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Harrisonburg Police Department to Start Weekly Community Walks

Harrisonburg, Va. – The Harrisonburg Police Department (HPD) will begin weekly community walks on July 16.

Residents should expect to see small groups of officers walking weekly in pre-planned areas of the city, hoping to speak with residents about any public safety concerns they may have. By doing so, we are hoping to increase our visibility in the community and better prepare ourselves to create a community-driven strategic plan.

“Over the past five months, I have met with various advocacy groups to understand better what our community needs from the department. Overwhelmingly, our community has asked for more officers in our neighborhoods on foot and on bikes, interacting with residents and paying attention to specific needs,” Chief Joseph Tucker said. “We are excited to restart this initiative and look forward to having meaningful conversations with neighbors.”

Residents with questions or concerns they would like to share during the weekly walks are encouraged to speak with officers in their neighborhoods as they go door to door. Officers also will have handouts with information and a link to an online survey for those who may not be home or who wish to share concerns anonymously.

Each week, the location of the community walk will be shared on HPD’s social media pages and online at HarrisonburgVA.gov/Community-Walk. The department looks forward to connecting with residents in their neighborhoods.

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