

Loudoun Democrats

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*One in an occasional series of informational reports
highlighting achievements of your Democratic officials*

TODAY'S TOPIC:

Expanding, Improving Justice in the Commonwealth Attorney's Office

Commonwealth Attorney Buta Biberaj came into office four years ago promising to make a difference, to reform and improve the Loudoun County prosecutors' office, and she has made good on the promise. As she seeks reelection this year, there are arguably many major accomplishments during her tenure, but we'll focus on just a few:

- ***During her tenure violent crime in Loudoun County has dropped by 31%, according local, state and federal records. At the same time, by reducing the average daily population from 425 to 250 -- without any increase in recidivism -- there's been a potential saving exceeding \$14 million per year.***
- ***Among the most vulnerable individuals in the criminal justice system are the victims and witnesses, who are unexpectedly thrown into an often frightening and always complex, stressful environment. By increasing the number of victim/witness case managers, Biberaj has increased the***

number of victims/witnesses receiving guidance from 1200 to 1700 annually. That means victims/witnesses are better prepared to aid prosecutors, get restitution and make sure justice is served.

- ***Similarly, the number of prosecutors overseeing sexual assault and domestic violence cases has been increased from two to six dedicated attorneys, which means those cases are better managed.***

These are the kinds of innovations and results that are hard to argue with and voters have come to expect when a Democrat is in office. Reelecting Commonwealth Attorney Biberaj seems like a solid bet, one that will pay dividends.