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## **Harrisonburg Police Department SWAT Takes First Place**

The Harrisonburg Police Department sent a small group of its SWAT Members to participate in the National Capital Regional (NCR) SWAT Competition held in Montgomery County, Maryland on October 11, 2013 at the Firearms Training Center in Dickerson, Maryland.

Harrisonburg Police SWAT, a part-time team competed against 14 other SWAT Teams, 11 of them being full-time teams, including Alexandria Police, Montgomery County, Prince Georges County, Baltimore City, Baltimore County, and Arlington County Police.

The Harrisonburg SWAT Team negotiated several courses throughout the day that consisted of the Tactical Obstacle Course, Shoot House Raid, Bearcat Rescue, Team Rifle Challenge, and Sniper initiated Assault. HPD SWAT won the following honors during the grueling day long completion that demonstrates their active readiness for emergency response to tactical incidents occurring in our City.

- **First Place Overall in the competition**
- **First Place Bearcat Rescue**
- **First Place Team Rifle Challenge**
- **Second Place Shoot House Raid**
- **Third Place Sniper Initiated Assault**

“This is a great representation of the strong tradition and support from the City of Harrisonburg. Our officers competed against some of the best operators in the National Capital Region and faired very well,” says Captain T. D. Hoover, who commands the Harrisonburg Police Department’s SWAT Team.