Wendell Police Department Monthly Report

June 2023



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 June 2023 the Wendell Police Department recorded 359 calls for service as compared to 414 in the same month the previous year.

Top Five Calls for Service Including Self-initiated by Frequency*				
Туре	Number	% of Total		
Traffic Stop	63	17.55%		
Talk with Officer	52	14.48%		
Traffic Accidents	33	9.19%		
Suspicious Activity	30	8.36%		
Break-in Motor Vehicle	22	6.13%		
Total for top 5	200	55.71%		

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*			
Туре	Number	% of Total	
Talk with Officer	52	14.48%	
Traffic Accidents	33	9.19%	
Suspicious Activity	30	8.36%	
Break-in Motor Vehicle	22	6.13%	
Larceny	12	3.34%	
Total for top 5	149	41.50%	

^{*}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 90th percentile response time for this month is 7.8 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 June 2023 the Wendell Police Department filed 72 incident reports as compared to 49 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	42
KIDNAPPING/ABDUCTION	0	0
SEX OFFENSES	1	5
Group Total	5	47
Crimes Against Property	Month	Year to Date
BURGLARY/BREAKING & ENTERING	4	9
COUNTERFEITING/FORGERY	1	1
ARSON	0	1
DESTRUCTION/DAMAGE/VANDALISM	1	19
EMBEZZLEMENT	0	0
FRAUD OFFENSES	6	23
EXTORTION/BLACKMAIL	0	0
LARCENY/THEFT OFFENSES	16	48
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	3	12
ROBBERY	0	2
STOLEN PROPERTY OFFENSES	0	3
Group Total	31	118
Crimes Against Society	Month	Year to Date
ALL OTHER	23	80
DRUG/NARCOTICS OFFENSES	2	17
DWI	5	30
Liquor Violations	1	1
PORNOGRAPHY/OBSCENE MATERIAL	0	0
Group Total	31	128

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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 June 2023 the Wendell Police Department filed 28 motor vehicle crash reports as compared to 17 in the same month the previous year.

Directed Efforts

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

- All newly erected stop signs
- Drift Falls Lane
- Big Falls Drive
- Daniel Ridge Road
- Taylor Road
- Edgemont Rd

Community Engagement Efforts

We just wrapped up our 12th Annual Camp Choices and as always staff, counselors and campers had a wonderful time at the week- long camp. The camp is available to participants at no cost because of generous grant funding provided by the Wake County Board of Alcohol Control. Designed for people 9 to 12 years of age, the camp is a combination of sports and athletic activities combined with interactive programs regarding drug and alcohol prevention and internet safety. These combined activities are designed to teach teamwork, respect, appreciation for others, self-reliance, and confidence.

Administrative Activities

The police department worked closely with other departments to prepare for the 4th of July Fireworks.

In July, CALEA will begin its assessment of the Wendell Police Department. This will include file reviews to demonstrate proof of compliance followed by a site visit scheduled for August. The Department is in its final phases of preparation for this intensive process.

Sgt. Williams and Officer Jolly attended Advanced Interview and Interrogation Techniques at Coastal Plains Law Enforcement Training Center.

Officer Sleppy attended Officer Survival 1: Vehicle Stop Techniques at Coastal Plains Law Enforcement Training Center.