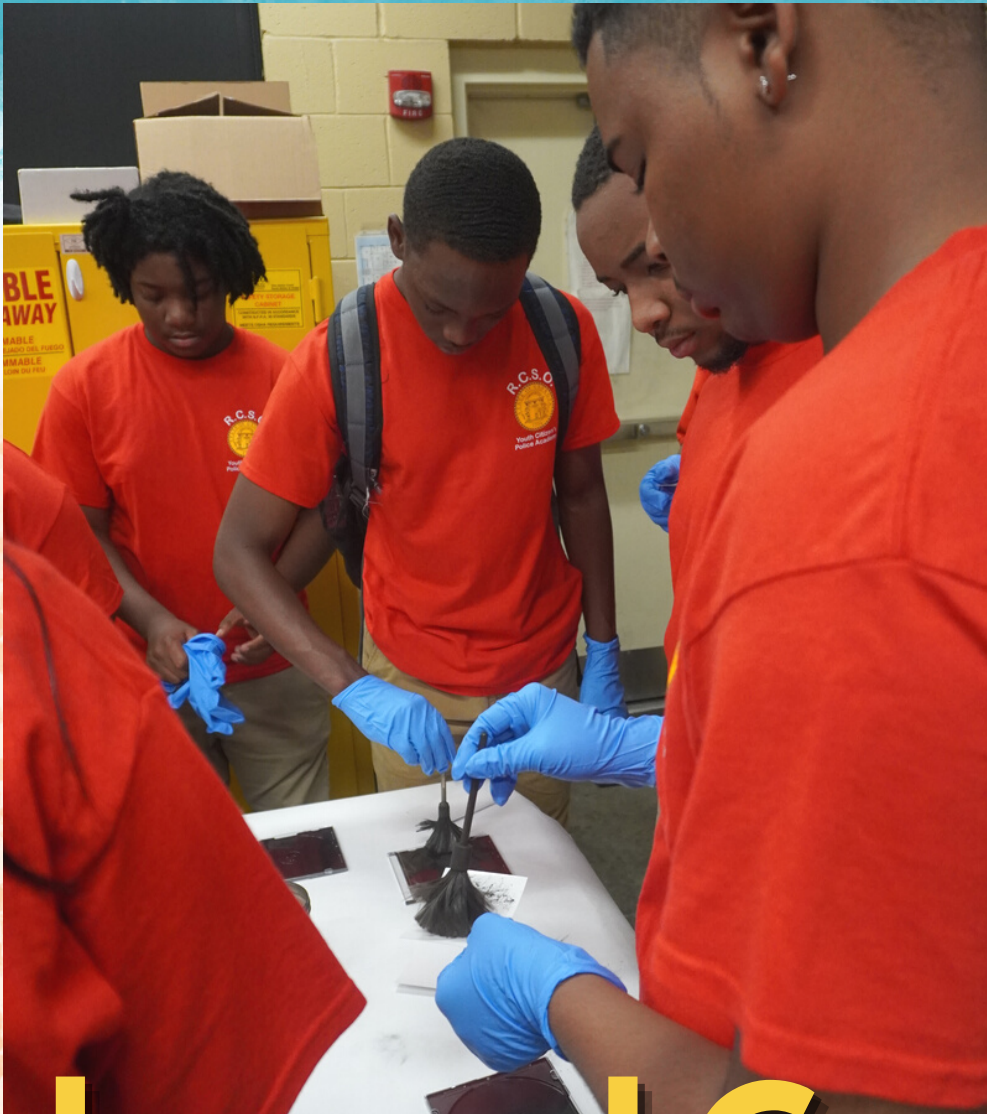


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Richmond County Sheriff's Office

2023 Newsletter
Summer

A letter from our Sheriff:

My Fellow Richmond County Citizens:

Thank you to the fantastic citizens of this community for allowing me to serve you for the last decade! I appreciate every Richmond County citizen and want to give you some insight into what we have been up to at the Richmond County Sheriff's Office.

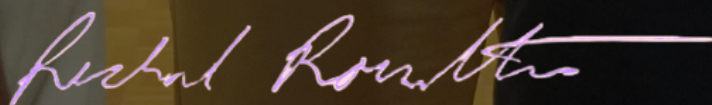
On the evening of July 11, 2023, the Sheriff's Office held a town hall meeting at the Warren Rd Community Center to launch our P.O.R.T. (Property Owner Response Team) initiative. With this initiative, the Sheriff's Office, in partnership with local business owners, is working to alleviate challenges stemming from the unhoused population in Richmond County.

The P.O.R.T. program will start with the businesses along Washington Road and the surrounding areas, and we hope to spread it throughout Richmond County relatively soon. I appreciate your patience as we implement new initiatives to improve this community's safety.

Anyone needing further information or assistance on the P.O.R.T. initiative should contact the Intel division at 706-821-0437 or via email at RCSOintel@augustaga.gov.

As students return to school, the Richmond County Sheriff's Office and I wish all Richmond County and other students in the C.S.R.A a happy and safe school year. This year we challenge our youth to make positive choices, be kind, and continue to better themselves and their communities. I hope every student has a great school year, and be on the lookout for Deputy Rich, as he may be making surprise visits to schools throughout the school year!

We will continue to do our best to keep the people in this community safe as we work towards making Augusta Richmond County a better place.



Sheriff

ARE YOU UP FOR THE CHALLENGE ?



**CURRENTLY SEEKING MOTIVATED
AND COMMUNITY DRIVEN
INDIVIDUALS TO JOIN OUR TEAM !**



706-821-1129

Benefits:

Wellness Program
Retirement
Vacation time
Paid holidays
Sick Leave
Life insurance
Group medical and dental insurance
Defined benefit program (GMEBS)

Requirements:

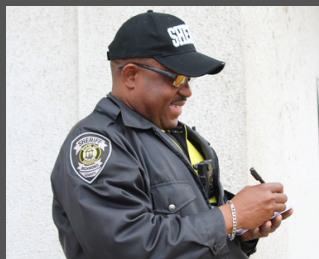
- Be at least 21 years of age
- Be a citizen of the United States
- Possess a High School Diploma or its equivalent
- Possess a valid state driver's license
- Ability to work various shifts, weekends and holidays
- Ability to walk, run, climb or crawl in the pursuit of suspects; to work outdoors in inclement weather and extreme temperatures.
- Candidates will be expected to participate in and pass physical agility and medical examination including drug testing.
- Successfully complete the Peace Officers Training Academy.

Jailer:

Deputy Jailer – \$40,699.66– increases to \$ \$42,734.64 after completion of the basic jailer course
Senior Deputy Jailer – 5 years – \$44,871.37
Master Deputy Jailer – 10 years – \$47,114.94

Road Patrol:

Georgia P.O.S.T Certified Officer – \$43,597.75– increases to \$45,891.09 after two years of consecutive service
Senior Deputy – 5 years – \$48,185.64
Master Deputy – 10 years – \$50,594.93



Welcome

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CROSSING GUARDS NEEDED

2023 - 2024

The Richmond County Sheriff's Office is seeking community driven individuals to serve as crossing guards for the 2023 - 2024 school year!

APPLY NOW

706-821-1005





WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU !

A new Way to Communicate with your Sheriff's Office !

CALEA Public Comment Portal

The purpose of this public comment portal is to receive comments regarding Richmond County Sheriff's Office compliance with CALEA standards, engagement in the service community, delivery of public safety services, and overall candidacy for accredited status. Comments can be in the form of commendations or concerns. The overall intent of the accreditation process is to provide the Richmond County Sheriff's Office with information to support continuous improvement, as well as foster the pursuit of professional excellence.

[HTTPS://CIMRS2.CALEA.ORG/106](https://cimrs2.calea.org/106)

ON SCENE Loading...



WITH RCSO

**On Scene with RCSO is coming back every Monday
with new episodes starting August 7th, 2023.**

— HAPPY — Retirement

*Please join us as we celebrate the careers
and accomplishments of our retirees:*

Bonnie R. Hayes
Richmond County Sheriff's Office
Augusta 2010 - April 2023



John Logue
Sergeant, Road Operations
Augusta 2010 - May 2023



Gloria A. Francis
Charles B. Webster Detention Center
Augusta 2010 - May 2023



Earl D. Barber Jr.
Charles B. Webster Detention Center
Augusta 2010 - June 2023



WELCOME ABOARD !



ANDREW ACOSTA
ROAD PATROL



RACHEL BRINSON
CBWDC CLASSIFICATION OFFICER



PATRICK BROWN SR.
CID INVESTIGATION



LAWRENCE CLAYBROOK JR
CBWDC JAILER



KELLY COOK
RECORDS CLERK



BRETT DRIGGERS JR.
CBWDC JAILER



CATHRYN FOSTER
ADMINISTRATION



GLORIA FRANCIS
CBWDC JAILER



CALEB HARDEN
CBWDC JAILER



DIANE MAULTSBY
CBWDC JAILER



KASHAWN MCEACHERN
CBWDC JAILER



LAYLA MCGILL
CRIME SCENE TECH I



TAHITIA PALMER
CSO PATROL



THEODORE PARRISH
CBWDC JAILER



NICHOLAS TOSKIN
CBWDC JAILER



JEANNIE WILSON
RECORDS CLERK



KAYLA ZANGE
RECORDS CLERK



ANDREW ZIMMER
CBWDC JAILER

Congratulations!

We are pleased to honor the following personnel who have been promoted within this last quarter:



Congratulations to Captain Charles Mitchell II on his promotion to the rank of Major.



Congratulations to Sergeant Walter Ashley on his promotion to the rank of Lieutenant.

We are pleased to honor the following personnel who have been promoted within this last quarter:



Congratulations to Sergeant Jennifer Shelton on her promotion to the rank of Lieutenant.



Congratulations to Investigator John Perkins on his promotion to the rank of Sergeant.



Congratulations to Corporal Jonathan Olivares on his promotion to the rank of Sergeant.



Congratulations to Corporal Daniel D'Aversa on his promotion to the rank of Sergeant.

We are pleased to honor the following personnel who have been promoted within this last quarter:



Congratulations to Corporal Jason Payne on his promotion to the rank of Sergeant.



Congratulations to Rhosanda Brown on her promotion to the rank of Sergeant.



Congratulations to Deputy Joseph Hawk on his promotion to the rank of Corporal



Congratulations to Deputy Desmond Wells on his promotion to the rank of Corporal.

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Congratulations to Deputy Beverly Hoffman-Wright on her promotion to the rank of Corporal.

Academy Graduation

On behalf of The Richmond County Sheriff's Office, we would like to congratulate The Augusta Technical College Law Enforcement Academy Class 032 on their graduation to becoming Deputy Sheriff's. They will now go out and serve in this great community! We would also like to recognize Dep. Sha'Ronn Pietsch as Top Academic, Deputy Sean McKenzie for receiving the Integrity award, & Eric Butcher Top Gun & Class Leader.



Augusta Technical College Law Enforcement Academy
Class 032



The Richmond County Sheriff's Office would like to thank the following personnel for their years of distinguished service to this agency and the citizens of Richmond County:



The Richmond County Sheriff's Office would like to thank Corporal Tokunboh Adeshile 20 years of distinguished service to this agency and the citizens of Richmond County.



The Richmond County Sheriff's Office would like to thank Deputy Todd Kitchens for 15 years of distinguished service to this agency and the citizens of Richmond County.



The Richmond County Sheriff's Office would like to thank Corporal Wesley Youngblood for 10 years of distinguished service to this agency and the citizens of Richmond County.



The Richmond County Sheriff's Office would like to thank Deputy Corey Whitfield for 10 years of distinguished service to this agency and the citizens of Richmond County.



The Richmond County Sheriff's Office would like to thank Lieutenant Everett Jenkins for 10 years of distinguished service to this agency and the citizens of Richmond County.



The Richmond County Sheriff's Office would like to thank Veronica Brown for 10 years of distinguished service to this agency and the citizens of Richmond County.



The Richmond County Sheriff's Office would like to thank Deputy Justin Lacroix for 5 years of distinguished service to this agency and the citizens of Richmond County.



The Richmond County Sheriff's Office would like to thank Deputy Jose Ferrer for 5 years of distinguished service to this agency and the citizens of Richmond County.



GOLDEN SHIELD HONORS



On May 3, 2023, Deputy Jamie Champion was recognized at the 18th Annual Golden Shield Awards as the “D.U.I. Hero” for the State of Georgia by Mother’s Against Drunk Driving. The 302 D.U.I. arrests made by Deputy Champion is the most in the state of Georgia by an Officer. Deputy Champion has finished first in the State for D.U.I. arrests in 2021, 2022 and finished second in 2020. Deputy Champion’s selfless service and dedication to duty reflects great credit upon himself and the Richmond County Sheriff’s Office and is therefore worthy of recognition.

Deputy Jamie Champion is a credit to the Richmond County Sheriff’s Office and the citizens of Augusta Richmond County.

COMMENDATIONS



On March 21, 2023, Sergeant Byrnie Hardin was off duty with his son at the Peach Orchard Road Pharmacy, 2529 Peach Orchard Road, when an armed subject walked behind the pharmacy counter, pointed a handgun at the employees and demanded Oxycodone pills. The suspect grabbed the pills and fled the business on foot. Sergeant Hardin was in the break room area when the incident occurred, retrieved his off duty carry weapon and pursued the suspect toward Woodward Ave. While fleeing, the suspect stopped and pointed his handgun at Sergeant Hardin who continued running toward the suspect who continued fleeing. Sergeant Hardin chased the suspect to a waiting get-away car. Sergeant Hardin was able to get a description of the second suspect driving the vehicle as well as a partial tag and vehicle description. Deputies were able to check the Flock cameras to get the complete tag information as well as the name and address of the registered owner. Deputies were able to use the information that Sergeant Hardin obtained to further their investigation and arrest the two suspects for armed robber. Sergeant Hardin's selfless service and dedication to duty reflects great credit upon himself and the Richmond County Sheriff's Office and is therefore worthy of recognition.

Sergeant Hardin is a credit to the Richmond County Sheriff's Office and the citizens of Augusta Richmond County.

COMMENDATIONS



On March 19, 2023, Deputy Faith Cupp, Deputy Crystal Battle, and Deputy Austin Swiger, responded to a vehicle crash in the parking lot of the Post Office located at 3301 Wrightsboro Rd. Upon deputies arrival, they found a gray Kia Forte rolled over on its roof, with an elderly driver still seat belted upside down in the vehicle. The driver was unresponsive. The three deputies were able to get the driver out the vehicle and found her unresponsive. They started CPR and continued until EMS arrived. Sgt. Cody Turner, a 14-year veteran of the Augusta Fire Dept. and certified EMS and CPR instructor, stated the 3 deputies were Giving "High Quality" CPR. Due to the deputies quick and effective efforts, return of spontaneous circulation was obtained. The driver was transported to AUMC, where she is still in critical condition.

Deputy Austin Swiger is a credit to the Richmond County Sheriff's Office and the citizens of Augusta Richmond County.

COMMENDATIONS



On March 17, 2023, Deputy Noah Johnson was en-route to the hospital with a subject when Deputy Johnson was flagged down by a motorist on the 3200 block of Deans Bridge Road. The motorist was in distress because her infant child could not breathe. Deputy Johnson instructed the female motorist to pull over. Deputy Johnson stopped behind her and exited his vehicle. As he approached, the female frantically exited the vehicle with a near lifeless child struggling to breathe. Deputy Johnson quickly called for EMS to be dispatched and then referred to his training, Deputy Johnson began performing necessary lifesaving skills to include the infant Heimlich maneuver. After several attempts, the infant began to breathe and then cry. Deputy Johnson then handed the child back to its grateful mother. Deputy Johnson turned the mother and child over to EMS once they arrived. He then returned to his vehicle and continued with his original transport. When asked about the incident, Deputy Johnson replied humbly, "It's just part of my job." Deputy Johnson's selfless service and dedication to duty reflects great credit upon himself and the Richmond County Sheriff's Office and is therefore worthy of recognition.

Deputy Noah Johnson is a credit to the Richmond County Sheriff's Office and the citizens of Augusta Richmond County.

Our

SUMMER

in review



On 04/14/23 The Richmond County Sheriff's Office Bomb Squad and the Richmond County Sheriff's Office, K-9 Unit attended Career Day at Blythe Elementary School. Deputies were thrilled to engage with the students as they got to check out the Bomb Squad's truck, K9 Arie and patrol vehicle.





The Richmond County Sheriff's Office would like to thank Copeland Elementary School for allowing us to take part in National Kindergarten Day 04/21/23. Seeing all of the smiles and receiving all of the hugs made Deputy Rich Mond's day!





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On 04/22/23 & 06/24/23, the Community Service Division held our Spring and Summer Citizen's Firearm Safety Classes at the Training Range. Our mission is to educate the citizens in the community on the Georgia Law, and how to use a firearm properly. All class members received a handbook, brochures, and gunlocks for their weapons.

For those interested in the next class, please contact the Community Services Division at 706-261-0436.





On 05/02/23 The Richmond County Sheriff's Office would like to take a moment and say congratulations to the graduating class of The Citizen Police Academy Class #20. Over the past 12 weeks, citizens of Richmond County have devoted their Tuesday nights to learning about the various divisions within the Sheriff's Office. We are proud of our graduates, who are now ambassadors within our community. For further information on our next class, please contact The Community Services Division at 706-261-0436.



AUGUST 22, 2023



**JOIN THE
RICHMOND COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
CITIZEN'S POLICE ACADEMY**



**CLASSES HELD AT :
RICHMOND COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
R.C.S.O. TRAINING RANGE
CHARLES B. WEBSTER DETENTION CENTER**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION
CONTACT THE COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION AT
706-261-0436
OR
COMMUNITYSERVICESDIVISION@AUGUSTAGA.GOV**



On 05/05/23, the Richmond County Sheriff's Office Community Services Division, Traffic Division, K9 Division, and Bomb Squad took part in Safety Day at Ft. Gordon. We engaged with the Ft. Gordon community by educating them through literature, presentation, and hands-on activities. Participants became more knowledgeable about the dangers of impaired driving and distractions.





05/10/23 THE RICHMOND COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE WOULD LIKE TO SAY THANK YOU TO ALL THE RESIDENTS WHO CAME OUT TO PARTICIPATE IN OUR COMMUNITY SHRED DAY FOR 2023. WE WERE ABLE TO SAFELY SHRED 3,205 POUNDS OF OLD DOCUMENTS THAT COULD HAVE LED TO IDENTITY THEFT! THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT. SPECIAL THANKS TO OUR CPA ALUMNI WHO CAME OUT TO VOLUNTEER.



ON 06/03/23, THE RICHMOND COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE TOOK PART IN THE AUGUSTA ON DISPLAY EVENT AT THE JULIAN SMITH CASINO. DEPUTY RICH MOND HAD AN INCREDIBLE TIME ENGAGING WITH THE COMMUNITY.







On 06/09/23, RCSO Community Service Division along with Bomb Squad, Richmond County Sheriff's Office, K-9 Unit, Crime Scene, Augusta Georgia Fire/EMA, Road Patrol, CID, Wellness and Resiliency, Traffic Division & AU Police hosted its 10th annual Kids and Cops Summer Camp event at the Wilson Family Y. We want to thank the YMCA for allowing our agency to engage with the kids as they had tons of fun!





On 07/11/23, The Richmond County Sheriff's Office hosted a Town Hall meeting at the Warren Road Community Center. We were thankful for the turnout for this meeting as we continue to strive to better our community as a whole.





On 07/14/23 the Richmond County Sheriff's Office is honored to dedicate the new Range and Armory building to retired Colonel Robert W. Partain III for his 43 years of service to the Richmond County Sheriff's Office.





The Richmond County Sheriff's Office held our 5th Youth Citizens Police Academy on July 17-21. Through this class, 13 young talented candidates graduated at the end of the program. Congratulations to you all & have a great school year!

Congratulations!







On 07/24/23, the Community Service Division and K-9 Division hosted an event with May Park Youth Summer Camp. Seeing the engagement from the youth was spectacular!

SCHOOL



On 07/30/23 The Richmond County Sheriff's Office and Deputy Rich Mond were invited by Verizon, to their back to school give away. We hope that all of the students have a great school year!



LEARNING

CONTACT INFORMATION

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| Information | 706-821-1000 |
| Sheriff Roundtree's Office | 706-821-1065 |
| Chief Deputy's Office | 706-821-1066 |
| Colonel's Office | 706-821-1028 |
| Communications/Dispatch | 706-821-1080 |
| Records | 706-821-1010 |
| Personnel Specialist | 706-821-1095 |
| Professional Standards and Training | 706-821-1030 |
| Special Duty | 706-821-1743 |
| Jail Information | 706-821-1110 |
| Charles B. Webster Detention Center | 706-821-1101 |
| North Precinct, Uniform Division | 706-821-2487 |
| South Precinct, Uniform Division | 706-821-1259 |
| Special Operations Division | 706-261-0438 |
| Criminal Investigation Division | 706-821-1020 |
| Internal Affairs | 706-821-1004 |
| Property Room | 706-821-1700 |
| Quartermaster | 706-821-1703 |
| CHAMPS (formerly D.A.R.E.) | 706-261-0436 |
| Neighborhood Watch | 706-821-1467 |





RESPECT



INTEGRITY



TEAMWORK



EXCELLENCE

