

# Wendell Police Department Monthly Report

**August 2019**



The Mission of the Wendell Police Department is to professionally serve and protect the community and establish community partnerships to maintain and improve the quality of life in Wendell.



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## Calls for Service

Calls for service are generated either by citizen complaints or officers self-initiating. These calls range from a request for a vehicle unlock, to a suspicious person, to a traffic stop, to more serious criminal matters with all requiring the presence or response of an officer to resolve, correct or assist in that situation.

In August 2019 the Wendell Police Department recorded 370 calls for service as compared to 479 in the same month the previous year.

Top Five Calls for Service Including Self-initiated by Frequency		
Type	Number	% of Total
Traffic Stop	122	33.0%
Talk with Officer	33	8.9%
Suspicious Person/Vehicle/Activity	24	6.5%
Motor Vehicle Collision	20	5.4%
Larceny	13	3.5%
Total for top 5	212	57.3%

The following chart reflects the top five calls to which the Police Department was dispatched during the month.

Top Five Dispatched Calls for Service by Frequency		
Type	Number	% of Total
Talk with Officer	33	8.9%
Suspicious Person/Vehicle/Activity	24	6.5%
Motor Vehicle Collision	20	5.4%
Larceny	13	3.5%
Check on Welfare	11	3.0%
Total for top 5	101	27.3%

## Response Time

One of the goals of the Police Department as identified in the Town's Strategic Plan and Budgetary Documents is to continue to provide core police services of community patrol and response to emergency and non-emergency calls at current levels. A critical component of this goal is to maintain an 90th percentile response time from time dispatched until on scene of 7 minutes. The 90th percentile response time is that time for which 90% of the response times are less and 10% are longer.

The 90<sup>th</sup> percentile response time for this month is 7.6 minutes.

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## Incident Reports Files

Incident reports are typically generated for actual reported crime and capture the necessary information to conduct an investigation. In some cases, they are informational only when needed to document future potential issues or property not associated with a crime.

In August 2019 the Wendell Police Department filed 45 incident reports as compared to 34 in the same month the previous year. A summary of the crimes reported in these incidents is summarized in the following section.

## Reported Crime

Crimes Against Persons	Month	Year to Date
ASSAULT OFFENSES	2	12
KIDNAPPING/ABDUCTION	0	1
SEX OFFENSES	1	3
<b>Group Total</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>16</b>
Crimes Against Property	Month	Year to Date
BURGLARY/BREAKING & ENTERING	4	13
DESTRUCTION/DAMAGE/VANDALISM	4	29
EMBEZZLEMENT	0	1
FRAUD OFFENSES	2	11
LARCENY/THEFT OFFENSES	6	37
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	2	5
ROBBERY	1	1
STOLEN PROPERTY OFFENSES	1	3
<b>Group Total</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>100</b>
Crimes Against Society	Month	Year to Date
ALL OTHER	9	61
DRUG/NARCOTICS OFFENSES	9	66
DWI	4	31
PROSTITUTION OFFENSES	0	1
<b>Group Total</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>159</b>

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## **Motor Vehicle Crash**

Motor vehicle crashes reported here include collisions in which a vehicle collides with another vehicle, pedestrian, animal, road debris, or other stationary obstruction, such as a tree, pole or building. The crashes here include those which are reported to the North Carolina Department of Motor Vehicles.

In August 2019 the Wendell Police Department filed 18 motor vehicle crash reports as compared to 14 in the same month the previous year.

## **Directed Efforts**

One speeding complaint was received for the 300 block of Landing Place Drive. The radar sign was deployed in this area to determine average speeds and identify specific times speeding violations were occurring. Officers used the Lidar to identify anyone speeding in this area.

Additionally, we received both speeding and stop sign violation complaints on Big Falls Dr. Once the speed study is complete on Landing Place, the radar sign will be moved to this area to conduct a speed study.

## **Community Engagement Efforts**

On August 12 & 13, the Police Department held a Golf Cart Registration Event at The Farmhouse at Wendell Falls. This event was created to make it easier for those that live in Wendell Falls to get their golf carts inspected.

On August 24, 2019, the Police Department held a Golf Cart Registration Event at The Farmer's Market. This event was created to make it easier for those that live near downtown to get their golf carts inspected.

## **Administrative Activities**

Members of the management Team participated in planning and after-action meetings associated with Fourth of July festivities, Harvest Festival and the proposed Meet on Main event scheduled for September 2019.

This month officers attended off site training on Drug Enforcement for Patrol Officers, Highway Interdiction, MAGNUS Leadership: Turbocharging Trusting Relationships, Wellness and Resiliency in Law Enforcement and First Line Supervision.

Chief Carter partnered with Finance Director Kay to meet with the Town of Rolesville Finance Director to review responses to the joint RFP for IT services. The top three vendors were identified and presentations were made to the Town Managers, Finance Directors and Police Chiefs.