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May 22, 1992

*The Honorable William Donald Schaefer
Governor of the State of Maryland
State House
Annapolis, Maryland 21404*

Dear Governor Schaefer:

*The Maryland State Police is proud to present to you its
1991 Annual Report.*

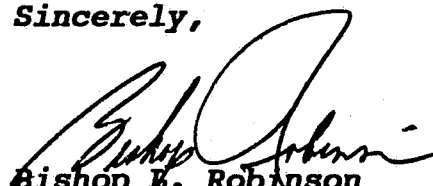
*For the fourth consecutive year, the traffic related
fatalities in Maryland continued to decline. Driving While
Intoxicated (DWI) enforcement, seat belt usage, driver
awareness campaigns, highway safety maintenance, 55 MPH speed
enforcement and a helicopter Med-Evac system have contributed
to the reduction in fatalities.*

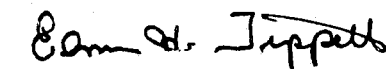
*Continued success was had in 1991 with intercepting
illicit drugs on interstate highways. The Special Traffic
Enforcement Unit made 432 arrests of which 257 were for
violation of controlled dangerous substance laws. Included in
those arrested were 74 fugitives from justice. The weapons
confiscated included two AK-47 assault rifles. During 1991,
this agency taught 500 police officers from allied police
departments the drug interdiction techniques.*

*Criminal investigations directed by this agency
continues to include environmental crimes. During 1991,
several such cases were concluded resulting in convictions
with fines and jail sentences being imposed.*

*The Maryland State Police will continue to proudly serve
the citizens of Maryland.*

Sincerely,


Bishop F. Robinson
Secretary


Elmer H. Tippet
Superintendent

Summary of Accomplishments

- During 1991 the State Drug Task Force, which involves representatives from the state, municipal agencies, county sheriffs, and the State's Attorney's Office, investigated 1,908 cases which resulted in 1,409 arrests.
- The marijuana eradication program, directed by the Maryland State Police, in cooperation with allied law enforcement agencies, resulted in the eradication of 11,210 domestically cultivated plants found in 608 gardens.
- Covert drug interdiction efforts resulted in 60 drug related arrests which included 38 drug couriers at the Baltimore Washington International Airport and 9 couriers at the New Carrollton Amtrack Station.
- The Drug Diversion Unit, working closely with state and subdivision medical fraud and drug diversion investigators, coordinated investigations that resulted in 36 arrests that included physicians, pharmacists, and a veterinarian.
- The seventeen member Special Traffic Enforcement Unit patrols I-95, I-70, and I-81, and initiated 278 criminal investigations as a result of 1,376 traffic stops. Ultimately, 432 arrests were made, of which 257 were for violations of controlled dangerous substance laws. During 1991 this unit trained 500 officers of allied Maryland police departments in highway drug interdiction.
- The Berlin Regional Controlled Dangerous Substance Laboratory was operational June, 1991, and services eight counties on the Eastern Shore.
- On July 1, 1991, a pilot project was implemented that permits cellular telephone users to make free calls to report drunk drivers.
- The medivac helicopters transported 5,373 patients from 4,487 accident scenes.
- The preparation and training for DNA analysis by the Crime Laboratory was completed and casework began January, 1992.
- One of several environmental investigations resulted in charges against an inorganic chemical manufacturer for discharging acidic waste water into Baltimore City's sanitary sewer system.
- Approval was granted to 26,847 applicants to purchase firearms that included 1,146 assault weapons.
- Citations issued to commercial vehicles totaled 43,141, of which 13,179 were for overweight.

Trooper's Response Saves Lives

During the morning of July 6, 1991, Trooper First Class Stanley C. Wilson III was on patrol when he heard an explosion that destroyed an apartment building in Perryville. Being one of the first emergency personnel on the scene, he tried to enter the building through the front door, but the flames and heat forced him back. He then ran to the rear of the building where a husband and wife were hanging out of the third floor windows. TFC Wilson climbed onto a porch roof, grabbed their feet and pulled them out of the windows and onto the roof. After they escaped, the second and third floors crashed to the ground.

On July 8, 1991, Governor William Donald Schaefer presented TFC Wilson with a Governor's Citation in recognition of his heroic efforts and outstanding professional actions during the disaster.



TFC Stanley C. Wilson III rescuing residents of a third floor apartment following a gas explosion in the apartment building.

Calls for Service

During 1991, agency personnel responded to 394,407 calls for service that included 126,656 Part I and Part II criminal offenses, 168,547 traffic-related calls, and 99,204 miscellaneous incidents that included assisting other agencies.

Traffic Arrest Summary

<u>Violation</u>	<u>Totals</u>
55 Speed	186,040
Other Speed	39,284
Right-of-Way	6,944
Suspended/Revoked License	8,408
DWI	13,744
Seat Belt	56,028
Other	114,290

Of the 186,040 citations issued for exceeding 55 MPH, 83,456 were issued to automobiles; 14,764 to light trucks; 392 to heavy trucks; 1,224 to tractor-trailers; and 350 to motorcycles.

Traffic Fatalities

Maryland fatalities for 1991 totaled 712 continuing the four year decline.

Driving While Intoxicated Arrests

Maryland State Troopers were responsible for 43.3 percent of the 31,712 DWI arrests by all Maryland police agencies. Below is a breakdown by age of the total DWI arrests from 1991.

<u>Age</u>	<u>Number of Arrests</u>
Less than 16	8
16 - 17	266
18 - 20	2,090
Over 21	29,348

Calls for Service

NUMBER OF OCCURRENCES*

TYPE OF INCIDENT

PART I

28	Criminal Homicide (Murder and Voluntary Manslaughter)
6	Criminal Homicide (Involuntary Manslaughter)
18	Criminal Homicide (Manslaughter by Vehicle)
140	Rape
159	Robbery
165	Aggravated Assault (Intent to Kill, Rob, Mayhem)
31	Burglary
2,804	Breaking and/or Entering
8,446	Theft (Except Auto Larceny)
1,154	Auto Larceny
11,364	Part I Follow-Up Investigation

PART II

78	Suicide
253	Attempted Suicide
3,858	Other Assaults
206	Forgery and Counterfeiting
61	Fraud
423	Bad Checks
437	Weapons-Illegal (Carrying or Possessing)
92	Handgun Permit Violations
368	Sex Offenses (Except Rape)
917	Offenses Against Family and Children (nonsupport, neglect or abuse)
2,273	Drug Abuse Laws
30	Arson
29	Credit Card Offenses
89	Littering
5,060	Disorderly Conduct
4,486	Malicious Destruction of Property
2,027	Fugitives
378	Escapees (includes juvenile escapees)
2	Bombing
42	Bomb Threats
635	Misuse of Telephone
319	Unauthorized Use of Motor Vehicle
8	Gambling
294	Liquor Law Violations
615	Trespassing
5	Vagrancy
201	Miscellaneous Fire Investigation
486	Other Offenses Not Specifically Listed.
10,595	Part II Follow-Up Investigation

*Automated Incident Reporting System

Crime Laboratory

The Berlin Regional Controlled Dangerous Substance Laboratory was operational June, 1991 and services eight counties. This laboratory has helped alleviate the drug testing backlog thus improving the case turn around time.

The preparation and training for DNA analysis was completed in 1991 and casework began January, 1992.

The Automated Fingerprint Identification System (MAFIS) was operational in August, 1991. In September, this system was used to identify the persons involved in an armed robbery of a jewelry store which ultimately led to solving ten additional such robberies involving over \$500,000 in stolen jewelry.

Since anabolic steroids were designated as controlled dangerous substances, the Chemistry Unit met the challenge of developing an analytical method to deal with such cases. The first such case submitted to the laboratory involved fifteen different steroids.

The Crime Laboratory Division analyzed 22,762 samples of controlled dangerous substances, 929 blood alcohol samples, 1,556 trace evidence samples and completed 466 biological cases. Other work included analyzing 3,284 firearms/tool marks; processing 3,186 crime scenes; and printing 94,986 photographs.

Maryland - Canada Communications Link

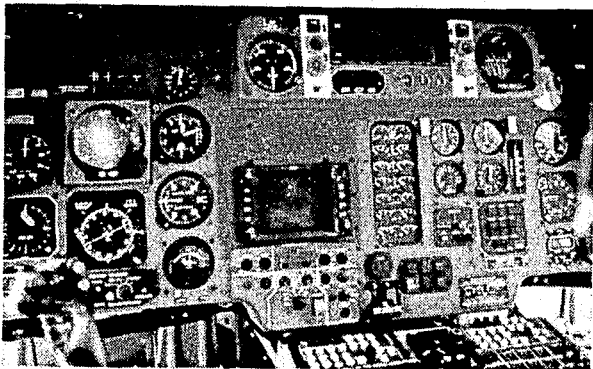
During January 1991, Maryland and Canada on-line communication was linked through the National Law Enforcement Tel-Communication System (NLETS). This new capability allows Maryland criminal justice agencies direct access to Canadian motor vehicle registration, operators license files and wanted and stolen vehicle files.

Training

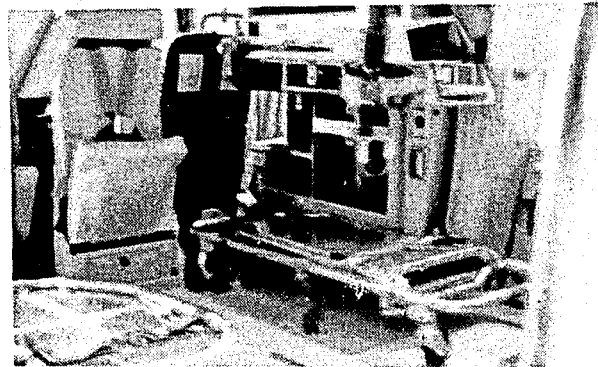
On June 21, 1991, 66 members of the 102nd Trooper Candidate Class graduated from Maryland State Police Training Academy with a class average of 91.68. On November 5, 1991, 29 members of the 103rd class were terminated because of budgetary constraints. However, prior to the termination date, the training was modified to insure the class met the 336 mandated training objectives to insure certification by the Maryland Police Training Commission which made the class members eligible for employment by other police agencies.

Aviation

During 1991, the Aviation Division transported 5,373 patients, 4,487 from accident scenes and 886 for inner-hospital missions. Other missions included locating escapees from state hospitals, directing the rescue efforts of boating and airplane accidents, locating lost hunters, pursuing criminals following the commission of a crime, and transporting prisoners for extradition. The aircraft maintained by Aviation Division personnel include nine Aerospatiale Dauphine II and six Bell Jet Ranger helicopters, one Piper PA-31 Navajo and one Cessna 182Q Skyland



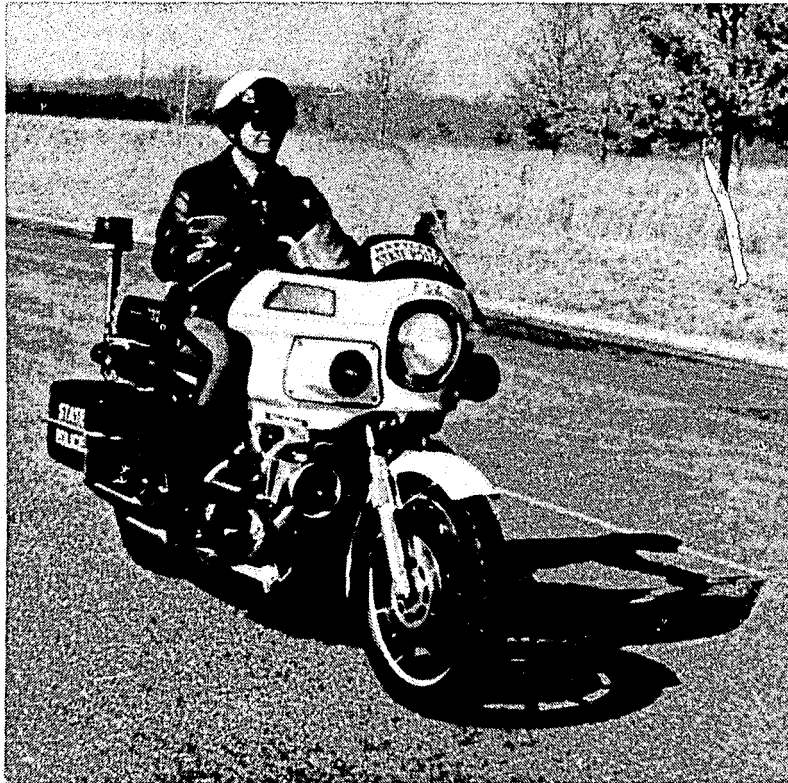
*Flight Instruments of
Aerospatiale Dauphine II
Helicopter*



*Interior of helicopter
showing accommodations
for transporting two
patients*

Motorcycle Unit

The seven motorcycle units are assigned to the Baltimore and Washington Metro Troops and patrol I-695 and I-495. The primary responsibility of these units is traffic management since they can respond quickly to relieve traffic congestion resulting from accidents and disabled vehicles. During 1991, they investigated 446 accidents, assisted 1,809 disabled motorists, cleared 698 blocked lanes and issued 2,898 citations/warnings.



Report Drunk Drivers

A pilot project was implemented on July 1, 1991, that permits cellular telephone users to make free calls to report drunk drivers. By entering #SP on a cellular phone a caller will be connected with the Maryland State Police headquarters duty officer who will take the information and initiate enforcement action.

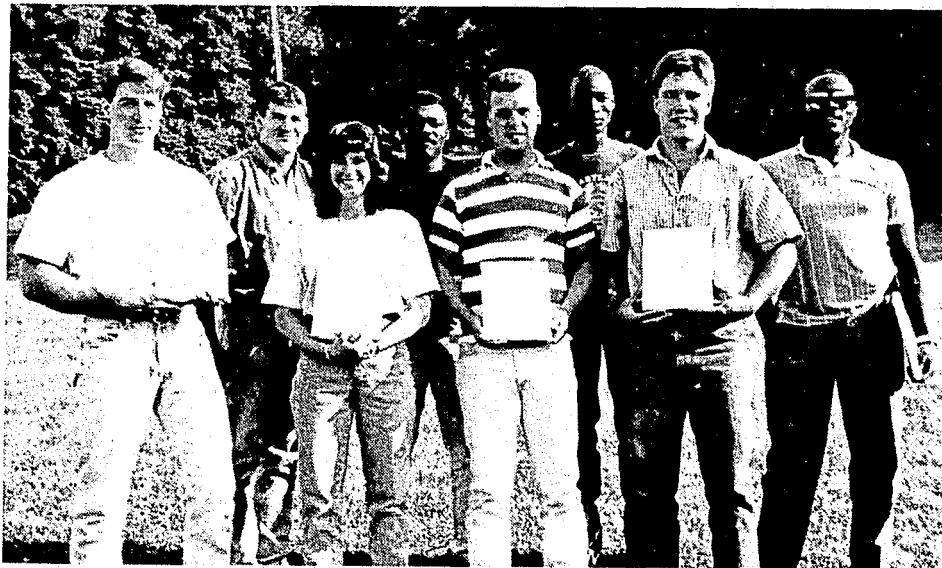
DWI Administrative Per Se Law

The Maryland Driving While Intoxicated (DWI) Administrative Per Se Law became law in 1990. This law allows police officers, at the time of a DWI arrest, to confiscate the motor vehicle operators license of drivers who have a blood alcohol level of 0.10% or higher, or who refuse to take an alcohol blood or breath test. Such drivers are issued an Officer Certification and Order of Suspension which only allows them to drive 45 days from the date issued. Hearings by administrative law judges are scheduled within the 45 days for drivers who request a hearing within the first 10 days of having their license confiscated. Drivers who request a hearing after the tenth day are scheduled for a hearing after the expiration date of the certification and must not drive after that date, pending the results of their hearing.

Licenses confiscated under this law during 1991 totaled 19,180 which included 5,009 drivers who refused to take an alcohol test.

MADD Appreciation Day

During a picnic held June 6, 1991, Mothers Against Drunk Drivers extended special thanks to 13 troopers who were recognized at the law enforcement appreciation day.



(From L to R): First row-TFC Chris Hannon, Tpr. Holly Fuller, TFC's John Wooten and John Wilhelm; second row-TFC's Keith Scheer, David Redman, Tpr. Michael Wright and TFC Bonnie Bailey. Not pictured are TFC's Richard Wolfe, Gary Davis, Brian Reider, Michael Mullin, and Charles Smith.

Special Traffic Enforcement Unit

This unit intercepts illicit drugs and drug related currency on interstate highways (I-95, I-70 and I-81) that are recognized nationally as drug "pipelines". During 1991, this seventeen member unit initiated 278 criminal investigations as a result of 1,376 traffic stops that resulted in 432 arrests, of which 257 were for violations of controlled dangerous substance laws. Included in those arrested were 74 fugitives from Maryland and another state.

The drugs seized included 6,699 grams of cocaine, 940 grams of marijuana, 2 grams of PCP and 1,340 dosage units of LSD. The currency seized from drug traffickers and money couriers totaled \$133,492. Weapons confiscated totaled 85 which included 58 handguns and two AK-47 assault rifles.

During 1991, this unit trained 500 officers of allied Maryland police departments in drug interdiction. This training included a ride-along program with a member of the unit.

Ted Wolf Award

As an everlasting memorial to Corporal Ted Wolf and in spirit of sportsmanship, Ted's bronzed softball glove was dedicated on March 27, 1991, at the Maryland State Police headquarters in Pikesville. The glove, encased in glass and resting on an oak pedestal, stands in the vestibule of the Executive Building.

Each year a player in the Maryland State Police Annual Softball Tournament will be named as the most valuable player and winner of the Ted Wolf Award. The recipient's name will be placed on the pedestal.



Firearms Registration

In 1991, the Licensing Division processed 28,163 applications to purchase firearms. Of those, 26,847 were approved, including 1,146 assault weapons. There are approximately 1,230,697 firearms registered in Maryland.

A total of 5,131 handgun traces were completed in 1991. Of those, 222 were guns confiscated in Anne Arundel County, 629 in Baltimore County, 481 in Montgomery County, 737 in Prince George's County, and 2,710 in Baltimore City.

Commercial Vehicle Enforcement

The three major programs of the Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Division are the Size, Weight, and Load Program, the Road Fuel Tax Program and the Motor Carrier Safety Program.

Two additional scale houses, located on the north and southbound sections of Interstate 270 in Hyattstown, were opened in December, 1991. Additionally, there are 37 roving units equipped with scales to weigh vehicles attempting to avoid the fixed weigh locations. During 1991, trucks weighed on static scales totaled 934,089 and 753,254 were weighed-in-motion. Citations issued totaled 43,141, of which 13,179 were for overweight. Fines imposed by the courts for all infractions totaled \$5,761,680.

The Maryland Department of Transportation and the Department of the Environment work with this agency in enforcing the Motor Carrier Safety Program. Together, these agencies perform roadside truck inspections, post collision investigations, terminal safety reviews, and preventive maintenance and audit reviews. Of the 97 post collision investigations conducted, 85% showed driver error as the causative factor.

Criminal Investigations

The Criminal Investigation Division conducts investigations that are covert and overt in nature, and span the gamut from sophisticated white collar crimes to street crimes. The types of cases handled by this division in 1991 include homicide, rape, child abuse, armed robberies, and murder for hire.

Examples of cases concluded in 1991 are as follows:

An accountant was sentenced to 10 years and ordered to pay restitution for embezzlement of \$4,000,000 from employee benefit and trust funds of several large corporations.

A defendant was convicted and sentenced to 10 years for conspiring to steal approximately \$500,000 by using fraudulent documents to defraud mortgage companies.

One of several environmental investigations resulted in charges against an inorganic chemical manufacturer for discharging acidic waste water into Baltimore City's sanitary sewer system.

The resources of this division are also used to supplement state and local government agencies with the investigative expertise and personnel needed to bring major investigations to a conclusion or to stabilize a situation to enable the requesting agency to conclude an investigation.

Drug Interdiction

With 1991 being the first full year of operation, the Drug Interdiction Unit had 60 drug related arrests. They included 38 drug couriers at the Baltimore Washington International Airport and nine couriers at the New Carrollton Amtrack Station in Prince George's County. Additionally, 33 case referrals were made which led to additional arrests and seizures in Maryland and other states.

Drug Task Force

The agency developed and implemented the task force concept in 1988 to increase resources and coordinate local enforcement with all drug investigations. Representatives from the state, municipal agencies, county sheriffs, and the State's Attorney's office work in concert developing goals and strategies to attack a drug problem in a particular area. During 1991, the task force operations investigated 1,908 cases which resulted in 1,409 arrests.

The drug which appeared to be making a resurgence in 1991 was LSD. There were 136,435 units of LSD seized in 1991 compared to 405 units seized in 1990. Another significant increase was noted in the abuse of prescription drug dosages. Seizures increased from 2,595 dosage units in 1990 to 10,365 dosage units in 1991.

Drug Diversion

Formed in 1990, the Drug Diversion Unit works closely with regulators from the State Department of Health & Mental Hygiene, Medicaid Fraud Division, and drug diversion investigators from several subdivisions.

In 1991, this unit was responsible for the arrest of 36 persons, including physicians, pharmacists, and a veterinarian. A total of 10,365 dosage units of diverted prescription pharmaceuticals were seized along with \$110,000 in cash.

Marijuana Eradication

During 1991, the agency, in joint cooperation with allied law enforcement agencies, eradicated 11,210 domestically cultivated marijuana plants. These plants were found at 226 locations, situated in 608 separate gardens. As a direct result of the eradication effort, 116 arrests were made and \$997,950 of assets were seized. The agency was assisted by the Maryland National Guard which logged 818.6 flight hours while flying marijuana eradication missions.

HAPS Conference

The annual Harvard Associates in Police Science (HAPS) conference was held June 17-20, 1991 in Baltimore, Maryland. Attending the conference were representatives from fifteen states and Canada. Lt. Guy Guyton, the current HAPS president, and the education committee planned the conference. Topics of the training classes and lectures included drugs, psychological profiles, the new Maryland Automated Fingerprint Identification System (MAFIS), the use of lasers in detecting latent prints, techniques in recovering buried remains, AIDS in law enforcement, fire deaths, use of force by police, child abuse, forensic science, and dentistry, including bite marks.

Formed in 1946, membership in HAPS is contingent upon completing the Frances Glessner Lee Seminar in Homicide Investigation. In 1963, this was transferred from Harvard University Medical School to the Chief Medical Examiner, State of Maryland. Annual conferences are held to update members on the latest developments in the field of medicolegal science.

The 1991 conference concluded with a banquet and guest speaker, John Walsh, of the television show "America's Most Wanted."



Lt. Guy Guyton presents John Walsh with a Stetson making him an honorary trooper.

Volunteers in Police Support

The Volunteers in Police Support continue to attract the voluntary services of senior Marylanders. They improve the efficiency and productivity of the agency through performance of non-enforcement duties. During 1991, there were 161 active members who performed over 23,000 hours of service. Services performed by these volunteers included: handling mailings for the Criminal Justice Information System and the Attorney General's Office, assisting at graduation and ceremonial activities, working in the Photography Laboratory, fingerprinting persons applying for licenses as child care workers, typing, filing, and community service work.

CAN DO Employees

Pictured below are Maryland State Police employees nominated for their CAN DO attitudes and for exemplifying the YES WE CAN spirit of prompt, courteous and cheerful customer service as part of Governor Schaefer's YES WE CAN campaign.



(From L to R): First row-Sharon Hammerbacher, Debra Mills, Sandra Carroll, Marcia Abrams, Helene Barnett, Emma Young, Carey Bridgers; Second row-Carol Johnson, Bonnie Beisser, Karen Siegman, Leslie Fortson, Carol Billian. Darlene Knipel is not pictured.

Awards

Governor's Citation

The Governor's Citation is awarded to members whose performance has been identified as outstanding and above and beyond the call of duty where a definite risk of life by the member was involved.

*Tpr. Kim Y. Bowman
Tpr. Kimberly A. Brooks
TFC Clarence Creswell
F/Sgt. Thomas Y. Ingram
TFC Stanley C. Wilson III*

Governor's Commendation

The Governor's Commendation is awarded to members whose performance has been identified as outstanding and above and beyond the call of duty.

*Tpr. Stephen J. Bocek
Sgt. Joseph D. Collins
TFC Charles M. Vanek*

Superintendent's Commendation

This award is authorized in instances where the performance of a member or members is identified as exceptional, thereby exemplifying the highest standards of the police profession.

*TFC Gary L. Bachtell
Cpl. Millard M. Bell
TFC Edward M. Evans
TFC Paul W. Kelley
TFC Glen A. Payne
TFC Richard W. Poffenberger, Jr.
Tpr. Scott Adam Schaffer
TFC William F. Stone
Cpl. Jack L. Trego*

Awards

Certificate of Recognition

This award is from the Superintendent to a member or members of this Agency and/or to a member or members of other law enforcement agencies, recognizing excellence in performance.

*Cpl. Daniel M. Benham
Tpr. Michael N. Blandford
TFC Robert V. Calo
Tpr. John M. Hurley
TFC Patrick A. Jameson
Officer Anthony King
TFC Barry E. Leese
Sgt. William J. Lucas
Herbert Magnusson*

*TFC Joseph D. Masci
TFC Jason K. Merson
Cpl. Wayne R. Moffatt
TFC Michael J. Mullin
Cpl. Nicholas J. Paros
Cpl. Roland Rose
Tpr. Damon L. Vinson
Barrack "M"-JFK Highway
Special Traffic
Interdiction Force*

Certificate of Appreciation

This award is authorized in instances where citizens have voluntarily provided meritorious and exemplary assistance to a member of the Maryland State Police, or to another citizen in a matter in which the State Police is involved.

*Ms. Marlo Jean Barnhart
Mr. Gerald Thomas Brady
Deputy Fire Marshall Ruxton Bramble
Ms. Tracey Burke
Dr. Clifford C. Cloonan
Ms. Robin L. Considine
Chief Deputy Michael Harring*

*Dr. Evelyn Blose Holman
Mr. Toni F. Lahnig
Ms. Elizabeth Savage
Mr. Sherry Saver
Mr. Preston Shockley
Mr. William M. Sterling
Mr. Samuel Walker*

Personnel Statistics

	<u>Uniformed</u>	<u>Civilian</u>
Authorized Personnel:	1,768	734
Service Retirements:	33	15
Disability Retirements:	12	-
Deceased Personnel:	-	3
Resignations:	18	21
Transferred to Another State Agency:	2	9
Promotions:	100	88

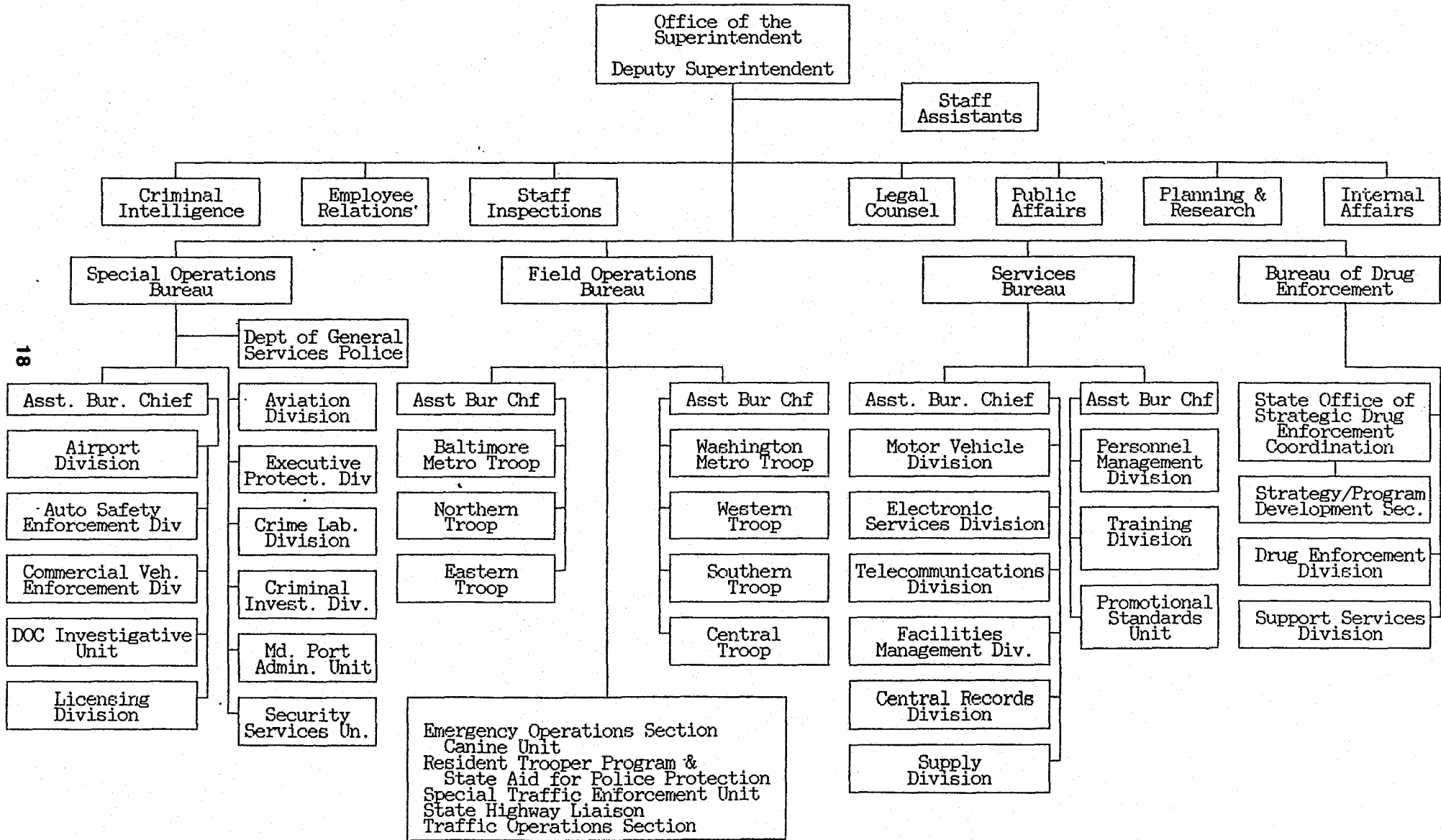
	<u>Trooper</u>			<u>Cadet</u>		
	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Total</u>
Interviewed:	2,856	348	3,204	477	99	576
Rejected:	939	177	1,116	162	39	201
Issued Application:	1,917	171	2,088	315	60	375
Application Returned:	858	126	984	234	18	252
Accepted in Training Academy:	101					

Expenditures - FY 1991

(July 1, 1990 - June 30, 1991)

<u>Object</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>	<u>Non-Budgeted</u>
01 Salaries & Wages	\$ 120,397,282	\$ 524,024
02 Technical & Special Fees	200,385	68,098
03 Communications	1,183,757	431
04 Travel	337,094	26,258
05 Food	103,575	--
06 Fuel & Utilities	924,315	--
07 Motor Vehicle Operation & Maintenance	11,598,175	1,037
08 Contractual Services	2,183,260	92,495
09 Supplies & Materials	2,456,984	35,294
10 Equipment - Replacement	445,163	--
11 Equipment - Additional	1,718,465	93,031
13 Fixed Charges	497,151	--
14 Land & Structures	<u>46,708</u>	<u>--</u>
TOTALS	\$ 142,092,314	\$ 840,668
12 State Aid for Police Protection	\$ 82,015,939	
12 Baltimore City Foot Patrol Aid	\$ 2,000,000	
12 Prince George's County Drug Enforcement Aid	\$ 1,000,000	

Maryland State Police Organizational Chart



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Field Operations Bureau

Field Operations Bureau Staff

Emergency Operations Section
Canine Unit
Resident Trooper Program &
State Aid for Police Protection
Special Traffic Enforcement Unit
State Highway Liaison
Traffic Operations Section

Field Operations Command

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