

2026 Chesterfield County  
Certified Crime Prevention Community  
Summary of Chesterfield County Final Application

A review of the nineteen (19) Core Elements and Optional Elements materials and discussion demonstrated that the prevention efforts of the Chesterfield County Police Department are strong and proactive. This is a summary of Chesterfield County Police Department recertification application for the Certified Crime Prevention Communities program.

Throughout the review, it became clear that the success of the Chesterfield County Police Department prevention efforts was due to four (4) factors: community interactions, the dedication of the Chesterfield County Police Department personnel not only to the Police Department but to their community, program developments, and finding ways to bridge the identified gaps within their community.

The Community Engagement Unit has seven sworn Community Engagement Officers and two professional/civilian staff members.

In 2024 their Neighborhood Watch Conference saw record attendance of 62 people. They used a new approach; members were asked which topics that they would like to see presented. The presentations included the County's Opioid

Coordinator to discuss the presence of drugs in Chesterfield County and ways to combat illicit substance abuse, and mental health.

The CPTED Planner created a series of checklist documents which Community Engagement and patrol officers can utilize when addressing criminal concerns and security improvements that multifamily developments, businesses, houses of worship, and homeowners can make. Chesterfield County has 149 active Neighborhood Watch programs within the county which surpasses their goal this reporting period of 145 active Neighborhood Watch programs.

The Community Engagement Unit hosted a successful Autism Safety Seminar and Fair designed to help families and individuals better understand how to interact with law enforcement during traffic and pedestrian stops. The event featured hands-on exercises, classroom discussions, and interactive demonstrations from public safety and mental health partners. Showcasing a police vehicle, ARV, bloodhound, drone, and more. A total of 39 individuals attended the seminar and 139 participated in the fair. To improve officer access to Ban Requests, Crime Prevention Specialist requested assistance from analysts to generate a list of organizations and apartment communities authorizing CCPD to issue bans and a list of individuals with active bans, including the property names from which they are banned. In response to a spike in pedestrian-related incidents-six fatalities and three injuries in three months-the Community Engagement and Traffic Units launched a safety initiative along

Route 1 and Route 10 Officers visited approximately 70 businesses to distribute pedestrian safety awareness materials and provided reflective vests to at-risk pedestrians. Community Engagement Officer Unit, in collaboration with multiple community organizations, hosted a festive holiday event serving hot cocoa and a homemade cookie to 150 children.

As of April 2025, the Department has 51,000 Facebook followers, 10,500 Twitter followers, 5,200 Instagram followers, 2,000 YouTube followers, and 85,500 Nextdoor claimed households. Their multi-platform approach allows for timely distribution of information to residents and non-residents. The Community Engagement Unit has provided over 180 educational programs to the community. Topics covered included personal safety active shooter, frauds and scams, home security, internet safety, workplace safety, and human trafficking.

Between January 2022, and July 2025, the CPTED Planner reviewed and provided recommendations/conditions, where necessary, for 881 site plan submissions and 775 rezoning requests. From 2022-2025, Community Engagement personnel presented crime prevention and related programs in 2023: 429 programs, 29,779 attendees, 2024: 288 programs, 15,288, and as of April 1, 2025: 66 programs, 3,304 attendees.

The Analytic and Strategic Operations Center (ASOC) began placement of 20 ALPR cameras across Chesterfield County in May 2022, which has grown to a

network of over 150 cameras in 2025. The unit also obtained the Fusus platform, which integrated camera feeds from across the county into one hub for investigative support. The initial rollout was expanded with the Community Connect Program, which offered businesses and private entities the ability to purchase cores to link to the network. Since the initial onboarding of 400 cameras at fire stations, parks, schools, and other government buildings, CCPD's Fusus network has grown to over 11,000 available camera streams. In May 2022, they began collaboration with County IST and Capital Projects to create the department's real time crime centers. In June 2023, they began providing real-time intelligence to officers and detectives in the field. In 2023, ASOC assisted with 2,494 calls for services. They began providing monthly tactical briefings for department leadership and magisterial district presentations to Chesterfield County Board of Supervisors.

They completed the assessment of two different weapon detection systems. After selecting the appropriate system for our needs, CCPS created a logistical plan for delivery, setup, and training in the use of the chosen weapon-detection systems. Delivery and setup were achieved at all secondary schools, totaling 148 lanes or 296 pillars. Completed all school safety audits in compliance with the three-year cycle of reporting to DCJS. Schools adjusted, as necessary, to existing policies/procedures.

As of August 2025, the Business Watch Coordinator and CPTED Planner

have performed 41 security assessments. Of these, 10 were houses-of-worship, although there were several church-affiliated schools/daycares in addition to those 10. The previous CCPC cycle's goal of performing an average of two business security assessments per month were not achieved. Over the last 30 months, only six business security assessments have been provided. CCPD has tried numerous methods and times to encourage businesses to receive security assessments.

During the later part of FY22 and the entirety of FY25, advocates maintained an average of 135 cases per quarter and this trend has continued under the new leadership. The advocate's caseloads are tracked and managed using a Victim/Witness Case Management Log. Human trafficking (HT) cases have increased in volume. Advocates from within the Victim Witness Assistance Program (VWAP) office has attended training sponsored by the International Association of Human Trafficking.

Addressing chronic absenteeism continues to be a focus for CCPS. Statistics pulled from the VDOE School Quality Profiles for the 2024-2025 school year show that 16.1% of students were identified as being chronically absent. A student is considered to be chronically absent when they miss 10% or more of the school year for any reason, excused or unexcused. This measure is down 4.7% from the 2022-2023 school year when it was 20.8%. Whether excused or unexcused,

chronic absenteeism means missed instructional minutes. Being chronically absent can also be described as missing just two days every month (or 18 days over the school year), this equates to missing 1,386 instructional minutes per class. Missing this much instruction puts students at risk of falling behind in their academic pursuits.

In 2024, Chesterfield TRIAD received an award from Virginia's Attorney General's Office for TRIAD Senior Day "Event of the Year." Tom Gelozin, Chesterfield TRIAD Treasurer, attended the conference 2024 TRIAD Conference in Williamsburg, Virginia to accept this award. Chesterfield Triad received \$5,000 grant funds from The SPAN Center in August of 2024. The Span Center serves as the Capital Area Agency on Aging for Central Virginia. These funds were used to support printing/promoting File of Life and Yellow Dot programs, a new TRIAD tent, TRIAD seatbelt cutter/window smasher keychains, TRIAD Door Grabbers, the Staying Strong at Stonebridge Health and Wellness Fair at Stonebridge Senior Center. The funds allowed the addition of food for participants, Chair Volleyball, flu shots, and CarFit at this event. 140 participants attended the Health and Wellness Fair.

The Chesterfield County Police Department has maintained its accredited status with CALEA, having been recently assessed in December 2024 for the Law Enforcement Program and receiving our 3rd award on March 25, 2025.

Crime Solvers program statistics from December 2022 through December 2024 are as follows: tips received 1,344, crimes solved 279, suspects arrested 122, stolen property recovered \$63,237, illegal drugs seized \$7,300, cash rewards requested 92, and rewards approved \$26, 420.

In 2022 and 2023 the Department's yearly National Night Out Kick-Off event was held at the Chesterfield County Fairgrounds. While vendor participation remained strong, the location was less than ideal, resulting in lower turnout from citizens than anticipated. Vendors in 2022 included returning favorites such as the Drug Enforcement Administration with their snow cone machines, Eagle Towing who displayed their fleet of different tow trucks, and Animal Control. In 2023 the Department added new attractions such as our SWAT and Special Response Unit vehicles as well. Both proved incredibly popular. 2023 saw the highest number of vendors participate (48) in the Kick-Off event. In 2024, the Department's Kick-Off returned to the Westchester Commons Shopping Center which is busier and more of a destination location than Chesterfield's fairgrounds. The event time was moved earlier in the day to try and capture the lunch crowd. Live music was featured again, and the Kick-Off event hosted 45 vendors.

As part of its ongoing commitment to firearm safety, the Sheriff's Office has resumed offering Hunter Safety Classes. These classes, supported by Virginia Department of Wildlife Resources (VA DWR), are free two-night courses designed

to educate participants on safe hunting practices in wooded environments. The classes cover hunter safety and gun laws and are instructed by deputy personnel with support from trained citizen volunteers and local conservation police officers. The Sheriff's Office and VA DWR partnership is in its 33rd year. Two sessions are held each year. Since its reopening, the program has served 40 community members. Firearms gun locks continue to be handed out at every event that the Sheriff's Office attends. Approximately 100-gun locks were given out, versus the goal of 500 (due to the limited amount of gun locks the Sheriff's Office had).

The School Resource Program continues to work cooperatively with the 68 schools in the Chesterfield County School System and Brightpoint Community College.

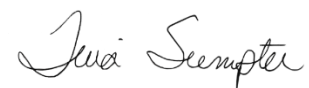
The School Resource Officer program, which currently has 29 SROs and one Campus Resource Officer is in place not only to ensure the safety of our students but, when possible, to reduce the number of students who are referred to the juvenile justice system. SRO supervisors participate in a monthly meeting with their regional peers when school is in session to discuss regional trends, incidents of interest and current practices. In Chesterfield, supervision also meets monthly with approximately 15 school division stakeholders.

Multi-Family Housing quarterly managers' meetings have been re-established and have changed to two in person and two TEAMS meetings a year (Exhibit 2). This change has increased participation on both sides and has been well received by

managers. While in-person meetings generally include 10-12 attendees, TEAMS meetings are larger and usually have 20-30 participants.

Alcohol-impaired driving remains a persistent concern in Chesterfield County. According to data from the Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV), alcohol-related crashes totaled 329 in 2022, 356 in 2023, and 311 in 2024. SAFE also worked with the Chesterfield County Police Department (CCPD) to collect 2024 local DUI enforcement data. From October 1, 2023, through September 30, 2024, there were 1,121 DUI arrests countywide—down slightly from 1,162 the previous year. For individuals aged 16–25, arrests fell sharply, from 408 in the previous period to 229—a notable 44% decrease.

The intent of this document is to provide a summary of the County of Chesterfield Recertification Certified Crime Prevention Community program final application. The entire Chesterfield County Certified Crime Prevention Community Recertification Final Application is following this document.



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