

# Wendell Police Department Monthly Report

March 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 March 2022 the Wendell Police Department recorded 554 calls for service as compared to 351 in the same month the previous year.

Top Five Calls for Service Including Self-initiated by Frequency*		
Type	Number	% of Total
Traffic Stop	101	18.23%
Talk with Officer	39	7.04%
Suspicious Activity	28	5.05%
Alarm	21	3.79%
Traffic Accident	15	2.71%
Total for top 5	204	36.82%

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	39	7.04%
Suspicious Activity	28	5.05%
Alarm	21	3.79%
Traffic Accident	15	2.71%
Fraud	12	2.17%
Total for top 5	115	20.76%

\*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 6.6 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 March 2022 the Wendell Police Department filed 63 incident reports as compared to 40 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	6	15
KIDNAPPING/ABDUCTION	0	0
SEX OFFENSES	1	1
<b>Group Total</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>16</b>
Crimes Against Property	Month	Year to Date
BURGLARY/BREAKING & ENTERING	2	6
COUNTERFEITING/FORGERY	0	0
DESTRUCTION/DAMAGE/VANDALISM	4	6
EMBEZZLEMENT	1	1
FRAUD OFFENSES	11	20
EXTORTION/BLACKMAIL	0	0
LARCENY/THEFT OFFENSES	9	26
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	0	0
ROBBERY	0	0
STOLEN PROPERTY OFFENSES	0	1
<b>Group Total</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>60</b>
Crimes Against Society	Month	Year to Date
ALL OTHER	11	27
DRUG/NARCOTICS OFFENSES	3	6
DWI	7	14
PROSTITUTION OFFENSES	0	0
Pornography/Obscene Material	0	0
<b>Group Total</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>47</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 March 2022 the Wendell Police Department filed 15 motor vehicle crash reports as compared to 14 in the same month the previous year.

## **Directed Efforts**

The Radar Trailer was deployed on Gaslight Trail to collect speed data.

Officer utilized the Lidar unit at several locations of traffic concerns that we have had in the past to continue a presence in those areas.

## **Community Engagement Efforts**

This month several officers went to area Basic Law Enforcement Training Academies to share what Wendell Police Department has to offer new and upcoming police officers.

The police department has begun planning our Public Safety Day event, which will be held on Saturday, May 7<sup>th</sup>. Additionally, we have started planning our upcoming Camp Choices which will be June 13-17<sup>th</sup>. There is a lot of work that goes into these events to ensure that they run smoothly, and all involved have a good time.

## **Administrative Activities**

Chief Carter attended the Wake County Law Enforcement Executives Meeting, which is held every quarter. These meetings are designed to bring Wake County Law Enforcement Executives together to discuss important topics affecting law enforcement within the county.

Captain Slaughter attended a meeting with the TJCOG to discuss Regional Recruitment and Retention Efforts. The TJCOG has been assisting municipalities with identifying best practices for recruiting and retaining law enforcement officers.

Officer Hunt attended Basic Criminal Investigations at Coastal Plains Law Enforcement Training Center. This course equips officers with criminal investigation best practices to assist in their many duties as a patrol officer.

Officer Hunt attended Community Policing at Coastal Plains Law Enforcement Training Center. This course teaches officers the importance of community policing and how they can be a part of a community policing program at their agencies.

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Detective Todd Williams attended Computer Voice Stress Analysis training. The course teaches investigators how to use the CVSA system to determine if a person is being deceptive in their response during an interview.