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### Body Worn Camera Public Comment and Information Session

During the final quarter of 2016, the Herndon Police Department conducted a pilot program to evaluate the effectiveness of body worn cameras for the agency. During the evaluation period, the agency equipped several officers assigned to both the patrol and traffic enforcement sections of the department with body worn cameras. Officers utilized the cameras to capture audio and visual footage during calls for service, traffic stops, criminal investigations and other interactions with the public. The agency policy for the use of the equipment was also evaluated and modified to ensure the privacy of the Herndon community.

The next step in the evaluation process is to solicit the public's input and comment before full deployment of the program in April. Chief Maggie DeBoard will be hosting a public forum specifically addressing the deployment of body worn cameras on **March 30, 2017 at 7 p.m.** at the Herndon Police Station. Citizens and the media are invited to attend this forum.



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