



Hanover County Sheriff's Office
Colonel V. Stuart Cook, Sheriff



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Just this past week, the International Association of Chief's of Police hosted their annual conference in Philadelphia. During this conference, the IACP honored the Hanover County Sheriff's Office with two distinguished awards in regards to our ongoing programs to enhance traffic safety, and our commitment during the Sniper Incident.

Each year the Sheriff's Office participates in the State and National "Chief's Challenge" program. This is a program which encourages localities to make measurable differences in their communities, and to share successful program initiatives with other agencies by targeting three crucial traffic safety priorities: Occupant Protection, Impaired Driving, and Speed Enforcement. The Hanover County Sheriff's Office was one of only ten agencies in the Commonwealth to receive this award.

In addition to recognizing our efforts in traffic safety, the IACP also presented the Sheriff's Office with the IACP/ChoicePoint Award for Excellence in Criminal Investigation for our detailed investigation into the Sniper Incident in Ashland and our participation in the Sniper Task Force. Agencies considered for this award are evaluated on the significance of the contribution to the advancement of criminal investigations and the innovation in the development of investigative techniques.

"I would like to extend my sincere appreciation to the dedicated men and women of the Hanover County Sheriff's Office, and to the community for their support. For without both, neither of these distinct honors would have been bestowed," said Colonel V. Stuart Cook, Sheriff of Hanover County.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call on Lt. Doug Goodman with the Hanover County Sheriff's Office. He can be reached at (804)-365-6312.

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