

Media Release

The Community Engagement Team in conjunction with other members of the Hopewell Police Department would like to conduct a Get Out and Talk BBQ Event. The purpose of this event is to get out into the communities in the city and have “pop up BBQ’s” with the citizens and members of the Hopewell Police Department. This would allow the citizens to come out, break bread and hopefully have some conversations with our officers in a three-pronged attempt to:

- Show the citizens that we are regular people as well as break down negative perceptions of our police department
- Have one on one conversations to make connections in the city for future partnering in community events, gain trust in each other to open communication regarding criminal and civil issues
- And most importantly have fun with our citizens

To have this event and use it to achieve several goals.

- Help build the bridge between the Police Department and the citizens
- Give back to the community we all serve and love
- To involve all sections of the Department to include but not limited to Command Staff, Street Crimes Unit (SCU), Criminal Investigations Unit (CIU), Patrol, Animal Control Officers (ACO) and Administration staff.
- Would like to put out numerous Social Media releases prior to and throughout the duration of this event to shine a light on the Hopewell Police Department’s effort on Engaging the Community and to put the police department in a positive light