

The Alexandria SRS Model

The men and women of the Alexandria Police Department created, developed and implemented the Strategic Response System (SRS) as a systemic tool which uses technology, non-traditional police tactics and internal accountability to reduce crime and the fear of crime in our communities. Under the leadership of Chief David P. Baker, SRS emerged from a concept to a new police management model. It was designed to challenge police commanders to use focused and effective police tactics with a strong emphasis on problem solving strategies to address root causes of crime in neighborhoods. SRS uses real time analysis of crime series, patterns and trends to rapidly deploy resources and continuously analyze our results.

The Alexandria Police Department has been Nationally accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA) since 1986. This is a proud accomplishment for the men and women of the Alexandria Police Department. CALEA accreditation is a rigorous and difficult process that, if achieved, affirms the professional status of law enforcement agencies.



Alexandria Police Contact Numbers

Police Non-emergency	703-838-4444
24-hour Drug Hotline	703-838-4588
Crime Prevention	703-838-4520
Criminal Investigations	703-838-4711
Internal Investigations	703-838-3830
Crime Solvers	703-838-4858
Patrol Operations	703-838-4744
Personnel and Training	703-838-4730
Property Section	703-838-4709
Youth Services	703-838-4711
Police Administration	703-838-4700



***POLICING WITH ACTION
AND PURPOSE***

CREATING SAFER COMMUNITIES

David P. Baker

Chief of Police

The Alexandria Police Department SRS Process

What is SRS?

The Strategic Response System (SRS) is a comprehensive approach to reducing crime, the fear of crime and improving the quality of life for residents, businesses and visitors. SRS relies on traditional policing strategies supported by the analysis of crime trends, series and patterns. Additionally, SRS emphasizes the use of problem-solving strategies to tackle difficult and long-term crime and disorder issues. SRS holds police commanders accountable to address and respond to crime and disorder problems occurring in their assigned area of responsibility. Open dialogue at scheduled SRS meetings will help to quickly and effectively identify, address and resolve these issues through effective strategies, tactics and coordinated police resources.

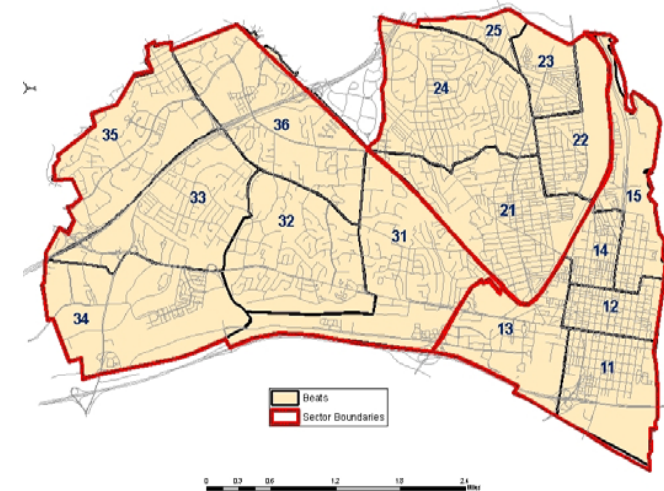
SRS is another instance in which the police department recognizes that budgeted resources must be utilized in an efficient and effective manner.

SRS develops, enhances and improves the following concepts:

- Teamwork at all levels.
- Clarity of purpose, mission and direction.
- Organizational communications.
- Agency and employee accountability.
- Proactive and problem solving response.
- Measurable results.
- Substance and quality of communications outside the organization.
- Ability to effectively measure individual and organizational performance.
- Increased integration of crime analysis into decision-making process so that policing strategies and deployment are unified, consistent, fact based and effective to reduce crime and respond to neighborhood issues.
- Represents a modern, effective, creative organizational response capability.
- Patrol function was restructured to place the highest number of officers on duty during peak call for service times.
- Incorporates accountability, consistency, and results into SARA model (Scan, Analyze, Respond, Assess) until the identified issues are controlled or alleviated.

Cornerstones of SRS:

- **Accurate and timely analysis of crime and disorder data**
- **Rapid deployment of officers**
- **Effective tactics**
- **Relentless follow-up and assessment**
- **Successful partnership with the community**



The City map above depicts the geographic deployment of APD officers and resources. These three "Sectors" (outlined in red) are commanded by police captains who are accountable for responding to crime and disorder issues quickly and efficiently.