

HANOVER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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Hanover Accredited for Second Time as a Certified Crime Prevention Community

The Hanover County Sheriff's Office was recently accredited by the Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services as a Certified Crime Prevention Community. This is the second time the Sheriff's Office has received this designation. The Sheriff's Office is one of 13 Virginia jurisdictions that currently hold this designation.

The program requires applicants to provide proof of overall community involvement in mandatory and optional criteria. Those agencies receiving certification have proved their dedication to the safety of the community.

The evaluators of the Hanover County application noted, "Hanover's emphasis on their senior and youth populations is clearly demonstrated in the strongest of their elements. Specifically, the School Safety Audit, Delinquency Prevention, and their optional elements of DARE TRIAD and School Resources Officer are their strongest and most outstanding elements." The committee also said in their report that "Hanover had the lowest business crime levels in the Metro-Richmond area, having seen a decrease of 22% during the 2006-2009 reporting period."

For more information on the Certified Crime Prevention Program and how it benefits our community, go to <http://www.dcjs.virginia.gov/cple/cpc/ccpcp.cfm> or contact the Hanover County Sheriff's Office at 365-6110.



Pictured from Left to Right: Deputy Jim McLaughlin, Deputy Barry Blank, Colonel David R. Hines, Leon Baker (Dept. of Criminal Justice Services), and Ed Via.

"CONTINUING TO BE A PART OF, NOT APART FROM, THE COMMUNITY"