COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND 1999 Legislative Session

	Resolution No. CR-64-1999								
	Proposed by The Chairman (by request - County Executive)								
	Introduced by Council Members Estepp, Bailey, Gourdine, Hendershot, Maloney								
	Russell, Shapiro, Scott and Wilson								
	Date of Introduction November 16, 1999								
	RESOLUTION								
1	A RESOLUTION concerning								
2	Compensation and Benefits - Police Officials								
3	Officials (Captains and Majors) Salary Schedule P-O								
4	For the purpose of amending the Salary Plan of the County to reflect pay rates, define the								
5	workweek, and explain benefits of Police Officials.								
6	WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 903 of Article IX of the Prince George's County Charter								
7	and Section 16-125 (a) of the Prince George's County Code, amendments to the County's Salary								
8	Plan are to be submitted to the County Council in resolution form; and								
9	WHEREAS, the Salary Plan must at this time be amended by approval of a Salary Sched	ule							
10	to reflect the pay rates and benefits for Police Officials;								
11	NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Council of Prince George's								
12	County, Maryland, that the Salary Schedule submitted and recommended by the County								
13	Executive on November 15, 1999, which is attached hereto and made a part hereof, setting for	th							
14	the following modifications: cost of living increases in Fiscal Years 2000 and 2001; merit								
15	increases in Fiscal Years 2000 and 2001; uniform wage scale adjustments; an increase in shift								
16	differential; and changes in clothing allowance, pension plan modifications, participation in								
17	beneflex fringe benefit program, fitness indicator test (FIT) program, and discretionary leave, I	be							
18	and the same is hereby approved.								

Adopted this <u>16th</u> day of <u>November</u>, 1999.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

BY: ______ M. H. Jim Estepp Chairman

ATTEST:

Joyce T. Sweeney Clerk of the Council

SALARY SCHEDULE P-O PUBLIC SAFETY SCHEDULES OF PAY GRADES FOR POLICE OFFICIALS PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999 - JUNE 30, 2001

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1. Cost of Living Adjustments

Effective the first full pay period beginning on or after July 1, 1999, employees covered by this Salary Schedule will receive a two percent (2%) increase in their base hourly rates of pay.

Effective the first full pay period beginning on or after July 1, 2000, employees covered by this Salary Schedule will receive a one and one-half percent (1 1/2 %) increase in their base hourly rates of pay.

Effective the first full pay period beginning on or after January 1, 2001, employees covered by this Salary Schedule will receive a one percent (1%) increase in their base hourly rates of pay.

2. Merit Step Increases

Employees covered by this Salary Schedule who are otherwise eligible to receive a merit increase during the period from July 1, 1999, through June 30, 2000, will receive it.

Employees covered by this Salary Schedule who are otherwise eligible to receive a merit increase during the period from July 1, 2000, through June 30, 2001, will receive it.

Effective beginning on July 1, 1999, any police officer covered by this Salary Schedule hired before July 1, 1996 who completes eighteen (18) years of actual and continuous service as defined in the Police Pension Plan but who is not at the step for his/her rank on the Uniform Wage Scale which reflects the completion of eighteen (18) years of service will be placed at that step on the date upon which the officer has completed eighteen (18) years of service, and the officer's anniversary date will be changed, if necessary, to reflect his/her date of hire.

3. Uniform Wage Scale

The Uniform Wage Scale described below, and the Scheduled Pay Rates in effect as of July 1, 1999, as reflected in Section VI of this Salary Schedule shall remain in effect until June 30, 2001.

NOTE: Effective June 5, 1990, the Chief Administrative Officer authorized Deputy Directors (Lieutenant Colonels) and the Director (Police Chief) to receive all of the benefits of this Salary Schedule P-O, except payment of wages under the Uniform Wage Scale. Lieutenant Colonels and the Chief are, therefore, paid wages at the Deputy Director (G-35) and Director (G-38) pay respectively, grades on Salary Schedule "G".

A. DESCRIPTION OF THE UNIFORM WAGE SCALE

For each rank of police officer in the Police Officials' salary schedule there is established a pay grade containing fifteen (15) pay rates (steps) ranging from Step 0 through Step 14: Police Captain - L06; and Police Major - L07.

The percentage value of each interval between steps is 3.5% from Step 0 through Step 11 and 3% for the three remaining intervals from Step 11 through Step 14.

An employee will be eligible to advance to the next step for his/her rank on his/her anniversary date at the rate of one step per year up to and including Step 12, provided that he/she receives at least a satisfactory performance evaluation for the preceding year. After reaching Step 12, an officer will be eligible to advance to Steps 13 and 14 after three years of service at each step (that is, after having completed fifteen and eighteen years of service, respectively), provided that his/her performance for the applicable period has been evaluated as satisfactory.

Employees covered by this Salary Schedule and hired before July 1, 1987 will keep the anniversary dates that they held on July 1, 1987 for as long as they are continuously employed. Employees hired on or after July 1, 1987 will have as their anniversary dates the dates of their initial appointment and those anniversary dates will not be changed while those employees are continuously employed. Effective June 30, 1996, the County will adjust the employee's anniversary date to the earlier of the employee's date of hire or current anniversary date.

Upon promotion, an employee's salary rate shall be increased to that of the corresponding pay step for the promotional grade (that is, a ten percent (10%) increase).

B. IMPLEMENTATION OF THE UNIFORM WAGE SCALE

FY90. Effective July 2, 1989, employees covered by this Salary Schedule, after receiving the four percent (4%) cost of living adjustment, will be placed on the Uniform Wage Scale at the step for their rank which is immediately above their annual salary.

However, an officer whose salary, when adjusted for the four percent (4%) cost of living adjustment, exceeds the maximum salary payable at his/her rank will be red-circled at that salary, and will continue to be red-circled. Further, an officer who was hired at a rate of pay greater than the entry rate will be placed on the pay scale pursuant to the foregoing rules and will maintain the resultant step differential.

On their anniversary dates during FY90, all officers will receive a one step anniversary increase (either three and one-half percent (3 1/2%) or three percent (3%), depending on their July 2 placement on the Uniform Wage Scale) to the next step on the Uniform Wage Scale unless the officer is at Step 14.

FY91. On their anniversary dates during FY91, an officer below the step which would be warranted by his or her years of service will be placed at that Step. An officer who was hired at a rate of pay greater than the entry rate will be placed on the pay scale pursuant to this rule so as to maintain the resultant step differential.

4. Modification of Uniform Wage Scale - Effective July 1, 1994

Effective July 1, 1994, the Uniform Wage Scale described in Section III above, is modified as follows:

A. DESCRIPTION OF MODIFIED UNIFORM WAGE SCALE

For each rank of police officer in the Police Officials' salary schedule there is established a pay grade containing fifteen (15) pay rates (steps) ranging from Step A through Step O: Police Captain - L06; and Police Major - L07. The percentage values of the intervals between the steps are 3.5% from Step A through Step K and 3% for the remaining intervals from Step K through Step O.

Officers in the ranks of Police Captain and Police Major will be eligible to advance to the next step for their rank on their anniversary date at the rate of one step per year up to and including Step M (after 13 years) provided he or she receives at least a satisfactory performance evaluation for the preceding year. After reaching Step M, officers in the ranks of Police Captain through Police Major will be eligible to advance to Step N after two years of service (that is, after having completed fifteen years of service) and to Step O after three years of service at Step N (that is, after having completed eighteen years of service).

Upon promotion, an employee's salary rate shall be increased to that of the corresponding pay step (for example, Step J to Step J) for the promotional grade (that is, a ten percent increase).

B. IMPLEMENTATION OF MODIFIED UNIFORM WAGE SCALE

On July 1, 1994, every officer will be assigned to the pay step for his or her rank on the modified Uniform Wage Scale with a salary rate identical to the officer's salary rate on June 30, 1994.

On his or her anniversary date in Fiscal Year 1995, every officer will be eligible to advance to the next step on the modified Uniform Wage Scale, provided that the officer's performance for the applicable period has been evaluated as satisfactory.

On June 25, 1995, any officer who is not at the pay step for his or her rank which would be warranted by his or her years of service, will be placed at that pay step.

5. Modifications of Uniform Wage Scale -- Fiscal Years 2000 and 2001

Effective July 1, 1999, anniversary dates will be adjusted to the officer's date of hire (as a police officer, with certain exceptions) if different from his/her current anniversary date, so that all officers receive their merit steps on the first day on which the officer has the required years of service.

Effective the first full pay period beginning on or after July 1, 1999, Step M of the Uniform Wage Scale for grades L-06 (Police Captain) through L-07 (Police Major) shall be applicable after 13 years of service, Step N shall be applicable after 14 and 15 years of service, Step 0 shall be applicable after 16 and 17 years of service, and a new Step P (at 3% higher than Step 0) shall be applicable after 18 years of service.

Effective the first full pay period beginning on or after July 1, 2000, the interval for grades L-06 (Police Captain) through L-07 (Police Major) between Step B to Step C shall be increased from 3-1/2% to 4%, such that all steps at Step C and above on the Uniform Wage Scale shall be increased by one-half of one percent (0.5%).

SCHEDULE P-O POLICE OFFICIALS UNIFORM WAGE SCALE EFFECTIVE JANUARY 3, 1999 PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

Step	А	В	С	D	Ε	F	G	Н	Ι	J	K	L	Μ	Ν	0
Yrs Service	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13-14	15-17	18+
L06															
Hourly	24.7258	25.5913	26.4868	27.4141	28.3735	29.3665	30.3943	31.4582	32.5591	33.6987	34.8780	35.9244	37.0021	38.1123	39.2555
Biweekly	1978.07	2047.31	2118.94	2193.12	2269.88	2349.32	2431.55	2516.66	2604.72	2695.90	2790.23	2873.95	2960.17	3048.99	3140.44
Annual	51,429	53,230	55,092	57,022	59,017	61,083	63,220	65,433	67,723	70,093	72,546	74,723	76,964	79,274	81,652
L07															
Hourly	27.1983	28.1504	29.1357	30.1555	31.2108	32.3032	33.4338	34.6041	35.8152	37.0686	38.3659	39.5170	40.7025	41.9236	43.1813
Biweekly	2175.87	2252.04	2330.85	2412.45	2496.86	2584.26	2674.70	2768.32	2865.22	2965.48	3069.27	3161.36	3256.21	3353.89	3454.50
Annual	56,573	58,553	60,602	62,724	64,918	67,190	69,542	71,976	74,496	77,103	79,801	82,196	84,661	87,201	89,817

The hourly rates are the January 4, 1998, rates multiplied by 1.025%. The hourly rates are the controlling rates. Biweekly rates are the hourly rates multiplied by 80 and rounded to the nearest cent. Annual rates are hourly rates multiplied by 2080 and rounded to the nearest dollar

SCHEDULE P-O POLICE OFFICIALS UNIFORM WAGE SCALE EFFECTIVE JULY 4, 1999 PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

Step	Α	В	С	D	Ε	F	G	Н	Ι	J	К	L	Μ	Ν	0	Р
Yrs Service	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14-15	16-17	18+
Police Offici	als															
L06 – Police	Captain															
Hourly	25.2203	26.1031	27.0165	27.9624	28.9410	29.9538	31.0022	32.0874	33.2103	34.3727	35.5756	36.6429	37.7421	38.8745	40.0406	41.2418
Biweekly	2017.62	2088.25	2161.32	2236.99	2315.28	2396.30	2480.18	2566.99	2656.82	2749.82	2846.05	2931.43	3019.37	3109.96	3203.25	3299.34
Annual	52,458	54,294	56,194	58,162	60,197	62,304	64,485	66,742	69,077	71,495	73,997	76,217	78,504	80,859	83,284	85,783
L07 – Police	- Major															
Hourly	27.7423	28.7134	29.7184	30.7586	31.8350	32.9493	34.1025	35.2962	36.5315	37.8100	39.1332	40.3073	41.5166	42.7621	44.0449	45.3662
Biweekly	2219.38	2297.07	2377.47	2460.69	2546.80	2635.94	2728.20	2823.70	2922.52	3024.80	3130.66	3224.58	3321.33	3420.97	3523.59	3629.30
Annual	57,704	59,724	61,814	63,978	66,217	68,535	70,933	73,416	75,986	78,645	81,397	83,839	86,355	88,945	91,613	94,362

The hourly rates are January 3, 1999, rates multiplied by 102%. For administrative purposes, the hourly rates are the controlling rates. Biweekly rates are the hourly rates multiplied by 80 and rounded to the nearest cent. Annual rates are the hourly rates multiplied by 2080 and rounded to the nearest dollar.

SCHEDULE P-O POLICE OFFICIALS UNIFORM WAGE SCALE EFFECTIVE JULY 2, 2000 PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

Step Yrs Service	A 1	В 2	C 3	D 4	E 5	F 6	G 7	Н 8	I 9	J 10	K 11	L 12	M 13	N 14-15	0 16-17	Р 18+
Police Offici L06 – Police																
Hourly	25.5986	26.4946	27.5543	28.5187	29.5169	30.5500	31.6192	32.7259	33.8713	35.0568	36.2838	37.3723	38.4935	39.6483	40.8377	42.0629
Biweekly	2047.89	2119.56	2204.35	2281.50	2361.35	2444.00	2529.54	2618.07	2709.70	2804.54	2902.70	2989.78	3709.48	3171.86	3267.02	3365.03
Annual	53,245	55,109	57,313	59,319	61,395	63,544	65,768	68,070	70,452	72,918	75,470	77,734	80,066	82,468	84,942	87,491
L07 – Police	e - Major															
Hourly	28.1584	29.1439	30.3097	31.3705	32.4685	33.6049	34.7811	35.9984	37.2584	38.5624	39.9121	41.1095	42.3427	43.6130	44.9214	46.2691
Biweekly	2252.67	2331.52	2424.78	2509.64	2597.48	2688.39	2782.49	2879.87	2980.67	3084.99	3192.97	3288.76	3387.42	3489.04	3593.71	3701.52
Annual	58,569	60,619	63,044	65,251	67,535	69,898	72,345	74,877	77,497	80,210	83,017	85,508	88,073	90,715	93,437	96,240

The hourly rates are July 4, 1999 rates multiplied by 101.5% combined with an increase at Steps L06-L07 in the percentage value between Step B to Step C from 3.5% to 4%. For administrative purposes, the hourly rates are the controlling rates. Biweekly rates are the hourly rates multiplied by 80 and rounded to the nearest cent. Annual rates are the hourly rates multiplied by 2080 and rounded to the nearest dollar.

SCHEDULE P-O POLICE OFFICIALS UNIFORM WAGE SCALE EFFECTIVE JANUARY 14, 2001 PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

Step Yrs Service	A 1	В 2	C 3	D 4	E 5	F 6	G 7	Н 8	I 9	J 10	K 11	L 12	M 13	N 14-15	0 16-17	Р 18+
Police Offici	ials															
L06 – Police	e Captain															
Hourly	25.8546	26.7595	27.8298	28.8039	29.8121	30.8555	31.9354	33.0532	34.2100	35.4074	36.6466	37.7460	38.8784	40.0448	41.2461	42.4835
Biweekly	2068.37	2140.76	2226.38	2304.31	2384.97	2468.44	2554.83	2644.26	2736.80	2832.59	2931.73	3019.68	3110.27	3203.58	3299.69	3398.68
Annual	53,778	55,660	57,886	59,912	62,009	64,179	66,426	68,751	71,157	73,647	76,225	78,512	80,867	83,293	85,792	88,366
L07 – Police	e - Major															
Hourly	28.4400	29.4353	30.6128	31.6842	32.7932	33.9409	35.1289	36.3584	37.6310	38.9480	40.3112	41.5206	42.7661	44.0491	45.3706	46.7317
Biweekly	2275.20	2354.82	2449.02	2534.74	2623.46	2715.27	2810.31	2908.67	3010.48	3115.84	3224.90	3321.65	3421.29	3523.93	3629.65	3738.54
Annual	59,155	61,225	63,675	65,903	68,210	70,597	73,068	75,625	78,272	81,012	83,847	86,363	88,953	91,622	94,371	97,202

The hourly rates are July 2, 2000 rates multiplied by 101%. For administrative purposes, the hourly rates are the controlling rates. Biweekly rates are the hourly rates multiplied by 80 and rounded to the nearest cent. Annual rates are the hourly rates multiplied by 2080 and rounded to the nearest dollar

7. Workweek

The workweek is the seven (7) consecutive day period commencing at 12:01 a.m. Sunday, and ending the following Saturday midnight. The number of hours in a workweek for full-time employees averages forty (40) hours over the course of a calendar year.

8. Designation of Meal Periods

Any employee who works five (5) or more hours in any workday shall receive a one-half hour meal period.

9. Holidays and Holiday Pay

The Personnel Law establishes the regular holidays for County employees including those employees covered by this Salary Schedule. "Police Memorial Day," will be recognized and observed on May 15 of each year as a County holiday for employees covered by this Salary Schedule. Eligible employees shall receive straight time pay for each of the designated holidays on which they perform no work.

ODCs who work on a core holiday (New Year's Day, Independence Day, Thanksgiving Day, and Christmas Day) shall be paid at two (2) times their regular rate of pay for each hour worked (except overtime), but shall not receive another day off. Any overtime performed by an employee on a holiday shall be compensated in accordance with the employee's regular overtime rate (i.e., no pyramiding).

If the ODC works on any of the remaining holidays, the ODC may elect to receive one and one-half $(1 \ 1/2)$ times the officer's base rate of pay plus one-half (1/2) of the number of hours in the officer's normal daily work schedule in annual leave or to receive straight time for hours worked plus compensatory leave at the straight time rate for hours worked plus annual leave for one-half (1/2) of the number of hours worked.

If the holiday falls on the ODCs normally scheduled day off, the ODC will not receive an extra day's pay, but the ODC may elect another day off or one-half (1/2) the number of hours in the ODCs normal daily work schedule in annual leave.

10. Shift Differential (Operational Duty Commanders)

A. A shift differential of two dollars and thirty cents (\$2.30) per hour shall be paid for all time worked on the first (1st) shift (i.e. the night shift - 2200 hours to 0800 hours) to each employee specifically assigned to work the first (1st) shift. Effective the first full pay period beginning on or after July 1, 1999, the first shift differential will be increased to two dollars and thirty-five cents (\$2.35) per hour. Effective the first full pay period beginning on or after July 1, 2000, the first shift differential will be increased to two dollars and forty cents (\$2.40) per hour. B. A shift differential of one dollar and thirty cents (\$1.30) per hour shall be paid for all time worked on the third (3rd) shift (i.e. the evening shift, beginning at 1500 hours) to each employee specifically assigned to work the third (3rd) shift. Effective the first full pay period beginning on or after July 1, 1999, the third shift differential will be increased to one dollar and thirty-five cents (\$1.35) per hour. Effective the first full pay period beginning on or after July 1, 2000, the first shift differential will be increased to two dollars and forty cents (\$1.40) per hour.

C. The shift differential shall not be considered to be part of the employee's base rate, nor shall they be applied to pay for non-productive hours such as holiday pay and annual and sick leave pay, nor shall they be used for the purpose of computing retirement deductions, retirement and insurance benefits, or educational incentive pay.

D. When the hours worked fall within the third (3rd) and first (1st) shifts, the employee shall be paid for all such hours at the shift differential rate which coincides with the majority of the hours worked, except that if exactly half the hours worked are in each of the third and first shifts, the higher differential rate shall apply for the entire number of hours worked.

E. Any employee specifically assigned to the second shift (i.e., the day shift - 0700 hours to 1700 hours) shall not be entitled to a shift differential.

Evening shift differential commences at 1500 hours (3:00 p.m.), as long as four or more hours of the normal work day fall after 1500 hours. For example, a work day commencing at 1200 hours and ending at 2000 hours entitles the employee to payment for five hours of evening shift differential. The following table depicts this payment schedule:

Hours Worked	Ho	urs Paid Evening Shift Differential
0900-1700	0	
1000-1800	0	
1100-1900	4	(4 hours past 1500)
1200-2000	5	(5 hours past 1500)
1300-2100	6	(6 hours past 1500)
1400-2200	7	(7 hours past 1500)
1500-2300	8	_

F. Operational Duty Commanders who are required to work overtime shall not be eligible to receive shift differential or overtime pay for those overtime hours.

11. Leave Provisions

A. Sick Leave and Bereavement Leave

Sick Leave and Bereavement Leave policies shall be administered in accordance with the Personnel Law except that the first three days of bereavement leave taken upon the death of a parent, spouse or child will be administrative leave rather than sick leave. All full-time employees earn 4 1/2 hours of sick leave each pay period with a periodic adjustment to ensure that each employee earns 15 days of sick leave each year throughout the duration of County Service. Each such day shall constitute 8 hours.

B. Annual Leave

1. Annual leave policies shall be administered in accordance with the Prince George's County Personnel Law, that is, full-time employees shall earn annual leave on the following basis:

Zero (0) through three (3) years of service	Four (4) hours per pay period
Four (4) through fifteen (15) years of service	Six (6) hours per pay period with periodic adjustment to ensure that each employee earns 20 days
After fifteen (15) years of service and above	Eight (8) hours per pay period

2. A maximum of three hundred sixty (360) hours of accumulated annual leave earned beginning with the first pay period in the 1997 leave year (i.e., January 5, 1997) may be carried over from one leave year to the next by an employee (i.e., new annual leave).

3. An employee shall be allowed to carry over annual leave earned as of the last full pay period in leave year 1996 (i.e., old annual leave) even if such accumulated amount is in excess of the maximum allowed in Subsection A, above or in excess of the 130 day maximum formerly allowed in Section 5.02.

4. Effective beginning with the 1997 leave year, new annual leave in excess of the three hundred sixty (360) hours limit at the end of a leave year will automatically convert to new sick leave. The Police Pension Plan shall be amended to provide that new sick leave converted from annual leave under this subparagraph, up to a combined total for each officer of 1,040 hours of annual leave and this new sick leave, may be used to purchase pension credit at the rate of 40 hours for each month of pension credit.

C. Sick and Annual Leave Disposition Upon Separation

Effective beginning with the 1997 leave year (i.e. January 5, 1997), the annual and sick leave balances accumulated by an employee shall, upon the employee's separation from employment be liquidated in the following manner:

1. The employee may elect to retain all or any portion of the employee's sick and annual leave balances credited to the employee's leave record for the period of time equal to the employee's eligibility for reappointment as determined in accordance with Section 16-148 (a) (8);

2. The employee may elect to apply all or any portion of the employee's sick and annual leave balances to employment elsewhere, provided another employer has agreed to accept accumulated sick or annual leave balances for credit on behalf of the employee.

3. The employee may elect to receive cash payment for all or any portion of the employee's annual leave balance in an amount equal to the total number of unused annual leave hours multiplied by the employee's final base hourly rate of pay, subject to the following:

A. Upon separation from employment, employees who participate in the pension plan may elect to receive a cash payment for the remainder of their annual leave hours that were accumulated as of the end of the 1996 leave year or for up to 360 hours of accumulated annual leave, whichever is greater. Any remaining amount would be applied toward service credit in the pension plan as provided in Paragraph I. of Article XXVII of this Agreement.

4. Upon separation from employment for non-disciplinary reasons (including but not limited to retirement, disability and death), eligible employees will receive cash payment for unused sick leave accumulated as of the end of the 1996 leave year at 2.5% for each year of service (through the date of separation) at the employee's base hourly rate of pay as of January 4, 1997. However, if a police officer with less than twenty (20) years of actual service terminates employment as a result of death or disability, he/she shall receive a 50% cash-out of unused accumulated sick leave as of the end of the 1996 leave year.

5. For individuals who participate in the pension plan, sick leave earned beginning with the 1997 leave year (i.e., new sick leave) is not subject to cash payment upon separation, but is available to purchase service credit under the pension plan as provided in paragraph I. of Article XXIII (Pension Plan) of the collective bargaining agreement. However, officers whose employment terminates because of death are eligible for cash payment for all sick leave earned, including sick leave earned beginning with the 1997 leave year, at the rates set forth in paragraph 4., immediately above.

6. Notwithstanding any provision in this section to the contrary, an employee who is involuntarily separated from employment with the County for disciplinary reasons is not entitled to any payment for unused sick leave.

D. Family and Medical Leave

Employees covered by this Salary Schedule are entitled to family leave as provided in Section 16-225.02 of the Personnel Law.

E. Personal Leave

Twelve (12) hour of personal leave -- including the four (4) hours granted in lieu of General Election Day --shall be granted to all employees eligible for annual leave.

F. Discretionary Leave

1. Employees covered by this Salary Schedule shall be eligible for sixteen (16) hours of Discretionary Leave per wage reporting year. Discretionary Leave must be requested and approved in advance, and unused Discretionary Leave cannot be carried over from one year to the next.

2. Employees covered by this Salary Schedule who have been employed as Prince George's County Police Officers for ten (10) or more years shall be eligible for fourteen (14) hours of Discretionary Leave per wage reporting year in addition to the sixteen (16) hours of Discretionary Leave described in Paragraph 1 above, subject to the same limitations described in Paragraph 1 above.

G. Disability Leave

When an employee is injured on the job and unable to work, the employee will be placed on disability leave. Where the illness or injury subsequently is determined to be nonservice connected or of such a nature as not to require the employee to remain off of work, the employee will be returned to work but not backcharged sick or annual leave for the period of time the employee was on disability leave.

H. Administration of Leave

The provisions governing the administration of the above types of leave, as well as other types of leave, (holiday, administrative, military, military leave without pay, absence without leave, compensatory) are specified in Division 17 of the Personnel Law and applicable Administrative Procedures.

12. Educational Incentive Pay

This program remains in effect. Refer to Article XVIII (Educational Incentive) contained in the FOP89 labor agreement in effect during the period from July 1, 1996 through June 30, 1999.

13. Contribution to Retirement Trust Fund

The employee contribution to the retirement trust fund is five and one-half percent (5 1/2%) of salary.

14. Clothing Allowance

A. All clothing allowances provided for herein are for the purchase of clothing and leather goods to supplement the uniform items issued, routine uniform maintenance, and replacement of uniform items rendered unserviceable through normal wear and tear. Replacement of uniform items damaged during the performance of duty will be accomplished pursuant to departmental policy. New uniform items required by a change in the uniform will be provided by the Department at no cost to the officer. All clothing allowances paid pursuant to this Salary

Schedule shall be disbursed in advance in one (1) installment in July of the applicable fiscal year. Charging uniform purchases against an advance payment is discontinued.

B. A clothing allowance of nine hundred fifty five dollars (\$950.00) shall be disbursed during Fiscal Year2000. During Fiscal Year 2001, the clothing allowance will be increased to one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00)

15. Fitness Indicator Test (FIT) Program

Based on the standards in effect on March 1, 1989, the County will compensate employees who pass (minimum score of two (2)) the four (4) objective components (run, sit-ups, push-ups, and flexibility) of the annual Fitness Indicator Test according to the following schedule:

Average score of 3 or better	\$100
Average score of 4 or better	\$200
Average score of 5 or better	\$400

Additionally, any employee hired after December 31, 1989 must pass annually all eight (8) components of the FIT Program with at least a score of 2 in each of the eight (8) areas (based on the standards in effect on March 1, 1989) in order to receive an anniversary merit increase in pay and in order to be eligible for promotion. Revised testing standards for the FIT Program will be developed by the County in consultation with the FOP, to be effective for officers hired on or after July 1, 1999.

Effective July 1, 1999, an employee's test results will be maintained in both his/her official and his/her departmental personnel files.

16. Death and Disability Benefits

The County will administer Death and Disability benefits in accordance with the Personnel Law and Article 101 of the Annotated Code of Maryland.

The accidental death insurance policy the County maintains for employees covered by this Salary Schedule shall be payable in the amount of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) to an employee's designated beneficiary should the officer be killed in the line of duty.

17. Group Health Insurance and Group Life Insurance Benefit (Beneflex)

Beginning with calendar year 2000, employees covered by this Agreement may participate in the County's Beneflex Program. The Beneflex Program will be an option for all officers and will be fully explained during seminars prior to the enrollment period toward the end of 1999.

A. The County shall contribute seventy-five percent (75%) to the cost of the County's point of service health insurance plan for any employee who elects to participate in the program plan. Participating employees shall contribute the remaining twenty-five percent (25%).

B. For those employees who elect to enroll in a pre-paid group health plan or Health Maintenance Organization (HMO), the County's contribution shall be equal to eighty percent (80%) of the cost of HMO coverage and the participating employee's contribution shall equal the remaining twenty percent (20%).

C. Employees who provide proof of other medical coverage may choose to receive a credit instead of enrolling in a medical plan with the county.

D. The County shall contribute ninety percent (90%) to the County deductible prescription drug and vision care programs for any employee or retiree who elects to participate in either program. The participating employee or retiree shall contribute the remaining ten percent (10%). Employees who choose not to enroll in the Prescription Drug Plan may choose to receive a credit instead.

The County has agreed to extend this provision regarding contributions to the County Deductible prescription drug and vision care programs to current retirees with the express understanding and agreement of the parties that the County has not waived any rights it has with regard to whether matters affecting retirees constitute mandatory subjects of bargaining.

The County agrees to meet and consult with the F.O.P. for a reasonable period of time before implementing changes in health benefits provided to employees covered by this Agreement. The parties shall establish a committee for purposes of these discussions if either party deems it desirable.

E. Two Dental Plans are available to employees, the cost of which is paid by the employee if the employee elects to enroll in either of the plans.

F. Employees may choose to enroll in a Long-Term Disability Program offering fifty percent (50%) or sixty percent (60%) of annual salary us to normal social security retirement age. Employees will pay the full cost of whichever option is chosen.

G. Employees may contribute up to \$5,000 in a dependent flexible spending account and up to \$3,000 in a medical flexible spending account. The minimum that may be contributed to either account is \$10 per pay period for the 2000 Plan Year.

18. Life Insurance

The County shall one hundred percent (100%) of the monthly premium for County life insurance for each employee in the amount of two (2) times the employee's annual salary up to a maximum of one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000). Employees may choose to increase their life insurance from one to four times their annual salary up to a total of \$750,000 including the base amount provided by the County. Employees will pay for the increases coverage at rates based on their age. Employees may choose to reduce their life insurance to one times their annual salary and receive a credit.

19. Workers' Compensation

The County will provide at its own cost all benefits due to an employee pursuant to the Maryland Workers' Compensation Law, Title 9 of the Maryland Labor and Employment Code Annotated.

20. Unemployment Insurance

Employees who are separated from County service may be entitled to unemployment compensation provided they meet eligibility requirements established by Federal and/or State regulations.

21. Incentive Awards

To the extent that funds have been appropriated for such purposes, employees may be granted incentive awards, subject to the provisions of Section 16-209 of the Personnel Law.

22. Pay Plan Policy Statement

It is the policy of the County that benefits afforded to employees in the Salary Schedule are governed by the specific salary schedule to which an employee is currently assigned. If an employee is transferred, promoted, demoted, or in any way moves from one salary schedule to another, any benefits unique to or expressly a function of the former salary schedule are not carried over.