## HAMPTON VA

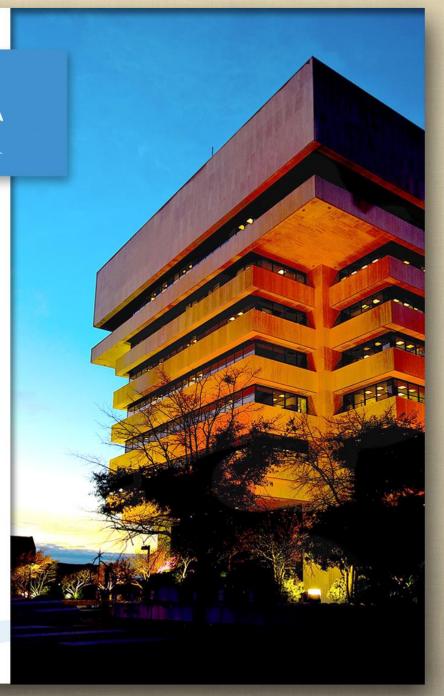
#### **Hampton Police Division**



CRIME INITIATIVES

Guns, Gangs, & Drugs

November 8, 2017



## Overview

State of the City / Crime Trends

Hampton Police Division Task Forces: Violent and Gun Crimes

Combatting Crime Trends



## **Gun Crimes Task Force**

#### **Initiative Totals**

November 15, 2016 - October 31, 2017

#### **Arrests**

261 felonies

503 misdemeanors

2,142 Summons issued

318 charges

655 charges

1,173 searches

#### **Seizures**

- Marijuana 7,039.73 grams
- Cocaine 610.28 grams
- Heroin 38.62 grams
- Other drugs 311.5 grams
- Firearms Recovered 137



## **Violent Crime Task Force**

- Established July 21, 2017 in response to the increase of violent offenses in the Hampton/Newport News cities
- Collaborative effort between Hampton and Federal partners
- Hampton's team consist of:
  - One Violent Crimes Sergeant
  - Two Gang Intelligence Investigators
  - Two Investigators
  - ATF TFO assist when needed



- Partners include:
  - ATF, FBI, AUSA, DEA, Commonwealth Attorney's Office, & Probation and Parole

## **Violent Crime Task Force**

#### Goals of VCTF

- Review all firearm cases from January to the present for federal nexus
- **Develop** and maintain a **target list of individuals** who are wanted violent felons or prone to be repeat offenders
- Increase the number of Gang Charges for prosecution
- Increase the number of Federal Prosecutions
  - Work with the AUSA and the Commonwealth Attorney to identify the most efficient sentencing either state or federal, whichever receives the most time.
- Review homicides in which targets where suspects and not prosecuted due to witnesses recanting or refusing to testify. Utilize the Multi-Jurisdictional-Grand-Jury to revive cases.
- Execute search warrants on social media accounts to gain intelligence and evidence of criminal activity
- Share information and intelligence with the Newport News and Federal Partners

## **Violent Crime Task Force**

### <u>Initiatives</u>

July 21, 2017 – October 31, 2017

- Firearms Recovered: 10
  - 8 Hanguns, 1 shotgun, 1 assault rifle
- Search Warrants: 49
- Arrests: 9

#### **Next Steps**

- Develop firearm & violent offenses for federal adoption & prosecution
- Develop & implement intelligence gathering efforts for all active violent felony cases, emphasis on firearm-related offenses
- Focus on criminal street gangs to disrupt/dismantle operations on the peninsula
- Attend bond hearings & testify on target's gang and criminal involvement

#### **Nuisance and Abatement Team**

In October 2015, Investigative Services began collaborating with the City Attorney's Office and formed the Nuisance and Abatement Team

#### Purpose:

- Enforce the current city ordinances pertaining to nuisance and abatement (new bill proposal)
- Determine which city departments should be part of the team
- Establish guidelines and enforcement action

#### Target:

- Gangs
- Drug Houses
- Prostitution
- General Nuisance
- General Blight



#### **SHOCAP**

Serious or Habitual Offender Comprehensive Action Program

- Interagency case management and information sharing system
- Identifies serious and/or habitual juvenile offenders in the community and improves public safety by holding these juveniles accountable, increasing supervision, and helping them become successful.
- Enables juvenile and criminal justice system, schools, law enforcement, and social service agencies make more informed decisions regarding repeat offenders (juveniles)

#### **Real Time Information Center**

(RTIC)

- The RTIC's goal is to provide current, comprehensive information through the consolidation and collaboration of the Division's intelligence resources and data to help identify patterns and stop emerging crime.
- The centralized data hub will provide real-time, coordinated information to the Police Division and law enforcement partners.
- This philosophy has proven to be an effective crimefighting tool that facilitates proactive policing across the country.



# National Integrated Ballistic Information Network

(NIBIN)

- The NIBIN Program is a computer database containing digital images of recovered ballistic evidence.
  - It automates ballistic evaluations and provides actionable investigative leads
- NIBIN Operators enter cartridge casing evidence into the Integrated Ballistic Identification System.
  - Images are correlated against the national database, comparing results across the country

#### **Law and Public Safety Academy**

(Bethel High School)

- The Police Division has been working with the Hampton City Schools to develop the Law and Public Safety Academy (ALPS) for high school students
- ALPS will provide academic and technical courses needed for successful transition to postsecondary education and careers in professions that ensure the safety, security, and wellness of the community
- Upon high school graduation, students will have gained critical knowledge, skills, and credentials that will prepare them for the high-demand careers in law and public safety.
- Career pathways include:
  - Emergency Medical Services & Firefighting
  - Law Enforcement
  - Law & Legal Services



## **Conclusion / Questions**

