



Town of Christiansburg Vandalism Reward Policy

The Town of Christiansburg will offer a reward of up to one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) for information leading to the arrest and conviction of any person(s) committing vandalism against Town property, not to exceed one (1) reward of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) per violation.

The exact amount of the award shall be determined by the Town's Chief of Police. In the event of multiple contributors of information, the reward amount shall be divided by the Town in the manner it shall deem appropriate by the Chief of Police. For the purposes of this section, diversion of the offending violator to a community service program, or a plea bargain to a lesser offense shall constitute a conviction.

Claims for rewards under this section shall be filed, processed, and paid in accordance with procedures established by the Chief of Police. Claims for rewards under this section shall be filed, in writing, with the Christiansburg Police Department. Each claim shall:

- (1) Identify the date, location, and kind of property damaged or destroyed,
- (2) Identify the law enforcement agency that filed a report and the date it was filed,
- (3) Identify by name the person who was convicted, and
- (4) Identify the court and the date upon which the conviction occurred.

No claim for a reward shall be allowed by Town Council unless the Town investigates and verifies the accuracy of the claim and determines that the requirements of this section have been satisfied. The investigation must determine that the claimant's information was relevant and directly responsible for the arrest and conviction of the suspect.

Any criminal activity, to include vandalism, on Town property will be subject to prosecution and trespass order for a minimum 12-month period from all recreational facilities. The vandalism reward policy shall not apply to incidents of vandalism against private personal property or incidents of vandalism that are perpetrated outside the boundaries of the Town of Christiansburg.