



BERKELEY COUNTY SHERIFF
S. DUANE LEWIS



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A MESSAGE FROM THE SHERIFF



SHERIFF S. DUANE LEWIS

My promise to you as your Sheriff is to keep you informed of the activities and successes of your Sheriff's Office. We will work together to keep Berkeley County a wonderful place to live and raise a family.

In the following pages you will see the many functions of the Sheriff's Office and how we have successfully accomplished many of our goals.

I am very proud of the men and women who work tirelessly to ensure our safety. These dedicated members of the Berkeley County Sheriff's Office are responsible for the many successes we have experienced in our mission of "Taking Care of People."

It is my privilege and honor to serve you as your Sheriff.

Sincerely,

Sheriff S. Duane Lewis

SHERIFF LEWIS BIOGRAPHY

Duane Lewis began his law enforcement career in 1984 at the Berkeley County Sheriff's Office as a Deputy.

In 1987, Lewis became a Patrolman with the City of Charleston Police Department. While there, he obtained the rank of Investigator.

Duane became a Special Agent for I.N.S Investigations Bureau, a national arson investigative unit for the insurance industry, in 1991.

Lewis was hired as a Detective at the Goose Creek Police Department in 1992. He was soon promoted to the rank of Detective Sergeant to supervise the Detective Division.

In 1994, Duane accepted a position with the South Carolina Public Service Authority (Santee Cooper) as a Special Agent in the Law Enforcement Division. He served at Santee Cooper for twenty-one years. During his time, he was promoted to Major and later Deputy Chief. Lewis was responsible for Criminal Investigations, Training and Development, Internal Investigations and Federal Regulatory Regulations. Lewis served as a member of the National Homeland Security Critical Infrastructure Coordinating Council after the terrorist attacks in 2001.

In 2015, he offered and was subsequently elected as the Sheriff of Berkeley County in June 2015. Sheriff Lewis was re-elected in 2018.

Sheriff Lewis is a graduate of Goose Creek High School and has a Bachelor of Arts degree from Columbia College.

OUR MISSION
"TAKING CARE OF PEOPLE"

OUR VISION
"TO BE THE BEST WE CAN BE.
IN ALL THAT WE DO"

OUR CORE VALUES ARE NOT
NEGOTIABLE:

- Integrity
- Treating people with dignity and respect

BERKELEY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE SENIOR COMMAND STAFF



**CHIEF DEPUTY
JEREMY BAKER**



**MAJOR
DAVID BRABHAM**



**MAJOR
WILLIE HICKMAN**



**DIRECTOR
RANDY DEMORY**



**INSPECTOR
DAN ISGETT**



Did you know ?

**The Senior Command Staff
at the Berkeley County
Sheriff's Office has a
combined 205 years of
law enforcement
experience!**

The Berkeley County Sheriff's Office is a full-service sheriff's office comprised of 191 full-time sworn deputies, 28 full-time civilians and 6 part-time civilians. The Hill-Finklea Detention Center employs 81 Detention Officers and 8 civilians.

The Berkeley County Sheriff's Office serves the 17th fastest growing county in the United States. The current population is estimated at 221,091. That is an increase of 24% since the last official census in 2010. An estimated 136,879 of those residents live in the unincorporated areas of the county. At 1,099 square miles, Berkeley County is third largest land area county in our state. Lake Moultrie, located in the center of the county, covers 66,000 acres and is the state's third largest lake.

Sheriff Duane Lewis was elected by the citizens of Berkeley County to be responsible for the management and all other interest of the Berkeley County Sheriff's Office, which includes the Hill-Finklea Detention Center. Sheriff Lewis is the chief law enforcement officer in the county. Chief Deputy Jeremy Baker is responsible for the daily operations of the Sheriff's Office. Major David Brabham commands the Investigation and Support Services Branch. Major Willie Hickman commands the Patrol and Judicial Services Branch. Director Randy Demory is responsible for the daily operations of the Hill-Finklea Detention Center. Inspector Dan Isgett commands the Office of Professional Standards.

BERKELEY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE CHIEF DEPUTY

CHIEF DEPUTY JEREMY BAKER



The Chief Deputy is responsible for the day to day operations of the Sheriff's Office. Chief Baker acts on behalf of the Sheriff in his absence. He is responsible for the management and oversight of the Sheriff's Office Budget. His duties also include coordinating the activities of the divisions of the Sheriff's Office to meet the mission and goals of the agency.

Jeremy Baker is a resident of Berkeley County. Growing up in Ladson, he attended Stratford High School graduating in 1996. Jeremy attained a degree in Criminal Justice from Trident Technical College in 1999. He then attended the College of Charleston where he graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Psychology in 2001. Jeremy started with the Berkeley County Sheriff's Office in 2000 as a Reserve Deputy and was hired full-time in 2001.

Jeremy started as a Patrol Deputy and then transferred to the K-9 Unit where he was promoted through the ranks as a Corporal, Sergeant, Lieutenant, and Captain of Uniform Patrol. In 2015, Captain Baker was promoted to Major of Uniform Patrol and Judicial Services. Major Baker was promoted to Chief Deputy in 2018. Baker has been assigned to various federal task forces to include the FBI Violent Crime Task Force and the DEA Task Force. Chief Deputy Baker is married with two children.



BERKELEY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE PATROL AND JUDICIAL SERVICES



MAJOR WILLIE HICKMAN

Major Willie Hickman commands the Operations Branch of the Sheriff's Office which includes Uniform Patrol, K-9 , Target Zero DUI Enforcement Deputies, Community Action Team, COPS Deputies, School Resource Officers, Court Security, Warrants, Civil Process, Judgments, and Transport. The Operations Branch of the Sheriff's Office consists of 116 sworn deputies and 7 civilians.

Major Hickman has over 21 years of service, in law enforcement. He is currently assigned as the Operations Major over the Patrol Division and Judicial Services Division.

Major Hickman holds a Bachelor of Science Degree, in Criminal Justice, from Strayer University, North Charleston, SC, where he graduated with Honors. In March 2016, Major Hickman completed the Federal Bureau of Investigation, (FBI) Command College.

Major Hickman formerly served as the Assistant Chief of Police, at the St. Stephen Police Department. He is married to Berkeley County Lieutenant Cheretha Kinlaw-Hickman.

Major Hickman is a member of New Life Christian Fellowship Church, Goose Creek, SC.



BERKELEY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE UNIFORM PATROL DIVISION

Captain James Geiger commands the Uniform Patrol Division which includes Patrol, K-9 and DUI enforcement.

The Patrol Division provides 24-hour coverage throughout the county. Deputies are assigned to permanent 12-hour shifts. Each patrol shift is led by a lieutenant and two sergeants. Deputies are assigned to zones which are divided between the urban south area of the county and the more rural northern area.

Currently, each squad consists of 16 deputies. Due to the growth of the Clements Ferry area, a deputy is assigned there.

Last year, deputies responded to 103,889 calls for service. This is an increase of 102% since 2008, when only 51,348 services calls were documented. This is in part due to the increased pro-active work of the deputies.



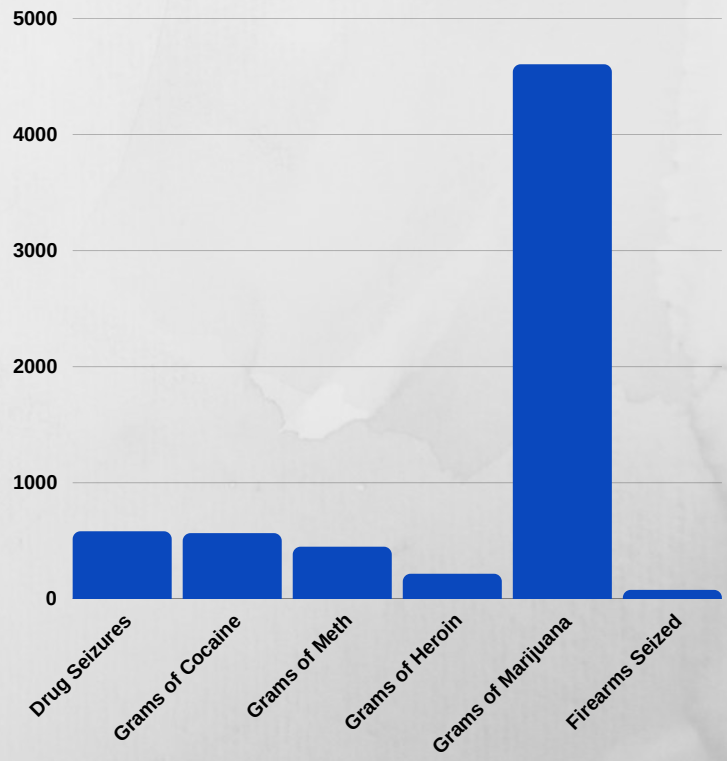
CAPTAIN JAMES GEIGER

Power shifts were created to increase the number of deputies during the hours of high call volume. Great strides have been made to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of deputies.

Deputies are now provided with laptops in their vehicles, cell phones for connectivity to the laptops, patrol rifles, tasers, dash cameras, body worn cameras, improved hand-held radios and fingerprint kits. Supervisors and some deputies are equipped with fingerprint readers to assist in identifying suspects in the field.

Berkeley County Sheriff's Office Deputies have

- Assisted 2,565 motorists
- Wrote 5,842 reports
- Made 1,430 arrests
- Issued 1,446 traffic citations
- Issued 7,077 warnings



BERKELEY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE UNIFORM PATROL DIVISION

K-9 UNIT

Lieutenant Obie Pittman supervises the K-9 Team and the DUI enforcement deputies.

The K-9 Team utilizes specially trained canines to support law enforcement activities in patrol, narcotic interdiction, explosives detection and search/apprehension operations.

The K-9 unit has nine K-9 deputies and nine canines. Additionally, the unit has three bloodhounds.



**LIEUTENANT
OBIE PITTMAN**



**TAKING
DRUGS AND
WEAPONS
OFF THE
STREET!**



Berkeley County Sheriff's Office K-9 Unit has seized:

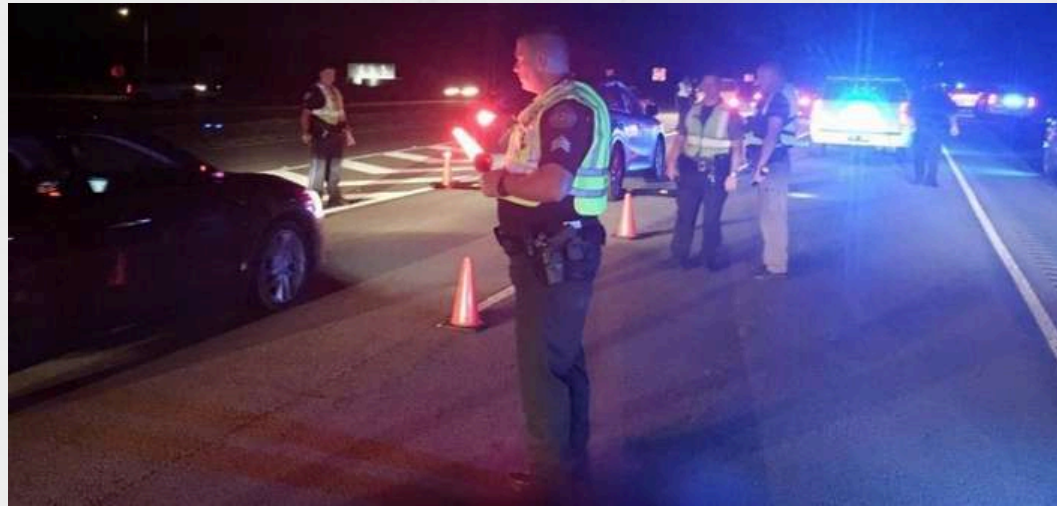


- 23.5 gg of Cocaine
- 21.4 gg of Crack Cocaine
- 2574.5 gg of Marijuana
- 10 Marijuana Plants
- 54.5 gg of Heroin
- 292 gg of Meth
- \$21,000.00 in Currency
- 40 firearms off the streets

DID YOU KNOW?
In 2018, the K-9 Unit logged 5,000 responses to include back up for patrol deputies, searches for persons, K-9 unit demos, and narcotics detection.

BERKELEY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE UNIFORM PATROL DIVISION

DUI ENFORCEMENT



DUI (Driving Under the Influence) Enforcement deputies provide proactive enforcement of DUI laws and provide DUI prevention and safe driving presentations. DUI Enforcement deputies are scheduled to work during times determined to be the most effective.

Deputies assigned to DUI enforcement are grant-funded through the Target Zero Program. Target Zero is a statewide comprehensive safety plan that provides a coordinated framework toward eliminating traffic deaths and reducing severe injuries on South Carolina roads. The DUI team was created to address collisions and fatalities due to impaired drivers. Our DUI deputies regularly participate in operations Buckle Up SC and Sober or Slammer.

The Sheriff's Office also has a grant funded part-time prosecutor to handle the agency's DUI arrests. Our prosecutor manages the adjudication of all DUI related arrests by Berkeley County Deputies.



DEPUTY BECKER AND CORPORAL JOHNSON

2017 - 2018
169 arrests

The unit has also conducted or assisted with 78 checkpoints and eight safety presentations at schools.



BERKELEY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION

Captain Annie Jackson is the Community Services Commander. The Division is comprised of the Community Action Team, School Resource Officers and the Bike Team.

COMMUNITY ACTION TEAM

The Community Action Team (CAT) was established by Sheriff Lewis to restore trust, provide support and build a stronger relationship with the communities. Lieutenant Trey Boyd supervises this team. Members of the team maintain a liaison with the Citizens Advisory Board members to identify concerns in their communities and develop strategies to address their concerns.

- In 2018, CAT /COPS deputies attended**
- 140 community events**
- 55 Community/Crime Watch meetings**
- 6 Citizens Advisory Board meetings.**

The CAT and COPS deputies had 27,596 public contacts. Three new Community/Crime Watch groups were established in Windwood, Pine Vista, Lebanon and Old Rice Retreat.



CAPTAIN ANNIE JACKSON



LIEUTENANT TREY BOYD

CAT members also work closely with other units to address problems in the community. Team members assist Uniform Patrol by answering calls for service. This helps reduce response times and adds to law enforcement presence in communities.

In 2018, CAT deputies wrote over 400 reports. Team members assist the Criminal Investigations Unit and the Drug Enforcement Unit by gathering pertinent information from the communities. They work cases in their areas. They also gather information from the citizens in the communities about illegal activities. CAT deputies work closely with DUI enforcement deputies conducting selective traffic enforcement in high traffic areas and areas of complaints.

BERKELEY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION

COMMUNITY ORIENTED POLICING

C. O. P. S

The CAT team was increased by eight members with the acceptance of a one million-dollar COPS (Community Oriented Policing) grant. Lieutenant Neal Johnson supervises the COPS grant members. These members specifically address crime problems in the Sangaree Area and the Goose Creek Rural area in the vicinity of Red Bank Road.

The unit has been very successful in building relationships with members of these communities to collectively reduce crime.



**LIEUTENANT
NEAL JOHNSON**



BERKELEY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE CITIZENS ADVISORY BOARD

Sheriff Lewis established the Citizens Advisory Board to serve as the voice of their communities and act as liaisons to the Sheriff's Office. The Citizens Advisory Board currently has twenty-four members representing the communities in Berkeley County. Board Members meet with the Sheriff and his staff on a regular basis to stay informed of the activities of the Sheriff's Office and address issues affecting their communities. CAT deputies are assigned to twenty geographic areas of the county and to specific Citizen Advisory Board members. They maintain weekly contact with members of the Citizen Advisory Board.



Matthew Hoover
LEBANON



Gary Smoak
BONNEAU



Cheryl Smoak
BONNEAU



Sylvia Blake
ST. STEPHEN



Darla Barnette
RUSSELLVILLE



Walter Early
SANDRIDGE/RIDGEVILLE



Martin Ryan
CANE BAY/
DEL WEB



Ron Harvey
NEW HOPE /
FELDER CREEK



Sybill Mitchell
CAINHOY
HUGER
WANDO



David Shuler
JAMESTOWN
HONEYHILL
SHULERVILLE



Marie Delcioppo
DANIEL ISLAND



Willis Sanders
SANGAREE/ TALL PINES
SUMMERVILLE/LADSON



Cindy Long
GOOSE CREEK



Phoebe Braberry
MACEDONIA



Francis Wright
CORDESVILLE



Wendell Lampkin
ALVIN



Michael Ramsey
HANAHAN



Melissa Polutta
GOOSE CREEK



Lisa Kerns
CLEMENT FERRY



Rev. J. Howell
CROSS / PINEVILLE



Mason West
MONCK'S CORNER /
PINOPOLIS



Chris Volf
MONCK'S CORNER



Marc Cottone
CANE BAY/
WINDWOOD



Harry Dupree
MONCK'S CORNER

BERKELEY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION

COMMUNITY ACTION TEAM DEPUTIES



Sergeant
Jay
Riser
Lebanon /Sandridge
Ridgeville/ Pringletown



Sergeant
David
Kolega
Goose Creek



Corporal
Kimber
Gist
Sangaree /
Summerville



Corporal
Steve
Zubkoff
Sangaree/
Summerville



Corporal
Corinthian
Green
Moncks Corner/
Pinopolis



Corporal
Julio
Santos
Goose Creek



Corporal
Tony
Brown
Cross / Pineville



Corporal
Jimmy
Smith
Jamestown/
Shulerville/
Honeyhill



Corporal
Joseph
Stroymeyer
Cane Bay /
New Hope



Corporal
Daniel
Lambert
Hanahan



Corporal
Kenny
Richie
Ladson/
Tall Pines/
College Park



Corporal
Quinn
Hayden
Spring Grove /
Pimlico /
Cordesville



Corporal
Kathryn
Whetstone
Cane Bay /
Del Webb



Corporal
Stacy
Harris
Overton /
Litter Control



PFC.
Lauren
Santos
Daniel Island /
Clements Ferry



PFC.
Jordan
Williamson
Cane Bay /



PFC.
Samantha
Stroud
Macedonia/
Windwood
Alvin

BERKELEY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION

SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS

Lieutenant Cheretha Hickman supervises the School Resource Officer Unit. The Berkeley County Sheriff's Office has deputies assigned to eleven schools in the County. (Six middle schools and five high schools) School Resource Officers (SROs) provide security for students and staff. SROs handled 2,640 incidents during the school year and made 360 arrests. The majority of these arrests were for drug possession, assaults and theft. SROs attend Youth Court in Goose Creek once a month on Saturdays. The Youth Court handles all juvenile cases in the county. There were approximately 30 cases heard in Youth Court in 2018.

Sheriff Lewis re-instituted the Drug Abuse Resistance Education program (D.A.R.E.). This program is taught in middle schools by the 4 certified SRO D.A.R.E. Instructors. Students can choose to attend the Sheriff's Office Summer Camp that is run by our SRO Deputies. This affords juveniles throughout the county an opportunity to connect with deputies. In 2018, 75 young people attended the camp.



**LIEUTENANT
CHERETHA HICKMAN**

ENVIRONMENTAL SPECIALIST

Throughout the years, there has been an increase in calls for service involving littering. The Sheriff's Office has deputies assigned to litter control. Corporal Stacy Harris, who is assigned to the Community Action Team, oversees the Palmetto Pride Grant. This grant provides funds to enforce litter statutes and promote anti-litter campaigns.



CPL. STACY HARRIS



BERKELEY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE JUDICIAL SERVICES

Captain Jimmy Mixson commands the Judicial Services Division. The Judicial Services Division includes Court Security, Warrants, Civil Process, Judgments and Wrecker Rotation. These units work together as a team assisting each other to ensure the mission of the Division is accomplished.

COURT SECURITY

Lieutenant Mark Hamilton supervises Court Security. The Berkeley County Courthouse is home to The Circuit Court, Family Court, Probate Court and the Master in Equity Court. The Berkeley County Sheriff's Office is tasked with providing security for these courts. Lieutenant Hamilton supervises two sergeants, a deputy and five limited-duty deputies. Reserve Deputies and State Constables provide additional manpower when needed. Deputies assigned to the unit are responsible for screening all persons entering the courthouse and they also inspect every courtroom prior to each session of court.



CAPTAIN JIMMY MIXSON

In 2018 there were:
- 996 sessions of court

Court security deputies conducted
- 2,246 adult transports
- 259 Juvenile transports.



DID YOU KNOW?

In 2019, The Sheriff's Office instituted video bond hearings to improve the safety of the hearings and to increase the efficiency of the hearings.



LIEUTENANT MARK HAMILTON

BERKELEY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE JUDICIAL SERVICES

WARRANTS/CIVIL PROCESS & JUDGMENTS

Lieutenant Arthur Caldwell supervises the Warrants and Civil Process Unit. The Warrants unit is responsible for serving criminal arrest warrants, check warrants, family court, general sessions and magistrate bench warrants. The Warrants/Civil Process Unit is also responsible for serving jury summons and assisting with foreclosures. Civil process papers may include notices, summons and complaints, restraining orders, subpoenas, rule to show cause, attachments, mechanic's liens, claim and delivery and writs. To increase proficiency, unit deputies take active warrants and civil papers with them for the areas they are assigned to work.



LIEUTENANT ARTHUR CALDWELL



Since Sheriff Lewis took office in 2015, the number of warrants in the system have been reduced by more than half.

In 2018, the Warrants / Civil Process Unit served 2,144 warrants, 180 jury summons, 58 foreclosure notices and served 3,071 civil papers. The unit also collected \$4,415 in fees.

The Sheriff's Office also receive 248 new judgments and collected \$2,422 in fees. Six judgments were satisfied for a total of \$16,832.31.

WRECKER SERVICE MANAGEMENT

The Berkeley County Sheriff's Office maintains a list of local wrecker companies to be called for service. To ensure our citizens are treated fairly by these companies, a standard fee schedule has been established.

Wrecker companies on the list are inspected by Sheriff's deputies twice a year. There are currently 35 companies on the list.



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BERKELEY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE INVESTIGATIONS AND SUPPORT SERVICES



MAJOR DAVID BRABHAM

Major David Brabham commands the Investigations and Support Services Branch of the Sheriff's Office which includes Criminal Investigations, Drug Enforcement Task Force, DEA Task Force, U.S. Marshall's Task Force, Forensics, Crime Analysis, Sex Offender Registry, Victim Advocates, Internet Crimes Against Children, Pawn Shop Investigations, Records, Training, Duty Office and Animal Control. He also serves at the Special Response Team Commander.

The Investigation and Support Services Branch of the Sheriff's Office consists of 38 Sworn Deputies, 4 Animal Control Officers and 14 Civilians.

Major Brabham started his law enforcement career in 1995 with the Moncks Corner Police Department. He served as a patrolman and canine handler at the Moncks Corner Police Department. In 1998, he joined the Berkeley County Sheriff's Office and started in the Patrol Division. In his time with the Sheriff's office, he has been the supervisor of the Canine Unit, Drug Enforcement Unit, Training Division and the Special Response Team Commander. He has served as the Captain of Community Services and the School Resource Officers.

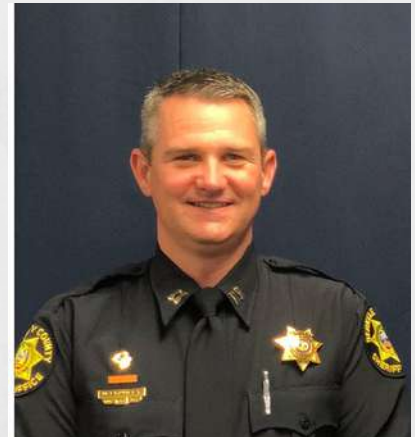
In 2015 he was promoted to his current position as Major of Investigations and Support Services. He has an associate degree in Public Service from Trident Technical College. He also graduated from the 250th session of the FBI National Academy.

He is active in the community as a softball coach, and member of the First Christian Church in Moncks Corner.



BERKELEY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS DIVISION

Captain Michael Crumley commands the Criminal Investigations Division. The division is comprised of the Criminal Investigations Unit, Forensic Services Unit, Drug Enforcement Task Force, Sex Offender Registration Unit, Victim/ Witness Advocates and Internet Crimes Against Children.



**CAPTAIN
MICHAEL CRUMLEY**

Since 2018, detectives have:

- Actively investigated 1,740 cases
- 355 cases cleared by arrest
- 661 exceptionally cleared
- 195 unfounded

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS UNIT

Lieutenant Dan Wilson supervises the Criminal Investigations Unit. This Unit is comprised of Crimes against Persons, Property Crimes, White Collar Crimes, Domestic Violence, Child/ Elder Abuse and the Internet Crimes Against Children Investigator. An administrative assistant coordinates the case files. Three sergeants and thirteen detectives are assigned to the unit.



**LIEUTENANT
DAN WILSON**

CLEARANCE RATES

	CID	National
Violent Crimes	82.1%	45.6%
Property Crimes	28.6%	17.6%
All Crimes	34.2%	31.6%

The Berkeley County Sheriff's Office Criminal Investigations Unit clearance rate greatly exceeds the national average. The current clearance rate for violent crimes investigations is 82.1%. This rate is 36.5% higher than the national clearance rate. The clearance rate for property crimes is 11% higher than the national average.

BERKELEY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS DIVISION

FORENSICS UNIT

Lieutenant Geno Alteri supervises the Forensics Unit. The unit is in charge of crime scene processing. The unit is also responsible for all in-custody property and the processing of evidence. Forensics detectives are available 24 /7 to respond to incidents. A Sergeant and three detectives are assigned to forensics. Members of the unit are trained in crime scene processing, blood spatter analysis, photography, and latent processing. Due to spatial challenges, the sheriff's office is currently working to replace the property and evidence building.



LIEUTENANT GENO ALTERI



Forensics investigators have :

- responded to 369 incidents to process crime scenes
- Assisted in 104 search warrants



The Property and Evidence Room has approximately 25,344 items of evidence and/or maintained property. In 2018, 12,005 items were logged into evidence . In 2018, the unit destroyed or returned to the owner 9,481 items from adjudicated cases.

BERKELEY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS DIVISION

DRUG ENFORCEMENT TASK FORCE

Lieutenant Kevin Ham supervises the Drug Enforcement Task Force. The unit is staffed by Berkeley County detectives and detectives from the Moncks Corner Police Department, Goose Creek Police Department and Hanahan Police Department. The Task force works with our Uniform Patrol Division, Community Action Team and state and federal narcotics agencies to address the plight of narcotics in Berkeley County. Citizens who want to provide information about illegal narcotics activity can go to the <https://www.berkeleycountysc.gov/drupal/dept/sheriff/document/tip> or call 843-719-4424.



465 ARRESTS

148 SEARCH WARRANTS

437 SEARCHES BY CONSENT

DEU STATISTICS

Cocaine: 24.55 ounces

Cocaine Base: 59.82 ounces

Meth: 11.2 pounds

Heroin: 20.95 ounces

Marijuana: 1,049.17 pounds

Marijuana Plants: 174

LSD: 469 doses

Fentanyl: 156 grams

Pills: 1,024 pills



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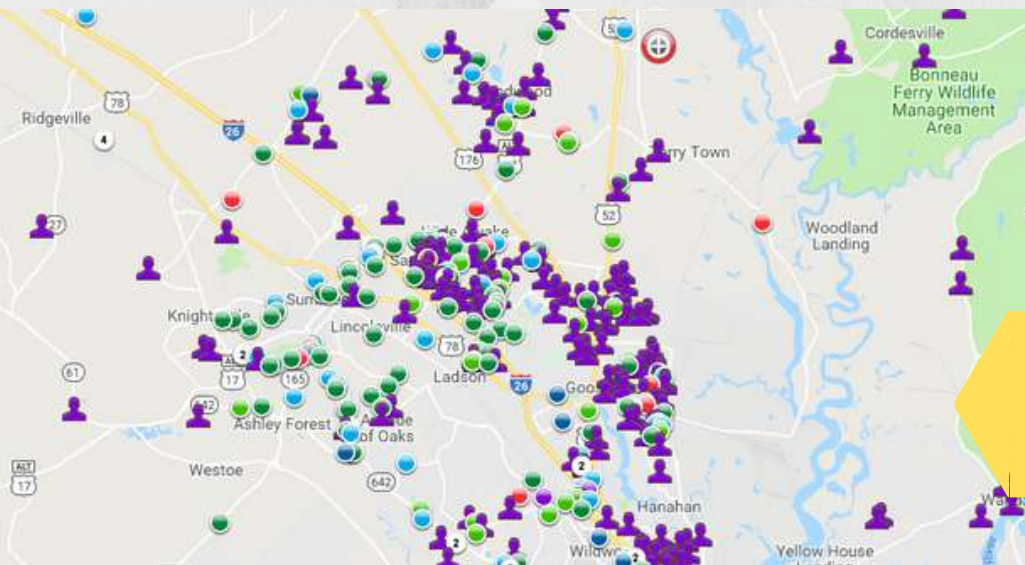
BERKELEY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS DIVISION

SEX OFFENDER REGISTRY

Sergeant Kim Milks is assigned to supervise the Sex Offender Registry Program. The Sheriff's Office is mandated by law to conduct an annual check on all registered sex offenders in Berkeley County. The offenders must come to the sheriff's office to register quarterly or bi-annually depending on their tier level. Registered Sex offenders must also have their residency confirmed annually. In 2018, the unit conducted 604 residency checks, made 1,574 in person contacts and obtained fourteen arrest warrants for offenders.



SERGEANT KIM MILKS



**There are 359
registered sex offenders
in Berkeley County.**

VICTIM ADVOCATES

The Sheriff's Office has two victim advocates, Jenifer Smith and Candiss Rinehart. Victim advocates provide the public with a better understanding of the Criminal Justice system by providing information regarding their rights and responsibilities as victims and witnesses of crimes. They also advise victims of the procedures of the court system and County/State criminal codes related to their incident. Our Victim Advocates provide crime-to-courtroom assistance to victims and their families. They work with victims in the areas of crisis intervention, one-on-one support and referrals through the State Office of Victim Assistance.



**JENIFER
SMITH**



**CANDISS
RINEHART**

The unit has partnered with Trident Technical College to sponsor a volunteer internship program. This intern earns college credit in the field of human services by volunteering alongside the victim advocates. The victim advocates will continue to ensure crime victims are informed and that their voices shall be heard in the criminal justice process.

**In 2018, victim advocates
assisted 171 crime
victims.**

BERKELEY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE SUPPORT SERVICES

Captain Bobby Shuler commands the Support Services Division. The Support Services Division includes the Training Unit, Records Unit, Duty Office and the newly formed Animal Control Unit. Captain Shuler commands specialized units to include Marine Patrol Unit, Rescue Unit, the Sheriff's Explorer Post. Captain Shuler also serves as the tactical commander of the Special Response Team.



CAPTAIN BOBBY SHULER

TRAINING UNIT

Lieutenant Chris Saunders supervises the training unit. A Corporal is assigned to assist with training duties. Off-duty assignments are also coordinated through the training unit.

The training unit is responsible for coordinating and conducting training for all LE-1, LE-2, and LE-3 personnel assigned to the Sheriff office. They also assist with training for Detention Officers, Reserve Deputies, Sheriff Special Deputies, Retirees, and Sheriff Office Auxiliary Personnel. The unit also coordinates with the South Carolina Criminal Justice Academy (SCCJA) for Basic LE training and advanced training.

In 2019, the Berkeley County Sheriff's Office was designated as a regional academy training point for local agencies recruit training. The unit conducts monthly block training for annual firearms and less lethal weapons training, legal updates, driver's training and other mandatory training. Deputies certified in specific areas of training assist the unit as a collateral duty. Members of the unit also coordinate all travel arrangements associated with training.



**LIEUTENANT
CHRIS SAUNDERS**

In 2019, the Berkeley County Sheriff's Office procured a MILO firearms simulator through a federal allocation grant. This will assist our deputies to train for split second judgments in critical incidents.

The simulator will also allow deputies to improve their proficiency with their weapons without expending ammunition and procuring time at our range.

The Sheriff's Office also developed an outdoor range to enhance our firearms training. This allows the Sheriff's Office control over the costs for firearms training and the flexibility of training times and dates.

BERKELEY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE SUPPORT SERVICES

CITIZEN'S ACADEMY



The Sheriff's Office offers Berkeley County citizens the opportunity to sign up for the Sheriff's Office Citizen Academy. Citizens attend one night a week and are provided insight to all the functions of the Sheriff's Office. They are given tours of the facilities. Demonstrations are provided by the K9 unit and the Special Response Team. This program has been very well received by the participants. The Sheriff's Office offers this program annually to the citizens of Berkeley County.

DUTY OFFICE



A corporal and six civilians staff the duty office. Duty Officers are responsible for answering the phones, taking reports over the phone or from persons who walk in the Sheriff office requesting an incident report. They are NCIC (National Crime Information Center) full functional certified. This allows them to conduct inquiries, enter NCIC data, remove NCIC data from the system and conduct NCIC validations. Duty Officers also run criminal histories for the Sheriff's Office as well for other agencies. In addition, they also run agency arrest warrants for dispatch and deputies. They issue non-ferrous metal permits. The Duty Office Staff statistics are included in the Records Unit Stats on the following page.

DID YOU KNOW?

In 2018, The Duty Office handled 107, 933 phone inquiries, 8,909 window assists, wrote 1,525 incident reports, 1,636 supplemental reports and 1535 Repo/Tow Reports.

BERKELEY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE SUPPORT SERVICES

RECORDS UNIT

Stephanie Prine supervises the Records Unit. The Records unit is staffed by three civilians and an expungement clerk. Agency reports and documents go through this division. They are reviewed for any errors. The Sheriff's Office is transitioning to a new records management system in 2019. Records Unit personnel shall receive training required for the new system which will increase the efficiency of all divisions.



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Records personnel also are responsible for responding to Freedom of information records requests. They run criminal history checks, military background checks and DSS background checks. Records personnel enter warrants and protection orders. They process Concealed Weapons Permit entries and responses. They enter NCIC (National Crime Information Center) validations and checks and process Rule 5 requests and expungements.

RECORDS

FOIA Requests	258	Secondary Checks	3,743
Criminal Histories	9,862	In-House Checks	8,856
NCIC Validations	4,896	CWP Entries	1,419
Expungements	875	CWP NCIC Responses	1,317

Warrants Entered	1,486	Rule 5 Orders	236
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Protection Orders Entered	148	DSS Background Checks	9,918
Other NCIC Entries	1,108	Military Background Checks	556

BERKELEY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS

Inspector Dan Isgett commands the Office of Professional Standards. The Office of Professional Standards is responsible for the agency's Administrative Investigations, Polygraph & Background Investigations, Grants, Accreditation, Recruitment, Planning and Research, and Emergency Operations.



INSPECTOR DAN ISGETT

NATIONAL AND STATE ACCREDITATION



DARLEEN MALONEY-MARTIN

Darleen Maloney-Martin serves as the Accreditation Manager for the Sheriff's Office. The Berkeley County Sheriff's Office is committed to ensuring that we meet the national and state standards for law enforcement excellence. B.C.S.O was awarded their initial National Accreditation from the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA) in 2013. We achieved re-accreditation in 2016. We are one of only nine Nationally Accredited Sheriff's Offices in South Carolina.

Law Enforcement Accreditation is a voluntary program that benefits the citizens of Berkeley County. Accreditation increases community advocacy, reduces risk and liability exposure, provides greater accountability within the Sheriff's Office and a stronger defense against civil lawsuits.

The accreditation on-site assessment provides an independent and objective peer review of the Sheriff's Office policies, programs and practices. During the On-Site review, CALEA Assessors review accreditation files and conduct interviews with agency personnel and members of the community. Assessors also conduct inspections and observations of equipment, facilities and high liability areas.

Comments by the team leader during the last assessment:

"The Berkeley County Sheriff's office is a full-service agency that understands the value of maximizing collaborative community partnerships in developing and implementing a myriad of community programs."

"In summary, the assessment team found the CALEA accredited Berkeley County Sheriff's Office to be a highly professional full-service law enforcement agency that provides an impressive level of law enforcement services to the citizens of Berkeley County, South Carolina."

BERKELEY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS

PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS UNIT

Lieutenant Renee Ramsey supervises the Professional Standards Unit and serves as the agency's polygrapher. Sheriff Lewis created the Office of Professional Standards Division and the Internal Affairs unit to investigate serious incidents and coordinate citizens complaint investigations. This unit is also responsible for conducting background investigations for all Sheriff's Office applicants.

Applicants for Deputy Sheriff positions must successfully pass an extensive background process. This includes driver's license and criminal history checks, credit checks and verification of employment and education records. It also includes a reading comprehension test, a physical abilities test, a polygraph examination and medical and psychological screening.

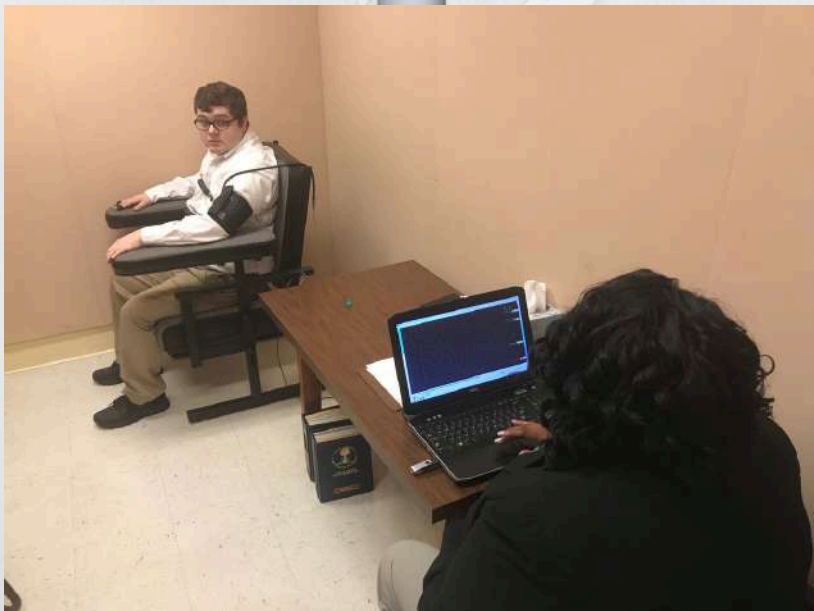


LIEUTENANT RENEE RAMSEY



In 2018, The Professional Standards unit conducted 130 background investigations and processed 553 applications. The Berkeley County Sheriff's Office hired 31 sworn deputies and six civilian employees in 2018.

The unit also conducted 18 internal affairs investigations and coordinated 21 citizen complaints.



Lt. Ramsey is a certified Polygraph examiner. In 2018, she conducted 42 employment polygraphs, 6 criminal polygraphs, and ten polygraphs for other agencies.



SERGEANT MICHAEL CORTTE

BERKELEY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS

GRANTS MANAGEMENT

Linda Brown serves as the Sheriff's Office Grant's Specialist. She is responsible for developing and submitting grant applications, assisting with project planning and budgeting and detailing performance measures. Once a grant is awarded, grants personnel approve procurement expenditures to ensure they are within the terms of the grant. They oversee the implementation of the grant and submit financial and programmatic reporting. Fourteen additional positions have been funded through grants.



LINDA BROWN

We have been able to add Fourteen Grant Positions to include A DUI Prosecutor, 2 DUI Enforcement Deputies, An additional Victim Advocate, A Child Elder Abuse Investigator, A Domestic Violence Investigator and 8 Community Oriented Policing Deputies. The Berkeley County Sheriff's Office was the only agency to be awarded a DUI prosecutor and a Child / Elder Abuse Investigator.

DID YOU KNOW?

The Berkeley County Sheriff's Office was awarded over \$2.4 million in state and federal grants since 2015.



Items purchased by BCSO through grant funds:

- 137 Body Worn cameras
- 13 Dash Cameras
- 49 Portable Radios
- 21 Tasers
- Litter Control Equipment
- A Patrol K9
- A Firearms Simulator
- A Pharmaceutical Safe
- Surveillance cameras for the Sheriff's office
- Community Action Team Equipment

EMERGENCY OPERATIONS

The Sheriff's Office works with our emergency responder partners to plan and mitigate natural and man-made disasters. Sheriff's personnel train annually through table top exercises and full-scale exercises to ensure our readiness for these events. The Sheriff's Office updates their Hurricane Response Plan annually to prepare for a hurricane landfall. During these events, all sworn personnel are activated to ensure the safety of our residents. Deputies man traffic control points in the evacuation routes, man emergency shelters and patrol neighborhoods and businesses during the evacuation. In recent years the Sheriff's Office has activated the Emergency Operations plan for Hurricanes Matthew, Irma, Florence, the Solar Eclipse and the snowstorm in 2018.



BERKELEY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS

RECRUITMENT

Berkeley County is the 17th fastest growing county in the United States. To meet the demands of the growing population we are constantly recruiting personnel to serve.

The Berkeley County Sheriff's Office recruitment team consists of six deputies. The team attended job fairs at Charleston Southern University, Miller Motte and the University of South Carolina. The Sheriff's Office reaches out to community leaders, local colleges and the public at community meetings. The Sheriff's Office cadet program and reserve deputy program have assisted with recruitment.

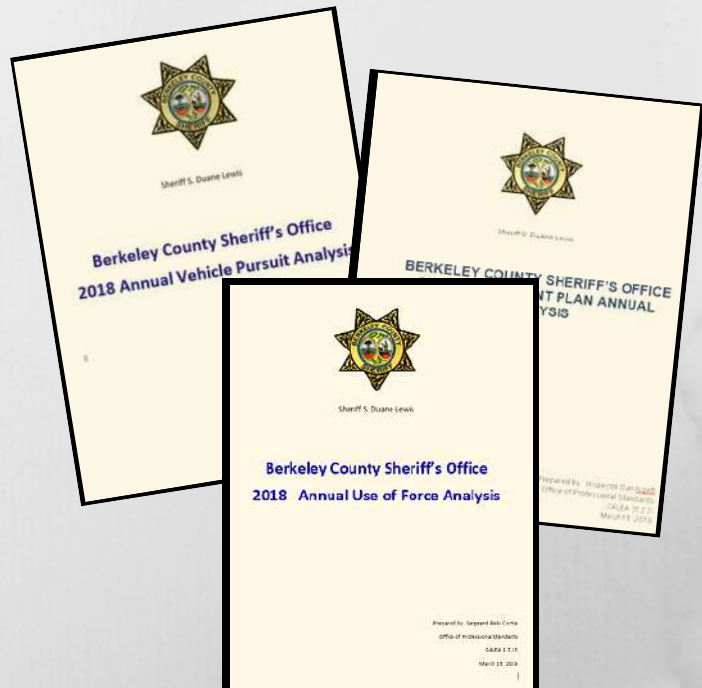


PLANNING & ORGANIZATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

The Office of Professional Standards also develops long term plans and reports.

Every year, the agency's multi-year plan is updated and reviewed. This plan addresses the organizational structure, population trends, calls for service, personnel levels, capital improvements and long-term goals and operational objectives.

Annual reports are also provided to the Sheriff and Command Staff for use of force, pursuits, recruitment, response to active threats, biased policing, grievances, internal affairs, task force reviews, specialized unit reviews, audits of property and evidence, central records password audits, juvenile justice programs, personnel early warning system review and annual goals and objectives.



BERKELEY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS DIVISION

OFFICE OF SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS

The Office of Special Investigations is tasked to review unresolved homicides, suspicious deaths, missing persons, sexual assaults or other serious cold cases from the archives of the Berkeley County Sheriff's Office. The unit also investigates cases the Sheriff specifically designates for further investigation. Lieutenant Dean Kokinda and Corporal Darrell Lewis are assigned to this unit. Both investigators have an extensive background in investigations and forensics. The unit also utilizes retired law enforcement officers and Special Deputies to assist in the case review process. The Cold Case Unit reviews case files searching for any physical evidence that may be retested using current forensic techniques. They follow up with prior witnesses to review their testimony to possibly gain additional information. The mission of the unit is to gather information which may result in a resolution or adjudication of a case. There are currently twenty-six cases that the Cold Case Unit is investigating. Of these twenty-six cases, eighteen are homicides, three are missing persons, one is a death investigation and one is an arson investigation.



**CORPORAL DARRELL LEWIS
AND LT. DEAN KOKINDA**

Berkeley County makes arrest in 37-year-old cold case where 2 teens shot and left for dead

BY BRENDA RINDGE BRINDGE@POSTANDCOURIER.COM
DEC 12, 2018



Special Investigations Detectives recently affected an arrest in the investigation of a 1981 attempted Murder/Kidnapping case of two juvenile girls. This case is currently in the court system.

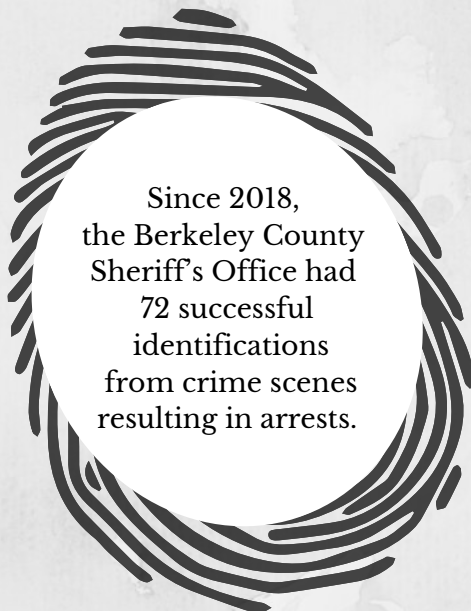
BERKELEY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS DIVISION

CRIME ANALYSIS / AFIS

Corporal Kara Whetstone serves as the Sheriff's Office Crime Analyst and Latent Print Identification Specialist. Cpl. Whetstone is certified to examine latent prints with the agency's Automated Fingerprint Identification System (AFIS). Deputies submit fingerprint impressions from crime scenes to the unit for identification.



CORPORAL KARA WHETSTONE

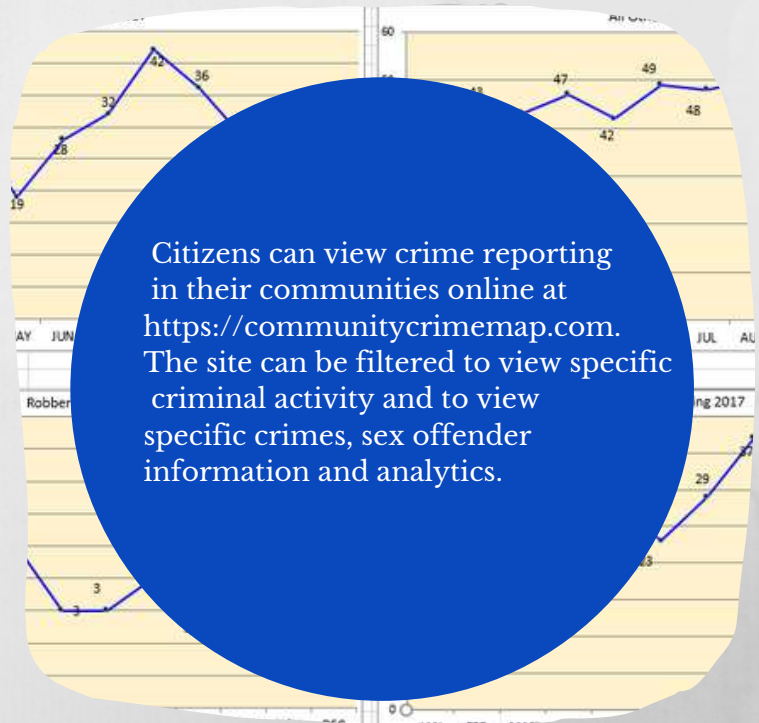


Information from Berkeley County Sheriff's Office reports are submitted online so that Berkeley County residents can view crime in their area.

Analysis of crime data is shared with patrol and command personnel to be used to address crime trends in the county.

An interwatch report is provided to all command personnel detailing incidents that occurred during the shifts of Patrol, K9 and Community Action Team Members. This helps keep commanders informed of the incidents in the county.

Hot Sheets of the most current stolen motor vehicles are also provided to patrol personnel.



BERKELEY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE LOGISTICS AND MOBILITY

Sergeant Johnny Hill serves as the Director of Law Enforcement Mobility (DLEM). He supervises Logistics and Mobility. He collaborates with the Chief Deputy to determine the number and type of vehicles the Berkeley County Sheriff's Office needs to request each year. This vehicle report list is presented to the Sheriff for approval. Sergeant Hill provides specifications to Berkeley County Procurement for police equipment to up-fit each make and model of vehicle the BCSO anticipates needing in the coming year.

He assists with obtaining quotes for equipment and installation of equipment, with strict adherence to the Berkeley County procurement guidelines. He reviews the vehicles under state contract and works with identified car dealers to provide the specifications for new vehicles. Sergeant Hill evaluates vehicles as they near the end of their life cycle, advising when it is no longer beneficial to continue to repair them.



SERGEANT JOHNNY HILL



Sergeant Hill acts as a liaison with the County Shop and Risk Management. He coordinates with local body shops requesting estimates, repairs and service as necessary.

He maintains an inventory of in-vehicle camera systems supplied by the South Carolina Department of Public Safety (SCDPS) and completes annual reports to the them. He authorizes each 800 mhz radio activation and deactivation, as well as reviewing and approving for payment the monthly Palmetto 800 radio service invoice.

Sgt. Hill also handles logistics for large or sustained deployments. He provides the command post and meals if necessary. He also captains a boat when needed for marine patrol and dive missions.



CONNIE TUCK

SUPPLY/LOGISTICS UNIT

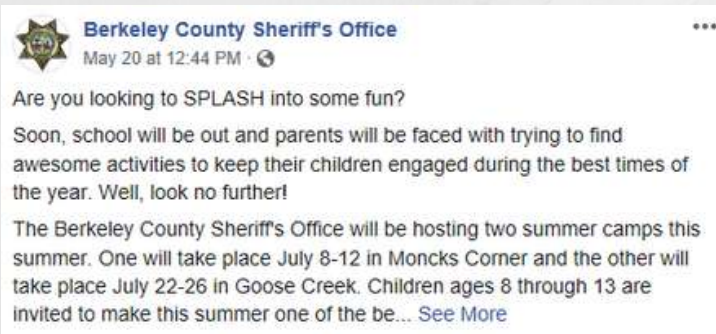
Connie Tuck is assigned to the Supply/ Logistics unit and is assisted by a part time civilian. This unit is responsible for maintaining accountability of equipment issued through the unit, ordering equipment, issuing equipment and picking up equipment from procurement and vendors. The unit is also responsible for maintaining the database for tracking equipment and monitoring the budget line items specific to the purchasing of equipment. Connie assists the Director of Law Enforcement and Mobility with tracking accidents and damage to Sheriff's Office vehicles.

BERKELEY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE PUBLIC INFORMATION



Carli Drayton serves as the Public Information Officer (PIO) for the Sheriff's Office. The public information officer assists the Sheriff with the coordination of information to the media and the citizens of Berkeley County. The PIO develops stories for Facebook and other social media sites. She coordinates press releases and press conferences. The PIO is also responsible for acting as a liaison with the media at serious crimes scenes or critical events. Carli assists with promotional information to showcase the successes of the Sheriff's Office and assist in recruitment. Carli also serves as a reserve deputy, volunteering hundreds of hours each year to assist the Sheriff's Office.

The Best
Law
Enforcement
Facebook
Posts Around



The Berkeley County Facebook page has approximately 53,000 followers and the page has been "liked" just over 50,000 times. Some post have had thousands of "shares" and comments.

BERKELEY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE

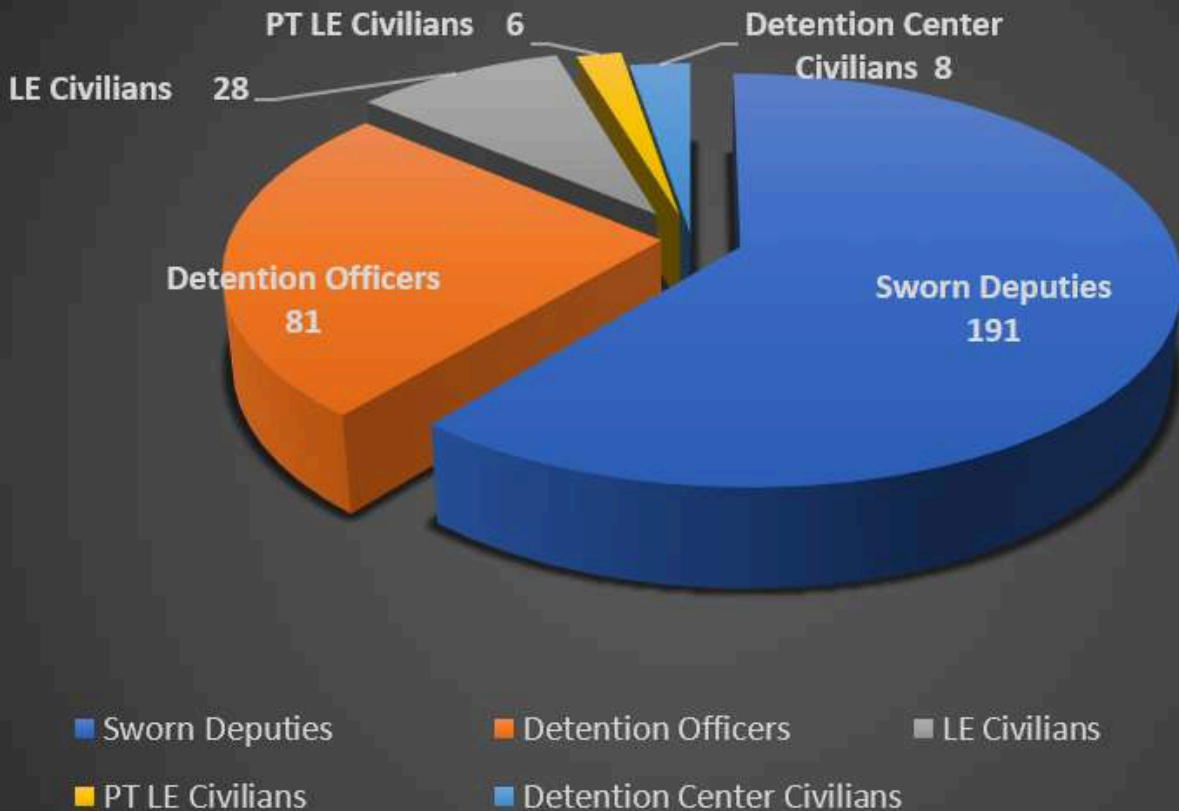
Melanie Cheers serves as the Sheriff's Office Chief Administrator. She is assisted by a full time administrative assistant and a part-time administrative support specialist. The office is responsible for human resources and fiscal responsibilities.

The Chief Administrator prepares and manages our budget. She is responsible for tracking and monitoring all spending to assure that we stay within budget. All invoices for payment and supply request purchase orders are approved by this office. Additionally, all time sheets are processed by the Chief Administrators Office.



**CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER
MELANIE CHEARS**

Sheriff's Office Personnel



BERKELEY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE C.J.I.S. AND I.T.

Dan Barcus serves as the agency's C.J.I.S. (Criminal Justice Information Services) Compliance Officer and serves as the I.T. (Information Technology) Liaison. In 2016 Sheriff Lewis created a position to establish a C.J.I.S. Compliance Officer to ensure that the Berkeley County Sheriff's Office was in compliance with SLED (South Carolina State Law Enforcement Division) requirements. Deputy Barcus was additionally assigned as a Liaison to the Berkeley County Government Information Technology Department to assist in furthering the Sheriff's Office technology needs.



DAN BARCUS

Beginning in 2016 and continuing through today, the unit works to implement technology that better serves the citizens of Berkeley County and increases accountability and efficiency within the Sheriff's Office.

TECHNICAL UPGRADES

Dash Cameras Body Cameras

Approximately 75 in-vehicle camera systems and nearly 150 body-worn cameras have been deployed to Sheriff's deputies.

By the end of 2019, all patrol vehicles will be equipped with in-vehicle cameras.

Mobile Data Access

More than 100 mobile data units have been configured and deployed to deputies, allowing them to access data and prepare reports while remaining in the field. These units are a critical piece of the new enhanced records management system.

Updated Records Management System (RMS)/Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) and Jail Management System (JMS)

These programs are expected to be operational by the end of 2019.

These programs will increase proficiency and more efficiently utilize data.

A major goal set by Sheriff Lewis was to improve the technology of the agency to become more efficient within the sheriff's office and to establish transparency and trust within the community. The Sheriff's Office has been awarded grants to purchase body worn cameras and dash cameras. These video systems are critical to ensure the transparency of the Sheriff's Office. Mobile data units allow deputies to spend more time in the community and allow greater access to data. The new integrated public safety software management suite will greatly enhance the capabilities of the Sheriff's Office for Central Dispatch, Sheriff's Office Records Management and the Detention Center Records Management.



KRISTY MILLS

Kristy Mills serves as the Digital Evidence/Legal Assistant for the Sheriff's Office. Her responsibilities include issuing and accounting for all body worn cameras. Kristy is also responsible for logging, tracking and the storing of digital recordings produced by agency personnel. This includes in-car camera video. She responds to all FOIA requests related to in-car cameras and judicial requests relating to Sheriff's Office videos. She also reviews forfeiture files and submits them to the Sheriff's Office attorney for processing.

BERKELEY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE COLLATERAL DUTIES

SPECIAL RESPONSE TEAM (SRT)

Major David Brabham is the Sheriff's Office Special Response Team (SRT) Operations Commander. Captain Bobby Shuler is the Tactical Commander of the team. The SRT is responsible for providing specialized trained and equipped personnel to respond to high risk situations. These include high risk search warrants, barricaded subjects, hostage situations or any other situations that the Sheriff or his designee deems necessary for SRT response.

Deputies must successfully pass a rigorous physical agility test, firearms qualification, mental aptitude scenarios, an obstacle/ stress course and a review panel to be selected to the team.

The team trains monthly to ensure the proficiency of the unit. The unit trained over 96 hours last year and attended a week long SWAT summit.



MAJOR DAVID BRABHAM



CRISIS NEGOTIATION TEAM (CNT)

Captain Annie Jackson is the Commander of the Crisis Negotiation Team. The team is comprised of deputies trained to safely resolve critical incidents such as barricaded armed suspects and hostage takers. The team trains monthly and semi-annually with the Special Response Team.



BERKELEY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE COLLATERAL DUTIES

MARINE PATROL

Lieutenant John Peters serves as the Marine Patrol Supervisor. Members of the Marine Patrol Unit patrol Lake Moultrie and the waterways in Berkeley County. They promote boater safety and enforce state laws concerning the safe operation of watercraft. Unit members also respond to incidents on the water to assist in the recovery of persons, articles, vehicles or other items of evidentiary value to support law enforcement objectives. The Marine Patrol also supports the Underwater Recovery Team (URT) operations and assists the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) during special events and general law enforcement activities.



LIEUTENANT JOHN PETERS



UNDERWATER RECOVERY TEAM (URT)

Captain Michael Crumley is the Underwater Recovery Team (URT) Commander. URT responds to incidents involving the recovery of persons, articles, vehicles or other items of evidentiary value to support law enforcement objectives.



**CAPTAIN MICHAEL
CRUMLEY**

During 2018, the team assisted with 3 anti-terrorism missions at the Naval Weapons Station and supported the law enforcement operation at the Cooper River Bridge Run.

The team conducted 1 body recovery mission and 4 evidence recovery missions. The URT team trained for a total of 1,417 hours in 2018.



BERKELEY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE COLLATERAL DUTIES

RESCUE

Lieutenant Jason Potteiger supervises the Rescue Squad. In 2018, the Sheriff's Office assumed the responsibility for rescue operations pertaining to marine and ground search rescue. The Marine Patrol worked several assignments and events to include Coon Fest, Operation Hammerhead, Operation Shrimp and Grits, the Cooper River Bridge Run, the Short Stay Recreation 4th of July Celebration and numerous weekend holiday events. The unit also assisted local, state and federal agencies with fifteen rescue and recovery missions and five enforcement and security missions. There are currently twenty-five trained Sheriff's Office personnel assigned to the Marine Patrol Unit as a collateral duty along with thirteen Sheriff's Office Auxiliary personnel.



**LIEUTENANT
JASON POTTEIGER**

BIKE TEAM

Lieutenant Neal Johnson supervises the Bike Patrol Team. The Bike Patrol Team patrols subdivisions and works special assignments and events. The team also works with local agencies to support their missions and events. The specially equipped bikes allow deputies to patrol areas that are not accessible to vehicles. This is very beneficial in neighborhoods experiencing car break-ins, burglaries or drug issues.

There are currently six bike certified Community Action Team members and four bike certified deputies in the Uniform Patrol Division.



**LIEUTENANT
NEAL JOHNSON**



BERKELEY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE RESERVE DEPUTIES / EXPLORERS

RESERVE DEPUTIES

Sgt. Robert Dwyer is the Supervisor of the Reserve Deputy Program. A Reserve Deputy is a nonpaid volunteer who assists our deputies with their duties. Reserve Deputies are vital to the mission of the Sheriff's Office and to the safety of our deputy sheriffs. We have 36 certified Reserve Deputies. A Reserve Deputy candidate must successfully complete the SC Reserve Officer Training Program. Reserve Deputies must complete 162 hours of training to become certified. They are required to serve 60 hours each quarter. They must also attend monthly training. Reserve Deputies who log 240 hours with a certified deputy may work alone.



SERGEANT ROBERT DWYER

The men and women who serve as Reserve Deputies have a variety of full-time occupations. The unit is comprised of EMTs, nurses, pastors, business owners and a construction superintendent, just to name a few.

Reserve deputies have logged more than 24,000 hours of service representing \$481,000 in supplemented manpower.

LAW ENFORCEMENT EXPLORER POST 700

Sergeant Sean O'Neill is the Advisor of the Berkeley County Law Enforcement Explorers. Law Enforcement Explorers are chartered by the Boy Scouts of America. Youths age 14 to 21 are eligible to become a Law Enforcement Explorer. Law Enforcement Explorers are trained in all areas of law enforcement duties to include traffic control, crime scene investigation, patrol duties, building searches and report writing.



BUILDING CLEARING, ACTIVE SHOOTER, OFFICER DOWN



SERGEANT SEAN O'NEILL



The Berkeley County Post currently has 20 cadets. Cadets recently participated in the SCALES (South Carolina Association of Law Enforcement Explorers) Competition for Law Enforcement Cadet programs in South Carolina. They have won several awards. The Berkeley County Sheriff's Office hosted the winter competition.

BERKELEY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE HILL-FINKLEA DETENTION CENTER

The Hill-Finklea Detention Center is located at 300 California Avenue adjacent to the County Courthouse. Randy Demory serves as the Director of the Detention Center. Director Demory is a nationally recognized jail professional with forty years of experience in the corrections field.



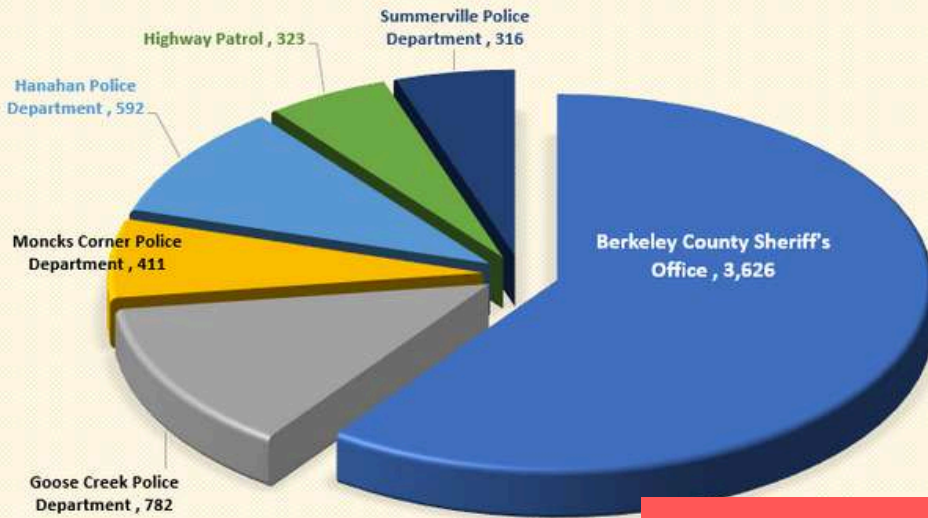
Our mission at the Hill-Finklea Detention Center is to provide a healthy, safe, secure and humane environment in a cost effective manner in which to detain persons in our custody.

DIRECTOR RANDY DEMORY

Top Ten Charges

Drugs - any type	24.4%
Traffic - (not DUI/DUS)	7.5%
Larceny	6.3%
DUI	5.7%
DUS	5.1%
Weapons	4.9%
Disorderly Conduct	4.4%
Child Support	4.2%
Assault (not domestic Viol.)	3.4%
Domestic Violence	3.3%

ARREST BY AGENCY



Berkeley County Sheriff's Deputies were responsible for 55.5 % of all the bookings in 2018 into the Hill-Finklea Detention Center.

REPEAT OFFENDERS

704 persons were arrested more than once in 2018.

- 552 were arrested twice
- 110 persons were arrested three times
- 29 persons were arrested four times
- 10 persons were arrested five times
- 1 person was arrested ten times!



A total of 6,535 people were booked during 2018. That's the size of a small town.

BERKELEY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE HILL-FINKLEA DETENTION CENTER

Captain Anthony Phyll is the commander of the Operations Division at the Hill-Finklea Detention Center. The Operations Division includes direct supervision of inmates, SORT (Special Operations Response Team), Transport Team and the litter pick up program.

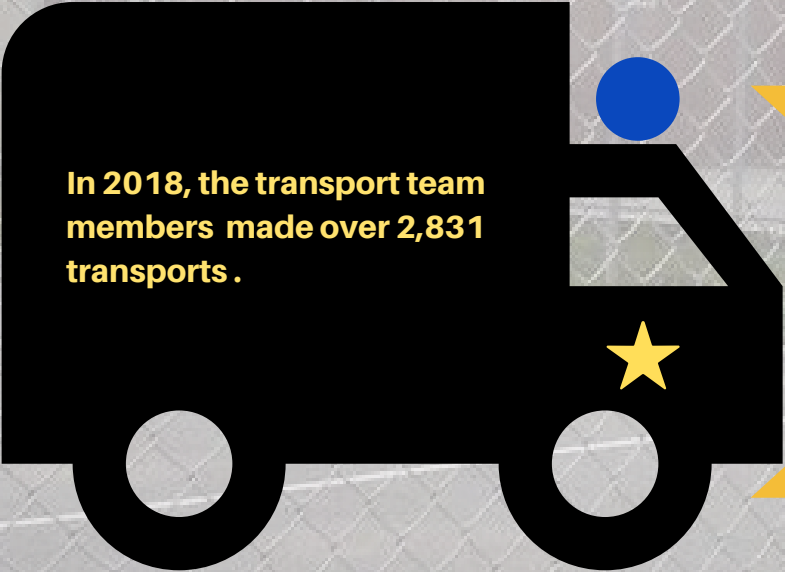


CAPTAIN ANTHONY PHYALL

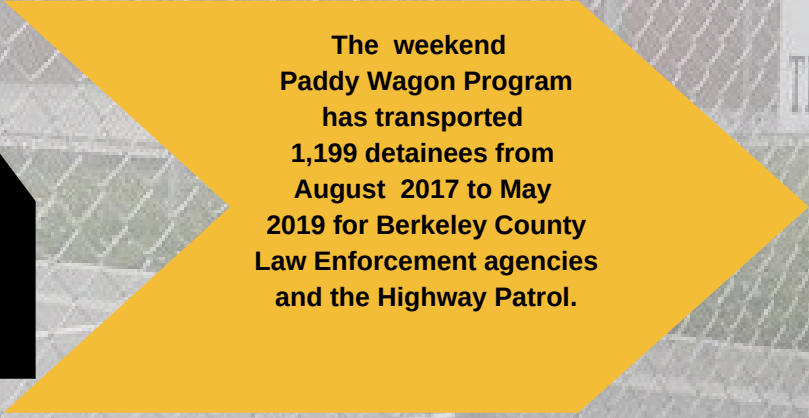
TRANSPORT TEAM

The Transport Team covers all local and out-of-state transports. This includes transports to court hearings and medical facilities. Transport team officers are also responsible for the security of inmates at medical facilities.

The Sheriff's Office implemented a weekend prisoner transport program in 2018. On Friday and Saturday nights, a transport van meets with any Berkeley County Sheriff's Office Deputy, Goose Creek Officer, Hanahan Officer or State Trooper who makes an arrest in the southern portion of the county. They transport the prisoners to the Hill-Finklea Detention Center. This allows our deputies and fellow law enforcement officers to remain available for service calls during the busiest times of the week.



In 2018, the transport team members made over 2,831 transports .



The weekend Paddy Wagon Program has transported 1,199 detainees from August 2017 to May 2019 for Berkeley County Law Enforcement agencies and the Highway Patrol.

BERKELEY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE HILL-FINKLEA DETENTION CENTER

SORT (Special Operations Response Team)

The Special Operations Response Team (SORT) is a specialized team to handle safety issues. Duties include cell searches, strip searches, disturbances in the jail, escapes or attempted escapes and hostage situations. They also provide transports of inmates for court appearances, provide security at video bond court hearings and assist when needed at the court house for bomb threats. The team is also responsible for contraband control.

From 2017 to 2018, there were 53 incidents of assault or attempt to harm staff by inmates. Since the creation of this team, assaults on staff members has been reduced. The possession and use of illicit cell phones has been eliminated.



LITTER PICK-UP PROGRAM

The Berkeley County Sheriff's Office instituted the Litter Pick Up Program. Prisoners who are classified as trustees volunteer to participate in this program. Under the supervision of detention officers, the prisoners clean up trash from the sides and medians of public roadways and other public areas.



**THE ROAD CREW VANS
HAVE PICKED UP
1,485,005
TOTAL POUNDS
OF LITTER & STORM DEBRIS
FROM NOVEMBER 2015
UP TO MAY 2019.**



BERKELEY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE HILL-FINKLEA DETENTION CENTER

Captain Kris Jacumin is the commander of the Administrative Division at the Hill-Finklea Detention center . The Administrative Division includes the Classification Division, Records Division, Training Division, Property Management, Contracts, Policies and the Budget.



CAPTAIN KRIS JACUMIN

CLASSIFICATION DIVISION

The Classification Division has three officers that are responsible for evaluating the inmate population. They house similar inmates together in order to decrease acts of violence and issues among the inmate population. The division is also assigned the responsibility of tracking disciplinary procedures and providing monthly statistics on disciplinary actions.



RECORDS DIVISION

The Records Division is comprised of six civilians and three officers. The Records Division is tasked with records entry and management, inmate accounts and management of the inmate files. These records include JMS data, expungements and court and release records. Members of the Records Unit also are assigned victim notification and serve as receptionists in the lobby area of the Detention Center. The Records Division Sergeant is responsible for supervising officers that are assigned to the court house to act as escort officers.

CONTRACT OVERSIGHT

The Detention Center currently has several contracts executed for services. Their contractors include medical services, food services, inmate phone services, digital mail, and video visitation.

BERKELEY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE HILL-FINKLEA DETENTION CENTER

TRAINING DIVISION

The Training Division within the Detention Center consists of two officers that are responsible for state certifications of all Detention Officers. Detention Officers must complete a minimum of 40 hours of training each year. The Training Division ensures that the training is completed for each officer and maintains all training records. The division is responsible for daily, weekly, and monthly internal inspections of life safety equipment. Training Officers are also tasked with compliance with PREA (Prison Rape Elimination Act). They also assist with the updating and reviewing of policies and post orders.

PROPERTY MANAGEMENT

The management of inmate personal property is an important role within the Detention Center. Currently, there is one officer assigned to manage the property rooms.



TECHNOLOGICAL IMPROVEMENTS

There have been many technological improvements at the Hill-Finklea Detention Center in 2018 and 2019. Video visitation was implemented in 2019. This program greatly reduces the manpower needed to manage inmate visitation. Video bond hearings have also reduced manpower needs and increased security for victims and witnesses. The Detention Center also added Smart Tablets which will deliver personal mail, educational programs and other services. These are provided at no cost to the county. Digital mail has increased the efficiency of controlling communication and controlling contraband risk at the center.



BERKELEY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE IN MEMORY



Lieutenant Mark Tillman - End Of Watch September 27, 2018

Lieutenant Mark Tillman died unexpectedly on September 27, 2018. Lieutenant Tillman was serving as a Patrol Squad Lieutenant at the time of his death. He was a 26-year Law enforcement veteran. He served with Berkeley County for twenty years.



Deputy Marion Eugene Wright - End Of Watch November 19, 2002

Deputy Wright had just finished his shift and was en route home when he stopped to assist a disabled motorist. A Summerville Patrolman, William Bell, stopped to assist Deputy Wright. The two officers were changing a tire on the disabled vehicle when an oncoming vehicle left the roadway and struck both officers. The Patrolman and Deputy were both killed. The section of highway where the incident took place was renamed William Boland Bell and Marion Eugene Wright Highway.



Deputy Harvey L. Middleton - End Of Watch May 11, 1975

Deputy Sheriff Harvey Middleton was shot and killed when he and the St. Stephen Police Chief attempted to arrest a man who went on a shooting spree at his mother's home.



Deputy Warren Calhoun Guerry - End Of Watch May 27, 1947,

Deputy Sheriff Warren Guerry was stabbed to death while transporting a prisoner. Deputy Guerry had arrested the suspect for robbery and was transporting him to a local constable's home when the suspect assaulted him with a knife. He succumbed to his injuries before other officers arrived on the scene.

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Berkeley County Constable Robert Hasell - End Of Watch February 4, 1893

Constable Robert Hasell was shot and killed while attempting to serve a warrant for trespassing. Two people were convicted of Constable Hasell's murder and were sentenced to death. Constable Hasell had only served as a constable for one day.

