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MEDIA RELEASE

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(NIBRS Transition)**

The Salisbury Police Department is improving Crime Measurement and Reporting.

The Salisbury Police Department is proud to begin participating in the FBI's National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS). As the new national data collection standard, NIBRS captures details on victims, known offenders, relationships between victims and offenders, arrestees, property, and drugs involved in crimes for up to 10 offenses within an incident, representing a substantial shift in the way the Salisbury Police Department reports crime.

The Salisbury Police Department is changing how information on victimization and offending is collected and reported in order to meet federal data standards, improved operations, and better inform the public about the nature of crime in the City of Salisbury. NIBRS data provide the detailed, accurate, and meaningful information needed about crime.

The Salisbury Police Department will begin reporting NIBRS-compliant crime data to the Maryland UCR Program for submission to the FBI on March 1, 2021. The Salisbury Police Department is making it a priority to do our part and support the national transition to NIBRS.

Transitioning to NIBRS will enable the Salisbury Police Department to give context to specific public safety problems. With this change, officers will be able to provide the community with in-depth information about victimization and offending.

NIBRS collects information on nearly every major criminal justice issue facing law enforcement, including weapons offenses, drug offenses and drug involvement in all offenses, gangs, domestic violence, child and elder abuse, hate crimes, white collar crime, and terrorism. The additional detailed crime incident data are captured in a standardized format, which provides greater analytic capability and makes NIBRS a superior crime reporting standard.

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