

Wendell Police Department Monthly Report

May 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 May 2022 the Wendell Police Department recorded 386 calls for service as compared to 293 in the same month the previous year.

Top Five Calls for Service Including Self-initiated by Frequency*		
Type	Number	% of Total
Traffic Stop	43	11.14%
Talk with Officer	33	8.55%
Suspicious Activity	19	4.92%
Alarm	15	3.89%
Traffic Accident	13	3.37%
Total for top 5	123	31.87%

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	33	8.55%
Suspicious Activity	19	4.92%
Alarm	15	3.89%
Traffic Accident	13	3.37%
Domestic	12	3.11%
Total for top 5	92	23.83%

*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 7.2 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 May 2022 the Wendell Police Department filed 40 incident reports as compared to 36 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	2	20
KIDNAPPING/ABDUCTION	0	0
SEX OFFENSES	1	2
Group Total	3	22
Crimes Against Property	Month	Year to Date
BURGLARY/BREAKING & ENTERING	4	11
COUNTERFEITING/FORGERY	0	0
DESTRUCTION/DAMAGE/VANDALISM	4	17
EMBEZZLEMENT	0	1
FRAUD OFFENSES	7	32
EXTORTION/BLACKMAIL	0	0
LARCENY/THEFT OFFENSES	6	39
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	1	2
ROBBERY	0	0
STOLEN PROPERTY OFFENSES	0	3
Group Total	15	105
Crimes Against Society	Month	Year to Date
ALL OTHER	8	47
DRUG/NARCOTICS OFFENSES	5	13
DWI	2	18
PROSTITUTION OFFENSES	0	0
Pornography/Obscene Material	0	0
Group Total	15	78

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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 May 2022 the Wendell Police Department filed 12 motor vehicle crash reports as compared to 6 in the same month the previous year.

Directed Efforts

The Radar Trailer was deployed on Drift Falls to collect speed data and deter speeding.

Officers conducted strategic speed enforcement in past areas where we have received speeding complaints.

Community Engagement Efforts

The police department held its annual Public Safety Day, which consisted of public safety service agencies, food, and games. The event was well attended after a two year hiatus because of the Pandemic. The Police Department finds the event to be rewarding as we continue to build new relationships and strengthen existing ones.

Administrative Activities

Chief Carter attended a stakeholder meeting at the Raleigh Wake Emergency Communications Center. The meeting included representatives of the vendor providing the Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) program used by Wake County Public Safety entities and its purpose was to ensure clear communications between all parties with regard to expectations and performance of the CAD system.

Captain Slaughter attended the Watch for Me Workshop as part of our partnership with the Watch for Me program. This workshop provided useful information on how to make your Watch for Me program successful.

Officers Harper and Jolly attended Radar Certification School which teaches officers how to use the radar unit to capture vehicle speeds.

Officer Jolly attended Advance Psychology for Cops at Wake Tech. This course teaches officers psychological cues to look out for improved officer safety.

Officer Jolly attended Sovereign Citizens & Anti-Government Groups training which teaches officers about different types of Anti-Government groups.