

❖ WESTERN PATROL DISTRICT

The Western Patrol District geographically encompasses approximately 105 square miles or nearly 25% of the total county's 416 square miles. The estimated 2003 U.S. Census population for the Western Patrol District was 134,047. Authorized staffing for the Western Patrol District is comprised of 127 sworn and seven civilians. Some of the highlights for the Western Patrol District for 2003 included:

- In May of 2003, Western Patrol District hosted a "Safety Day" at the District. Approximately 20 car seats were installed and several given out to needy residents. Safety literature was also handed out.
- Western Patrol District co-hosted a "Community Day" in the communities of Pioneer City, Meade Village, and Still Meadows. Community Day provides an opportunity for area residents to interact with officers to promote goodwill between citizens and police.
- Detectives Keith Light and Marc Colburn were nominated by the Baltimore Sun as Officers of the Year for 2003 for excellence in law enforcement and outstanding service to the community.
- There were seven officers that were nominated and received Police Community Relations Council awards for 2003. Sergeant Tom Kohlmann, Sergeant Tom O'Connor, Corporal Jim McCann, and Officer Jeff Golas were recognized for their timely investigation of a murder, and the subsequent apprehension of the person responsible, shortly after the crime was committed. Officer Lester Brumfield, Officer John Carrier, and Officer Charles Jones also received awards for their outstanding job performance in the District during 2003.

❖ SOUTHERN PATROL DISTRICT

The Southern Patrol District geographically encompasses approximately 156 square miles or nearly 38% of the total county's 416 square miles. The estimated 2003 U.S. Census population for the Southern Patrol District was 77,519. Authorized staffing for the Southern Patrol District is comprised of 100 sworn and seven civilians. Some of the highlights for the Southern Patrol District for 2003 included:

- On December 4, 2003, the Anne Arundel County Police Department dedicated a new \$5 million Southern Patrol District Station situated on six and a half acres at 35 Stepney's Lane in Edgewater. The new patrol district station is 15,000 square feet in size, accommodating 100 sworn and seven civilians on a daily basis. The Southern Patrol District Station is easily accessible from major roadways. The new building also offers a new spacious 1,600 square foot "Community Room" that is available for use by community organizations, civic groups, and other purposes.
- Officer John Garfola received the Police Community Relations Council's "Police Officer of the Year" award for outstanding police work and substantial crime cases resolutions in 2003, as well as for his 15-years of service without use of disability leave.
- During September 2003, officers in the Southern Patrol District demonstrated a remarkable two-day effort during Tropical Storm Isabel. During this time, officers worked twelve hour shifts, undertaking exhaustive efforts to cut down trees, wading through flooded areas to rescue stranded citizens, and assisting wherever necessary to lessen the impact of this natural disaster. Despite the dangerous undertakings in less than safe conditions, all emergency response and rescue efforts were conducted without any employee injury claims or vehicle damage reports.