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With the arrest of Steven Alan Hilliard last Wednesday night, February 2, the Washington County TF/CARFTF has apprehended its 100th violent or associated offender since its formation as a task force in late 2004. It was then that former U.S. Marshal Wayne Pike approached Washington County Sheriff Fred Newman about joining forces with the United States Marshal Service in what was then called The Blue Ridge Fugitive Task Force.

The name of the Task Force has changed, but not its mission. "The 100 offenders arrested are those for whom Washington County warrants existed, or directly affected the Washington County community," stated Sheriff Newman. The 100 felony arrests involve a wide array of violations, from murder to armed robbery.

Members of the Task Force include U.S. Deputy Marshals Matthew Davis, Byron Schiesz, Jim Slatterwhite, Woody McGlothlin and Supervisor Deputy U.S. Marshal Tommy Slemp. Members of the Sheriff's Office who are Task Force members include Sheriff Fred Newman, Captain Marty Berry, Captain Blake Andis, Lt. Byron Ashbrook, Lt. Scott Snapp, Detectives Scott Clear, Jamie Blevins, and Deputies Noah Horn, David Clayman and Marty Lloyd.

"The formation of this Task Force and the arrests of these 100 violent or associated offenders represent what can be accomplished when law enforcement agencies combine their resources for the good of the communities that they serve," said Sheriff Newman.