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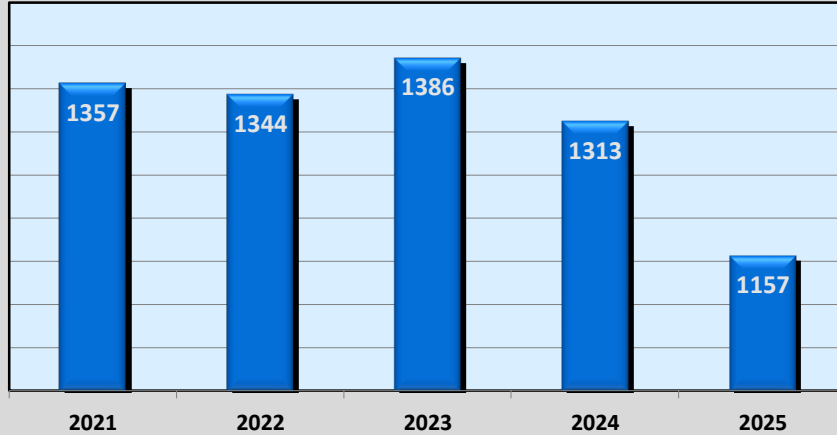
# BLUFFTON POLICE DEPARTMENT

October 31, 2025

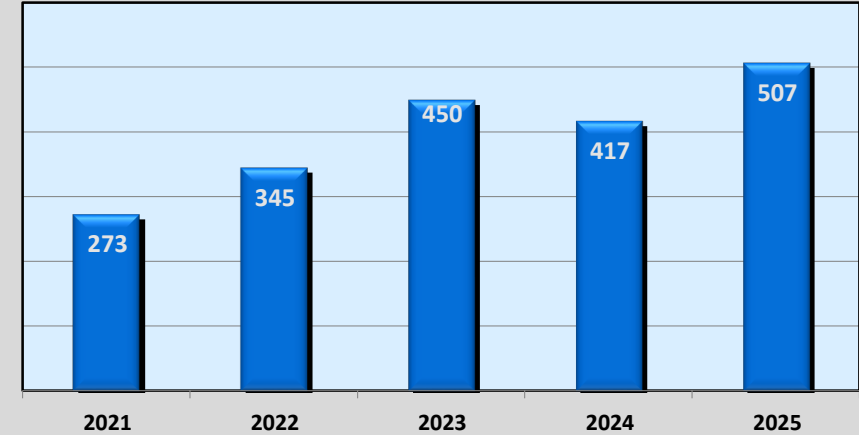
Presented by Chief Joseph Babkiewicz

# DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS

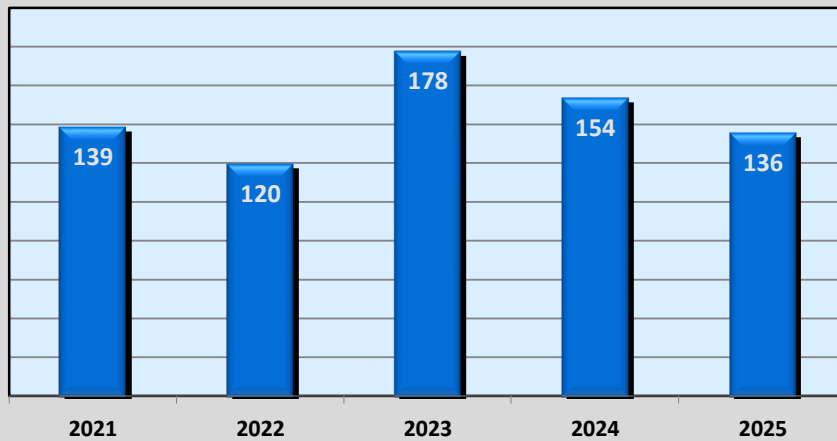
## October Calls for Service Comparison



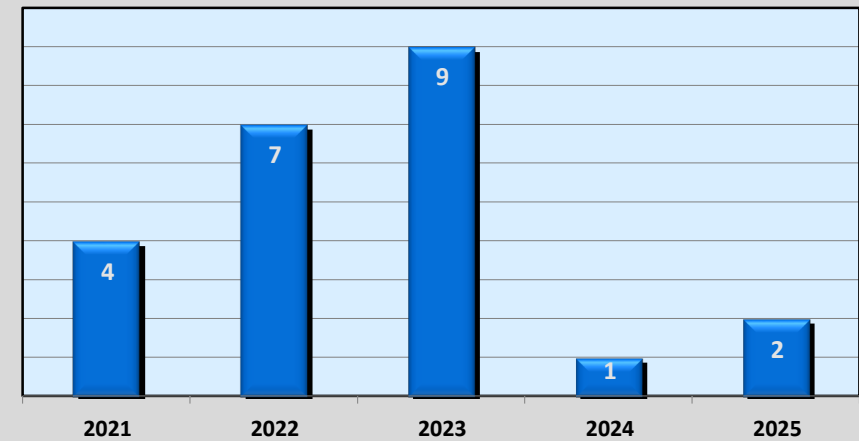
## October Traffic Citation Comparison



## October Collision Comparison

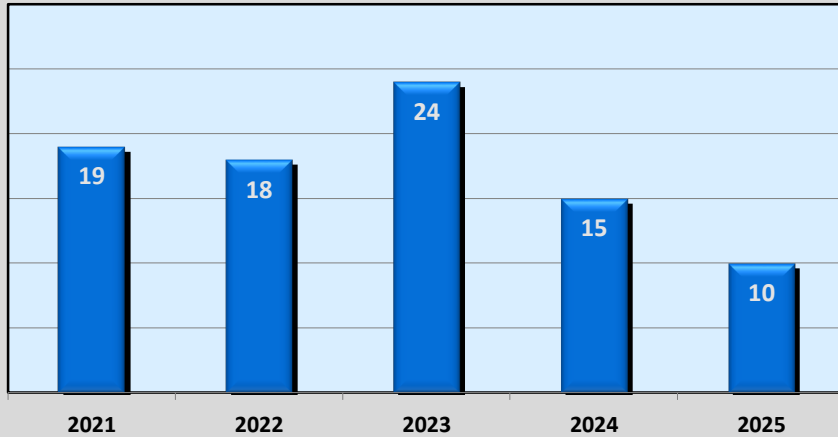


## October Burglary Comparison

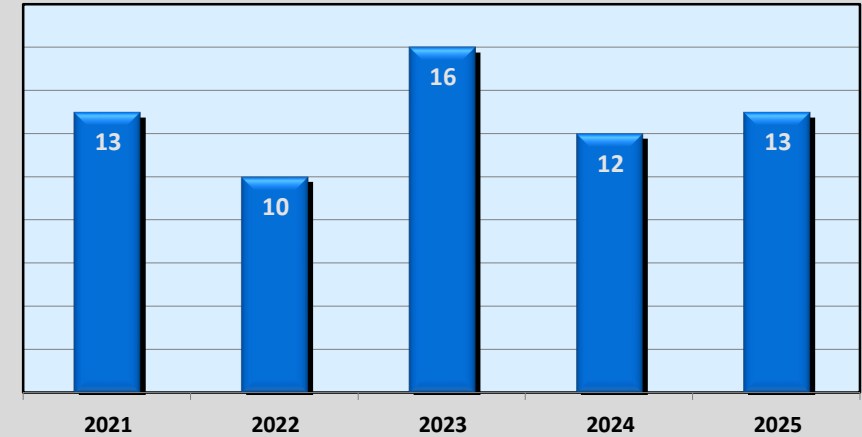


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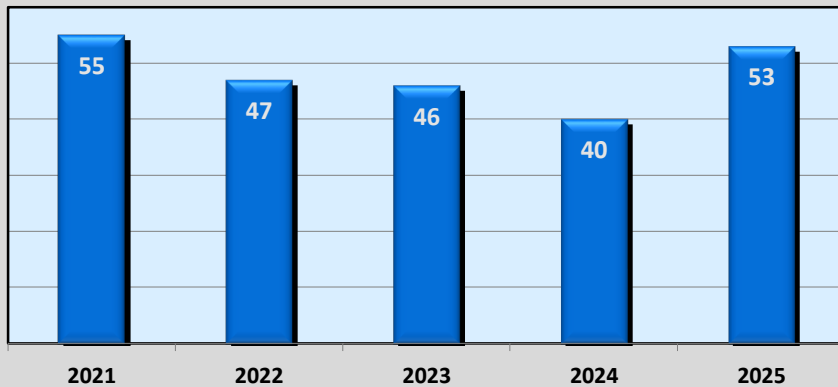
## October Theft Comparison



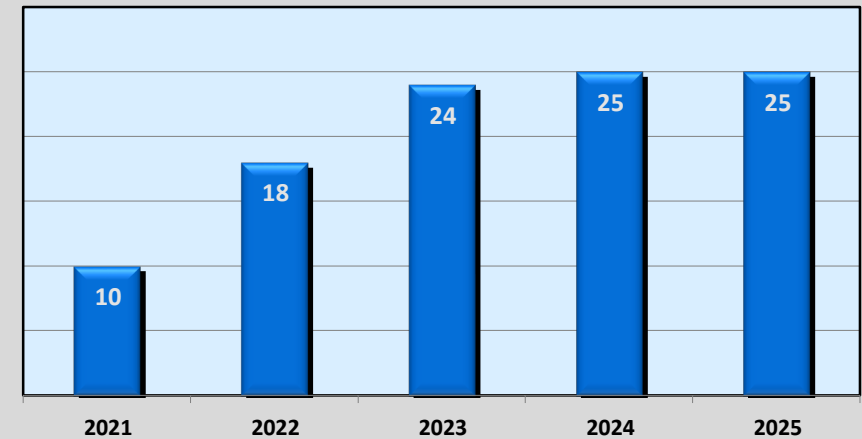
## October Assault Comparison



## October Domestic Calls for Service Comparison



## October Arrest Comparison

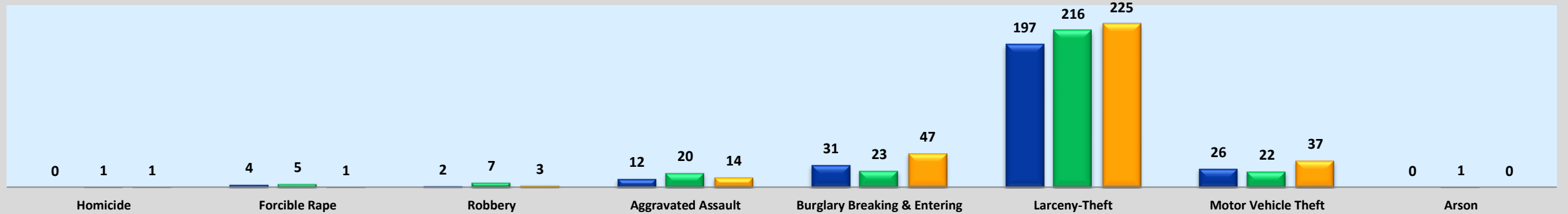


# DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS

Year-to-Date  
October

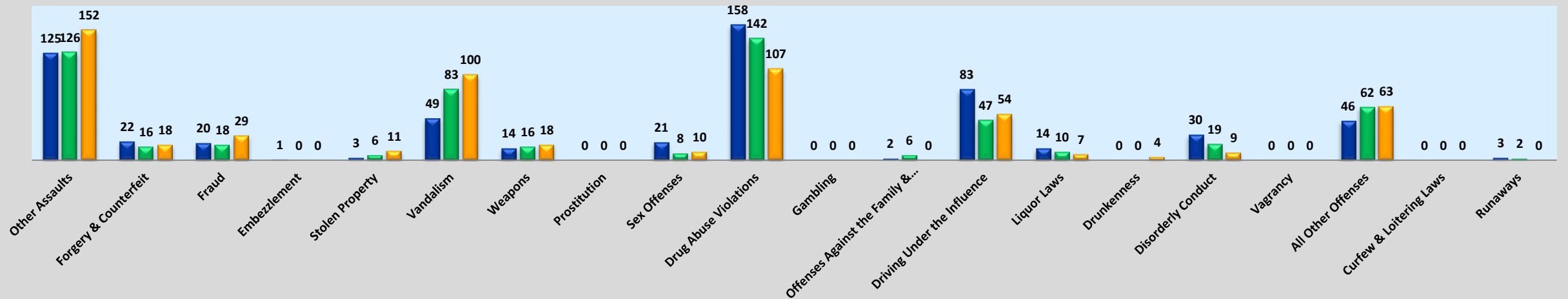
## Part I Crimes

■ 2025 ■ 2024 ■ 2023



## Part II Crimes

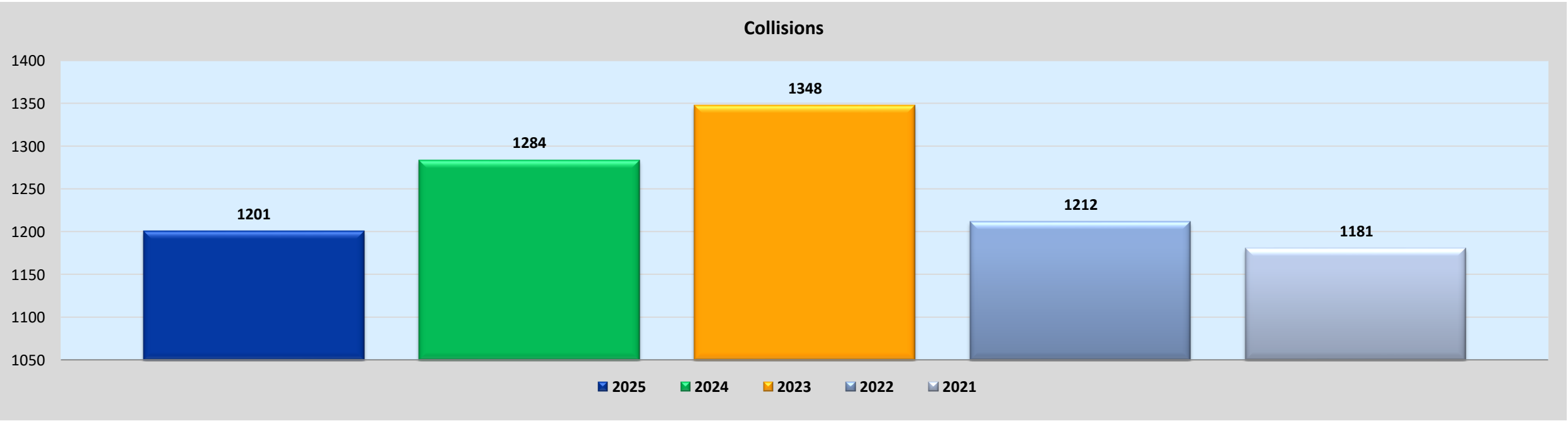
■ 2025 ■ 2024 ■ 2023



# DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS

Year-to-Date  
October

## Collisions



# DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS

## **Law Enforcement Advisory Committee**

- No meeting this month

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

**Every Wednesday** – Senior Staff Communications Meeting

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

**Oct 1<sup>st</sup>** – Meet with Hopeful Horizons for Domestic Violence Photo Op

**Oct 1<sup>st</sup>** – Teams meeting with Enterprise

**Oct 2<sup>nd</sup>- 5<sup>th</sup>** – Attend SC Police Chief Conference in Myrtle Beach

**Oct 6<sup>th</sup>** – Attend Wellness Committee meeting

**Oct 6<sup>th</sup>** – CIP Teams meeting

**Oct 6<sup>th</sup>** – Google meeting with Scenario Trainer

**Oct 7<sup>th</sup>** – Meet with May River Law Enforcement Class

**Oct 7<sup>th</sup>** – Command Staff meeting

**Oct 7<sup>th</sup>** – All Hands meeting

**Oct 8<sup>th</sup>** – Attend Grant Review meeting

**Oct 8<sup>th</sup>** – All Hands meeting

**Oct 8<sup>th</sup>** – Attend End of Phase meeting – Recruit Polo

**Oct 9<sup>th</sup>** – Meeting with Civilian

**Oct 9<sup>th</sup>** – Attend Monthly Command Staff and HR meeting

**Oct 13<sup>th</sup>** – Google meeting with Scenario Trainer

**Oct 13<sup>th</sup>** – Attend TPUSA Event @ Downtown Deli

**Oct 14<sup>th</sup>** – Meeting with Mayor and Town Manager

**Oct 14<sup>th</sup>** – Open House meeting

**Oct 14<sup>th</sup>** – Teams meeting with TI Training

**Oct 15<sup>th</sup>** – Meeting with Representative Mark Smith (Political Events)

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

- Oct 14<sup>th</sup> – Attend Town Council meeting
- Oct 15<sup>th</sup> – Attend State of the Region
- Oct 15<sup>th</sup> – Attend Foundations Therapy Ribbon Cutting Celebration
- Oct 15<sup>th</sup> – Bluffton Police Open House / Community Forum
- Oct 16<sup>th</sup> – Meeting with Civilian
- Oct 16<sup>th</sup> – Attend National Hispanic Heritage Month Celebration
- Oct 17<sup>th</sup> – Recruitment / Morale Committee meeting
- Oct 17<sup>th</sup> – Attend The Well Co. Grand Opening and Ribbon Cutting Ceremony
- Oct 17<sup>th</sup> – Attend Bluffton Self Help Sips & Party Event
- Oct 18<sup>th</sup> – Arts and Seafood Festival
- Oct 20<sup>th</sup> - CIP Teams meeting
- Oct 20<sup>th</sup> – Meeting with former Mayor
- Oct 20<sup>th</sup> – Attend Groundbreaking for May River Elementary School
- Oct 21<sup>st</sup> – Breakfast meeting with School Crossing Guards
- Oct 21<sup>st</sup> – Attend Police Applicant PAT
- Oct 21<sup>st</sup> – Meeting with HR Manager
- Oct 21<sup>st</sup> – Attend Legal meeting
- Oct 21<sup>st</sup> – Attend Town Council Quarterly workshop
- Oct 22<sup>nd</sup> – Meeting with Town Manager
- Oct 23<sup>rd</sup> – Meeting with HR Manager
- Oct 24<sup>th</sup> – Attend Unveiling of Public Art Sculpture at Welcome Center
- Oct 24<sup>th</sup> – Attend Cross Schools Pep Rally
- Oct 24<sup>th</sup> – Boys and Girls Club Trunk or Treat
- Oct 24<sup>th</sup> – Town of Bluffton Spooktacular

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

**Oct 24<sup>th</sup>** – Attend Town of Bluffton Public Art Unveiling @ Squire Pope Carriage House

**Oct 24<sup>th</sup>** – Attend Lavender Lounge Head Spa Grand Opening / Ribbon Cutting Ceremony

**Oct 27<sup>th</sup>** – Meeting with Deputy Chief

**Oct 27<sup>th</sup>** – Meeting with BCTV

**Oct 27<sup>th</sup>** – The Elle Apartments Ribbon Cutting Celebration

**Oct 27<sup>th</sup>** – 1st Quarter Budget Review meeting

**Oct 27<sup>th</sup>** – Citizen's Police Academy Graduation

**Oct 28<sup>th</sup>** – Attend Police Applicant PAT

**Oct 28<sup>th</sup>** – Google meeting with Flock Safety

**Oct 29<sup>th</sup>** – Executive Level Command Staff meeting

# DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS

Commendations -

None

Complaints -

None

## Police Department Demographics as of October 31, 2025

DEPARTMENT	Black	Hispanic	Other	White	Grand Total
Female	2	3	1	17	23
Male	8	5	3	37	53
Grand Total	10	8	4	54	76

SWORN OFFICERS	Black	Hispanic	Other	White	Grand Total
Female	1	1		9	11
Male	7	5	3	34	49
Grand Total	8	6	3	43	60

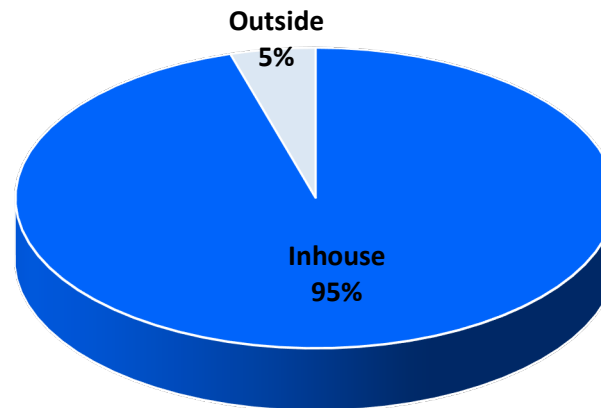
## October Officer Training

### In-House

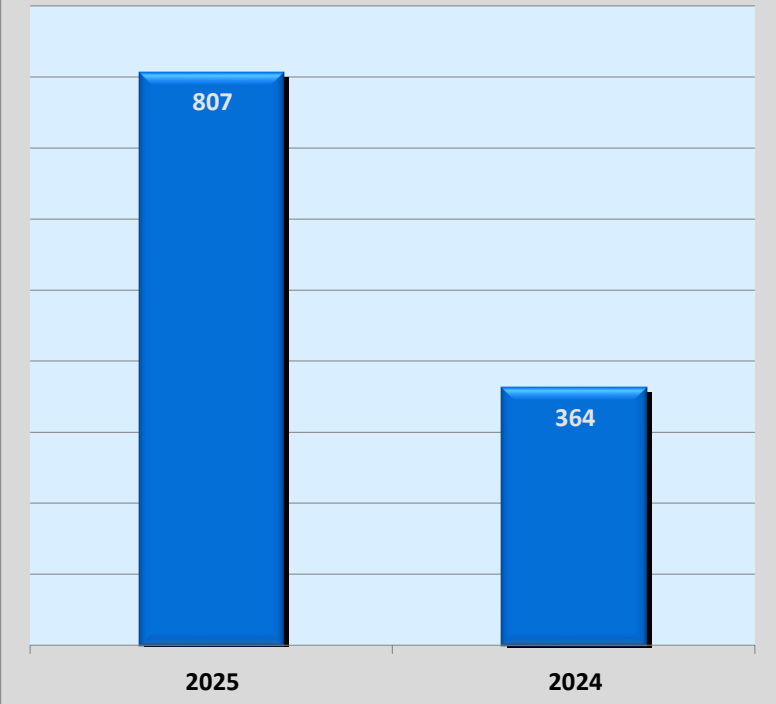
DUI/SFST Recertification - 1 Officer  
Line-Up 2025 July-August - 2 Officers  
Line-Up 2025 May-June - 1 Officer  
Studio - Police/Dog Encounters - 2 Officers  
Line-Up 2025 September-October - 6 Officers  
SMD Operator Recertification - 1 Officer  
DMT Operator Recertification - 1 Officer  
Pistol Qualifications - 9 Officers  
Taser 10 Training - 8 Officers  
Line-Up 2025 March-April - 1 Officer  
Juvenile Justice - 1 Officer  
Rifle Qualifications - 14 Officers  
Basic Law Enforcement - SCCJA - 3 Recruits

### Outside

Principles of Police Supervision - 1 Officer  
FBI LEEDA ELI - 1 Officer



### October 2025 / 2024 Training Hours Comparison



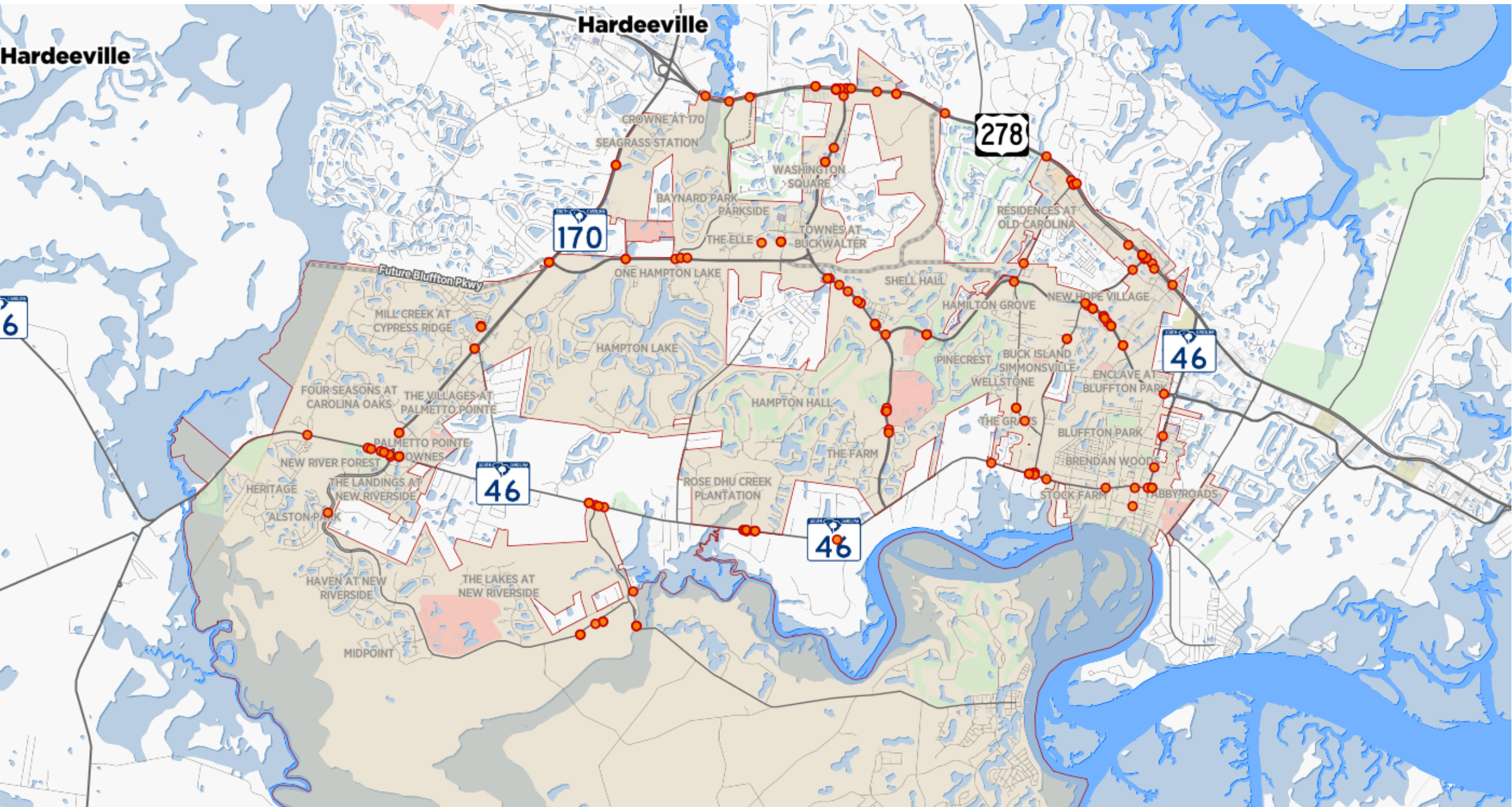
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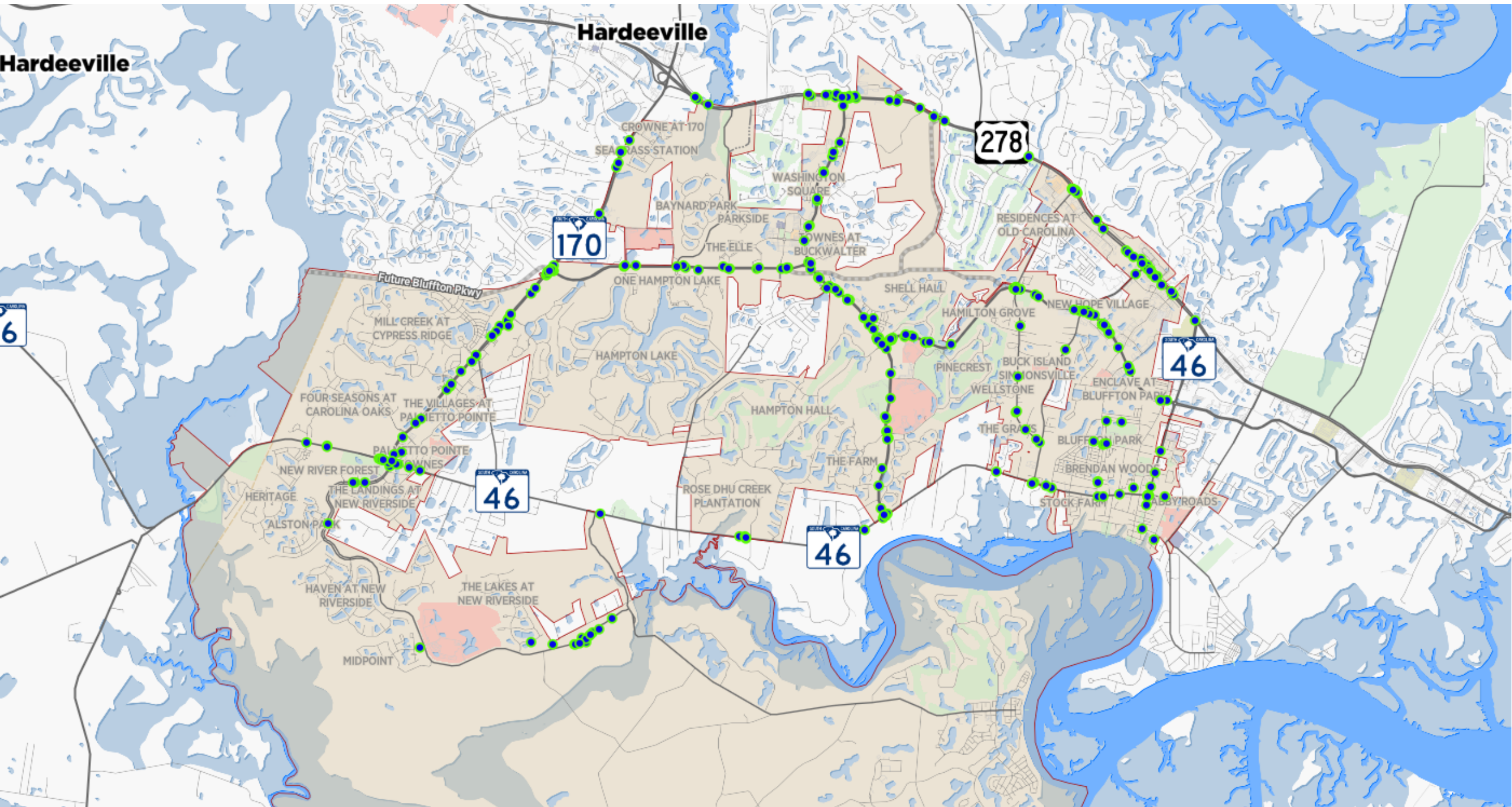
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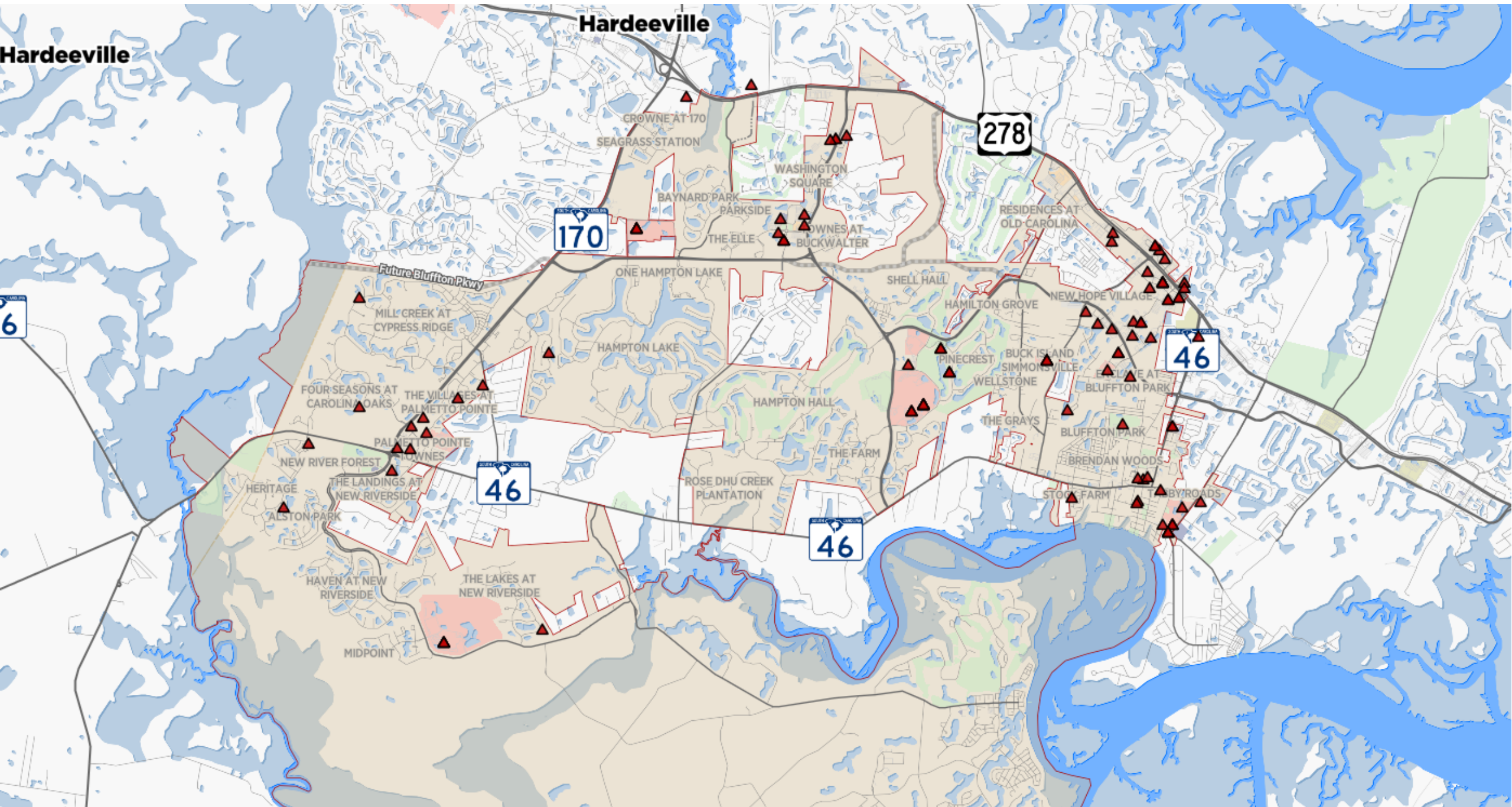
CITATIONS ISSUED (150) October 2025



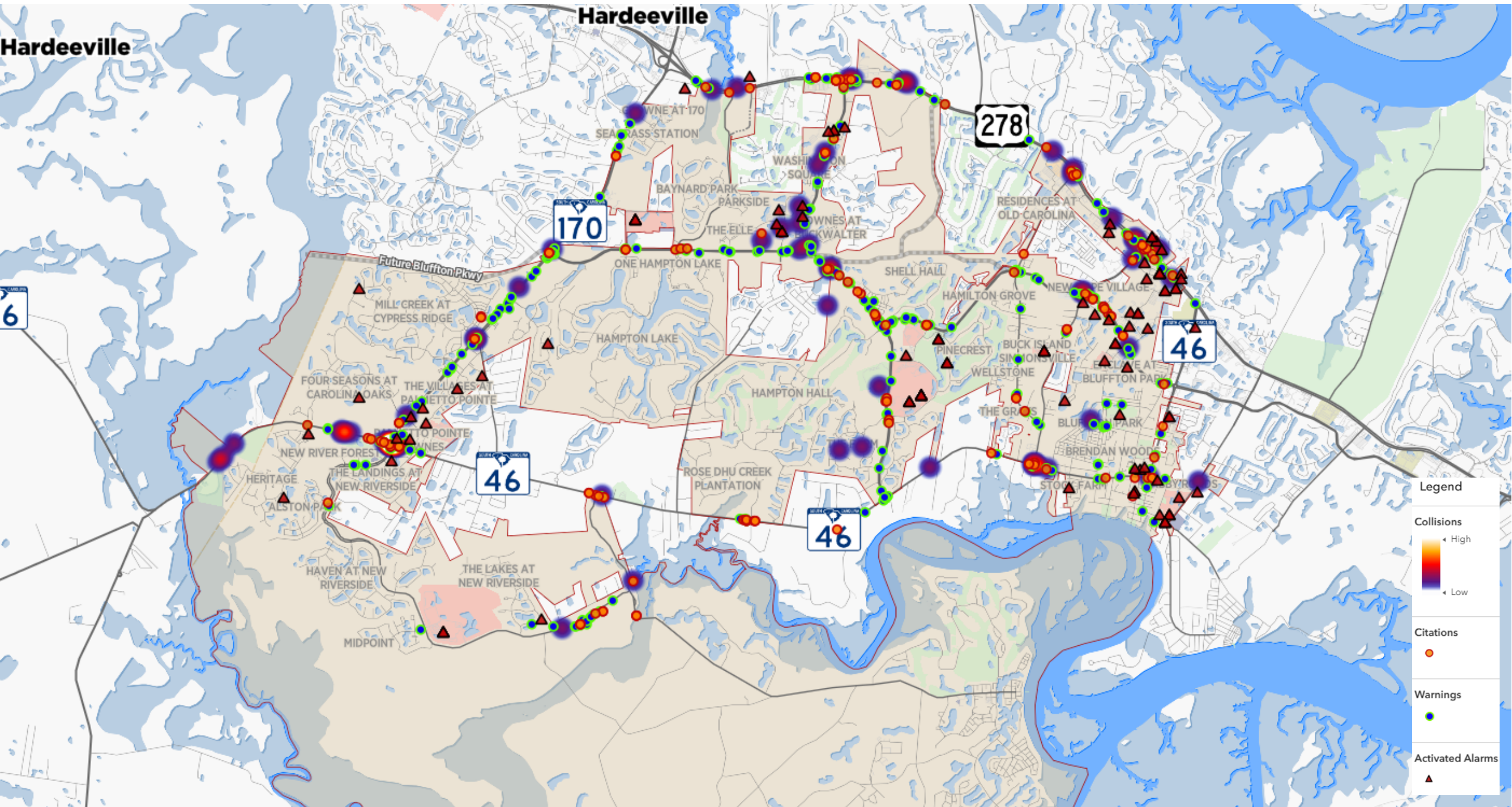
# WARNINGS ISSUED (357) October 2025



# #1 CALL TYPE – Activated Alarms (116) October 2025



# Collisions, Citations, Warnings and Activated Alarms – October 2025



# PATROL DIVISION

CALLS FOR SERVICE TOP 10 CALL TYPES	
Activated Alarm	116
Disturbance	110
Case Follow Up	107
Accident	96
911 Hang-Up	88
Reckless Driving	58
Domestic	53
Assist Motorist	44
Susp Vehicle	36
Noise Complaint	27

**TOTAL CALLS FOR SERVICE: 1161**

**AVERAGE PER DAY: 41**

PRO-ACTIVE PATROLS	
Extra Patrol - Business	752
Traffic Stop	424
Extra Patrol - Residence	307
Traffic Enforcement	15

# PATROL DIVISION

UNIFORM TRAFFIC CITATIONS TOP 10 VIOLATIONS	
Driving without a License - 1st Offense	23
Driving Under Suspension: License not suspended for DUI	17
Operating Vehicle While License/Registration Expired	16
Failure to Maintain Proof of Insurance in Motor Vehicle	9
Speeding; more than 15 but less than 25 mph over the speed limit	8
Speeding; equal to or greater than 25 mph over the speed limit	7
Speeding; more than 10 but less than 15 mph over the speed limit	7
Possession of 28G (1 oz) or less of Marijuana - 1st Offense	6
Failure to Obey Traffic-Control Devices	6
Failure to Return License Plate and Registration upon Loss of Insurance - 1st Offense	6

TOTAL CITATIONS ISSUED: 150  
 AVERAGE PER DAY: 5

UNIFORM TRAFFIC WARNINGS TOP 10 VIOLATIONS	
Speeding	86
Vehicle License Violation	59
Defective Equipment	43
Improper Lane Use	34
Changing Lanes Unlawfully	26
Disregarding Stop Sign	17
Improper Lights	16
Disregarding Traffic Signal	13
Improper Turn	10
Driver License Violation	6

TOTAL WARNINGS ISSUED: 357  
 AVERAGE PER DAY: 13

# CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS	
Cases Assigned	26
Incident Reports	1
Supplemental Reports	56
Cases Closed	13
Arrests Made	2
Arrest Warrants	7
Juvenile Petitions	12
Bond Court	7
Case Call Outs	9
Search Warrants	17
Prelims/Grand Jury	0

## Case Call Outs:

1. 25BP23673 – Attempted Murder
2. 25BP24518 – Attempted Murder
3. 25BP23477 – B&E Auto / Suspicious Activity

## Mental Health Advocate:

CIT: 1

Referrals - 10

Follow Ups - 35

Supplemental Reports - 30

## Victim Advocate:

Case Call Outs: 2

Incident Reports: 0

Case Closed: 7

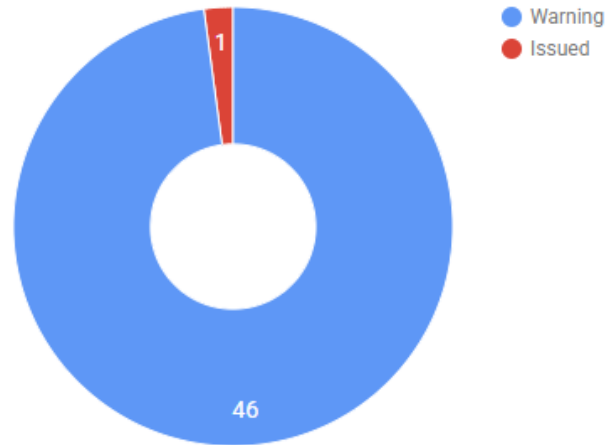
Bond Court: 7

Supplemental Reports: 13

ICAC Cases Assigned: 5

# COMMUNITY SERVICE ASSISTANTS

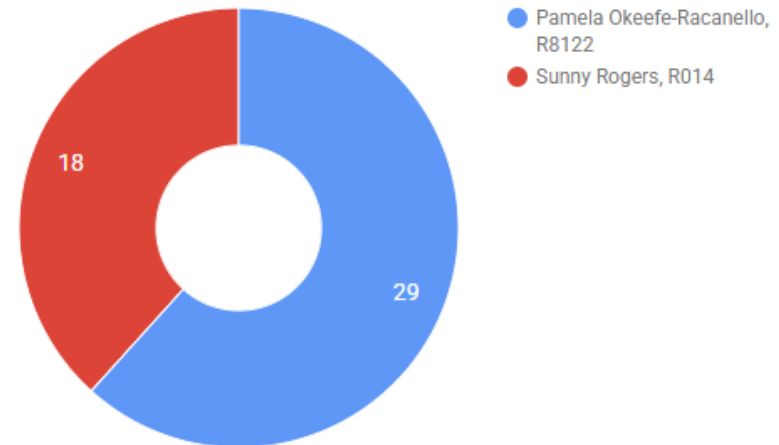
Tickets By Status Last 30 Days



Total Count: 47

As of 10/29/2025, 12:00:00 AM

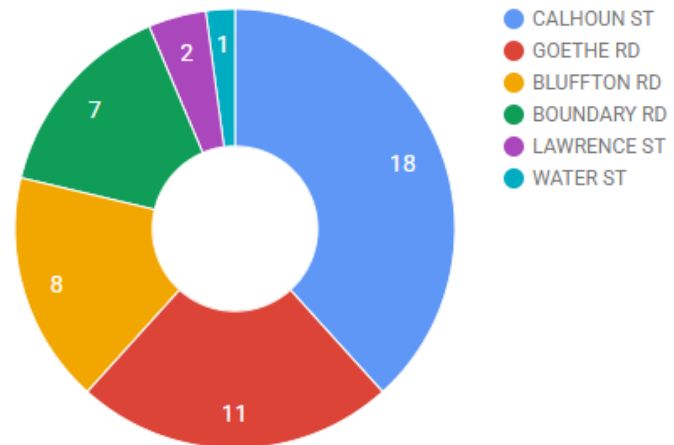
Tickets By Officer Last 30 Days



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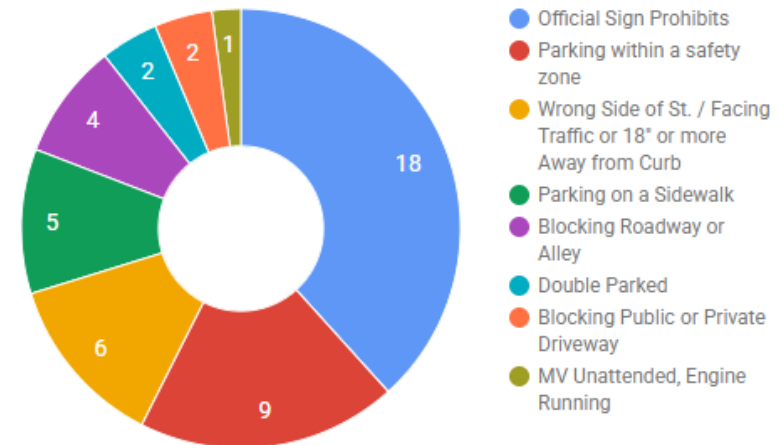
Tickets By Location Last 30 Days



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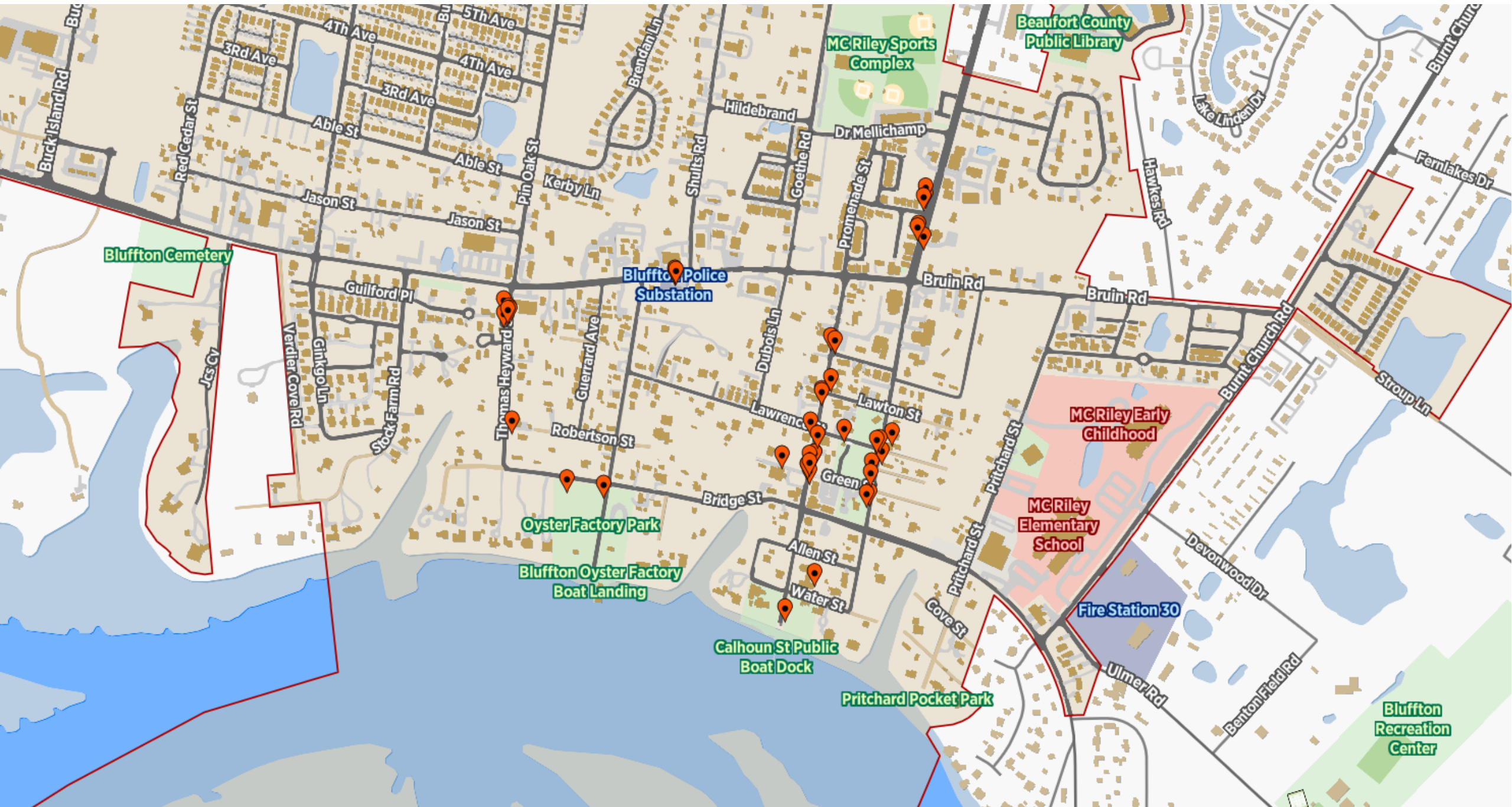
Tickets By Violation Last 30 Days



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## DOWNTOWN CITATIONS (47) – October 2025



# CODE ENFORCEMENT

## **Code Enforcement:**

William Bonhag

## **Signs**

- Issued several NOV's for business license.

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

### **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.
- Property cleaned up, now pending information from Vicky Smalls and Rob Currall Building Official as to their next move regarding this structure.
- 7/15/25 This property is Heirs property, until this property is settled in court no actions can move forward.

### **20 Twin Oaks Drive**

- Fence blocking emergency vehicles to be removed by Friday August 1, 2025
- HJ Stucco company uses it as construction yard. The fence was removed though posts remain with wire attached that need to be removed for emergency vehicles allowing them to pass through. Fire investigator Jason Lee and I shall be attending to this matter week of 9/22.
- All equipment and materials to be removed by August 25. Per NOV issued.
- The owner of HJ Stucco has used a resident address of 234 Buck Island Road which does not exist at the time of his business license submittal.
- This matter is now pending his response to Sharon White as of 9/17/25.
- Sharon White from licensing is sending an email for response by owner 10/8/25. Should the owner fail to respond, codes shall re-visit to issue a summons to appear in court. Pending notification by Sharon White

# CODE ENFORCEMENT

## Code Enforcement continued:

### The Lakes at New Riverside

- Karen Macmillan / Sentry Management Weds. 9/24/25 filed a complaint.
- Construction workers park on Wylie Court and walk through the woods.
- Also, I'm told that workers have parked on Wylie Ct. to walk through the common area to reach the construction site.
- Karen stated there is No trespassing sign at the entrance of the community. They are parked all over the place on Wylie, and they are not sure if the Board wants no parking signs everywhere. They are also still using the easement to just pull into the area from the Lakes.
- This matter is being addressed by Dan Frazier and Codes.
- In the same area down the street a complaint regarding loud pump noises at night was handled by this officer and was addresses by Bill Morris of Thompson Turner to alleviate the noise.

### 149 Simmonsville Road

- 5/19/25 Marcia Frazier called to complain about a house that was situated on her mom's property. Marcia stated that this is a family dispute in a court matter with family members.
- 5/20/25 property was visited by Marcus Noe (Chief Building Inspector) and me to check on this placement.
- 5/20/25 Marcus Noe placed a Stop Work Order on their door to the entrance of this new home.
- Kristy Carge says permits are forthcoming
- 10/10/25 nothing obtained as of today per Mary Sue McEntire, this is a Building Safety matter.

### 98 Fording Island Road

- 9/8/25 while conducting property inspections this lot has started to accumulate illegal dumping on this site. Jodie Pitman/ assistant property manager was notified due to Lisa Fort no longer is with Harris Teeter.
- Jodie Pitman promptly responded to me and shall have this site cleaned and secured so no further dumping should occur.
- Jodie informed me that their contractor shall commence cleaning on 9/23/25 weather permitting and looks to be completed by 9/26/25. Inspection of this site will be conducted upon my return from vacation 10/6/25.
- As of 10/8 site was cleaned and now pending entrance secured, Jodie from Harris Teeter is diligently working with me on this matter.

### 1279 May River Road

- Complainant /relative Tracey Bruin residing at 224 Goethe Road connected to this backyard.
- Letters are sent to clean up front and rear with overgrowth. Owners live in Savannah. Ga.
- The front was cut and cleaned. Rear still pending compliance as of 8/7/25 not completed, letters were issued to the property owner.
- As of 10/8/25, Still pending cleanup of entire yard. Sending certified NOV today for compliance by Tuesday 10/14/25.

# CODE ENFORCEMENT

## Code Enforcement continued:

### Simmons Road Power Line Section/Santee Cooper

- The complaint was made by Bridgete Frazier due to cars and trucks parking, dumping and working from this area.
- Contact was made with Santee Cooper (property owner) and I am working with Matt Evans to have this location cleaned up and dirt piles removed. 2 weeks are being allocated for this area, unless it may be earlier as they are placing fences on both ends of their property with gates locked.
- 5/21/25 contacted Matt Evans from Santee, an estimate obtained by Santee for fencing for \$32,000, which was forwarded to his administrators.
- 8/7/25 l/m for Matt regarding the pending site review for cleanup, along with fencing status.
- As of 10/10 still pending actions of Santee Cooper an abandoned delivery truck is on site .

### 108 Goethe Road

- Visited this property per Vicky Smalls complaint from the h/o at 4 Benjamin Road.
- Owner Juan Ruiz was spoken to regarding his condition of his property that has shingle piles around, loads of equipment and equipment scattered about his property.
- Trees were cut and dumped throughout this section.
- Nov was issued for cleaning up and removal of all items.
- Team visit scheduled for 9am Monday 6/16/25 2 Notice of Violations and 1 watershed violation issued to Juan Ruiz owner (needs to remove all commercial products and junk by Monday 6/23/25
- Failure to comply so a summons was issued for court appearance that was moved from July to 8/19/25, now pending postponed court date of 9/16/25.
- This matter had been deferred until 10/14/25 for court appearance due to completion of cleanup is presently ongoing for compliance. Inspection to follow for compliance. Compliance completed as of 10/14/25

### 8 Pin Oak Street / Red Stripes

- Star/ Owner from squat and gobble filed an email complaint to Dan Wiltse, due to the burning of garbage from this location in Red Stripes outdoor firepit. Previously, Jason Lee Fire Inspector and Codes visited this location, spoke to the owner and requested him to clean up and cover the pit. (Failed to take any action for cleaning or covering the fire pit in question).
- 9/24/25 at approximately 2:30pm Dan Wiltse Fire Marshal, Jason Lee, /Fire Inspector, Sgt. Lancaster and I met with the owner on site for discussion.
- Codes issued 3 as follows:( 1) for Sec.12-25 Public Health Nuisances (unsanitary fire pit with flies and Styrofoam cups and garbage, along with several beer bottles. (2) Sec.14-128 (b) 4. Town not liable, registration, notification, prohibitions (warming fires restricted to burning natural vegetation).
- The 3rd NOV was for failure to pay his July and August 2025 Hospitality taxes, Sec.24-69 (a) 2 Violations and Penalty / Failure to remit Hospitality taxes.
- Jason Lee BFD issued a Fire Department Notice as well.
- Upon codes return I shall follow up with Jason and Sharon White for compliance.
- Site appears clean as of 10/8/25 along with taxes paid up to date per Sharon White.

# COMMUNITY ACTION TEAM

COMMUNITY ACTION TEAM	
Conducted traffic enforcement in Bluffton Park area	Covered FCA Fields of Faith at Hilton Head Christian Academy
Conducted Security Assessment Plan for Bluffton Municipal Court	Assisted with Arts and Seafood Festival Road Closure on Friday (Calhoun Street)
Covered Courtroom Security on Tuesdays for Bluffton Municipal Court	Covered Arts and Seafood Festival Day 1 Saturday
Attended Cross Schools Family Chapel Day	Covered Bluffton High School JV Football Game
Attended Jacobs Kit Presentation at Cross School	Covered Town Council Workshop at Bluffton Municipal Court
Attended Farmers Market on Thursdays	Covered Lowcountry Community Church Student Ministry at Bluffton High School
Attended Ida's Closet food drive Campbell AME	Attended Campbell Chapel Community Day at Martin Family Park
Attended Domestic Violence Hopeful Horizons	Bluffton PD Policy Review
Covered River Ridge Academy Football game	Attended BPD Safety Spooktacular at Oscar Frazier Park
Covered Cross School for a day (SRO vacation)	Attended Trunk or Treat at St. Gregory Parish Life Center
Attended All Hands Meeting	Attended Bluffton High School Football Cookout
Responded to Welcome Center and Church of Cross (Old Town) call for service	Passed out information on Fraud Scams to The Haven at New Riverside
Covered Town Council Meeting at Bluffton Municipal Court	Passed out information on Fraud Scams to Four Seasons
Firearms and Rifle Qualifications Training at BCSO Range	Follow up at 4 Aspen Hall Court
TASER 10 Operator Online Pre-work Course Certification	Police Substation Walk-ins: 7
TASER 10 Hands on Operator Course Training	
Assist May River Montessori School with their Sandbox Playground Project and Afternoon Dismissal	