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Crime Solvers Pays Off for Police and the Community

HARRISONBURG, VA – Crime Solvers is a community-oriented program that solved multiple crimes in 2018 and serves Harrisonburg and Rockingham County.

Crime Solvers of Harrisonburg and Rockingham County has been involved in the crime solving business for over 25 years. They continue to support law enforcement by providing a means by which citizens can anonymously provide information to solve crimes. This is a three-pronged program involving citizens, news media and law enforcement working together toward a common goal.

Crime Solvers is a non-profit organization which relies solely on donations from private citizens, local businesses and fundraising events to pay rewards ranging from \$50 to \$1,000. No tax dollars are used for these rewards and the Crime Solvers board members are all volunteers who are dedicated to help fight crime.

“I have overseen the Crime Solvers program at the Harrisonburg Police Department since 2017 and I am proud of the support the community shows for the program,” said Corporal Scott Drugo. “Generally, we receive local tips, but we have had tips from out of state that led to arrests here in Harrisonburg.”

In 2018 the Harrisonburg Police Department alone had 110 anonymous tips leading to 12 arrests and paid out \$4,950 in rewards. Donations for Crime Solvers can be dropped off at the Public Safety Building located at 101 North Main Street in Harrisonburg.

Anonymous tips can be sent to Crime Solvers at 540-574-5050 or text “HPD” plus the tip to CRIMES (274637). Callers can also use the Harrisonburg Police Department non-emergency number 540-434-4436 with information. To view local wanted individuals, submit online tips and stay updated on Crime Solvers you can visit www.hrccrimesolvers.org.

“It takes a community mindset to fight crime in the Valley and HPD looks forward to working with the public in 2019,” said Drugo.

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