meetings
- Business and Residential Security Surveys
- Watch Your Car program / A.L.E.R.T. (Auto Larceny Education Reduces Thefts)
- Watch Your Scooter
- School Visits
- Summer Camp Visits
- DJS/Parole and Probation Home Visits
- Educational Programs
- Police Station Visits/Education

Citizens also participate in safety enhancement programs through their community or business associations.

Annapolis Police Explorers Post 199

The Annapolis Police Explorers Post 199, Inc. is a non-profit corporation under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Service Code. The mission of the Annapolis Police Explorers is to develop responsible, educated, and capable youth in our community. Utilizing the acquired knowledge, our Explorers post members will productively serve the community and instill a civic responsibility, which will reflect positively on the Annapolis Police Department and the Exploring Program.

Coffee with a Cop

On March 16, 2015, the Annapolis Police Department kicked off the Coffee with a Cop program which offers the community an opportunity to meet local officers and discuss community issues and build relationships. There have been several Coffee with a Cop held at various locations throughout the City.

Community Engagement Forum

On November 7, 2015, in partnership with the Department of Justice, Community Relations Section, and the City of Annapolis's Human Relations Commission, the Annapolis Police Department convened a group of 60 members to discuss how together we can improve police-community relations.

Hispanic Liaison Office

The APD has a bilingual civilian employee, Joe Hudson, who serves the needs of the Latino Community and encourages the use of police services. Mr. Hudson handled requests for assistance on a variety of issues including law enforcement, the court system, and employment matters. Hundreds of Hispanic victims and their families were provided assistance in 2015. Referrals are made to area Hispanic resources. The liaison can also help mediate disputes of a social and serious nature. Many members of the Hispanic community know the Hispanic Liaison and call on him to help with problems or issues that arise in their community.

JOINS Program

The JOINS (Juvenile Offenders In Need of Supervision) program is a diversion program for juvenile offenders who have not committed a felony and have no prior police record. Youth in the JOINS program are supervised by a police officer for a period of 90 days. The goal of the JOINS program is to work with the youth to instill positive values and behaviors so they are not motivated to re-offend.

National Night Out

The Annapolis Police Department continues to sponsor and support the National Night Out initiative each year. In 2015, the event was held at Adams Park at 245 Clay Street with more than 300 community members in attendance.

The National Night Out event promotes safety and strengthens police and community relationships. The City of Annapolis joins forces with thousands of other communities across the country to promote cooperative, police-community crime prevention efforts.

Target supplied gift cards and other giveaways for community members who attended National Night Out. Anne Arundel County Alarmer's Association members volunteered their time and supplied attendees with refreshments from their portable canteen.

Neighborhood Safety Meeting

In 2015, the Annapolis Police Department hosted six Neighborhood Safety meetings. Attendees received briefing about crime activity by location and type and were given the opportunity to express concerns and offer suggestions. Also, each meeting focused on a particular topic.

PEDAL-Photograph, Engrave, Document and Lock--Watch Your Bike Program

The program, initiated by the Annapolis Police Department, allows residents to register bicycle's serial number, manufacturer and color in a database. The program ensures the information is quickly accessible if the bicycle is stolen and increases the chance of it being returned to the owner.

Prescription Drug Drop Box

The Annapolis Police Department placed a permanent prescription drop off box in the lobby. The public can discard expired, unwanted, and unused prescriptions and over-the-counter drugs.

Transaction Safe Place

To ensure our citizens are safe, the Annapolis Police Department welcomes the public to the Department to close their online transactions in a safe environment. Transaction Safe Place offers our department's parking lot and lobby to the public as a place to meet and handle transactions.

Youth Fishing Camp

CSS conducted one youth fishing camps in the summer of 2015 for children from predominantly low-income/at-risk households. The goals are to teach children about citizenship, stewardship, the environment, basic water safety, and general fishing techniques. Each camper received a fishing rod, t-shirt, and meals during the week-long day camp. Participants fished on the Chesapeake Bay with members of the Maryland Saltwater Sportfishing Association (MSSA). Numerous large mouth bass, blue gills, spot, white perch, and striped bass were caught. The Annapolis Police Department would like to thank the MSSA members for volunteering their time and boats. The children, volunteers, and officers always have a great time.

Youth Police Academy

The first Youth Police Academy was held in June 2015 with more than 15 youth in attendance. The Academy promotes good citizenship and educational opportunities in law enforcement operations.

Law Enforcement Code of Ethics

As a law enforcement officer, my fundamental duty is to serve mankind, to safeguard lives and property, and to protect the innocent against deception, the weak against oppression or intimidation, and the peaceful against violence or disorder, and to respect the Constitutional rights of all people to liberty, equality and justice.

I will keep my private life unsullied as an example to all, maintain courageous calm in the face of danger, scorn or ridicule, develop self-restraint, and be constantly mindful for the welfare of others. Honest in thought and deed in both my personal and official life, I will be exemplary in obeying the laws of the land and the regulations of my department. Whatever I see or hear of a confidential nature or that is confided to me in my official capacity, will be kept ever secret unless revelation is necessary in the performance of my duty.

I will never act officiously or permit personal feelings, prejudices, animosities or friendship to influence my decision. With no compromise for crime and with relentless prosecution of criminals, I will enforce the law courteously and appropriately without fear or favor, malice or ill will, never employing unnecessary force or violence and never accepting gratuities.

I recognize the badge of my office as a symbol of public faith, and I accept it as a public trust to be held as long as I am true to the ethics of police service. I will never engage in acts of corruption or bribery, nor will I condone such acts by other police officers. I will cooperate with all legally authorized agencies and their representatives in the pursuit of justice.

I know that I alone am responsible for my own standard of professional performance and will take every reasonable opportunity to enhance and improve my level of knowledge and competence.

I will constantly strive to achieve these objectives and ideals, dedicating myself before God to my chosen profession...law enforcement.