



VALLEY ASAP ANNUAL REPORT

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Working to improve highway safety by decreasing the
incidence of impaired driving.

Valley Alcohol Safety Action Program

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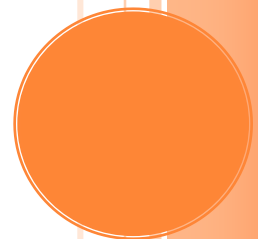


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2014 Message from the Director

The Valley Alcohol Safety Action Program has been busy this year with the addition of Rockbridge County and the cities of Lexington, and Buena Vista to its service area. Besides opening new service areas, the organization has adapted to the changing laws and has strived to overcome the financial challenges that are always present. I am proud of the job that the staff has done in adapting to the changes that have occurred over the last year. Despite the challenges that we faced as an agency, the quality of services offered to the community have not diminished. The staff at Valley ASAP works hard 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 meet the needs of an increasingly diverse group of clients. This requires a team effort consisting of case managers, instructors, the courts, families, treatment providers, and countless others. The broad support that we receive from our partner agencies is vital to the continued success of the program.

Operational Highlights

The addition of Rockbridge County and the cities of Lexington, and Buena Vista to the programs service area has almost doubled the number of clients requiring services. The transition in the new service areas has gone well due to the addition of two new positions and the positive response received from the criminal justice community. Without the assistance of the Judges, Clerks, Commonwealth's Attorneys, and law enforcement, Valley ASAP would not have had the success in providing needed services to our clients.

As one of two recognized DUI Courts, in Virginia, it is our goal to continue to advance the program. In the past year the DUI Court provided services to 21 new clients and 16 clients who successfully graduated.

Looking Ahead

The next year promises to hold more challenges for the program. We will continue to work to provide quality services to the community while remaining fiscally sound. Additionally, the integration of new technologies into the program will streamline the monitoring of clients with ignition interlock.

Miles C. Bobbitt
Executive Director
July 1, 2014

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 Statement

The agency began the year with a balanced budget of \$464,586. Revenues for the year fell short of expenditures creating a FY2014 year-end deficit of \$15,423.84. A revenue shortfall of \$72,952 contributed to

<i>FY2014 Fiscal Overview</i>			
<i>Revenue</i>		<i>Expenses</i>	
<i>ASAP</i>	<i>\$157,097</i>	<i>Wages and Benefits</i>	<i>\$292,903</i>
<i>Driver Improvement</i>	<i>\$32,747</i>	<i>Administrative</i>	<i>\$64,387</i>
<i>Drug Offenders</i>	<i>\$29,243</i>	<i>Lease Expenses</i>	<i>\$37,574</i>
<i>Young Offenders</i>	<i>\$19,779</i>	<i>Supplies</i>	<i>\$6,557</i>
<i>Drug Test Fees</i>	<i>\$19,557</i>	<i>Utilities</i>	<i>\$5,637</i>
<i>Other</i>	<i>\$133,211</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>\$407,058</i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>\$391,634</i>		

the agency’s deficit. However, expenditures for the year were \$57,528.06 below projections which, helped offset the shortfall in revenues. Revenues from clients convicted of a DUI were \$10,897 more than projected and revenue from drug offenses was \$9,863 above projections. Revenues from the Driver Improvement Clinic were \$6,253 below what was expected. This may be attributed to fewer clients taking the class than expected. Revenue from clients convicted of Underage Possession of Alcohol and revenues from the ignition interlock program were less than anticipated. This may be due to less referrals than expected.

DUI Enforcement Recognition Awards

Recognition of those officers who demonstrated their dedication and commitment to public safety through DUI enforcement.

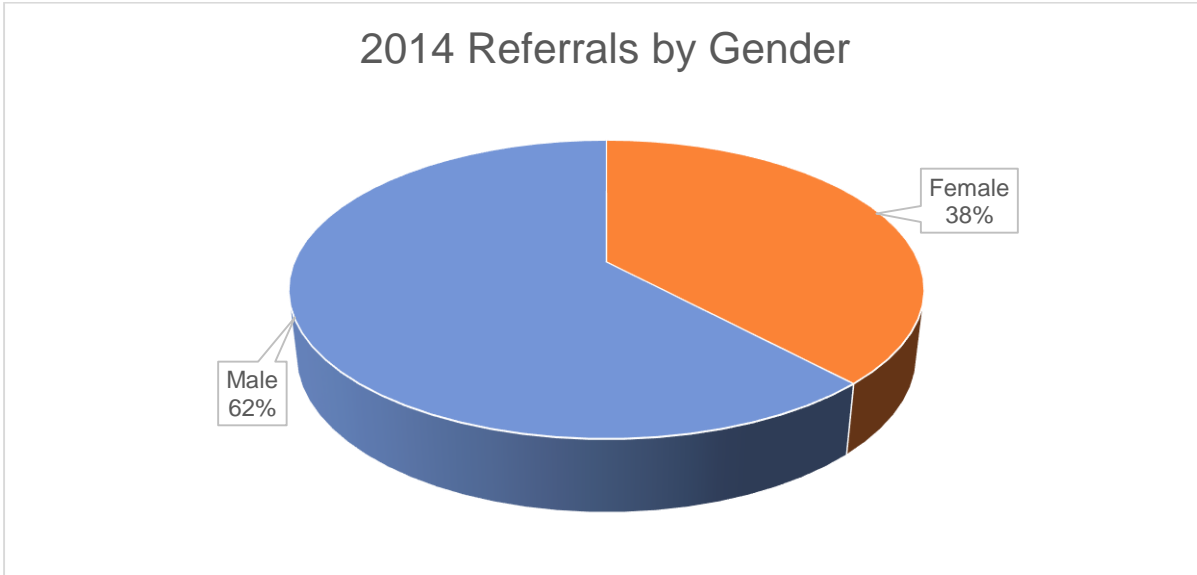
Augusta County - Deputy Scott Craig

Staunton Police Department – Senior Officer Wyatt A. Brown

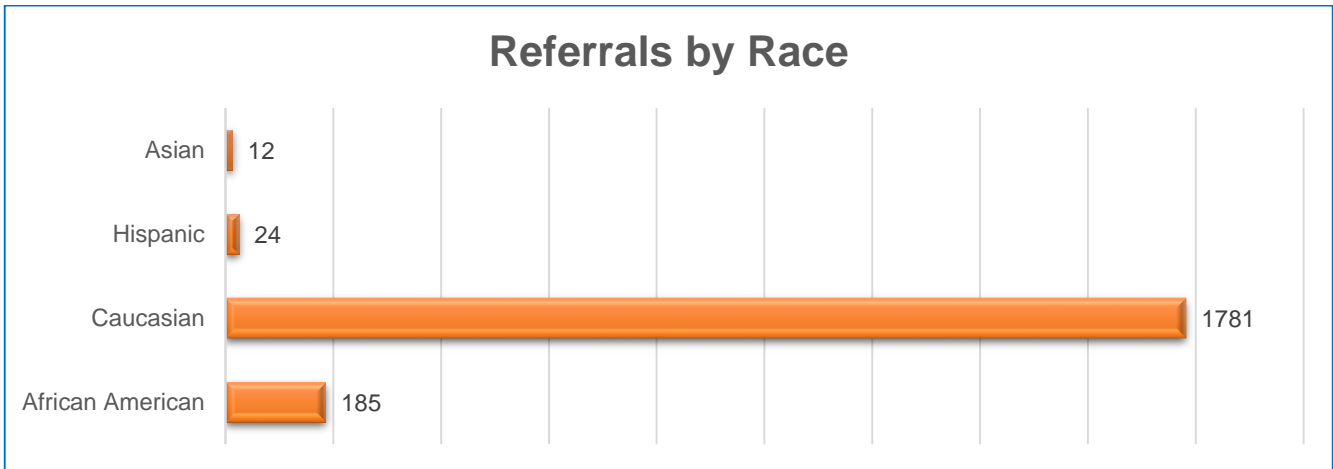
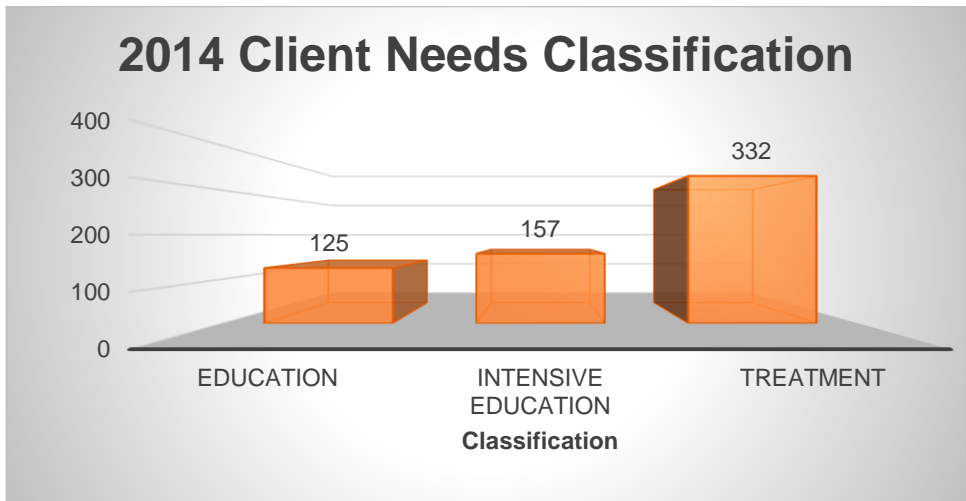
Virginia State Police – Area 17 – Trooper Sean Simmons

Waynesboro Police Department – Sgt. Christopher M. Hilliard, Sr.

Client Demographics



ASAP clients are classified for services in accordance with Commission approved criteria. The classifications include education, intensive education, and 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.



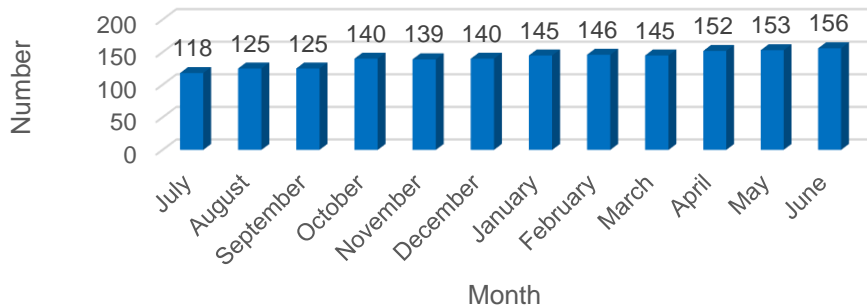
2014 Referrals

FY2013 – FY2014 Referrals Comparison

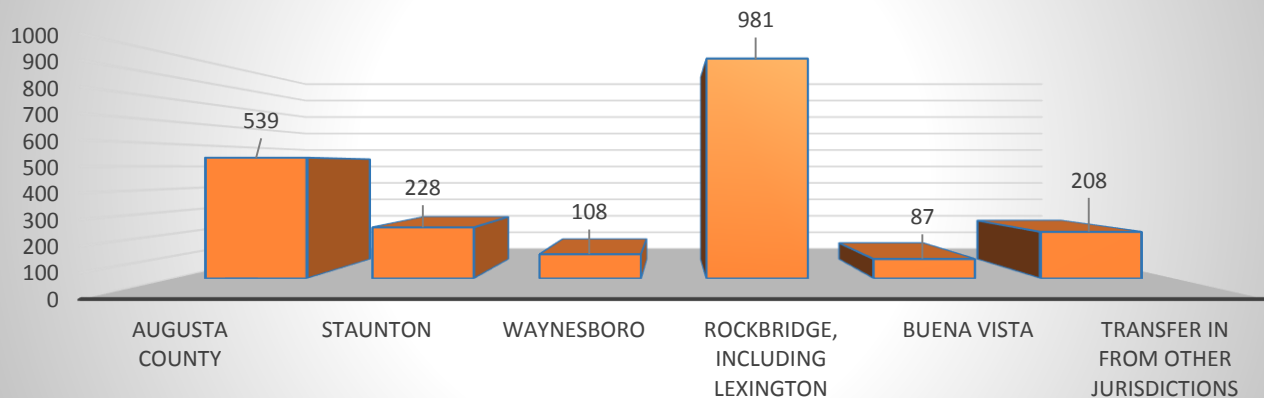
Service Type	ASAP (DUI)	Drug	Habitual Offenders	Reckless Driving	Young Offender	Driver Improvement	Other	Total
Referrals 2013	392	73	47	47	89	446	340	1463
Referrals 2014	552	114	24	55	113	533	1201	2594

*2014 data includes new service area – Rockbridge, Lexington City, and Buena Vista City.

Valley ASAP Clients with Ignition Interlock Installed by Month 2013-2014



2014 Referrals by Jurisdiction



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.

Suspended Operators License Interviews — Provided for clients that are mandated to complete the interview by the Department of Motor Vehicles or the Courts

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 – 16 hours of education over eight weeks for offenders referred to the program by the Augusta County or Waynesboro City School Boards.

DUI Court Statistics at a Glance

Total
Participants: 38

Male 23
Female 15

Average
Number of Drug
and Alcohol
Screens per
Participant: 16

Participants by
Jurisdiction:

Augusta: 8
Highland: 1
Staunton: 17
Waynesboro: 12

Successful
Completions: 17

Unsuccessful
Completions: 5

Community
Service hours
completed: 240

STAFF

Miles Bobbitt – Executive Director

Mr. Bobbitt joined the ASAP team in December 2008, as the Executive Director. Mr. Bobbitt received a Bachelor's degree from Roanoke College, and a Masters degree in Public Administration from James Madison University.

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, Director of the Victim Witness-Assistance Program for Augusta County, and the Director of Agricultural Development for Augusta County.

A native of the area, he resides on a small farm in Augusta County with his wife and their two children.

Sara Shiflett – Case Manager

Mrs. Shiflett has been employed as a Case Manager at the Valley ASAP office, since September 23, 2002. 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.

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.

Born in Oceanside, California, she currently resides in Augusta County with her husband Adam and their son Luke.

Gary Powell – Case Manager

Mr. Powell has been employed as a Case Manager at the Valley ASAP office, since 2008. He began as a part-time employee in 2008 and was promoted to a full-time position in 2009. Mr. Powell grew up in Lewisburg, West Virginia. He graduated from Greenbrier East High School and received an Associate's Degree in Administration of Justice from Blue Ridge Community College. He supervises cases from the Rockbridge County, Lexington City, and Buena Vista City. Prior to working at Valley ASAP, Mr. Powell worked as a residential counselor for six years at the Shenandoah Valley Juvenile Center. Mr. Powell resides in Staunton, with his wife and two daughters.

Roy Hartless – DUI Court Coordinator

Mr. Hartless started with Valley ASAP 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 ASAP. In May of 2013, he was hired as the DUI Court Coordinator for the Waynesboro Regional DUI Court.

Mr. Hartless is a life longer resident of Staunton, and is a 1984 graduate of Blue Community College with an Associate of Applied Science Degree in Police Science. He worked for the Staunton Police Department and retired with 33 years of service in 2005. Mr. Hartless resides in Staunton with his wife. They have two sons and three grandchildren who live in the area.

STAFF - Continued

Kris Bednarczyk— Case Manager

Mrs. Bednarczyk has been with the Valley ASAP office since June 18, 2012. She began as a part time office clerk and was promoted to Case Managers in July, 2013. Prior to coming to Valley ASAP, she worked for Wachovia Bank and the local Boys and Girls club as the office manager.

Mrs. Bednarczyk graduated from Guardian Angel Academy in 2001. She attended Valley Vocational Technical Center with certification in Business Management. She also has her own jewelry business specializing in guitar pick jewelry. Mrs. Bednarczyk is a native of the Augusta County. She resides in Staunton with her husband and her four children.

Wayne Fusch – Case Management Technician

On February 24, 2014 Wayne Fuchs joined the Valley ASAP office as a Case Manager Technician in Lexington. Wayne comes from Idaho where he retired from law enforcement after working over 28 years in various areas and positions, including: jail, patrol, detectives and narcotics investigations. Wayne was promoted to Sergeant in patrol and later to Lieutenant of patrol and detective divisions.

Wayne and his wife moved to Stuarts Draft in June 2013 to help take care of his mother-in-law. They have a daughter and two granddaughters who live in Staunton, a daughter in Hampton, and a son in Washington DC.

Tasha Griffin – Office Clerk

Ms. Griffin worked for Valley ASAP from August 2007 to April 2008 when she left to care for her second child. Ms. Griffin returned to the program in April 2014 as an Office Clerk.

Ms. Griffin graduated from Buffalo Gap High School in 2003. Following high school, she attended Blue Ridge Community College where she studied Respiratory Therapy. A lifelong resident of Augusta County, she lives in Churchville with her two sons.

Part-Time Instructors

Mike Wimer— Driver Improvement and Education Classes

Lisa Klein— Education Classes

Shane Etter—Education Classes

Jessica Burks—Education Classes and Driver Improvement

Maria Lopez-Schweyer—Education Classes

Kristie Siron – Driver Improvement and Education Classes

Larry Hipes— Driver Improvement and 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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