



Town of Bladensburg Police Department

Public Safety Update to the Town Council

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I. Overview

This report provides the Town Council with an update on police department activities, crime trends, community engagement initiatives, and notable incidents for the reporting period February 1, 2026, thru February 28, 2026.

II. Crime Statistics and Trends

A. Reported Crime Summary: Monthly comparison between January 2026 and February 2026

Note: The numbers below may change as updated UCR information is verified and submitted. The YTD% reflects comparison between 2025 and 2026 statistics year to date.

Category	Current Period (Feb)	Previous Period (Jan)	% Change	YTD%
Violent Crimes	3	7	-57.1%	-58.3%
Property Crimes	17	33	- 48.5%	-41.2%
Traffic Stops	393	158	+148.7%	
Calls for Service	1346	1258	+7.0%	-7.1%
Arrests	17	14	+21.4%	-35.4%

B. Notable Trends:

- The department noted an increase in stolen autos during the month of February. There were six stolen vehicles in the area of Emerson Street, 57th Ave, 58th Ave, and 53rd Place.

III. Community Engagement

Recent Initiatives:

- On February 4, 2026, attended a virtual meeting with Hamlet Woods Condominium Associate to provide crime Information
- On February 12, 2026, staff attended Coffee with a Cop at 7-Eleven 4199 Kenilworth Avenue
- On February 13, 2026, attended a business roundtable at Town Hall with local business owners
- On February 21, 2026, staff attended the Town's Exploring Bladensburg Black History event at the community center

Upcoming March Events:

- March 3, 2026, Town of Bladensburg Civics Presentation- Police Department's presentation
- March 28, 2026, Eggstravaganza at David C Harrington Park

IV. Traffic and Enforcement Activity

- Traffic/Parking Citations/SERO/Warnings Issued: 432
- Premise Checks: 596
- Accidents Investigated (Reports Taken): 14
- DUI/DWI Arrests: 2
- Officers continue to enforce a variety of traffic related offenses throughout the Town and have initiated 393 traffic stops during the month of February 2026.
- Approval has been given and installation preparation has begun for red light camera installation on Annapolis Road at Edmonston Road.

V. Department Operations

Personnel Updates:

- During the month of February Officer Lowery has continued with his Field Training and is expected to complete Field Training in March.
- The department is actively recruiting for one police officer position and one Dispatcher position. During the month of February interviews were held for both positions.

Training:

- During the month of February A/Lt. Goins and Interim Chief Frishkorn were assigned to IACP Chief Leadership Certificate Program
- Sworn officers were assigned Implicit Bias training through the Police One training platform. This is a required annual training by the Maryland Police and Correctional Training Commission.
- Sgt. Harris conducted training with officers on Body Worn Camera tagging/labeling procedures.

Equipment/Technology Updates:

- The GovPilot parking enforcement platform that allows for the issuance and tracking of parking citations and their payments as well as Code activities continued to receive updates during February with software development issues being addressed. The parking module software issues have been completed the software is being utilized. The CODE rental inspection module is being updated, and CODE will be receiving training on that module in anticipation of conducting rental inspections.

VI. Notable Incidents

On February 18, 2026, officers arrested a Bladensburg resident for an incident involving a domestic stabbing that occurred the previous day in the 4200 block of 58th Avenue.

On February 26, 2026, Investigators served a search warrant on a residence outside of Bladensburg in reference to a First-Degree assault investigation in which a victim was struck in the head with a handgun. The initial incident occurred on January 18, 2026. The suspect was arrested during the service of the search warrant.

VII. Goals and Initiatives

Short-Term Priorities:

- Continue to show a visible police presence in the community and business areas through vehicle and foot patrols.
- Focus on addressing current trends noted in this report (increase in stolen autos)
- Increase DUI/DWI enforcement efforts

Long-Term Focus:

- Continue the decrease in violent and property crimes, and address any crime trends through collaboration with the police department and the community.
- Continue the department's efforts in building partnerships with all of the stakeholders in the Town through our community policing efforts.

VIII. Conclusion

The Bladensburg Police Department remains committed to transparency, community partnership, and proactive public safety strategies. We appreciate the continued support of the Mayor and Town Council.

Respectfully submitted,

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