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Sheriff



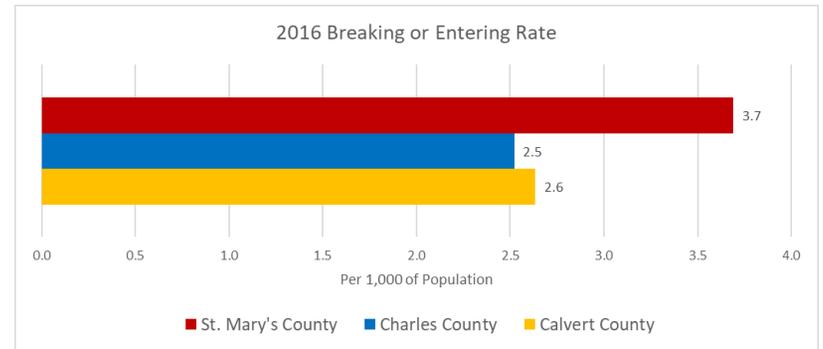
As a member of the St. Mary's County Sheriff's Office Strategic Management Plan (SMP) team, I wholeheartedly support the time and effort identifying our best practices to protect our community only to watch this effort not come to fruition in 12 years. My plan of action is:

- Immediately fill the vacant positions in our School Resource Officer (SRO) program that have been vacant for years, and expand the program to all middle and high schools. Develop a strategy to fill every school as soon as practical.
- A relentless pursuit of those who sell drugs, and those who use them. I will expand the Vice/Narcotics team, educate, and equip these officers to enhance our efforts.
- Address the failed practices of hiring and retention of employees. Focus our efforts on developing a culturally diverse team of officers to enhance our understanding and efforts.

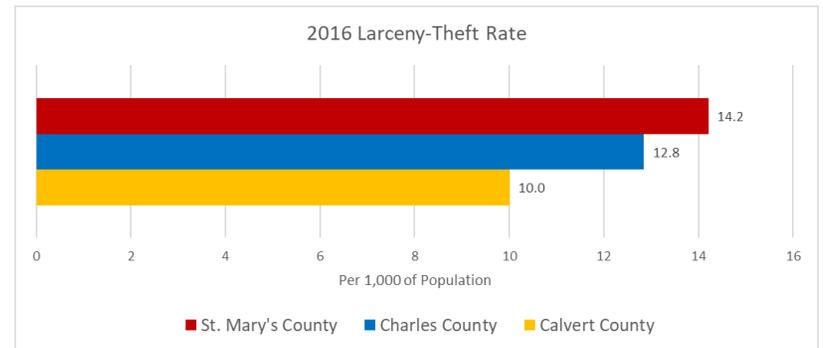
In law enforcement, there are two specific crime trends we watch as they are predictors of drug abusers seeking property of others to steal and sell to support their illness. Below are two graphs

indicating our community currently leads the Southern Region in thefts and burglaries.

Incidents:
St. Mary's = 413 Charles = 396 Calvert = 238



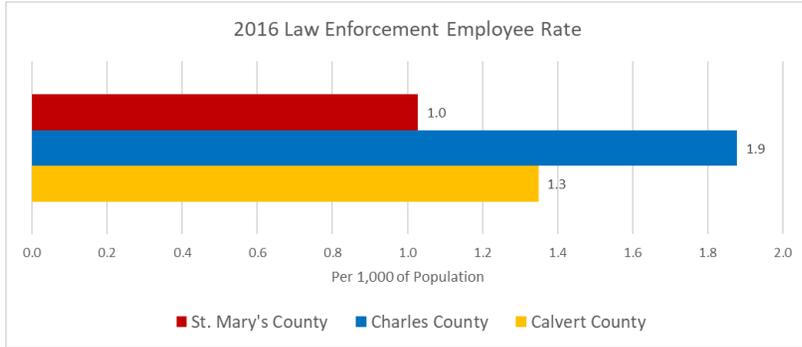
Incidents:
St. Mary's = 1,591 Charles = 2,018 Calvert = 905



St. Mary's County has the most burglaries every year for the past 5 years.

The standard of adequate resources for a law enforcement agency to protect and serve is two officers per one thousand residents. Below you will see a graph indicating St. Mary's Sheriff's Office is at half strength. This is unacceptable.

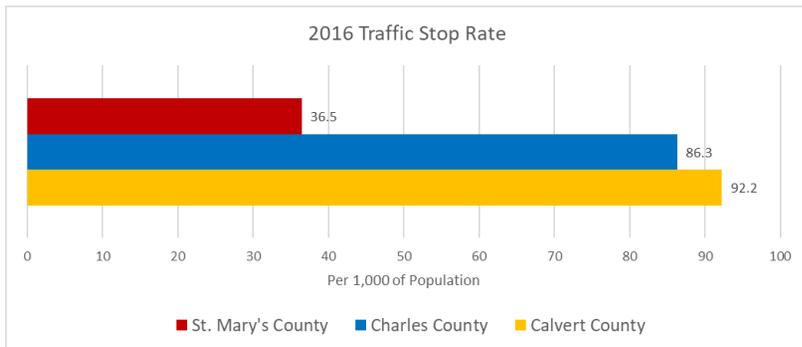
Sworn Officers:
St. Mary's = 115 Charles = 295 Calvert = 122



When developing action plans and strategies to combat crime we focus on two aspects. Proactive efforts, and reactive efforts. The next two graphs depict two areas of proactive efforts.

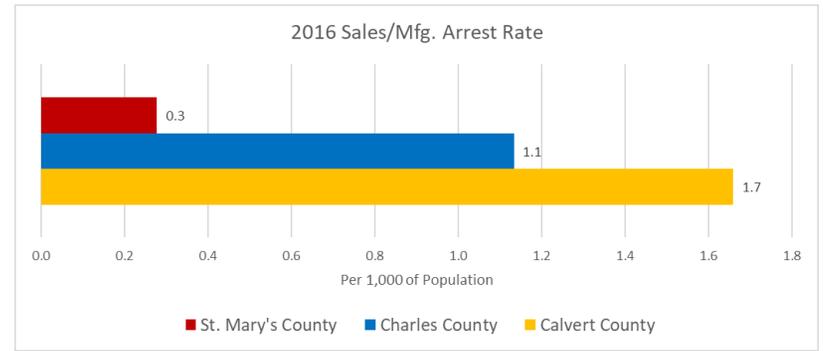
In this graph you will see the surrounding jurisdictions doubled or tripled our efforts.

Incidents:
St. Mary's = 4,080 Charles = 13,559 Calvert = 8,339



In combating the Opioid crisis, you will see the surrounding jurisdictions surpassed our efforts by as much as 500%.

Arrests:
St. Mary's = 31 Charles = 178 Calvert = 150



The last two graphs depict disturbingly low proactive efforts, rest assured this is not a reflection of the men and women of the office, they truly do their very best every day. They handle a large, continuous number of calls for residents all across the county.

The current administration has been in power for three terms, the behavior exhibited is predictable, and preventable with your vote.

"I will not play politics with your safety."

"Service over self."

Early voting Oct. 25 – Nov. 1
General election Nov. 6

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