



Calvert County Sheriff's Office

Quarterly Report- 1st

April 1, 2025

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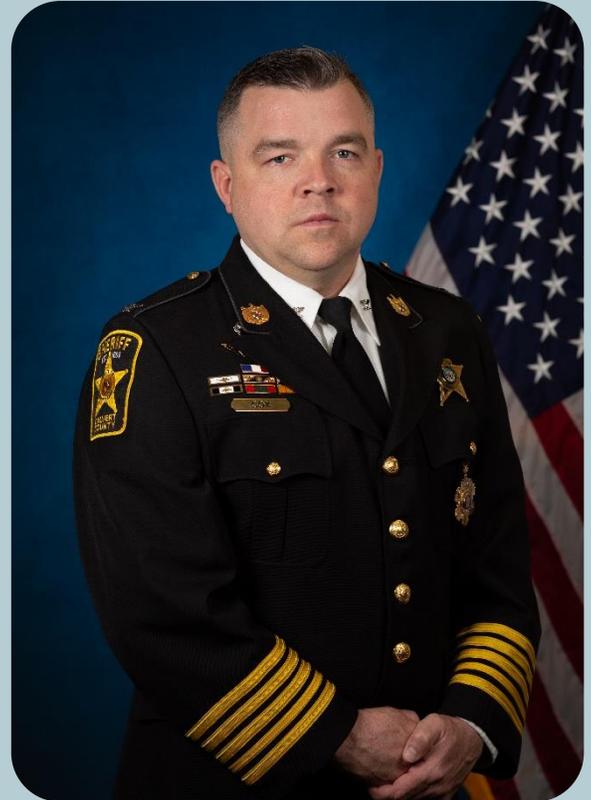
SHERIFF'S MESSAGE

As the First Quarter of 2025 comes to a close, we can finally look forward to spring. Like many of you, I'm grateful to be leaving the snow and cold behind and welcoming longer days and warmer temperatures.

The Calvert County Sheriff's Office remained busy throughout the first quarter, marked by several events, initiatives, and accomplishments. I want to take a moment to recognize the outstanding men and women who make up this agency — our Deputies, Correctional Deputies, and Civilian Staff. Every day, I witness their dedication, passion, and commitment to making Calvert County a safe and welcoming place to live and raise a family. I hope you'll join me in thanking them for all they do.

We're proud that Calvert County continues to be recognized as having the lowest crime rate in the state of Maryland. That's a reflection of not only the hard work of this agency but also the strong partnership we share with our community. Thank you to each and every citizen who helps make this possible.

While we celebrate this accomplishment, there's still work to be done — particularly when it comes to traffic safety. Traffic enforcement remains a top priority for our agency, but we need your help. Please slow down, allow extra time for your commutes, practice patience on the road, and report any aggressive or reckless driving you encounter. Together, we can continue to keep Calvert County safe for everyone.



SHERIFF RICKY COX



1st Quarter Highlights

Some of the additional highlights from the first quarter of 2025 include:

Conducted weekly and quarterly staff meetings

Attended county and regional recruitment fairs



Met with government leaders to push legislation concerning large neighborhood gatherings

Hosted Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) Training and graduation



Provided safety instruction to Century 21 staff

Attended and provided input to the Calvert County Amateur Radio group

Continued to finalize the Calvert County Sheriff's Foundation implementation plans

Participated in hosting Governor Moore's visit to Lusby



Attended the Northern Middle School Groundbreaking Ceremony



Met with members of CCPS to discuss school safety and "Panic Button" technology

Sheriff was guest speaker at NHS Navy National Defense Cadet Corps Winter Ball



Presented a Sheriff's Salute to a Calvert Cadet Squadron

Attended meetings with Calvert County Criminal Justice Program

Hosted and presented several awards at the Calvert County Sheriff's Annual Awards Banquet



Attended meetings in each district to address any issues/concerns

Met several times with Calvert States Attorney's Office

Hosted multiple private and homeschool demonstrations



Attended Policing Protests training hosted by Chief Constable Chris Noble

Supported Collective Bargaining Bill brought forth by the Calvert County Sheriff's FOP

Participated in Southern Maryland Intelligence Committee meetings

Participated in Community Roundtable meetings

Received and installed a new Prescription Drug Vault in D1, courtesy of the Nam Nights



Provided security for the state Judges Conference at the Calvert County Marine Museum

Attended the Maryland Law Enforcement Torch Run Kick-off Meeting



Presented the report to the Police Accountability Board

Hosted the ALLY LGBTQ+ training for law enforcement

Attended and participated in Drug Court Graduation

Hosted meetings concerning radio encryption in Calvert County

Presented several Eagle Scout Awards



Attended a League of Women Voters meeting and answered questions

Hosted the first session of the Calvert County Sheriff's Office Citizen Police Academy



Attended DARE graduations



Attended the Quarterly SMCJA Board of Directors Meeting

Worked with county staff to develop and present a draft to the FY26 Budget

Met with the Calvert County Emergency Communications leadership to update policies

Attended Corrections and Police Graduations



Implemented the online FOIA software NextRequest and online payment options

Presented the "No-Shave November" check to a fellow Public Safety employee



Provided security for several school events

Attended and participated in several CAASA meetings

Participated in the Maryland Sheriff's Association Meetings

Hosted K9 Patrol School and Graduation



PATROL BUREAU

The **Patrol Bureau** plays a vital role within the **Calvert County Sheriff's Office**, serving as the backbone of law enforcement efforts throughout the county. This bureau is responsible for maintaining public safety, enforcing traffic laws, responding to emergency calls, and investigating criminal activities. It is comprised of three distinct Patrol Districts, the Twin Beaches Detachment, the Support Services Unit, Fleet Services, the Automated Enforcement Program, the K-9 Program, and essential Civilian Staff members. Together, these divisions work in unison to ensure the safety and security of Calvert County residents and visitors.

The Patrol Bureau operates under the command of **Captain Nathan Funchion**, who oversees all operations and ensures that each division functions efficiently. He is supported by several experienced leaders, including **Lieutenant Eric Basham**, who commands District 1; **Lieutenant Jason Dean**, who oversees District 2; **Lieutenant Thomas Tilley**, responsible for District 3; and **Lieutenant Joe Hollinger**, who leads the Twin Beaches Detachment. Additionally, the bureau benefits from the leadership of Patrol Shift Commanders, including First Sergeant M. McCarroll, First Sergeant Naecker, First Sergeant E. Carter, and the Support Services Commander, First Sergeant G. Shrawder. Their combined expertise and leadership provide direction to the dedicated deputies under their command.

Each quarter, the Sheriff's Office recognizes an outstanding deputy for exceptional service and dedication. For the first quarter of the year, **Deputy Charles Brown** has been honored as the **Deputy of the Quarter** for his exemplary performance and unwavering commitment to public safety.

DEPUTY OF THE 1ST QUARTER



DEPUTY
CHARLES
BROWN

Throughout the past quarter, Deputy Brown has consistently demonstrated a strong work ethic, exceptional productivity, and a keen willingness to learn and grow in his role. His contributions to law enforcement have been truly commendable, as evidenced by his impressive enforcement record. During this period, he has conducted **239 traffic stops**, leading the agency in weekly enforcement efforts on multiple occasions. Additionally, his proactive approach to policing has resulted in **eight** criminal arrests, **four** DUI arrests, **two** controlled dangerous substance (CDS) arrests, and **four** warrant services. His diligence in completing thorough documentation is also noteworthy, having authored **27 detailed reports** to aid in investigations and legal proceedings.

Beyond his enforcement efforts, Deputy Brown has demonstrated a strong aptitude for investigative work. He has played a crucial role in solving multiple theft cases through meticulous suspect identification, diligent follow-ups, and effective engagement with victims. His ability to piece together evidence and close cases has not gone unnoticed, with several victims personally expressing their appreciation for his outstanding casework.

In addition to his enforcement and investigative contributions, Deputy Brown is a dedicated team player, always ready to support his fellow deputies. He consistently responds first to calls for service, ensures seamless communication with his colleagues, and often works additional hours to provide assistance when needed. His willingness to go above and beyond in his duties embodies the true spirit of law enforcement service.



Patrol Highlights

Patrol Bureau Statistics for the First Quarter 2025

The Patrol Bureau remains at the forefront of law enforcement efforts in Calvert County, handling a high volume of calls and conducting proactive policing to maintain safety on the roads and in the community. During the first quarter of 2025, deputies assigned to the Patrol Bureau responded to an astounding **26,185 calls for service**, demonstrating their commitment to being a constant presence in the community.

Traffic safety continues to be a top priority for the bureau, as deputies work tirelessly to enforce road laws and deter dangerous driving behaviors. Over the past quarter, officers issued **1,561 traffic citations** and **8,447 traffic warnings**, ensuring accountability for motorists and promoting

safer roadways. Additionally, deputies made **78** arrests for driving under the influence (DUI), removing impaired drivers from the roads and preventing potential accidents.

Traffic accidents remain a serious concern, and the bureau has actively worked to investigate collisions and implement strategies to improve roadway safety. Throughout the quarter, the Patrol Bureau investigated 431 traffic accidents, providing assistance to those involved and determining causes to prevent future incidents.

QUARTERLY PATROL STATISTICS

Calls for Service – 26,185

Traffic Citations – 1,561

DWI Arrests – 78

Traffic Accidents - 431

Traffic Warnings – 8,447



Kohlieber Named 'Civilian of the 1st Quarter'

The Calvert County Sheriff's Office is proud to announce **Mrs. Breann Kohlieber** has been awarded **Civilian Employee of the 1st Quarter for 2025**. As an Office Specialist II at the Southern Maryland Criminal Justice Academy, Mrs. Kohlieber has demonstrated exceptional dedication, professionalism, and resilience.

In September 2024, following the resignation of the other Office Specialist, Mrs. Kohlieber took on full responsibility for all administrative support functions at the Academy. Despite this significant increase in workload, she seamlessly managed the administrative needs of two corrections entrance-level training classes and two police entrance-level training classes. Additionally, she efficiently coordinated scheduling and program approvals for police in-service training, ensuring it ran smoothly.

Throughout this demanding period, Mrs. Kohlieber has consistently displayed a positive attitude, strong work ethic, and unwavering commitment to the Academy's mission. Her ability to adapt, take initiative, and maintain a high standard of excellence has been instrumental to the Academy's continued success.

For these reasons, Mrs. Kohlieber has been awarded **Civilian Employee for the 1st Quarter of 2025**. Congratulations Mrs. Kohlieber on this well-deserved recognition!



L to R: Bobby Jones, Breann Kohlieber, Sheriff Cox

CORRECTIONS BUREAU

Inmate Population and Housing Data	
Average Daily Inmate Population (Including Pre-trial and Home Detention)	121
New Inmate Intakes / Bookings: Male: 298 Female: 93	391
Releases: Male: 306 Female: 105	411
Home Detention (Currently on Program)	6
New Home Detention additions	6
Inmates Currently on Pre-Trial Release Program	25
Pre-Trial participants gained	27
Inmates Enrolled in Re-Entry Services (Behavioral Health)	87
Disciplinary Hearings	120
Disciplinary Tickets	43
Inmate Mental Health Services	
Inmates – Incompetent and/or Mental Disorders	22
Inmates – Requiring Ongoing and Mental Health Services	15
Inmates receiving Psychotropic Medication	124
Percentage of Population Receiving Psychotropic Medications	54%
Psychologist Appointments – Competency and Sex Offender Assessments	8
Psychiatrist Appointments – Medication Administration	102
Percentage of Inmate Intakes Requiring Mental Health Services	62%
Inmate Medical Services	
Emergency Hospital Transports	4
Number of Intakes Requiring Detoxification	34
Percentage of Population in Detox Protocols	33%
Staffing	
Number of Uniform Staff Vacancies (Currently 79 of 82 funded staff)	3
New Deputies Hired	6
Resignations / Retirements	3
Workers Comp Cases	5
Administrative Services	
Fingerprints completed by CSU Division (Sex Offender)	2
Fingerprints completed by CSU Division (Community, applicants, etc.)	220
Fingerprints (Ink rolled):	39

Corrections Bureau Highlights

Master Deputy Stephen Hance is an outstanding employee who consistently demonstrates exceptional dedication, leadership, and commitment to his role within our organization.

Currently, Master Deputy Hance is admirably filling in for his supervisor, showcasing his ability to adapt to additional responsibilities while maintaining the highest standards of performance. His leadership skills and willingness to take on extra duties have been invaluable to our team, ensuring seamless operations during this period.

In addition to his core responsibilities, Master Deputy Hance has recently become a GED proctor, further highlighting his commitment to education and community development. He actively searches the population for more participants and has a great working relationship with CSM and their instructor.

Deputy Hance teaches at both local schools and the criminal justice academy, sharing his expertise and experience with the next generation of law enforcement professionals. His passion for education and mentorship is evident in the positive impact he has on his students, inspiring them to pursue careers in law enforcement and public service.

For his dedication, leadership, and commitment to education and community service, we are proud to present the **2025 Deputy of the First Quarter** award to **Master Deputy Stephen Hance**.



L to R: Lt. Poff, Master Deputy Hance, Sheriff Ricky Cox

SPECIAL OPERATIONS BUREAU

In the first quarter of 2025, the Special Operations and Homeland Security Bureau remained committed to providing crucial operational support. The team assisted the Patrol Bureau by covering 70 shifts in District 2, ensuring sufficient manpower for law enforcement duties. Additionally, they executed 13 Special Operations Team (SOT) missions on behalf of the Criminal Investigations Bureau and conducted a test fire for a criminal case, further strengthening investigative support. The SOT also maintained contracted security services for the BHE GT&S Cove Point LNG facility, demonstrating its vital role in both law enforcement operations and critical infrastructure protection.



Training and instruction were a top priority throughout the quarter. SOT hosted multiple courses, including the SOT Introduction Class for new deputies, Advanced Tactics Training, and a Crisis Intervention Training Course

for Trainers serving the Tri-county area. The team also facilitated Agency Firearms Qualifications and a LEOSA Firearms Qualification for retired officers. In partnership with the Southern Maryland Criminal Justice Academy, SOT played a key role in instructing Skills Assessments, Firearms, Taser, Defensive Tactics, and Vehicle Extraction classes. To ensure peak readiness, SOT members participated in tactical training during various Training Days, completed multiple days of Sniper Training to hone their specialized marksmanship skills, attended specialized training courses covering Policing Protest, Crisis Intercept Mapping, Alternative Orientation, FBI Hostage Negotiations, and 1st and 4th Amendment Legal Training. Three members successfully graduated from the Direct Action Resource Center (DARC) Law Enforcement Counter-Terrorism Course Level 2, while another completed the Counter Narcotics and Terrorism Operational Medical Support Course.

The Special Operations Team (SOT) remained committed to strengthening community partnerships through active engagement and educational outreach. The team participated in a School Safety Committee Meeting, reinforcing collaboration on student and faculty security initiatives. Additionally, they hosted a Violent Critical Incident Presentation for Calvert County Parks and Recreation, providing essential training to enhance public safety. SOT members attended Career Day at Windy Hill Middle School, where they conducted a demonstration to educate students about law enforcement roles and responsibilities. Further outreach efforts included interactive demonstrations at Mt. Harmony Elementary School, Calvert Nursery School, and a special session for homeschool children, fostering positive relationships between law enforcement and the community. Moving forward, the team remains dedicated to expanding its community impact, continuing to exemplify professionalism, preparedness, and service to both law enforcement partners and the public.



CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS BUREAU



Front L to R: Dallas Harris, Det. Yates, Det. Buck, Lt. O'Donnell, Det. McDowell, Det. Freeland.
Back: F/Sgt. Phelps, Det. Gough, Det. Weems, Det. Mudd, Det. Buckler, and Capt. Fridman

NOTEABLE CASE

On March 2, 2025, deputies from the **Calvert County Sheriff's Office** responded to the 300 block of Fairground Road in Prince Frederick, MD, for a reported shooting. While en route, multiple 911 calls came in from nearby residents reporting that bullets had entered their apartments through the walls. One of the callers identified himself as the shooter, stating he had fired "warning shots" to scare off his brother, who he claimed refused to leave him alone.

Cpl. N. Barger arrived on scene and quickly located the male suspect, taking him into custody without incident. Deputies then cleared the residence to check for possible victims. In plain view inside a bedroom, deputies observed an AR-15-style rifle. Additionally, a spent rifle shell casing was located near the front door of the residence. The apartment was secured pending the application of a search and seizure warrant. It was later determined that the apartments struck by gunfire were located across the parking lot from the suspect's residence.



The alleged brother was later located and voluntarily came to the Calvert County Sheriff's Office, where he agreed to be interviewed by detectives.

Detectives Mudd and Freeland responded to the scene to assume the investigation. At the Sheriff's Office, detectives interviewed the victim, who stated he had gone to the Fairground Road residence to visit his "cousin" regarding a \$100 debt. The victim was largely uncooperative and refused to provide further details about the debt.

The victim recounted that during the visit, the suspect threatened to shoot and kill him — a threat the victim claimed the suspect had made frequently but never acted on before. After informing the suspect that he did not have the money, the victim left the residence and began walking to his truck, parked in front of the suspect's apartment. As he was walking away, he heard several gunshots. Turning around, he reportedly saw the suspect closing his apartment door. The victim then fled the scene in his truck and later reported the incident at the Sheriff's Office.

Meanwhile, the suspect, already in custody, was advised of his Miranda rights and immediately requested legal counsel, invoking his right to an attorney.

Detective Freeland interviewed a witness at the scene, who stated the victim had been staying at the suspect's apartment for several days. According to the witness, an argument over rent money escalated when the suspect retrieved a firearm. The witness observed a brief physical struggle at the bottom of the apartment stairs, followed by gunfire.

Detective Freeland also located surveillance footage capturing the incident. The video showed a male, believed to be the victim, walking away from Fairground Road toward a gold-colored SUV parked in the lot. He appeared to throw his hands up in disbelief and stood still. Moments later, a figure believed to be the suspect was seen firing three rounds in the victim's direction. From one camera angle, a round struck the victim's truck, creating a cloud of dust or smoke. The victim then got into his truck and drove away. Notably, the rounds were fired at a level trajectory toward the victim, not into the air, and several bullets continued across the parking lot, striking occupied first-floor apartments.

A search and seizure warrant was executed at the residence. Recovered were two assault-style rifles and multiple rounds of ammunition. One rifle was chambered in .300 Blackout, matching the spent shell casing found at the front door. A second assault-style rifle, lacking a stock, was also seized along with other evidence related to the case.

As a result of the investigation, the suspect, a 22-year-old male from Prince Frederick, MD, has been charged with the following offenses:

- **Attempted Second-Degree Murder**
- **First-Degree Assault**
- **Use of a Firearm During a Felony Violent Crime**

Det. Freeland Named 'Detective of the 1st Quarter'

The Calvert County Sheriff's Office is proud to recognize Detective Will Freeland as the **Detective of the Quarter for the First Quarter of 2025**.

Detective Freeland has been a valued member of the **Criminal Investigations Bureau since 2022**. From the moment he joined the bureau, he has displayed the skill, professionalism, and commitment of a seasoned investigator. Known for his ability to tackle complex and sensitive cases, Detective Freeland has been instrumental in several high-profile investigations, including cases involving rape, robbery, and homicide.

One of his most notable achievements was his exceptional work in a 2024 murder investigation. Despite the challenging nature of the case, Detective Freeland worked tirelessly alongside his fellow detectives to piece together the events that led to this tragic incident. Through meticulous investigative work, his efforts led to the arrest and an eventual conviction of a suspect who was found responsible for the murder following a domestic dispute tied to a custody-related conflict.

Detective Freeland's attention to detail, determination to uncover the truth, and steadfast support for his team have distinguished him as a leader within the bureau. His contributions continue to strengthen the mission of the **Criminal Investigations Bureau** and uphold the core values of the **Calvert County Sheriff's Office**.

It is with great pride and sincere appreciation that we recognize **Detective Will Freeland** as our **Detective of the Quarter for Quarter #1, 2025**. His outstanding work is a testament to the integrity, dedication, and excellence that define our agency.



L to R: Capt. Fridman, Det. Freeland, Sheriff Cox, Lt. O'Donnell

DRUG ENFORCEMENT UNIT

1st Quarter 2025 Statistics

Cases Initiated: 30

K-9 Sniffs: 29

Search Warrants: 45

Arrests: Felony (23),
Misdemeanor (36), and
Indictments (1)

Controlled Purchases
of Narcotics: 30

U.S. Currency Seized:
\$8,885.67

Vehicles Seized: 9

Firearms Seized: 7



NARCOTICS SEIZED

DRUG	AMOUNT
Cocaine	<i>658.84 grams</i>
Crack Cocaine	<i>183.70 grams</i>
Fentanyl	<i>0 grams</i>
Heroin	<i>26 grams</i>
Marijuana	<i>228.30 grams</i>
Prescription Pills	<i>158 pills</i>

CALVERT COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

From January to March, statistics are as follows:



SRO SCHOOL STATS

TOTAL CASE REPORTS: 61

TOTAL ARRESTS: 28

CDS ARRESTS: 8

CRIMINAL ARRESTS: 20

SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS

Honoring our School Resource Officers!

February 15th was National School Resource Officer Appreciation Day, but since our incredible SROs weren't in school that holiday weekend, we celebrated the next school day where they belong, alongside the students and staff they serve every day!

Our SROs are more than just law enforcement officers; they are mentors, role models, and trusted leaders who work tirelessly to keep our schools safe. Their dedication to building relationships, ensuring security, and guiding our youth does not go unnoticed.



Bureau of Administrative and Judicial Services

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Civil Process

Attempt to Locate: -----	409
Process Services: -----	544
Evictions: -----	68
Writ of Executions -----	6

Recruitment Hiring & Background

Polygraphed Applicant -----	6
Assigned Backgrounds: -----	6
Hired Applicants: -----	3

Fugitive Warrant Unit

Criminal Summons-----	256
Criminal Warrants-----	144
Criminal Warrant (Failure to Appear) FOA -----	25
Criminal Summons FOA-----	2
Child Non-Support Warrants -----	57
Child Non-Support FOA Warrants -----	3
Criminal Non-Support-----	8

Key Activities and Accomplishments

- Assisted the Drug Enforcement Unit (DEU) with multiple initiatives, resulting in the apprehension of fugitives and drug-related arrests.
- Provided training to new deputies on warrant procedures to ensure operational efficiency.
- Participated in surveillance training to enhance investigative and apprehension capabilities.
- Conducted multiple out-of-state extraditions, ensuring fugitives were brought back to face justice.
- Worked in collaboration with the Child Support Administration to update and implement new procedures aimed at improving warrant execution related to child support cases.

Conclusion

During the first quarter of 2025, the Fugitive Warrant Unit remained committed to public safety by executing warrants efficiently, enhancing interdepartmental cooperation, and strengthening procedural frameworks. The unit's efforts significantly contributed to fugitive apprehensions, criminal investigations, and process improvements within the department.

OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS

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During the First Quarter of 2025, the Office of Professional Standards received the following:

- Public Service Reports – 4
- Internal Complaints – 1
- Agency Vehicle Accidents - 9
- Vehicle Pursuits – 15
- Use of Force Reports – 19

Received Public Service Reports and Internal Complaints were investigated and/or are currently under investigation. Applicable Public Service case investigations that were concluded, were forwarded to the Administrative Charging Committee for review.

All Use of Force and Vehicle Pursuit Reports were reviewed and forwarded to the IAPRO Database.

During the quarter, OPS staff attended Police Accountability meetings, conducted mandated sex offender verifications, gathered proofs for assigned CALEA standards, and administered the agencies Random Drug Testing program.

TWIN BEACHES PATROL

The **Twin Beach Patrol** is commanded by Lt. Joe Hollinger with the assistance of Sgt. J. Norton, Cpl. Gilmore, and eight deputies. Several deputies have left the Twin Beaches to go to other Bureaus within the Calvert County Sheriff's Office. As a result of this, the Twin Beach Patrol is proud to welcome several new deputies to the Twin Beach Patrol area.

- Beach deputies responded **669 citizen calls for service** and **self-initiated 4,087 calls** for the North Beach and Chesapeake Beach areas. Self-initiated calls include traffic stops, patrol checks, business checks and follow ups.
- In addition to working hard in the beach the Twin Beach Deputies enjoy interacting with the community and having fun during daily foot patrols of the local boardwalks, twin beaches library, and wetlands park and nature center.
- The Twin beach deputies provide traffic enforcements daily in some of the larger neighborhoods to address and reduce speeding and reckless driving.

· Monthly reports are generated for the Chesapeake Beach and North Beach monthly Town Hall meetings. After presentation of these reports and questions or concerns may be addressed between the towns/residents and the Beach Deputies.

· The Twin Beach Deputies assisted in several **special events** held within the towns this quarter. These events include the **Polar Bear Plunge and Breakfast & Bikes**. Breakfast & Bikes welcomed hundreds of motorcycle riders to the Twin Beaches.

· The Twin Beach Deputies have coordinated with the Calvert County Sheriff's Office K9 Unit for proactive enforcement within the Twin Beaches this quarter. The proactive enforcement has resulted in several Controlled Dangerous Substance (CDS) arrests.

· The Twin Beach Deputies have been conducting heavy Driving Under the Influence/Driving While Intoxicated enforcement within the Twin Beaches. The proactive enforcement resulted in numerous DUI/DWI arrests during this quarter. The Twin Beach Deputies work tirelessly to ensure the streets of the Twin Beaches are safe and free of dangerous drivers for the citizens.



New Year's Day Polar Plunge in North Beach



Breakfast and Bike Event in North Beach



LOOKING AHEAD & MOVING FORWARD

The Calvert County Sheriff's Office mission is to build relationships through community policing that will lead to reduced crime and increased safety.

