

Date of Meeting: September 5, 2023

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**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
BUSINESS MEETING
INFORMATION ITEM**

SUBJECT: Significant Incident Reports for 4th Quarter FY 2023 & Briefing by Loudoun County Combined Fire-Rescue System

ELECTION DISTRICT(S): Countywide

STAFF CONTACT(S): System Chief Keith Johnson, Combined Fire-Rescue System
Erin McLellan, County Administration

PURPOSE: To inform the Board of Supervisors (Board) of significant incidents and county operations in the area of public safety.

BACKGROUND: This information item provides quarterly reports on significant incidents from the Sheriff's Office; the Loudoun County Combined Fire-Rescue System; and the Department of Animal Services. Keith Johnson, Fire-Rescue System Chief, and Michael Chapman, Loudoun County Sheriff, present this report on a rotating schedule and give a briefing concerning their respective area. This report provides the Board with data from the second quarter of FY 2023 (April, May, and June 2023). System Chief Keith Johnson will provide the briefing on behalf of the Loudoun County Combined Fire-Rescue System at the September 5, 2023, Board Business Meeting.

ATTACHMENT(S):

1. Significant Incident Report/Q4 FY 2023/Loudoun County Sheriff's Office
2. Significant Incident Report/Q4 FY 2023/Loudoun County Combined Fire and Rescue System
3. Significant Incident Report/ Q4 FY 2023/Department of Animal Services

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Loudoun County Sheriff's Office

STAFF CONTACT(S): Sheriff Michael L. Chapman
Lt. Colonel Christopher Sawyer
Lt. Colonel Gun Lee
Lt. Colonel Robert Mosier

BACKGROUND: The Loudoun County Sheriff's Office (LCSO) compiles a variety of reports to ensure that information is appropriately disseminated to command staff, affected personnel, the Board of Supervisors and other stakeholders, and the public about significant incidents, crime, and traffic matters. Some of these reports contain sensitive or confidential information, so they are not released outside of the LCSO. Additionally, the dissemination of certain records, criminal history, and other law enforcement information is governed by state law, which includes penalties for improper release.

Consistent with these considerations, the LCSO's Daily Incident Report, summarizing notable activities and organized by the LCSO's regional stations, is published each weekday by the LCSO's Media Relations and Communications Section and disseminated to the Board of Supervisors, the news media, and other interested parties.

These activities along with additional information are also compiled each quarter into the LCSO's Significant Incident Report that is presented to the Board of Supervisors following the end of the respective quarter. It includes agency highlights; awards and recognition; community outreach; significant incidents; community policing data; countywide calls for service; countywide crime statistics; and crime statistics specific to each of LCSO's four regional stations; court services highlights and statistics; and corrections highlights and statistics.

Crime statistics are based on reports submitted to RMS as of August 25, 2023, for the period of January 1 – June 30, 2023 (UCR Reporting).

ATTACHMENT(S):

1. LCSO Significant Incident Report for April 1– June 30, 2023



Loudoun County Sheriff's Office Mission Statement

The Loudoun County Sheriff's Office strives to continuously improve public safety and law enforcement services to all members of our community through the Step-Up strategy of improved service, technology, efficiency, and professionalism.

**We will work interactively with federal, state, and other local law enforcement authorities to enforce criminal laws vigorously and fairly by sharing capabilities, strategies, and assets.
We will partner with community service groups and human service agencies to implement strategies that improve the quality of life for county residents, businesses, and visitors.**

We will engage our community through courteous and proactive communication and outreach, and work diligently to always be professional.

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Loudoun County Sheriff's Office

AGENCY HIGHLIGHTS

The Loudoun County Sheriff's Office (LCSO) continues to perform as the premiere local law enforcement agency in Northern Virginia and the Washington, D.C., metropolitan region, and is pleased to provide this quarterly report.

The LCSO currently employs approximately 671 sworn and 202 civilian personnel, and manages law enforcement, community engagement, courts, and corrections activities as the largest full-service Sheriff's Office in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

The LCSO's efforts are succeeding by every meaningful metric, and Sheriff Mike Chapman is committed to continually raising the bar and collaborating with all interested stakeholders.

The Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments has reported that Loudoun County has the lowest serious crime rate as reported by any law enforcement agency in Northern Virginia, a rate that is down 47% over the past 12 years.

The LCSO continues to be a regional leader in mental health training and related programs for our personnel. Most deputies are certified in Crisis Intervention Training, and many in advanced training. School Resource Officers (SROs) are among our most experienced deputies and supervisors. They have additional training to enhance their interactions with young people and adult members of the Loudoun County Public School community. This includes trauma-informed and victim centric training, which aligns with best practices and was completed for all SROs in advance of the 2023-2024 school year.

During the fourth quarter, the LCSO enhanced the Domestic Violence section of its website to update and provide easier access to additional resources for victims of domestic violence.

Citizen satisfaction with the performance of the LCSO in keeping them safe continues to be extraordinarily high as measured by the most recent independent research, and about 85% of surveyed citizens believe Loudoun is a safe place. At the same time, the LCSO continues to strive for improvement, and solicits input from the public through social media, our web site, and in person. Sheriff Chapman personally reviews much of this input for follow-up.

While recruitment of new, first-time deputies and transfers from other law enforcement agencies is an ongoing challenge, the LCSO is faring better than regional counterparts thanks to the agency's national reputation for excellence, its positive engagement with stakeholders, and the opportunities afforded for job enrichment and professional development. LCSO's compensation and benefits are generally competitive, and there has not been reliance on large cash incentives like and other surrounding jurisdictions to recruit. Even without this, 65% of LCSO's new hires in 2023 have previous law enforcement experience – an exceptionally high percentage that has increased since the previous report.

In June, Sheriff Chapman announced a strategic realignment of the LCSO's command structure, including the addition of a new Lt. Colonel, Bob Mosier.

Sheriff Mike Chapman Announces Strategic Realignment of LCSO

June 2023

Loudoun County Sheriff Mike Chapman has announced a strategic realignment of the organization and his executive leadership team, effective July 6, 2023. The realignment expands the Loudoun County Sheriff's Office (LCSO) from two to three distinct bureaus: the Field Operations Bureau, Investigations Bureau, and Administrative and Corrections Bureau. In addition, a third Lieutenant Colonel will be named instead of an Under Sheriff, a position that has been vacant since the departure of Colonel Mark Poland last fall. "This realignment places the LCSO in a stronger position to serve Loudoun County now and in the future," said Chapman, who was first elected in 2011. "It will be accomplished within LCSO's approved budget, with no additional costs to taxpayers," he added. Chapman expects to announce additional initiatives after the realignment is in place.

The new structure is consistent with recommendations made by the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) in its report to the Loudoun County Board of Supervisors (BOS) last year and will better position the agency to decentralize and strengthen its patrol operations. The management and operational changes will also enhance community policing, especially from LCSO's four regional stations – Ashburn, Dulles South, Eastern Loudoun, and Western Loudoun. Last month, the BOS approved 40 new deputy positions for FY24: with 36 of them assigned to patrol, along with one new School Resource Officer (SRO), and three co-responder deputies.

"As a significant component of this realignment, I am proud to announce that Robert "Bob" Mosier has agreed to join the LCSO command staff," Chapman said. "Bob is a highly respected professional with outstanding leadership skills and a lifelong commitment to public service. He will be an immediate asset to Loudoun County and the LCSO, complementing the forward-looking leadership of Lt. Colonel Christopher Sawyer and Lt. Colonel Gun Lee," he added.

The LCSO's executive leadership team will be as follows: Sheriff Mike Chapman; Lieutenant Colonel Christopher Sawyer, Chief Deputy, Field Operations Bureau; Lieutenant Colonel Gun Lee, Chief Deputy, Investigations Bureau; and Lieutenant Colonel Robert Mosier, Chief Deputy, Administrative and Corrections Bureau.

Lt. Colonel Sawyer joined the LCSO in 2005, and currently serves as Chief Deputy, Operations Bureau, the area that is being most significantly realigned. He previously served as Major of the Criminal Investigations Division, Major of the Administrative and Technical Services Division, Captain of the Criminal Investigations Division, and 1st Lieutenant of the Field Operations Division. Sawyer is a graduate of the FBI National Academy, attended the Professional Executive Leadership School (PELS) and FBI-LEEDA Executive Leadership Institute, and earned a Master of Business Administration and a Master of Science in Criminal Justice and Public Administration from Liberty University.

Lt. Colonel Lee joined the LCSO last year after 29 years of service with the Fairfax County Police Department (FCPD), and currently serves as Chief Deputy, Administrative and Corrections Bureau. During his tenure with FCPD, he commanded patrol, major crimes, and internal affairs, and spent his last four years as Lt. Colonel and Deputy Chief of Police for Administration. In that capacity, Lee was responsible for the Criminal Justice Academy and the Administrative Support, Information Technology, and Resource Management bureaus. He is a graduate of the FBI National

Academy, and earned a Bachelor of Science in Business Management, and a Master of Science in Public Administration from George Mason University.

Bob Mosier will join the LCSO with over 30 years of experience in federal, state, and local law enforcement, most recently as Secretary of Public Safety and Homeland Security for Governor Glenn Youngkin, who also appointed him to serve on the Virginia Substance Abuse Services Council and Criminal Justice Services Board. He also distinguished himself working for the U.S. Department of State and U.S. Department of Defense in support of international policing, management, and training efforts, and for the International Justice Mission, a human rights organization. Mosier was elected twice as Sheriff of Fauquier County, and previously served as Commander of Special Operations, the Patrol Division, and the Criminal Investigations Division.

Loudoun County Sheriff's Office AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

The LCSO and its personnel are frequently recognized for their achievements and actions, as reflected in the following news releases over the past three months:

Sheriff Chapman Named 2023 Best Public Servant

June 2023

Sheriff Mike Chapman has been named 2023 Best Public Servant by the readers of the Loudoun Times-Mirror (LTM) as part of its annual Best of Loudoun survey.

Loudoun County has the lowest crime rate of any jurisdiction in the metropolitan Washington area, and serious crime is down 47% since Sheriff Chapman took office in 2012.



Sheriff Chapman has oversight of more than 800 uniformed and civilian employees who comprise Virginia's largest full-service Sheriff's agency. This includes responsibility for local law enforcement, court security, corrections, and public safety generally.

This is the second year in a row Sheriff Chapman was named Best Public Servant by the LTM. Earlier this year, he was also named Sheriff of the Year by the National Sheriff's Association, which officially presented him with this singular recognition at its annual conference this week.

LCSO Crime Analyst Rebecca Kelley is Named MCSA 2022 Civilian of the Year

June 2023

The Loudoun County Sheriff's Office is proud to announce that Crime Analyst Rebecca Kelley has been named 2022 Civilian of the Year by the Major County Sheriffs of America (MCSA). The



award was presented at MCSA's Annual Meeting in California, along with a compelling video describing her extensive research and compilation of evidence that ensured a successful homicide prosecution. This followed a 2021 homicide in the Broadlands area and an international investigation led by the LCSO.

Rebecca has been with the LCSO since 2013, where she earned a Certificate in Crime and Intelligence Analysis, and has helped investigate more than 20 homicides, along with countless robberies, sex crimes, financial crimes, and intel-based investigations. She is considered a Subject Matter Expert on historical cell site location information and cell phone records and uses this knowledge extensively to assist with major crime investigations and prosecutions in Loudoun County.

Seven New LCSO Deputies Graduate from the NVCJTA

June 2023

Today, seven new Loudoun County Sheriff's Office Deputies graduated from the 148th Session of the Northern Virginia Criminal Justice Training Academy (NVCJTA). Please help us welcome Deputies Benjamin Coker, Lucas Da Silva, Liam Dinchong, Colin Kisby, Fritz Pierre, Kelsey Singhas, and Francis Tepper.

"I am proud to welcome seven new deputies to the Loudoun County Sheriff's Office," said Sheriff Mike Chapman. "They join a team committed to public service and professionalism, and to keeping Loudoun one of the safest major counties in the nation."

The graduation ceremony was held at Cornerstone Chapel in Leesburg. Participating agencies with Session 148 of the NVCJTA graduates include Arlington County Police Department, Arlington County Sheriff's Office, City of Alexandria Police Department, City of Alexandria Sheriff's Office, City of Fairfax Police Department, City of Manassas Police Department, Leesburg Police Department, Metro Transit Police Department, Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority Police Department, Northern Virginia Community College Campus Police Department, and the Purcellville Police Department.

LCSO Recognizes Graduates from 54th Crisis Intervention Training Program

May 2023

The Loudoun County Sheriff's Office (LCSO) is proud to announce the graduation of twenty-one of its sworn and civilian members from the 54th Basic Crisis Intervention Training (CIT) program. The week-long training is taught by CIT-certified Loudoun County Sheriff's Deputies, Loudoun County Mental Health, Substance Abuse and Developmental Health Services (MHSADS)

professionals, and other experts in the field. During the week-long training, participants are introduced to medical, social, psychological, and legal aspects associated with mental illness.

The CIT program is a collaboration of LCSO; MHSADS; Friends of Loudoun Mental Health; the National Alliance on Mental Illness – Northern Virginia; and the Loudoun Commonwealth's Attorney's Office.

Along with the members of LCSO, graduates included representatives of Customs and Border



Protection; Department of Community Corrections; Diplomatic Security Service; Leesburg Police Department; Loudoun County Fire Marshall's Office; Pentagon Force Protection Agency; Stafford County Sheriff's Office; and Northrop Grumman.

The program also includes partnerships with the Arc of Loudoun, Boulder Crest Retreat, Chantilly RI Crisis Receiving Center, Community Regional Crisis Response, Inova Loudoun Hospital, Loudoun County Homeless Shelter, Mobile Hope, Recovery Centers of America, Regional Education Assessment Crisis Services Habilitation (REACH) Program, Ryan Bartel Foundation, Stone Springs Hospital, and the Virginia Department of Veterans and Family Services.

The LCSO has been a leader in crisis intervention training and mental health-related initiatives. In 2019, the LCSO partnered with MHSADS to hold the first three-day Advanced CIT training in the Commonwealth of Virginia. The LCSO was also the first to provide the same advanced training for School Resource Officers (SROs). Advanced training focuses on residents with intellectual and developmental disabilities, especially children.

As part of our commitment to the community, the LCSO gives every deputy the opportunity to complete the CIT training after their fundamental training. Our goal is to ensure interactions characterized by dignity and compassion for those experiencing mental health crisis or who have a developmental limitation.

Virginia Sheriffs' Institute Recognizes Six Members of the LCSO

April 2023

Yesterday, the Virginia Sheriffs' Institute (VSI) recognized six members of the LCSO during their Spring Conference for receiving their VSI Certification. The Virginia Sheriffs' Institute offers the Certification Program to recognize the continued individual professional development of Virginia sheriffs and deputies.

Certification through this voluntary program provides recognition of a sheriff or deputy's commitment to excellence, life-long learning, and advancement of public safety as a profession.

LCSO members of the 2023 class include Major Robert Tricarico, 1st Lieutenant Robert Brown, 2nd Lieutenant Randall Stackpole, Sergeant Joshua Edney, Sergeant Eric Mbah, and Master Deputy Shannon Coderre.

Also recognized were LCSO members that achieved recertification this year including Sheriff Michael Chapman, Lieutenant Colonel Christopher Sawyer, Master Deputy Ronald Beach, and Sergeant Raymond Gessner.



Since the program's inception in 2018, 29 members of the LCSO have graduated from the program and received their certification.

The Virginia Sheriffs' Institute (VSI), in cooperation with the Virginia Sheriffs' Association (VSA), the

Performance Management Group at the L. Douglas Wilder School of Government and Public Affairs at Virginia Commonwealth University (VCU), and the Virginia Center for Policing Innovation (VCPI), has developed the VSI Certification Program to promote, recognize and elevate the continued individual professional development of Virginia's sheriffs and deputies.

LCSO Deputies Honored at 2023 Loudoun Valor Awards

April 2023

Members of the Loudoun County Sheriff's Office (LCSO) were recognized for heroism at the annual Loudoun Valor Awards. For 38 years, the Loudoun County Chamber of Commerce has sponsored the Valor Awards to recognize heroic achievements by first responders and, more recently, private citizens. Yesterday's ceremony included presentations to 188 individuals for their acts of heroism at 28 incidents. "I am enormously proud of the dedicated men and women of LCSO, and the particular achievement of this year's Valor Award recipients," said Sheriff Mike Chapman, who presented the awards to LCSO personnel.

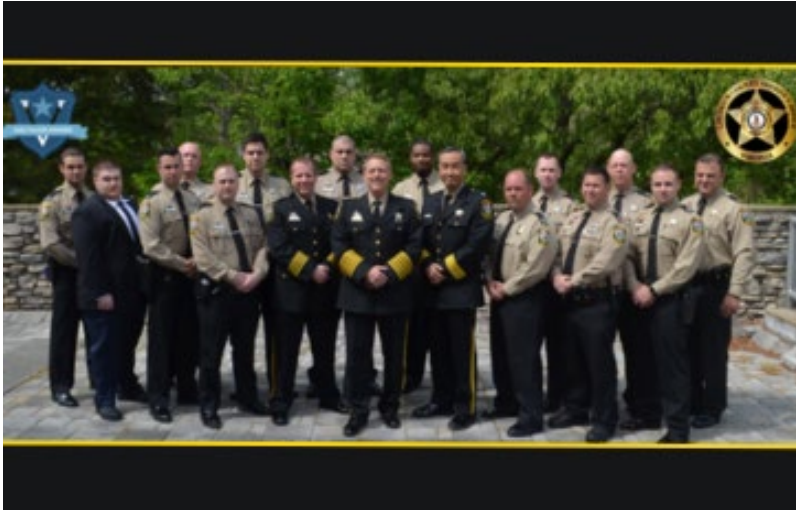
LCSO's recipients were as follows:

Certificate of Valor: Sergeant Jeff Cichocki and Deputy First Class Michael Grant

Bronze Medal of Valor: Deputy Patrick Brick, Sergeant Jeff Cichocki, Deputy First Class Michael Grant, Deputy First Class DFC Brady Mullis, Deputy Justin Walsh, and Master Deputy Todd Wilson

Lifesaving Award: Dispatcher Kevin Aliventi, Deputy First Class Marissa Altobelli, Deputy First Class Joshua Colborn, Deputy First Class Zachary Gardner, Master Deputy J.F. Hacay, Deputy

First Class Josiah Kennedy, Deputy First Class Stewart Marcantel, Deputy First Class Adam MacDonald, Deputy First Class Brady Mullis, Deputy First Class Brandon Noland, Sergeant. Tony Outlaw, Deputy First Class Mark Sarrichio, Detective Ryan Schmidt, Deputy First Class Evelin Valladares, Deputy First Class Aaron Waskiewixz, and Sergeant Marcus Whitfield



Unit Citation: Deputy First Class Nelson Colon and Deputy First Class Javon Kirkland.

Also recognized at today's ceremony were members of the Loudoun County Combined Fire and Rescue System, Leesburg Police Department, Virginia State Police, Purcellville Police Department, Department of Natural Resources Police, and 28 civilians.

We thank each of them for their heroism, dedication, and service to the citizens of Loudoun County.

Loudoun County Sheriff's Office COMMUNITY OUTREACH

LCSO Featured on Fox 5 Zip Trip

June 2023



Sheriff Mike Chapman and members of the Loudoun County Sheriff's Office were honored to join the Fox 5 DC team this morning for their Zip Trip to Great Country Farms in Bluemont.

Sheriff Chapman and our friends at Loudoun County Fire and Rescue talked about pedestrian safety, aggressive driving, and the dangers of fireworks.

Loudoun County Law Enforcement Partner with DEA for Nationwide Prescription Drug Take-Back Day

June 2023

The Loudoun County Sheriff's Office, Leesburg Police Department, Middleburg Police Department, and the Purcellville Police Department once again partnered with the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) in the "Take-Back" initiative that seeks to prevent increased pill abuse and theft. The service was free and anonymous, no questions asked.



Loudoun County residents discarded potentially dangerous expired, unused, and unwanted prescription drugs for destruction on Saturday, April 22, 2023, at seven sites in the county:

- LCSO Ashburn Station - 2072 Savin Hill Drive, Ashburn (8 a.m. to 4 p.m.)
- LCSO Dulles South Public Safety Center - 25216 Loudoun County Parkway, South Riding (8 a.m. to 4 p.m.)
- LCSO Eastern Loudoun Sheriff's Station - 46620 East Frederick Drive, Sterling (8 a.m. to 4 p.m.)
- LCSO Western Loudoun Station - 47 W. Loudoun Street, Round Hill (8 a.m. to 4 p.m.)
- Town of Leesburg Police Department - 65 Plaza Street, NE, Leesburg (10 a.m. to 2 p.m.)
- Middleburg Police Department - 10 W. Marshall Street, Middleburg (Town Hall) (10 a.m. to 2 p.m.)
- Purcellville Police Department – 221 S. Nursery Avenue, Purcellville (Town Hall) (10 a.m. to 2 p.m.)

ACCEPTABLE ITEMS: Prescription medications, Over-The-Counter Medications, Medical Samples, Pet Medications, Vape Pens/E-Cigarettes (battery must be removed).

NON-ACCEPTABLE ITEMS: Needles, Epi-Pens, Thermometers, Batteries, IV Bags, Blood or Infectious Waste, Liquids, Gels, or Sprays.

Since the inception of the DEA take-back program in 2010, over 17,000 pounds of unwanted and unused prescription medications have been collected in Loudoun County.

LCSO and LCCFRS Host AVI Unified Command Training Lab Training

June 2023

Loudoun County continued its commitment to a unified law enforcement and fire and rescue approach to active shooter and other critical incidents, which were demonstrated at the Active Violence Incident (AVI) Unified Command Competency Lab Training at the Loudoun County Fire and Rescue Training Academy in Leesburg.

The Loudoun County High Threat Team, which consists of uniformed members of both the Loudoun County Sheriff's Office (LCSO) and Loudoun County Fire and Rescue (LC-CFRS), conducted an overview presentation on the readiness of first responders to ensure a coordinated, timely and effective response and recovery in the event of a critical incident in Loudoun County.



A simulated active shooter incident followed, which required that LCSO and LC-CFRS form a unified command to manage the initial response to reinforce the rapid deployment of law enforcement into the crisis site. This was followed immediately by the deployment of fire rescue and resources working with LCSO to provide care and evacuation to persons in need. LCSO and LC-CFRS supervisors work face-to-face in unified command training to build operational readiness and team relationships.

The Loudoun County High Threat Team has worked cooperatively across all disciplines to develop new levels of integrated training, policy development, and combined response initiatives

LCSO Participates in Juneteenth Commemoration

June 2023

Sheriff Mike Chapman was proud to be present for the Fifth Annual Juneteenth Celebration on Monday, June 19, 2023, in Leesburg. Sponsored by the Loudoun Chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP), the celebration included a march, rally, and inspirational speeches by former Seneca Ridge High School Principal Josephine Hamilton Stewart, U.S. Representative Jennifer Wexton, Loudoun County Board of Supervisors Chair Phyllis Randall, and NAACP Chair and Freedom Center founder Pastor Michelle Thomas, among others.



During the ceremony, Chair Randall and Pastor Thomas signed an agreement to lease the historic Union Street School property to the Loudoun Freedom Center.

Residents Invited to Attend LCSO Quarterly Meetings

April 2023

The Loudoun County Sheriff's Office held public safety meetings at each of the agency's four service area stations and residents are encouraged to attend.

The first of four meetings were held on Thursday, April 13, 2023, for the Ashburn Station area at 7 p.m. The Ashburn Station is located at 20272 Savin Hill Drive, Ashburn, VA.

The Eastern Loudoun Station quarterly meeting was held on Wednesday, April 19, 2023, at 7 p.m. The Eastern Loudoun Station is located at 46620 E. Frederick Drive, Sterling.

The Western Loudoun Station quarterly meeting was held on Tuesday, April 25, 2023, at 7 p.m. The Western Loudoun Station is located at 47 W. Loudoun St., Round Hill, VA.

The Dulles South Station quarterly meeting was held on Thursday, April 27, 2023, at 7 p.m. The Dulles South Public Safety Center is located at 25216 Loudoun County Parkway, Chantilly.



Items discussed were recent crime and crime trends in each area, traffic safety concerns, and other public safety-related issues. The meetings were led by a Loudoun County Sheriff's Office Captain who represented each service area. Sheriff Mike Chapman or a member of his leadership team were in attendance.

Sheriff Chapman Chairs HIDTA Meeting on Fentanyl, ATF, Community Outreach April 2023

Loudoun County Sheriff Mike Chapman, presided over an April 2023 meeting of the Washington/Baltimore High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) board with HIDTA's Executive Director Tom Carr on April 4 in Baltimore, MD. The meeting focused on fentanyl laced with xylazine; computer-assisted ballistic capabilities offered by the ATF; and a community-based program, "badges and baseball", initiated by the U.S. Marshals Service (USMS).



Sheriff Chapman is serving as chairman of the 36-member HIDTA board for the second time, which regularly meets to discuss trends in crime and drugs, forensic capabilities, medically assisted treatment at jails, and regional community outreach efforts. HIDTA represents 152 federal, state, and local law enforcement agencies, including federal prosecutors.

"Collaboration matters and it is an honor to be part of an organization that is on the cutting edge of best practices in public safety," said Chapman. "Working closely with HIDTA has helped Loudoun be the safest major jurisdiction in our region," he added.

Pictured are Sheriff Chapman; HIDTA Executive Director Tom Carr, FBI Special Agent in Charge Wayne Jacobs, and USMS personnel Johnny Hughes, Rashawn Strong, and Al Maresca.

LCSO on the Trail

April 2023



LCSO had deputies on bikes on the W&OD Trail interacting with the community on Friday, April 14, 2023, beginning around 9 a.m. in Sterling and ending around lunchtime at Monks BBQ in Purcellville for "Lunch with the LCSO". Stop by and say hi!

LCSO and LCPS Student Assistance Services – What Parent Need to Know About Vaping

April 2023

LCSO participated in a presentation of what parents need to know about the dangers of vaping, at Blue Ridge Middle School in Purcellville, on April 25, 2023. The forum was sponsored by LCSO and the LCPS Student Assistance Services.



LCSO and LCFR – Opening Day for the Dulles Little League

April 2023

LCSO and Loudoun County Fire and Rescue were pleased to assist with Opening Day for the Dulles Little League (DLL). The league's president, David Korte, served as Master of Ceremonies. He introduced his team of volunteers, announced the banner award, discussed the success of the DLL, and introduced some of Loudoun's top high school players.

Jim Klock, the former president, also provided opening remarks, focusing on the Challenger's Program (children with intellectual disabilities).

Sheriff Mike Chapman also provided opening remarks thanking the parents for their commitment to the program and their involvement in their children's lives. LCSO's Motor Squad and Loudoun Fire and Rescue led the parade to Crittenden Park in Ashburn, where today's festivities occurred.

Coffee With a Cop

April – June 2023

Loudoun County Sheriff's Office scheduled four more Coffee with a Cop meet and greets this quarter for interested members of the community.

- April 10 from 9:00am to 11:00am @ Middleburg Common Grounds
- April 20 from 4:00pm to 6:00pm @ Back Street Brews Coffee & Tea House
- May 2 from 9:00am to 11:00am @ SimplyBe Coffee
- June 15 from 8:00am to 11:00am @ 7-11 Sterling

Loudoun County Sheriff's Office SIGNIFICANT INCIDENTS

CSO Investigating Reported Gunfire in Hillsboro

June 2023

The Loudoun County Sheriff's Office (LCSO) is investigating a reported gunfire incident in Hillsboro. This morning at approximately 11:56 am, deputies responded to the Stoney Brook Farm Market located in the 3700 block of Charles Town Pike, in Hillsboro, for a report of gunfire. After conducting an extensive canvass of the area, deputies cleared the scene. This incident is under investigation.

LCSO wants to thank the Virginia State Police, Loudoun County Combined Fire and Rescue, Virginia Department of Wildlife Resources, and the community for their assistance.

Anyone with information is asked to call Detective A. Perry at 703-777-1021. You may also submit an anonymous tip by calling 703-777-1919 or using the Loudoun County Sheriff's app.

LCSO Investigating Armed Robbery and Assault of Employee at Sterling Convenience Store

June 2023

The Loudoun County Sheriff's Office is investigating an armed robbery and assault that occurred at a Sterling convenience store. This morning, at approximately 1:38 a.m., the LCSO responded to the Exxon gas station located at 23050 Pacific Boulevard in Sterling, for a report of an armed robbery. The preliminary investigation revealed that a male entered the store, displayed a handgun, and demanded money. The male struck the store employee in the head with the gun before fleeing the area. The store employee was treated at the scene.

Suspect Description: The suspect is male, wearing a black face and head covering, a black sweatshirt with “New Balance” written on the chest in white, black gloves, black pants, black shoes, and a black bag.

Investigators are asking anyone with information to call Detective T. Rodriguez at 703-777-1021. You may also submit an anonymous tip by calling 703-777-1919 or using the Loudoun County Sheriff’s Office app.



LCSO Investigating Fatal Vehicle Crash in Lovettsville

June 2023

The Loudoun County Sheriff’s Office is investigating a fatal vehicle crash that occurred on northbound Householder Road near Johnson Farm Lane, Lovettsville, yesterday afternoon.

On June 4, 2023, at approximately 2:36 pm, deputies responded to a single-vehicle crash. The preliminary investigation revealed that the vehicle went off the road and struck a tree. The vehicle's driver, Terry E. McLearen, 75, of Lovettsville, was transported to a local area hospital, where he was pronounced deceased.

Anyone with information, please contact Investigator Alpy at 703-777-1021. Callers wishing to remain anonymous are asked to call Loudoun County Crime Solvers at 703-777-1919 or submit a tip through the Loudoun County Sheriff’s Office app.

LCSO Conducting Death Investigation After Human Remains Found in Sterling

May 2023

The Loudoun County Sheriff’s Office is conducting a death investigation after human remains were found in the Sugarland Run Stream in Sterling.

Yesterday, at approximately 7:35 p.m., the LCSO responded to the area behind Brookfield Circle and Meadowland Lane (Sugarland Run) following a report of human remains found in the stream. A person walking in the woods observed the remains and contacted the LCSO.

The remains were transported to the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner, and the gender, circumstances, and cause of death are under investigation.

Investigators are asking anyone with information to call Detective T. Rodriguez at 703-777-1021. You may also submit an anonymous tip by calling 703-777-1919 or using the Loudoun County Sheriff’s Office app.

LCSO Investigating Fatal Crash in Aldie

May 2023

The Loudoun County Sheriff's Office is investigating a double fatal vehicle crash that occurred on James Monroe Highway at Tail Race Road in Aldie yesterday afternoon.

On May 28, 2023, at approximately 3:00 p.m., deputies responded to a vehicle crash involving a motorcycle, a pick-up truck hauling a horse trailer, and an SUV. The preliminary investigation revealed that the motorcycle crossed into oncoming traffic and struck the truck, causing the truck to lose control and strike the SUV.

The operator of the motorcycle, Thomas A. Miller, 61, of Charles Town, W.V., and the operator of the SUV, Pedro J. Sera-Leyva, 68, of Leesburg, were pronounced deceased at the scene. The operator of the pick-up truck was transported to a local hospital for treatment of non-life-threatening injuries. The horses were not injured.

The Virginia State Police and Loudoun County Animal Services assisted at the scene. The crash is under investigation.

Anyone with information is asked to contact Investigator Lotz at 703-777-1021.

LCSO Investigating Fatal Motorcycle Crash

May 2023

The Loudoun County Sheriff's Office is investigating a fatal motorcycle crash that occurred on northbound Claiborne Parkway near Harry Byrd Highway yesterday afternoon.

On May 26, 2023, at approximately 2:37 pm, deputies responded to a single-vehicle crash involving a motorcycle. The preliminary investigation revealed that the rider lost control of the motorcycle and struck the guardrail.

The operator of the motorcycle, Erik E. Grier, 34, of Ashburn, was transported to a local area hospital, where he was pronounced deceased.

Anyone with information, please contact Investigator Alpy at 703-777-1021. Callers wishing to remain anonymous are asked to call Loudoun County Crime Solvers at 703-777-1919 or submit a tip through the Loudoun County Sheriff's Office app.

Texas Man Charged with Multiple Counts of Unlawful Filming

May 2023

A Texas man has been charged in connection with multiple unlawful filming incidents, including one that involved a juvenile.

On Sunday, May 14, 2023, at approximately 1:15 pm, deputies responded to the Sense of Thai St restaurant on Exchange Street in Ashburn, for a report of an adult male who took a video or photo of a juvenile in the bathroom.

Deputies were able to locate the male, and upon examination of his cell phone, discovered multiple videos appearing to be of different individuals unknowingly being recorded in bathroom stalls.

William M. O'Brien, 32, of Dallas, TX, was arrested and charged with seven (7) counts of unlawful filming and one (1) felony count of attempted unlawful filming of a person under the age of 18. O'Brien was transported to the Loudoun County Adult Detention Center where he was released on a \$15,000 bond.



If you believe you are a victim in this case, please contact Detective J. Whitehead at 703-771-1021 or by email at Joseph.Whitehead@loudoun.gov.

LCSO Investigating Stabbing in Sterling

May 2023

The Loudoun County Sheriff's Office is investigating a stabbing that occurred early this morning in Sterling.

This morning, at approximately 2:10 a.m., LCSO Deputies responded to the parking lot of Tipicos Los Amigos restaurant, 46950 Community Plaza, Sterling, for a report of a fight. Upon arrival, deputies located a male suffering from a stab wound to his abdomen. The male was transported to a local area hospital for treatment of his serious injuries. The circumstances surrounding the fight and stabbing remain under investigation.

We are asking anyone who was in the area and may have seen something to please contact Detective M. Grimsley at 703-777-1021. You may also submit an anonymous tip by calling 703-777-1919 or submit a tip through the Loudoun County Sheriff's Office app.

Herndon Man Arrested and Charged in Multiple Armed Robberies

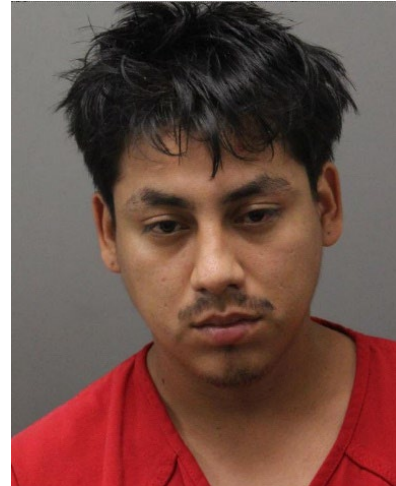
May 2023

The Loudoun County Sheriff's Office (LCSO) has arrested and charged a Herndon man in connection with three armed robberies in Sterling over the past 36 hours.

The first robbery occurred at the 7-Eleven store in the 700 block of W. Church Road at approximately 1:46 am on May 14, 2023. A male entered the store, brandished a knife, and demanded money from the clerk. The second robbery occurred at the Sunoco gas station in the same area later that morning, at approximately 8:18 am. A male entered the store, brandished scissors, and demanded money from the clerk.

The third robbery occurred this morning at approximately 12:36 am at the Exxon gas station in the 45600 block of Falke Plaza, Sterling. A male approached the clerk with his hand in his pocket, making it appear like he had a weapon, and demanded money. In all three robberies, he was seen leaving the store in a grey Toyota Camry.

Deputies arrested Brayams Andino-Linares, 26, of Herndon this morning at a residence in the 700 block of West Church Road, Sterling, and charged him with three counts of robbery. Andino-Linares was transported to the Loudoun County Adult Detention Center where he is being held without bond.



LCSO Investigating Two Armed Robberies in Sterling May 2023

The Loudoun County Sheriff's Office is investigating two armed robberies that occurred this morning in Sterling. The suspect in these two robberies appears to be the same person.

The first robbery occurred at 7-11 in the 700 block of W. Church Road at approximately 1:46 am. A male subject entered the store, brandished a knife, and demanded money from the clerk. The suspect is described as a light-skinned Hispanic male, approximately 32-35 years of age, medium build, 5'5" tall, with short black hair and a goatee. He was reported to be wearing a yellow Lakers tank top with the number 6 and "James," a dark-colored hat, black cargo shorts, black socks, white tennis shoes, and a watch on his wrist. He was last seen leaving the store, possibly in a grey Toyota Camry vehicle.

The second robbery occurred at the Sunoco gas station in the 700 block of W. Church Road at approximately 8:18 am. A male subject entered the store, brandished scissors, and demanded money from the clerk. The description of the suspect and vehicle in this robbery appears to be the same as the first robbery, except that he was reported to be wearing a mustard-colored t-shirt.

The LCSO is asking anyone with information to please contact Detective L. Reed with the Loudoun County Sheriff's Office at 703-777-1021. Callers wishing to remain anonymous are asked to call Loudoun County Crime Solvers at 703-777-1919 or submit a tip through the Loudoun County Sheriff's Office app.

Loudoun County Employee Charged with Embezzlement

May 2023

The Loudoun County Sheriff's Office (LCSO) has charged Theresa A. Smith of Haymarket, VA, with two counts of embezzlement after an investigation into her work with the Loudoun County Department of Family Services (DFS).

Ms. Smith is charged with embezzling approximately \$29,000 from the Child Subsidy Program during her employment with Loudoun County DFS as a Child Care Specialist. DFS alerted LCSO after an internal review discovered possible fraud. The LCSO investigation covered the period November 2021 through October 2022, and more than 550 hours were found to have been fraudulently billed to the County.



Ms. Smith surrendered at the Loudoun County Adult Detention Center today after being advised that warrants had been obtained for her arrest. She was released on an unsecured \$5,000 bond.

Drunk Driver Crashes into K-9 Deputy's Occupied Vehicle

April 2023



A Loudoun County Sheriff's Office (LCSO) K-9 deputy was struck by a drunk driver while conducting a traffic stop.

On April 16, 2023, at approximately 1:30 am, a K-9 deputy was conducting a traffic stop for a vehicle speeding in the area of Route 7 (West) at the ramp of Battlefield in Leesburg.

At approximately 1:43 am, while writing a summons to the driver of the speeding vehicle, with his emergency equipment active, another vehicle crashed into the patrol vehicle with the deputy and canine inside, causing damage to the vehicle. The deputy was able to follow the vehicle and initiate a traffic stop. The subject fled the scene at a reckless speed and eventually stopped. He was found to be under the influence of alcohol and arrested. Neither the deputy, his canine partner, nor the driver was injured.

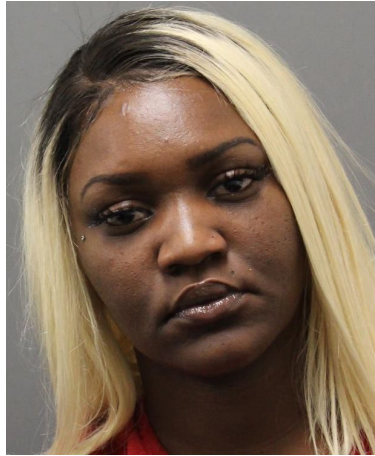
The driver of the vehicle, Robert Charles Neumeister, 40, of Stephenson, was arrested and charged with Hit & Run, Reckless Driving, Driving While Intoxicated, Eluding, and Narcotics Possession. He was transported to the Loudoun County Adult Detention Center, where he is held on no bond.

Sterling Woman Wanted in Connection with Stabbing Turns Herself In (update)

April 2023

UPDATE:

The Sterling woman wanted in connection with a stabbing on April 1, 2023, has turned herself in.



Myeesha S. Hamilton, 29 of Sterling, turned herself into the Loudoun County Adult Detention Center on April 9, 2023. Hamilton has been charged with Malicious Wounding, Assault During the Commission of a Felony, and Larceny. Hamilton is being held on no bond.

ORIGINAL:

The Loudoun County Sheriff's Office (LCSO) is seeking the public's assistance in locating a Sterling woman wanted in connection with a stabbing.

On April 1, 2023, at approximately 8:48 pm, LCSO deputies responded to the 21000 block of Stanford Square in Sterling, for a report of a stabbing. Upon arrival, deputies located the victim inside the residence suffering from multiple stab wounds. The suspect, Myeesha S. Hamilton, 29 of Sterling, left the scene prior to the deputies' arrival. Hamilton is wanted by the LCSO for Aggravated Malicious Wounding. The suspect and victim were known to each other.

The victim was transported to a local area hospital and has since been released.

Anyone with information regarding the whereabouts of Myeesha Hamilton is asked to call 9-1-1 or contact Detective M. Grimsley at 703-777-1021. Callers wishing to remain anonymous are asked to call Loudoun County Crime Solvers at 703-777-1919 or submit a tip through the Loudoun County Sheriff's Office app.

LCSO Investigating Fatal Crash on N. Lincoln Avenue in Sterling

April 2023

The Loudoun County Sheriff's Office is investigating a fatal crash that occurred in the 300 block of N. Lincoln Avenue in Sterling.

Last evening at approximately 11:43 p.m., the driver of a 2015 Toyota Tacoma was traveling on N. Lincoln Avenue when he struck a parked vehicle and then ran off the road into a ditch.

The driver of the Tacoma, Jose Ramon Garcia, 20, of Sterling, was transported to a local area hospital where he was pronounced deceased. The cause of the crash remains under investigation.

Witnesses to the crash who have not already spoken with law enforcement are asked to contact Investigator T. Alpy of the Loudoun County Sheriff's Office Crash Reconstruction Unit at 703-777-1021.

LCSO Charges Leesburg Man in Shooting at Dulles Town Center Mall

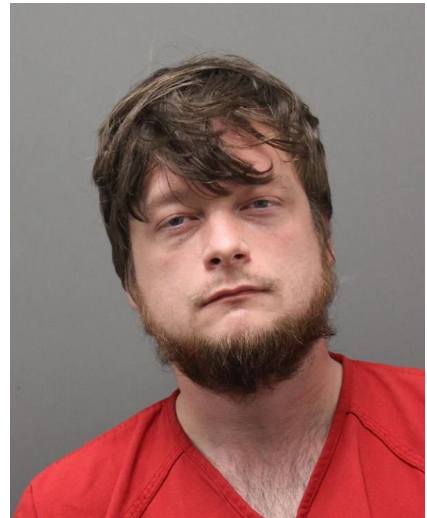
April 2023

The Loudoun County Sheriff's Office has arrested and charged a Leesburg man involved in a shooting at the Dulles Town Center Mall Food Court this morning.

Alan W. Colie, 31, was arrested and charged with aggravated malicious wounding, use of a firearm in the commission of a felony and discharging a firearm within a building. The shooting resulted from an interaction between the victim and Colie in the food court.

LCSO received the first call reporting that a shooting had occurred at the Dulles Town Center mall at approximately 11:57 AM, and deputies quickly responded, arriving on the scene within three minutes of the call. Deputies immediately entered the mall and took the suspect into custody at approximately 12:02 PM. One adult male victim was found outside the mall with a gunshot wound to the abdomen.

The victim was treated for injuries by deputies and members of the Loudoun County Combined Fire and Rescue System (LC-CFRS) and transported to a local hospital for treatment. At this time, it does not appear that the suspect and the victim were known to each other.



LCSO deputies also checked the entire mall to ensure no other suspects or victims were present. Dulles Town Center management closed the mall for the remainder of the day.

Loudoun County Sheriff's Office COMMUNITY POLICING ACT DATA

Traffic stop data from the Loudoun County Sheriff's Office is available online as part of the Virginia Community Policing Act. The Act requires that each time a local law enforcement or State Police officer stops a driver of a motor vehicle, the following data is collected based on the officer's observation or information provided by the driver:

- (i) the race, ethnicity, age, and gender of the person stopped;
- (ii) the reason for the stop;
- (iii) the location of the stop;
- (iv) whether a warning, written citation, or summons was issued or whether any persons were arrested;
- (v) if a warning, written citation, or summons was issued or an arrest was made, the warning provided, violation charged, or crime charged;
- (vi) whether the vehicle or any person was searched; and
- (vii) whether any person used physical force against any officers and whether the law-enforcement officer or State Police officer used physical force against any person.

A link to the data be found on the LCSO's [Our Commitment](#) page.

Traffic Stops, April 1 – June 30, 2023

Race/Ethnicity	Percentage of Total Stops	Percentage Chance of Receiving Ticket	Percentage Chance of Being Searched
White	54.0%	73.7%	0.7%
Hispanic or Latino	16.6%	74.9%	1.6%
Black or African American	12.3%	69.2%	2.0%
American Indian or Alaskan Native	2.1%	90.3%	0.0%
Asian, Native Hawaiian, Pacific Islander	9.1%	56.7%	1.0%
Unknown/Other	6.0%	64.0%	1.6%

Race/Ethnicity	Number of Total Stops	Number of Stops Resulting in a Ticket	Number of Stops that Involved a Search	Number of Stops with Force Used Against Deputy	Number of Stops with Response to Resistance from Deputy
White	2,908	2,143	20	0	0
Hispanic or Latino	894	670	14	0	0
Black or African American	660	457	13	0	0
American Indian or Alaskan Native	113	102	0	0	0
Asian, Native Hawaiian, Pacific Islander	490	275	5	0	0
Unknown/Other	321	195	5	0	0

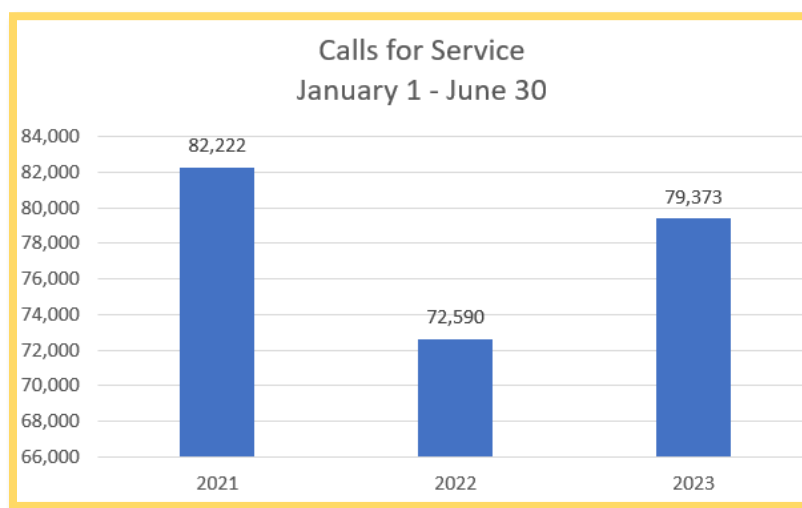
Gender	Percentage of Total Stops	Percentage Chance of Receiving Ticket	Percentage Chance of Being Searched
Female	35.1%	73.5%	0.4%
Male	64.9%	70.2%	1.4%
Other	0.0%	100.0%	0.0%

Gender	Number of Total Stops	Number of Stops Resulting in a Ticket	Number of Stops that Involved a Search	Number of Stops with Force Used Against Deputy	Number of Stops with Response to Resistance from Deputy
Female	1,891	1,389	8	0	0
Male	3,494	2,452	49	0	0
Other	1	1	0	0	0

Age*	Number of Total Stops	Number of Stops Resulting in a Ticket	Number of Stops that Involved a Search	Number of Stops with Force Used Against Deputy	Number of Stops with Response to Resistance from Deputy
Juveniles	200	121	4	0	0
Adults	5,183	3,719	53	0	0
Unknown	3	2	0	0	0

Loudoun County Sheriff's Office COUNTYWIDE CALLS FOR SERVICE

The graph below shows LCSO service data for Loudoun County from January 1 through June 30, 2023, compared to the same period in 2021 and 2022.

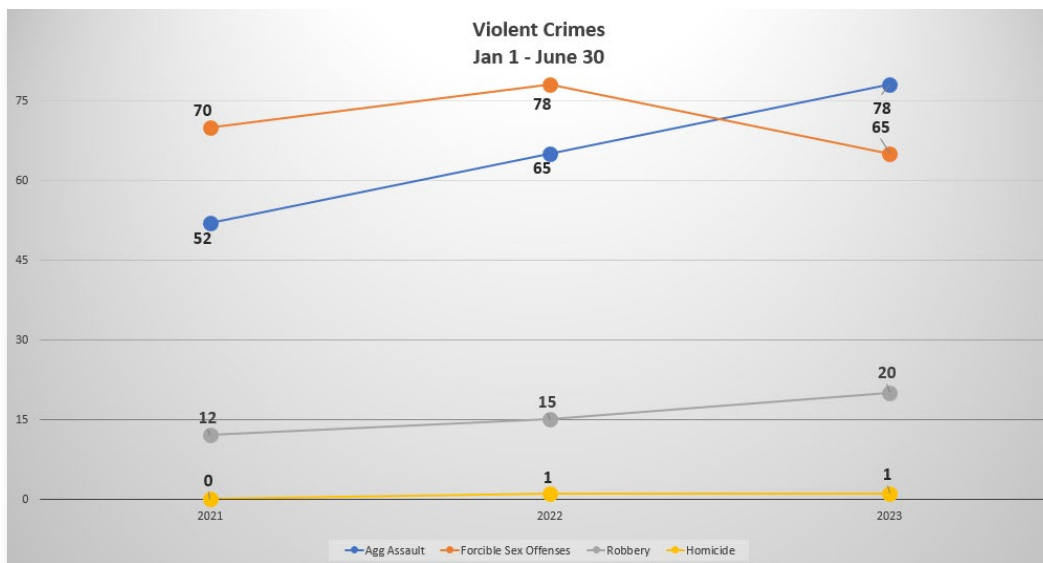


Loudoun County Sheriff's Office COUNTYWIDE CRIME STATISTICS

The charts below show uncertified crime statistics for Loudoun County from January 1 through June 30, 2023, compared to the same period in 2021 and 2022. The LCSO tracks crime statistics in accordance with the national standards administrated by the Federal Bureau of Investigations Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program. Crime statistics are based on reports submitted to RMS as of August 25, 2023.

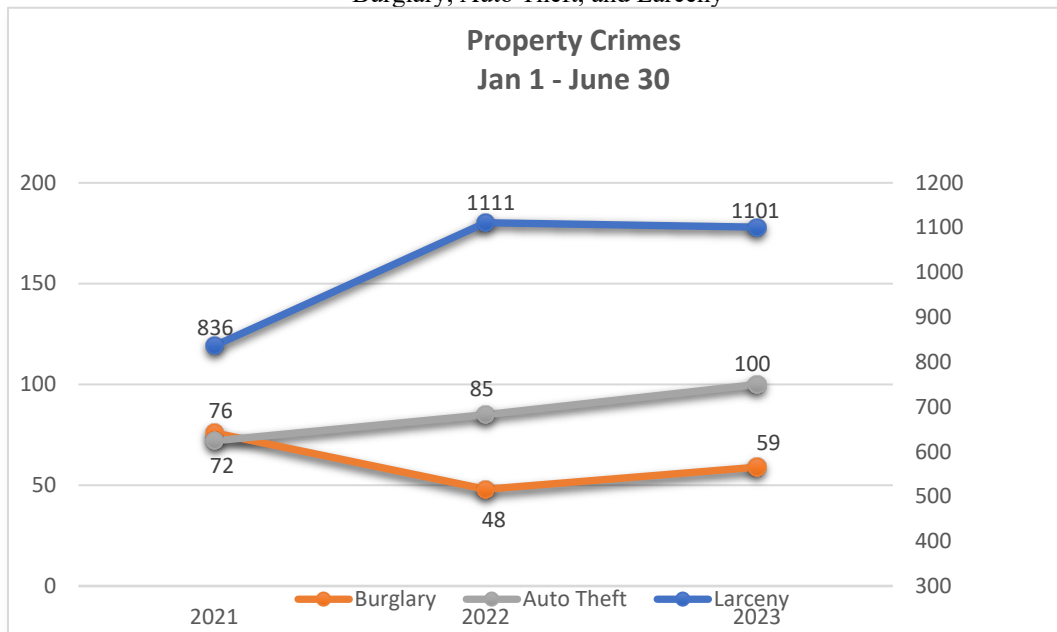
VIOLENT CRIMES: January 1 – June 30

Aggravated Assault, Forcible Sex Offenses, Robbery, and Homicide



PROPERTY CRIMES: January 1 – June 30

Burglary, Auto Theft, and Larceny



Loudoun County Sheriff's Office EASTERN LOUDOUN STATION

Population Served: **86,781** (est.)

Calls for Service: **23,274** (January 1 – June 30, 2023)



EASTERN LOUDOUN STATION: PART 1 OFFENSES

January 1 – June 30, 2023

Sectors	Homicide	Aggravated Assault	Robbery	Forcible Sex Offenses	Larceny	Auto Theft	Burglary	Total
210	0	0	0	0	8	4	1	13
220	0	6	0	3	41	9	2	61
230	0	2	3	2	50	2	1	60
240	0	3	1	1	25	5	1	36
250	0	6	0	2	28	1	1	38
260	0	2	4	2	52	2	3	65
270	0	5	1	7	68	5	3	89
280	0	8	4	3	212	10	4	241
290	0	4	3	4	43	12	6	72
Total	0	36	16	24	527	50	22	675

EASTERN LOUDOUN STATION: PART 2 OFFENSES

January 1 – June 30, 2023

Sectors	Simple Assault	Dest. Of Property	DUI	Drunk in Public	Narc. Related	Liquor Law	Peeping Tom	Weapon Viol.	Disorderly	Runaway	Total
210	15	12	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	31
220	65	40	9	15	32	1	0	2	1	5	170
230	33	24	7	6	9	0	0	2	0	4	85
240	16	12	1	3	5	0	0	0	0	0	37
250	41	14	13	14	4	0	1	1	2	2	92
260	17	15	12	7	7	1	0	2	0	0	61
270	56	41	18	35	19	4	0	8	1	8	190
280	46	28	10	21	15	1	0	3	0	1	125
290	47	36	14	10	9	2	0	2	1	13	134
Total	336	222	86	112	101	9	1	20	5	33	925

Loudoun County Sheriff's Office
ASHBURN STATION

Population Served: **102,896** (est.)

Calls for Service: **20,655** (January 1 – June 30, 2023)



ASHBURN STATION: PART 1 OFFENSES

January 1 – June 30, 2023

Sectors	Homicide	Aggravate d Assault	Robbery	Forcible Sex Offenses	Larceny	Auto Theft	Burglary	Total
310	0	2	0	3	16	2	3	26
320	0	6	0	1	25	1	6	39
330	0	4	1	5	54	8	3	75
340	0	3	1	1	25	1	0	31
350	0	1	0	2	48	1	3	55
360	0	2	0	1	67	0	3	73
370	0	0	0	2	39	5	2	48
900	0	2	0	1	1	2	0	6
Total	0	20	2	16	275	20	20	353

ASHBURN STATION: PART 2 OFFENSES

January 1 – June 30, 2023

Sectors	Simple Assault	Dest. Of Property	DUI	Drunk in Public	Narc. Related	Liquor Law	Peeping Tom	Weapon Viol.	Disorderly	Runaway	Total
310	35	13	5	6	5	0	0	4	2	2	72
320	29	22	2	3	4	0	0	1	2	4	67
330	57	24	15	40	19	2	0	4	3	4	168
340	29	7	5	13	6	1	1	3	1	1	67
350	41	18	9	3	8	1	0	2	1	1	84
360	38	20	7	17	5	1	0	2	1	1	92
370	30	19	2	6	6	1	0	5	1	1	71
900	14	8	5	2	12	0	0	2	0	0	43
Total	273	131	50	90	65	6	1	23	11	14	664

Loudoun County Sheriff's Office
DULLES SOUTH STATION

Population Served: **131,502** (est.)

Calls for Service: **22,928** (January 1 – June 30, 2023)



DULLES SOUTH STATION: PART 1 OFFENSES

January 1 – June 30, 2023

Sectors	Homicide	Aggravate d Assault	Robbery	Forcible Sex Offenses	Larceny	Auto Theft	Burglary	Total
410	0	0	0	0	27	8	1	36
420	0	6	2	5	33	7	1	54
430	0	4	0	1	30	0	0	35
440	0	0	0	2	83	2	4	91
450	0	2	0	2	6	1	0	11
460	0	1	0	2	16	0	0	19
470	0	3	0	4	67	8	3	85
800	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	16	2	16	262	26	9	331

DULLES SOUTH STATION: PART 2 OFFENSES

January 1 – June 30, 2023

Sectors	Simple Assault	Dest. Of Property	DUI	Drunk in Public	Narc. Related	Liquor Law	Peeping Tom	Weapon Viol.	Disorderly	Runaway	Total
410	17	7	0	2	0	0	0	1	1	0	28
420	54	15	4	3	17	1	0	3	3	10	110
430	38	18	4	2	2	1	0	1	0	4	70
440	19	15	5	5	0	0	0	1	0	0	45
450	21	1	2	1	3	2	0	0	0	0	30
460	28	16	2	1	13	2	0	0	0	1	63
470	60	27	7	3	13	1	0	4	1	4	120
800	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	237	99	24	17	48	7	0	10	5	19	466

Loudoun County Sheriff's Office
WESTERN LOUDOUN STATION



Population Served: **54,349** (est.)

Calls for Service: **11,559** (January 1 – June 30, 2023)

WESTERN LOUDOUN STATION: PART 1 OFFENSES

January 1 – June 30, 2023

Sectors	Homicide	Aggravate d Assault	Robbery	Forcible Sex Offenses	Larceny	Auto Theft	Burglary	Total
510	0	1	0	1	8	0	4	14
520	0	1	0	1	8	1	1	12
530	0	2	0	2	9	0	1	14
540	1	0	0	1	5	1	2	10
550	0	1	0	0	6	1	0	8
700	0	1	0	4	1	1	0	7
Total	1	6	0	9	37	4	8	65

WESTERN LOUDOUN STATION: PART 2 OFFENSES

January 1 – June 30, 2023

Sectors	Simple Assault	Dest. Of Property	DUI	Drunk in Public	Narc. Related	Liquor Law	Peeping Tom	Weapon Viol.	Disorderly	Runaway	Total
510	18	12	7	2	3	0	0	3	0	2	47
520	12	4	4	1	1	0	0	1	0	2	25
530	10	13	3	4	7	0	0	1	0	1	39
540	19	9	9	3	3	1	0	2	1	0	47
550	21	4	2	1	2	1	0	3	0	1	35
700	19	3	2	0	18	4	0	2	0	0	48
Total	99	45	27	11	34	6	0	12	1	6	241

Loudoun County Sheriff's Office COURT SERVICES



The Court Services Division (CSD) provides Court Security and Civil Enforcement functions at the Loudoun County Courts Complex and around the county as needed. Court Security maintains safety for all persons entering and working in the complex by utilizing screening procedures as well as public escorts as necessary. Civil Enforcement executes both criminal and civil documents issued by the courts and county offices in accordance with the Code of Virginia.

With the opening of the new courthouse this fall, courthouse deputies continue to train and familiarize themselves with the functionality of the building. Throughout this project, the court security personnel have worked closely with the county's CIP representative to ensure that safety is the highest priority. The new courthouse includes sophisticated security cameras, unobtrusive ballistic doors and windows, advanced screening stations, and state-of-the-art communication devices, making it one of the safest facilities in the region.

In addition to the General District Courts, the new courthouse includes Community, Correction and Probation (CCP) offices and the Commonwealth Attorney in its working spaces. To accommodate staff, clients, and services from these departments, courthouse deputies are staffing extended operational hours from 5:30 AM to 10:00 PM, seven days a week. These extended hours will allow the courts and community organizations to serve the public outside of regular business hours with courthouse deputies present.

COURT SERVICES MONTHLY STATISTICAL SUMMARY January 1 – June 30, 2023

	Jury Summons	Treasurer's Tax Summons*	Writs of Possession	Protective Orders Served	Arrests and Warrants	Persons Screened	Items Seized	Prints Collected	DNA Collected
January	7	0	138	140	43	18,213	41	32	12
February	0	0	127	126	42	16,288	42	32	6
March	7	0	216	164	77	19,470	48	47	19
April	0	0	230	108	57	18,061	30	56	6
May	9	3,656	225	107	67	18,333	41	41	2
June	0	0	146	97	73	19,646	35	45	5
July									
August									
September									
October									
November									
December									
YTD Total	23	3,656	1,082	742	359	110,011	237	253	50

*Treasurer's Tax Summons are issued once a year during the month of May and served by the Civil Enforcement Unit. Court hearing dates are set in June to afford citizens the opportunity to resolve the matter.

**Writs of Possession are a combination of levies and eviction services.

Loudoun County Sheriff's Office CORRECTIONS



The Corrections Division manages and operates the Adult Detention Center (ADC) and is responsible for the safeguarding of inmates committed by judicial authority. The Division consists of Inmate Confinement; Community Custody (Work Release, Work Force, and House Arrest); Inmate Programs; Records; Classification; and Transportation (for transport and extraditions throughout the U.S.). The Inmate Work Force program provides training to inmates as they prepare to re-enter society, and skills to assist them become more employable upon release.

In May, 13 inmates obtained their ServSafe Food Handler Certification, part of a comprehensive program established by the National Restaurant Association to provide food safety and related training. In June, one inmate obtained the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) Flagger Certification, teaching skills and protocols to protect construction personnel and provide safe, courteous, and appropriate directions to traffic passing through work areas. It is hoped that inmates will use these certifications when released to help secure employment.

In June, the ADC had its first inmate graduate from Changing Habits and Nurturing Community Engagements (CHANCE), a re-entry program that also provides mental health and substance use treatment. Inmates participate in a 16-week curriculum that includes Anger Management, Impact of Crime, Peer Relationships, Financial Literacy, Social Values, Self-Control, and Seeking Employment, with optional programs in Art, Culinary Arts, Computer Skills, Music, and Health and Wellness. Participants receive the opportunity to earn certifications and work experience as an inmate worker, as well as preparing for post-incarceration life.

CORRECTIONS MONTHLY STATISTICAL SUMMARY

January 1 – June 30, 2023

	ADP	Committals	Releases	Work Release/ Work Force	House Arrest	Inmate Transports	Extraditions
January	182	304	298	7	0	66	10
February	180	247	243	7	0	51	7
March	187	187	306	8	0	72	13
April	195	277	284	7	0	72	12
May	201	310	274	6	0	51	8
June	207	290	305	8	0	63	5
July							
August							
September							
October							
November							
December							
YTD Total	1,152	1,615	1,710	43	0	375	55

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Attachment #2

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
BUSINESS MEETING
INFORMATION ITEM**

SUBJECT: **Significant Incident Report/Q4FY2023/Loudoun County Combined Fire and Rescue System**

STAFF CONTACT(S): Keith Johnson, Loudoun County Combined Fire and Rescue System
Laura Rinehart, Loudoun County Combined Fire and Rescue System

BACKGROUND: The Loudoun County Combined Fire and Rescue System Incident Summary Report through the fourth quarter of FY 2023 is attached. This routine account is part of the standard reporting package made to the Board of Supervisors by the Loudoun County Combined Fire and Rescue System.

ATTACHMENT(S):

1. Significant Incident Report/Q4FY2023/LC-CFRS

Loudoun County Combined Fire and Rescue System

FY 2023 – Q4 Significant Incident Report



It is the mission of the Combined Fire and Rescue System of Loudoun County to provide residents and visitors with efficient and cost-effective fire protection, rescue, and emergency medical services.

Operations – FY2023 YTD & Q4 Incident Analysis

The Loudoun County Combined Fire and Rescue System responded to a total of 35,766 incidents between July 1, 2022, and June 30, 2023, of which 27,024 were EMS incidents and 8,742 were fire incidents.

Charts 1 – 4 below display a breakdown of fourth quarter FY2023 calls by incident disposition (EMS v. Fire), most dispatched EMS incident types, and most dispatched Fire incident types.

Chart 1: Q4 EMS V. FIRE Incidents

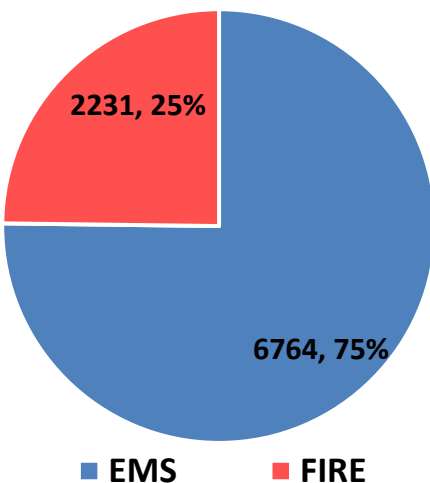


Chart 2: Q4 Significant Incident Categories

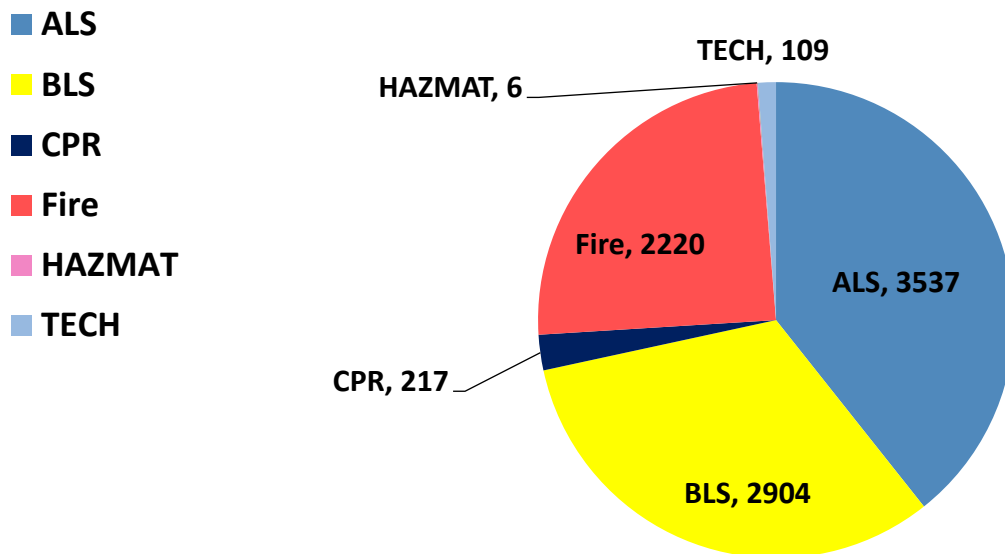


Chart 3: Q4 Top 10 EMS Incident Types

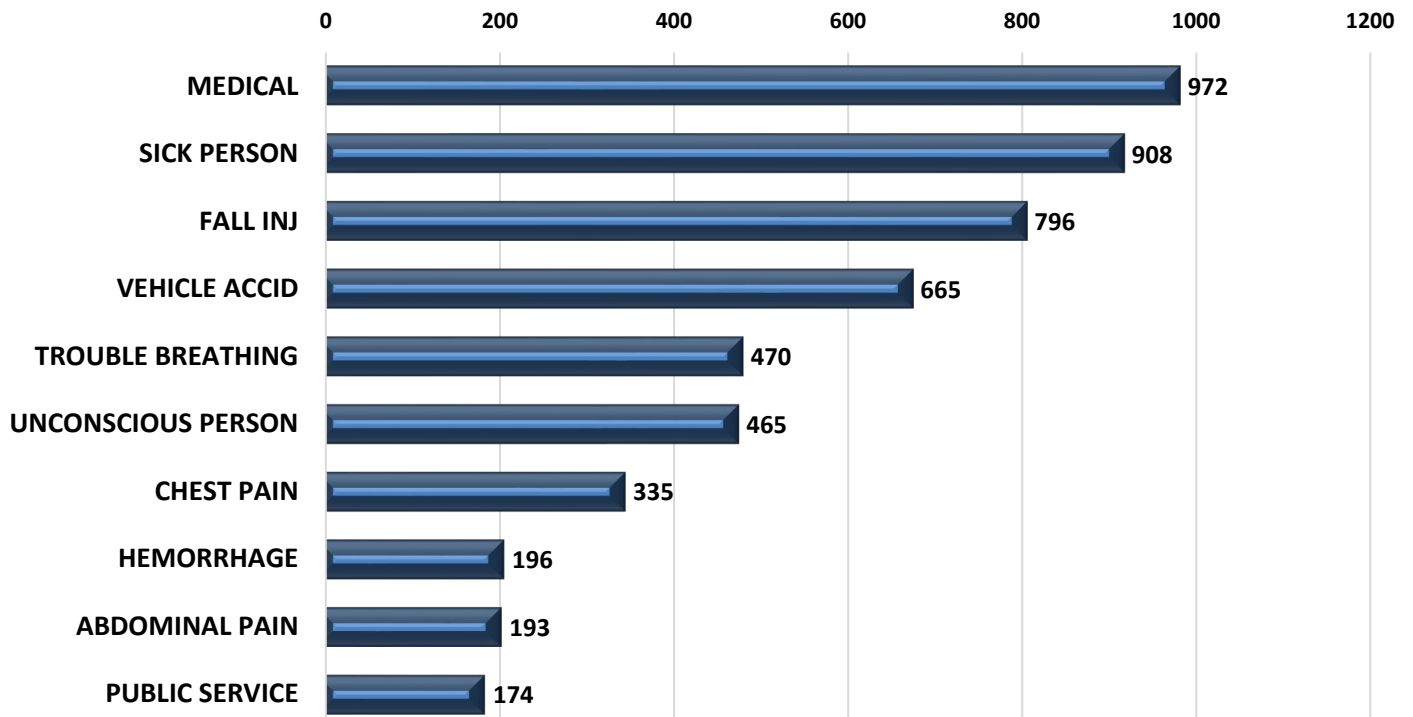
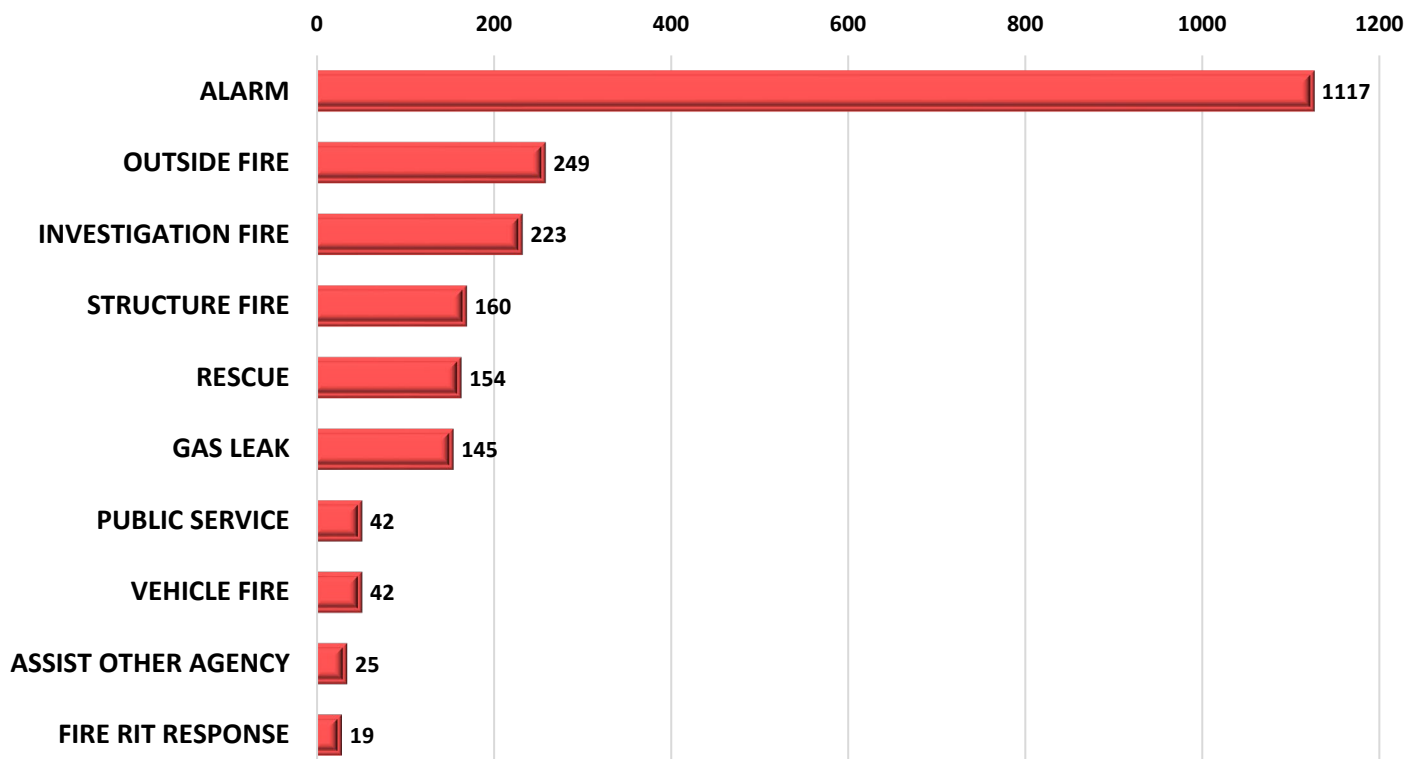
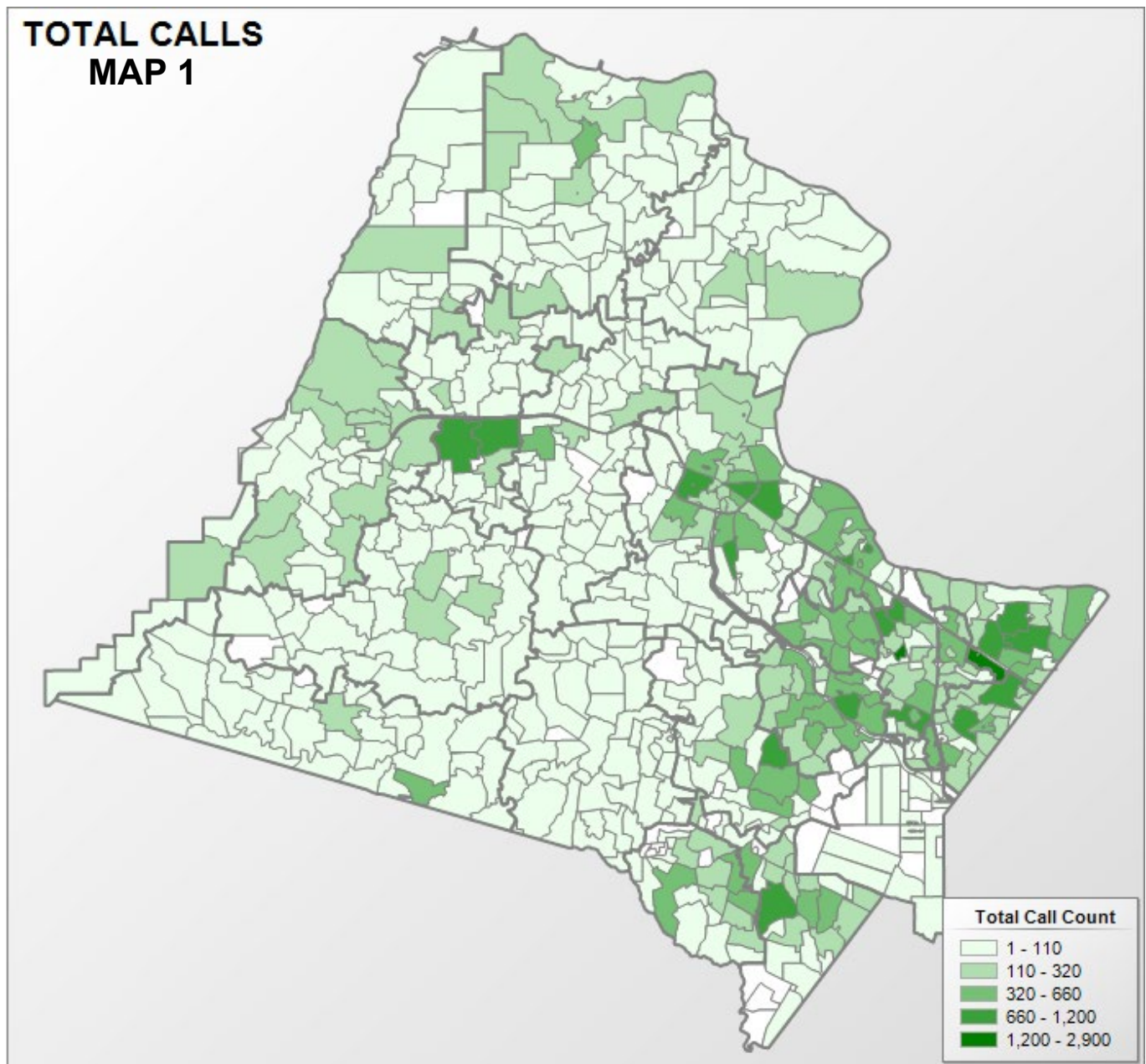


Chart 4: Q4 Top 10 Fire Incident Types



Operations - Incident Response by Area

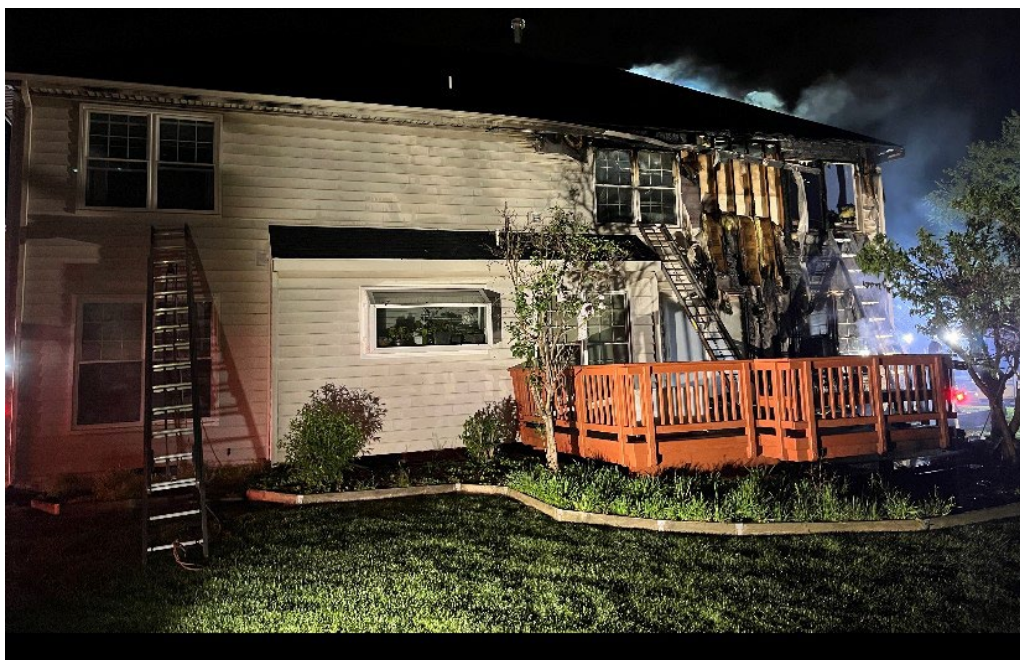
Map 1 shows areas of Loudoun County with the highest concentrations of call volume through Q4 FY2023.



Operations – Significant Emergency Incidents Q4 FY2023

Ashburn House Fire that Injured One Firefighter Caused by Careless Smoking

At 4:13 AM on Monday, April 17, 2023, Loudoun County Fire and Rescue units from Ashburn, Lansdowne, Moorefield, Kincora, and Leesburg were dispatched for a house fire involving the deck in the 20700 block of Globe Mills Court. First arriving units reported heavy fire involving the rear of a two-story home. Firefighters immediately worked to extinguish the fire in the rear and were able to limit damage to the home by gaining control of the fire quickly.



The Loudoun County Fire and Rescue Fire Marshal's Office (LCFR-FMO) investigators determined the fire was accidental, caused by improperly discarded smoking materials. Damages are estimated at \$350,000, \$300,000 for the structure and \$50,000 for the contents. Two adult occupants have been displaced and are receiving assistance from the Red Cross. One firefighter was transported to the hospital for evaluation of a minor injury.

According to the National Fire Protection Association, one in four home fire deaths occur in home fires started by smoking materials. Fires caused by improperly discarded smoking materials often occur when cigarettes are disposed of in potted plants or plant beds outside the home. Although many people think that this is a safe practice, not all dirt is the same. Today's potting soils contain very little actual soil but instead has large volumes of combustible and flammable materials such as peat moss, shredded wood, bark, Styrofoam, and vermiculite. These ingredients ignite easily under dry conditions and once ignited, the fertilizers in the mix will accelerate the flames. These types of fires can often smolder for hours and when enough oxygen is available, the materials will break out into flames. If the planter or bed is located near other combustible items like a deck, side of the house or fence, those items may become involved resulting in a serious fire.

These fires are preventable by following a few simple tips:

- If you smoke, do so outside.
- Residents should ensure they place discarded smoking materials in approved containers to limit the possibility of accidental fires. Never use plastic containers or anything that holds potting soil and be sure to clean out cigarette butt containers often.
- Use a deep, sturdy ashtray and be sure it is placed on a surface where it will not tip over.
- Place containers away from the house. Never place containers on front porches, decks, or just outside the door.
- Soak cigarette butts and ashes in water before throwing them away. Hot ashes can smolder for days.
- Test smoke alarms monthly and replace units as specified by the manufacturer's instructions.

For more information on home fire safety, to schedule a free home safety assessment, or obtain information regarding our LC-CFRS smoke alarm program, visit [Loudoun.gov/smokealarms](https://loudoun.gov/smokealarms) or call 703-737-8093.

**Mulch and Landscaping Safety**

**Never discard smoking material into mulch, potted plants, grass or leaves.**

For More Information visit:
[Loudoun.gov/FirePrevention](https://loudoun.gov/FirePrevention)

Improperly Discarded Smoking Materials Determined Cause of Leesburg House Fire

At 11:10 AM on Thursday, April 20, 2023, the Loudoun County Emergency Communications Center received multiple 911 calls reporting a house fire in the 40200 block of Browns Creek Place in Leesburg. Loudoun County Fire and Rescue Units from Leesburg, Aldie, Brambleton, Hamilton, Moorefield, and Lansdowne were dispatched.

The first arriving units reported a large, single-family home with significant smoke and fire conditions. They also confirmed that all occupants were out of the home. With all occupants confirmed out of the home and due to the house being heavily engulfed in fire the decision was made to extinguish the fire from the exterior of the home.

This home is in an area of Loudoun County where fire hydrants are not present, and additional fire and rescue units were dispatched from Ashburn, Kirkpatrick Farms, Lucketts, Purcellville, Lovettsville, and Prince William County to assist with water supply operations. These additional units shuttled water to the scene from nearby water sources such as local ponds via 3,000-gallon water tanks to ensure the crews fighting the fire had an adequate supply of water throughout the entire operation.

Loudoun County Fire and Rescue Fire Marshal's Office investigators determined the fire was caused by improperly discarded smoking materials. Damages are estimated at \$2.15 million, this includes \$1.2 million for the primary home, \$750,000 in contents, and \$200,000 for two neighboring homes that received exterior damage due to the radiant heat from the fire. Five occupants were displaced, and one cat is unaccounted for. One firefighter was transported to a local hospital for evaluation.



Fire Marshal's Provide Safety Information After Electrical Fire in Brambleton

At 4:41 a.m. on Wednesday, May 17, 2023, fire and rescue units from Brambleton, Dulles South, Moorefield, Ashburn and Kinross were dispatched to the 23,000 block of Higbee Lane for a reported house fire. 911 callers told dispatchers that there was fire on the outside of the house near the HVAC units.

Firefighters arrived on scene to find smoke and flames extending up an exterior wall of the home and immediately worked to extinguish the fire. Additional fire and rescue crews made entry to the home and searched for occupants and checked for fire extension. The quick action of fire crews greatly limited the fire spread, however there was some extension to the kitchen area as well as significant smoke and water damage throughout the home.

The residence was not occupied at the time of the incident so there were no civilians injured. One firefighter was treated and released after a minor injury.

The Loudoun County Fire Marshal's Office investigation into the fire determined the fire to be accidental due to an electrical failure within the electrical disconnect feeding the two exterior HVAC units and estimated damages at \$339,000. Specifically, the failure occurred in an electrical surge suppressor that experts had flagged as dangerous to consumers in 2016, and again in 2019. Several fire reports surfaced on <http://www.saferproducts.gov/> and UL Solutions has issued public notices recommending that consumers stop using these products immediately. For a link to the UL Solutions public notice, please visit [UL Reissues Warning of Potentially Hazardous Surge Protectors](#).

For additional fire and life safety information, please visit www.loudoun.gov/fireprevention or call the Fire Marshal's Office at 703-737-8600.



Fire Causes Over \$522K in Damages to Chantilly Home

Fire Marshal's estimate an early morning fire did over half a million dollars in damage to a residence in the 25,000 block of Leonard Drive in Chantilly on Wednesday, June 7, 2023. Just before 5:30 a.m., the Loudoun County Emergency Communications Center received multiple 911 calls advising of fire and smoke coming from a home on Leonard Drive. Fire and Rescue units from Dulles South, Kirkpatrick Farms, Arcola, Moorefield, Metro-Washington Airports Authority – Dulles, and Fairfax County responded to the incident.

Firefighters arrived on the scene and found a single-family home, currently vacant, with significant fire and smoke conditions. Firefighters immediately worked to extinguish the fire as additional crews used hoselines to cool and protect the neighboring homes. Once the bulk of the fire was under control, firefighters worked to extinguish hot spots and further protect nearby structures.

The Loudoun County Fire and Rescue Fire Marshal's Office has determined the fire to be incendiary in nature and continues its investigation into the incident. There were no injuries to civilians or emergency responders. There were no residents displaced as the fire structure was unoccupied at the time of the incident and damage incurred by both neighboring homes did not displace those residents.



LCFR Fire Marshal's Office Highlights Two 'Sprinkler Saves' in Loudoun

On the afternoon of Tuesday, June 13, 2023, Loudoun County Fire and Rescue (LCFR) units from Leesburg, Lansdowne, Ashburn, Lucketts, and Dulles South were alerted to a structure fire at 660 Fort Evans Road in Leesburg. The occupant of a third-floor apartment called 911 reporting the dryer was on fire.

Firefighters arrived and confirmed there was a fire involving a clothes dryer that had been extinguished by the automatic sprinkler system. Although the fire was out, fire and rescue crews remained on scene to check for fire extension and secure the sprinkler system. In this instance, the Loudoun County Fire and Rescue Fire Marshals Office concluded that the cause of the fire was a malfunction in the clothes dryer. Apartment occupants were alerted to the fire when they heard the fire alarm system sounding and saw smoke in the area. When the occupant opened the dryer to determine what was happening, the fire escaped the dryer, but a strategically placed sprinkler head kept the fire in check. There were no residents displaced and damages from the event are estimated at \$15,000. Although there was some water damage, without the sprinkler system in place, the damage done by an unchecked fire would have been significantly greater along with the potential for injuries and displacement.

The following day, June 14, 2023, LCFR units from Brambleton, Moorefield, Dulles South, Kirkpatrick Farms, Ashburn, and Sterling were dispatched to the 23,000 block of Hopewell Manor Terrace for a reported structure fire. The initial 911 call came from the fire alarm monitoring company, followed by a second 911 call from a neighbor reporting water and smoke coming from a window.

Firefighters arrived on scene to find a four-story townhouse with an active sprinkler system activation on the rear balcony. Crews determined that there had been a fire on the third-floor balcony and that the fire had been extinguished by the sprinkler system. There was no fire extension to the adjoining townhomes, however the home below the dispatched address received minor water damage.

The Loudoun County Fire and Rescue Fire Marshal's Office determined the fire was accidental, caused by carelessly discarded smoking materials. The fire suppression system worked as designed, activating the sprinkler system, and extinguishing the bulk of the fire until firefighters arrived on scene. Damages are estimated at \$20,500 and there were no injuries or displacement of occupants. You must always be cautious when extinguishing smoking materials. Always use an appropriate receptacle, with non-flammable contents such as sand or water. Keep it away from your home and remember, if you smoke, put it out, all the way, every time!

In both incidents, the fire alerting and automatic fire sprinkler systems worked as designed and made a significant difference in the outcomes. System Chief Keith Johnson reiterates, "the benefits provided when residences are equipped with automatic fire sprinklers and appropriate fire and smoke alarms is undeniable. Zero displacements, no injuries and only \$35,500 in damages is a small price to pay for what could have turned into deadly fire events."

According to the National Fire Protection Association's [U.S. Experience with Sprinklers report](#), the home fire death rate was 90 percent lower when fire sprinklers and hardwired smoke alarms were present during fires, and the average firefighter injury rate was nearly 80 percent lower when fire sprinklers were present during fires. Learn more about fire prevention, protection, and fire sprinkler advocacy in our area by visiting www.loudoun.gov/fireprevention or calling 703-737-8600.

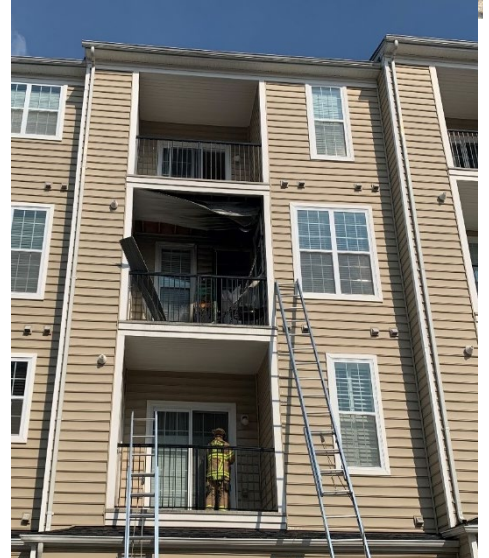


Figure 2: Hopewell Manor Terrace

Fire Marshal's Continue to Investigate Leesburg Airport Fire

At 2:10 a.m. Sunday, June 25, 2023, Fire and rescue units from Leesburg, Ashburn, Lansdowne, and Moorefield, along with numerous members of Command Staff, responded to a reported structure fire on Hangar Row Lane at the Leesburg Executive Airport. An on-duty Leesburg Police Officer noticed smoke in the area and called the Loudoun County Emergency Communications Center to report a possible fire.

Fire and Rescue units arrived on the scene to find a large, one-story metal building with heavy smoke conditions on all sides and fire visible. The buildings were quickly identified as a group of hangars used to store airplanes and equipment. Command officers requested a Rapid Intervention Task Force bringing additional fire and rescue units from Leesburg, Hamilton, and Kincora.

Firefighters quickly extinguished the fire as additional crews worked to ventilate the smoke conditions from throughout the building. There were no injuries to civilians or firefighters during this incident.

The origin and cause of the fire remains under investigation by the Loudoun County Fire and Rescue Fire Marshal's Office. Due to the significant scope of damage, the Fire Marshal's Office is working collaboratively with additional agencies for assistance. Fire and smoke damage to the structure (hangar), aircraft, vehicles, and contents, is estimated at over \$7,000,000.



Photo courtesy: Leesburg Police Department

Emergency Medical Services

EMS Week Celebrated

The Loudoun County Board of Supervisors proclaimed May 21 -27, 2023, as National Emergency Medical Services Week in honor and recognition of our Emergency Medical Services Personnel and the vital contributions they make to the safety and well-being of our community.

Each year, National Emergency Medical Services Week brings together local communities and medical personnel to publicize safety and honor the dedication of those who provide the day-to-day lifesaving services of medicine's "front line." This year's theme, "EMS: Where Emergency Care Begins", speaks to our essential role in providing frontline medical care to patients in need, at the first point in which it is needed.



2023 EMS Providers Released

The following AEMT providers were released in the fourth quarter of FY2023:

- Alex Venuti – Sterling Vol. Rescue Squad
- Josh Barrett – LCFR
- Nancy Acedillo – LCFR
- Michael Sheil – LCFR
- Alejandro Lecuona Huet – LCFR
- Milton Fletcher – LCFR
- Guy Ayerov – LCFR
- Christopher Hiponia – LCFR
- Cerra Clough – Sterling Vol. Rescue Squad
- Carlos Fernandez – LCFR
- Mitchell Lison – LCFR
- Hannah Shoffner – LCFR
- Jeremy Morgan – LCFR

Training Division

LCFR Graduates 43rd Recruit Academy

On Monday, April 24, 2023, LC-CFRS celebrated twenty-one Firefighter/Emergency Medical Technicians who graduated from Loudoun County Fire and Rescue's 43rd recruit class in an official ceremony at Cornerstone Chapel in Leesburg.

The recruits, their friends and family, along with members of fire and rescue leadership, Loudoun County Administration and the Loudoun County Board of Supervisors looked on as Clerk of the Circuit Court Gary Clemens swore in the recruits as the newest members of the Loudoun County Combined Fire and Rescue System (LC-CFRS).

Recently retired Deputy Chief Randall L. Shank emceed the event and in his opening remarks, commended the recruits for their hard work and commitment. "As with every recruit class, these individuals have endured many hours of physical training, academic challenges, long and challenging training evolutions, as well as countless evenings and weekends of studying and time spent away from their family and friends."

In remarks by Board of Supervisor Chair Phyllis Randall, the recruits were praised for their hard work and sacrifice and reminded that mental health and wellness are critical aspects of public safety that we should always be mindful of.

Supervisor Mike Turner from the Ashburn Election District shared with the recruits a glimpse of his military experience and reminded the recruits to trust their instincts and use every opportunity to learn.

For the first time in LCFR history, Recruit Class 43 completed an accelerated 12-week training academy, instead of LCFR's traditional 26-week course. Applicants for this accelerated class were required to have certifications in firefighting, hazardous materials, and emergency medical technician to be considered for the program. Once at the Academy, recruits participated in approximately 470 hours of physical training, learning Loudoun County's emergency medical protocols, technical rescue, MAYDAY/firefighter down techniques, and live fire evolutions.

Special recognition goes to Firefighter/EMT James House who was designated top recruit for class 43. Firefighter House showed exemplary leadership, poise, and dedication throughout the challenging program, helping to ensure the success of his classmates.

Also recognized, the Lieutenant Alex J. Keepers Memorial Award winner for recruit class 43, Firefighter/EMT Catherine Cottone. The award was established to memorialize Lt. Keepers, who was tragically killed in 2007, and is presented to a recruit who made outstanding improvements throughout the academy, never quitting, and pushing through adversity.

Congratulations to the following personnel as they begin their careers as Loudoun County Firefighter/EMTs, assigned to various fire and rescue stations throughout the County:

Colby Ambrose
Jeffrey Berry
Carlos Blanco
Ethan Boberg
Andrew Bredow
Ryan Carroll
Catherine Cottone

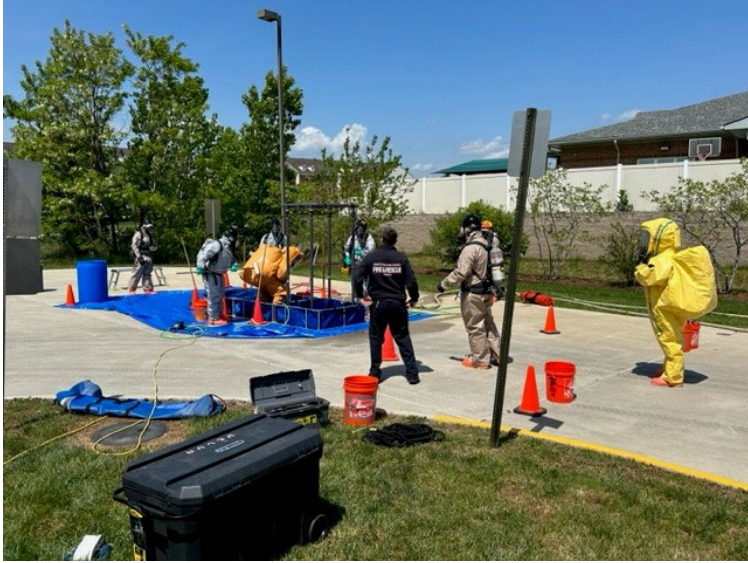
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Connor Fagan
Kenneth Finzel
Hector Garduno
John Paul Gaston
Christopher Gough
Peter Gugliotta

Daniel Herdman
James House
Michael North
Alex Savard
Alexandr Smirnov
Lucas Thomas
Robert Weyer



Hazardous Materials Technician School

LC-CFRS hosted VDEM's Hazardous Materials Technician School at FS619 beginning on April 13th. The course lasted 2 weeks and 22 students from Loudoun, MWAA, Prince William County, FBI, and Fairfax County fire departments graduated Wednesday, April 26th.



Eleven Graduate Fire and Rescue Officer Development School

Loudoun County Fire and Rescue (LCFR) is proud to announce the graduation of 11 fire and rescue personnel from the 8th annual LCFR Officer Development School. These senior firefighters and technicians attended the comprehensive, two-week program at the Oliver Robert Dubé Fire & Rescue Training Academy in Leesburg, in preparation for their impending promotion to Officer.



Members of LCFR's senior staff worked alongside seasoned company officers to design the program for

newly promoted officers; the curriculum focused on both leadership and management. This intensive, hands-on, training program focused on developing all aspects of a company officer's role through a combination of lectures and practical exercises. Graduates refined their ability to lead and manage their staff and learn effective methods to mentor, cultivate, and grow our department's personnel. The program utilized various internal instructors, as well as presenters from outside agencies to deliver dynamic presentations and conduct realistic exercises.

A graduation ceremony on Wednesday, May 24, 2023, culminated the completion of the immersive training program. Chief of the Loudoun County Combined Fire and Rescue System, Keith H. Johnson, praised the hard work and commitment of the graduates as they were presented with their certificates. Assistant Chief of Operations, James Williams and County Administrator Tim Hemstreet offered guidance on the qualities of successful leaders and the challenges they will face transitioning to this next chapter in their careers.

Volunteer Programs Division

National Volunteer Week Honors Loudoun's Volunteer First Responders

As proclaimed by the Loudoun County Board of Supervisors, the week of April 16-22, 2023, is designated as National Volunteer Week in recognition of the hundreds of dedicated volunteer members of the Loudoun County Combined Fire and Rescue System (LC-CFRS) who selflessly donate their time, talent, and energy to serve our community and protect our citizens.



National Volunteer Week was established in 1974 and is an opportunity to honor the impact of all those who perform outstanding service in our communities and inspire others to make a difference and improve the world. The highly trained volunteers of LC-CFRS, our neighbors, are summoned to a wide array of emergencies across the county every day including fires, emergency medical incidents, natural disasters, hazardous materials incidents, water rescue emergencies, and other public service calls. When these volunteers respond to emergencies, they are often mistaken for career first responders, because they have the same level of training, skills, and professionalism.

“We are proud to have so many volunteers in Loudoun County, our dedicated neighbors and volunteer first responders make a profound impact and are a critical part of the Loudoun County Combined Fire and Rescue System,” said Fire Chief Keith H. Johnson. “During National Volunteer Week, let us celebrate all of our volunteers for their efforts.”

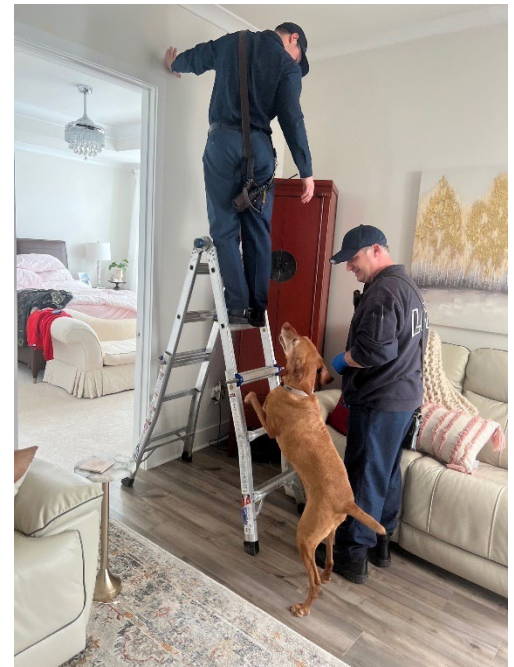
Fire Marshal's Office

LC-CFRS Kicks Off Annual Smoke Alarm Outreach

On April 1, 2023, the Loudoun County Combined Fire and Rescue System completed the April 2023 kickoff of the annual Smoke Alarm Community Outreach Program. This weekend crews throughout the county went out and visited homes. The department also performed a large area canvass in Sterling.

The Sterling canvass included members from Loudoun County Fire Marshal's Office and Loudoun County Fire and Rescue to include companies 11, 18, 24, 35. It took place in the Mirror Ridge neighborhood off Cottage Road. The total count throughout the county including the large canvass shows the department visited 1038 homes and completed 103 alarms serviced, installed 34 smoke alarms, and serviced 14 homes. One home did not even have one working smoke alarm.

The overall mission was to ensure every home had working smoke alarms in it on all levels, outside the door of any sleeping areas and inside every bedroom. In addition, members also reminded the citizens to close their bedroom doors before they doze and have an escape plan. It also served as a great time to meet the community and get a closer look at the buildings that we respond to.



Communications and 911 Services

Loudoun Celebrates Public Safety Communications Staff

As proclaimed by the Loudoun County Board of Supervisors, the week of April 9 – 15, 2023 is designated as National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week. Throughout the week, the Loudoun County Combined Fire and Rescue System, the Loudoun County Sheriff's Office and Loudoun County Animal Services will join forces to honor our local 911 call-takers, dispatchers, and communications professionals.

National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week is observed annually during the second week of April and celebrates the men and women who respond to emergency calls, dispatch emergency professionals and equipment, and render life-saving assistance to the world's citizens.

Across the nation in times of intense personal crisis and community-wide disasters, the first access point for those seeking all classes of emergency services is 911. Public safety communicators who receive these calls

are the first and single point of contact for persons seeking immediate relief during an emergency and often mean the difference between life and death.

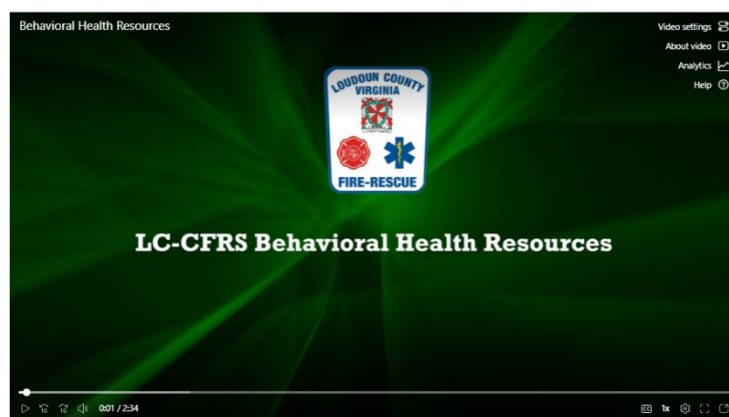


Health, Safety, Facilities and Fleet

LC-CFRS Recognizes Mental Health Awareness Month in May

It is widely known that there are common stressors faced by firefighters, Paramedics/AEMT's and EMTs throughout the course of their careers. These stressors can be even more impactful when responding to incidents involving children, where there is potential violence, traumatic EMS calls, where there is loss of life, and acknowledging the inherent dangers of firefighting – can have a cumulative impact on mental health and well-being.

Throughout the month of May, LC-CFRS leadership shifted their focus to observe Mental Health Awareness month and explore how this affects our first responders and what resources are in place when they need help. The LC-CFRS Health and Wellness team has created a one-stop Behavioral Health Hub on SharePoint for easy access to critical information about first responder mental health and available resources. In addition to creating the innovative Behavioral Health Hub, members of the peer support team visited career and volunteer personnel at stations across to County to introduce themselves and provide additional resources.



- ✓ Spotting the Signs
- ✓ If You See Something, Say Something
- ✓ Changing the Culture
- ✓ Steps to Support Good Mental Health
- ^ Resources Available to You and Your Family

Firefighter Rizzo Added to LC-CFRS Memorial

On Saturday, May 13, 2023, LCFR formally added Firefighter Jeffrey T. Rizzo's name to the Combined Fire and Rescue System Memorial on the Training Academy burn pad. FF Rizzo's passing on July 8, 2021 has been classified as a Line of Duty Death by the Commonwealth of Virginia, a requirement for inclusion on the Memorial. FF Rizzo's wife Jamie and son Rocco attended the ceremony, which included remarks from Supervisors Turner and Umstattd and System Chief Johnson. The Honor Guard assisted with bagpipes, presenting the colors, and unveiling FF Rizzo's plaque on the Memorial. The family also received the International Association of Fire Fighters' Medal of Honor from Local 3756 Vice President Nicholas Krukowski.

The permanent Memorial was completed in 2018 and was funded by the Keepers family, in honor of Lieutenant Alex Keepers who died tragically in an auto accident on his way to work December 31, 2007.



Firefighters and Fosters

On Tuesday, March 21, 2023, in conjunction with our partners at Loudoun County Animal Services, our Health, Safety and Wellness team organized a "Pop-up Puppy Party in Purcellville!" where system members at nearby stations could take some time out of their day to give—and get—puppy snuggles!



Lovettsville FS612 Groundbreaking

Members of Loudoun County's Board of Supervisors, county staff, Lovettsville's mayor and town staff, members of Loudoun County Fire and Rescue and community members gathered at the construction site of Lovettsville's future fire station for a groundbreaking ceremony on Tuesday, May 30. Chair Randall, Supervisor Kershner, Mayor Hornbacker, Rescue Chief Gemma Starkie, President McIntyre, and Chief Johnson delivered words at the ceremony emceed by Deputy County Administrator Erin McLellan. The planned 19,200-square-foot building is being built adjacent to the current station and will have four apparatus bays, bunk rooms, administrative offices, showers and lockers, and a kitchen and dining area.

[Click here for more photos.](#)



Awards, Kudos, and Accolades

2023 Virginia Fallen Firefighters and EMS Memorial Service

On Saturday, June 3, 2023, members of the LC-CFRS traveled to Richmond, Virginia to attend the 2023 Virginia Fallen Firefighters and EMS Memorial Service. This year's ceremony honored 10 fallen firefighters who were recognized in the Virginia Line of Duty Act in 2022 for their bravery and dedication to the residents of and visitors to the Commonwealth. This year's program included Firefighter Jeff Rizzo from Loudoun County Fire and Rescue. The team from LC-CFRS watched with an incredible sense of pride as we watched our Honor Guard support Firefighter Rizzo's family and demonstrate incredible professionalism and compassion.

Please [click here to watch the ceremony](#). The 2023 service begins shortly after the 14-minute mark.



Sterling Rescue Chief Wins Regional Award for Outstanding Leadership in EMS

The Loudoun County Combined Fire and Rescue System (LC-CFRS) is honored to share that Sterling Volunteer Rescue Squad Chief Kathy Harasek was selected as the winner of the Northern Virginia EMS Council Regional Award for Outstanding EMS Leadership. This award recognizes an individual who has demonstrated the ability to organize, conduct, manage, problem solve and evaluate within their organization and, by exemplary leadership and administrative skills, improve the effectiveness, response, and delivery of EMS.

"Chief Harasek is very deserving of this award and exemplifies the essence of leadership at all levels within our System," said Deputy Chief Todd Lupton. "She is a trusted voice in which many respect and seek her guidance on a regular basis. We are truly grateful for all of her contributions to Sterling Volunteer Rescue Squad and the entire LC-CFRS."

Chief Harasek's EMS career began with the United States Park Police, where she was a police officer, paramedic, and pilot within their aviation division. She eventually became in charge of the aviation unit, where she was not only responsible for the unit's law enforcement activities, but also its rescue and EMS activities and its surveillance and dignitary protection assignments. She joined the Sterling Volunteer Rescue Squad in 2005 and has held numerous positions with the organization, to include Crew Chief, Captain, Deputy Chief, and eventually Chief. In addition to being an ALS provider for many years, Chief Harasek has also been a preceptor and ALS mentor to many ALS providers in the system. In 2017, she became an Education Coordinator and part-time instructor at the LC-CFRS Training Center and assisted with teaching basic certification programs and annual required trainings. In 2019, she was elected as Chief of the Sterling Volunteer Rescue Squad and later selected as chair of the EMS Operations Committee as part of the LC-CFRS, where she serves on the system's Executive Committee and regularly has both influence and an impact on the policies and direction of the Fire and Rescue System.

We are grateful for Chief Harasek's continued leadership and knowledge of the Fire and Rescue System and her unwavering commitment to the Loudoun County community.



Date of Meeting: September 5, 2023

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Attachment 3

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS BUSINESS MEETING INFORMATION ITEM

SUBJECT: **SIGNIFICANT INCIDENT REPORT/Q4 FY2023/ Department of Animal Services**

STAFF CONTACT: Nina Stively, Animal Services
Chris Brosan, Animal Services

BACKGROUND: Attached is a significant incident summary report for the Department of Animal Services (LCAS). This report provides the Board of Supervisors with comparative statistics and information for the fourth quarter of FY 2023 (April - June 2023) The information includes departmental programs and services, including humane law enforcement activities (historically referred to as “animal control activities”), animal sheltering data, adopter survey information and volunteer activities. Additionally, information regarding key activities and/ or incidents that occurred during the fourth quarter of FY 2023 is provided in the paragraphs below.

FY23 Q4 LCAS Programs and Events

LCAS Humane Education On and Off-Site Programs

In the 4th quarter LCAS held thirty-three humane education programs. LCAS visited after school programs and local elementary and middle schools and libraries to present Humane Education programs. Topics included dog safety, wildlife, pet care and animal body language. LCAS Humane Educators also hosted Girl Scout troops for tours and presentations at the shelter to help them earn their Animal Badges. In addition, the Humane Education program visited several Career Days to help educate students about careers with animals and in animal sheltering.

In the 4th quarter, Loudoun County Animal Services continued the ‘Reading to Cats’ program at the shelter. This program teaches the public about cat body language and behavior while they sit with and read to cats at the shelter. In addition to providing companionship, comfort and attention to the cats, it promotes cat ownership and adoption in our community.

During the 4th quarter, LCAS Humane Education hosted a series of “Critters and Crafts” activity sessions for children. Each session focused on learning about a pet or wildlife in Loudoun County and included a fun activity and/or craft as well. Critters and Crafts continue to have all sign-up slots filled. LCAS Humane Education also started the “Frozen Fun Fridays” program. The program allowed participants to come to the shelter and make frozen, summertime treats for the animals. In addition to providing an easy way to get involved, the program educated attendees about enrichment needs for a variety of species and how enrichment can help address behavioral concerns.



LCAS Volunteer Program

During the 4th quarter, LCAS volunteers gave 4,298 hours. Volunteers were on the road and attended numerous events, including mobile pet food pantries, to help staff offer low-cost services and raise awareness of Animal Services in Loudoun County. Volunteers assisted with in-shelter educational events and programs such as Homeward Bound, Kitten Shower and other events.

Forty-eight training classes were offered in the 4th quarter. Volunteers trained for dog-walking, working with sick and isolated cats and dogs and learned how to support more involved shelter programs and tasks such as low-cost medical clinics, spay/neuter surgery recovery, and perform administrative tasks. Specialized trainings in animal photography and harness/collar fitting were also offered during the 4th quarter.



LCAS Foster Program

During the 4th quarter, foster families provided 2,830 hours of care. These included neonatal kittens with and without moms, medical cases including kittens, small animals and dogs, puppies, and adult cats.



LCAS Community Programs, Events & Outreach

Low-Cost Clinics

Loudoun County Animal Services hosted three low-cost clinics during the 4th quarter. These clinics utilized a drive-up clinic approach and offered vaccination services, dog licenses and microchipping, on a walk-in, drive-through basis to all members of the community. Shelter staff and volunteers, were on hand to answer questions, provide services, assist with dog licensing, and create a positive experience for members of the community. With a total of 256 animals coming through the three events, the clinics have continued to reach maximum service capacity.

Outdoor Cat Low-Cost Spay/Neuter Clinics

During the 4th quarter, Loudoun County Animal Services continued holding low-cost spay/neuter clinics for outdoor cats. These clinics are aimed at helping reduce the number of stray kittens and feral cats in the county and offer residents an affordable option for fixing their outdoor cats. All cats attending the clinics are spay/neutered, vaccinated, microchipped and ear tipped. While the number of available surgery slots varies due to surgery schedule availability, these clinics all filled during the 4th quarter.

Kitten Shower

During the 4th quarter, LCAS hosted our annual Kitten Shower event. This event is a collaboration between the Humane Education, Outreach and Foster/Volunteer programs to help educate the public about neonatal kittens, kitten care and adoption. Fosters have the opportunity to bring current foster kittens to the shelter to share their stories about why they foster and answer questions from potential foster families. Participants meet kittens varying in age from just a few weeks to a few months old and learn about the care and needs of each age group. Participants also brought donations of kitten food, kitten formula and other supplies needed to care for incoming cats during kitten season.



Homeward Bound Adoption Event

In May, LCAS hosted their annual, fee-waived, spring adoption event – Homeward Bound. 372 people visited the shelter for the event and this year 19 animals were adopted. A team of volunteers worked to help staff on the day of the event, helping with everything from parking and set-up to helping on the adoption floor and with paperwork to ensure a smooth experience for everyone.



Community Events

The LCAS Outreach program attended, hosted and organized 30 events in the 4th quarter. Staff and volunteers attended community fairs to raise awareness of adoption and the shelter and took animals to appear on news segments. In the 4th quarter LCAS also partnered with Leesburg Economic Development to raise awareness of pet friendly businesses in Leesburg while promoting adoptable dogs.



Pet Pantry Program

The Pet Pantry Program is a joint effort between Loudoun Hunger Relief, the Humane Society of Loudoun County, and LCAS to ensure Loudoun families in need are able to keep their pets during temporary times of financial distress. Each month, LCAS delivers pre-made dog and cat food kits for distribution through Loudoun Hunger Relief.

Loudoun Hunger Relief's pet food distribution routinely has demand exceeding supply. In addition to supplying the regular pantry location, LCAS now supplies two mobile pantry efforts in Sterling to meet the demand for pet food.

This quarter, 1,569 kits were packed and delivered weighing a collective total of over 9,400 lbs. This program is currently supported by donations from the community and support from the Humane Society of Loudoun County.



Humane Law Enforcement

The registration period for exotic animal owners to register their animals, under the grandfather clause for the newly passed county ordinance prohibiting the ownership of certain exotic and wild animals, expired on May 8, 2023. The department received responses from 4 people, registering 11 animals in total. This included four monkeys, five venomous snakes, a wolf-hybrid and a scorpion. After the expiration of the registration period, the department received information regarding an illegally possessed native wild species. That individual was contacted, and the animal is no longer in their possession.

On July 12, 2023, the individuals charged in the animal cruelty case involving the Luck of the Irish Rescue were in court for the first time to face the charges brought against them. The judge scheduled the case to be heard on November 30, 2023, in General District Court.

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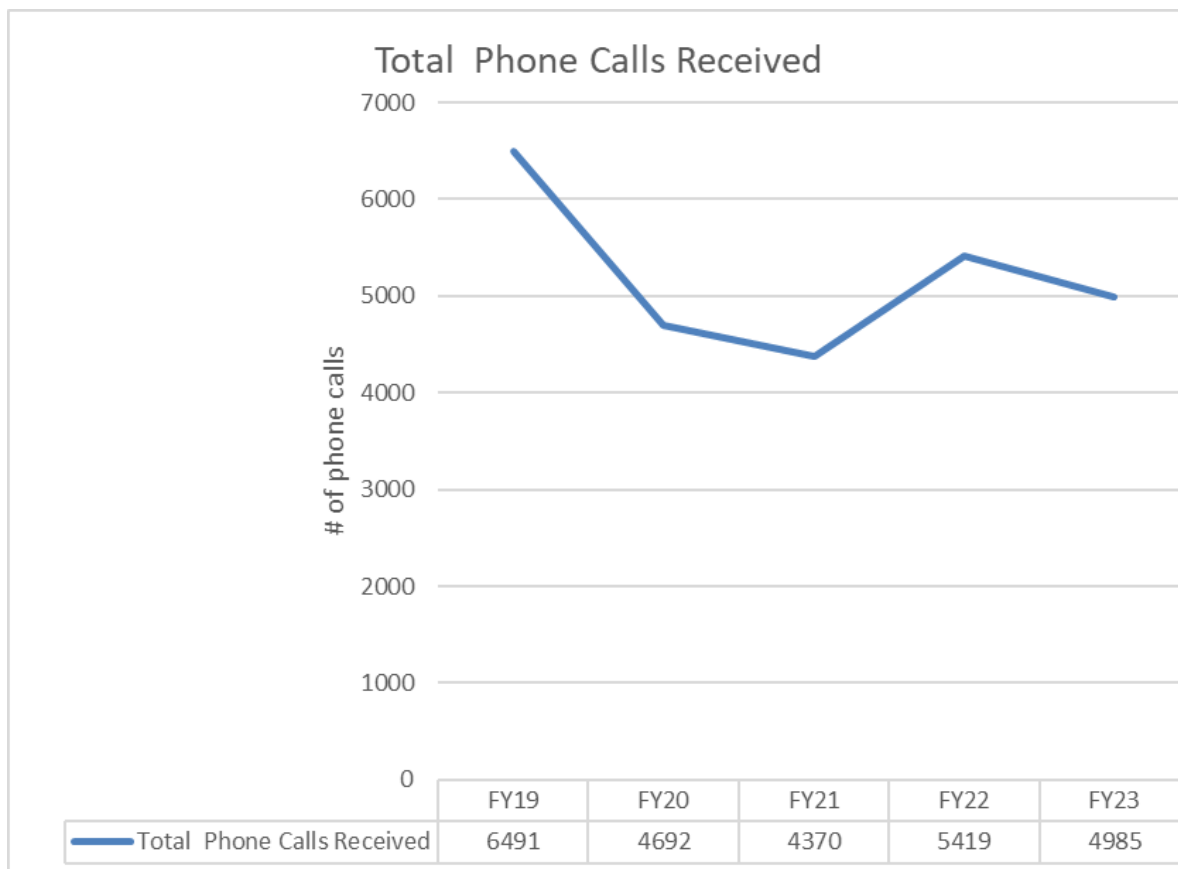
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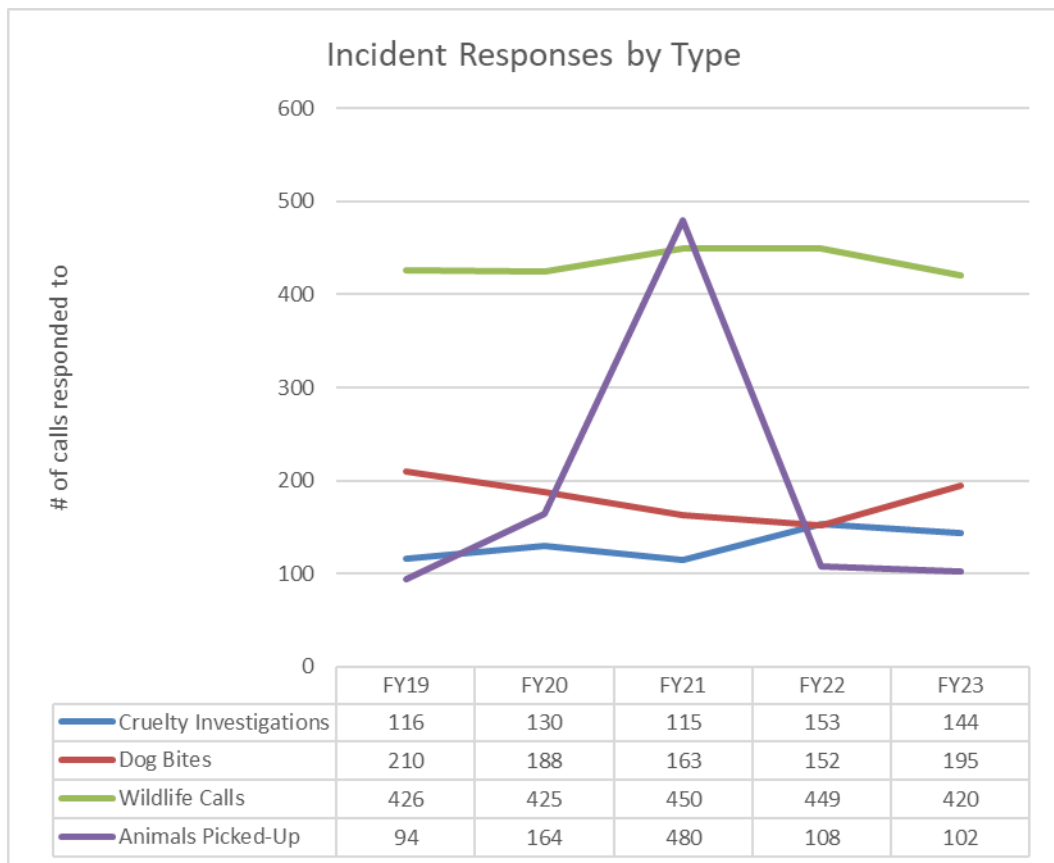
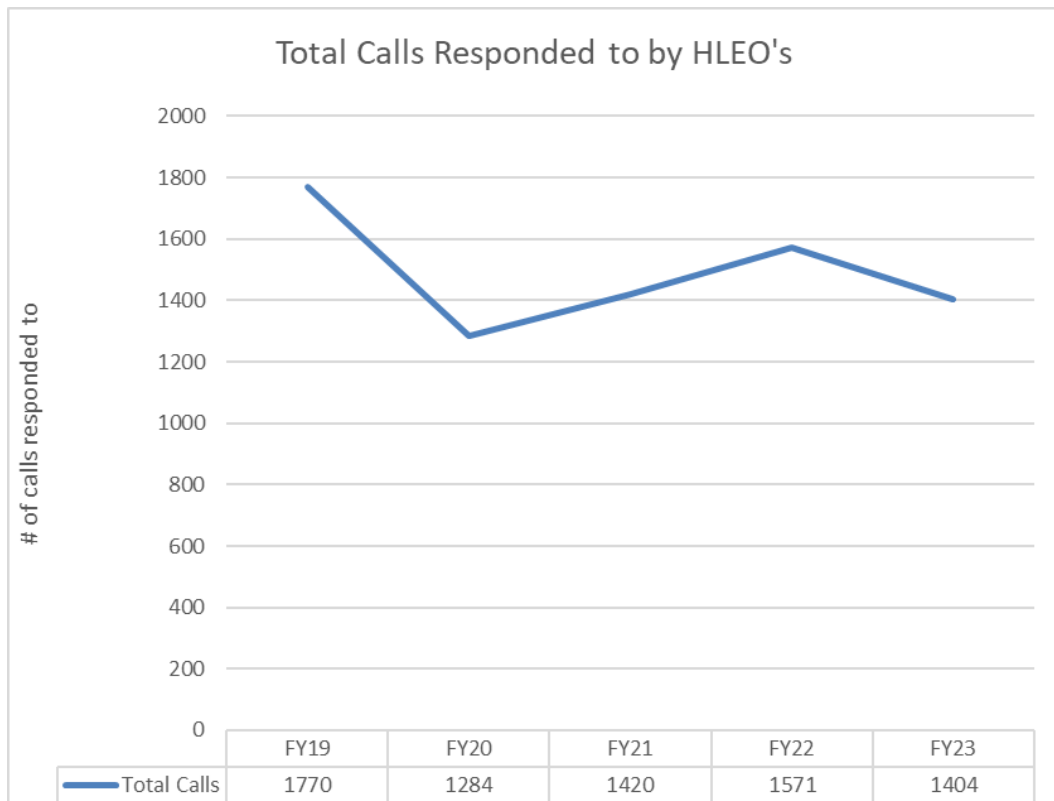
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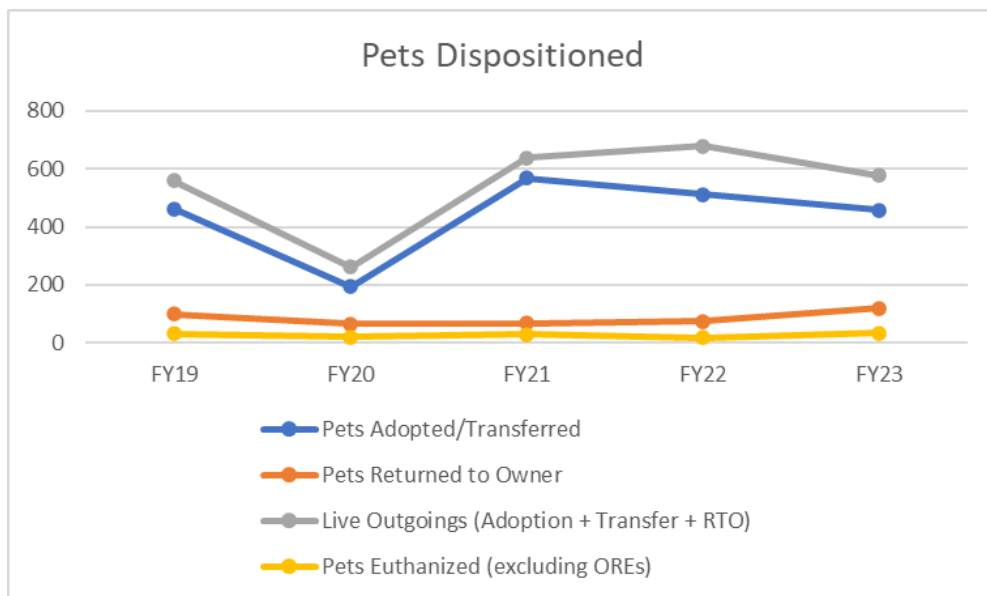
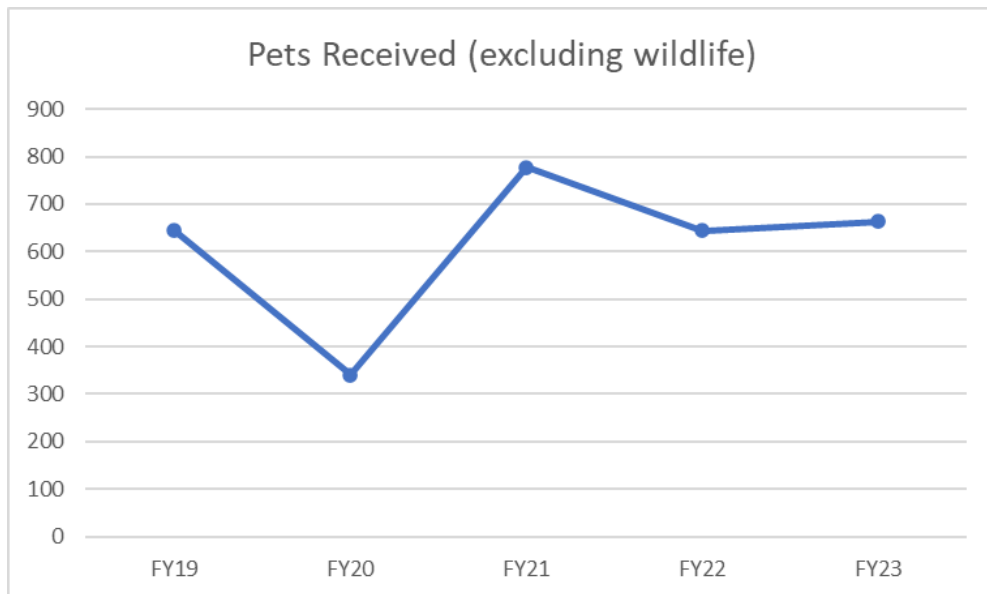
***Note:** The data depicted in this report reflects specific categories of calls responded to by Humane Law Enforcement Officers (HLEOs). In addition to the calls reported, officers respond to a variety of other calls such as technical rescues, animal cruelty, pets in hot cars, stray roaming dogs and sick or injured companion animals.*

Statistics 4th Quarter (April - June)





<u>Percentage Change from Period to Period</u>				
	Compared To April-June FY19	Compared To April-June FY20	Compared To April-June FY21	Compared To April-June FY22
Total Calls for Service	10%	-27%	11%	-11%
Cruelty Investigations	8%	12%	-12%	-6%
Dog Bites	31%	-10%	-13%	28%
Wildlife Calls	-21%	0%	6%	-6%
Animals Picked-Up	-46%	74%	193%	-6%



Comparative Data

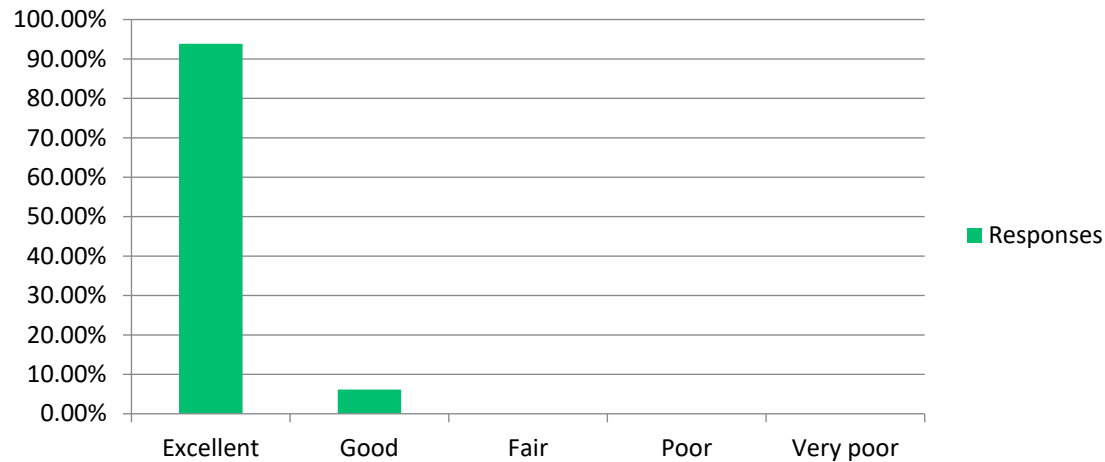
	FY19	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23
Pets Received (excluding wildlife)	645	341	778	644	663
Pets Adopted/Transferred	461	195	569	511	458
Pets Returned to Owner	99	66	68	75	119
Live Outgoings (Adoption + Transfer + RTO)	560	261	637	678	577
Pets Euthanized (excluding OREs)	31	21	29	19	33

*ORE – Owner Requested Euthanasia **RTO – Return to Owner

Post Adoption Well-Being & Support (PAWS)								
How was your overall experience during your visit to Loudoun County Animal Services?								
Answer Choice	Responses							
Excellent	93.85%	61						
Good	6.15%	4						
Fair	0.00%	0						
Poor	0.00%	0						
Very poor	0.00%	0						
	Answered	65						
	Skipped	3						

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How was your overall experience during your visit to Loudoun County Animal Services?



Volunteer Hour Comparison

Assignment	22-Apr	23-Apr	Change	22-May	23-May	Change	22-Jun	23-Jun	Change	Total Hours
Admin Volunteer	256	151	-41.02%	259	139	-46.33%	295	151	-48.81%	441
Canine Companion	344	375	9.01%	373	467	25.20%	365	473	29.59%	1315
Feline Friend	407	439	7.86%	485	368	-24.12%	421	559	32.78%	1366
Foster Care Volunteer	1211	388	-67.96%	1780	814	-54.27%	900	1629	81.00%	2831
LCAS Ambassadaor	27	20	-25.93%	34	73	114.71%	29	77	165.52%	170
Pet Transport	22	5	-77.27%	15	5	-66.67%	8	15	87.50%	25
Small Animal Friend	71	109	53.52%	64	89	39.06%	76	78	2.63%	276
Temporary Volunteers	22	12	-45.45%	20	206	930.00%	12	60	400.00%	278
Training	115	59	-48.70%	80	102	27.50%	76	86	13.16%	247
Medical Volunteer	22	53	140.91%	17	56	229.41%	13	42	223.08%	21
Grand total	2475	1611		3110	2319		2182	3170		6949

How satisfied were you with each of the following items during your visit to the shelter?

