

**Actual Expenditures and Performance Results Achieved by the  
Northern Virginia Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force**

**A Report to the Governor, Senate Finance Committee, and  
House Appropriations Committee**



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The Honorable Charles J. Colgan  
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The Honorable S. Chris Jones  
Chairman of the House Appropriations Committee

Pursuant to the Appropriation Act, Item 414, L.2. (Special Session I, 2014), I am respectfully submitting herewith a report on the *Actual Expenditures and Performance Results Achieved by the Northern Virginia Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force* for the period of July 1, 2013, through June 30, 2014.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "W. S. Flaherty".

Superintendent

Enclosure

**REPORT ON THE ACTUAL EXPENDITURES AND  
PERFORMANCE RESULTS ACHIEVED BY  
THE NORTHERN VIRGINIA-DC ICAC TASK FORCE  
DURING THE FIFTH YEAR**

**OVERVIEW OF THE TASK FORCE**

The Northern Virginia-District of Columbia Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force, otherwise known as NOVA-DC ICAC, is charged with the responsibility of investigating crimes perpetrated against children through the use of technology. Despite our efforts to address these complex and very serious crimes, there are still many who choose to actively prey upon our children and they are in a constant search to stay one step ahead of law enforcement.

The Internet and computers have become so commonplace in American life that all communities are impacted by their use. According to the U.S. Census Bureau's Computer and Internet Use in the United States 2013 Survey, more Americans are connected to the Internet than ever before, which translates to increased access by online child sexual predators in the United States and globally. This dynamic has contributed to an increase in the overall activities of the NOVA-DC ICAC. The task force continues to experience a great number of predators willing to travel great distances and even from other countries to meet children with whom they have developed an online relationship. The NOVA-DC ICAC region is home to approximately three million residents, so law enforcement is greatly outnumbered when it comes to investigating these dangerous crimes against children. Due to the current economic downturn, many law enforcement agencies are closely evaluating their agencies' investigative and personnel priorities. However, NOVA-DC ICAC affiliate law enforcement agencies continue to keep Internet crimes against children investigations as a priority. This is in large part due to the financial support provided by the Internet Crimes Against Children Fund.

The NOVA-DC ICAC is comprised of the Virginia State Police and 52 partnering local, state, and federal law enforcement agencies, that work aggressively to pursue those responsible for these crimes. With the exception of one federal agency not listed, the following are the participating agencies:

**NOVA-DC ICAC TASK FORCE AFFILIATE AGENCIES**

<b>Affiliate Agency Name</b>	<b>Agency Type</b>
Air Force Office of Special Investigations	Federal
Alexandria City Police Department	City/Local
Arlington County Police Department	County

Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, & Explosives	Federal
Clarke County Sheriff	County
Culpeper County Sheriff	County
Culpeper Police Department	City/Local
Fairfax City Police Department	City/Local
Fairfax County Fire Marshal's Office	County
Fairfax County Police Department	County
Falls Church Police Department	City/Local
Fauquier County Sheriff	County
Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI)	Federal
Federal Housing Finance Agency, Inspector General	Federal
Frederick County Sheriff	County
Fredericksburg City Police Department	City/Local
George Mason University Police Department	City/Local
Harrisonburg Police Department	City/Local
Haymarket Police Department	City/Local
Herndon Police Department	City/Local
Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE)	Federal
Internal Revenue Service, Criminal Investigation	Federal
Leesburg Police Department	City/Local
Loudoun County Sheriff	County
Madison County Sheriff	County
Manassas City Police Department	City/Local
Manassas Park Police Department	City/Local
Metropolitan Police Department (Washington, D.C.)	City/Local
Naval Criminal Investigative Service (NCIS)	Federal
Northern Virginia Community College Police	City/Local
Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention	Federal
Orange County Sheriff	County
Page County Sheriff	County
Prince William County Police Department	County
Quantico Police Department	City/Local
Rappahannock County Sheriff	County
Rockingham County Sheriff	County
Shenandoah County Sheriff	County
Spotsylvania County Sheriff	County
Stafford County Sheriff	County
Strasburg Police Department	City/Local
U.S. Court Services and Offender Supervision	Federal
U.S. Customs & Border Protection	Federal
U.S. Department of Energy	Federal
U.S. Postal Service	Federal
Vienna Police Department	City/Local
Virginia Attorney General's Office	State
Virginia State Police	Task Force Lead

Warren County Sheriff	County
Warrenton Police Department	City/Local
Winchester City Police Department	City/Local
Woodstock Police Department	City/Local

In a continuing effort to expand the task force, meetings were held with five potential affiliate agencies, after which two agencies formally joined the task force. The cooperation and collaboration of these agencies have led to many successes. These affiliated agencies work tirelessly to support one another and protect our children from those who seek to exploit their innocence. A few examples of their hard work are as follows:

- Task force personnel executed a search warrant on a residence in reference to possession and distribution of child pornography. During the search warrant, several evidentiary items were seized to support the suspect's deviant criminal actions. Additionally, illegal drugs and U.S. currency were discovered and seized. The accused was arrested and later convicted.
- NOVA-DC ICAC personnel learned of a law enforcement official soliciting images of child pornography and sex from an underage female. Search warrants were executed and digital evidence was recovered in support of the allegations. The suspect was arrested.
- Task force personnel engaged in an investigation surrounding the possession and distribution of child pornography. The underage victim believed she was sending nude images to a modeling agency. However, she was later threatened (*sextortion*) that if she failed to send additional explicit images then her original images would be posted on the Internet. Digital evidence was recovered that supports the suspect's criminal conduct.
- NOVA-DC ICAC personnel intercepted an adult male subject who arranged to meet a child for the purpose of having sexual relations. Upon the suspect's arrival, it was discovered that he had three other children in the vehicle. Fortunately, follow-up investigation revealed that the three children were not additional victims. The suspect was arrested and confessed. Digital evidence further supported the suspect's criminal conduct.
- Task force personnel intercepted an adult male subject who had arranged to meet a child for the purpose of having sexual relations. The suspect was a former law enforcement officer who is a registered violent sex offender due to his previous arrest for similar crimes. Digital evidence supported the suspect's deviant criminal conduct.
- NOVA-DC ICAC personnel intercepted an adult male, who traveled from Maryland to have sexual relations with a child. The suspect arrived to

meet the child with fruit flavored alcoholic beverages and condoms. His criminal conduct was further corroborated by digital evidence collected on scene. The suspect was arrested.

- NOVA-DC ICAC personnel executed a search warrant for possession and distribution of child pornography, and allegations of child molestation. Digital evidence corroborated the suspect's criminal activity and he pled guilty to sexual assault.
- Task force personnel intercepted an adult male subject who traveled from New Jersey to have sexual relations with a child. The suspect was arrested immediately and provided a full confession. A subsequent search of the suspect's vehicle revealed digital media used to facilitate his criminal conduct.
- NOVA-DC ICAC personnel executed four simultaneous search warrants on residences located in different jurisdictions regarding a sexual assault complaint. A 13-year-old child reported that she met a 17-year-old male in an Internet chat room. The investigation revealed that the suspect was a 48-year-old man, who met and molested the child on two separate occasions near her residence. During the search warrants, several evidentiary items were seized to support the criminal offenses. The suspect was arrested.
- Task force personnel executed a search warrant in reference to possession and distribution of child pornography. During the search warrant, several evidentiary items were seized to support the criminal offenses. While the investigators were entering the residence, the suspect was caught attempting to destroy the digital evidence.
- NOVA-DC ICAC personnel conducted an investigation involving human trafficking. During the investigation, it was discovered that one of the victims was targeted to be killed. Investigators gained access to the victim, thereby, thwarting the "hit." Continued investigation resulted in the rescue of additional victims and the arrests of the suspects who were also linked to homicides outside of Virginia.

These brief case summaries are a very small representation of the volumes of complex and noteworthy criminal investigations being handled by the NOVA-DC ICAC Task Force. The task force is committed to providing highly efficient and professional services across its region, as well as collateral support to the other 61 task forces nationwide.

As such, special training and equipment are necessary on an ongoing basis to keep pace with evolving technologies and the complexities associated with these investigations. In addition to evolving technologies, media capacity continues to grow, which demands increasing efficiency for the forensic analysis of digital evidence. Details are included in the subsequent pages.

**Northern Virginia-DC ICAC Task Force**  
**Appropriation Expenditures during July 1, 2013 – June 30, 2014**

**PERSONNEL**

Expended: \$518,557

**TRAINING/TRAVEL EXPENSES**

Expended: \$39,689

**EQUIPMENT EXPENSES**

Expended: \$515,676

**OTHER**

Expended: \$39,413

**TOTALS**

Initial Budget: \$1,130,889  
Expended: \$1,113,335  
Unexpended: \$ 17,554

\*Additional Cash Received: \$ 53,690  
Year-end "Cash" Balance: \$ 71,244

\*Additional Cash Received: The year-end cash balance is representative of cash received in excess of the appropriated amount. The agency was unaware of these monies (\$53,690) and therefore did not allocate such prior to the end of the fiscal cycle.

The remaining unexpended funds (\$17,554) result from allocated monies where items were not paid for and/or received prior to the end of the fiscal cycle. Additionally, a small portion of the unexpended funds was retained to support investigative work and/or overtime. Fortunately, these funds were not expended prior to the end of the fiscal cycle.

## **PERSONNEL**

As a result of sustained funding support, the NOVA-DC ICAC is able to employ one supervisor, three special agents, and one computer forensic examiner. This funding also provided overtime pay for personnel to work pro-active/undercover investigations. These additional human resources enhance the task force's capacity to conduct child exploitation investigations, and further support the needs of the various affiliate agencies. Additionally, human resources impact the task force as a whole by increasing the hours dedicated to ICAC investigative work, as well as improving the continuity of administrative functions that ultimately benefits the overall efficiency of the task force. These partnerships provide resources to work cooperatively across the task force region to combat Internet crimes against children. Together, personnel initiate investigations related to technology-facilitated child sexual exploitation and child pornography with a goal to reduce child victimization through the identification, apprehension and prosecution of child sexual predators.

## **TRAINING**

Task force members are required to successfully complete an essential training regimen that includes specified courses encompassing many technical topics of study. Courses normally range in duration from two days to one week depending on the depth and complexity of the subject matter. Minimum standards of training must be achieved as well as compliance with the Internet Crimes Against Children Investigative Guidelines and Operational Standards. The focus of these training endeavors includes:

- Increasing the investigative capabilities of state and local law enforcement officers in the detection, investigation, and apprehension of Internet crimes against children offenses or offenders, including technology-facilitated child exploitation offenses.
- Providing advanced capabilities/skills and technical assistance to ICAC task forces and other federal, state, and local law enforcement agencies in the areas of investigations, forensics, prosecution, community outreach, and capacity-building, using recognized experts to assist in the development and delivery of a wide array of training programs.
- Enhancing a uniform, nationwide response to Internet crimes against children offenses, including assisting other ICAC task forces, as well as other federal, state, and local agencies with Internet crimes against children investigations and prosecutions related to the Commonwealth.
- Developing and delivering Internet crimes against children public awareness and prevention programs.



Expenses for training include tuition, transportation, fuel, lodging, parking, and meals. The following is a list of courses completed through the appropriated funding:

- Intelligence Support Systems (ISS) World Americas training
- Crimes Against Children Conference workshops
- National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) training
- Specialized interview training
- Mobile device software training
- Digital forensic training
- National Cyber Crimes Conference (NCCC) training
- Cyber Cop training
- Digital forensic certification and re-certification trainings
- Various mobile device forensic and investigative trainings

## **TRAVEL**

In order to build a robust investigative foundation, it is essential that the NOVA-DC ICAC support affiliate agencies with authorized travel-related expenses. Such expenses involve support for transportation, meals and lodging for personnel attending specialized training and operational meetings. NOVA-DC ICAC personnel also travel to conduct field work and ICAC pro-active/reactive investigations, which often require personnel to work lengthy hours. During these occasions, overnight stays away from their local area are necessary, causing lodging, per diem, and parking expenses to be incurred.

Through the appropriated funding, 36 personnel participated in two pro-active operations, and supervisors worked jointly in support of ICAC field personnel. Several task force members travelled out of state for follow-up investigative work on child exploitation cases. Locations included Ohio, New York, and Maryland. Additional travel expenses were incurred to attend a two-day National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) meeting. Members also represented the NOVA-DC ICAC task force at the Criminal Justice Conference, and travel expenses were supported for the NOVA-DC ICAC regional meetings, human trafficking prevention meetings, and ICAC/Operational meetings.

Travel is essential to promote collaboration and cooperation across the region, as well as to promote continuity of operations.

## **EQUIPMENT**

The NOVA-DC ICAC investigates technology-facilitated criminal activity. These complex investigations are conducted in an evolving environment. While emerging technologies may serve to enhance the capabilities of the investigator, they also serve to advance the criminal element, making investigations even more challenging. The NOVA-DC ICAC strives to ensure that each fully participating affiliate has the necessary equipment and software to enable them to conduct thorough and comprehensive investigations. Such expenditures include equipment as well as the ongoing support and maintenance required for software licenses and updates.

Through the appropriated funding, the NOVA-DC ICAC purchased much needed equipment for member agencies, to include the following:

- Storage Devices
- Motorola Chargers
- Memory Upgrades
- Pelican Storage Cases
- Shredder
- 30-Pin to USB Cables
- Processors
- Tablets
- Lightning to USB Cables
- Displays
- Thunderbolt Adapters
- USB Superdrives
- Monitors
- GPS w/Lifetime Maps
- Ethernet Adapters
- Investigative Software
- HDMI Devices
- Video Connection Devices
- USB Memory Sticks
- Forensic Work Station
- Back-up Software
- Mobile Forensic Devices
- USB Port Hubs
- Evidence Storage Locker
- Digital Forensic Field Kits
- Battery Chargers
- Portable Radio Chargers
- HDMI Adapters
- Docking Stations
- Protect Cases/Covers
- Operating Software
- Touch Mouse
- VGA Adapters
- Triage Computers
- WiFi Forensic Devices
- Desk Stands
- High Definition Drives
- DVI Cables
- Hard Drives (variety of sizes)
- Backup Drives
- Gaming Console
- Scanners
- Replacement Discs
- Printers
- Forensic Lab Furniture
- Donor Drives
- Mobile Forensic Device Renewals
- Disk Duplicator and Accessories
- Forensic Devices
- Server Storage Devices
- Laptop Computers
- Equipment Adapters
- Cables, Connectors, and Chargers

## **OTHER**

A recent report by the United States Marshals Service Behavioral Analysis Unit denoted specific findings with regards to secondary stress in Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) personnel. The report seeks to provide an idea of how secondary stress can impact the investigator and loved ones; communicate which coping skills were related to lower secondary traumatic stress scores; and share the advice offered by significant others of ICAC personnel.

Through the use of appropriated funds, the NOVA-DC ICAC has been proactive in its approach to the issues surrounding secondary stress. Consistent with the report, NOVA-DC ICAC personnel operate in a supportive work environment; meaning one where respondents feel their co-workers can be relied on in difficult situations, are easy

to communicate with, and are willing to extend help on challenging cases. Affiliates are invited to take part in peer discussion groups and they are afforded the confidential services of a highly qualified mental health provider. The task force recognizes the value of human resources and the serious nature of secondary stress. The Mental Wellness Program continues to provide support and guidance in an effort to protect the welfare of personnel subjected to disturbing and graphic depiction of child victimization.

In addition to the Mental Wellness Program, other miscellaneous and/or recurring costs are necessary for the support of the ICAC office and personnel. Through the appropriated funding, the ICAC was also able to procure/provide the following:

- Office Supplies
- Ink and Toner Cartridges
- Miscellaneous Vehicle Expenses (Fuel, Insurance, Repair, and Maintenance)
- General Liability Insurance
- Meal Reimbursement
- Phone Reimbursement
- Payroll Service Bureau Yearly Fee
- Software/Hardware Maintenance and Warranty Renewals
- Anti-Virus Software VITA Fees (for previously purchased software)
- Line of Duty VRS Fee
- Workers' Compensation Yearly Fee

## **PERFORMANCE RESULTS AND ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITIES**

The hard work and dedication of the many NOVA-DC ICAC personnel are documented in numerous reports, media releases, and public presentations. Additionally, the NOVA-DC ICAC is mandated to report monthly to the Department of Justice, Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (DOJ/OJJDP). The various metrics included in the DOJ/OJJDP Reports have been compiled and incorporated below for the fiscal year July 1, 2013, through June 30, 2014.

Overall, the NOVA-DC ICAC experienced an approximately 26 percent increase in the number of documented complaints and an approximately six percent increase in the number of arrests. The task force also experienced a 54 percent decrease in the number of unfounded and suspended case dispositions. The statistics seem to indicate a 25 percent decrease in the number of Cybertips received, however, this is a somewhat misleading metric due to the migration to the new virtual private network (VPN) and the manner in which agencies previously reported Cybertips in their monthly workbooks. Cybertips continue to be voluminous and must continue to be assessed on a case-by-case basis to ensure no victim is overlooked. Further, NOVA-DC ICAC personnel planned, obtained, and executed 589 search warrants, which is a 22 percent increase from the previous fiscal year. Additionally, the 589 search warrants represent a 31 percent increase in the number of state/local search warrants.

The NOVA-DC ICAC personnel routinely support one another in various ways. Such support and collaboration is reflected in a 13 percent increase in the number of training opportunities provided and the 8 percent increase in the number of personnel who took advantage of those opportunities. Also, the task force engaged in 85 community outreach events; an increase of six percent over the past fiscal year.

**Documented Complaints**

Traveler	Proactive	61
	Reactive	14
Enticement	Proactive	123
	Reactive	84
Obscenity Directed to Minors	Proactive	22
	Reactive	58
Child Prostitution	Proactive	7
	Reactive	32
Manufacture Child Pornography	Proactive	16
	Reactive	25
Distribution of Child Pornography	Proactive	86
	Reactive	118
Possession of Child Pornography	Proactive	43
	Reactive	130

**Case Information**

Case Dispositions	Unfounded	41
	Suspended <sup>1</sup>	8
	Plea	64
	Trial	9
Case Referrals	Federal	47
	State	46
	Local	68
Submitted for Federal Prosecution		50
Accepted for Federal Prosecution		43

**Number of Investigations** 546

**Arrests** 169

**Goals**

Cybertips Received		781
CVIP Submissions		43
Affiliated Agencies Added		3
Child Victims Identified		
	CVIP	126
	Cases	48

**Court Actions**

Subpoenas or Court Orders		
	Federal	263
	State/Local	560
Search Warrants		
	Federal	89
	State/Local	500

**Technical Assists**

Technical Support		699
Forensic Exams		837

**Training**

Training Sessions Provided		25
Law Enforcement Trained		283
Prosecutors Trained		29
Other Professions Trained		30
Number Sent to ICAC Training		69
Number Sent to Other Training		72

**Community Outreach**

Presentations		59
Number of Attendees		4102
Public Events		11
Number of Attendees		2250
Public Awareness		15

**Footnote:**

1. *Suspended – Inactive case closed due to lack of investigative leads*

## DCJS FUNDING FOR NOVA-DC ICAC AFFILIATES

The Virginia State Police (VSP) received a grant award in July 2013 from the Department of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS) for the financial and administrative support of the NOVA/DC ICAC Task Force affiliates. The hard work and dedication of the many NOVA-DC ICAC personnel is documented in numerous reports, media releases, and public presentations. Additionally, the NOVA-DC ICAC is mandated to report monthly to the Department of Justice, Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (DOJ/OJJDP). The task force's metrics are denoted on page 10 of this report and are consistent with the time period of this DCJS award.

The NOVA-DC ICAC Task Force actively engaged in training, community outreach, and enforcement to enhance capabilities and encourage increased participation. The task force staff engaged many non-affiliated agencies in an effort to increase task force membership. As such, two new organizations have since joined the task force. Such capacity building across the region continues to be a priority for the task force, as the task force strives to support all affiliate agencies in their effort to develop effective, sustainable responses to technology-facilitated child exploitation. This is a dynamic goal that is accomplished through proactive and ongoing collaboration with all affiliates that affords them technical response, as well as the ability to fund jurisdiction specific needs.

Each respective affiliate is different and their community has unique demands of their law enforcement agency. Some agencies require support for overtime to conduct ICAC investigations, while others need advanced equipment and training. As such, this funding was distributed across the region directly to NOVA-DC ICAC affiliate agencies via memorandums of agreement. Affiliated agencies expended the funding on their unique ICAC-related expenses, which included training, community outreach, equipment, software, overtime, and salaries. The agencies worked with task force command to identify and prioritize their needs, which enabled each agency to build capacity within their specific area of responsibility. The positive feedback from the ICAC affiliates has been extraordinary and agencies are more prepared to engage in these highly complex investigations. In addition to the areas identified earlier in the report, some additional training and community outreach efforts include the following:

- Numerous investigators attended the Crimes Against Children Conference.
- Investigators attended ICAC Investigative Techniques training.
- Investigators attended several National White Collar Crime Center (NW3C) trainings.
- Task force personnel engaged in community outreach at the DCJS Child Abuse and Juvenile Justice Conference.
- Task force personnel engaged in community outreach at the Major League Baseball Washington Nationals Internet Safety Night.
- Personnel attended National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) training.

- Many affiliate members participated in a variety of mobile device certification classes.
- Numerous task force personnel participated in many unique ICAC specific training courses designed to enhance their investigative capacity.
- Task force personnel provided an additional 57 presentations and other community outreach events attended by approximately 4,900 persons.

## DISBURSEMENT OF FUNDS

Budget Category	Budget	Total Expenditures	Unexpended Budget
Personnel	\$15,212	\$13,829	\$1,383
Fringe Benefits	\$7,449	\$5,177	\$2,272
Supplies	\$413	\$0.00	\$413
* Consultants	\$459,919	\$456,735	\$3,184
Indirect Cost	\$2,007	\$1,825	\$182
<b>Grand Totals</b>	<b>\$485,000</b>	<b>\$477,565</b>	<b>\$7,435</b>

**\*Consultants – This category reflects funding provided directly to affiliate agencies for capacity building. Therefore, 95 percent of the funding went directly to the affiliate agencies to address their unique needs, while the remaining five percent included indirect cost, supplies, and administrative support.**

Consistent with DCJS guidelines, an administrative support person was employed in January 2014. The support person has since completed the initial training and is now preparing reports, tracking inventory, compiling metrics, supporting affiliate agencies, coordinating reimbursements, and making training and travel arrangements.

To further enhance capacity, NOVA/DC ICAC Task Force affiliates utilized their funding to procure highly technical equipment that enables investigators to conduct these complex investigations in an ever evolving cyber environment. Additionally, the task force thrives on collaboration to enhance effectiveness and efficiency. Affiliates support one another through mobile on-scene response, technical assistance, search warrant execution, and intelligence sharing to enhance awareness and knowledge. Further, the funding provides some relief to agencies struggling with limited budgets, and it prevents them from being forced to choose whether or not to investigate these unconscionable crimes.

Affiliate agencies utilized their funding to address their individual needs in a variety of ways to include:

- Purchasing computers, tablets, printers, scanners, and related accessories.
- Off-setting salaries to dedicate a full-time investigator to combating child exploitation.
- Paying overtime for investigators to complete these complex investigations.
- Purchasing software and license renewals.

- Procuring mobile devices.
- Off-setting vehicle costs for full-time task force investigators.
- Paying travel expenses and registration fees for high quality specialized training.
- Paying Internet connectivity fees.
- Procuring specialized equipment to enhance officer safety.
- Purchasing enhanced communication devices.
- Purchasing on-scene triage equipment and software.
- Procuring digital cameras and video equipment.
- Purchasing digital storage devices and additional portable hard drives to support investigations.

Each agency is staffed and equipped differently, which validates the methodology employed by the NOVA-DC ICAC Task Force. With funding being distributed to the affiliates, they are empowered to make decisions that directly impact their ability to engage in these complex investigations. These agencies work very closely with the task force to ensure that all expenditures are consistent with the goals and objectives of state and national ICAC programs. The NOVA-DC ICAC affiliates are highly professional organizations dedicated to protecting the Commonwealth's most vulnerable citizens.

As the coordinating agency, the Virginia State Police respects and appreciates the collaboration of these 52 agencies. Collectively, we are proactive in our pursuit of those who prey upon our children, while simultaneously striving to prevent child victimization through collaboration, training, community outreach, and enforcement.