The Coalition for Public Safety Training in Schools, Inc. (CPSTS) is a progressive 501 (c) -3 nonprofit organization that embraces forward-learning change for students in grades 9th -12th interested in Public Safety Careers.

“PATHWAYS TO SERVICE” captures (CPSTS) mission in threefold:

(1) Serving as a liaison between students in Prince George’s county schools and public safety organizations by introducing students to careers in public safety;
(2) Showcasing public safety careers as viable employment opportunities in Prince George’s County; and
(3) Linking public safety organizations in the County with employment-ready candidates.

Together, we can get it done because we owe it to current and future generations of Prince George’s County students to provide them with opportunities to receive the training, and the skills they will need to have successful public safety careers.

William (Bill) C. Taylor  
Founder, CPSTS

“Service to Others”
The installation of officers and board members was held on March 26, 2015 at the Silver Hill Volunteer Fire Department located in Suitland, Maryland. The Honorable Sydney Harrison, Clerk of the Court presided over the ceremony. Other elected officials who attended were Council Members Obie Patterson, Karen R. Toles and Sheriff Melvin C. High, also in attendance was Fire Chief Marc C. Bashoor. The reception was coordinated by the Suitland High School Culinary Arts Students.
Driver’s Education Scholarship Program

CPSTS partnered with Linnel Driving School to host its first 10-week Driver’s Education Program with 29 students enrolled. The purpose of the program is to educate students on the importance of operating an automobile safely and defensively.

A meet and greet reception was held for the students and their parents. The board members, along with guest speaker, Fire Chief Bashoor and Hilmer Porter, Station 38, Chapel Oaks participated in welcoming the students to the class.

2016 Graduation Class
African American Fire Fighters Historical Society Dinner

CPSTS sponsored 11 students to attend the Sixth Annual Salute Dinner. The theme was *Saluting First African Americans Hired in Fire Service of Maryland*. In addition, they recognized pioneers in the fire service from all jurisdictions in Maryland. Retired Chief Darrell Odom accepted the award on behalf of Retired Inspector Leonard Lewis, a Prince George’s Fire Department pioneer, Chapel Oaks Volunteer Fire Station #38. The event was held on June 17, 2016, at the Clyburn Arboretum, Baltimore, Maryland.

The Academy of Homeland Security and Military Science

CPSTS participated in the Prince George’s County Public School College and Career Readiness Innovative Program for the Academy of Homeland Security and Military Science. The event was held on May 23, 2016, at Suitland High School. Students were able to learn more about professions in homeland security.
Council Member Obie Patterson, Dr. Stephanie Maxwell, Director of the Prince George’s County Human Resources, Youth Work and Summer Youth Enrichment Program (SYEP) and Prince George’s Community College partnered with CPSTS to share information regarding careers in public safety. The career day was held on July 26, 2015 with approximately 60 students in attendance.

The Prince George’s Public Safety Agencies attended along with the EMS, K-9 and helicopter. The students had an opportunity to interact with the agencies and emergency helicopter staff.

CPSTS was a sponsor at the Back to School Fair hosted by the Prince George’s County Board of Education. The fair was held on August 8, 2015 at the Show Place Arena, Upper Marlboro, Maryland. Book Bags and other school items were distributed to students.

Dr. Kevin Maxwell, CEO, Prince George’s County Public Schools, and CPSTS Board members and students participated in the Back to School Day at Show Place Arena.
CPSTS Receives Community Awards

**PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY COUNCIL PROCLAMATION PRESENTATION**

Prince George’s County Council Member Obie Patterson recognized Retired Chief Darrell C. Odom, President and William C. Taylor, Founder and Vice President with a Proclamation on March 15, 2016.

They were recognized for their outstanding leadership and vision to help educate, advocate and foster the development of Public Safety training in schools while providing pathways for youth into public safety professions.

**BUSINESS /COMMUNITY PARTNER OF THE YEAR AWARD**

Retired Chief Darrell C. Odom received the award from the Prince George’s County Public Schools for his achievements with working with the students, staff and community partners.

**NATIONAL YOUTH SUMMIT ON EDUCATION, JUSTICE, AND THE US ECONOMY**

CPSTS sponsored six students, six chaperones and one teacher from the International High School at Largo to participate in the National Youth Summit on Education, Justice, and the US Economy. Retired Chief Darrell C. Odom and William Taylor received the Ethics Project’s Ambassador Andrew Young Distinguished Leadership Award. The event was held at the John F. Kennedy Center for Performing Arts.
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2016 Summer Youth Employment
Program Orientation Chris Andrews,
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Chair Derrick Davis and Bill Taylor.

Fire Cadet Training Drills

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