



*Public Safety Day*

## Initiatives

- Expand FC Police Department Road DAWG and Explorer Programs
- Establish Public Safety Seminars
- Conduct Community Forums
- Participate in Community Events
- Establish a “Public Safety Academy” in FC Public Schools
- Increase publicity of public safety programs and COTC
- Establish a 501(c)3 Foundation to support COTC initiatives and public safety programs.

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*“Building stronger relationships together”*

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## Accomplishments

- Hosted Community Forums and Public Safety Days
- Established Public Safety Outreach Foundation a 501(c)3 corporation
- Provided briefings to Co-Chair, President’s Task Force for 21<sup>st</sup> Century Policing, Chair and Co-chair of the FCPS Board, FBI Alumni Association, Chair, FC Public Safety Committee.
- Participated on panels, radio and TV programs, and meetings to include the Police Executive Research Forum, “Strengthening Police-Community Relationships and Criminal Justice Services Forum, “Building Trust and Legitimacy in Police-Community Relations and Lens on Race.



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## Who We Are

The Fairfax County (FC) Communities of Trust Committee (COTC) was established in December 2014, to engage the community in identifying, discussing and finding resolutions to concerns and issues with law enforcement. The initial discussion was a result of the unrest in Ferguson, Missouri after the killing of an unarmed Black youth. County leaders met to discuss what is or should be in place to prevent a Ferguson in Fairfax.

This diverse committee includes law enforcement, civic, government and faith based organizations. The COTC has engaged many communities in discussion on how to improve community and law enforcement relationships. COTC has been recognized for its assertive movement in implementing recommendations of the President's Task Force for 21<sup>st</sup> Century Policing.

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*“Children are our future.  
We must invest in them.”*

## Mission

The Fairfax County Communities of Trust Committee (COTC) is a diverse citizen group focused on strengthening and building positive relationships between public safety agencies and the communities they serve, to advance collaboration, partnerships, and outreach.

Ensure viable and sustainable partnerships continue to make Fairfax County a safe place to live, work, play, and grow old.

## Charter

- Identify ways for improving community policing.
- Enhance youth and community engagement with our first responders.
- Improve all aspects of communications between residents and service providers
- Ensure viable and sustainable partnerships continue to make Fairfax County a safe place to live work, and grow old.

## Goals

- Identify community issues and recommendations to resolve them.
- Strengthen community trust and public safety agencies relationships.
- Increase awareness of and access to existing programs.
- Create opportunities for new programs.
- Partner with other organizations in bringing programs into Fairfax County.

## Public Safety Outreach Foundation

Many of the COTC initiatives are funded by the Public Safety Outreach Foundation, a Public 501(c)3 corporation. Programs are briefed to the committee and approved, for funding, by the Board of Directors. Programs are targeted toward at-risk youth and economically challenged communities. Your donations will help us accomplish our mission.

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