

# Wendell Police Department Monthly Report

February 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 February 2022 the Wendell Police Department recorded 447 calls for service as compared to 223 in the same month the previous year.

Top Five Calls for Service Including Self-initiated by Frequency*		
Type	Number	% of Total
Traffic Stop	92	20.58%
Talk with Officer	22	4.92%
Alarms	22	4.92%
Motor Vehicle Accidents	17	3.80%
Domestics	16	3.58%
Total for top 5	169	37.81%

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
Motor Vehicle Accidents	22	4.92%
Alarms	22	4.92%
Motor Vehicle Accidents	17	3.80%
Domestics	16	3.58%
Assist Motorist/Other Agency	13	2.91%
Total for top 5	90	20.13%

\*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 6.3 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 February 2022 the Wendell Police Department filed 34 incident reports as compared to 28 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	5	9
KIDNAPPING/ABDUCTION	0	0
SEX OFFENSES	0	0
Group Total	5	9
Crimes Against Property	Month	Year to Date
BURGLARY/BREAKING & ENTERING	3	4
COUNTERFEITING/FORGERY	0	0
DESTRUCTION/DAMAGE/VANDALISM	0	2
EMBEZZLEMENT	0	0
FRAUD OFFENSES	4	9
EXTORTION/BLACKMAIL	0	0
LARCENY/THEFT OFFENSES	5	17
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	0	0
ROBBERY	0	0
STOLEN PROPERTY OFFENSES	0	1
Group Total	12	33
Crimes Against Society	Month	Year to Date
ALL OTHER	7	16
DRUG/NARCOTICS OFFENSES	1	3
DWI	2	7
PROSTITUTION OFFENSES	0	0
Pornography/Obscene Material	0	0
Group Total	10	26

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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 February 2022 the Wendell Police Department filed 17 motor vehicle crash reports as compared to 10 in the same month the previous year.

## **Directed Efforts**

The Radar Trailer was deployed on Marshburn Rd. to collect speed data.

Officers conducted directed patrol at several traffic concerns that we have had in the past to continue a presence in those areas.

## **Community Engagement Efforts**

The Wendell Police Department participated along with other law enforcement agencies with a Coffee with a Cop event at 41 North. The event was hosted by Dara Holsters, who provided arranged the location, food, and drinks. The event was a success and all the officers enjoyed speaking and interacting with citizens.

Captain Slaughter participated in the Read Across America at Corinth-Holders High School, which involved reading to two classes at the school.

## **Administrative Activities**

Chief Carter and Captain Slaughter met with Public Works to discuss the addition of stop signs in several neighborhoods and in the downtown area. We discussed timing, messaging and how the police department could help educate the community on the changing traffic patterns which were designed to make our roadways safer.

The Police Department submitted its initial budget request for the upcoming fiscal year.

Officer Harper attended Intoxilyzer Certification training at Wake Technical Community College. This course teaches officers how to operate the Intoxilyzer instrument to determine the level of alcohol in a person's breath to allow them to collect evidence used in DWI investigations.

Officer Hunt attended Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement (ARIDE) and Lidar Certification training at area community colleges. ARIDE gives officers advanced training in identifying impaired drivers and how to conduct a proper investigation. Lidar training certifies officers on the handheld radar unit that can be used in places a traditional radar cannot be used.

Sgt. Hanks attended Intoxilyzer recertification training.

Sgt. Taylor attended Radar recertification training.