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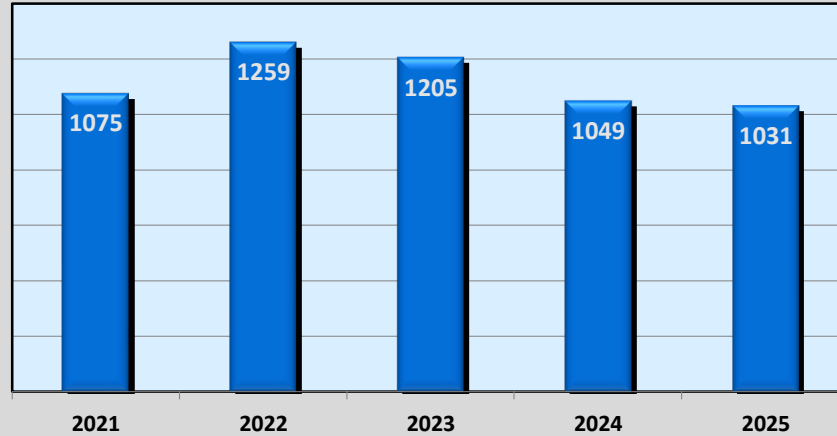
# BLUFFTON POLICE DEPARTMENT

February 28, 2025

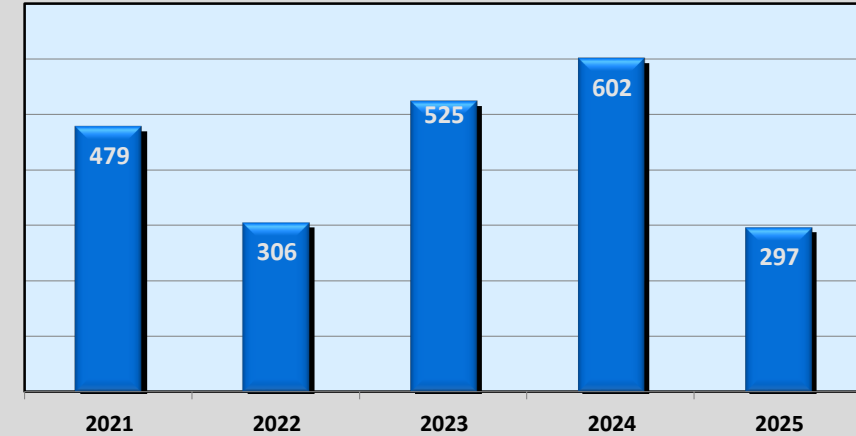
Presented by Chief Joseph Babkiewicz

# DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS

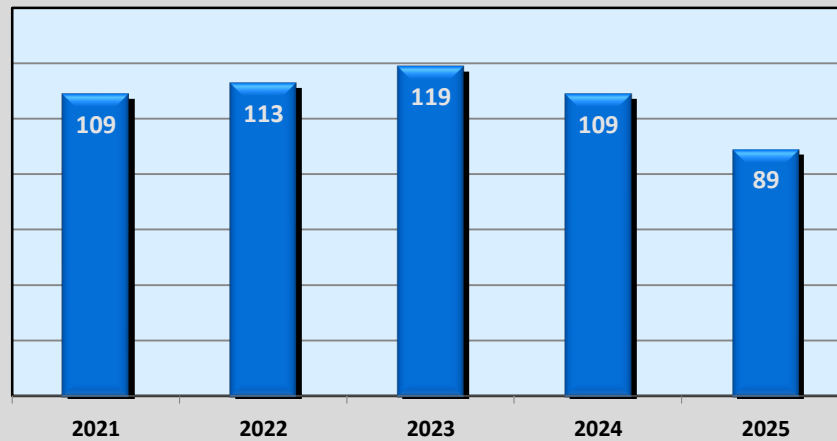
## February Calls for Service Comparison



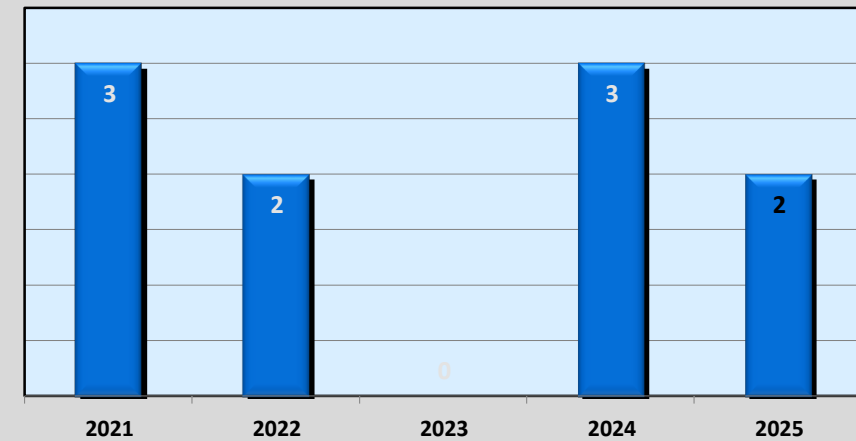
## February Traffic Citation Comparison



## February Collision Comparison

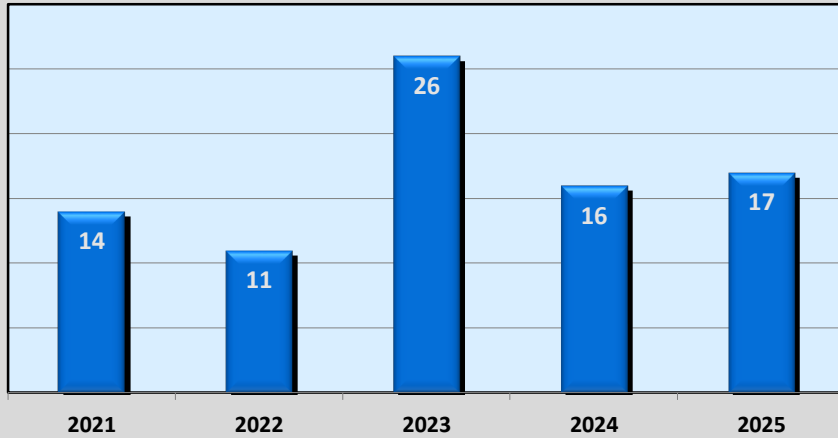


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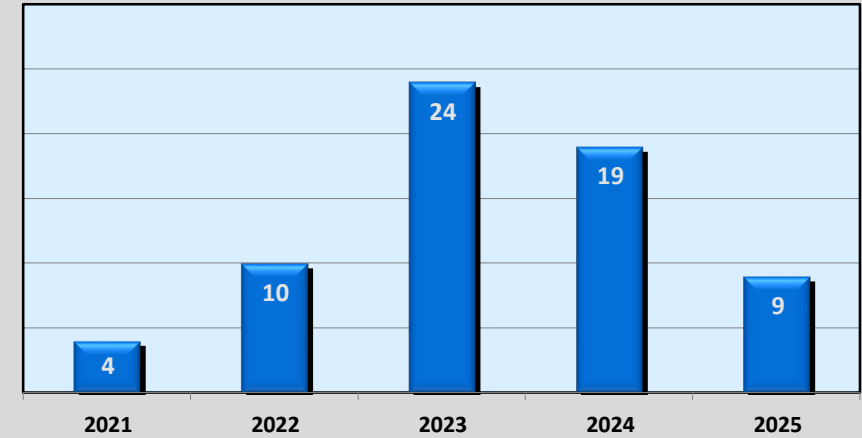


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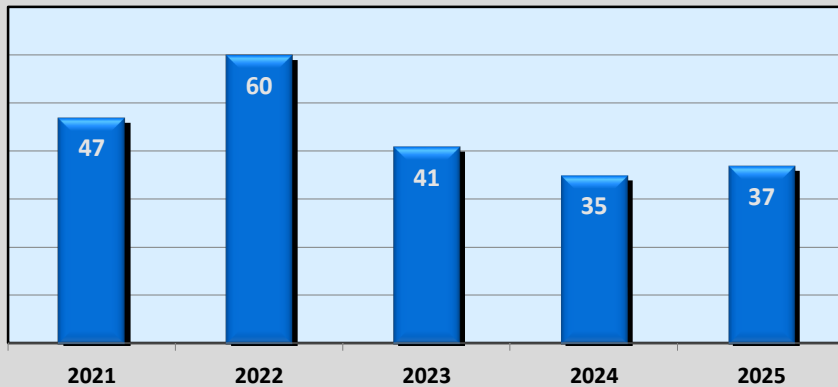
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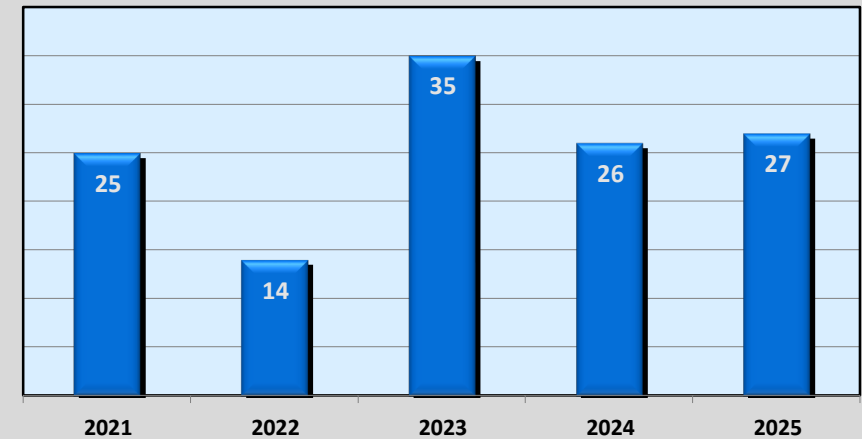
## February Assault Comparison



## February Domestic Calls for Service Comparison



## February Arrest Comparison

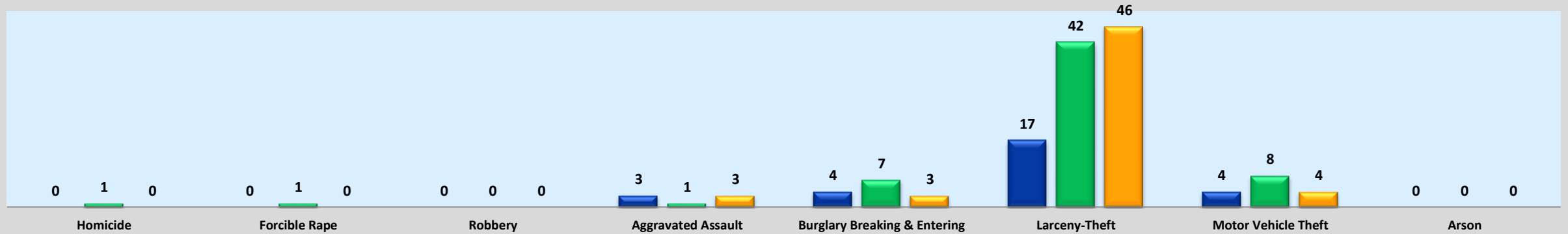


# DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS

Year-to-Date  
February

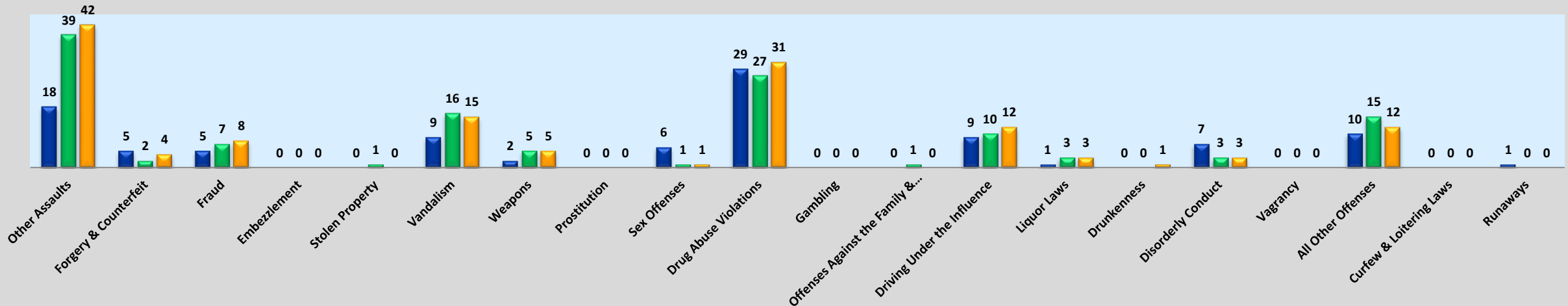
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■ 2025 ■ 2024 ■ 2023



## Part II Crimes

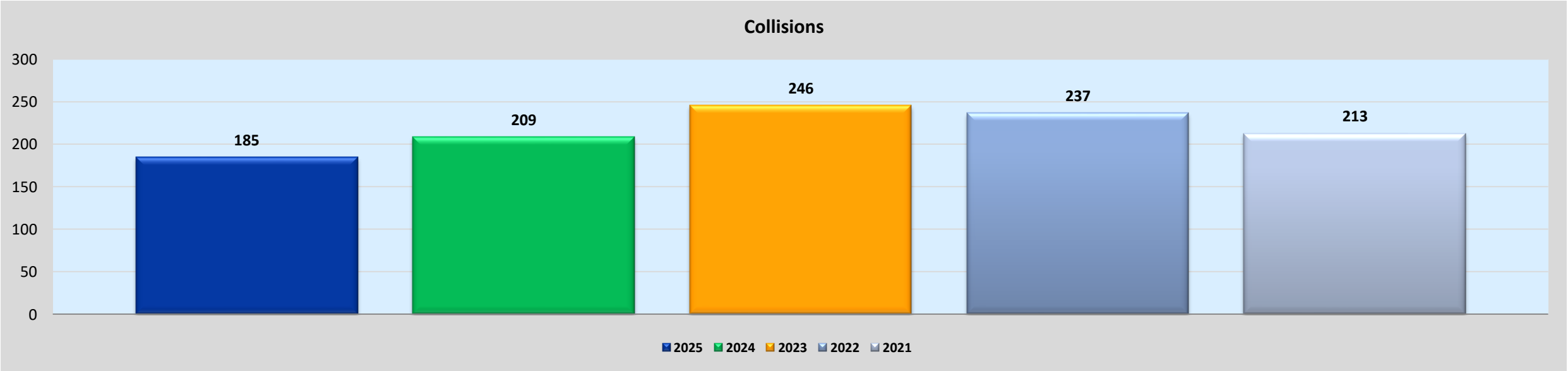
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# DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS

Year-to-Date  
February

## Collisions



## **Law Enforcement Advisory Committee**

- Information not available at this time.

## **Meetings Attended by Chief Joseph Babkiewicz**

**Every Wednesday** – Senior Staff Communications Meeting

**Every Wednesday** – Commanders Meeting

**Every Thursday** – Meeting with Town Manager

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

**Feb 1<sup>st</sup>** – Attended Gun Violence Survivors Event @ Bluffton Library

**Feb 3<sup>rd</sup>** – Meeting with BC School District Superintendent

**Feb 3<sup>rd</sup>** – Attend American Legion Post 205 – Honor the Four Chaplain's in WWII

**Feb 3<sup>rd</sup>** – Attend Bluffton Welcome Center Grand Opening

**Feb 4<sup>th</sup>** – Zoom Meeting

**Feb 4<sup>th</sup>** – Command Staff Meeting

**Feb 4<sup>th</sup>** - Attend Special Olympics meeting

**Feb 4<sup>th</sup>** – Attend Functional Strength Training Presentation

**Feb 5<sup>th</sup>** – Sergeant Promotion Ceremony

**Feb 6<sup>th</sup>** – Lexipol Microsoft Teams meeting

**Feb 6<sup>th</sup>** – Flock Safety Google meeting

**Feb 6<sup>th</sup>** – Attend Facility Master Plan meeting

**Feb 7<sup>th</sup>** – Attend Super Bowl Party @ Town Hall

**Feb 7<sup>th</sup>** – Attend Night to Shine @ Lowcountry Community Church

**Feb 8<sup>th</sup>** – Attend Vigil (Child involved in accident)

**Feb 10<sup>th</sup>** – Attend End of Phase meeting – Officer Ayler

**Feb 10<sup>th</sup>** – Attend Wellness Committee meeting

**Feb 10<sup>th</sup>** – Attend CIP meeting

### **Meetings Attended by Chief Joseph Babkiewicz cont.**

- Feb 10<sup>th</sup>** – Meeting with Finance Director
- Feb 10<sup>th</sup>** – Swearing-In Ceremony for Sergeant Meehan
- Feb 10<sup>th</sup>** – Meeting with Project Manager
- Feb 10<sup>th</sup>** – Attend Retention/Morale Committee meeting
- Feb 11<sup>th</sup>** – Meeting with Century Arms Representative
- Feb 11<sup>th</sup>** – WHHI TV News zoom meeting
- Feb 11<sup>th</sup>** – Attend End of Phase meeting – Officer Hopper
- Feb 11<sup>th</sup>** – Attend MUSC Health Bluffton Pavilion Groundbreaking Ceremony
- Feb 12<sup>th</sup>** – Attend meeting with Director of Compliance
- Feb 12<sup>th</sup>** – Attend Candlelight Vigil @ Palmetto Pointe
- Feb 13<sup>th</sup>** – Lexipol Microsoft Teams meeting
- Feb 13<sup>th</sup>** – Attend Bluffton High School Pep Rally
- Feb 13<sup>th</sup>** – Enterprise Fleet Zoom meeting
- Feb 13<sup>th</sup>** – Attend meeting with Citizen
- Feb 13<sup>th</sup>** – Attend LECAC meeting
- Feb 13<sup>th</sup>** – Attend Debriefing
- Feb 14<sup>th</sup>** – Attend Chili Cookoff @ Bluffton High School
- Feb 18<sup>th</sup>** – Participate in Physical Agility Testing
- Feb 18<sup>th</sup>** – Lexipol Microsoft Teams meeting
- Feb 18<sup>th</sup>** – Command Staff meeting
- Feb 19<sup>th</sup>** – Attend February Birthday and Anniversary Celebration
- Feb 19<sup>th</sup>** – Corporals Promotion Ceremony
- Feb 19<sup>th</sup>** – Awards Committee meeting



### **Meetings Attended by Chief Joseph Babkiewicz cont.**

**Feb 20<sup>th</sup>** – Lexipol Microsoft meeting

**Feb 20<sup>th</sup>** – Flock Safety Google meeting

**Feb 24<sup>th</sup>** – Attend CIP Microsoft meeting

**Feb 24<sup>th</sup>** – Meeting with Walmart Representative

**Feb 24<sup>th</sup>** – Meeting with Kiwanis Club

**Feb 25<sup>th</sup>** – Meeting with Campbell AME Church

**Feb 25<sup>th</sup>** – Enterprise Fleet zoom meeting

**Feb 26<sup>th</sup>** – Meeting with Town Manager

**Feb 26<sup>th</sup>** – Attend Budget Review meeting

**Feb 27-28<sup>th</sup>** – SCFBINAA Spring Conference

DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS

Commendations -	None
Complaints -	Citizen Complaint – under investigation

Police Department Demographics as of February 28, 2025

DEPARTMENT	Black	Hispanic	Other	White	Grand Total
Female	2	4	1	17	24
Male	7	5	3	38	53
Grand Total	9	9	4	55	77

SWORN OFFICERS	Black	Hispanic	Other	White	Grand Total
Female	1	1		9	11
Male	6	5	3	33	47
Grand Total	7	6	3	42	58

## February Officer Training

### In-House

Line-Up 2025 January-February - 1 Officer

Line-Up 2025 March-April - 16 Officers

Legal Update 2025 - Part I - 26 Officers

Studio - Mental Illness: Practical Application of Mental Health for First Responders - 1 Officer

DMT - Operator Recertification - 1 Officer

Questions to Ask During a Drug Interdiction Stop - 1 Officer

ATF - Privately Made Firearms and MCD's - 16 Officers

Pre-Academy Training - 1 Recruit

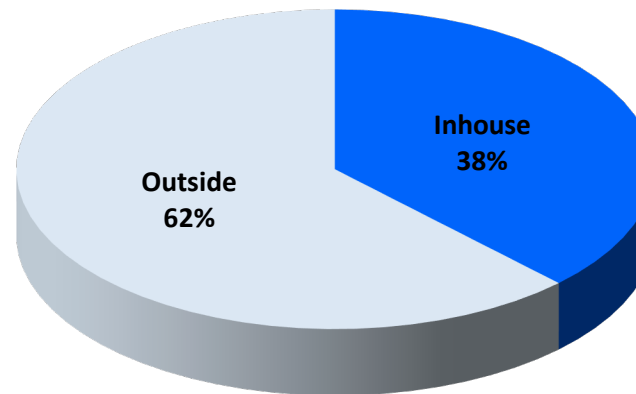
### Outside

Sport / Special Event Enhanced Risk Management - 1 Officer

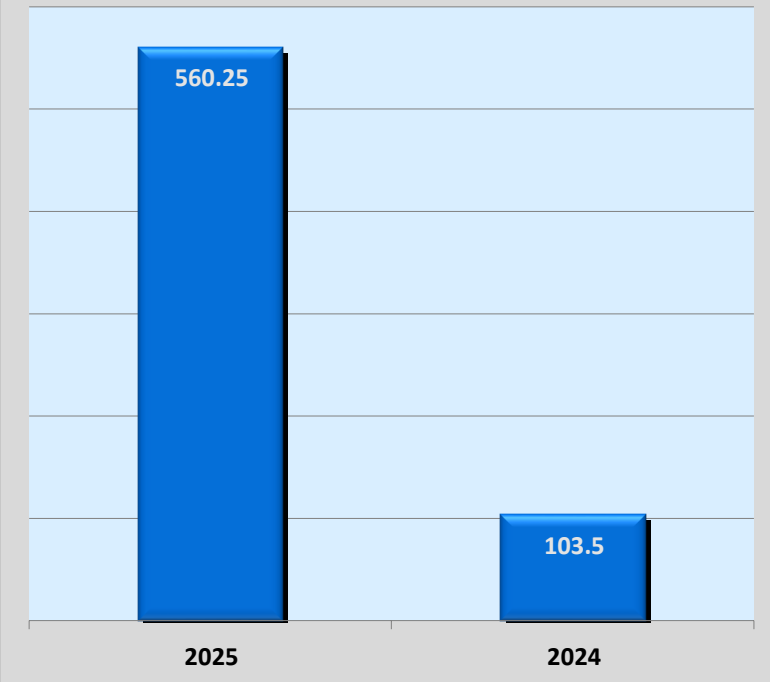
DCVC Regional Training - 1 Officer

SCFBINAA Spring Conference - 2 Officers

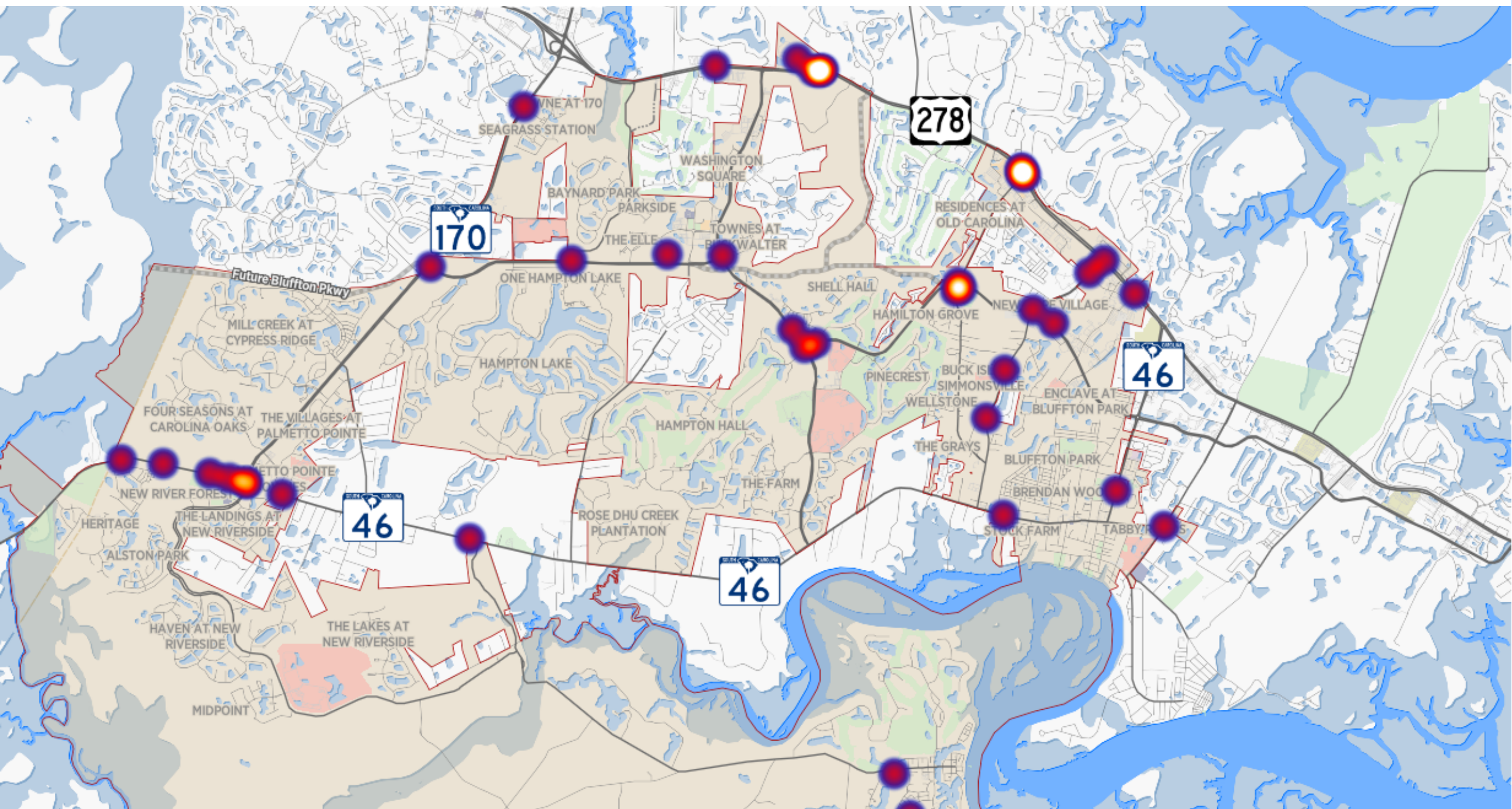
SCCJA - Basic Law Enforcement Training - 2 Recruits



February 2025 / 2024 Training Hours Comparison



## COLLISIONS (89) February 2025



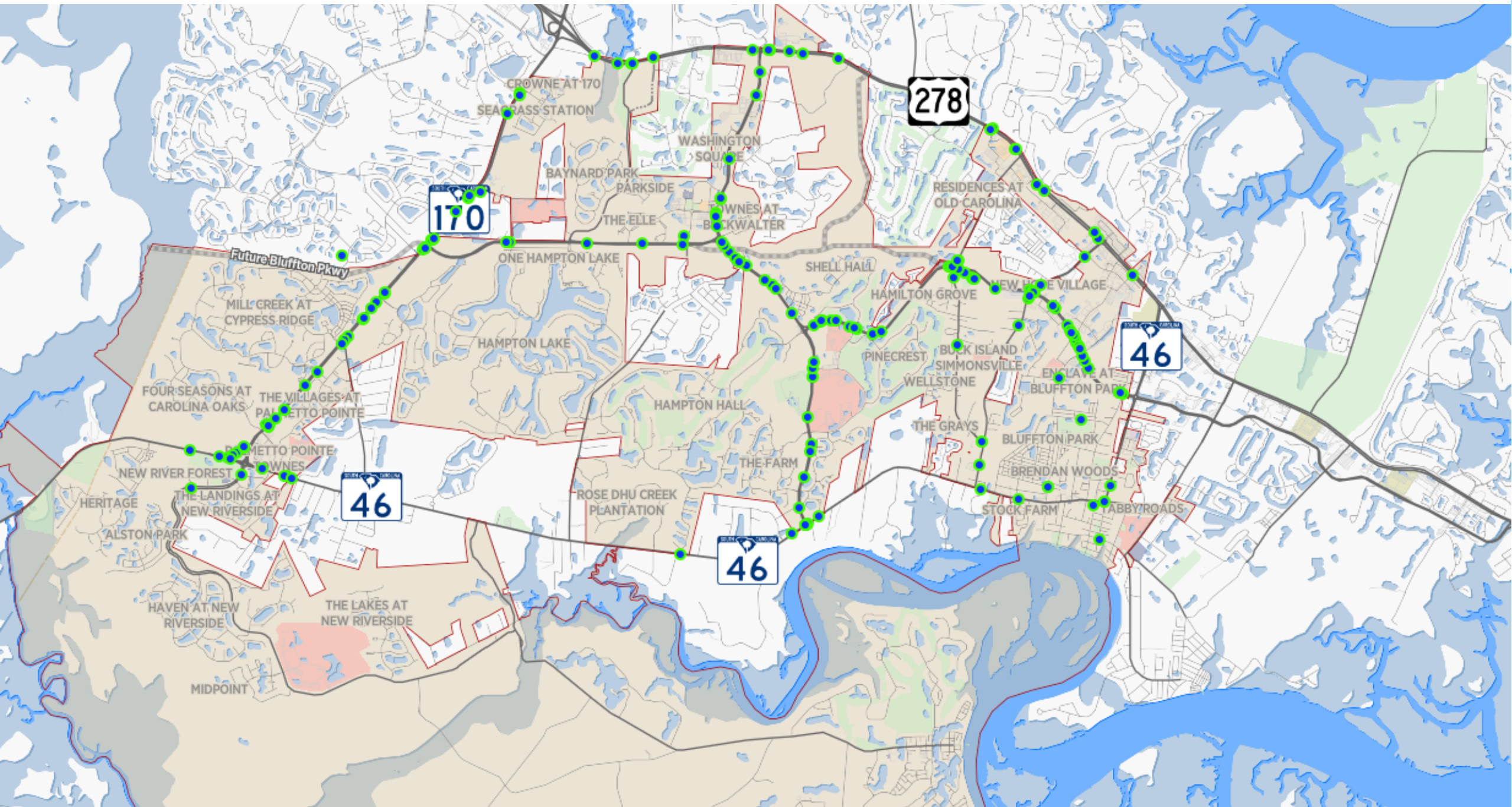


# CITATIONS ISSUED (113) February 2025



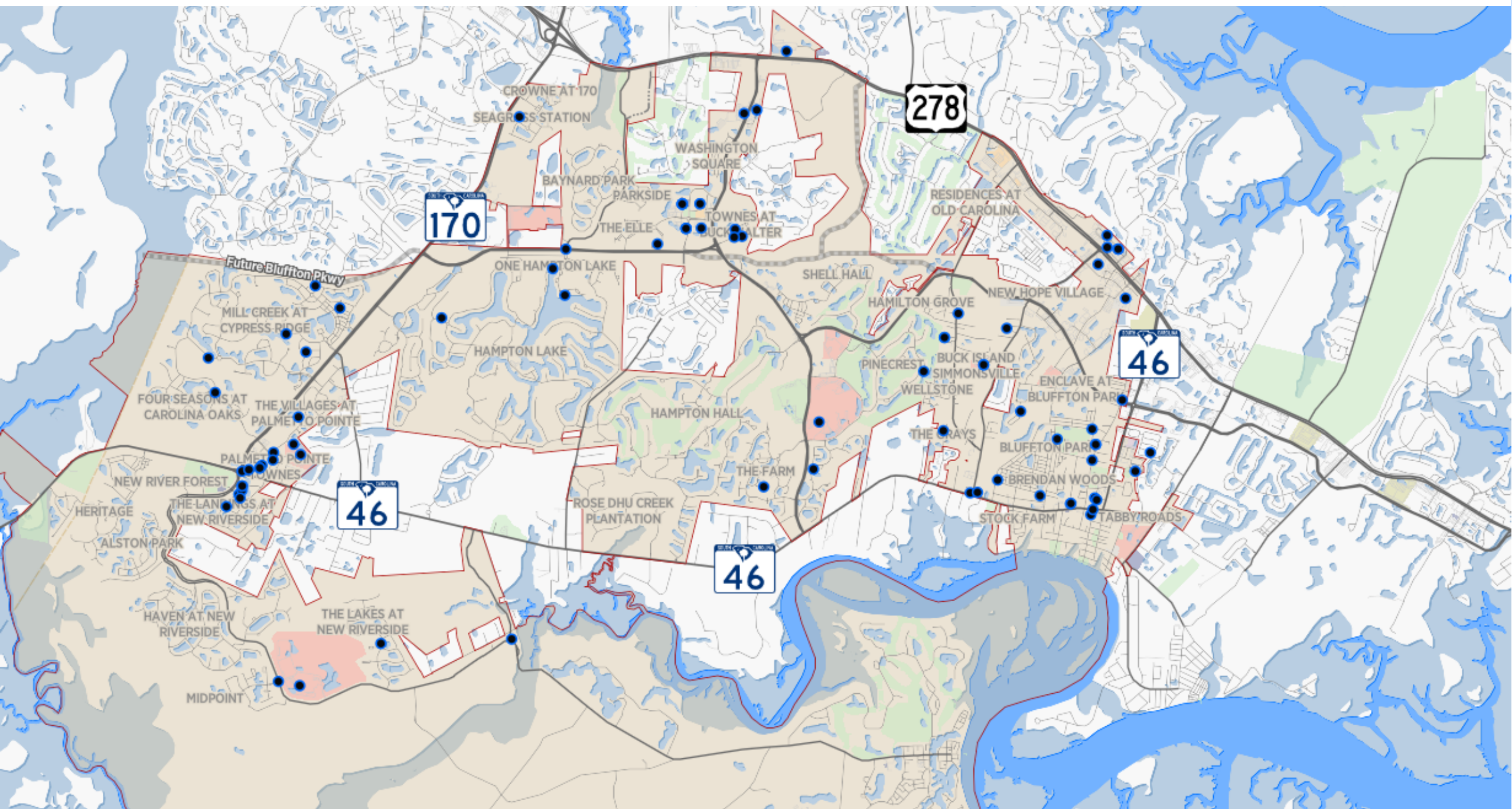


## WARNINGS ISSUED (184) February 2025



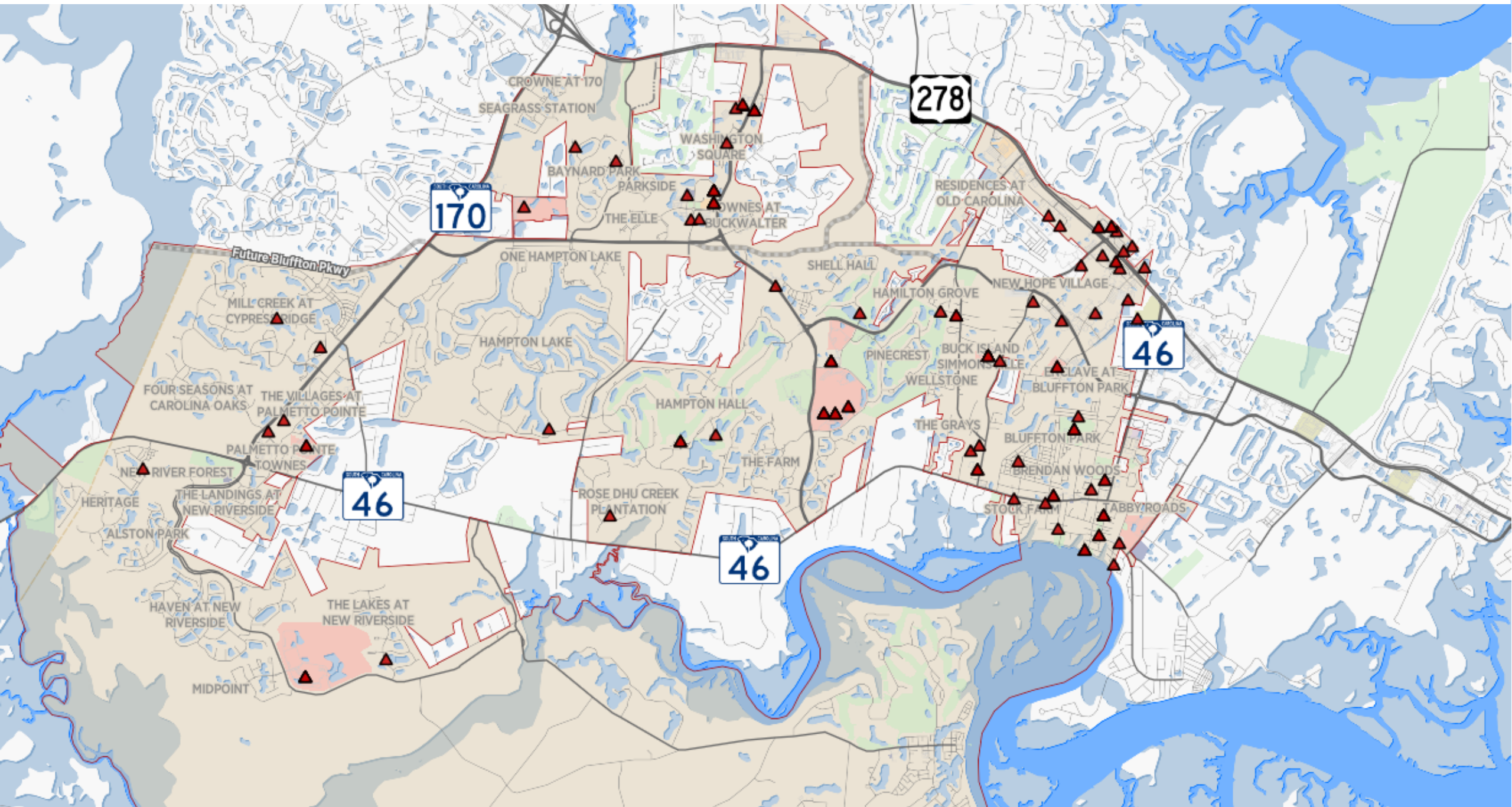


## DISTURBANCES (85) February 2025



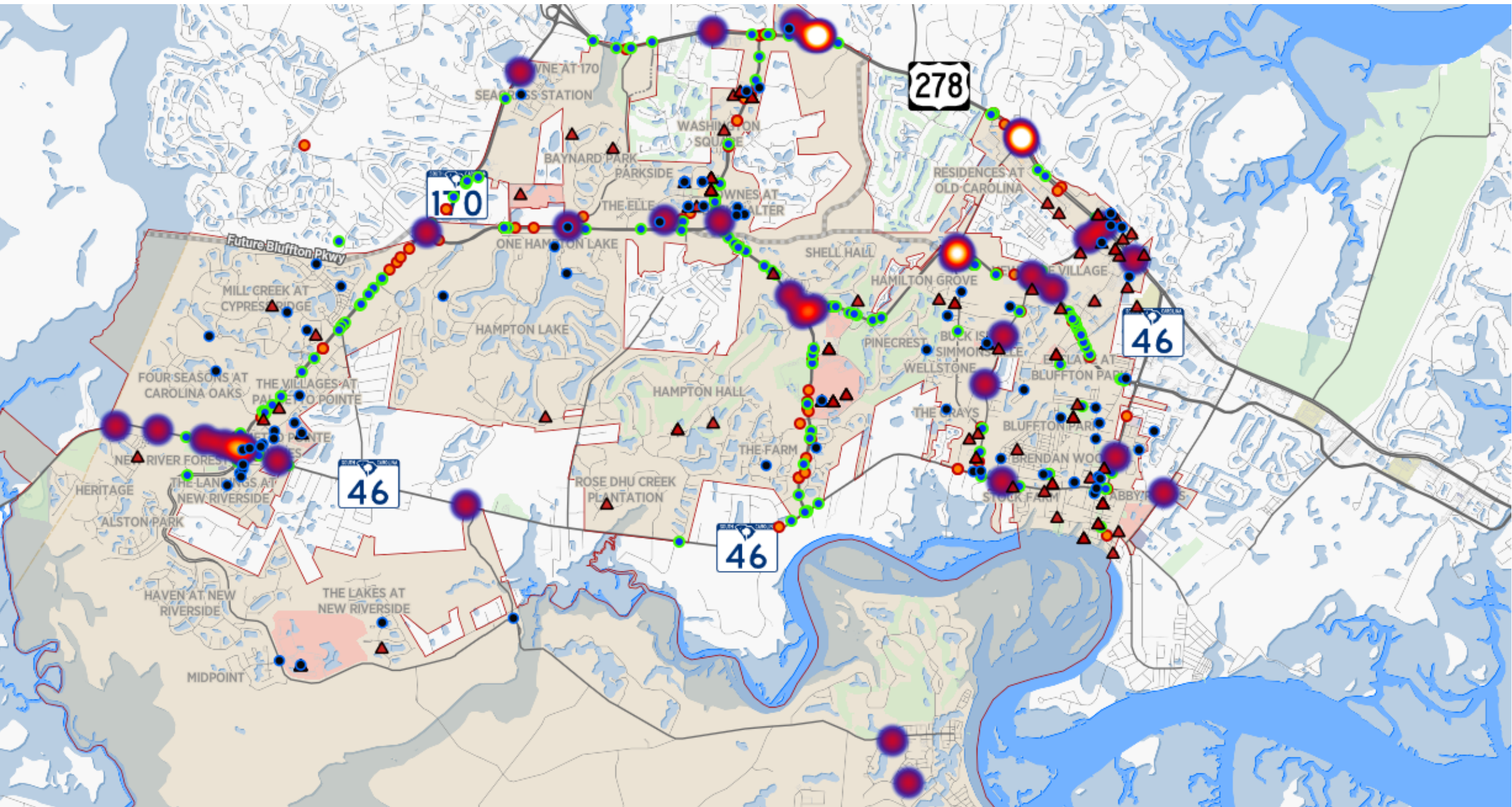


# #1 CALL TYPE – Activated Alarms (126) February 2025





# Collisions, Citations, Warnings, Disturbances and Activated Alarms – February 2025



# PATROL DIVISION

CALLS FOR SERVICE TOP 10 CALL TYPES	
Activated Alarm	126
Case Follow Up	108
Disturbance	85
911 Hang-Up	76
Parking Violation	66
Accident	53
Reckless Driving	51
Domestic	35
Assist Motorist	28
Community Relations	27

**TOTAL CALLS FOR SERVICE: 1031**

**AVERAGE PER DAY: 41**

PRO-ACTIVE PATROLS	
Extra Patrol - Business	700
Extra Patrol - Residence	570
Traffic Stop	271
Traffic Enforcement	6

# PATROL DIVISION

UNIFORM TRAFFIC CITATIONS TOP 10 VIOLATIONS	
Operating Vehicle While License/Registration Expired	26
Driving Under Suspension	18
Driving without a License	15
Public Disorderly Conduct	5
Failure to Maintain Proof of Insurance	5
Failure to Return License Plate and Registration Upon Loss of Insurance	5
Failure to Obey Traffic-Control Device	4
Speeding more than 15MPH - 24MPH Over	4
Reckless Driving	3
Driving Under the Influence	3

**TOTAL CITATIONS ISSUED: 113**

**AVERAGE PER DAY: 5**

UNIFORM TRAFFIC WARNINGS TOP 10 VIOLATIONS	
Vehicle License Violation	48
Defective Equipment	37
Speeding	27
Other	21
Speeding & more	11
Defective Equipment & more	9
Improper Lane Use	6
Driver License Violation	3
Improper Lights	3
Improper Lane Use & more	3

**TOTAL WARNINGS ISSUED: 184**

**AVERAGE PER DAY: 7**

# CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS	
Cases Assigned	25
Incident Reports	0
Supplemental Reports	64
Cases Closed	23
Arrests Made	1
Arrest Warrants	3
Bond Court/Grand Jury	1
Case Call Outs	2
Search Warrants	4

## **Case Call Outs:**

1. 25BP03416 – Death Scene (Drowning)

## **Bond Court:**

1. 25BP02331 – DV/A&B

## **Mental Health Advocate:**

CIT: 20

Referrals - 10

Follow Ups - 42

Supplemental Reports - 32

## **Victim Advocate:**

Case Call Outs: 1

Incident Reports: 0

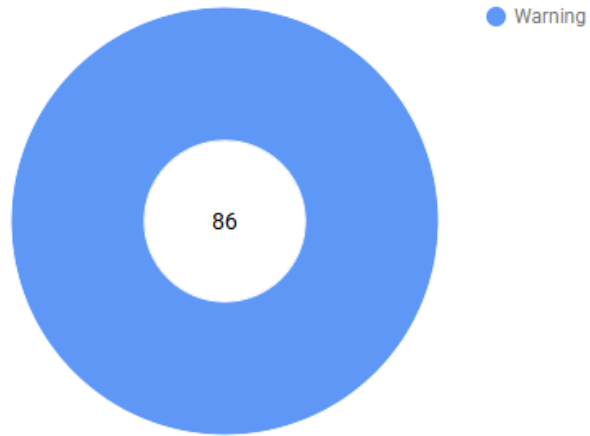
Case Closed: 13

Bond Court: 1

Supplemental Reports: 15

# COMMUNITY SERVICE ASSISTANTS

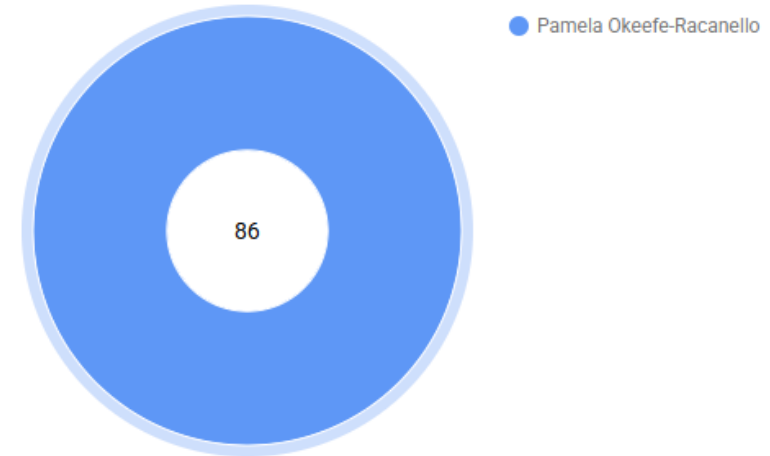
Tickets By Status Last 30 Days



Total Count: 86

As of 2/25/2025, 12:00:00 AM

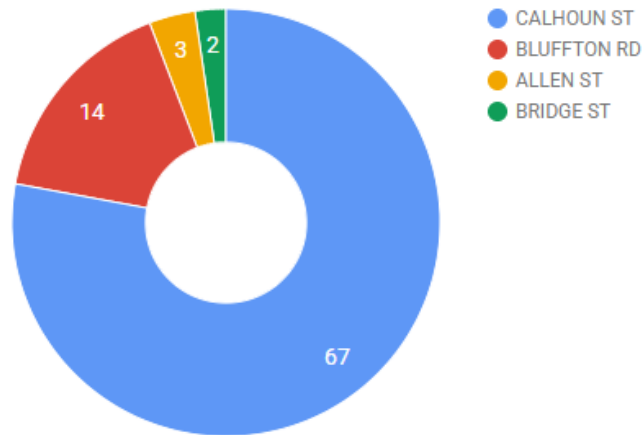
Tickets By Officer Last 30 Days



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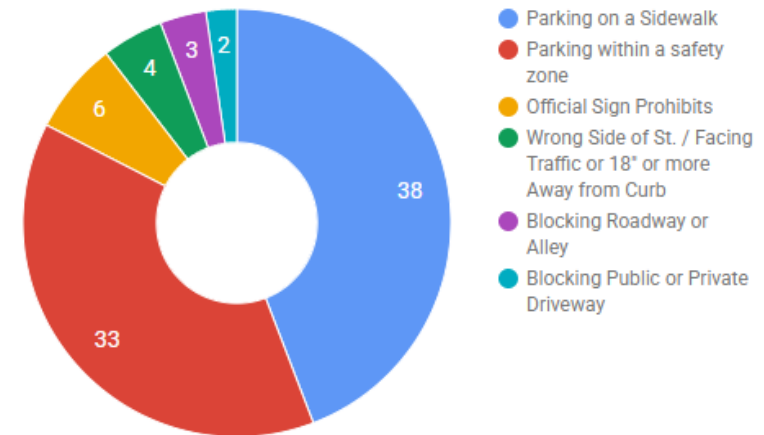
Tickets By Location Last 30 Days



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Tickets By Violation Last 30 Days

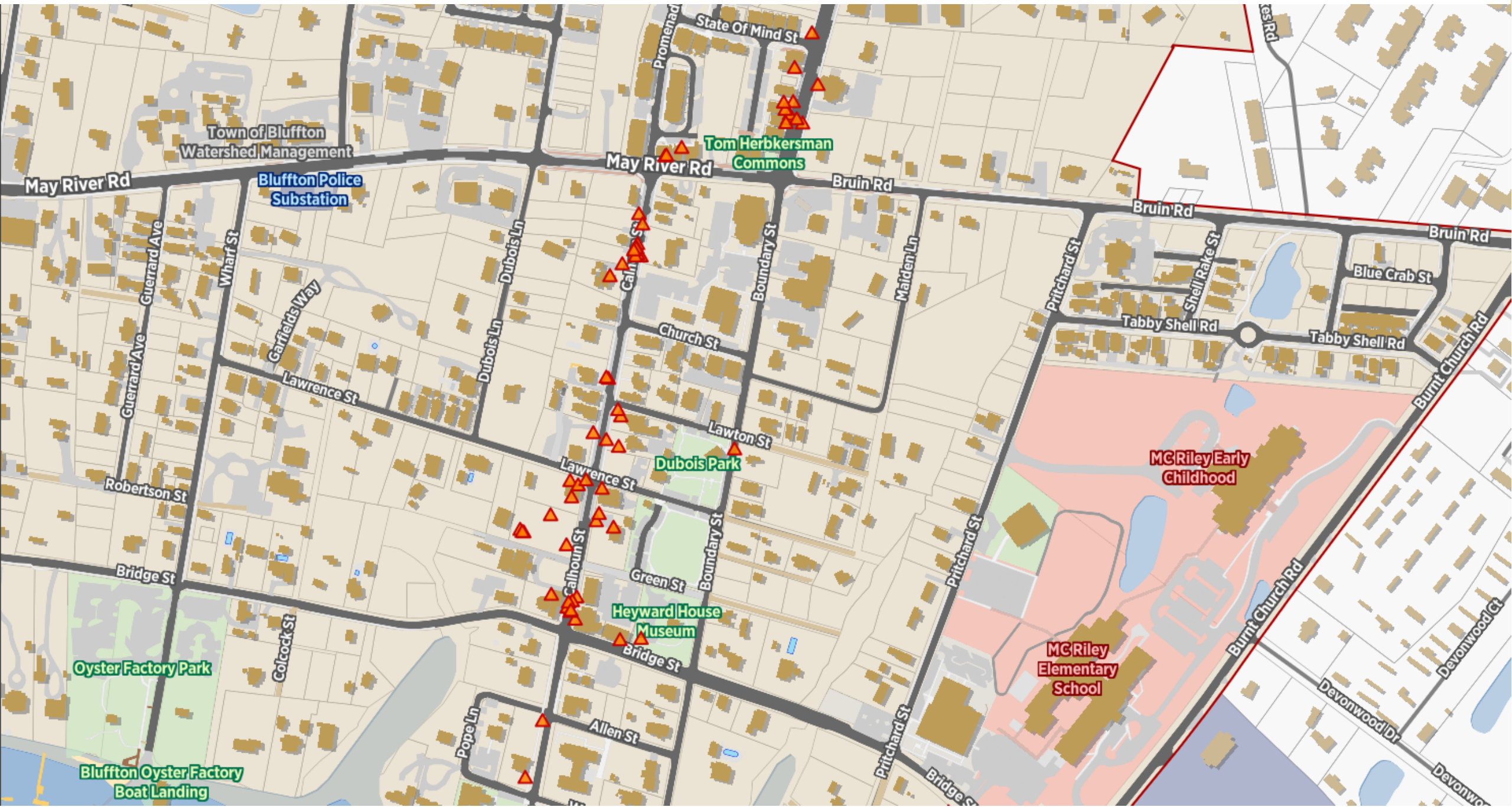


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## DOWNTOWN CITATIONS (86) – February 2025



# CODE ENFORCEMENT

## **Code Enforcement:**

William Bonhag

## **Signs**

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

## **Complaints / Property Checks / Follow-ups / Ordinance Letters**

- 1240,1242 May River Road, working with this group as they are cleaning up these locations that have been longtime neglected. Status ongoing progress.
- 28 Wharf Street was inspected for cleaning up of rear yard due to encroaching on rear neighbors' property. Compliance was met after issuance of door knocker and NOV.

### **1238 May River Road**

- This property has been on a continuous violation for not adhering to NOV's that were issued for not cleaning up the property with dumping in the rear sections of this site. The former tenant was summoned and failed to appear in court.
- During a property visit it was noticed by Codes Officer, the front section of the trailer home was pushed in with the window being held up by a post. On 1/7/25, Chief building inspector Marcus Noe and I returned to check out this structure and was allowed interior access by the tenant. Photos were taken due to the poor condition and NO Heat.
- On Monday 1/13/25 at 11am a return visit was attended by Marcus Noe, Rob Currall, FD Jason Lee and I to determine the status of this structure. It was deemed an unsafe structure and was posted as such on Friday 1/17/25. The tenants and owner will be notified by Marcus upon posting.
- Owner Lashonda Fluellen has agreed to a meeting on site at 9am 1/23/25 to discuss the condition of the home and property. Due to a snow storm all communication was via phone. The tenants were removed by the owner. Presently Rob and Marcus are creating a list of items to be fixed. This is pending their outcome as to the status going forward.
- This property shall be revisited on Monday 2/24/25 with Marcus Noe to create a list of improvements that shall be required, along with the cleaning up of entire outside area that have been long neglected.

### **1260 May River Road/Shoreline Project**

- 1/10/25, Complaint received by Brian Ranger Town Public Works stating that the contractors for this project broke the sidewalk while placing another piece of sidewalk back in place.
- 1/13/25 I contacted Nick Phillips, the project manager for Shoreline. Nick identified that it was Dominion who broke the sidewalk and would see to it that it would be repaired. I asked Nick to contact me when it is completed, and he agreed. I will follow up with him next week. Brian Ranger was notified of my progress. Sidewalk fixed w/o any issues.

# CODE ENFORCEMENT

## Code Enforcement continued:

### 131 Goethe Road

- Claudia Gomez Aguilar was issued letters pertaining to her blatant display of party chairs and tables, along with a possible construction business operating from this location. Tried to open communication with a male subject in the driveway in a work truck, advised him everything needs to be removed and cleaned up.
- Will be re-visiting to deliver NOV as operating w/o a BL from this location, which is zoned Residential Only area.

### 218 Simmonsville Road

- 3/14/24 Due to several violations, this location was boarded up.
- This matter is pending actions by Building Safety upon receipt of property ownership email or contact by Mrs. Mitchell to Robert Cullen. Unfortunately, Mrs. Mitchell has passed, and this matter is on hold with the Building Department.
- Vicky Smalls visited location with our team on 11/14/24. Vicky is trying to contact the oldest sibling regarding heirs' property transfer.
- Vicky will assist with dumpsters and town public works will use machinery to clean the property upon the completion of this demolition.
- 1/30/25 at 10am a meeting at Town Hall has been set up with Mr. Cohen along with 2 family relations to discuss either fixing the condition of the home and property clean-up. Removal of RV on site required.
- RV removed from site.
- Pending cleanup of garbage by 3/1/25

### 20 Stone Street

- Issued door hanger notice on 1/28/25 for needing a permit for fencing going up, as the post are in the ground presently. (Historic District)
- Approval for fence with gate was approved by the town, no permit needed for fencing below 7 feet.

### 229 Simmonsville Road aka Rosales Lane

- Removal of construction materials stored at the end of this road.
- Removal of vehicles stored here w/o plates
- Removal of pallets of tiles stored here.
- Returning week of 2/24/25 to inspect for progress.



# CODE ENFORCEMENT

## Code Enforcement continued:

### 12 Aspen Hall Road

- Robert Numson from this address is complaining about his neighbor's pool pump that the heater kicks on and the noise from the pump and heater disturbs his sons sleeping as it comes into the home as both homes are close together
- HOA has not taken any action regarding this matter.
- Codes will check this matter in Pinecrest to see if I can assist with a positive conclusion 2/24/25

# COMMUNITY ACTION TEAM

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BCASWG Meeting 357 Fording Island Road
Command Staff Meeting
Special Olympics Meeting (SOAR)
Lockdown Drill Pritchardville Elementary School
TOB Welcome Center Grand Opening
Montessori School Lockdown Drill
BLEC/BLES ECC Lockdown Drill
Swearing in Ceremony Sgt Meehan
Promotion for Sergeant Frazier
BHS Pep Rally honoring Sergeant Frazier
Command Staff Meeting
Homeland Security Vehicle Ramming Mitigation zoom meeting
Corporal Harden and Corporal King promotion
TOB Barn Park Ribbon Cutting Ceremony
K-9 DEMO Hampton Lakes
SRO Supervisor Meeting
TOB Black History Month Luncheon
Read Across America River Ridge Academy