



Valley ASAP

Annual Report

FY 2013

Working to improve highway safety by decreasing the incidence of driving under the influence of alcohol and other drugs.

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In 2012, 28,719 people, in Virginia, were convicted of Driving Under the Influence. This is a 1.98 percent increase from the previous year.

The average Blood Alcohol Content of those who were arrested was for Driving Under the Influence, in 2012, was .139.

Of those convicted of Driving Under the Influence, in 2012, 77 percent were male and 23 percent were female.

From the Director

As the Director of the Valley Alcohol Safety Action Program I am proud to lead an organization that consistently offers quality services to the community despite the many challenges it faces. The organization has adapted to the changing laws and has overcome the financial challenges that are always present. It is important that the agency continue to provide the courts and the community with the services it offers. The effects of alcohol affect everyone. No one, no family, no race, no gender and no socio-economic group are immune to the problems and harm that alcohol can cause. Statewide, VASAP plays an important role in reversing the damage that has been done. VASAP is challenged with finding a solution that fits the individual. We do this every day because we care about our communities and understand that what affects the community affects all of us. Valley ASAP has worked hard over the past year to determine and meet the needs of our clients. This requires a team effort consisting of case managers, individual instructors, the courts, families, treatment providers, and countless others.

Operating Highlights

The addition of a DUI Court Coordinator, has made it possible to plan for the expansion the of the DUI Court program, in the upcoming year. Retired police officer Roy Hartless has taken the challenge of running this program that offers intensive supervision for high risk offenders. As one of two recognized DUI Courts, in Virginia, it is our goal to share our knowledge and help the advancement of DUI Courts throughout the state.

Looking Ahead

Valley ASAP looks forward to 2014. In the coming year, we will be expanding our service area to include Rockbridge County and the cities of Lexington, and Buena Vista. This promises to be a challenging move that will create new opportunities for the agency.

Miles C. Bobbitt
Executive Director
July 1, 2013

Virginia instituted mandatory interlock for all offenders seeking a restricted license, in FY2013. Valley ASAP had the following number of interlock installations.

Drager	93
Alcolock	38
Smart Start	Unknown
LifeSafer	17

Number of interlock facilities statewide:

Drager
26 Service Facilities
45.6% Market Share

ALCOLOCK
22 Service Facilities
8.8% Market Share

Smart Start
24 Service Facilities
26.9% Market Share

LifeSafer
24 Service Facilities
18.5% Market Share

On June 30, 2013, there were 8,456 interlock systems in use statewide.

Executive Summary

Mission Statement

The mission of the Valley Alcohol Safety Action Program is to improve highway safety by decreasing the incidence of driving under the influence of alcohol and other drugs, leading to the reduction of alcohol and drug related fatalities and crashes.

In addition, Valley ASAP seeks to provide services to the Juvenile & Domestic Relations Courts, the General District Courts, Circuit Courts, local school jurisdictions, and the public through the use of ancillary programs.

Financial Overview

In FY2013, Valley ASAP projected a balanced budget with revenues and expenditures of \$345,190. The agency collected \$295,403 in revenues and had expenditures of \$315,163. This resulted in a funding deficit for the year of \$19,760.

Referral Overview

Referrals to Valley ASAP decrease slightly for the second consecutive year. Total referrals for the year decreased by 26% from the previous year. Referrals for DUI convictions decreased by 10% from 2012. The office saw a 13% decrease in the number of drug offenders referred for services and a 19% decrease in Young Offender referrals. The Driver Improvement program also saw a decline with a 33% decrease in participants.

Policy Board

Members of the Policy Board for FY2013 were: Mr. Stephen F. Owen (City of Staunton), Mr. Patrick J. Coffield (County of Augusta), Mr. James E. Williams (City of Staunton), Dr. Chuck Bishop (Augusta County Schools), Mr. Todd G. Patrick (City of Waynesboro), and Mr. Michael G. Hamp, II (City of Waynesboro).

Financial Statements

FY2013 Statement of Income and Expenses

REVENUE		EXPENSES	
ASAP	\$128,852	Wages	\$173,623
Driver Improvement	\$27,578	Administrative	\$131,547
Drug Offenders	\$27,097	Capital Expenses	\$1,142
Young Offenders	\$16,160	Supplies	\$6,632
Drug Test Fees	\$22,216	Miscellaneous	\$2,219
Other	\$73,500	Total	\$315,163
Total	\$295,403		

Fiscal Statement

Valley ASAP faced a tough financial year in 2013. Revenues for the year fell short of expenditures creating a deficit of \$19,760. The agency began the year with a balanced budget of \$345,190. Revenues fell short of the projected budget by \$49,787 and expenditures for the year were \$30,027 below the projected budget. Revenues from clients convicted of a DUI were \$17,347 less than projected and revenue from Driver Improvement classes was \$11,423. The largest shortfall was seen in revenues for the interlock program which was \$17,822 below projections. Revenue from clients convicted of reckless driving was \$3,063 below projections and revenue from clients convicted of underage possession of alcohol was \$6,641 less than anticipated. Fees collected from clients convicted of a drug offense exceeded projections by \$7,716.

Throughout the 2012 fiscal year, Valley ASAP closely monitored spending. Expenses were controlled through staffing. Hours for administrative staff were reduced and one vacant position was not filled. The reduction in labor cost minimized the year's deficit.

*2012 Alcohol
Related Crashes by
Jurisdiction:*

Augusta 86
Staunton 25
Waynesboro 34

*Virginia Alcohol
Related Traffic
Fatalities have
decreased by 35%
over the past 5
years.*

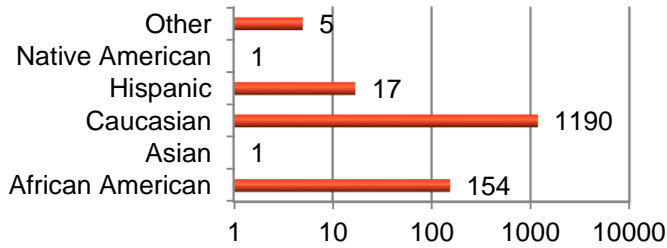
*In 2012, there were
229 fatalities in
alcohol related
crashes.*

*21 to 35 year olds
were the most likely
to be killed in an
alcohol related
crash.*

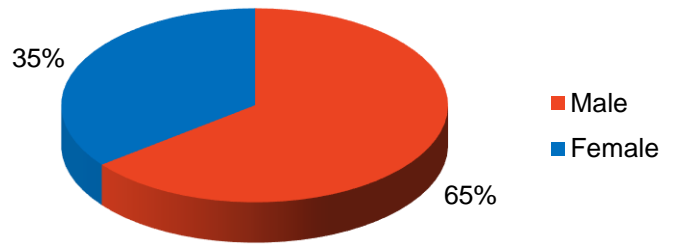
*In 2012, there were
13,581 alcohol
related crashes in
Virginia.*

Client Demographics

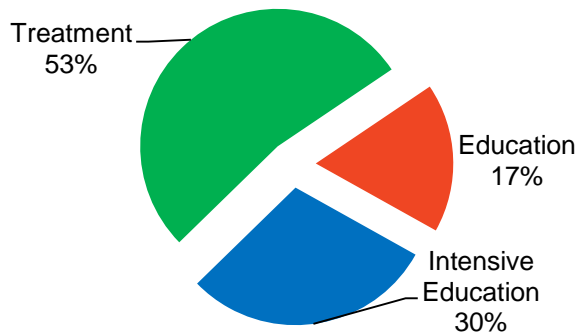
2013 Referrals by Race



2013 Gender Comparison

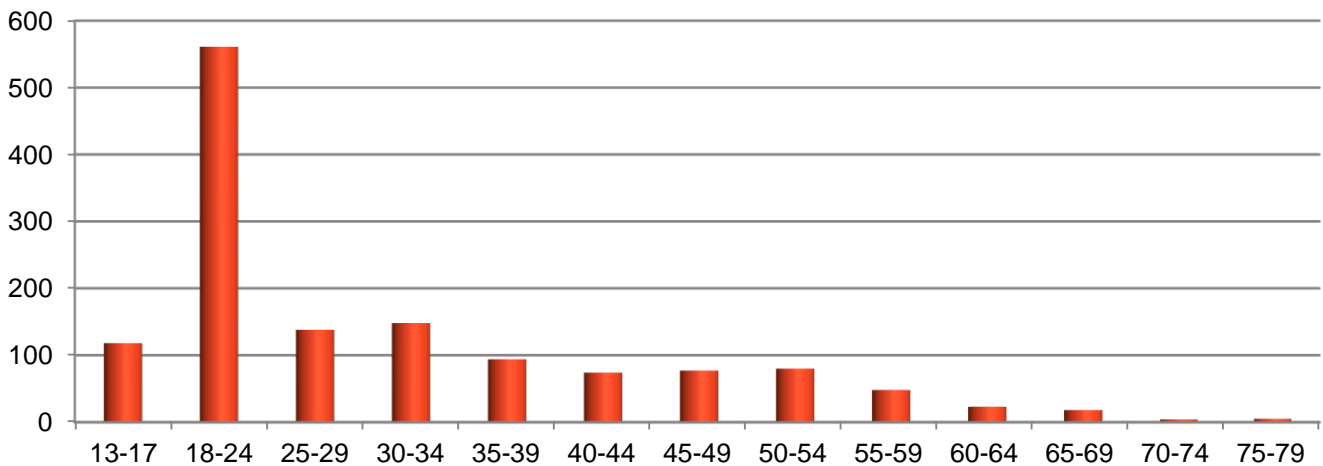


2013 Classifications



ASAP clients are classified for services in accordance with Commission approved criteria, as needing education, intensive education, or treatment. When a client enters the ASAP program a staff member will review all available data including the client's alcohol and drug history and make the appropriate classification.

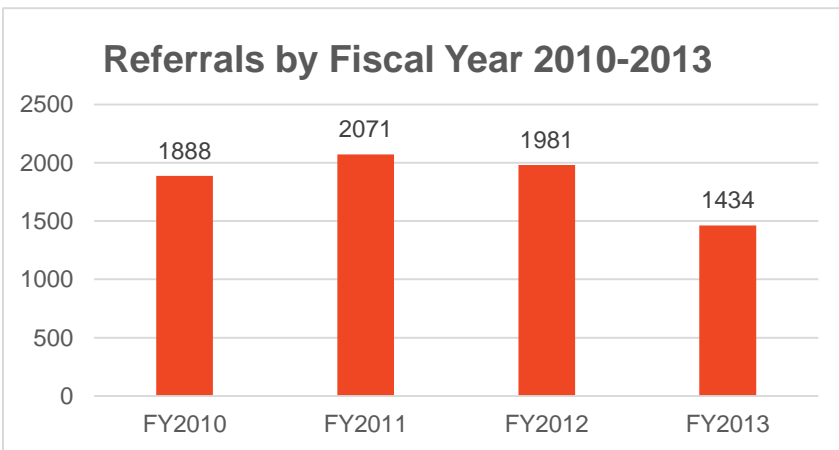
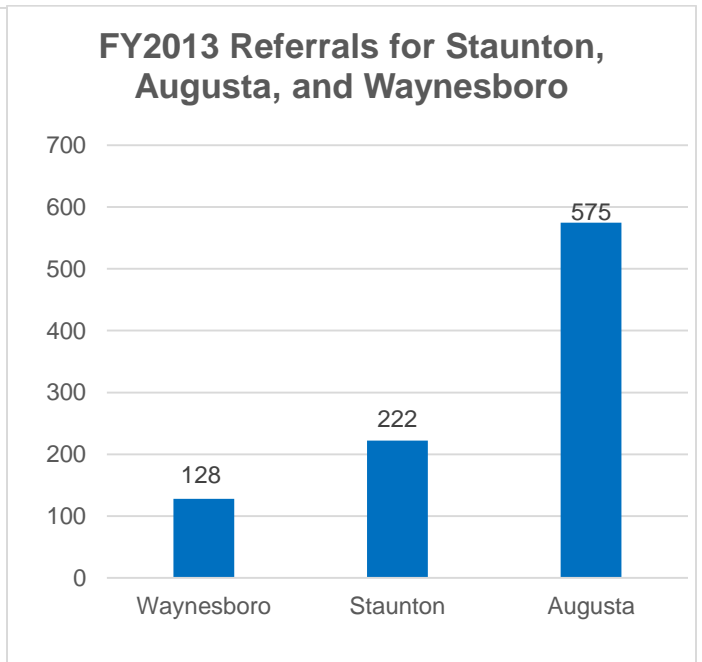
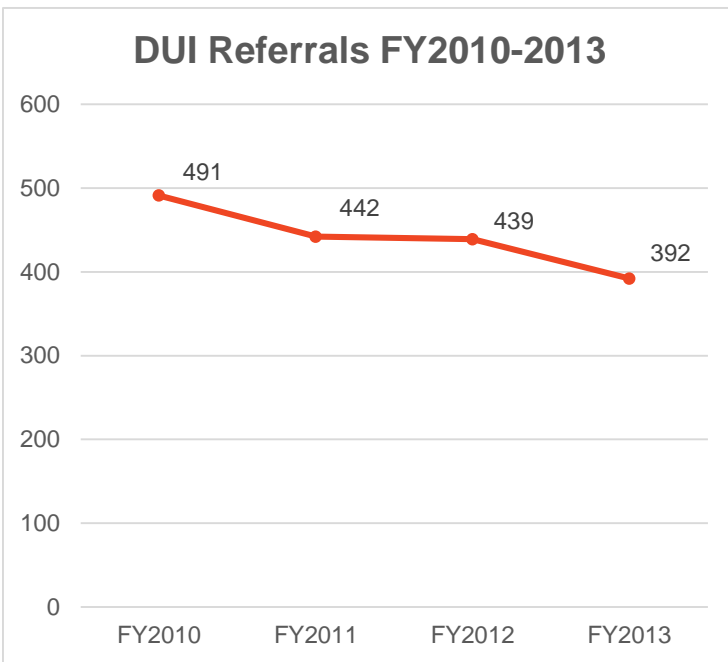
FY2013 Referrals by Age



Client Referrals

FY 2013 Referral Overview

Service Type	ASAP	Habitual Young DRUG Offender	Offender	Young Offender	Driver Improvement	Reckless Driving	Other	Total
Number of Referrals	392	73	47	89	446	47	340	1434



Sobering Fact

Alcohol related fatalities represent 1/3 of all driving related fatalities.

The average driver has driven under the influence of alcohol 90 times prior to arrest.

**DUI Court
Statistics at a
Glance.**

Total Participants 53

Male 39
Female 14

**Participants by
Jurisdiction:**

Augusta 6
Staunton 28
Waynesboro 15

Completions:
Successful 21
Unsuccessful
Revoked 10

**Referrals by
Jurisdiction:**

Augusta 6
Staunton 28
Waynesboro 15
Rockingham 2
Highland 2

Average lifetime
DUI's of
Participants: 2

Average Number of
Drug and Alcohol
Screens taken per
Participant: 18

Services Offered

Driver Improvement - A basic eight hour driver improvement course available to individuals (1) mandated to attend by DMV as a result of an accumulation of points, (2) referred by a court for a traffic violation, or (3) who volunteer to attend to receive positive points.

Drug Education Programs – 20 hours of education over ten weeks for first time offenders.

Electronic Alcohol Monitoring – 24 hour monitoring for the consumption of alcohol.

Ignition Interlock - This is a statutorily mandated program for offenders convicted of a DUI.

Intensive Education – 20 hours of education over 10 weeks. An intensive curriculum that is taught in both English and Spanish.

License Restoration for Multiple Offenders and Habitual Offenders – Evaluations prepared for the Courts based on guidelines for license restoration.

Reckless/ Aggressive Driving Course - This is a twelve hour program for non-alcohol related charges/convictions. This class teaches participants to handle stress and manage anger while driving. Emphasis is on preventing reckless/aggressive driving and avoiding being a perpetrator or victim of road rage.

Supervision of Community Service – An ASAP Case Manager will supervise and verify community service assigned by the court.

Traffic Probation Program – Participants are monitored for six months. They must remain charge free and complete a Driver Improvement Course.

Treatment – Consists of intensive outpatient classes that typically entails 20 hours of group treatment. Services provided by Shenandoah Counseling, Recovery Choice, Valley Hope Counseling, Paul Harmon, Ms. Jean Geiser, and the Valley Community Services Board.

Young Offender Program - This program is available to younger individuals who have committed an alcohol-related offense. Participation in the program may allow for either a reduced charge or the dismissal of the original charge. This is an eight to ten week education program.

Young Offender Program for the Schools – 20 hours of education over ten weeks for offenders referred to the program by the Augusta County or Waynesboro City School Boards.



2012 Regional Law Enforcement Awards

DUI Enforcement

This year Valley ASAP and James River ASAP partnered with MADD Virginia to recognize those officers who demonstrated their dedication and commitment to public safety through DUI enforcement. The event was held on September 20, 2012, in Charlottesville Virginia at the historic Michie Tavern. This year's recipients were:

Deputy Caleb D. Spence – Augusta County Sheriff's Office
Officer Wyatt A. Brown – Staunton Police Department
Officer Robert G. Dean – Waynesboro Police Department
Trooper Sean A. Simmons – Virginia State Police – Area 17

Thank you to all these officers for their commitment to highway safety

Traffic Safety Officer of the Year

Congratulations to Sergeant James "Monty" Sellers with the Augusta County Sheriff's Department for being named Virginia's Traffic Safety Officer of the Year. Sergeant Sellers was recognized by the Virginia Association of Chiefs of Police at their annual conference, on August 14, 2012. This prestigious award recognizes officers for their traffic safety initiatives. Sergeant Sellers has been with the Augusta County Sherriff's Department for thirty one years and is the Traffic Safety Coordinator for the Department.



Staff

<p>Miles Bobbitt – Executive Director</p> <p>Mr. Bobbitt joined the ASAP team in December 2008, as the Director. Mr. Bobbitt received a Bachelors degree from Roanoke College, in Salem Virginia, and a Masters degree in Public Administration from James Madison University.</p> <p>Prior to joining ASAP, Mr. Bobbitt worked as a Probation and Parole Officer for the Commonwealth of Virginia, a Case Manager for Blue Ridge Court Services, The Director of the Victim Witness-Assistance Program for Augusta County, and the Director of Agricultural Development for Augusta County.</p> <p>A native of the area, he resides on a small farm in Augusta County with his wife and their two young children.</p>	<p>Sara Shiflett – Case Manager</p> <p>Mrs. Shiflett has been employed as a Case Manager at the Valley ASAP office, since September 23, 2002.</p> <p>She works primarily in the Waynesboro General District Court and the Staunton General District Court, but has served every Court in the office's service area.</p> <p>Mrs. Shiflett graduated from James Madison University, in December 2001. She received a Bachelor's of Science Degree, in Public Administration with a concentration in Criminal Justice. She also received a certificate in Mediation and Conflict Resolution.</p> <p>Born in Oceanside, California, she currently resides on a farm in Augusta County with her husband Adam and their son Luke.</p>	<p>Gary Powell – Case Manager</p> <p>Mr. Powell has been employed as a case manager since 2008. Born in Chicago IL, in 1977. Mr., Powell grew up in Lewisburg, WVA. He graduated from Greenbrier East High School and received an Associates Degree in the Administration of Justice, from Blue Ridge Community College. Mr. Powell began as a part-time employee, in 2008 and was promoted to a full-time position, in 2009. He supervises cases from the Augusta County Courts and monitors ignition interlock clients. Prior to working at Valley ASAP, Mr. Powell worked as a residential counselor for six years at the Shenandoah Valley Juvenile Center. Gary resides in Staunton, Virginia with his wife and daughter.</p>
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<p>Roy Hartless – DUI Court Coordinator</p> <p>Mr. Hartless started with VASAP on Oct. 22, 1999 as an instructor for Driver Improvement classes and Reckless Aggressive Driving classes. He later became an instructor for Drug Education class, Intensive Education and other Education classes for VASAP. In May of 2013, he was hired as the DUI Court Coordinator for the Waynesboro, Staunton DUI Court.</p> <p>Roy is a life longer resident of Staunton, and is a 1984 graduate of Blue Community College with an AAS in Police Science. He worked for the City of Staunton Police Department and retired with 33 years of service, in 2005.</p> <p>Roy has been married for a very long time to his wife Pam and they have two grown sons, Christopher and Michael along with three grand-children.</p>	<p>Kris Bednarczyk– Office Assistant</p> <p>Mrs. Bednarczyk has been with ASAP since June 18, 2012. She began as a part time office clerk and became full time as of July 2013. Prior to coming to VASAP she worked for Wachovia Bank and the Local Boy's and Girl's club as the office manager.</p> <p>Mrs. Bednarczyk graduated from Guardian Angel Academy in 2001. She attended V V T C with certification in Business Management. She also has her own jewelry business both online and at special events with a specialty in Guitar Pick Jewelry.</p> <p>Mrs. Bednarczyk is a native of the Augusta Co. area, she resides in Staunton with her husband and four children Emily, Noah, Devin, and Cooper.</p>
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In Memory

Ralph Harmon
January 1, 1925 – February 18, 2013

The staff and Board of Valley ASAP would like to take the time to remember Mr. Ralph Harmon. Mr. Harmon served Valley ASAP as an accountant for over 20 years. He was truly dedicated to helping the agency and continued to work until shortly before his death. Ralph's presence at Valley ASAP will be greatly missed.

Part-Time Instructors

Mike Wimer— Driver Improvement & Education Classes

Lisa Klein— Education Classes

Alex Klein—Education Classes

Mary-Jean Mayles—Education Classes & Driver Improvement

Maria Lopez-Schweyer—Education Classes

Kristie Siron – Education Classes



Additional Resources:

The Commission On Vasap - <http://www.vasap.state.va.us/>

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration - <http://www.nhtsa.gov/>

Virginia Crash Facts -

http://www.dmv.state.va.us/safety/#crash_data/crash_facts/index.asp

Virginia Courts - <http://www.courts.state.va.us/>



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