

#### **COMMUNITY DISPATCH**

### March 2023

# CRIME WATCH KICK OFF MEETING



**APRIL 12, 2023** 

Get Answers to Your Questions 7 PM

Voice Your Concerns

**AMERICAN LEGION POST 82** 

6330 CRAIN HWY, LA PLATA, MD 20646

Come on out and meet your District Commanders



RSVP by April 11, 2023 to Gus Proctor at 301-932-3080 or e-mail Proctora@ccso.us



## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Are you ready to attend our 2023 Crime Watch Kickoff, sponsored by the Charles County Sheriff's Office? We are excited to interact with you on April 12th, 7:00pm, at the American Legion Post #82, (6330 Crain Highway La Plata, MD 20646)

You will have the opportunity to collaborate with Patrol Commanders, Captain Carlson #271 and Captain Burroughs #277, and our Community Services Division. The collaboration will afford citizens the opportunity to voice their concerns and hear about Patrol Division initiatives.

We will also be discussing upcoming community events, to include National Night Out, The Charles County Fair, Friday Night Lights and Siren, CCSO Trunk or Treat, Etc.







The number of fraud/scam cases have increased in Charles County. Some of the most common exploitation / frauds are:

Check fraud- The check will be "washed" and the amount will be altered

Internet virus fraud– Pop ups on websites claiming you've won prizes

Romance fraud- CATFISHING, a perceived romantic partner, tricked into sending gift cards, money, Etc.

Investment fraud- Get rich quick schemes, promises of making large sums of money with your investment.

Impersonation fraud- Commonly completed via telephone, impersonating an enforcement entity and threatening legal prosecution, if money, gift cards, Bitcoin ATM, are not sent.

To minimize the potential of becoming a victim, please remember, NEVER give out your personal information, to include Social Security number, PIN numbers, Bank account information. If asked to make payment with gift cards and Bitcoin ATM's, its most likely a SCAM. Please contact the Charles County Sheriff's Office if there's any doubt.

REMEMBER, IF IT SOUNDS TO GOOD TO BE TRUE, IT PROBABLY IS-SCAM

#### TAKE OUR COMMUNITY SURVEY



The Charles County Sheriff's Office is constantly looking for suggestions, input and feedback from our community, to help assist us with providing the best police service possible. Please scan the QR code to the left and complete a quick and easy survey. We look forward to hearing from you.









The Charles County Sheriff's Office has added a new member to our family. Please Welcome our After School Coordinator, Ms. Kimberly Mack. Ms. Mack will be working with M/Cpl. Ray Anderson, and lead our youth with positive after school programs.

This program was achieved as a result of grant funding. The primary goal of this program is to provide youth in our community with mentorship and after school programs, preparing them for their future.

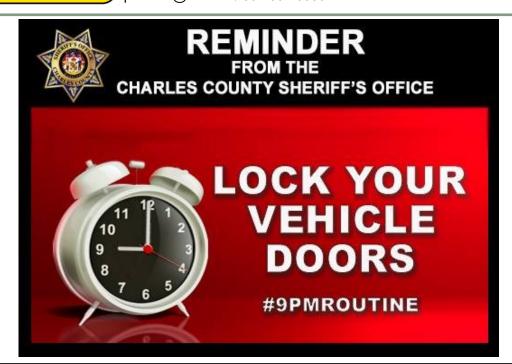
Ms. Mack and M/Cpl. Anderson are excited and looking forward to getting this program started!!!

## **Business Watch**



The Business Watch Program is designed to enhance the communication between businesses and the Charles County Sheriff's Office. The purpose of the Business Watch Program is to support businesses through proactive collaborative efforts to actively reduce and prevent crime impacting the business community, using communication, education, and enforcement. Information regarding current crime trends and crime prevention tips will be sent through an e-mail chain from the Charles County Sheriff's Office Community Engagement Unit to the business owners and business supervisors who wish to participate.

To register your business please contact Mr. Gus Proctor at proctora@ccso.us / 301-932-3080.



TRAFFIC COMPLAINT LINE: 301-932-3062 or trafficoperations@ccso.us











Questions, comments, complaints?

Please contact our Civilian Community Coordinator

Mr. Gus Proctor: (301) 932-3080 / proctora@ccso.us







## **COMMUNITY OUTREACH**







On February 15th and 16th, members of the Charles County Sheriff's Office Community Engagement Unit, conducted 4 Active Shooter Response presentations, for nearly 200 employees at the Charles County Court House and the Charles County Government Building.

During these presentations, employees received information, in regards to preparing and responding to an active shooter incident. Employees also learned of what law enforcements actions would be in case of an active shooter incident as well.





The Charles County Sheriff's Office is excited and proud to be joining our wonderful neighbors again this year, for the 2023 National Night Out event, on Tuesday, August 1, 2023. This year, marks 40 years of strong law enforcement and community partnerships, and we always look forward to it.

If you're neighborhood wishes to participate in this years National Night Out Event, or for more information, please contact our Community Organizer, Mr. Gus Proctor, to get registered.

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