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### Sheriff's Office Moneta Substation Ribbon Cutting

**DOWNTOWN MONETA, VA** – It was a chilly October morning Saturday the 17<sup>th</sup> in Moneta, but that didn't deter the mood of visitors who joined the festivities for the official opening of the Sheriff's Office Substation in the Downtown Moneta Square complex.

The Moneta Square Business Association generously donated the 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor office space for Deputies to use while patrolling in the area. This un-manned substation is equipped with an outside phone that can be used by area residents to contact the Bedford Dispatch Center should they need to speak to a deputy or report an emergency.

BCSO Deputies have access to the facility 24/7 where they can work on reports, make phone calls or eat their dinner, without ever leaving the area. *"With Bedford County being such a huge area to cover,"* says Major Ricky Gardner, *"having the ability to keep deputies in their beats provides the best possible coverage to the community"*.

Staff Members of the Sheriff's Office, along with members of the Bedford and Lake Chambers, Moneta Square business owners, Bedford County Board members and local residence were all on hand to see the 'evidence tape' ribbon cutting, welcoming all to view the new substation and enjoy light refreshments.

Deputies were on hand in the parking lot offering free child safety seat inspections, Internet safety information and also present was Operation Medicine Cabinet accepting outdated prescription medications for proper disposal. Moneta Volunteer Fire and Rescue Co.8 were also there with their well-equipped trucks on display.

*"This entire agency is certainly appreciative of the generosity extended to us, making this substation available. My entire staff and I look forward to providing the best possible service to the business and residential community throughout the greater Moneta area"*.  
~Sheriff Mike Brown