## From the Sheriff's Desk...

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and issue permits.

In Columbia County, the Sheriff also runs the law enforcement firearms training range and the county Dog Control Office.

All of these tasks require personnel - both sworn deputies, and civilian staff - to perform them. Wherever we can, we try to use civilian staff to perform tasks that do not require a sworn, law enforcement or corrections deputy. Nevertheless, any task where there is the potential for a demonstration of authority and the use of force to carry out the mission of the sheriff, a sworn, trained deputy - who is well-versed in

civil rights and the use of force - must be employed.

We employ a total of 10 uniformed law enforcement deputies. Two are assigned to the Columbia River on a grant from the state. One is assigned to narcotics on a grant from the feds. Two are supervisors and five are deputies who respond to and investigate the highest percentage of criminal calls across the widest expanse of this county (98 percent of the land mass) of any agency in Columbia County, from the Nehalem Valley to Apiary and from the Clatsop County line to the Multnomah County line.

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## **Police/Court Abbreviations**

Abbreviations: A&D, Alcohol & Drug; DUII, Driving Under the Influence of Intoxicants; BUII, Boating Under the Influence of Intoxicants; CCSO, Columbia County Sheriff's Office; DWS, Driving While License is Suspended; MIP, Minor In Possession of Intoxicants; MV, Motor Vehicle Accident; PCS, Possession of Controlled Substance: ODL. Oregon Driver License; FTA, Failure to Appear in Court; NTSI, National Traffic Safety Institute: DA, District Attorney; VIP, Victim Impact Panel; FF&A, Fines, Fees and Assess-

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