



Martinsville Sheriff's Office

To: Lieutenant Jonathan Barker, Accreditation Manager

From: Steve M. Draper, Sheriff and Laura Hopkins, Major

Subject: **Annual Report**

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A. A description of the concerns voiced from the community:

There were no concerns expressed to our office during this past year.

B. A description of potential problems that have a bearing on law enforcement activities within the community:

Since the Martinsville Police Department is the primary law enforcement entity within Martinsville, any potential problems concerning criminal activity shall be passed on to the Martinsville Police Department. This is especially true when it concerns potential informants, and vice-drug complaints.

Our responsibility is in the security of the courthouse and surrounding municipal building and parking areas.

Retention of Sheriff's Office employees has tremendously improved over the past year and continues to be an important goal to maintain. The Sheriff's Office is almost up to staff and the employees take pride in performing our mission of excellence and serving the citizens of Martinsville.

C. Recommendations:

No recommendations for concerns.



D. Future Goals and Objectives:

Planning and research for a Community Based Corrections Plan (CBCP) and Study will be presented again this upcoming year to the City Manager and City Council members. This plan would detail the possible need of a new jail facility compared to the existing jail being unable to meet the functional or programmatic requirements of the Jail Standards. The City Jail has become costly to operate and with constant repairs being done. The City Jail is not sufficient to house the inmate population that the city is responsible for and future costs will depend on this study.

E. Department Statistics:

1. CIVIL:	
Subpoenas received:	2,037
Jury Summons received:	542
Levies received:	362
Other Civil Process:	11,835
2. INMATES:	
Inmate transports other than to local courts:	651
Mental patient trips within jurisdiction:	0
Mental patient trips out of jurisdiction:	29
Extraditions completed:	32
3. CIRCUIT COURT:	
Circuit Court days:	164
Average number Circuit Court Judges	1
4. GENERAL DISTRICT COURT:	
General District Court days:	110
Average number General District Court Judges:	1
5. JUVENILE AND DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT:	
Juvenile & Domestic Relations Court days:	102
Average number Juvenile & Domestic Court Judges:	1



F. Agency Activities:

The Martinsville Sheriff's Office held a H.E.A.T. VIN etching event for the public on May 11, 2024 in the local Walmart parking lot. Martinsville Sheriff's Office partnered with the Martinsville Police Department, Henry County Sheriff's Office, and State Police to help make this a very successful event with a large turnout from the community. Martinsville Sheriff's Deputy Jeff Corcoran still remains very active in reaching out to the youth at the Maplewood Apartments community. Deputy Corcoran supplies the youth with drinks, snacks, game activities, and useful knowledge while supplying security for all the residents and staff at the apartment complex. The City Annex (farm) Workforce is currently assembling their greenhouse structure to grow vegetables for this upcoming 2025 year. These vegetables will help in feeding the current inmates housed at the Annex location and any excess of vegetables will be sold at the Farmers Market located within the city. The greenhouse will focus mainly on growing vegetables at this point in time but may expand into growing certain plants and flowers in the future. A new designation was made at the Sheriff's Office to help in recycling in-house cardboard boxes and similar products.