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Community Engagement and Dialogue

Next 'Coffee with a Cop' Scheduled for May 19 At Greenberry's Coffee Co., 400 South High St.

Harrisonburg police officers will continue their popular 'Coffee with a Cop' series on Thursday, May 19, with a gathering from 10 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. hosted by Greenberry's Coffee Co. at 400 S. High St.



The program, beginning its third year, is designed to help bridge the gap between law enforcement and the people it serves, with the goal of building mutual trust.

"Coffee with a Cop fits with our Community Policing philosophy," says Chief of Police Stephen Monticelli.

"Community engagement and dialogue in a neutral setting, with no set agenda, gives everyone a chance to discuss issues and learn more about each other."

Chief Monticelli and other officers from the Harrisonburg Police Department will be on hand to talk with citizens and respond to questions.

"We greatly appreciate the reception that we've gotten so far," Monticelli says. "I believe these encounters have been a valuable and productive tool for breaking down barriers and increasing communications with all in the community."

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