



Berryville Police Department

2024 ANNUAL REPORT

The Berryville Police Department provides 24-hour law enforcement services to residents and visitors within the jurisdiction of the Town of Berryville.



MISSION

The mission of the Berryville Police Department is to enhance the quality of life for the citizens of Berryville through a true partnership with the community; provide quality law enforcement service to all without prejudice or bias and increase public safety through visibility and vigilant enforcement of law thereby reducing the fear and incidence of crime.

CORE VALUES

Commitment – To providing the highest level of law enforcement services to the community.

Service – To a community that has entrusted matters of health, safety, and welfare to this department.

Integrity – Consistently doing the right things in the right way.

Excellence – Striving to be the best in all aspects of serving the citizens of Berryville.

Department Organization

The Berryville Police Department is composed of ten full-time sworn law enforcement officers including two Sergeants and a Chief. In addition, the department is supported by a civilian Administrative Assistant. The department maintains a fleet of six emergency service vehicles that are equipped with mobile data terminals, speed enforcement equipment, and in-car video cameras. All officers are issued body worn cameras which are utilized to record interactions while providing law enforcement services to the community.

All officers of the department have received and maintain their certification as a law enforcement officer through the Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services. The department is a member agency of the Skyline Regional Criminal Justice Academy. Within the department, six officers are certified as instructors through the Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services.

The Chief of Police is the department head who reports to the Town Manager and provides updates to the Public Safety Committee of the Town Council. Funding for the department is derived through the town's general fund as well as a variety of grant sources.



Calls For Service

The department responded to a total of 1,963 calls for service in calendar year 2024. The chart on the next page details the main call types that officers responded to within the community.

Calls for service are requests received from the public which initiate a response from the department. The table on the next page does not include traffic enforcement initiated by officers or any other self-initiated activities such as the enforcement of parking violations.



2024 Calls For Service

Call Type		Domestic Disturbance	34	Noise	35
911 Hang Up	22	DUI	16	Public Service	48
Alarm	70	Drunk In Public	5	Sexual Assault	2
Animal Complaint	136	Fraud	37	Robbery	2
Assault	14	Larceny	44	Shoplifting	0
Assist County	155	Harassment	40	Suspicious Activity	185
Assist EMS/Fire	107	Homicide	0	Trespassing	18
Auto Larceny	2	Identity Theft	7	Vandalism	38
Burglary	12	Juvenile Related	25	Welfare Check	117
Civil Complaint	102	Mental Health Crisis	65	Miscellaneous	574
Disturbance	46	Narcotics Related	5	Total	1963

Reportable Incidents

The department responds to a wide variety of calls over the course of a year. Not all calls for service, made to the department, initiate an investigation or require the generation of a report. The department is guided by criteria established by the FBI Uniform Crime Report when determining the type of incidents that require the generation of a report.



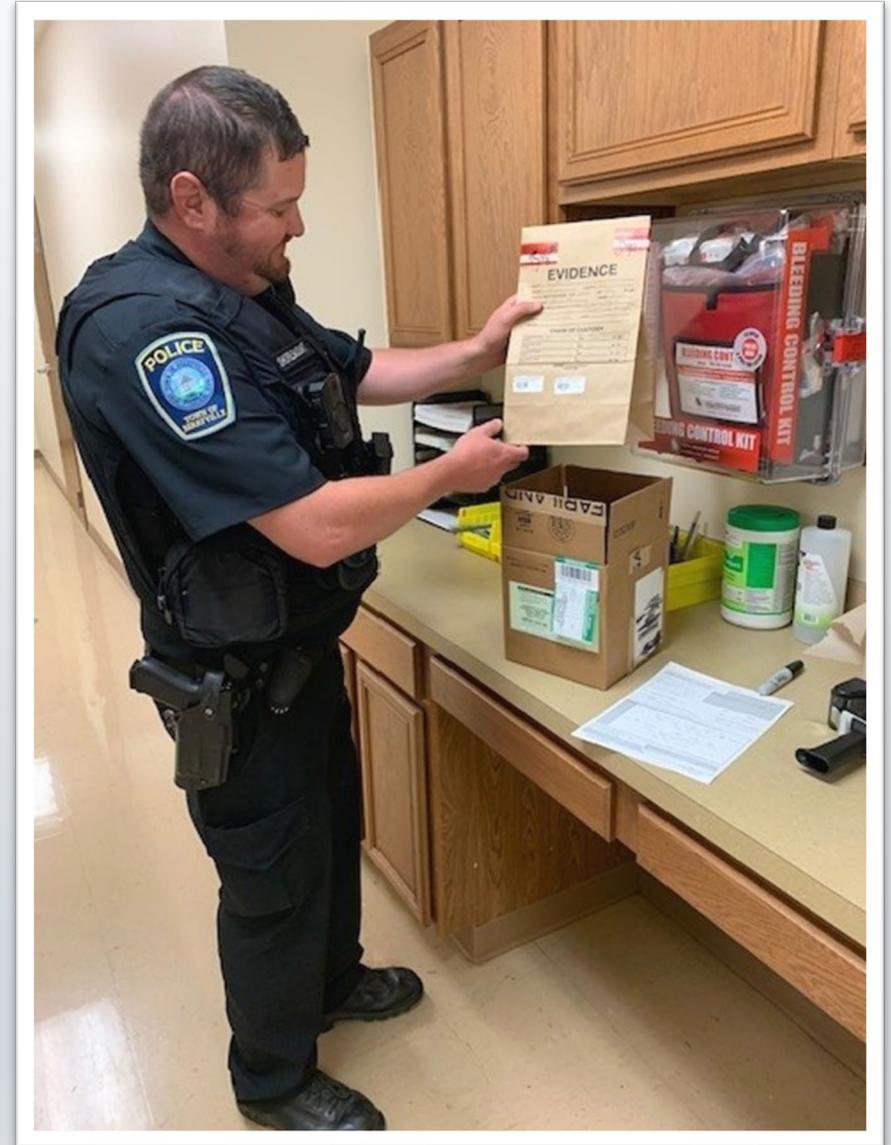
2024 Reportable Incidents

Offense		Shoplifting	2	Weapon Law Violation	2
Fondling	2	Motor Vehicle Theft	3	Abandoned Vehicle	3
Sexual Assault	1	Forgery	4	Behavioral Issue – Adult	6
Simple Assault	12	False Pretenses / Fraud	11	Death – Informational	7
Aggravated Assault	1	Credit/ATM/Wire Fraud	6	Death - Investigation	1
Intimidation	3	Identity Theft	14	DUI	15
Burglary	2	Hacking / Computer	2	Disorderly Conduct	1
Theft From Building	8	Other Stolen Property	1	Family Offense	3
Theft From Vehicle	3	Destruction of Property	32	Liquor Law Violation	2
Theft of Vehicle Parts	1	Narcotics	1	Trespass	11
All Other Larceny	22	Pornography	1	Fire Investigation	2

2024 Reportable Incidents

Call Type	
Mutual Aid – County	109
Mutual Aid – Other	7
Animal Bite	1
Mental Health - ECO	8
Mental Health - TDO	3
Mental Health - VOL	7
Overdose	3
Police Information	32
Property – Found	18
Property - Lost	4

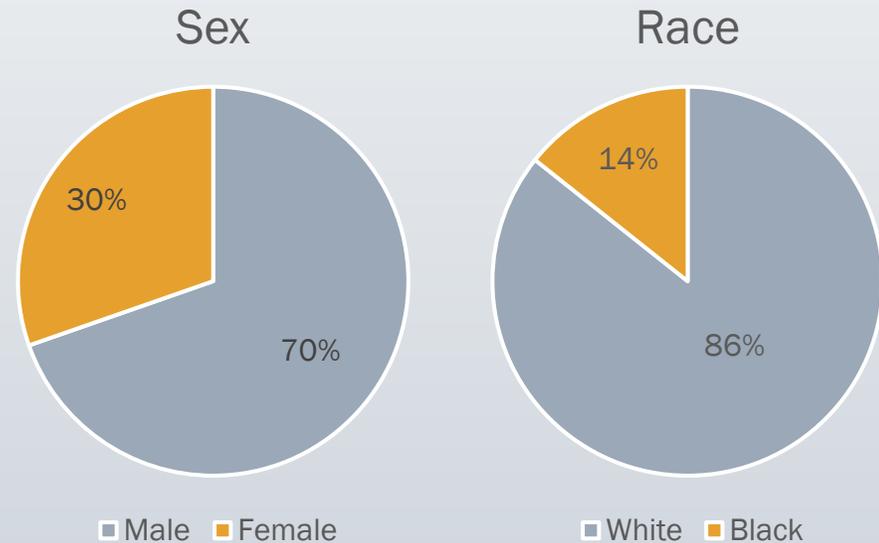
Civil Matter	1
Traffic - Crash	28
Hit and Run	9
Traffic Offense	20
Traffic – Elude	3
Warrant Service	10
Missing Person	2
All Others	34
Total	484



Arrest Statistics

The Berryville Police Department executed 95 criminal papers on 56 individuals during calendar year 2024. The information contained on this page and the next illustrates the race and sex of those individuals arrested within the Town of Berryville.

The information includes only the primary offense for which the offender was arrested and does not account for all crimes that the individual may have been charged with as some offenders were alleged to have committed multiple offenses.



Primary Offense	White Male	Black Male	White Female	Black Female	Resident	Non-Resident
Aggravated Assault	0	0	1	0	1	0
Simple Assault	2	0	2	0	3	1
All Other Larceny	3	0	0	0	2	1
Fraud	4	1	0	1	1	5
DUI	11	0	3	0	4	10
Disorderly Conduct	0	0	1	0	0	1
Destruction of Property	1	0	0	0	1	0
Drugs	0	0	1	0	0	1
Weapon Law Violation	1	0	0	0	1	0
Traffic Related	5	1	2	0	3	5
All Others	8	2	3	3	9	7
Totals	35	4	13	4	25	31

Traffic Enforcement



Offense	Count
Expired Inspection	10
No Operator License	17
Driving While Suspended	14
Expired / Improper Registration	16
Passing on Double Yellow	5
Fail To Yield Right of Way	3
Fail To Obey Highway Sign	119
Texting While Driving	7
Improper Passing	1
Following Too Closely	1
Reckless Driving	7
Speeding In 25 MPH Zone	100
Speeding in 35 MPH Zone	16
Equipment Violations	2
Totals	318

2024 Traffic Citations Issued

Offense	Count
Fail To Obey Traffic Light	16
Defective Equipment / Lights	67
Texting While Driving	14
Expired Registration	17
Expired License	7
Fail To Have Vehicle Inspected	5
Fail To Stop at Stop Sign	20
Fail to Obey Lane Markings	92
Fail To Obey Highway Sign	93
Fail To Yield Right of Way	2
Speeding In 25 MPH Zone	235
Other	21
Total	589



2024 Traffic Warnings Issued

Traffic Crashes

Crash Type	2024	2023	% Change
Reportable – Injury	2	4	(50%)
Reportable – Property Damage	12	22	(45%)
Hit and Run -Reportable	3	16	(81%)
Non-Reportable	39	19	105%
Totals	56	61	(8%)

The department responded to a total of 56 motor vehicle crashes in 2024. The table shown here depicts the classification of the crashes and compares the data to 2023.

A reportable crash, as defined by the Code of Virginia, involves an injury and / or combined damage to the vehicles involved in excess of \$1,500.00

Response to Resistance

The table on this page denotes when department members were required to utilize force in order to overcome the resistance presented by individuals during the course of their apprehension. Officers are required to report all instances where force is necessary in order to place an individual into custody. These reports are administratively reviewed to ensure that the actions taken by the officer were lawful and in accordance with department policies and procedures.

	2024	2023	2022	2021
Physical Custody	42	29	40	36
Force Involved	4	3	2	3
Administrative Review - Justified	4	3	2	3
Administrative Review - Not Justified	0	0	0	0
Complaint of Injury - Arrestee	0	0	0	0
Medical Treatment - Arrestee	0	0	0	0
Complaint of Injury - Officer	0	0	0	0
Medical Treatment - Officer	0	0	0	0

Response to Resistance

Demographics Involved	2024	2023	2022	2021
White Male	0	1	2	2
Black Male	2	0	0	1
Other Male	0	0	0	0
White Female	2	2	0	0
Black Female	0	0	0	0
Other Female	0	0	0	0

Type of Force Involved	2024	2023	2022	2021
Compliance Hold / Open Hands	3	2	0	0
Takedown	1	1	2	1
Strikes – Hands / Knees	0	0	0	0
Chemical Sprays	0	0	0	0
Impact Weapon (Baton)	0	0	0	2
Mechanical Non-Lethal	0	0	0	0
Firearm	0	0	0	0

Officer Recognition

Officer Jaclyn Saldana was recognized by the Horse Shoe Curve Benevolent Association as the Law Enforcement Officer of the Year for 2024 representing the Berryville Police Department.

Officer Saldana led the department in traffic enforcement and impaired driving interdiction in 2024, making the streets safer for our community.





Department Accreditation

The Berryville Police Department was awarded initial accreditation by the Virginia Law Enforcement Professional Standards Committee (VLEPSC) in November of 2021. This was a tremendous accomplishment for the department, joining only 104 other Virginia law enforcement agencies to attain this designation. Approximately 29% of all Virginia law enforcement agencies have received accreditation through VLEPSC.



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- VRS Retirement
- Educational Tuition Assistance
- Career Development Program
- Paid Health Insurance
- Holiday and Paid Time Off Leave

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

- 21 Years Old
- United States Citizen
- High School Graduate or GED
- Valid Drivers License
- Ability to Pass a Background Investigation
- Ability to Pass a Medical Examination

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<https://www.berryvilleva.gov/DocumentCenter/View/372/Police-Department-Employment-Application?bidId=>

Additional Information

The Berryville Police Department posts a weekly incident activity report on-line so residents can stay informed about incidents taking place in their neighborhood. These reports can be accessed by visiting the Town of Berryville website at

www.berryvilleva.gov

In addition to the activity reports, you can find information about programs offered by the police department and Town on the official website. Some of the programs offered by the police department include:

House Checks
Child Car Seat Inspections
Fingerprinting
Security Assessments

