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 Districts Courts, the General District Courts, Circuit Courts, local school jurisdictions, and the public through the use of ancillary programs.

The program’s five mission areas are:

- Enforcement
- Adjudication
- Case Management and Offender Intervention
- Public Information and Education
- Evaluation & Certification

At all times, employees at ASAP will strive to:

- Enthusiastically promote the services of ASAP
- Empower others
- Share their knowledge
- Efficiently deliver services
- Protect confidential information
- Respect others
- Be accountable
- Demonstrate integrity
- Be a team player
- Treat others with dignity

In 2018, there were 11,418 people involved in alcohol related crashes in Virginia with 278 fatalities.
Services Offered

Driver Improvement Clinics – A Virginia DMV approved curriculum provided by the National Safety Council

Reckless Aggressive Driver Improvement Classes – An additional four hours of classroom material beyond the Driver Improvement Clinic. Addresses aggressive driving behavior.

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

DUI Convictions – Supervision for the period of suspension.

Reckless Driving – Supervision as ordered by the court.

Supervision of Community Service

First Offense Drug Conviction 20 hours of classroom education over ten weeks for first time drug offenders.

Young Offender - Non-driving alcohol related cases for offenders under the age of 21.

Pretrial Services- 24 hour monitoring for the consumption of alcohol as a court imposed condition of bond.

Drug testing

Ignition Interlock – Clients are monitored to insure they have a minimum of six months without a violation.

Suspended Operators License Interviews - For clients that are mandated to complete the interview by the Department of Motor Vehicles or the court.

Electronic Monitoring Program— 24 hour monitoring for the consumption of alcohol.

Re-entry Program – Prepare inmates to get a license.

Young Offender Program for the Schools – Eight week education program.

FY 2019 Referral Overview

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<th>Service Type</th>
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<td>Number of Referrals</td>
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Total referrals in FY2019 decreased by eight percent from FY2018. The number of young offender referrals decreased by 51 percent and the number of referrals for drug convictions dropped by 34 percent. The number of referrals for DUI convictions and for Habitual Offenders was consistent with last year’s referrals.
The number of referrals for a DUI conviction has decreased by 23 percent from fiscal year 2014 to fiscal year 2019. There have been consistent referrals for the past two years. The agency is monitoring this pattern to see if the decrease in referrals will continue or if the number has stabilized.

### Annual Regional Law Enforcement Awards

The 2018 MADD Regional Law Enforcement Dinner was held on September 20, 2018 at the Stonewall Jackson Hotel in Staunton, Virginia. The local recipients are listed below.

- **Augusta County**  
  Corporal Will Elliott  
  Deputy Matthew Vincent

- **Buena Vista Police Department**  
  Corporal Darin Hogan

- **Lexington Police Department**  
  Corporal J.A Burks

- **Rockbridge Sheriff’s Office**  
  Deputy Kyle G. Gosney

- **Staunton Police Department**  
  Officer Christopher D. Ammons

- **Virginia State Police – Area 17**  
  Trooper Jared S. Martin

- **Waynesboro Police Department**  
  Officer Jeremy H. Johnson

![Group Picture of officers attending the MADD awards dinner on September 20, 2018.](image)
The ignition interlock device continues to be a valuable tool for protecting public safety by preventing a vehicle from starting if the driver has a BAC of 0.02 or higher. The system will test drivers at the time the vehicle is started and has a random rolling re-test feature that periodically tests drivers.

State certified ignition interlock devices are being installed by ALCOLOCK, Drager, Intoxalock, LifeSafer, and Smart Start. The Commission on VASAP monitors the installation and calibration of the devices to insure that our clients are receiving quality customer service and that the units are working properly. In the past year, the Commission on ASAP and DMV have worked with the local ASAP offices to increase the identification and prosecution of individuals who attempt to circumvent their interlock devices.

The Policy Board is responsible for oversight of the Valley ASAP program. The Board is made up of representatives from each of the jurisdictions served by Valley ASAP and meets every other month.

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Valley ASAP began the FY2019 year with a balanced budget of $378,040 which represented a $23,370 decrease in the budget from FY2018. Revenues fell short of expenditures creating a year end deficit of $25,045.

Revenues in FY2019 were $47,525 lower than projected and expenditures were $22,480 lower than projected. In anticipation of the reduced revenue, the ASAP staff worked to keep office expenditures to a minimum.

As FY2020 begins, it is hoped that the increased use of the Reckless Aggressive Driving program and the Traffic Probation program will help increase revenue. Valley ASAP is now able to offer out-of-state clients an online driver improvement clinic. This new source of revenue may also help reduce future deficits.
Valley ASAP 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. 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 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 and their son.

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, and Buena Vista. 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.

Wayne Fuchs – Case Management Technician

On February 24, 2014 Wayne Fuchs joined the Valley ASAP office as a Case Management 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.

John Greco – Case Management Technician

Mr. John Greco joined Valley ASAP in 2017, after retiring from the Roanoke Virginia Federal Public Defender’s Office, where he served for 12 years as an investigator. He is also a former employee of the Staunton Virginia Public Defender’s Office and the Augusta County Sheriff’s Office. Mr. Greco resides in Greenville, VA with his wife Karen and their dog and cat.

Jennifer Flavin – Office Clerk

Mrs. Flavin joined the ASAP staff in August 2015. Prior to coming to Valley ASAP, she worked as a legal secretary for 12 years in a criminal defense law firm. Mrs. Flavin resides in Staunton with her husband and three daughters.

Part-Time Instructors

Mike Wimer—Driver Improvement and Education Class Anne Fitzgerald – Education Classes

Jessica Burks—Education Classes and Driver Improvement

Larry Hipes—Driver Improvement and Education Classes

Tom Gibson – Driver Improvement and Reckless Aggressive Classes