

# Wendell Police Department Monthly Report

May 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 May 2023 the Wendell Police Department recorded 461 calls for service as compared to 386 in the same month the previous year.

Top Five Calls for Service Including Self-initiated by Frequency*		
Type	Number	% of Total
Traffic Stop	79	17.14%
Talk with Officer	52	11.28%
Suspicious Activity	25	5.42%
Traffic Accidents	24	5.21%
Parking Violations	15	3.25%
Total for top 5	195	42.30%

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	52	11.28%
Suspicious Activity	25	5.42%
Traffic Accidents	24	5.21%
Parking Violations	15	3.25%
Larceny	13	2.82%
Total for top 5	129	27.98%

\*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 6.9 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 2023 the Wendell Police Department filed 57 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	8	38
KIDNAPPING/ABDUCTION	0	0
SEX OFFENSES	1	4
<b>Group Total</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>42</b>
Crimes Against Property	Month	Year to Date
BURGLARY/BREAKING & ENTERING	0	5
COUNTERFEITING/FORGERY	0	0
ARSON	0	1
DESTRUCTION/DAMAGE/VANDALISM	3	18
EMBEZZLEMENT	0	0
FRAUD OFFENSES	7	17
EXTORTION/BLACKMAIL	0	0
LARCENY/THEFT OFFENSES	6	32
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	2	9
ROBBERY	0	2
STOLEN PROPERTY OFFENSES	1	3
<b>Group Total</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>87</b>
Crimes Against Society	Month	Year to Date
ALL OTHER	9	57
DRUG/NARCOTICS OFFENSES	6	15
DWI	5	25
PROSTITUTION OFFENSES	0	0
PORNOGRAPHY/OBSCENE MATERIAL	0	0
<b>Group Total</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>97</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 May 2023 the Wendell Police Department filed 21 motor vehicle crash reports as compared to 12 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 in the downtown area
- Drift Falls Lane
- Big Falls Drive
- Daniel Ridge Road
- Taylor Road
- Edgemont Rd

## Community Engagement Efforts

On May 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> Sgt. McGhee's Squad participated in Cardinal Charter Academy's Public Safety Day. Over the two days they were able to engage with 682 Students in grades K-8.

On May 6<sup>th</sup> the Wendell Police Department held its annual Public Safety Day. The weather held off and it was as great day for the department and other public safety entities to interact with our community.

On May 15<sup>th</sup> Chief Carter represented our community at the Wake County Law Enforcement Memorial event held in Raleigh. This event honors fallen officers from Wake County.

## Administrative Activities

Captain Slaughter conducted Implicit Bias and All Hazards Training for all police department personnel. Implicit Bias training covered the agency's policy on Bias Based Policing and provided ways to recognize biases. The All-Hazards training covered the agencies All Hazards plan, specifically the Incident Command system.

Sgt. Hanks attended Master Taser Instructor Training to further is Taser Instructor training. This training provides more in-depth training on the Taser 7 and with the Master Taser Instructor certification, Sgt. Hanks can train and certify other Taser Instructors.

Officer Jolly attended Basic Gang Investigations training at Wake Tech.

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Officer Donald Squires attended Basic Criminal Investigations at Coastal Plains Law Enforcement Training Center.

Officer Jacob Barnes attended Patrol Rifle training at Wake Tech.

Officer Sleppy attended Robbery Response at Coastal Plains Law Enforcement Training Center and Close Quarter Pistol Training at Wake Tech.