

# 2024 Annual Report



**Martinsville Police  
Department**

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# **THE MPD MISSION**

**Serving our community with pride,  
professionalism and respect.**

## **MISSION STATEMENT**

**We, the members of the  
Martinsville Police Department, are  
committed to being responsive to  
our community in the delivery of  
quality services. Recognizing the  
responsibility to maintain order  
while affording dignity and respect  
to every individual, our objective  
is to improve the quality of life  
through a community partnership  
that promotes safe, secure  
neighborhoods.**

# CHIEF'S MESSAGE

Dear Citizens,

As we close another year and look ahead to the future, I want to take a moment to reflect on all that we have accomplished together as a community. This past year has been one of progress and resilience, and I am incredibly proud of the partnership between our police department and the people we serve.

Crime rates have declined by double digits, thanks to the dedication of our officers and the active engagement of our residents. Partnerships with local, state, and federal agencies have furthered our crime reduction goals like never before.

Our department has continued to grow and innovate, implementing new technologies and training programs to enhance public safety. Whether responding to emergencies, assisting those in need, or simply being present in your neighborhoods, our officers have worked tirelessly to uphold the values of integrity, respect, and service.

Of course, none of this would be possible without you—the citizens who make this community strong. Your support, collaboration, and commitment to one another make this city not just a place to live but a place to thrive.

As we enter the new year, I encourage us to build upon this momentum. Let's continue to work together, support one another, and create an even brighter future for our city.

Sincerely,  
Robert Fincher  
Chief of Police

FBI  
NATIONAL  
COMMAND  
COURSE  
CERTIFICATE





# Organizational Chart

## Administration



**Chief R. B. Fincher**



**Administrative Assistant  
Dawn Hale**



**Major C. H. Rhoads**



**Captain J. B. Lovell**



**Captain B.D. Peters**

# Organizational Chart

## Investigations

Lieutenant  
R.J. Barrow

### Criminal Investigations



Lieutenant  
E. M. Eggleston

### Special Investigations Division





# Organizational Chart

## Patrol Division

A - Shift



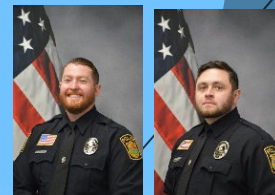
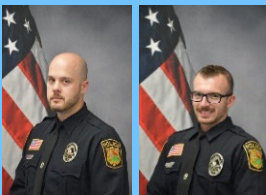
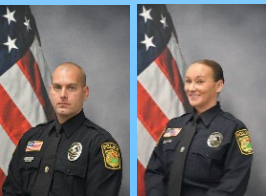
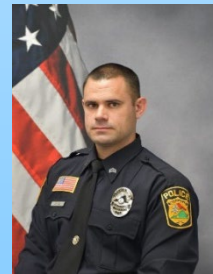
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C - Shift



D - Shift



# Organizational Chart

## Community Resource Sergeants



## Animal Control



## School Resource Officers





# Organizational Chart

## Records Division



## Chaplains

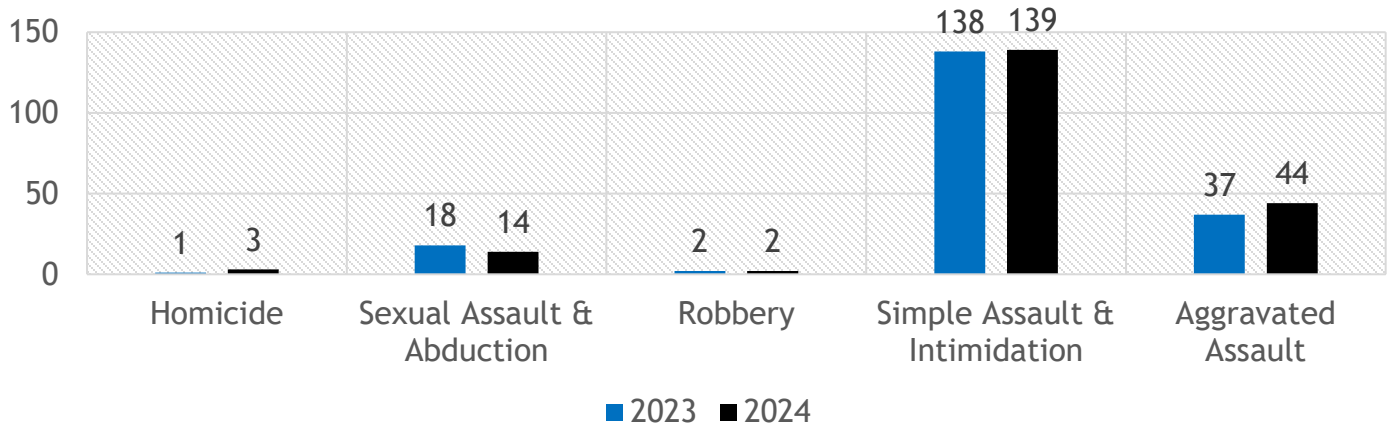


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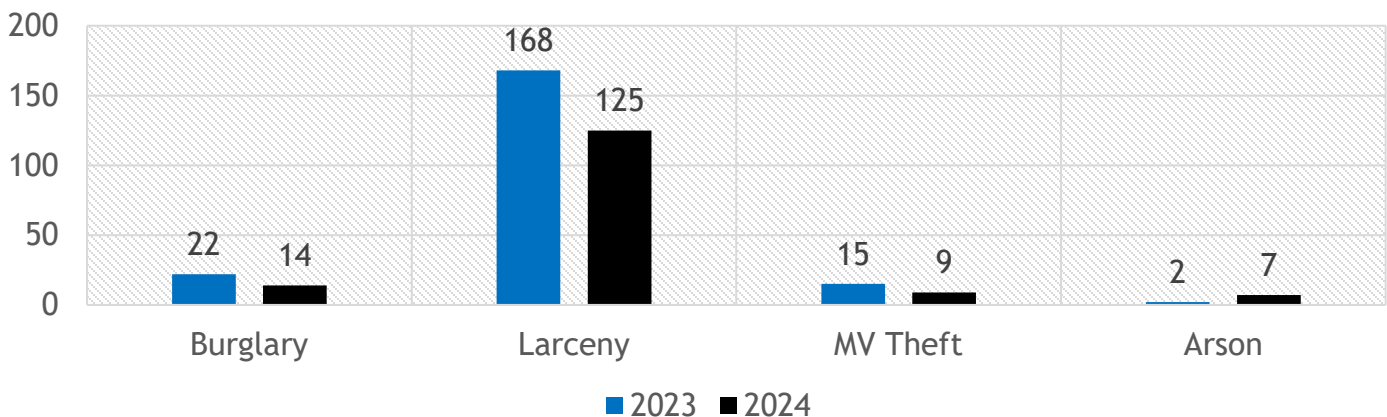


# Year in Review

## VIOLENT CRIME



## PROPERTY CRIME



**TOTAL CRIME 2023**

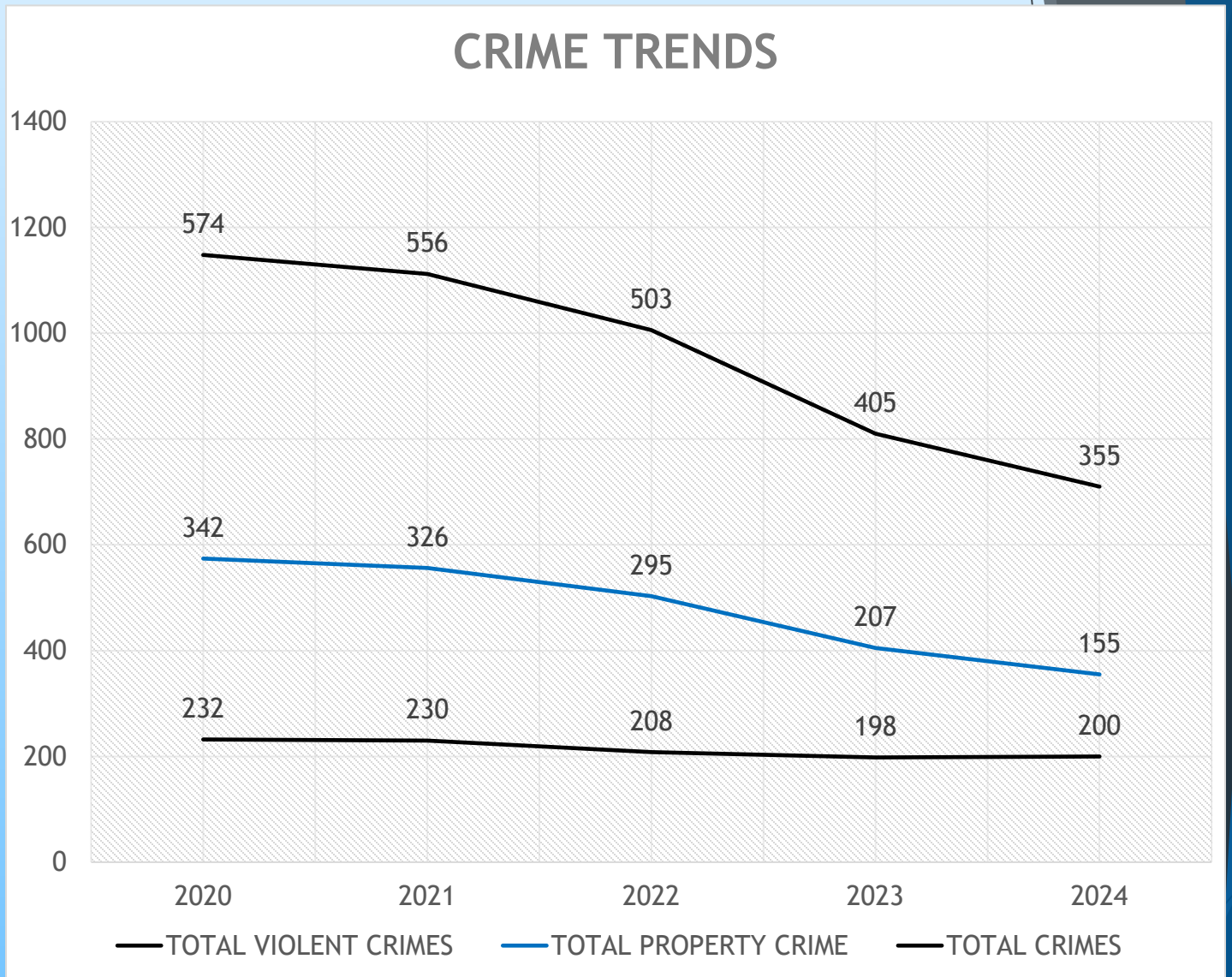
**403**

**TOTAL CRIME 2024**

**357**

**11.41% DECREASE IN CRIME**

# CRIME TRENDS



## DEFINITION OF SELECT GROUP “A” OFFENSES:

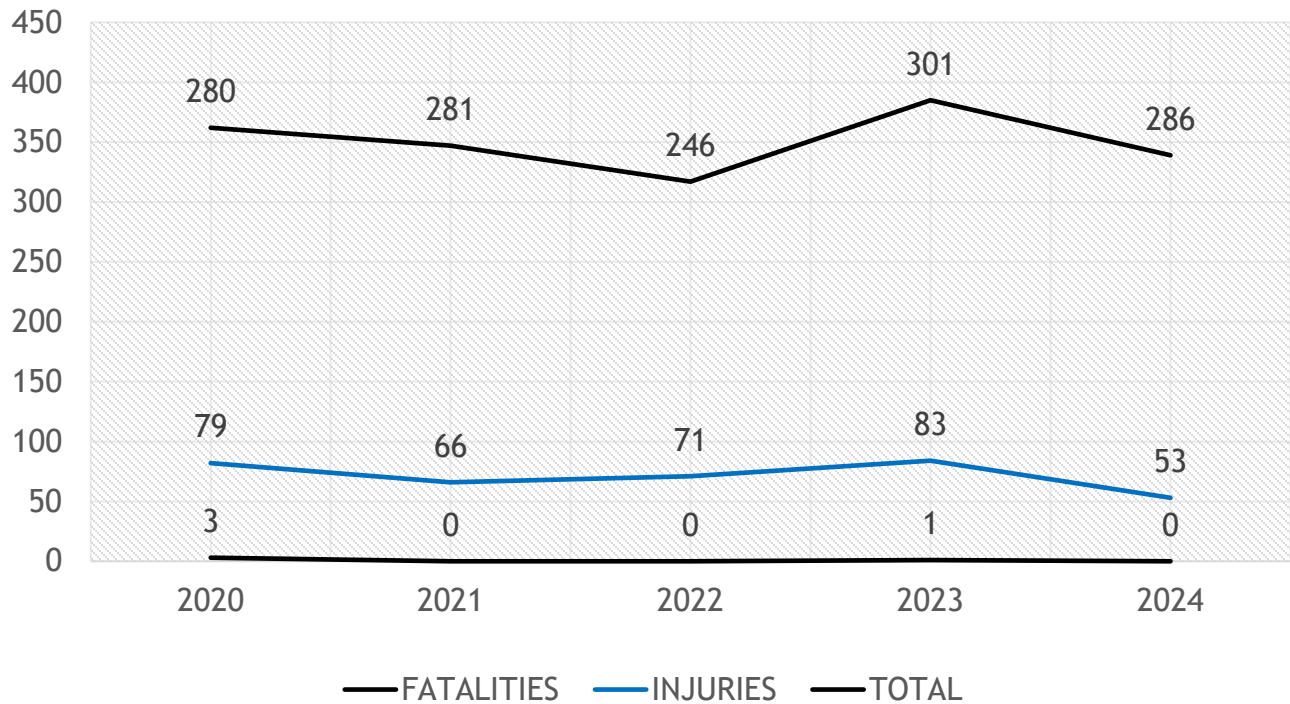
**VIOLENT CRIMES:** *Homicide, Sexual Assault, Robbery, Abduction, Simple/Aggravated Assault, Intimidation*

**CRIMES AGAINST PROPERTY:** *Burglary, Larceny (including Shoplifting), Motor Vehicle Theft and Arson*

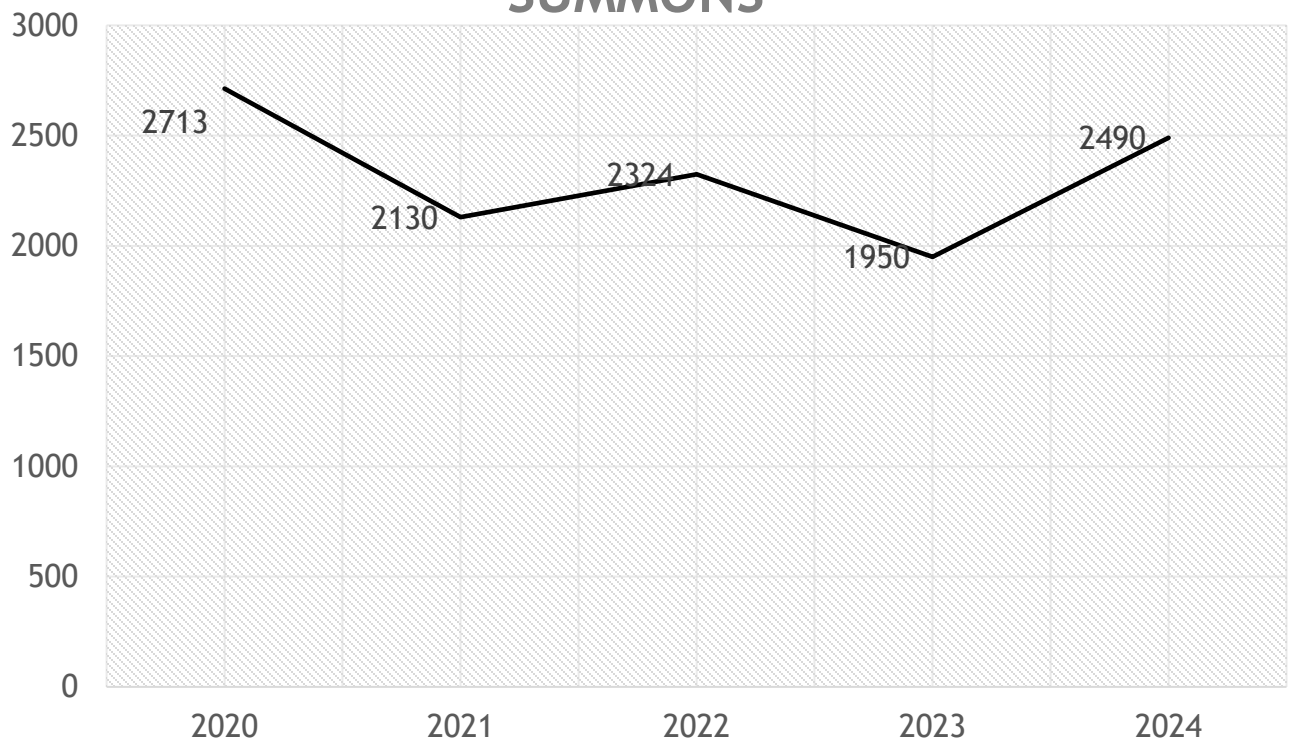


# TRAFFIC

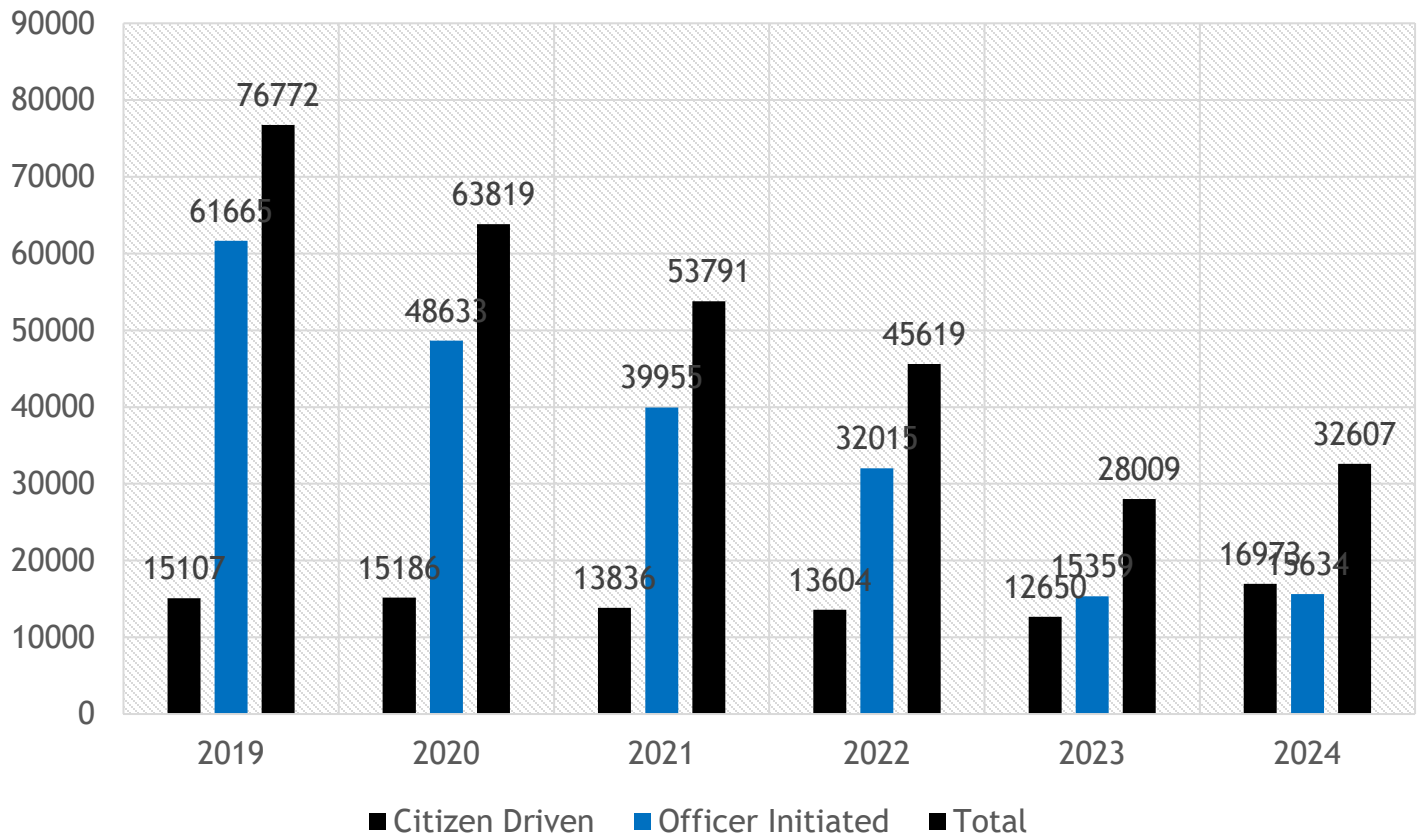
## Reportable Motor Vehicle Crashes



## SUMMONS



## Citizen/Officer Initiated Calls For Service

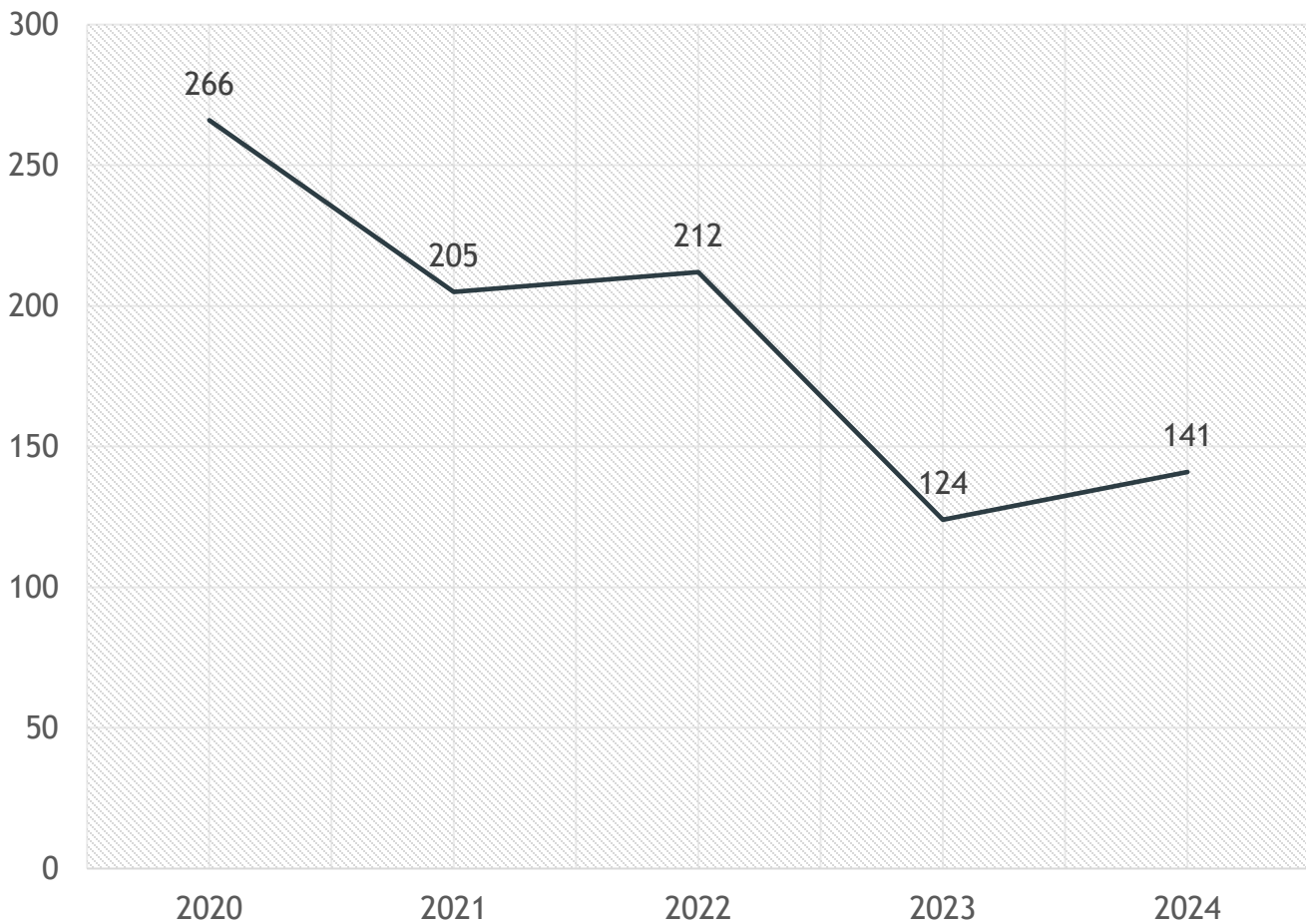


## CITIZENS' TOP 10 CALLS FOR SERVICE 2024

1. Call by Phone	1484
2. Suspicious Circumstances	1233
3. Dog/Animal Calls	1026
4. Wellbeing Check	653
5. 911 Open Line/Hang Up	643
6. Business Alarms	641
7. Motor Vehicle Accidents	469
8. Disturbances	434
9. Report in person	390
10. Mental Subject	382

# TOTAL DRUG ENFORCEMENT

## DRUG OFFENSES



*All* employees at the Martinsville Police Department are certified in the administration of NARCAN.



# NRO Program

The Neighborhood Resource Officer (NRO) Program assigns an officer to each of the 22 NRO districts in the City of Martinsville. This program allows each neighborhood to have a point of contact within the police department who can address issues and build relationships within the community. NRO's spend time during their shift in their assigned NRO area.

NRO's are meant to address non-emergency situations. They can provide advice and assist in directing citizens to the resources available to address their concerns.



# Awards & Recognition



Fontaine Ruritan  
Award



Mothers Against  
Drunk Driving Award



Crimestoppers Award

# 2024 Officer of the Quarter

## 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter



## 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter



## 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter



## 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter





# Officer of the Year



Congratulations to Officer Logan Bowman for being selected as the department's officer of the year. Officer Bowman has been with the department since 2019. Officer Bowman was nominated and selected by his peers because of his outstanding work ethic and dedication to providing good service to the community.

## VALOR Award



Lieutenant Doug Graham received the Valor Award at the Virginia Chiefs of Police conference in August. The award is given to officers who demonstrate bravery and professionalism while under grave danger in the line of duty. Graham became one of the few two-time winners in the history of the award. He previously won the award in 2011.

# New Officers

**Martinsville Police Department  
added 10 new officers to the  
department in 2024.**





# Community Engagement

Nat'l Wild Turkey Federation Jake's Day



Fast Track



Touch A Truck



West End Reunion



Smith River Festival





# Community Engagement



CAREER  
DAY



MARIO CART



TOURNAMENT

UPTOWN PINBALL

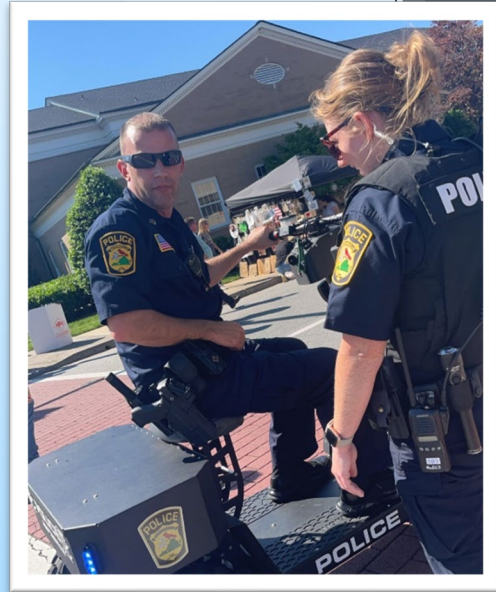


CITIZENS ACADEMY



# Community Engagement

## VALENTINE'S DAY COMMUNITY OUTREACH



## OCTOBERFEST

## NATIONAL NIGHT OUT



## TORCH RUN

## CHRISTMAS PARADE





# Community Engagement

## Santa Cops For Kids

2024 was our largest shopping event to date. We were able to shop with 150 children from our local community.



# Drug Take-Back

The Martinsville Police Department conducted two drug take-backs in 2024. Over 417.7 pounds of unused prescription medications were safely disposed of as a result of this event!



# VLEPSC Accredited Agency

The Martinsville Police Department is an accredited agency through the Virginia Law Enforcement Professional Standards Commission. The Department was first accredited in 1998 and has maintained accreditation for 4-year intervals in 2003, 2007, 2011, 2015, 2019 and most recently in January of 2023. Accreditation is the ongoing process whereby agencies evaluate policy and procedure against established criteria and have compliance with that criteria verified by an independent and authoritative body..





# Grants & New Equipment

**School Zone Speed Enforcement**--School zone speed enforcement keep students, parents, and staff safe during peak hours. While most drivers understand how important it is to obey these speed limits, sometimes, the rush of daily life may lead to a momentary lapse in judgment. Maybe you were zoning out and didn't see the speed limit sign, were texting while driving, or in a hurry to get to work.

**Cell Brite**--provides tools for law enforcement agencies and service providers to collect, review, analyze and manage digital data

**DMV Grant**--Each year the Martinsville Police Department receives grant funding from the Division of Motor Vehicles. Based on statistical data, the grants are given to jurisdictions in an effort to reduce accidents, injuries and deaths related to vehicle crashes. The 2024 funding was used to purchase a new radar unit and fund additional traffic enforcement efforts.

**Total DMV Grant - \$15,001**

# Grants & New Equipment

**Flock** cameras which monitor traffic and read the vehicles' license plates.. Assists with vehicles that are reported stolen or otherwise of interest to the police, instantly alerting nearby officers upon a match.

**Tru-Narc- Assists with testing drugs in the field.**

**Bold Blue Line Grant-** Governor Glenn Youngkin stood with Attorney General Jason Miyares, Lt. Governor Winsome Earle-Sears, and mayors, police chiefs, and sheriffs from across Virginia to announce Operation Bold Blue Line, a series of concrete actions to reduce homicides, shootings, and violent crime.

**HEAT Grant** This grant was utilized to purchase CLEAR software licenses. CLEAR is a data integration service that works with the license plate reader systems.

**Operation Cease Fire Grant-** This grant was utilized to purchase Flock Systems Raven gunshot detectors.

**Total Other Grants - \$87,768.80**



# Operation Bold Blue Line



In 2024, the Martinsville Police Department continued participating in Operation Bold Blue Line and Operation Ceasefire Virginia. These two programs brought together federal, state, and local law enforcement. Governor Youngkin's Bold Blue Line provided equipment, intelligence, and manpower to target crime. Attorney General Miyares' Ceasefire Virginia addresses gun violence with equipment and investigative and prosecutorial resources. In the past two years, Martinsville has received over \$ 1 million in resources from these two programs, resulting in a 29.4% decrease in crime.



## Operation Ceasefire Virginia

# PARTNERSHIPS



- Martinsville City Sheriff's Office
- Henry County Sheriff's Office
- Virginia State Police
- US Marshal Service
- ATF
- DEA
- Commonwealth Attorney's Office
- Martinsville Victim/Witness Program
- Department of Juvenile Justice
- Southside Survivor Response Center
- Department of Social Services
- 9-1-1 Center
- PRCJTA
- ICAC
- CAC
- Crime Stoppers
- SPCA of Martinsville/Henry County



Crime  
Victim/Witness  
Rights & Services



Martinsville  
Victim/Witness  
Program



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