

# Wendell Police Department Monthly Report

July 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 particular situation.

In July 2019 the Wendell Police Department recorded 471 calls for service as compared to 539 in the same month the previous year.

Top Five Calls for Service Including Self-initiated by Frequency		
Type	Number	% of Total
Traffic Stop	153	32.5%
Domestic	33	7.0%
Warrant Service	28	5.9%
Motor Vehicle Collision	25	5.3%
Alarms	23	4.9%
Total for top 5	262	55.6%

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
Domestic	33	7.0%
Motor Vehicle Collision	25	5.3%
Alarm	23	4.9%
TWO	21	4.5%
Suspicious Person/Vehicle/Activity	17	3.6%
Total for top 5	119	25.3%

## 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 6.8 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 July 2019 the Wendell Police Department filed 52 incident reports as compared to 27 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	3	10
KIDNAPPING/ABDUCTION	0	1
SEX OFFENSES	0	2
<b>Group Total</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>13</b>
Crimes Against Property	Month	Year to Date
BURGLARY/BREAKING & ENTERING	2	9
DESTRUCTION/DAMAGE/VANDALISM	8	25
EMBEZZLEMENT	0	1
FRAUD OFFENSES	2	9
LARCENY/THEFT OFFENSES	9	31
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	1	3
STOLEN PROPERTY OFFENSES	0	2
<b>Group Total</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>80</b>
Crimes Against Society	Month	Year to Date
ALL OTHER	11	52
DRUG/NARCOTICS OFFENSES	5	57
DWI	5	27
PROSTITUTION OFFENSES	0	1
<b>Group Total</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>137</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 July 2019 the Wendell Police Department filed 16 motor vehicle crash reports as compared to 16 in the same month the previous year.

## Directed Efforts

As a result of citizen complaints regarding stop sign violations, directed patrol efforts were conducted in Wendell Falls, Edgemont Landing, Mattox St and within a core neighborhood in the downtown area. A number of vehicles were stopped in these areas and appropriate enforcement action was taken in an effort to educate and ultimately gain voluntary compliance.

One speeding complaint was received for the 100 block of Hollybrook Rd near the library. The radar sign was deployed in this area to determine average speeds and identify specific times speeding violations were accruing. Officers used the Lidar to identify anyone speeding in this area.

## Community Engagement Efforts

A presentation was made to the Wendell Rotary Club about the ordinances and procedures associated with registering and operating a golf cart within the Town of Wendell.

Staff engaged in the final planning and scheduling for the 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Camp Choices held at the Community Center. The camp which is sponsored by Wake County ABC is for children ages 9-12 and is provided at no cost.

## 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 Case Preparation and Search Warrant development to assist them in more complex investigations.

Chief Carter attended the 73rd Annual Training Conference of the NC Police Executives Association where training was provided on using social media for successful community policing, working with drones, grant development, national Incident-Based Crime Reporting Systems (NIBRS), police chief hiring and retention, legal updates, and updates from the NC Criminal Justice Training and Standards Commission.

Captain Slaughter attended a Watch for Me Action Planning Workshop in Garner to implement the Watch for Me grant to improve pedestrian and bicycle safety through education and enforcement.

Chief Carter partnered with Finance Director Kay to meet with the Town of Rolesville Finance Director to discuss the joint RFP for IT services. Evaluations were conducted, and vendors were narrowed to three for presentation to the respective Town Managers.