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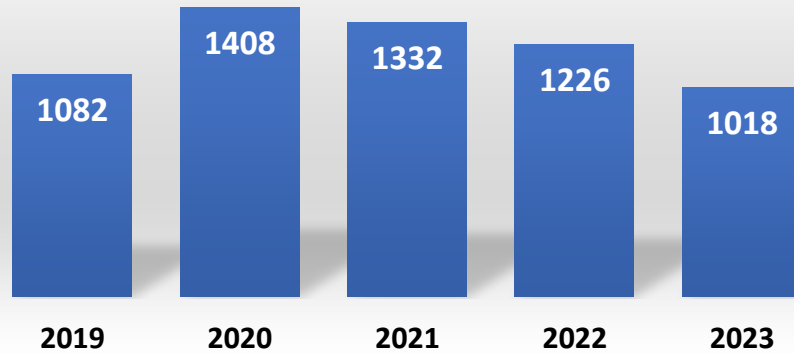
BLUFFTON POLICE DEPARTMENT

September 30, 2023

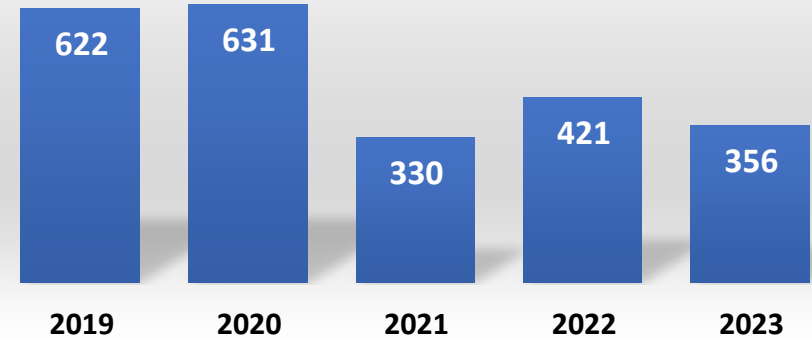
Presented by Chief Joseph Babkiewicz

DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS

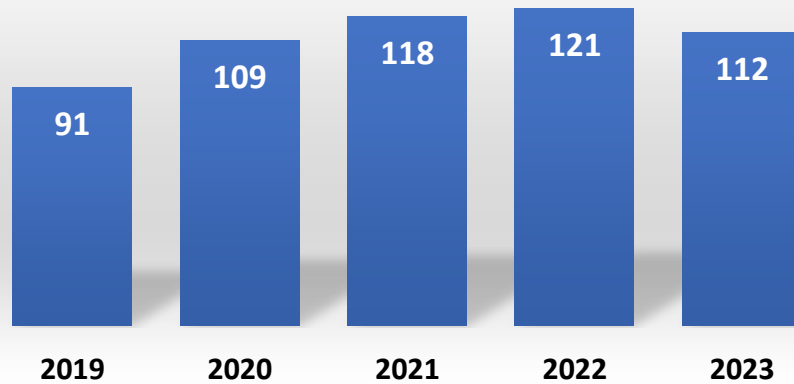
September Calls for Service Comparison



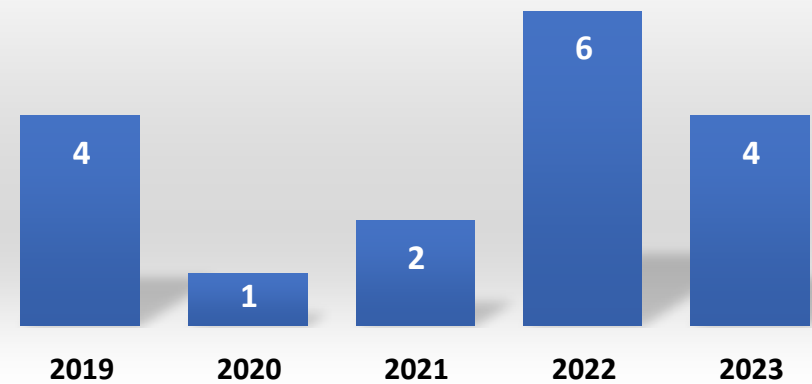
September Traffic Citation Comparison



September Collision Comparison

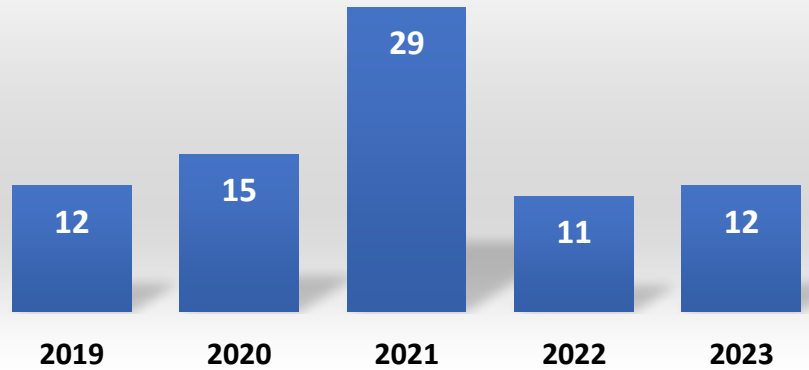


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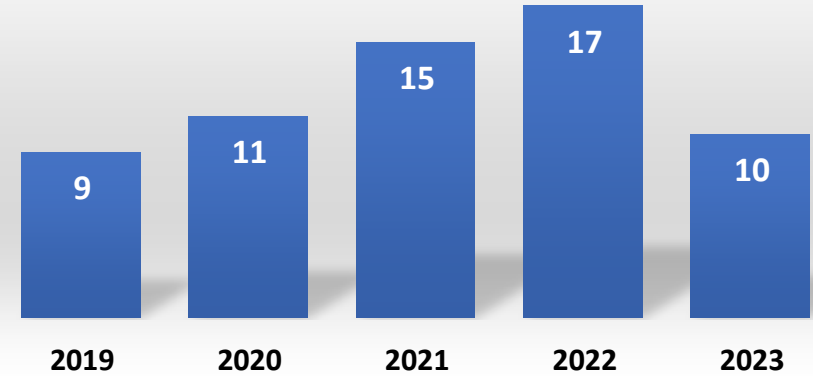


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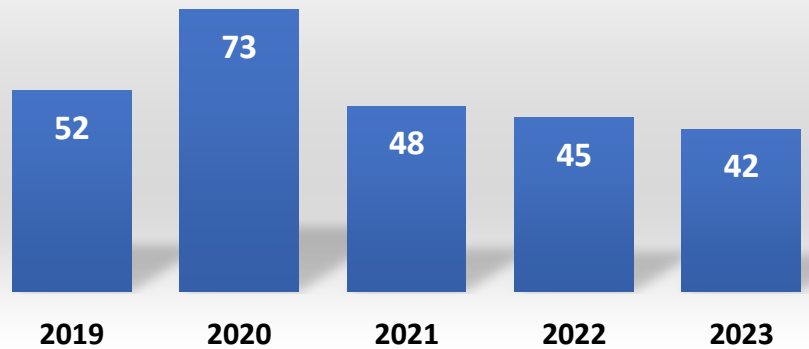
September Theft Comparison



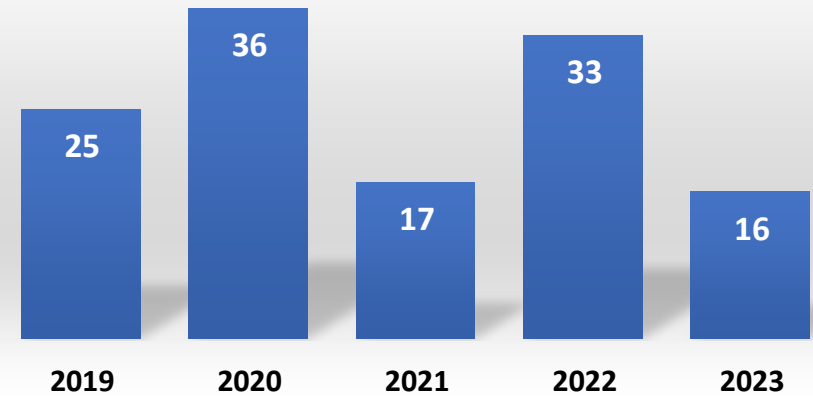
September Assault Comparison



September Domestic Calls for Service Comparison



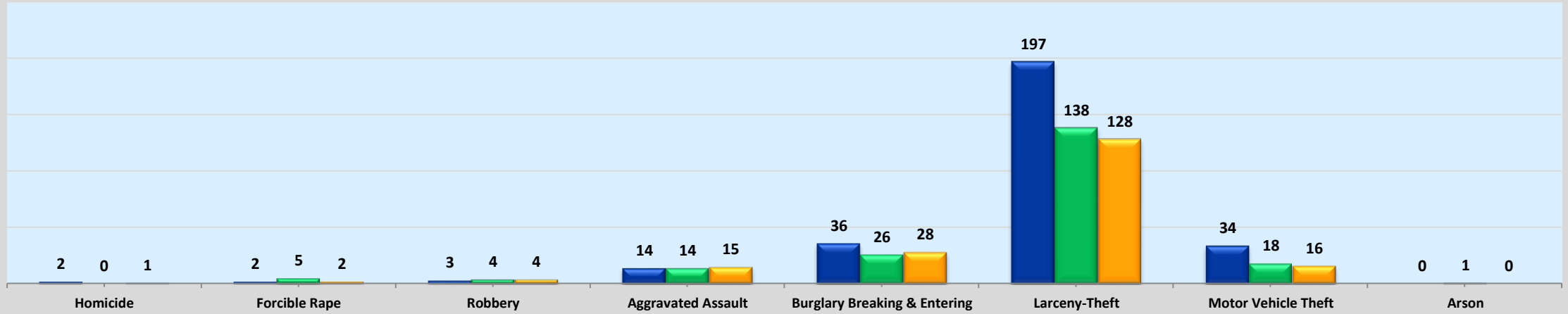
September Arrest Comparison



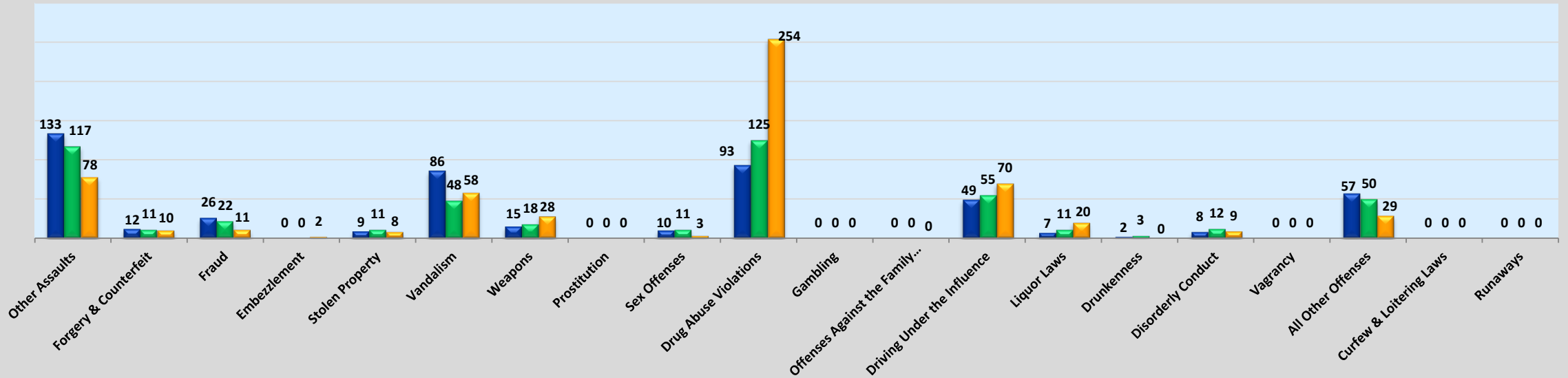
DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS

Year-to-Date
January - September

■ 2023 ■ 2022 ■ 2021



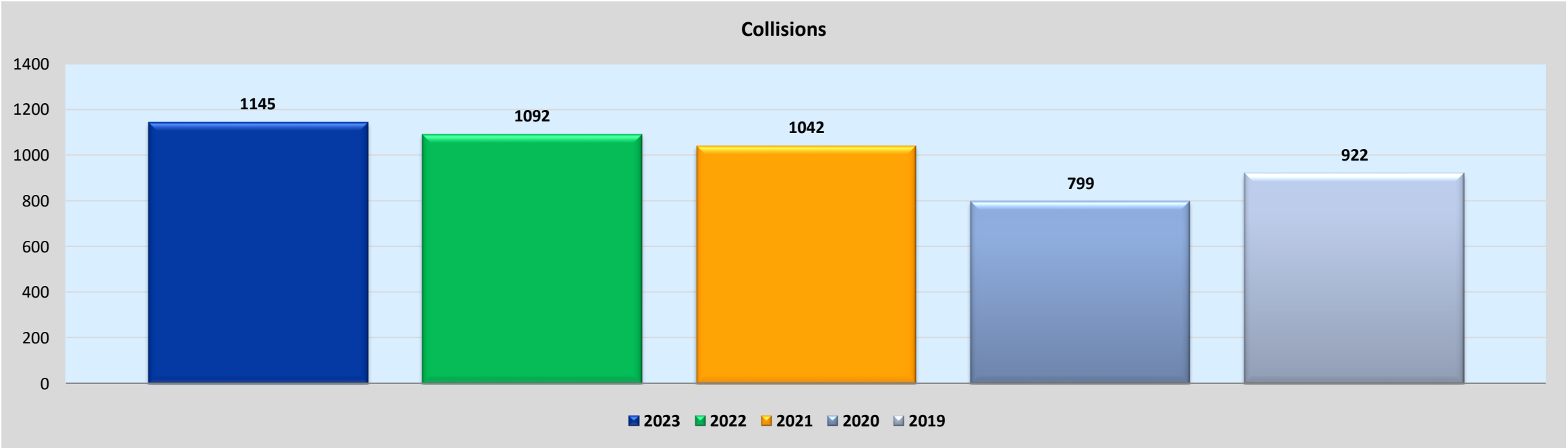
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DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS

Year-to-Date
January - September

Collisions



DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS

Law Enforcement Advisory Committee

- No meeting due to lack of quorum.

Meetings Attended by Chief Joseph Babkiewicz

Every Wednesday – Senior Staff Communications Meeting

Every Wednesday – Commanders Meeting

Every Friday – Men's Meeting @ Bible Missionary Baptist Church

Sep 1st – Attend Men's Meeting with Chaplain Hamilton

Sep 1st – Command Staff Interview

Sep 5th – Meeting with Human Resource – Application Review

Sep 5th – Attend Cross Security Task Force meeting

Sep 5th – WTOC Traffic Safety Interview

Sep 6th – Attend Wellness Committee meeting

Sep 7th – Attend Grand Opening Celebration @ Prime IV Hydration & Wellness

Sep 7th – Meeting with Lowcountry Community Church

Sep 8th – Attend Men's Meeting with Chaplain Hamilton

Sep 8th – Strategic Plan Presentation @ Okan

Sep 11th – Attend 911 Ceremony @ Buckwalter Place Veterans Memorial

Sep 12th – Meeting with Citizen

Sep 12th – Lunch Meeting with Community Member

Sep 12th – Meeting with May River High School Principal

Sep 14th – Attend Ribbon Cutting Ceremony @ Vereens Turf

Sep 15th – Attend Taste of Bluffton Food Truck Edition

Sep 16th – Attend Annual SC Beach Sweep/River Sweep

Sep 16th – Attend Live Like DJ Day of Giving Back @ Eagles Field

Sep 18th – Attend Oyster Factory Park Events Discussion

Sep 19th – Attend Boys & Girls Club Meeting

Meetings Attended by Chief Joseph Babkiewicz cont.

- Sep 20th** – Attend September Birthday & Anniversary Celebration
- Sep 20th** – Attend Interview Zoom meeting
- Sep 20th** – Attend Gullah Heritage Center Event
- Sep 20th** – Attend Community Meeting re: Traffic Enforcement
- Sep 21st** – Attend Grand Opening/Ribbon Cutting Ceremony @ Bespoke Abode
- Sep 21st** – Attend Command Staff Interview
- Sep 21st** – Attend CRASE Training @ Bluffton Elementary
- Sep 22nd** – Attend SC Criminal Justice Academy Graduation
- Sep 25th** – Attend May River Montessori Class 3 Officer meeting
- Sep 25th** – Attend Ribbon Cutting @ TC Teaching and Tutoring
- Sep 26th** – Attend Bluffton Self Help Biscuits and Jams event
- Sep 26th** – Meeting with Fire Marshall
- Sep 26th** – Attend Solo Group-Sun City meeting
- Sep 27th** – Attend Wellness Committee meeting
- Sep 27th** – Attend Gullah Heritage Center Fundraiser meeting
- Sep 27th** – Attend Corporals meeting
- Sep 27th** – Attend Sergeants meeting
- Sep 28th** – Attend Suicide Prevention Presentation
- Sep 28th** – Attend PAT Course meeting
- Sep 28th** – Attend Ribbon Cutting Celebration @ The Scout Guide Beaufort and Bluffton
- Sep 28th** – Meeting with Island Packet
- Sep 28th** – Meeting with Town Manager
- Sep 29th** – Attend Friday Cookout

DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS

Commendations -	None
Complaints -	None

Police Department Demographics as of September 30, 2023

DEPARTMENT	Black	Hispanic	Other	White	Grand Total
Female	1	6	1	20	28
Male	5	4	3	35	47
Grand Total	6	10	4	55	75

SWORN OFFICERS	Black	Hispanic	Other	White	Grand Total
Female	1	3		10	14
Male	5	4	3	29	41
Grand Total	6	7	3	39	55

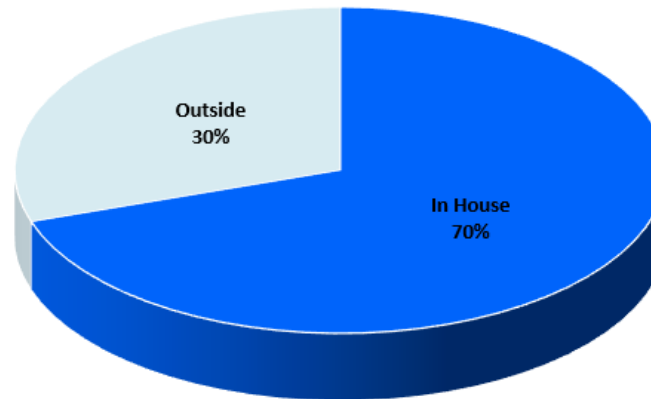
September Officer Training

Inhouse

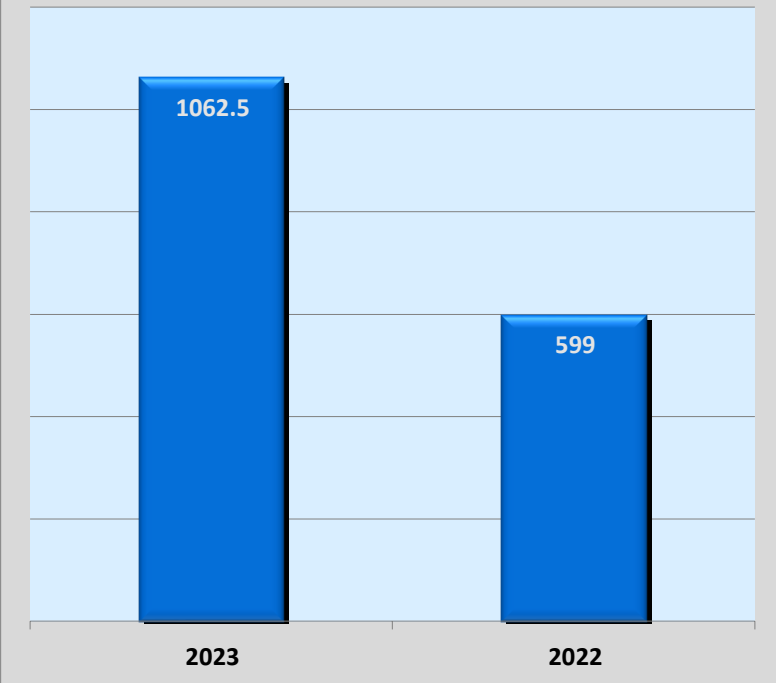
Bloodborne Pathogens for First Responders - 7 Officers
Hazmat First Responder Awareness (FRA) - 10 Officers
Legal Update 2023 - 1 Officer
Line-Up September/October - 10 Officers
DataMaster DMT Re-certification - 2 Officers
SFST Re-certification - 1 Officer
Bomb Threats in Schools - 1 Officer
Campus Policing - 1 Officer
Crowd Control: Continuum - 1 Officer
Crowd Control - Demonstrator Tactics - 1 Officer
Dealing with Flash Mobs - 1 Officer
Hurricane Preparation/Emergency Management - 1 Officer
Preventing Bullying in Schools - 1 Officer
School Resource Officers - 1 Officer
The Use of De-Escalation Tactics when Responding to a Crisis Call - 1 Officer
Pre-Academy - 4 Recruits

Outside

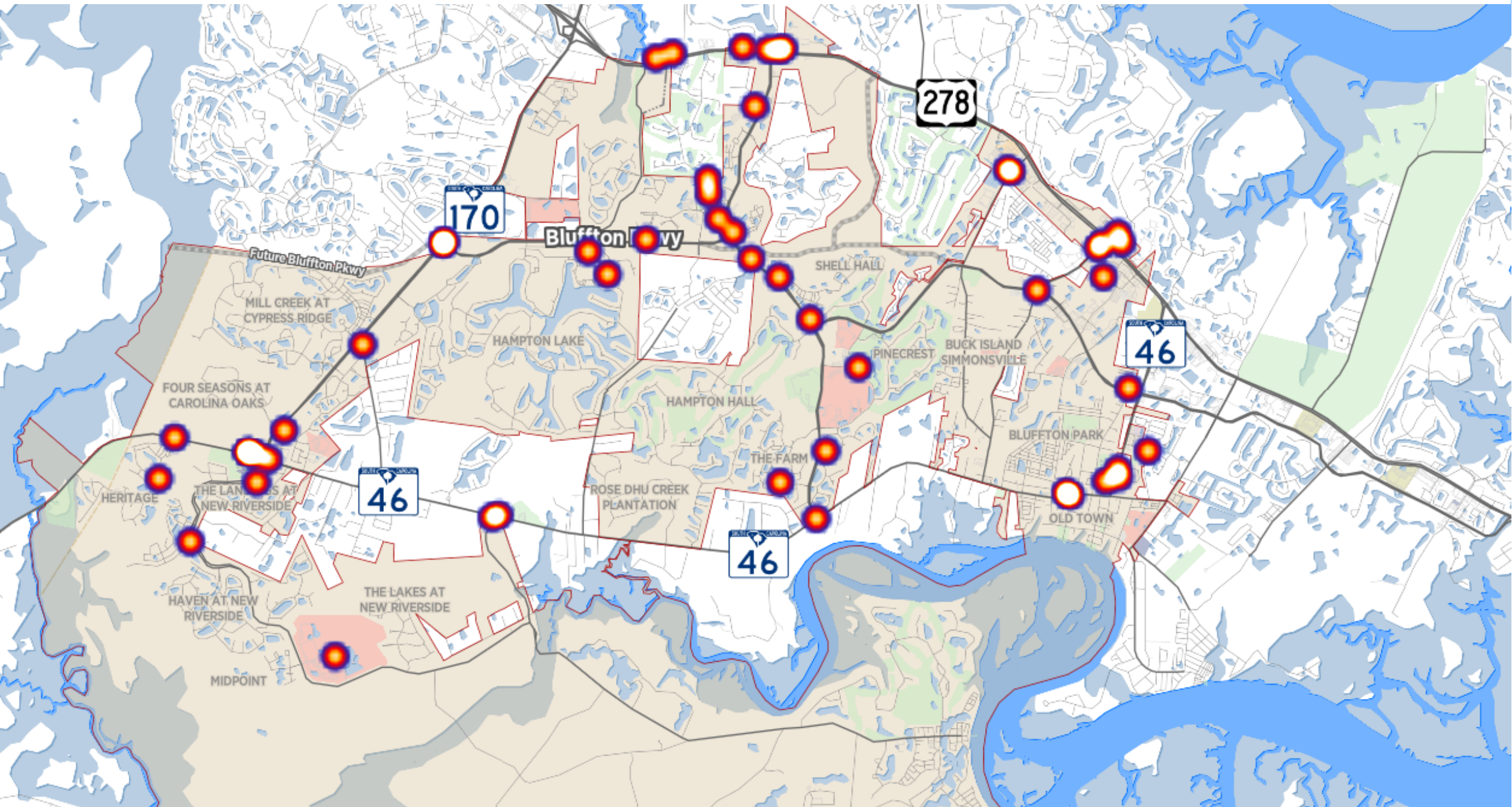
SC CJA Basic LE - 2 Recruits
Firearms Guest Instructor – 3 Officers



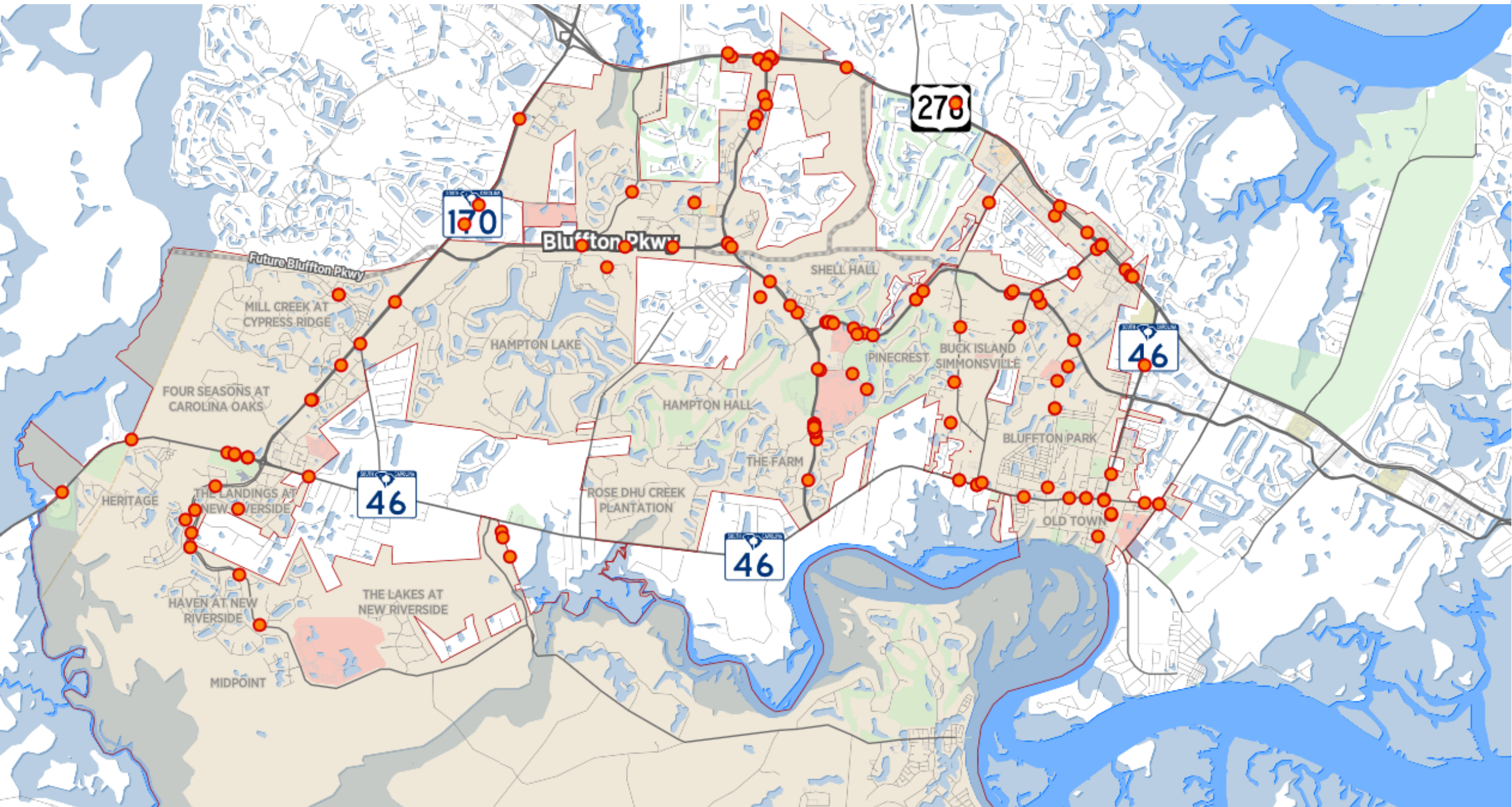
September 2023 / 2022 Training Hours Comparison



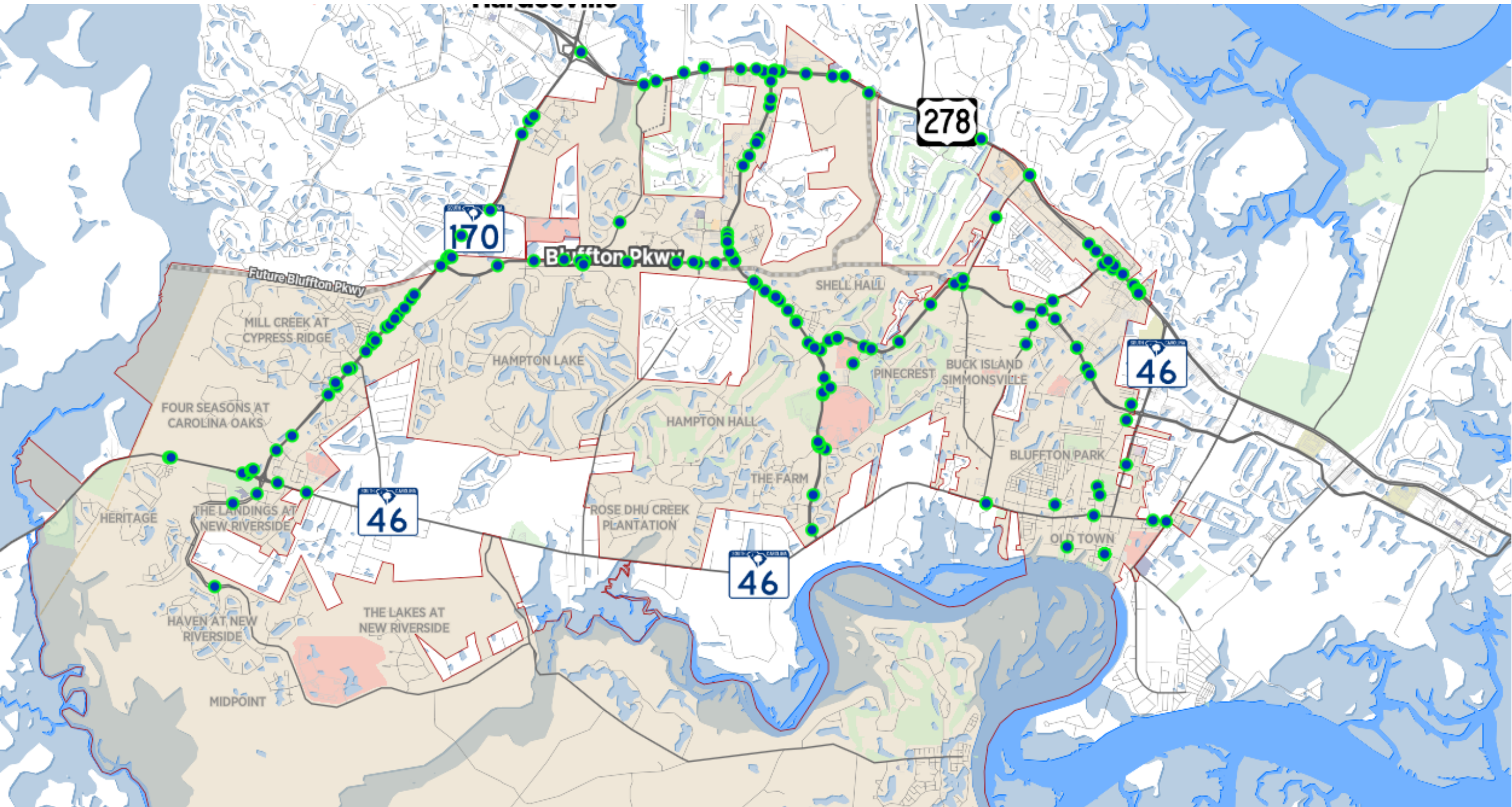
COLLISIONS (112) September 2023



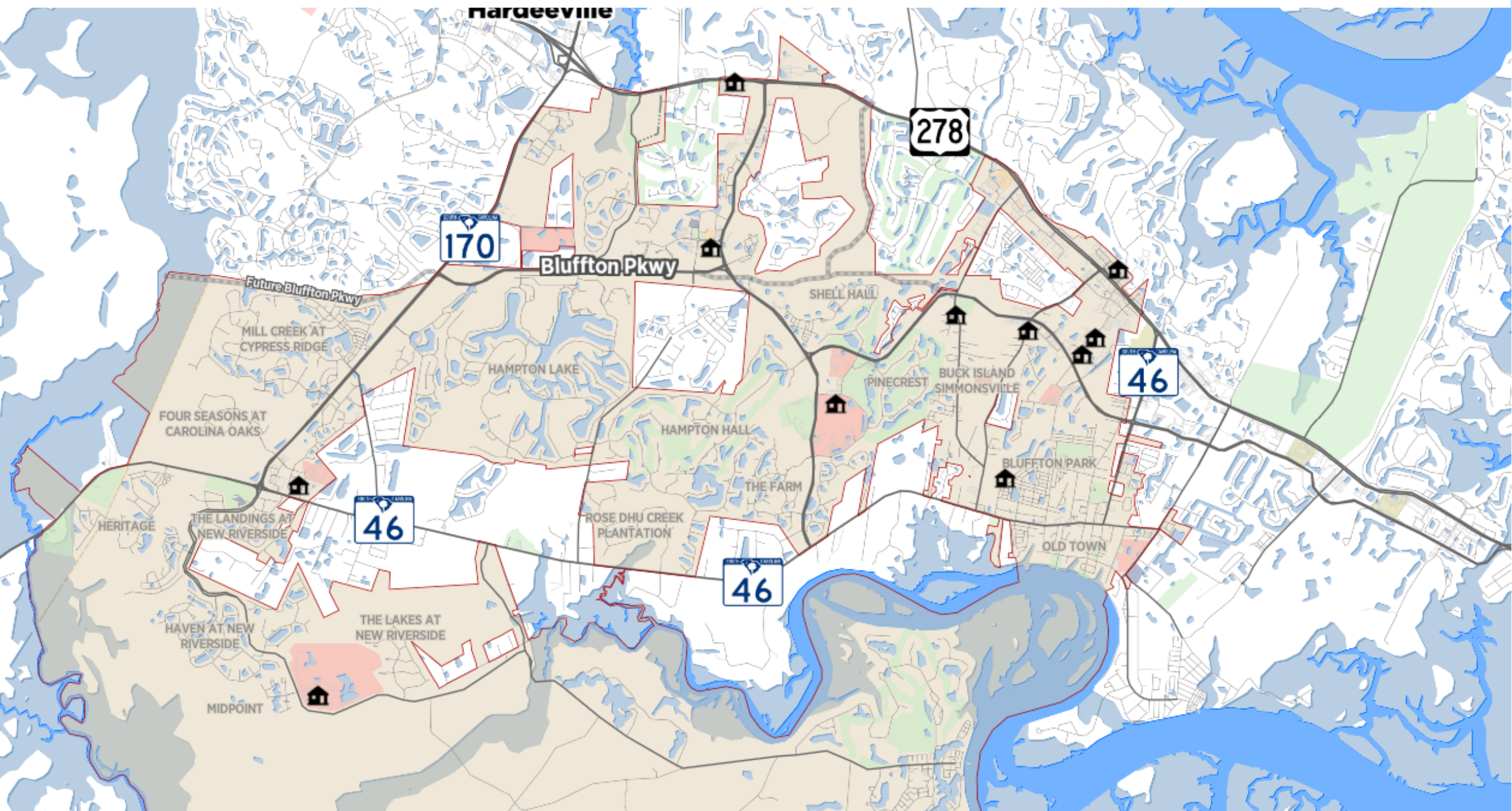
CITATIONS ISSUED (163) September 2023



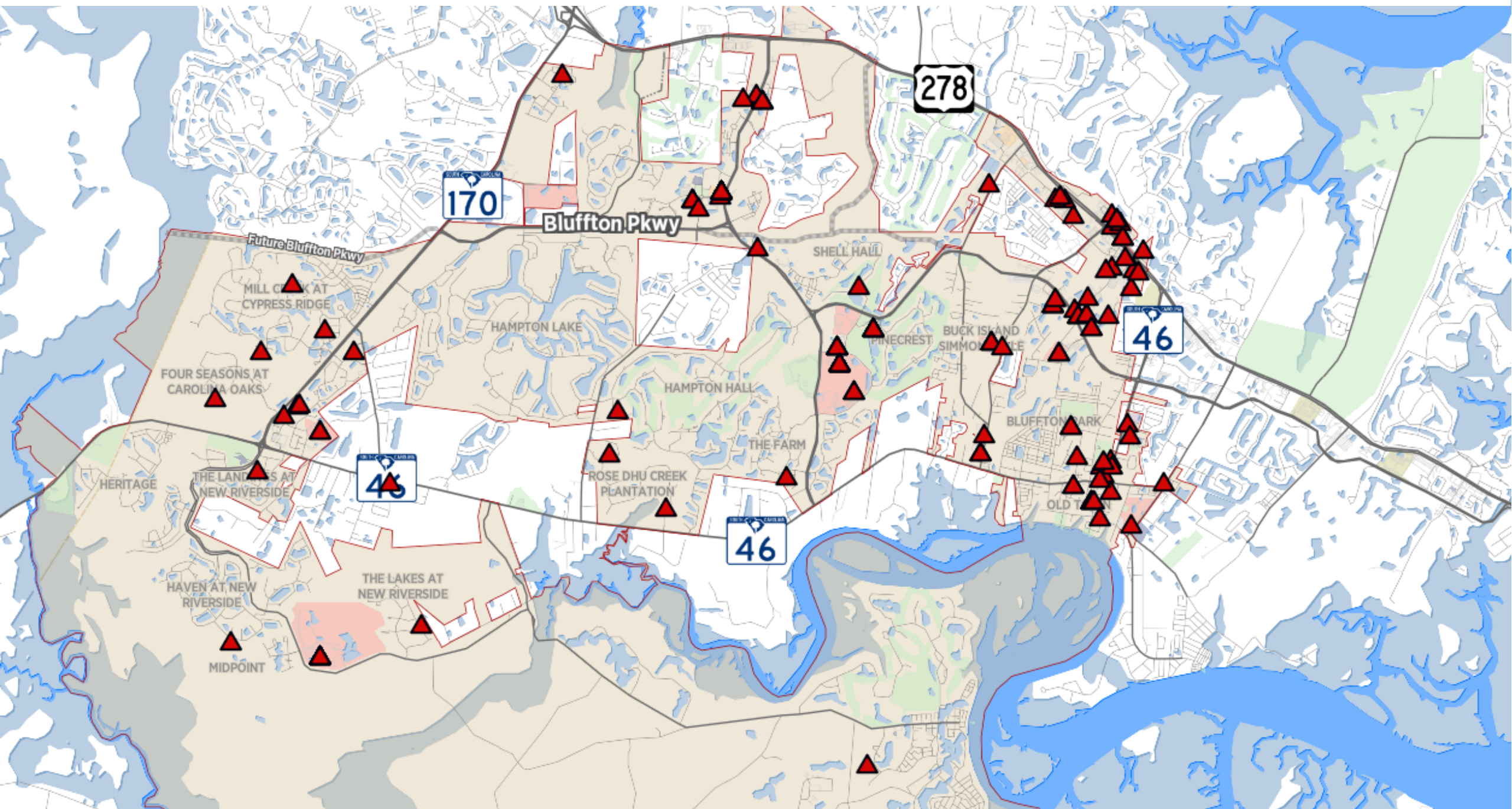
WARNINGS ISSUED (193) September 2023



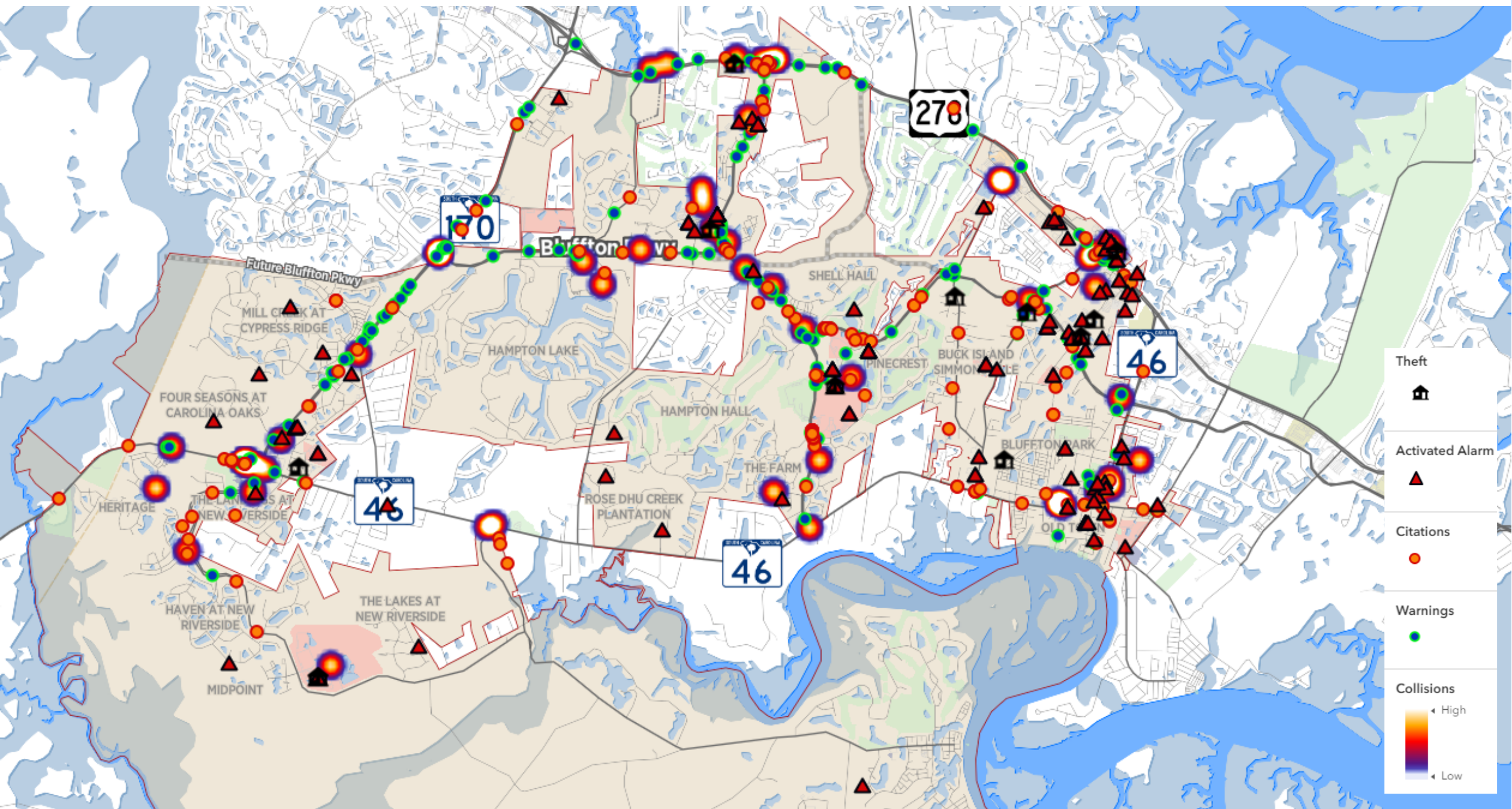
THEFTS (12) September 2023



1 CALL TYPE - ACTIVATED ALARMS (144) September 2023



COLLISIONS, CITATIONS, WARNINGS, THEFTS AND ACTIVATED ALARMS - September 2023



PATROL DIVISION

CALLS FOR SERVICE TOP 10 CALLS TYPES	
Activated Alarm	144
Accident	72
911 Hang-Up	72
Case Follow Up	66
Reckless Driving	53
Disturbance	53
Miscellaneous Call	41
Domestic	36
Assist Motorist	34
Noise Complaint	31

TOTAL CALLS FOR SERVICE: 1022

AVERAGE PER DAY: 39

PRO-ACTIVE PATROLS	
Extra Patrol - Business	1143
Extra Patrol - Residence	664
Traffic Stop	306
Traffic Enforcement	13

PATROL DIVISION

UNIFORM TRAFFIC CITATIONS TOP 10 VIOLATIONS

Speeding 15mph – 24mph Over	32
Driving Without a License	20
Speeding 25mph Over Speed Limit	17
Operating Vehicle While License/Registration Expired	17
Speeding 11mph – 15mph Over	15
Driving Under Suspension	14
Failure to Maintain Proof of Insurance	6
Driving Under the Influence	5
Failure to Return License Plate and Registration Upon Loss of Insurance	4
Failure to Obey Traffic Control Device	4

TOTAL CITATIONS ISSUED 163

AVERAGE PER DAY: 6

UNIFORM PATROL WARNINGS TOP 10 VIOLATIONS

Speeding	35
Vehicle License Violation	25
Defective Equipment & more	25
Defective Equipment & more	22
Speeding & more	15
Changing Lanes Unlawfully	14
Other	10
Improper Lights	8
Improper Lane Use	8
Disregarding Traffic Signal	7
Disregarding Stop Sign	7

TOTAL WARNINGS ISSUED: 233

AVERAGE PER DAY: 9

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS	
Cases Assigned	17
Incident Reports	0
Supplemental Reports	18
Cases Closed	6
Arrests Made	0
Arrest Warrants	1
Bond Court	1
Case Call Outs	0
Search Warrants	2

Case Call Outs: None

Bond Court:

1. 23BP36518 – DV

Mental Health Advocate:

3 – Calls for Service

5 – Referrals

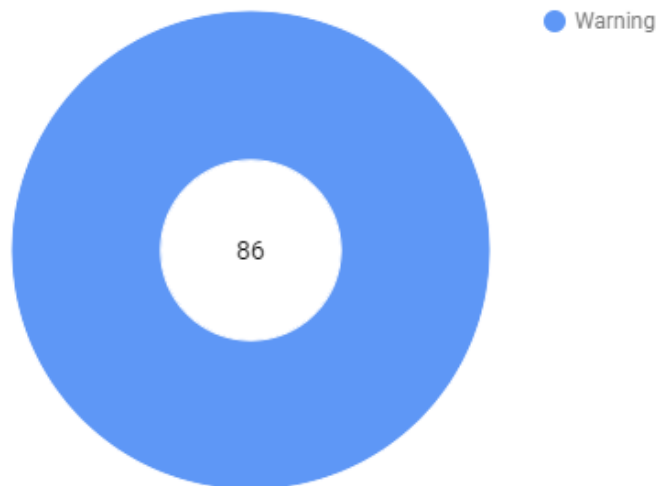
25 – Follow Ups

19 – Supplemental Reports

16 hrs. – Ride Along

COMMUNITY SERVICE ASSISTANTS

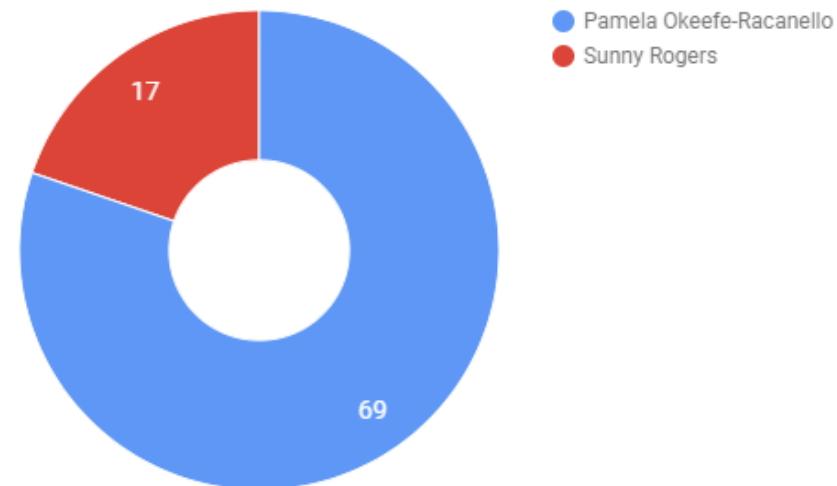
Tickets By Status Month To Date



Total Count: 86

As of 9/26/2023, 12:00:00 AM

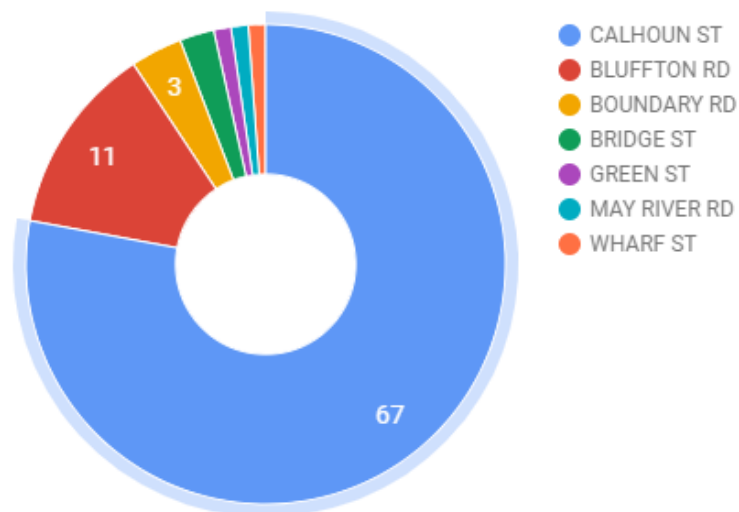
Tickets By Officer Month To Date



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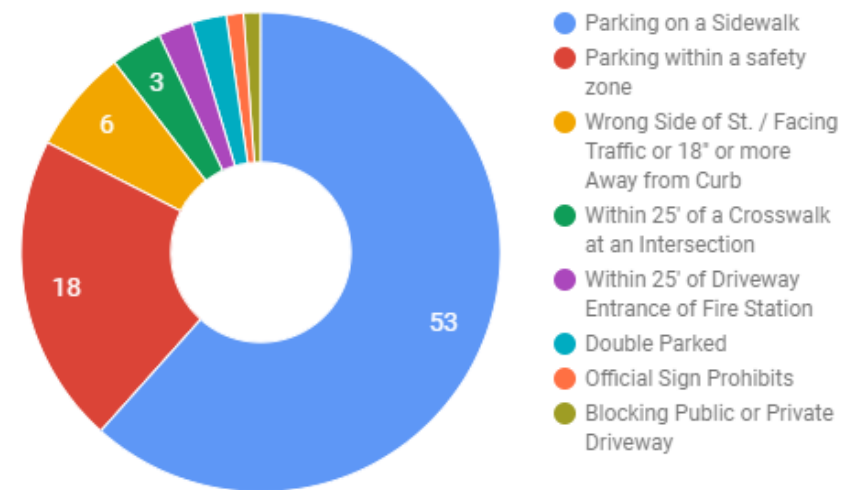
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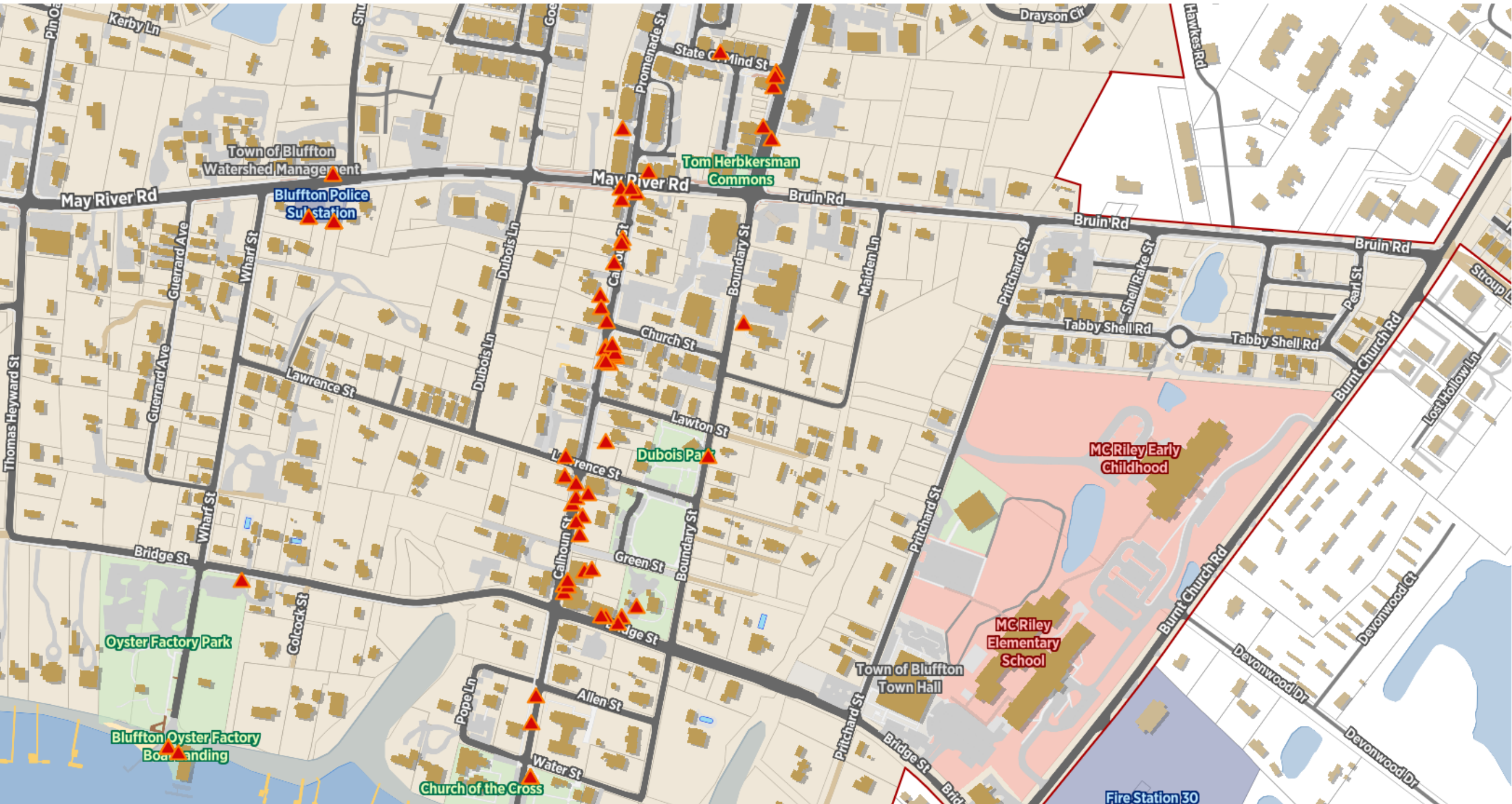
Tickets By Violation Month To Date



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Downtown Citations (86) September 2023



CODE ENFORCEMENT

Code Enforcement:

William Bonhag

Signs

- Multiple Business advertisement signs removed from Old Town and various locations throughout Bluffton.

Expired Business License, Notice of Violations

- Letter(s) sent via certified and regular mail to for businesses operating with expired business license.

Complaints / Property Checks / Follow-ups / Ordinance Letters

- Daria Shenefield aka Daria Sperzel called complaining again regarding Robin the Builder and Adam Goldstein builder having no license. Turns out they are licensed, and the complainant has issues previously and is dealing with Richard Spruce from the building department.
- Daria was referred to Richard Spruce as Codes not getting involved due to Richards ongoing matter with her and her issues.
- Business Letters regarding Late on Renewals are now being drafted for 347 businesses.
- Grooby's Too Restaurant was issued a NOV, but 2 days later complied and removed her flags.
- Heathe Colin requested via the Mayor that Troy Derda remove his Jeep for Sale on the corner of Pritchard St and Bruin Rd. I spoke with Troy and after our discussion, he complied.
- **218 Buck Island Rd./ owner John Flood**
 - August 7,2023 was another 30 days given deadline for clean-up of property and removal of all RV occupants in accordance with town codes. (non-compliant)
 - Five (5) Tickets issued to property owner John Todd on 8/1/23 for Court on August 29, 2023
 - Scott Bruce and William McNeil, remaining occupants in RVs on site issued tickets for August 29,2023 appearance.
 - There is also a scheduled appearance for John D Todd at 6pm in front of the CBAA Committee at Town Hall.
- **98 Fording Island Road Building Removal:**
 - Wednesday 8/16/23 demolition of this location commenced after several communications back and forth with Harris Teeters representative Lisa Fort.
 - Upon completion, notifications will be sent to all.
- **Omega Drive/Buck Island:**
 - Pending Richard Spruce conclusion

CODE ENFORCEMENT

Code Enforcement continued:

- **307 Buck Island**
 - Court matter scheduled for Tuesday August 8th, 2023 @ 9am, unless compliance prior to court. Zelaya Garcia appeared for the owner, and we agreed to move to October 10, 2023 due to scheduling. Owners' wife contacted me and they are working on cleaning up the property presently.
- **70 A Pritchard Street:**
 - Case matter closed as tenant complied with orders.
- **75 Goethe Road:**
 - This site is pending inspection.
- **42 Shults Road:**
 - The compliance date is now September 5, 2023, due to the owner making progress and asking for more time, which was allocated.
- **73 A.B.C Shults Road:**
 - 8/10/23 site visited with Bill Baugher, Joe Sease (watershed), Jordan via facetime, and Lt. Ferrelli.
 - As of 8/28/23, Property has multiple violations and is pending the final draft of letter to the owner from Jordan Holloway (Growth Management).

COMMUNITY ACTION TEAM

Provided Security for Court on Tuesdays.

Arts & Seafood Festival Meeting

September 11th Ceremony @ Buckwalter Place Veterans Park

Firearms Instructor Meeting

HEMMS Bike & Ride Event

Taste of Bluffton

Hannukah Meeting

Command Staff Meeting

Cross Schools Lockdown Drill meeting

Traffic Officers:

Cpl. Dickson

Tickets: 36

Warnings: 8

Collision Reports: 12

Incident Reports: 0