Current Meeting Notice:
Tuesday, February 18, 2020, 7:00 PM.
Topic: Norfolk Family Justice Center
Presenter: Marlene Bright
Community Outreach and Engagement Team

Next Meeting Notice:
Tuesday, March 17, 2020, 7:00 PM
Topic: Norfolk International Airport Police
Presenter: David B. Huffman, Chief of Police
Norfolk Airport Police Department

COME ON OUT AND JOIN US

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Food for Thought:
Anger is an acid that can do more harm to the vessel in which it is stored than to anything on which it is poured.
Mark Twain

Membership dues are paid for September – June of the current year. Please check with Donna Williams to make sure you are up-to-date.

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Meets 3rd Tuesday of each month (except July and August)
7:00 PM at Second Patrol Division • 2500 N. Military Hwy, Norfolk
CPAAAN is a 501c(3) non-profit whose mission is to support Norfolk law enforcement.
Dear Membership,

Thank you to those who braved the cold weather to attend our January General Meeting.

Last month, CPAAAN was excited to welcome Theresa McBride, Director District 4, Court Services. Ms McBride's topic was Juvenile Justice and Court Service Unit Norfolk. Ms. McBride has worked 31 years with Court Services across the State.

Ms. McBride explained that if there is a child who is having problems, the trained staff has to evaluate the child to find out what can be done before anything bad happens. If fostering is needed, they have to look into the history of the foster parent. They also have to assess if it is safe for the child to be in the community or should be put in detention. Some of the concerns are public safety risks to the community and degree of the crime committed. In some cases, a youth that is 15 years or older maybe detained. A child 15 years or younger may get to go home, but it will depend on the situation; each child is unique. When looking at the family structure, there are more single parent households the two parent households. Many of these households are Medicaid eligible. Monitoring is done doing follow-up visits.

There are free services and decisions are made through:
1. Anger management, 2. Up Center, and 3. Family Assistant. After monitoring a child, 120 days are allocated to close the file, sometimes 110 days. Ms. McBride and the staff work together with Probation Officers in the best interest of the child and the community. The Judges are informed about the social history of the child, i.e. 21 days if the child is held, 30 days if the child is at home. If a child commits a felony, and they are 14 years or older, they are charged as an adult. If they are 14 years old or younger, the charge will not go away and will stay on their record. A serial offender with a history of crime can be held until they are 21 years old, this is up to the Courts. If a child is held in detention, the Court tries to make sure the child maintains contact with family by Buddy On Wheels; these are volunteers who take the family to visit the child twice a month).

Ms. McBride also has children that she and her staff work with. The children continue their education with the goal to graduate from High School; when that happens, the staff takes the child out to dinner to celebrate. This is to remind us, just because a child has a problem, it doesn’t mean that they are a lost cause. Good people who truly care can change lives.

I look forward to seeing you at our next General Meeting, February 18, 2020 at 7pm.

Yvette Brown
President
Calling all citizen stakeholders, community activists, adult male mentors, and concerned citizens! I personally invite each of you to attend and join me in courageous conversation about the devastating and staggering domino effect of gun violence on young, adult African-American males from communities at opportunity, at the Guns Down Movement Panel Discussion, February 19, 2020, 6:30pm-8:30pm, at the WTKR Studios – 720 Boush Street, Norfolk, Virginia.

This urgent discussion and next steps, call to action, is a continuation of the Norfolk Police Department’s 2019 Guns Down Movement summer outdoor forums, surrounding youth gun violence, responsible gun ownership, firearm legislation/reform, and adult leadership for youth; which all evolved from a gun study I commissioned 3 years ago to learn about the movement of firearms that were used in the commission of a crime, lost, stolen, or sold illegally to adults or juveniles.

I highly encourage you to attend this rare and unprecedented discussion, specifically to introduce the challenges of gun violence among African-American males 18-25 years old from underserved communities, and at the epicenter of a public health crisis in Norfolk, and across the country.

Virginia’s most diverse anti-gun violence experts from disciplines of medicine, non-profit advocacy, to community activists, will detail the “cause and effect,” of African-American male victims and suspects of gun violence.

Guests panelists include Dr. L. Weireter Jr., Professor of School of Health Professions at Eastern Virginia Medical School and former Medical Director of Trauma Service at Sentara Norfolk General Hospital, Kayla Hicks for Coalition to Stop Gun Violence, Stacy Robinson, Community Activist, and David Chapman of Giffords.org

Seating is limited for this rare, yet important discussion. You must be registered at Event Brite to attend.
Minutes from January

No minutes were submitted.

(Please read President’s Beat for information about the meeting.)
Deputy Bice takes action that exemplifies our department's commitment to Public Safety, Public Service, and Public Trust

14 February 2020

"On the morning of February 14 at about 9 a.m., Deputy Andrew Bice while driving to the store on his day off in the 200 block of East Ocean View Avenue, when he noticed smoke and then saw a residence on fire.

He immediately pulled over to offer assistance. He knocked on the door but did not get a response. Deputy Bice and another citizen attempted to kick open the front door but it would not open. Bice broke both side windows by the front door of the house with a steel ashtray and was able to unlock the door. Thick smoke prevented them from entering the house. Another group of males broke down the side door and several dogs were able to escape the fire.

Deputy Bice went to the back of the house and heard children. He immediately ran up front to notify others that there were children in the house. All the children ages 1-5 were out of the house. All of the people in the house were able to escape the burning home with no injuries reported.

Deputy Bice picked up three of the children and took them to his own personal vehicle, wrapped them in blankets and coats so they could stay warm. He provided water to the children and some of the others rescuers provided food. Deputy Bice stayed with the children until their family was safe.

This is a good example of living up to and being committed to Public Safety, Public Service, and Public Trust. Thank you Deputy Bice for your excellent public service!"

Photo courtesy of WTKR-3 News
National African-American (Black) History Month: February 2020

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To commemorate and celebrate the contributions to our nation made by people of African descent, American historian Carter G. Woodson established Black History Week. The first celebration occurred on Feb. 12, 1926. For many years, the second week of February was set aside for this celebration to coincide with the birthdays of abolitionist/editor Frederick Douglass and Abraham Lincoln. In 1976, as part of the nation’s bicentennial, the week was expanded to a month. Since then, U.S. presidents have proclaimed February as National African-American History Month.

The following facts are made possible by the invaluable responses to the U.S. Census Bureau’s surveys. We appreciate the public’s cooperation as we continuously measure America’s people, places and economy.

Some facts from the Census Bureau:

• 47.8 million—the black population, either alone or in combination with one or more races, in the United States in 2018
• 87.9%—the percentage of African-Americans age 25 and older with a high school diploma or higher in 2018
• 29.9%—the percentage of the employed black population age 16 and older working in management, business, science and arts occupations in 2018
• 121,466—the number of black-owned employer businesses in the United States in 2016.
• 2.2 million—the number of black military veterans in the United States nationwide in 2018.
• Texas had the largest black population in 2018, among states; Cook County, Ill. (Chicago) had the largest black population in 2018, among counties. (census.gov/newsroom/facts-for-features/2020/black-history-month)
February 2020

**OBSERVANCES:** Black History Month, American Heart Month, National African American History, and Career and Technical Education Month

**HOLIDAYS:** Ground Hog Day, Super Bowl (2nd); World Cancer Day (4th); Intl Day of Women and Girls in Science (11th); Valentine’s Day (14th); Presidents Day (17th); World Day of Social Justice (20th); Mardi Gras, Shrove Tuesday (25th); Ash Wednesday (27th); Zero Discrimination Day (Mar 1st); Read Across America (Mar 2nd).

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