



# OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF

## MIDDLESEX COUNTY



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To: Charles R. Walsh, Jr., LCSW  
Executive Director  
Middle Peninsula Northern Neck CSB

Subject: Closing of Kilmarnock CIT RASC Center.  
Date: 9/27/19

The announcement of the MPNN's Kilmarnock RASC Site closing is disheartening to say the least. As a Sheriff's Office with limited staff and resources that are at a constant state of stressed we have come to rely on the services that these centers have provided. The Commonwealths Mental Health Alternative Transportation Program set to roll out in our region in spring of 2020 which has yet to address many of the liability concerns of our office, puts our region at disadvantage with increasing response times to our citizens with our staff tied up with emergency custody orders and temporary dentition orders which your RASC program provides. While you have one site remaining open in Gloucester it leaves issues for utilization for the more northern of the 10 Counties and 16 different Law Enforcement agencies to serve. Many of these agencies may only have one officer on the road at a time responding to calls for service. Middlesex County Sheriff's Office can recall not so long ago when the RASC services did not exist and the stress it placed on this office and our community. Middlesex County Sheriff's Office will continue to seek the MPNN, CSB, and CIT training for its staff and support the CSB efforts in expanding its RASC and Mental Health programs.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Casey Mewborn".

Lieutenant Casey Mewborn

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