



Fourth Report to the State of Maryland - Deaths Involving a Law Enforcement Officer

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Introduction

Chapter 134 of 2015 (House Bill 954), *Public Safety - Deaths Involving a Law Enforcement Officer - Reports*, requires local law enforcement agencies to provide the Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention (Office) with information, from the previous calendar year, about each officer-involved death and death in the line of duty that involved a law enforcement officer employed by the agency.¹ In accordance with § 3-507(b) of the Public Safety Article, the Act also requires agencies to provide the information on or before March 1 of each year, as it relates to (at a minimum):

1. The age, gender, ethnicity, and race of a deceased individual;
2. The age, gender, ethnicity, and race of the officer involved;
3. A brief description of the circumstances surrounding the death;
4. The date, time, and location of the death; and
5. The law enforcement agency of the officer who:
 - a. Died, if the incident involved an officer who died in the line of duty; or
 - b. Detained, arrested, or was in the process of arresting the deceased, if the incident involved an officer-involved death.

In addition, the Act requires the Office to adopt procedures for the collection and analysis of the information, and to analyze and disseminate the information. Furthermore, and in accordance with § 3-507(e) of the Public Safety Article, the Office shall make an annual report on the incidence of officer-involved deaths and deaths in the line of duty in the State to the General Assembly on or before June 30 of each year.

Background

In accordance with the Death in Custody Reporting Act of 2000 ([Public Law 106-297](#)), the Bureau of Justice Statistics (BJS) implemented the federal Arrest-Related Deaths (ARD) program to comply with the required collection of data on deaths that occurred in the process of arrest, during transfer, or while detained in jail or prison.² BJS collected data on a quarterly basis, which began with “inmate deaths in local jails (2000), state prisons (2001), and juvenile correctional facilities (2002) under the umbrella of the Deaths in Custody Reporting Program (DCRP),” and then expanded the DCRP (2003) to “include a data collection program on

¹ Maryland General Assembly. (2015). [Chapter 134 of 2015 \(House Bill 954\), Public Safety - Deaths Involving a Law Enforcement Officer - Reports](#).

² Bureau of Justice Statistics. [Arrest-Related Deaths](#).

arrest-related deaths.”³ Shortly thereafter, BJS implemented a “state-based ARD reporting system” which required “State Reporting Coordinators (SRCs) in all 50 states and the District of Columbia” to identify and report “all eligible cases of arrest-related deaths to BJS.”⁴ Several years later, BJS conducted an assessment on the ARD program and found that the “methodology did not sufficiently identify a census of arrest-related deaths and that the data collection likely did not capture all reportable deaths in the process of arrest.”⁵ As a result, and in March 2014, “BJS suspended data collection and publication of the ARD data until further notice.”⁶

Between 2010 and 2013, the Maryland Statistical Analysis Center (MSAC), located within the Office, served as Maryland’s SRC and data repository for the federal ARD program. Although the program ended in 2014, the federal Deaths in Custody Reporting Act of 2000 required the Office to assume the SRC role once again for the federal program. Because no formal data collection directives were provided by BJS when the Office began to administer the federal program, MSAC created an ad hoc system to collect information related to Maryland’s arrest-related deaths. The ad hoc system included reviews of daily media reports, keyword internet searches, medical examiner reports, and reporting by state and local law enforcement partners. In addition, and because Maryland’s law enforcement community provided a great deal of support and transparency with their data, and as it relates to the federal program, Maryland’s arrest-related deaths data collection process may serve as a model for other state programs.

In 2015, and with the enactment of Chapter 134 of 2015, Maryland became the third state to legislatively require law enforcement agencies to submit information about each officer-involved death and death in the line of duty that involved a law enforcement officer.⁷ Prior to the enactment of Chapter 134 of 2015, Maryland’s law enforcement agencies provided support of the data collection efforts under the federal ARD program, even though it was not legislatively mandated.

Through its enactment, Chapter 134 of 2015 implemented a formal data collection process, under State law, which was no longer based primarily on daily media reports, keyword internet searches, and medical examiner reports. Immediately following the enactment of Chapter 134 of 2015, MSAC began to implement the law, and oversaw the formation of an Implementation Group. The goal of the Implementation Group was to conduct a detailed analysis of the law and to make determinations with regard to the exact data elements requiring collection. The

³ Ibid.

⁴ Ibid.

⁵ Ibid.

⁶ Ibid.

⁷ Maryland General Assembly. (2015). [*Chapter 134 of 2015 \(House Bill 954\), Public Safety - Deaths Involving a Law Enforcement Officer - Reports.*](#)

following criminal justice organizations and stakeholders were invited to participate in the Implementation Group:

- Delegate Alonzo T. Washington, District 22 (Sponsor)
- Maryland State's Attorneys' Association
- Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention
- Office of the Chief Medical Examiner for Maryland
- U.S. Attorney's Office
- U.S. Department of Justice/Bureau of Justice Statistics
- Riverdale Park Police
- Prince George's County Police Department
- Prince George's County Sheriff's Office
- Baltimore County Police Department
- Baltimore City Police Department
- Hagerstown Police Department
- Maryland State Police
- American Civil Liberties Union of Maryland
- Justice Research and Statistics Association
- A private defense attorney
- A private citizen

Methodology

This *Fourth Report to the State of Maryland - Deaths Involving a Law Enforcement Officer* (report) provides information relating to the cases where individuals died when law enforcement officers were present or when a law enforcement officer was killed in the line of duty. The report provides the data collected for the prior calendar year, January 1, 2018 - December 31, 2018. It describes, in detail, the methodology used to gather and report on the information required by Chapter 134 of 2015. Although the report details statistical and demographic information regarding these cases, familiarization with the data collection methodology, as well as the underlying facts of each case, is a crucial component of this report.

It is important to note that, in response to Chapter 134 of 2015, Maryland currently has a legal mechanism in place to capture and report to the public each time a civilian dies during a police encounter or a law enforcement officer dies in the line of duty.

Reporting Criteria for Officer-Involved Civilian Deaths

In 2015, following two Implementation Group meetings, a formal data collection process was adopted, and the information was disseminated to Maryland law enforcement agencies identified by the Maryland Police and Correctional Training Commissions. These agencies were instructed to, as of July 1, 2015, commence data collection and reporting of all civilian deaths involving a law enforcement officer to MSAC. Chapter 134 of 2015 defines an officer-involved death as “*the death of an individual resulting directly from an act or omission of a law enforcement officer while the officer is on duty or while the officer is off duty, but performing activities that are within the scope of the officer’s official duties.*”

Per criteria set forth in Chapter 134 of 2015, the Implementation Group determined that Maryland law enforcement agencies were required to report all civilian deaths:

- Resulting from any use of force by State or local law enforcement personnel acting either on duty, or off duty in the capacity of a law enforcement officer;
- Caused by injuries sustained while attempting to elude State or local law enforcement personnel or injuries incurred after custody had been established;
- In cases of suicide, only when the suicide occurs while law enforcement is present at the scene;
- In cases of deaths as a result of drug overdose or medical condition, only when the fatal alcohol or other drug intoxications or medical conditions (e.g., cardiac arrest) occurred while law enforcement was attempting to detain or arrest the subject;
- Occurring during the process of arrest by, or in the custody of, State or local law enforcement personnel;
- Occurring while the individual is in the custody of State or local law enforcement personnel who were responding to a medical or mental health assistance or welfare call; or
- Of bystanders while law enforcement is present and/or as the result of a law enforcement action.

Per criteria set forth in Chapter 134 of 2015, the Implementation Group determined that Maryland law enforcement agencies were not required to report the following:

- Deaths attributed to federal law enforcement personnel (e.g., FBI, DEA);
- Any inmate death that occurred in the custody of local jails, state prisons, state juvenile correctional facilities, or private correctional facilities; or
- Any death of a criminal suspect that occurred before the decedent came into contact with law enforcement.

Reporting Criteria for Officer Deaths in the Line of Duty

In addition to reporting civilian deaths involving a law enforcement officer, Chapter 134 of 2015 also requires all Maryland law enforcement agencies to report to MSAC all deaths of sworn law enforcement officers who died in the line of duty. Chapter 134 of 2015 defines death in the line of duty as *“the death of a law enforcement officer occurring while the officer is acting in the officer’s official capacity while on duty or while the officer is off duty, but performing activities that are within the scope of the officer’s official duties.”*

Per criteria set forth in Chapter 134 of 2015, the Implementation Group determined that Maryland law enforcement agencies were required to report the deaths of all officers killed in the line of duty or in the course of law enforcement activities. The Implementation Group also determined that Maryland law enforcement agencies were not required to report deaths of federal law enforcement personnel (e.g., FBI, DEA).

Data Collection Process

This report contains data collected from Maryland law enforcement agencies for cases that occurred for the prior calendar year, January 1, 2018 - December 31, 2018. Law enforcement agencies were asked to notify MSAC within 48 hours of an incident, when a civilian death involving a law enforcement officer or the death of a law enforcement officer occurred. The Office of the Chief Medical Examiner was also asked to provide MSAC with notification when a qualifying incident occurred. Ultimately, a formal reporting guide was developed, along with an online password protected data submission form which were required to be submitted for every death involving a law enforcement officer incident each year (*please see [Appendix A](#) for more information*). The reported information, and detailed definitions of each variable in the form can be found in [Appendix B](#).

Results

Officer-Involved Civilian Deaths

Between January 1, 2018 and December 31, 2018, there were a total of 31 qualifying cases of civilian deaths involving a law enforcement officer in Maryland. There were 31 incidents that involved law enforcement officers (*please see [Appendix C](#) for a breakdown of the variables collected for each incident*). A brief narrative of the incident, based on the accounts provided via law enforcement’s reporting of the incident is presented in [Appendix C](#).

Of the 31 civilian deaths involving a law enforcement officer in 2018, the Medical Examiner's Office classified 14 as homicide by law enforcement, seven as suicide, eight as accidental death, one as natural causes, and one as an overdose (*as illustrated in **Chart 1. 2018 Civilian Deaths by Manner of Death***). All 14 homicides by law enforcement involved the fatal shooting of the subject(s). As illustrated below, **Table 1. 2018 Civilian Deaths Various Demographics** provides the demographic breakdown of the civilian decedents. All of the decedents were male, 42% were white, 52% were black, and the most common age ranges were 18-24 (26%), 25-34 (26%), and 35-44 (19%).

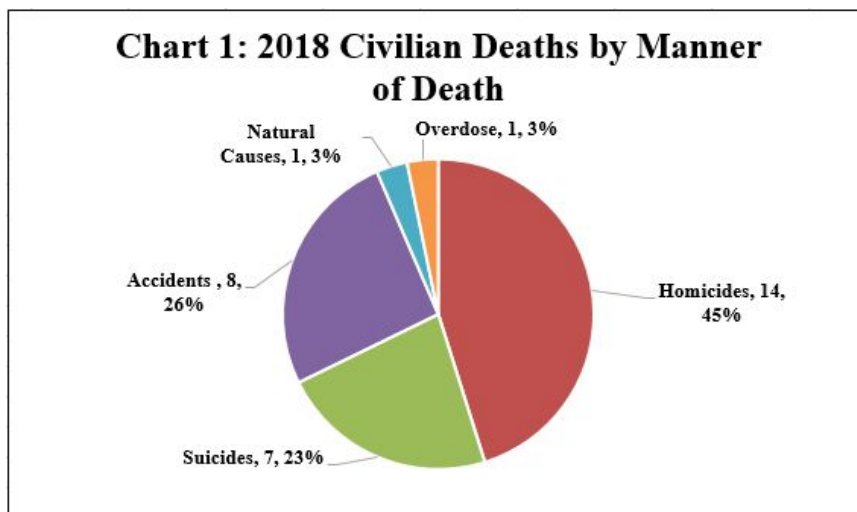
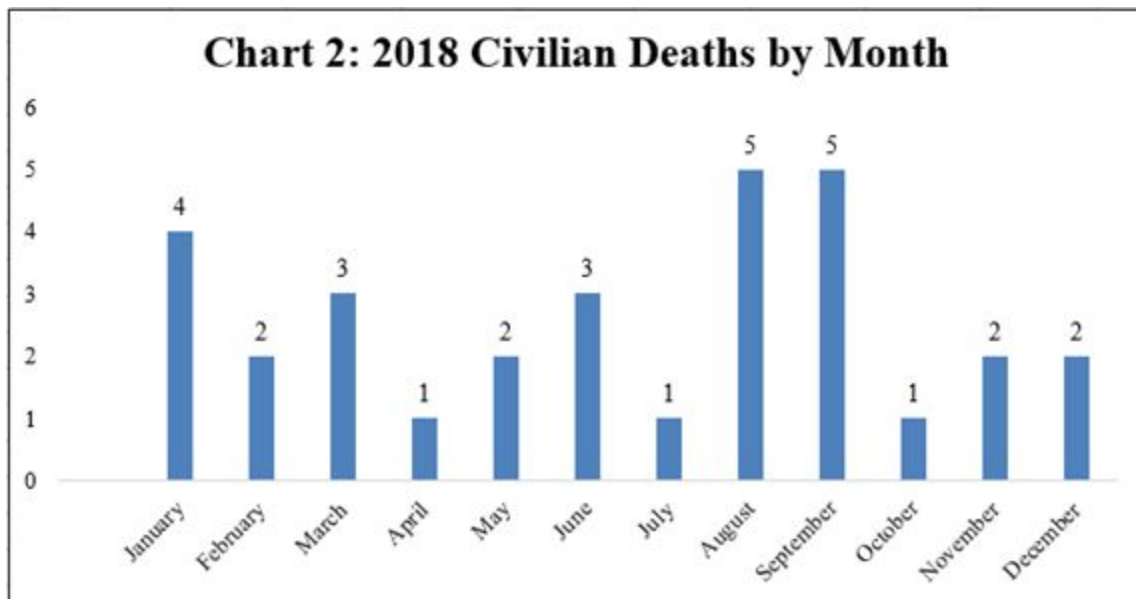


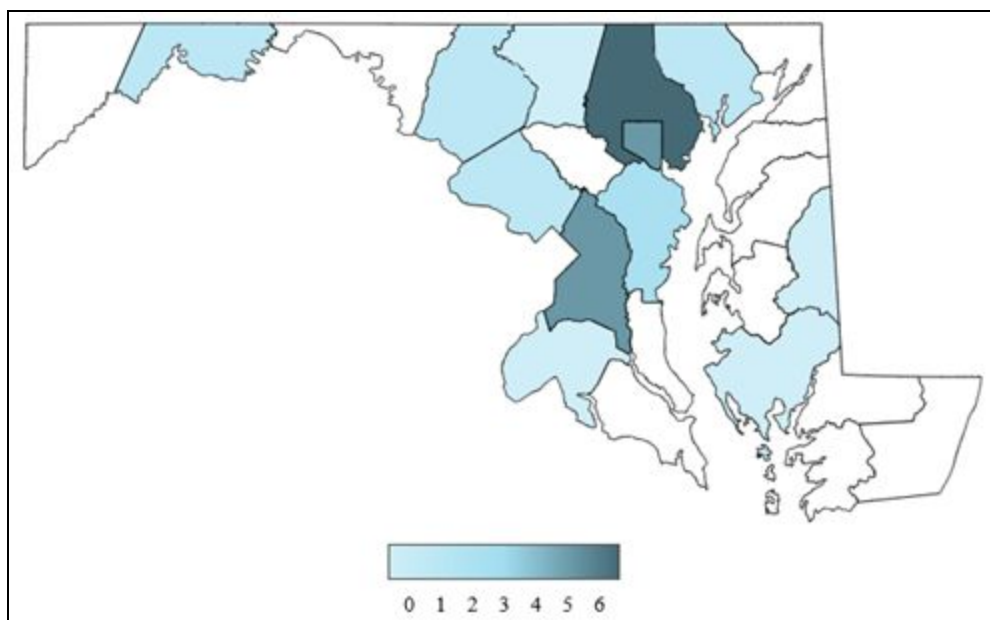
Table 1. 2018 Civilian Deaths Various Demographics (n=31)		
Sex		
Female	0	0.0%
Male	31	100.0%
Race/Ethnicity		
Asian	0	0.0%
Black	16	51.6%
Hispanic	2	6.5%
White	13	41.9%
Age Category		
Under 18	0	0.0%
18-24	8	25.8%
25-34	8	25.8%
35-44	6	19.4%
45-54	1	3.2%
55-64	6	19.4%
65+	2	6.5%

As shown in **Chart 2. 2018 Civilian Deaths by Month**, more civilian deaths occurred in August (n = 5) and September (n = 5), followed by January (n = 4) and March/June (n = 3).

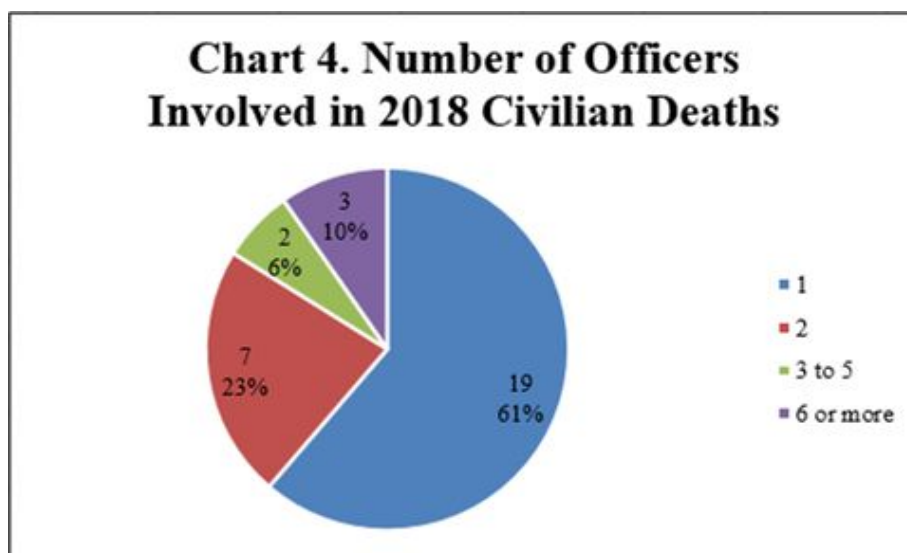
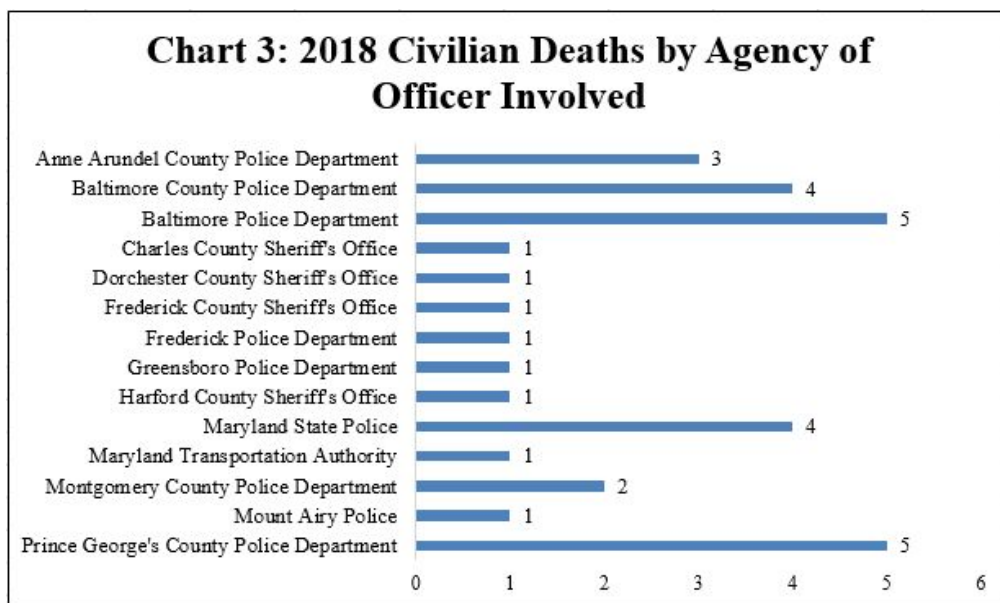


As illustrated in **Map 1. 2018 Civilian Deaths by County**, at least one civilian death occurred in 12 of the State's 24 counties. Baltimore County witnessed the most with six deaths, followed by Baltimore City and Prince George's County with five each.

Map 1. 2018 Civilian Deaths by County



A total of 92 law enforcement officers from 14 Maryland law enforcement agencies were involved in the 31 civilian deaths. As illustrated in **Chart 3. 2018 Civilian Deaths by Agency of Officer Involved**, the Baltimore Police Department and the Prince George's County Police Department were both involved in five civilian deaths, followed by the Maryland State Police and the Baltimore County Police Department with four. As shown in **Chart 4. Number of Officers Involved in 2018 Civilian Deaths**, over 60% of the civilian death incidents involved one officer, while 12 incidents involved two or more officers.



Of the 92 reported officers involved, 89 (97%) were male, 80 (87%) were white, and 81 (88%) were between the ages of 25 and 44 (*as illustrated in Table 2. Number of Officers Involved in*

Civilian Deaths by Various Demographics). The average age of the officers involved was 36 years old.

Table 2. Number of Officers Involved in Civilian Deaths by Various Demographics (n=92)		
Sex		
Female	3	3.3%
Male	89	96.7%
Race/Ethnicity		
Asian	1	1.1%
Black	11	12.0%
Hispanic	0	0.0%
White	80	87.0%
Age Category		
18-24	2	2.2%
25-34	37	40.2%
35-44	44	47.8%
45-54	7	7.6%
55+	2	2.2%

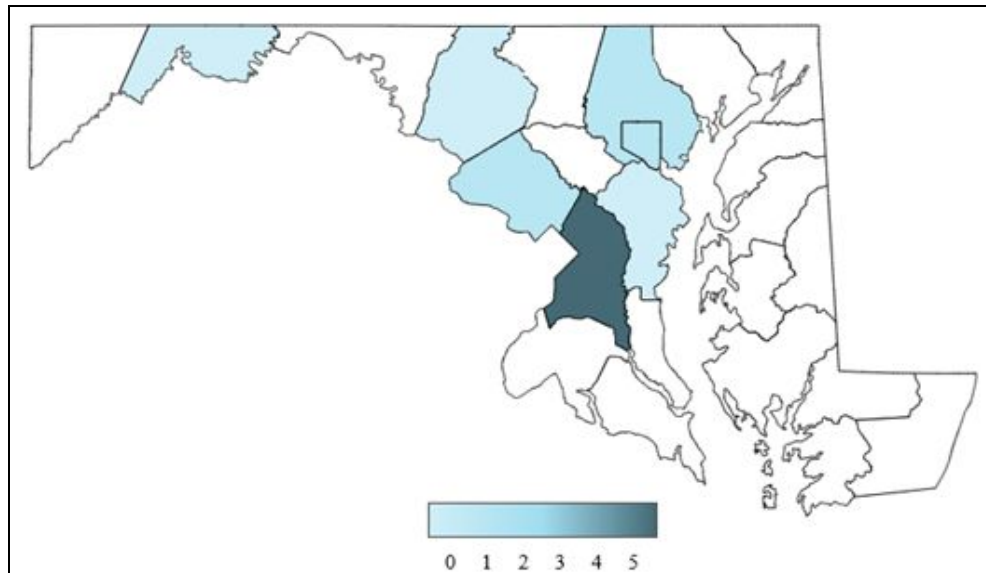
Officer-Involved Civilian Homicide Deaths

Of the 31 qualifying deaths involving a law enforcement officer in 2018, 14 cases were determined to be fatal shootings by law enforcement officers. All 14 civilians were male, nine were black (64%), three were white (21%), and all but two of the civilians were under 45 years of age (*as illustrated in Table 3. 2018 Homicides by Law Enforcement Civilian Demographics*).

Table 3. 2018 Homicides by Law Enforcement Civilian Demographics (n=14)		
Sex		
Female	0	0.0%
Male	14	100.0%
Race/Ethnicity		
Asian	0	0.0%
Black	9	64.3%
Hispanic	2	14.3%
White	3	21.4%
Age Category		
Under 18	0	0.0%
18-24	2	14.3%
25-34	6	42.9%
35-44	4	28.6%
45-54	0	0.0%
55-64	1	7.1%
65+	1	7.1%

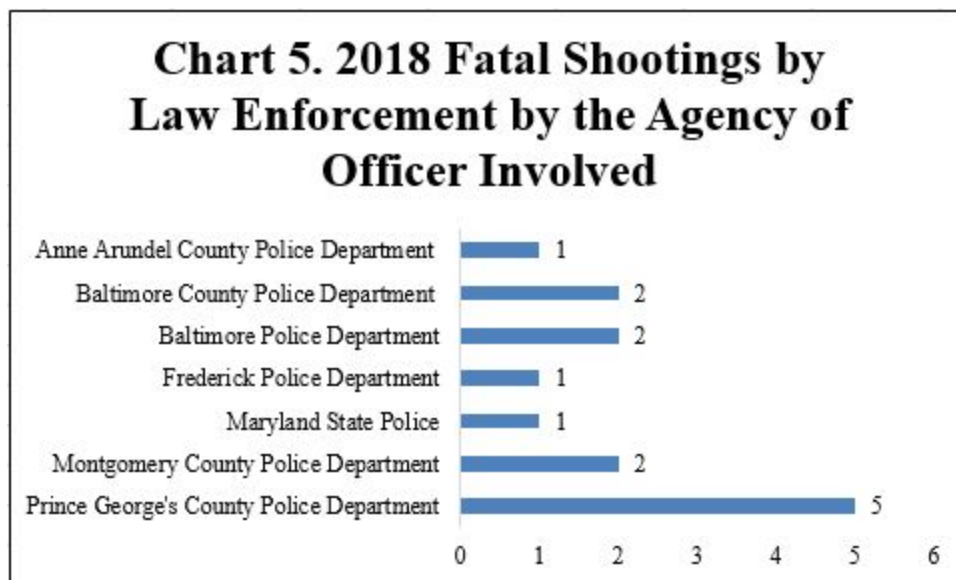
At least one fatal shooting by law enforcement incident occurred in seven counties. Prince George's County witnessed the most with six incidents, whereas two occurred in Baltimore County, Baltimore City, and Montgomery County (*as illustrated in Map 2. 2018 Fatal Shootings by Law Enforcement by County*).

Map 2. 2018 Fatal Shootings by Law Enforcement by County



A total of 19 law enforcement officers from seven Maryland law enforcement agencies were involved in the 14 fatal shootings. The Baltimore Police Department, the Baltimore County

Police Department, and the Montgomery County Police Department were all involved in two civilian fatal shootings. The Prince George's County Police Department was involved in five civilian fatal shootings (*as illustrated on the following page in **Chart 5. 2018 Fatal Shootings by Law Enforcement by the Agency of Officer Involved***).



As illustrated in **Table 4. Number of Officers Involved in 2018 Fatal Shootings by Various Demographics**, and of the 19 reported officers involved in a fatal shooting, all 19 were male, 15 (79%) were white, and 18 (95%) were between the ages of 25 and 44. The average age of the officers involved was 34 years old.

Table 4. Number of Officers Involved in 2018 Fatal Shootings by Various Demographics (n=19)		
Sex		
Female	0	0.0%
Male	19	100.0%
Race/Ethnicity		
Asian	0	0.0%
Black	4	21.1%
Hispanic	0	14.3%
White	15	78.9%
Age Category		
18-24	0	0.0%
25-34	10	52.6%
35-44	8	42.1%
45+	1	5.3%

Suicide

Of the 31 civilian deaths in 2018, seven cases were determined to be suicides where law enforcement was present at the scene. All seven suicides involved white male subjects. The average age of the subjects was 42 years.

Accident

There were eight incidents involving eight decedents that were determined by the Medical Examiner to be the result of an accident. Seven of the eight incidents involved seven subjects attempting to flee from police in motor vehicles. One incident resulted in the death of a pedestrian.

Natural Causes

There was one death in the presence of law enforcement in 2018 where the Medical Examiner categorized the manner of death as natural causes where the individual was taken into custody and died as a result of complications of asthma.

Overdose

One death in the presence of law enforcement in 2018 was categorized as an overdose by the Medical Examiner where law enforcement was responding to an apparent overdose call. The subject was being treated for a possible PCP overdose. As the subject was being treated, he

became uncooperative and pushed officers away. While attempting to be detained, the subject became unresponsive.

Officer Deaths in the Line of Duty

Between January 1, 2018 and December 31, 2018, there were three qualifying cases of a law enforcement officer death in the line of duty in Maryland. [Appendix D](#) shows provides the details of these incidents, and were provided by law enforcement in accordance with Chapter 134 of 2015.

Five Year Summary (2013-2018)

For the five-year period beginning January 1, 2013 and ending December 31, 2018, there were a total of 198 qualifying cases of civilian deaths involving a law enforcement officer and 12 qualifying cases of law enforcement officer deaths in the line of duty in Maryland. As illustrated below, **Table 5. Deaths Involving a Law Enforcement Officer Statistics by Year** provides a five-year comparison of the raw data provided by law enforcement in accordance with Chapter 134 of 2015.

Table 5. Deaths Involving a Law Enforcement Officer Statistics by year (2013-2018)						
Year	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Total Deaths Involving a Law Enforcement Officer	37	31	36	31	32	31
Manner of Death						
Homicides	19	18	18	16	13	14
Suicides	3	2	8	7	9	7
Accidents	11	8	4	8	9	8
Natural Causes	1	2	1	0	0	1
Overdose	0	0	0	0	0	1
Undetermined	3	1	5	0	1	0
Citizen Deaths Demographics						
% Black	70%	71%	56%	58%	38%	51.6%
% White	24%	27%	44%	36%	53%	41.9%
% Male	89%	94%	97%	81%	81%	100.0%
Number of Officers Involved	66	51	80	60	57	92
Officers Involved Demographics						
% Black	17%	27%	24%	17%	21%	12.0%
% White	77%	69%	74%	80%	74%	87.0%
% Male	97%	90%	94%	93%	88%	96.7%
Total Officer Deaths	1	1	3	3	1	3

On the following page, **Table 6. Deaths Involving Law Enforcement Officer by Agency** provides a five-year comparison of the agencies involved in all 198 cases.

Table 6. Deaths Involving Law Enforcement Officer by Agency (2013-2018)						
Agency	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Aberdeen Police Department	0	0	1	0	0	0
Annapolis City Police Department	1	0	0	0	0	0
Anne Arundel County Police Department	0	1	0	0	1	3
Baltimore County Police Department	4	3	8	4	4	4
Baltimore Police Department	10	5	5	9	7	5
Bladensburg Police Department	1	0	0	0	0	0
Carroll County Sheriff's Office	1	0	0	0	0	0
Cecil County Sheriff's Office	0	0	1	2	0	0
Charles County Sheriff's Office	0	0	2	1	0	1
Coppin State University Department of Public Safety	0	0	0	1	0	0
Dorchester County Sheriff's Office	0	0	0	0	0	1
Elkton Police Department	0	0	0	2	0	0
Forest Heights Police Department	0	0	1	0	0	0
Frederick County Sheriff's Office	2	0	0	0	0	1
Frederick Police Department	0	0	0	0	0	1
Glenarden Police Department	0	1	0	0	0	0
Greenbelt Police Department	0	0	0	1	0	0
Greensboro Police Department	0	0	0	0	0	1
Hagerstown Police Department	1	0	2	0	0	0
Harford County Sheriff's Office	2	2	0	2	1	1
Howard County Police Department	1	2	1	0	3	0
Laurel Police Department	0	0	0	1	0	0
Maryland State Police	6	8	3	5	8	4
Maryland Transit Administration Police	0	2	0	0	0	0
Maryland Transportation Authority	1	0	2	1	3	1
Montgomery County Police Department	2	2	1	1	2	2
Montgomery County Sheriff's Office	1	0	1	1	1	0
Mount Airy Police Department	0	0	0	0	0	1
Ocean City Police Department	0	0	0	2	1	0
Prince George's County Police Department	1	4	4	2	0	5
Prince George's County Sheriff's Office	0	1	1	0	0	0
Princess Anne Police Department	1	0	0	0	0	0
Queen Anne's County Sheriff's Office	0	1	0	1	0	0
Salisbury Police Department	1	1	0	0	0	0
Washington County Sheriff's Office	1	0	2	0	0	0
Westminster Police Department	0	0	1	0	1	0
Wicomico County Sheriff's Office	0	0	1	0	0	0

Summary

Between January 1, 2018 and December 31, 2018, there were a total of 31 qualifying cases of civilian deaths involving a law enforcement officer in Maryland. During that same time frame, law enforcement reported three qualifying cases of law enforcement officer deaths in the line of duty in Maryland. The next report, the *Fifth Report to the State of Maryland - Deaths Involving a Law Enforcement Officer*, will be released on June 30, 2020, and will include all qualifying civilian deaths involving a law enforcement officer, and officer deaths in the line of duty for the calendar year 2019.

APPENDICES

Appendix A

Incident Details

Date & Time of Death


Type of Incident

Choose one

Location of Death

Street address

Apt./Suite

City

MD

Zip

Incident Description

Deceased Person's Information

Type of Death

Choose one

Name of Deceased

Age of Deceased

Deceased Race and Ethnicity

Select race/ethnicities

Gender of Deceased

Choose one

 Submit

 Submit & Add Another

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Appendix B

Data Collected for Officer-Involved Civilian Deaths

For each qualifying civilian death involving a law enforcement officer, Chapter 134 of 2015 requires law enforcement agencies to report the information to MSAC. The reported information, and detailed definitions of each variable can be found below and in [Appendix C](#).

Agency: Refers to the Maryland law enforcement agency employing the officer involved.

Date of the civilian death: This information is taken directly from the Medical Examiner report. If this report is unavailable, the word “approx.” will follow the date, and refer to the date of incident. If a significant number of days passed between the incident date, and the date of death, this information will be noted.

Time of the civilian death: This information is taken directly from the Medical Examiner report. If this report is unavailable, the word “approx” will follow the time, and refer to the time of incident.

Age of the civilian: The age at last birthday.

Sex of the civilian: A person’s biological status, which was categorized as either male or female.

Ethnicity of the civilian: Ethnicity categories are: Hispanic or Latino (H), Not Hispanic or Latino (NH), Unknown (U).

Race of the civilian: Race categories are: American Indian or Alaska Native (I), Asian (A), Black or African American (B), White (W), Other (O), Unknown (U).

Age, gender, race, and ethnicity of the officer involved: An officer is considered “involved” if they had direct or indirect contact with the deceased during the law enforcement action when the death occurred. The following special circumstances should be noted:

- § Suicide: If a suicide occurred while an officer(s) was present at the scene, the demographic information of those officers is captured.
- § SWAT Operation: If a SWAT Operation is in progress at the scene, only the demographic information of individuals actively participating in the event causing the death is captured.

- **§ Traffic:** If a civilian dies as the result of a traffic related incident/accident, the demographic information of the officer(s) engaged with the subject at the time of the incident/accident will be captured.

Location of incident: The physical address, or proximity thereof, where the event associated with the death occurred.

Narrative/summary of incident: Brief details of the event based on the accounts provided via law enforcement's reporting of the incident to MSAC.

In addition to the data elements collected as a requirement of Chapter 134 of 2015, one additional data element was collected, the manner of death. This data element, utilizing information taken directly from Medical Examiner reports, was necessary in determining if a case qualified under Chapter 134 of 2015.

Manner of death: Manner of death is the classification of categories used to define whether a death is from intentional causes, unintentional causes, natural causes, or undetermined causes. The Office of the Chief Medical Examiner in Maryland uses the following primary classifications for manner of death:

- **§ Accident (A):** Accident applies when an injury or poisoning causes death and there is little or no evidence that the injury or poisoning occurred with the intent to harm or cause death. In essence, the fatal outcome was unintentional.
- **§ Homicide (H):** Homicide occurs when death results from a volitional act committed by another person to cause fear, harm, or death.⁸
- **§ Natural (N):** Natural deaths are due solely or nearly totally to disease and/or the aging process.
- **§ Suicide (S):** Suicide results from an injury or poisoning as a result of an intentional, self-inflicted act committed to do self harm or cause the death of one's self.
- **§ Undetermined (U):** A classification used when the information pointing to one manner of death is no more compelling than one or more other competing manners of death in thorough consideration of all available information.
- **§ Pending (P):** Awaiting additional test results or information.

⁸ Hanzlick, R., Hunsaker III, J., & Davis, G. (2002). *National Association of Medical Examiners* ®: [A Guide for Manner of Death Classification](http://www.charlydmiller.com/LIB03/2002NAMEmannerofdeath.pdf). Retrieved from: <http://www.charlydmiller.com/LIB03/2002NAMEmannerofdeath.pdf>.

Data Collected for Officer Deaths in the Line of Duty

For each qualifying law enforcement officer death, Chapter 134 of 2015 requires law enforcement to report the following information to MSAC:

Agency: Refers to the Maryland law enforcement agency employing the deceased officer.

Date of the officer death: This information is taken directly from the Medical Examiner report. If the Medical Examiner report is unavailable, the word “approx.” will follow the date, and refer to the date of incident. If a significant number of days passed between the incident date, and the date of death, this information will be noted.

Age of the deceased officer: The age at last birthday.

Sex of the deceased officer: A person’s biological status, which was categorized as either male or female.

Ethnicity of the deceased officer: Ethnicity categories are: Hispanic or Latino (H), Not Hispanic or Latino (NH), Unknown (U).

Race of the deceased officer: Race categories are: American Indian or Alaska Native (I), Asian (A), Black or African American (B), White (W), Other (O), Unknown (U).

Location of incident: The physical address, or proximity thereof, where the event associated with the death occurred.

Narrative/summary of incident: Brief details of the incident based on the accounts provided via law enforcement’s reporting of the incident to MSAC.

Appendix C

Deaths Involving a Law Enforcement Officer

The following information was supplied by Law Enforcement Agencies and does not reflect the understanding or opinion of the Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention													
Case Identifier	Citizen Identifier	Officers Involved	Date of Death	Time of Death	Reporting Law Enforcement Agency	Event Location	Civilian Sex	Civilian Age	Civilian Race	Category/Manner of Death	Officer Sex	Officer Age	Officer Race
2018-01	18-01	1	1/15/2018	8:55 PM	Maryland State Police	Pulaski Highway at Otsego Street Havre de Grace, MD 21078	Male	42	Black	Accident	Male	27	White
2018-02	18-02	1	1/25/2018	11:38 PM	Maryland State Police	11301 High Germany Road SE Little Orleans MD 21766	Male	66	White	Homicide	Male	26	White
2018-03	18-03	1	1/28/2018	10:53 PM	Baltimore Police Department	3500 Block of Gwynns Falls Parkway Baltimore MD 21216	Male	33	Black	Homicide	Male	31	White
2018-04	18-04	19	1/30/2018	4:00 PM	Mount Airy Police	617 Park Ridge Dr. Mount Airy, MD 21771	Male	18	White	Suicide	Male	44	White
											Male	43	White
											Male	37	White
											Male	36	White
											Male	38	White
											Female	37	White
											Male	39	White
											Male	49	White
											Male	37	White
											Male	34	White
											Male	32	White
											Male	27	White
											Male	25	White
											Male	26	White
											Male	25	White
											Male	25	White
											Male	37	White
											Male	40	White
											Male	46	White

2018-05	18-05	2	2/6/2018	10:25 AM	Dorchester County Sheriff	6810 Eldorado Rd Federalsburg,	Male	56	White	Suicide	Male	26	White
											Male	42	Black
2018-06	18-06	2	2/21/2018	10:17 AM	Prince George's County Police	Old Fort Rd/Indian Head	Male	37	Black	Homicide	Male	36	Black
											Male	36	Black
2018-07	18-07	2	3/7/2018	8:23 AM	Anne Arundel County Police	Arundel Blvd. & Round Bay Rd.	Male	52	White	Suicide	Male	26	White
											Female	22	Black
2018-08	18-08	1	3/29/2018	8:34 PM	Baltimore Police Department	2700 Block of Greenmount Ave Baltimore, MD 21218	Male	21	Black	Accident	Male	43	Black
2018-09	18-09	1	3/30/2018	1:31 AM	Baltimore Police Department	1600 Block of Thames St. Baltimore, MD 21223	Male	33	White	Accident	Male	34	White
2018-10	18-10	16	4/19/2018	10:20 PM	Charles County Sheriff's Office	11527 Shearwater Dr Waldorf, MD 20601	Male	57	White	Suicide	Male	39	White
											Male	42	White
											Male	43	White
											Male	35	White
											Male	43	White
											Male	28	White
											Male	35	White
											Male	55	White
											Male	38	White
											Male	44	White
											Male	31	White
											Male	48	White
											Male	38	White
											Male	54	White
											Male	37	White
											Male	48	White
2018-11	18-11	1	5/14/2018	3:52 PM	Prince George's County Police Department	8815 Woodyard Rd. Clinton, MD 20735	Male	24	Black	Homicide	Male	44	White
2018-12	18-12	1	5/25/2018	1:00 PM	Baltimore Police Department	300 Block of N. Hilton St. Baltimore, MD 21229	Male	19	Black	Accident	Male	31	Black
2018-13	18-13	4	6/4/2018	1:46 PM	Frederick Police Department	1212 Danielle Drive Frederick, MD 21703	Male	26	Black	Homicide	Male	28	White
											Male	37	White
											Male	30	White
											Male	42	White
2018-14	18-14	2	6/8/2018	7:18 PM	Frederick County Sheriff's Office	7191 F Cypress Court Frederick,	Male	27	White	Natural Causes	Male	33	White
											Male	28	White
2018-15	18-15	1	6/11/2018	2:14 PM	Montgomery County Police Department	3 Oaks Drive Silver Spring, MD 20901	Male	41	Black	Homicide	Male	31	Black

2018-16	18-16	1	7/23/2018	10:30 PM	Montgomery County Police Department	2822 Mozart Dr Silver Spring, MD 20904	Male	30	Hispanic	Homicide	Male	30	White
2018-17	18-17	1	8/1/2018	1:27 PM	Prince George's County Police Department	6223 Livingston Rd Oxon Hill, MD 20745	Male	27	Black	Homicide	Male	43	White
2018-18	18-18	1	8/5/2018	11:42 PM	Baltimore County Police Department	East Liberty Rd, Woodlawn, MD 21207	Male	71	Black	Accident	Male	36	White
2018-19	18-19	1	8/6/2018	5:00 PM	Maryland State Police	869 Cranbrook Road Cockeysville, MD 21030	Male	58	Black	Accident	Male	26	White
2018-20	18-20	1	8/9/2018	9:15 PM	Prince George's County Police Department	7800 Sheriff Road Landover, MD 20785	Male	40	Black	Homicide	Male	35	Black
2018-21	18-21	1	8/27/2018	12:00 AM	Baltimore County Police Department	12010 Dulaney Valley Rd. Phoenix, MD 21131	Male	42	White	Homicide	Male	45	White
2018-22	18-22	5	9/15/2018	7:00 PM	Greensboro Police Department	13000 Greensboro RD Greensboro, MD 21639	Male	19	Black	Accident	Male	42	White
											Male	60	White
											Male	40	White
											Female	22	White
											Male	40	White
2018-23	18-23	1	9/17/2018	8:06 PM	Prince George's County Police Department	3410 Brinkley Rd Temple Hills, MD 20748	Male	23	Hispanic	Homicide	Male	31	White
2018-24	18-24	1	9/23/2018	7:18 PM	Anne Arundel County Police Department	1342 Lake Avenue Pasadena, MD 21122	Male	55	White	Overdose	Male	29	White
2018-25	18-25	2	9/23/2018	7:14 PM	Baltimore Police Department	800 Vine St. Baltimore, MD	Male	29	Black	Homicide	Male	28	White
											Male	26	White

2018-26	18-26	15	9/25/2018	4:45 PM	Harford County Sheriff's Office	4616 Clermont Mill Rd. Pylesville, MD 21132	Male	57	White	Suicide	Male	30	White
											Male	27	White
											Male	41	White
											Male	33	White
											Male	41	White
											Male	37	White
											Male	32	Asian
											Male	34	White
											Male	32	White
											Male	47	White
											Male	40	White
											Male	33	White
											Male	36	Black
											Male	39	White
											Male	44	White
2018-27	18-27	1	10/30/2018	9:35 PM	Baltimore County Police Department	2300 Cleaneigh Drive Parkville, MD 21234	Male	28	Black	Homicide	Male	36	White
2018-28	18-28	1	11/4/2018	5:17 AM	Anne Arundel County Police Department	100 Linwood Ave Glen Burnie, MD 21061	Male	60	White	Homicide	Male	31	White
2018-29	18-29	2	11/21/2018	7:51 PM	Maryland Transportation Authority	7050 Elm Road Baltimore, MD 21240	Male	21	White	Suicide	Male	44	Black
											Male	27	White
2018-30	18-30	2	12/10/2018	3:58 PM	Baltimore County Police Department	F/O 307 Falcon Rd Reisterstown, MD 21136	Male	18	Black	Accident	Male	27	Black
											Male	43	White
2018-31	18-31	1	12/27/2018	10:50 AM	Maryland State Police	10409 Piney Mountain RD Frostburg, MD 21532	Male	39	White	Suicide	Male	37	White

Deaths Involving a Law Enforcement Officer Incident Description

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The following information was supplied by Law Enforcement Agencies and does not reflect the understanding or opinion of the Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention	
Civilian Identifier	Incident Description
18-01	On the above date and time, troopers were in pursuit of a stolen vehicle. The pursuit started near Elkton in Cecil County. The suspect and his passenger continued westbound on Pulaski Highway. The suspect ran a steady traffic signal and swerved to avoid turning vehicles. The suspect's vehicle collided with a traffic signal support pole.
18-02	On the above date and time, troopers responded to the above address for a domestic dispute, in which the suspect threatened his spouse with a handgun and fired a round during a struggle. The spouse fled and called the police. The suspect barricaded himself in the house and sporadically peppered police with gunfire during the six-hour stand-off. When troopers from the STATE Team attempted entry; the suspect fired on them; a member of the STATE Team, fearing for his life and the lives of his coworkers, discharged his rifle three times striking the suspect in the chest.
18-03	A uniformed officer attempted to conduct a vehicle stop. The driver initially stopped, but after speaking with the officer briefly sped away. The driver bailed out of the vehicle and came in contact with two other responding units. The responding units began a foot pursuit. During the pursuit, the decedent was armed with a handgun and turned and fired at the officer, who returned fire and struck the decedent multiple times. The subject was transported by medic to an area hospital where he was pronounced dead.
18-04	Armed suicidal subject being looked for was actively trying to evade capture by running through the yards in the neighborhood. Subject shot himself in the head, was given first aid on scene by EMS and Sheriff's Deputies. Trooper 3 arrived to assist in first aid prior to airlift to Shock Trauma.
18-05	Deputies responded to a report of step-son stealing step-father's shotgun and leaving the residence. The closest units arrived and met stepfather. The deputies started walking towards where the stepfather last saw his stepson. A deputy was about 15 yards from a ditch when he observed a red colored shirt move from behind a pile of tires. Before a deputy could even get any verbal commands out he observed the barrel of a long gun and heard a single shot. A deputy first took cover and orders were given for subject to put the gun down and show his hands. After not getting any response or able to see the suspect anymore the Deputies proceeded to where the last sighting was and discovered the suspect had a self-inflicted gunshot to the head.
18-06	Decedent shot and killed a Prince George's County Police officer. Decedent was located by other officers and was shot and killed after confronting other officers with a firearm.
18-07	On March 7, 2018 at approximately 8:05 a.m., the subject, who was going through a divorce with his wife drove to her residence and stabbed/killed her. The subject then walked out onto a pier where he had slashed his own throat and wrist. As officers arrived on scene they heard a pop. Upon examination of the subject's body, he had used a firearm and committed suicide upon officers arrival.
18-08	Suspect was fleeing police on foot when struck by a civilian vehicle. He died as a result of the accident.
18-09	Suspect was fleeing police when he jumped into the water and drowned.
18-10	Gunshot wound to the head.
18-11	Decedent was shot and killed by officer after pointing a handgun at officers while exiting a fast food establishment he had burglarized.
18-12	On May 24, 2018 at approximately 0220 hours Officer was in the 3300 block of W. Baltimore Street when he observed a burgundy Chevrolet Tahoe traveling northbound in the unit block of N. Hilton Street with no headlights on and a missing front tag. The Officer attempted to conduct a vehicle stop on the Chevrolet Tahoe but the driver sped away in an effort to elude the vehicle stop. Unfortunately, the driver apparently lost control of the vehicle and drove into the nearby woods. Two subjects were removed from the vehicle and taken to area hospitals. Unfortunately, subject #1 succumbed to his injuries and was pronounced dead on May 25, 2018. Subject #2 was treated and eventually released.
18-13	Officers of the Frederick Police Department were dispatched for the report of a male ringing doorbells, shadow boxing and "swimming" on the grass. Upon arrival subject the subject demonstrated signs of impairment by CDS and fled on foot. The subject began to walk on the roadway, endangering himself. Subject began to reach into waistband and was tackled by officers. Subject resisted control efforts and was handcuffed. Subject had odor of PCP on person and suspected PCP vial on his person as well. EMS was summoned due to PCP usage. Subject was screaming upon EMS arrival. Once EMS personnel loaded subject onto cot, Subject ceased movement and lifesaving efforts by EMS began. Subject had a pulse upon transport to/arrival at Frederick Memorial Hospital. Subject pronounced deceased at FMH a short time after arrival.

18-14	Deputies responded to a residence for a wanted subject, who was located in the home and ran from police. A deputy was able to take the subject into custody who began to have difficulty breathing. EMS was started, an inhaler was retrieved due to the subject being an asthmatic. After EMS began treatment, subject became unconscious and went into cardiac arrest.
18-15	Officer initiated a subject stop of a suspicious person. As the officer attempted to make contact with the subject, the subject became combative and repeatedly physically assaulted the officer. The officer discharged his service weapon, striking the subject multiple times.
18-16	Subject was shot by a Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) officer during the course of a life-threatening hostage/barricade incident.
18-17	Suspect was fleeing from a homicide he committed armed with a handgun. He was engaged by a police officer, did not drop his weapon as ordered. Officer discharged his weapon striking the suspect. The suspect succumbed to his injuries.
18-18	Pedestrian was crossing Liberty Rd., entering into the center turn lane in front of police vehicle. The collision threw the subject into westbound traffic lane, where he was struck a second time by a Ford Explorer.
18-19	On the above date and time, troopers were attempting to apprehend a subject in a stolen vehicle. A pursuit ensued during an operation to capture the suspect and recover the stolen vehicle. The suspect, later believed to be impaired by alcoholic beverages, was operating the stolen vehicle and fleeing troopers when he collided with another motorist operating a sedan. The operator/occupant of the sedan was killed in the collision.
18-20	Officers attempted to stop a suspect in a parking lot that was armed with a handgun. A physical struggle ensued while trying to disarm the suspect. When officers failed to disarm the suspect, an officer discharged their weapon fatally wounding the suspect.
18-21	An Officer and Lieutenant were dispatched to a Suspicious Subject call. They encountered an individual standing in a creek, along a trail, in the woods, near Loch Raven Reservoir. The individual was walking in the creek, splashing water on himself and stating that he needed to find water. Officers paralled him while he walked and they unsuccessfully attempted to engage him in conversation. When he reached the reservoir he continued into the deep water. He swam out approximately 50 yards where he clung onto a log for a short period before slipping below the surface and drowning. Police Report #18-239-0652.
18-22	Fleeing from police and subsequent arrest for attempting to abduct a child. The police administered Narcan and performed CPR on suspect. Pronounced dead at the hospital.
18-23	The decedent was resisting arrest for a theft, and got into a struggle with officers. Officers had attempted to use a Taser on decedent, but it did not have the desired effect to gain control. The decedent pulled out a gun and fired two rounds while the officers attempted to get control of him. One officer fired one round striking and killing the decedent.
18-24	On Monday, September 17, 2018 at approximately 9:57p.m. fire department personnel responded to the Lake Shore Tavern located in the 1300 block of Lake Avenue, Pasadena, Maryland for an overdose call. Fire personnel arrived on scene and were treating two adult males after both reported using phencyclidine (PCP). At that time fire department personnel requested police expedite their response to the scene of the overdose. Once on scene, officers learned a 54-year-old male and a 55-year-old male both were being treated for a possible PCP overdose. The fifty-five-year-old male was in the back of an ambulance when he became uncooperative. He unhooked the straps from the gurney and exited the ambulance. Officers told the subject to get back into the ambulance at which time he pushed the officer away. Officers were able to restrain the suspect and take him to the ground. As officers were trying to handcuff the suspect he became unresponsive. Fire department personnel immediately rendered medical aid. Anne Arundel County detectives responded to the scene and interviewed several witnesses who advised they just saw the officers take the suspect to the ground and attempt to handcuff him. The witnesses did not report the officers striking the suspect in any way. The suspect was transported to the Baltimore Washington Medical Center to receive further treatment. The subject never regained consciousness and on Sunday, September 23, 2018 was pronounced deceased. On Monday, September 24, 2018, the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner performed an autopsy. The OCME reported they did not observe any injuries consistent with causing his death and have pended the autopsy findings until toxicology and forensic results come back.
18-25	Officer and suspect were exchanging gunfire. Officer fatally shot suspect; suspect shot and wounded officer
18-26	HCSO Civil Unit Deputies responded to an address to serve a Petition for Emergency Evaluation. The subject was found outside of his barn holding a rifle then retreated back into his barn. The subject would not surrender his rifle and fired several shots into the air before taking his own life by a gunshot to the head. HCSO support personnel responded to scene---SWAT, Criminal Investigations Division and Crisis Negotiations.
18-27	Officer was working Uniformed Secondary Employment at the Parkway Shopping Center. Officer made contact with the driver of a Black Chevy Suburban in front of the Shop Rite Store. During a brief interaction with the driver, the Officer opens the vehicle door. The officer becomes trapped between the open driver door of the suburban and the interior. The officer fires several rounds striking the driver. As the vehicle pulls away, the officer is also struck by a second vehicle and thrown to the ground as a result of the collision. The driver was transported to the hospital where he is pronounced deceased.

18-28	On November 5, 2018 at approximately 5:17 a.m., officers responded to 103 Linwood Avenue in Glen Burnie to serve an Extreme Risk Protective Order (Red Flag Law) and a Protective Order. The individual, who was the subject of the Extreme Risk Protective Order and the Protective Order, answered the door holding a gun. The individual then placed the gun next to the door. When officers began to serve him with the order, he became irate, opened the door to the residence and grabbed the gun. An attempt was made by an officer to take the gun away from the individual when he fired the gun. A second officer fired their service weapon, striking the individual who was pronounced deceased at the scene. The Homicide Unit responded and the individual was transported to the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner for autopsy.
18-29	While the subject was in the Airport he was observed dropping a knife from his hand and the subject was holding his throat area and stumbling. The subject fell to the ground and officers attempted life saving measures. BWI Medic #44 responded and pronounced the subject deceased at 1951 hours.
18-30	Officers located a stolen vehicle and performed a traffic stop on N/B High Falcon Road. The vehicle initially stopped, but prior to the officers making contact with the occupants of the vehicle, the vehicle pulled away at a high rate of speed. The officers briefly attempted to pursue the vehicle but were cancelled by the shift commander. Officers shut down their emergency equipment and lost sight of the vehicle. After travelling a short distance on N/B High Falcon Road, out of sight of the officers, the suspect vehicle struck an unoccupied vehicle parked on the shoulder of N/B High Falcon Road, then struck a large tree coming to rest in front of 307 High Falcon Road. There were determined to be four occupants in the vehicle. Three were taken to area hospitals and one was pronounced deceased at the scene.
18-31	On 12/27/2018 at approximately 1050 hours, Troopers from the MSP Cumberland Barrack responded to 10409 Piney Mountain Road for a report of a burglary (18-MSP-056234). Upon the arrival of the troopers, they made contact with a family member of the decedent, who was identified as a having a history of substance abuse issues. The family member stated they believed the individual broke into their residence and could be possibly armed with the stolen handgun reported by the decedent's estranged wife. Upon the troopers making entry into the residence, the individual discharged the stolen handgun, committing suicide.

Appendix D

Officer Line of Duty Deaths

The following information was supplied by Law Enforcement Agencies and does not reflect the understanding or opinion of the Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention									
Case Identifier	Officer Identifier	Date of Death	Time of Death	Reporting Law Enforcement Agency	Event Location	Officer Sex	Officer Age	Officer Race	Category / Manner of Death
Case 9	Officer 10	2/21/2018	10:10 AM	Prince George's County Police Department	15706 Chadsey Lane Brandywine, MD 20613	Male	51	Black	Homicide
Case 10	Officer 11	5/21/2018	2:00 PM	Baltimore County Police Department	7 Linwen Way Perry Hall, MD 21236	Female	29	White	Homicide
Case 11	Officer 12	11/12/2018	1:23 PM	Baltimore County Police Department	1100 Mace Ave, Essex, MD 21221	Male	53	White	Suicide

Officer Line of Duty Deaths Incident Description

2018 Officer Line of Duty Death Incident Description	
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Officer Identifier	Incident Description
Officer 10	Officer was shot and killed while attempting to provide assistance to a neighbor who was having domestic problems with her husband.
Officer 11	A police officer was intentionally struck and killed by a vehicle driven by a juvenile burglary suspect in front of 7 Linwen Way in the Perry Hall area of Baltimore County. She had responded to calls about a burglary in progress in the neighborhood at approximately 2:00 pm and was given a description of a black Jeep Wrangler. As she arrived in the area she located the vehicle, which had previously been stolen, and followed it to the dead-end of the cul-de-sac where she challenged the driver to exit the vehicle. The juvenile driver opened the door and then accelerated towards the officer, fatally striking her.
Officer 12	The School Resource Officer, assigned to Eastern Tech High School, committed suicide in his office. The cause of death was a self-inflicted gunshot wound.