



Hampton Police Division Media Release

40 Lincoln Street
Hampton, VA 23669



For Immediate Release

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Blackbeard Festival

The Hampton Police Division and the City of Hampton take great pleasure in welcoming you and your family to the **Blackbeard Festival** which will take place at the downtown waterfront on May 31-June 1, 2014. We wanted to take this opportunity to provide you with a few important points to ensure that you have a wonderful and safe experience.

- Attendance of these festivities is expected to be large therefore, please anticipate a high volume of traffic in and around the downtown area. There will be several traffic points throughout the base which will be monitored by patrol officers. Please review the monitored traffic points which will be listed on the Hampton Police Division Facebook Page <https://www.facebook.com/HamptonVAPolice>
- These festivities are expected to draw large crowds be sure to allow yourself appropriate travel time to avoid the last-minute traffic congestion.
- Please remember to secure all items of value inside your vehicle. Items such as cameras, stereos and GPS devices should not be left in sight.
- For those who may not be familiar with the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia, be advised that they prohibit the consumption of alcoholic beverages in public.
- The Following streets will be **CLOSED** for the festival:
 - **Queens Way** between Kings Way and Eaton Street will be CLOSED starting at approximately 6 p.m. on May 30 and will reopen at approximately 10 p.m. on June 1
 - **Eaton Street** between East Queens Way and Mill Point Drive will be CLOSED at approximately 6 p.m. on May 30 and will reopen at approximately 10 p.m., on June 1.
 - **Settlers Landing Road** between Eaton Street and Tyler Street will be CLOSED at approximately 8:30 p.m., on May 31 and will reopen after the fireworks at approximately 10 p.m.

