

# Wendell Police Department Monthly Report

August 2022



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 2022 the Wendell Police Department recorded 404 calls for service as compared to 306 in the same month the previous year.

Top Five Calls for Service Including Self-initiated by Frequency*		
Type	Number	% of Total
Traffic Stop	50	12.38%
Suspicious Activity	34	8.42%
Alarm	31	7.67%
Domestic	21	5.20%
Traffic Accident	20	4.95%
Total for top 5	156	38.61%

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
Suspicious Activity	34	8.42%
Alarm	31	7.67%
Domestic	21	5.20%
Traffic Accident	20	4.95%
Check on the Welfare	18	4.46%
Total for top 5	124	30.69%

\*Above "Top Five" tables do not include self-initiated calls such as foot patrol, school crossing or security checks, however those calls are included in the total monthly calls for service reported in the second paragraph of this section.

#### 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 8.0 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 2022 the Wendell Police Department filed 39 incident reports as compared to 31 in the same month the previous year. A summary of the crimes reported in these incidents is summarized in the following section.

## Reported Crime (Calendar Year)

Crimes Against Persons	Month	Year to Date
ASSAULT OFFENSES	4	28
KIDNAPPING/ABDUCTION	0	0
SEX OFFENSES	0	2
<b>Group Total</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>30</b>
Crimes Against Property	Month	Year to Date
Arson	0	1
BURGLARY/BREAKING & ENTERING	1	16
COUNTERFEITINF/FORGERY	1	1
DESTRUCTION/DAMAGE/VANDALISM	5	32
EMBEZZLEMENT	0	1
FRAUD OFFENSES	0	39
EXTORTION/BLACKMAIL	0	0
LARCENY/THEFT OFFENSES	7	55
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	0	3
ROBBERY	0	2
STOLEN PROPERTY OFFENSES	1	5
<b>Group Total</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>155</b>
Crimes Against Society	Month	Year to Date
ALL OTHER	15	85
DRUG/NARCOTICS OFFENSES	2	16
DWI	4	29
PROSTITUTION OFFENSES	0	0
Pornography/Obscene Material	0	0
<b>Group Total</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>130</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 2022 the Wendell Police Department filed 22 motor vehicle crash reports as compared to 18 in the same month the previous year.

## **Directed Efforts**

The speed trailer was deployed on Big Falls Dr to collect speed data and deter speeding.

The Radar Sign was deployed on Third St near Pine St to collect speed data and deter speeding in the downtown area.

Officers conducted strategic speed enforcement in areas where we have received previous speeding complaints:

- Marshburn Road
- Drift Falls Lane
- Big Falls Drive
- Daniel Ridge Rd

## **Community Engagement Efforts**

Captain Slaughter spoke to Wendell Falls residents at the Farmhouse to discuss safety tips and answer general questions that residents had of the police department. This served as a great opportunity to connect with community members and answer questions they would normally not have the opportunity to ask.

Officers were present at Wendell Elementary School on the first day of school to welcome the kids back and share encouraging words for the new school year.

Captain Slaughter is serving as a mentor through Wake Tech's-Wake Invests in Women Program. This program connects women that are attending Wake Tech with a mentor that shares education and advice to prepare them for identifying a career path. This includes networking, how to interview, goal setting and creating a path towards achieving their career goals.

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## Administrative Activities

Captain Slaughter and Lieutenant Loy attended Executive Leadership training through FBI-LEEDA. This was a weeklong training that provided students with best practices for those holding executive positions or working towards those positions.

Captain Slaughter attended a virtual meeting hosted by Faith and Blue. This organization provides agencies with resources to connect with their local churches and use them as a way to connect with members of their community.

Officer Akins attended Community Policing training at Coastal Plains Law Enforcement Training Center. This course reviewed case studies of community policing projects from other agencies and tools on how to bring those projects to their perspective agencies.

Sergeant Williams and Officer Jolly attended the North Carolina Gang Conference in Winston-Salem. This training discussed current gang trends, developing intelligence on local gangs and tips on how to use resources when dealing with gang activity.

Sgt. Hanks attended Rapid Deployment Instructor School, which certifies him as a Rapid Deployment Instructor. Police agencies use Rapid Deployment when responding to active shooter incidents, which allows for agencies to quickly respond to these events and bring about a quick solution.

Accreditation Manager Ashlie Pippen started this month. Ashlie will assist in leading the agency towards CALEA Accreditation and will manage our future grants.