

Riverside Criminal Justice Agency

Correction Connection

March 2022



RCJA Partners with Hopewell Sheriff's Office to Expand Litter Reduction Program

*A new partnership between Riverside Criminal Justice Agency and the **Hopewell Sheriff's Office** will expand the success of Prince George County's Litter Reduction Program (LRP) to the City of Hopewell beginning this month. Through roadside trash pickup, court-ordered individuals are able to make a meaningful contribution to the community in lieu of incarceration. In the initiative's first two days, **27 bags** of trash were collected as well as a discarded bed frame! Thank you to **Sheriff Travis Stanley**, **Captain Mark Lilly**, and **Deputy Sheriff Nasser Nassar** for their collaboration on this project!*



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*In January 2022, **Virginia Electronic Monitoring Systems, LLC**, began providing home electronic monitoring and alcohol monitoring services for RCJA clients on pretrial supervision. Benefits of VEMS include:*

- ♦ *Unlimited inventory of equipment*
- ♦ *Full-time installers(2)*
- ♦ *Technical support as needed*
- ♦ *Payment portals for direct provider payment*

*VEMS will provide an overview of their SCRAM Systems GPS, Home Electronic Monitoring, and Continuous Alcohol-Monitoring services and equipment on **Friday, April 1, 2022, 2:00-3:00 pm**. The presentation will be held in the Jury Assembly Room of the Prince George County Courthouse.*

Industry-Leading Alcohol and Location Monitoring Solutions



SCRAM Continuous Alcohol Monitoring®

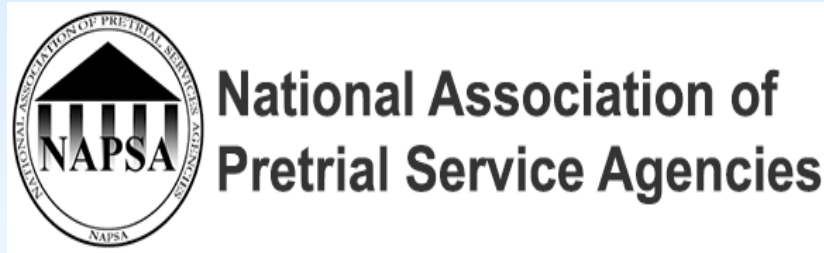
The world's most widely used and court validated 24/7 transdermal alcohol testing system



SCRAM GPS®

One-piece GPS tracking bracelet with reliable accuracy, tamper detection, mapping, and analytics

Training and Certifications



*In January, **Angel Walston** obtained NAPSA Certification. NAPSA's Certification Program provides national recognition to qualified pretrial practitioners. Persons who successfully complete certification become Certified Pretrial Service Professionals (CPSP). Certified Pretrial Services Professional status involves qualifying in occupational experience and education, and passing an examination of both general legal and court issues and practices. Persons obtaining Certification also demonstrate a basic understanding of the Pretrial movement and the history upon which it is based. **Congratulations!!***

RCJA Anniversaries

Katie Worley (February)

*** 5 YEARS ***

Chris Murphy (February)

*** 4 YEARS ***

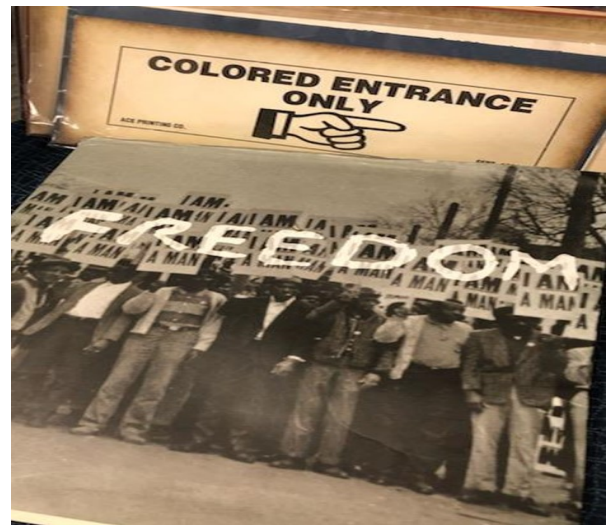
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*** 1 YEAR ***





On Friday, February 25, 2022, **RCJA staff** attended a Black History Month Celebration hosted by the **Prince George Department of Social Services**. Our speaker, and 90-year-old guest of honor, was Virginia Changemaker Dr. Andrew Jackson White, Sr. Dr. White was born in rural King and Queen County in 1932 and attended local segregated schools. In 1953, he received a bachelor's degree at Virginia Union University and went on to earn divinity degrees from VUU's School of Theology. He taught history and social studies in Westmoreland County.



Among his many accomplishments, Dr. White helped found the interracial Downtown Churches United, fought for adoption of the federal food stamp program for low-income families, sat on the board of the Southside Mental Health Association (serving as its first African-American president), was a member of the Petersburg Hospital Authority, and co-chaired the successful capital campaign to construct a new public library in Petersburg that opened in 2014.

Dr. White retired from Petersburg's Zion Baptist Church in 2011, but has since returned to the ministry to serve as pastor of Union Branch Baptist Church in Prince George, where a community center is named for him.

In his lifetime, Dr. White met Rosa Parks and Martin Luther King, Jr., and he shared fascinating stories with the group. RCJA is so fortunate to have experienced this special time with Dr. White and his wife of 64 years, Gracie. **THANK YOU SOCIAL SERVICES** for this special opportunity!



On Monday, February 28, 2022, the **Hopewell, Prince George, Surry Drug Court Program** celebrated its 20th Graduation. Drug Court is a minimum 14-month program with five phases of treatment and supervision. The focus is to offer offenders a chance to achieve recovery in a structured program providing substance abuse treatment and intensive supervision. Drug Court uses a system of sanctions and rewards as an approach to help reinforce positive behaviors. Drug Court is a chance for offenders to develop skills that will allow them to continue in recovery and have a healthy lifestyle once they are released from supervision and the program is completed. Congrats to our newest graduate!



Left to right: Honorable William Edward Tomko, III, Drug Court Graduate, Drug Court PO Isaiah Lee



Left to right: Drug Court Coordinator Lori Henley, Drug Court Graduate



Left to right: Peer Recovery Specialist Donna Tucker-Stowell, Drug Court Graduate, Merakey Counselor Jessica Spears

"A Chance for Change"