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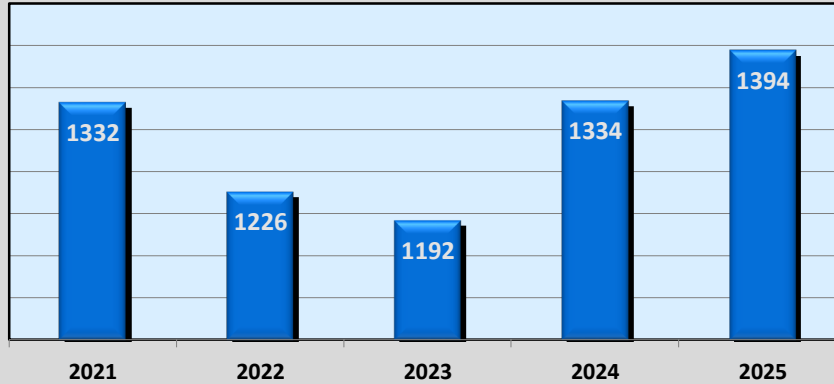
BLUFFTON POLICE DEPARTMENT

September 30, 2025

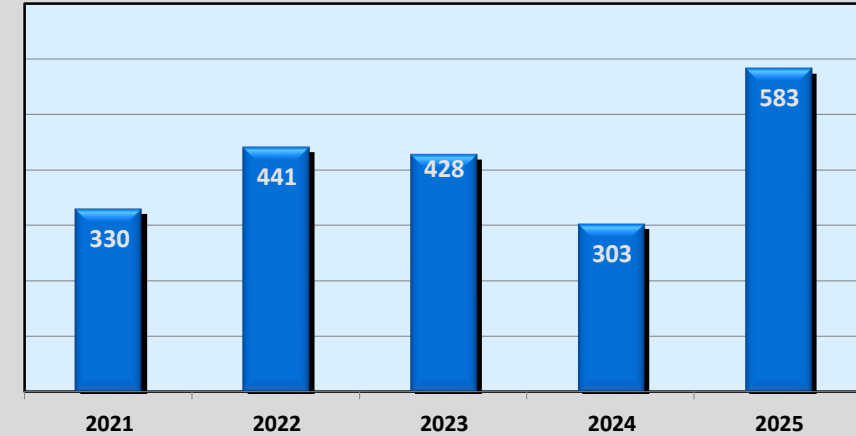
Presented by Chief Joseph Babkiewicz

DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS

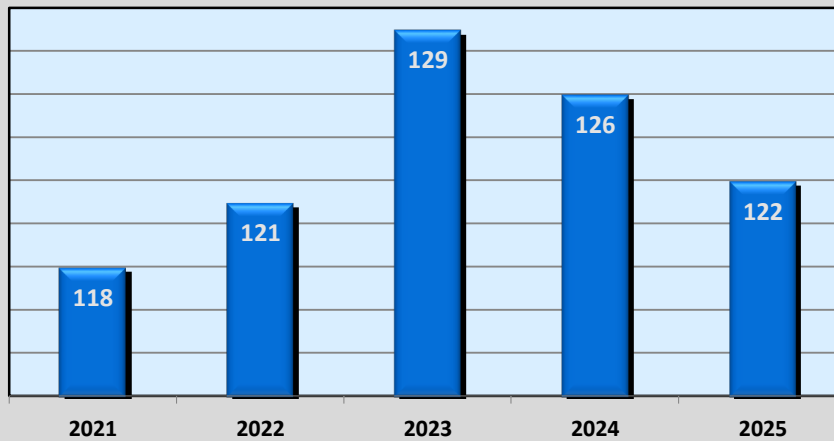
September Calls for Service Comparison



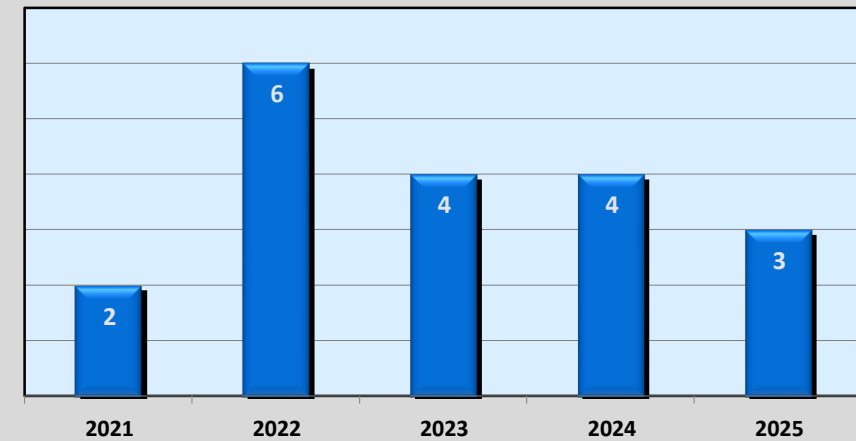
September Traffic Citation Comparison



September Collision Comparison

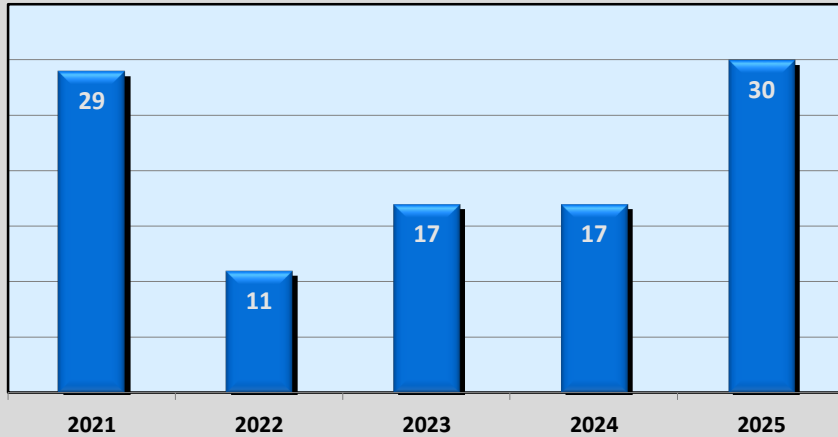


September Burglary Comparison

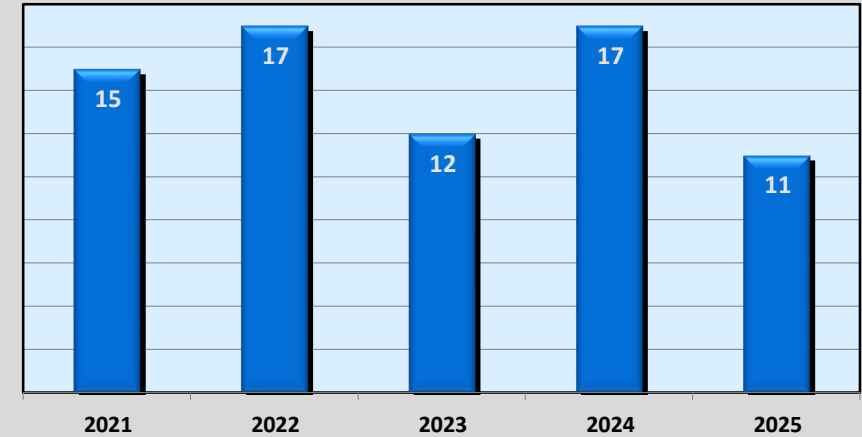


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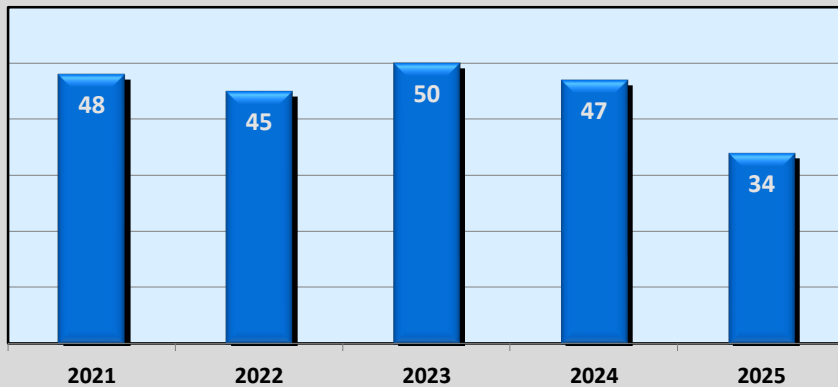
September Theft Comparison



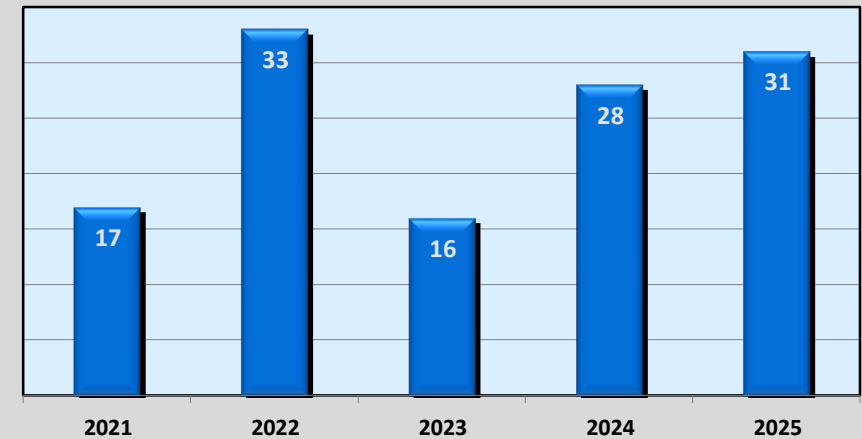
September Assault Comparison



September Domestic Calls for Service Comparison



September Arrest Comparison

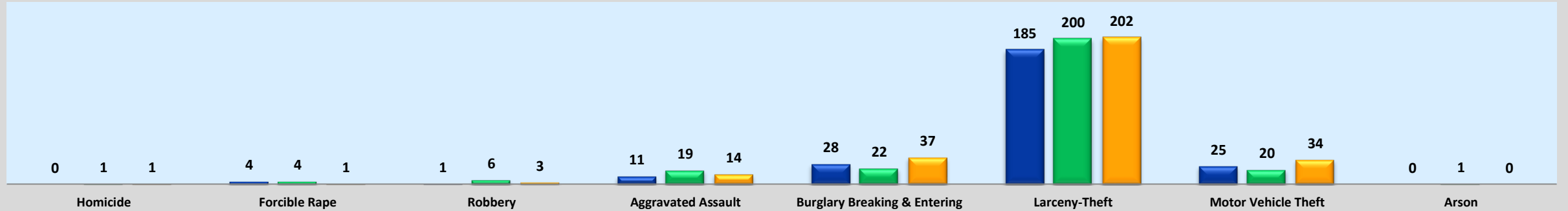


DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS

Year-to-Date
September

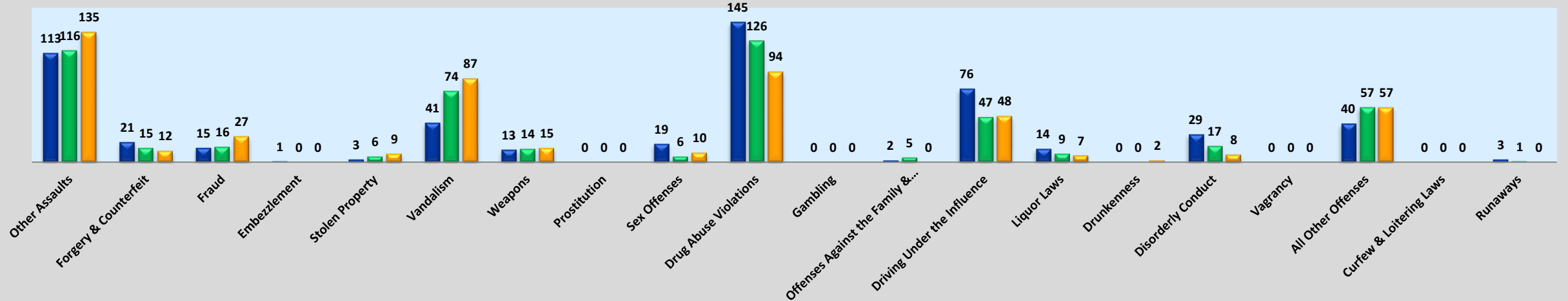
Part I Crimes

■ 2025 ■ 2024 ■ 2023



Part II Crimes

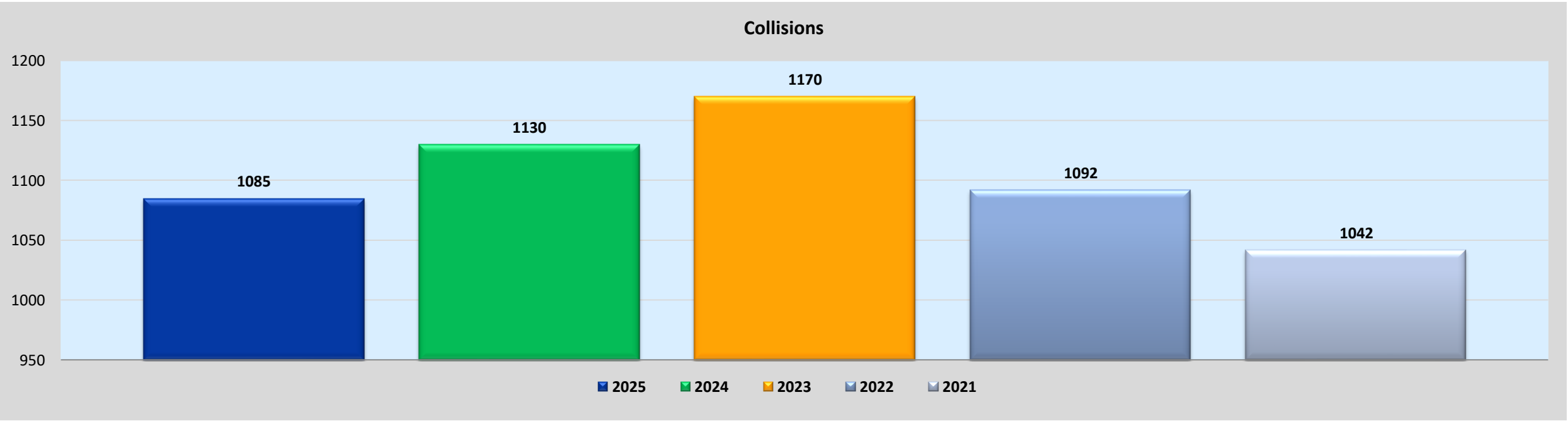
■ 2025 ■ 2024 ■ 2023



DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS

Year-to-Date
September

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

Sep 2nd – Attend Applicant PAT testing

Sep 2nd – Recruitment/Retention/Morale meeting

Sep 2nd – Flock Map Review Zoom meeting

Sep 3rd – Attend Applicant PAT Testing

Sep 3rd – Attend ClearGov and Strategic Plan Discussion

Sep 4th – Attend Recruitment/Retention/Morale meeting

Sep 5th – Attend Applicant PAT Testing

Sep 8th – Participate Cross Schools Kindergarten PD Tour

Sep 9th – Attend Bluffton Self Help Ribbon Cutting Celebration

Sep 9th – Everbridge Zoom meeting

Sep 9th – Command Staff meeting

Sep 9th – Attend Town Council meeting

Sep 10th – Attend Applicant PAT Testing

Sep 10th – Flock Map Review Zoom meeting

Sep 11th – Attend 9/11 Ceremony

Sep 11th – Meeting with Citizen

Sep 11th – Meeting with Command Staff and Human Resource

Sep 12th – Attend NAACP 1st Annual Freedom Fund Gala

Sep 13th – Attend DJ's Day of Giving @ Eagles Field

Sep 15th – Attend Par Fore Kids Golf Tournament @ Palmetto Bluff

Meetings Attended by Chief Joseph Babkiewicz cont.

- Sep 16th** – Cub Scouts LEC Tour
- Sep 17th** – Promotional Policy Review meeting
- Sep 17th** – Teams meeting with Asst. Town Manager
- Sep 18th** – Attend Wellness Fair Event
- Sep 19th** – Attend SCCJA Graduation
- Sep 20th** – Attend Annual SC Beach Sweep/River Sweep @ Oyster Factory Park
- Sep 22nd** – Attend CIP Microsoft Teams meeting
- Sep 22nd** – Urban SDK Onboarding teams meeting
- Sep 22nd** – Attend Hampton Hall meeting
- Sep 23rd** – Attend September Birthday and Anniversaries Event
- Sep 23rd** – Enterprise Fleet meeting
- Sep 24th** – 221B Studios Grand Opening / Ribbon Cutting Ceremony
- Sep 24th** – Attend NAACP meeting
- Sep 25th** – Attend Wellness Fair
- Sep 26th** – New River Barn site visit
- Sep 29th** – Meeting with Citizen
- Sep 29th** – Meeting with Town Manager
- Sep 30th** – Meeting with BCSD Superintendent
- Sep 30th** – Attend Grand Opening/Ribbon Cutting Ceremony @ Novant Health
- Sep 30th** – Cross Schools Presentation

DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS

Commendations -	None
Complaints -	None

Police Department Demographics as of September 30, 2025

DEPARTMENT	Black	Hispanic	Other	White	Grand Total
Female	2	3	1	17	23
Male	8	5	3	38	54
Grand Total	10	8	4	55	77

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

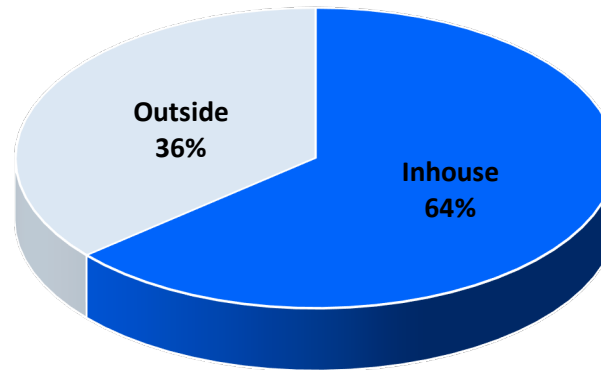
September Officer Training

In-House

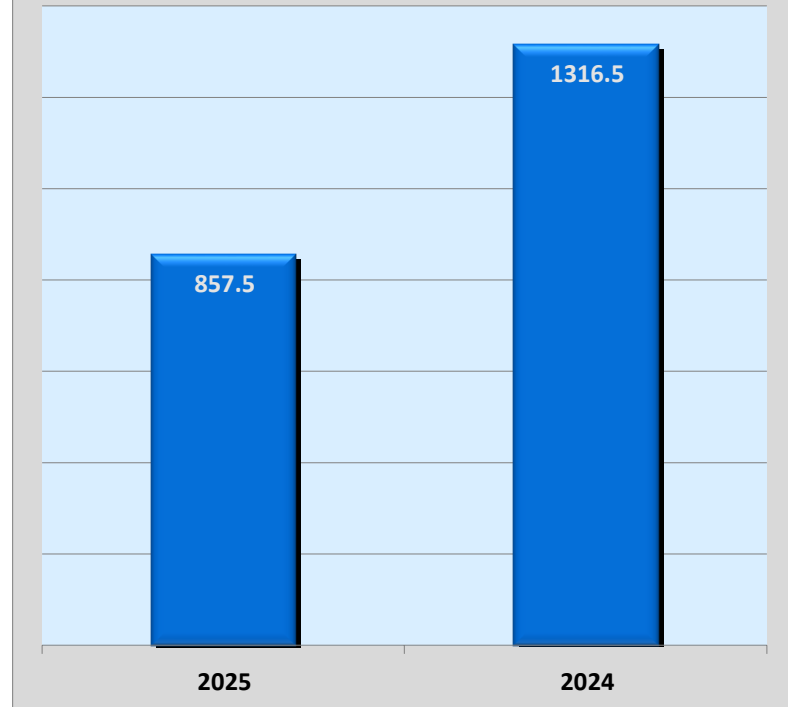
DUI/SFST Recertification - 4 Officers
Line-Up 2025 July-August - 3 Officers
Line-Up 2025 May-June - 1 Officer
Officer Liability - 1 Officer
Pre-Academy - 3 Recruits
Racial Profiling - 1 Officer
Line-Up 2025 September-October - 47 Officers
Police/Dog Encounters - 2 Officers
Medical Admittance or Denial - 4 Officers
SMD Operator Recertification - 2 Officers
DMT Operator Recertificatin - 1 Officer
Driving While Distracted - 1 Officer
Evidence Collection,Control, and Storage - 1 Officer
Foundations in Ethics for Law Enforcement - 1 Officer
Interviews and Interrogations - 1 Officer
Temporary Holding Facilities - 1 Officer
Pistol Qualifications - 10 Officers
Taser 10 Training - 3 Officers

Outside

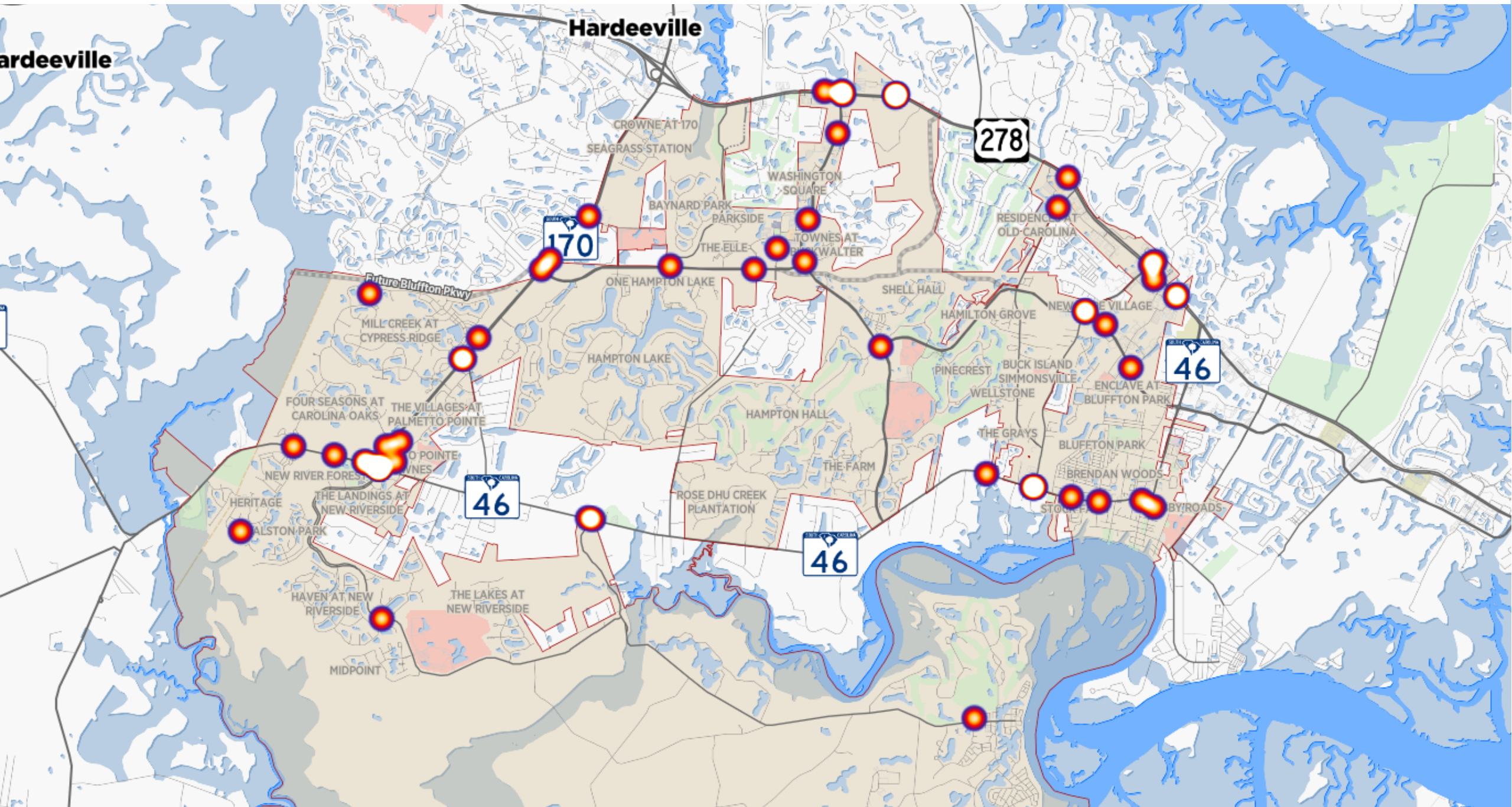
Basic Law Enforcement - 2 Officers
Firearms Instructor School - 1 Officer



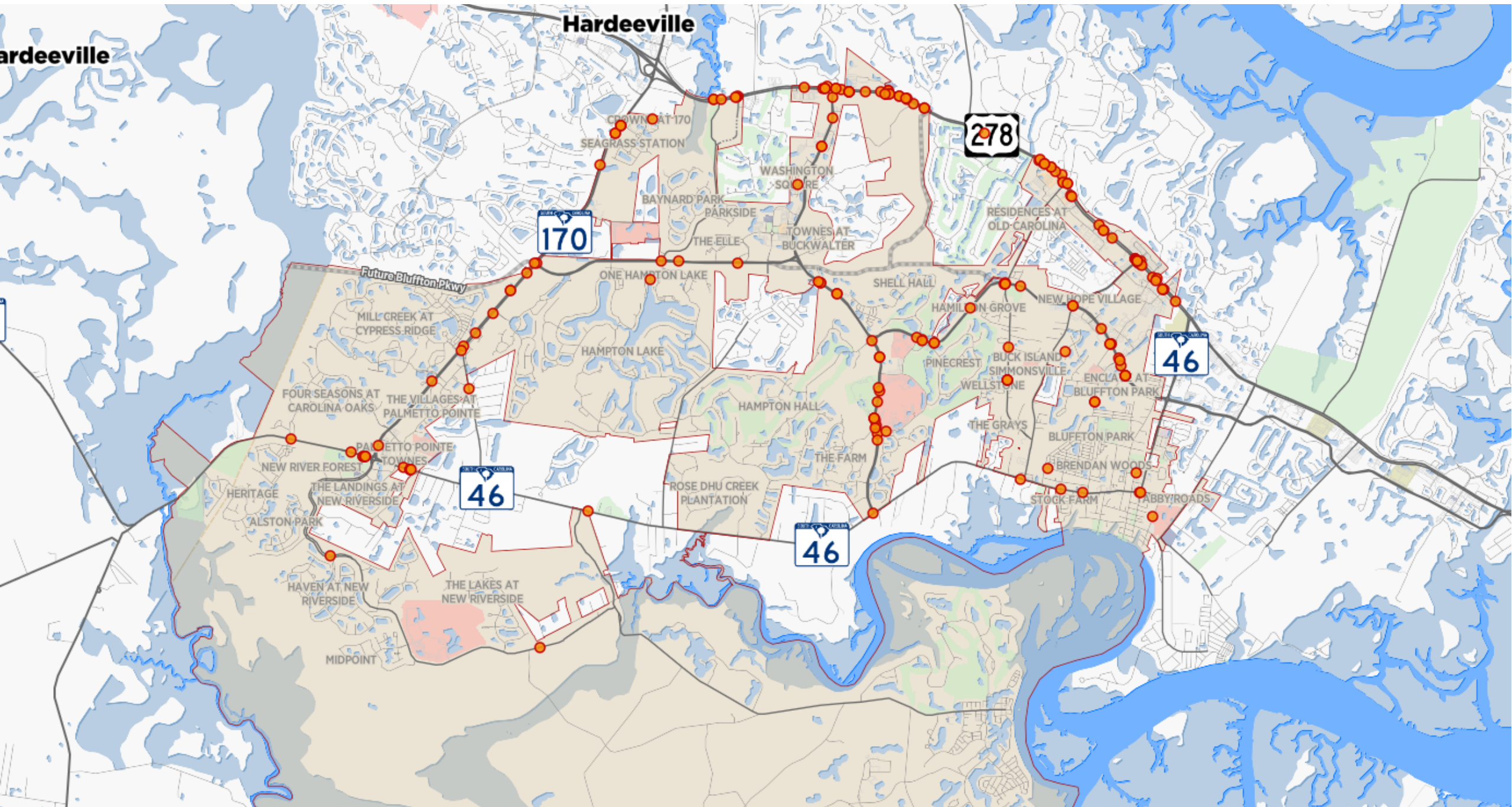
September 2025 / 2024 Training Hours Comparison



COLLISIONS (122) September 2025



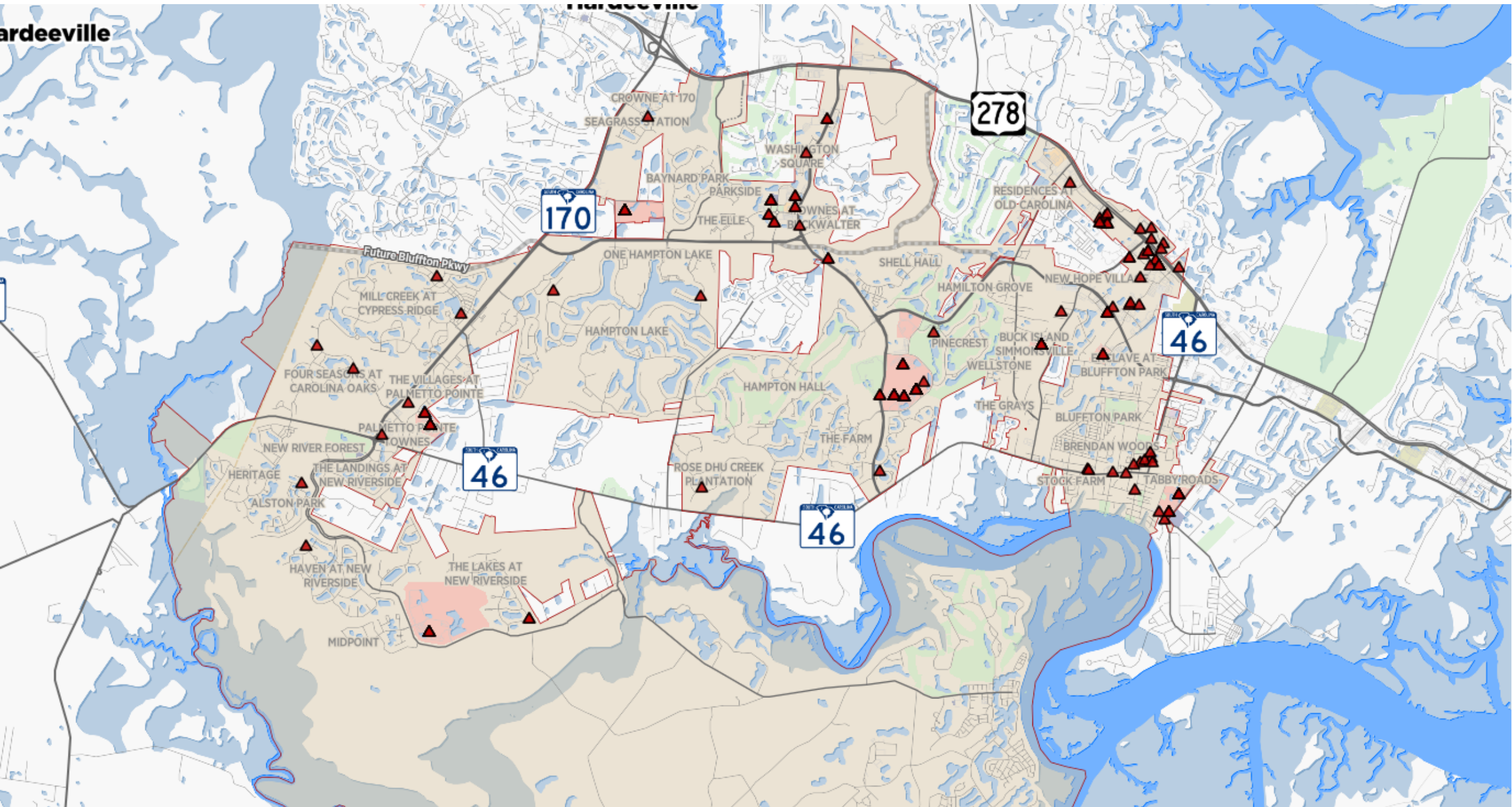
CITATIONS ISSUED (189) September 2025



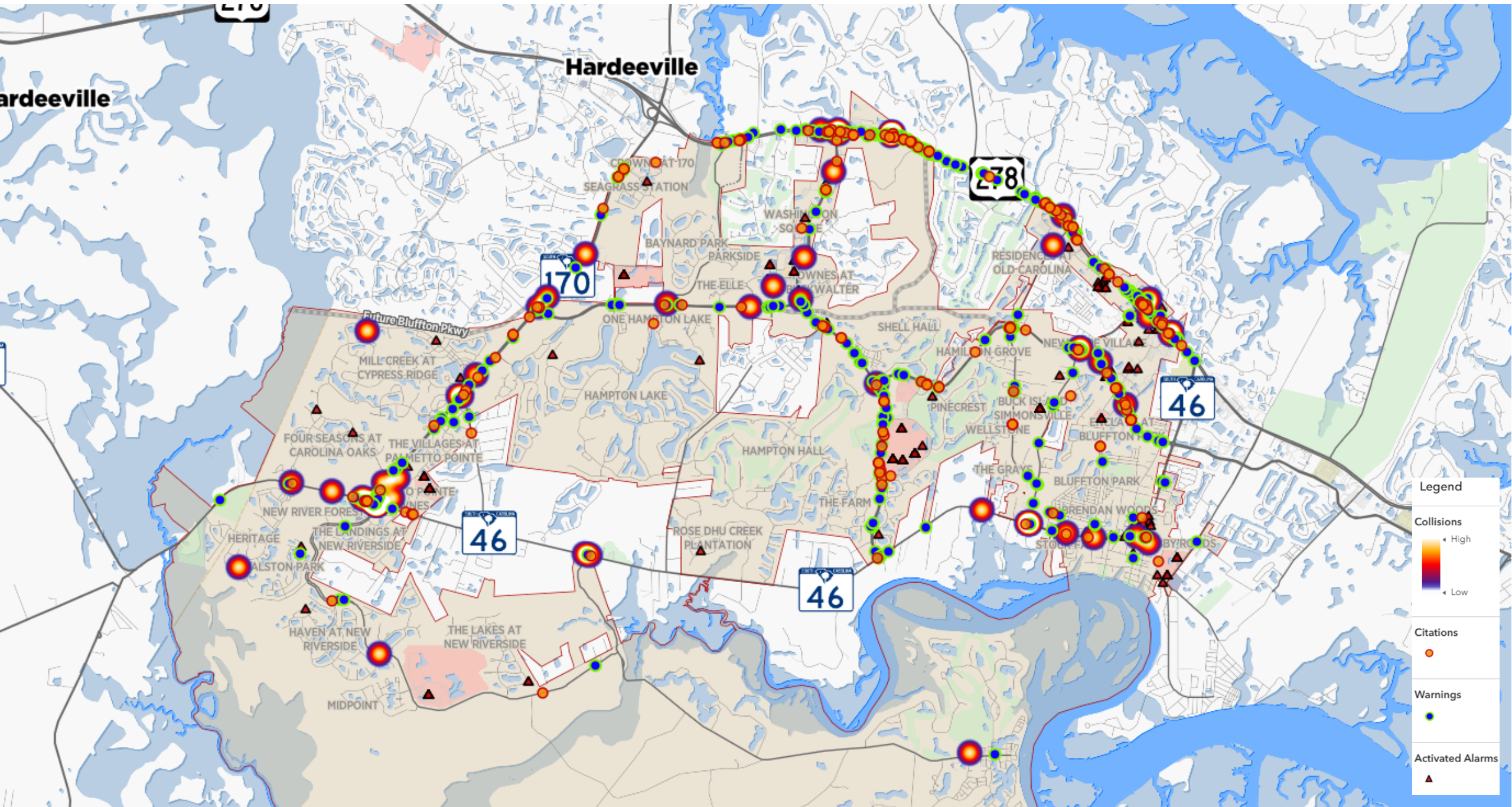
WARNINGS ISSUED (394) September 2025



#1 CALL TYPE – Activated Alarms (233) September 2025



Collisions, Citations, Warnings and Activated Alarms – September 2025



PATROL DIVISION

CALLS FOR SERVICE TOP 10 CALL TYPES	
Activated Alarm	232
Disturbance	128
911 Hang-Up	126
Case Follow Up	114
Accident	76
Reckless Driving	59
Miscellaneous Call	40
Assist Motorist	39
Suspicious Vehicle	38
Domestic	29

TOTAL CALLS FOR SERVICE: 1356

AVERAGE PER DAY: 47

PRO-ACTIVE PATROLS	
Extra Patrol - Business	646
Traffic Stop	577
Extra Patrol - Residence	289
Traffic Enforcement	1

PATROL DIVISION

UNIFORM TRAFFIC CITATIONS TOP 10 VIOLATIONS	
Operating Vehicle while License/Registration Expired	26
Speeding; more than 15 but less than 25 mph over speed limit	20
Driving without a License - 1st offense	19
Failure to Maintain Proof of Insurance in Motor Vehicle	18
Failure to Obey Traffic Control Device	18
Driving Under Suspension; License not suspended for DUI	11
Speeding; more than 10 but less than 15 mph over speed limit	8
Possession of 28g (1oz) or less of Marijuana - 1st Offense	7
Operating Uninsured Motor Vehicle - 1st Offense	7
Failure to Return License Plate and Registration upon loss of insurance - 1st offense	6

TOTAL CITATIONS ISSUED: 189

AVERAGE PER DAY: 6

UNIFORM TRAFFIC WARNINGS TOP 10 VIOLATIONS	
Speeding	71
Defective Equipment	56
Vehicle License Violation	50
Changing Lanes Unlawfully	41
Improper Lane Use	39
Improper Turn	21
Disregarding Traffic Signal	17
Texting Violation	14
Disregarding Stop Sign	11
Following Too Close	9

TOTAL WARNINGS ISSUED: 394

AVERAGE PER DAY: 14

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

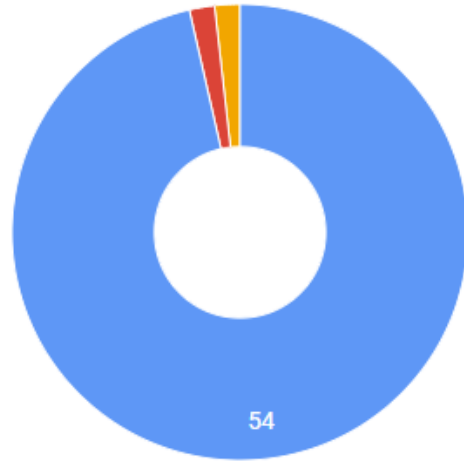
Bond Court: 7

Supplemental Reports: 13

ICAC Cases Assigned: 5

COMMUNITY SERVICE ASSISTANTS

Tickets By Status Last 30 Days

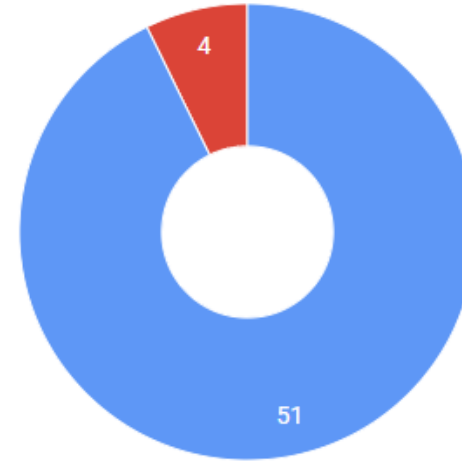


- Warning
- Abandoned
- Issued

Total Count: 56

As of 9/29/2025, 12:00:00 AM

Tickets By Officer Last 30 Days

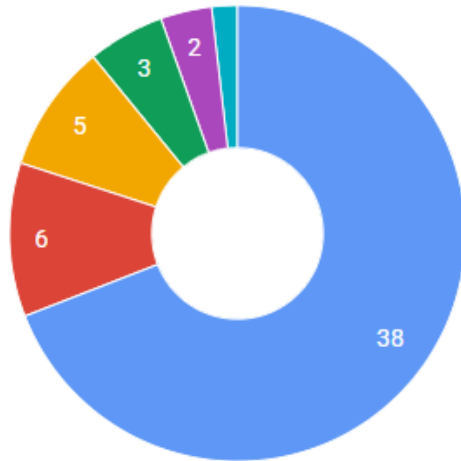


- Pamela Okeefe-Racanello
- Sunny Rogers

Total Count: 55

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Tickets By Location Last 30 Days

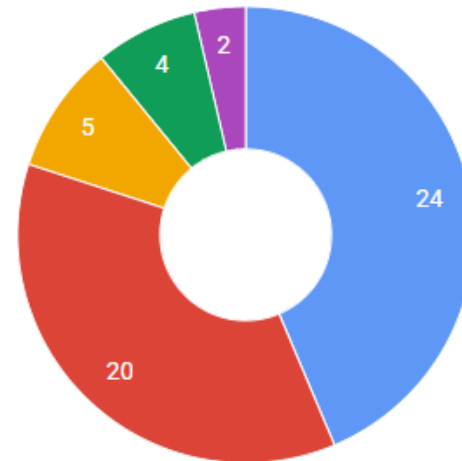


- CALHOUN ST
- BLUFFTON RD
- THOMAS HEYWARD ST
- BOUNDARY RD
- LAWRENCE ST
- BRIDGE ST

Total Count: 55

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Tickets By Violation Last 30 Days

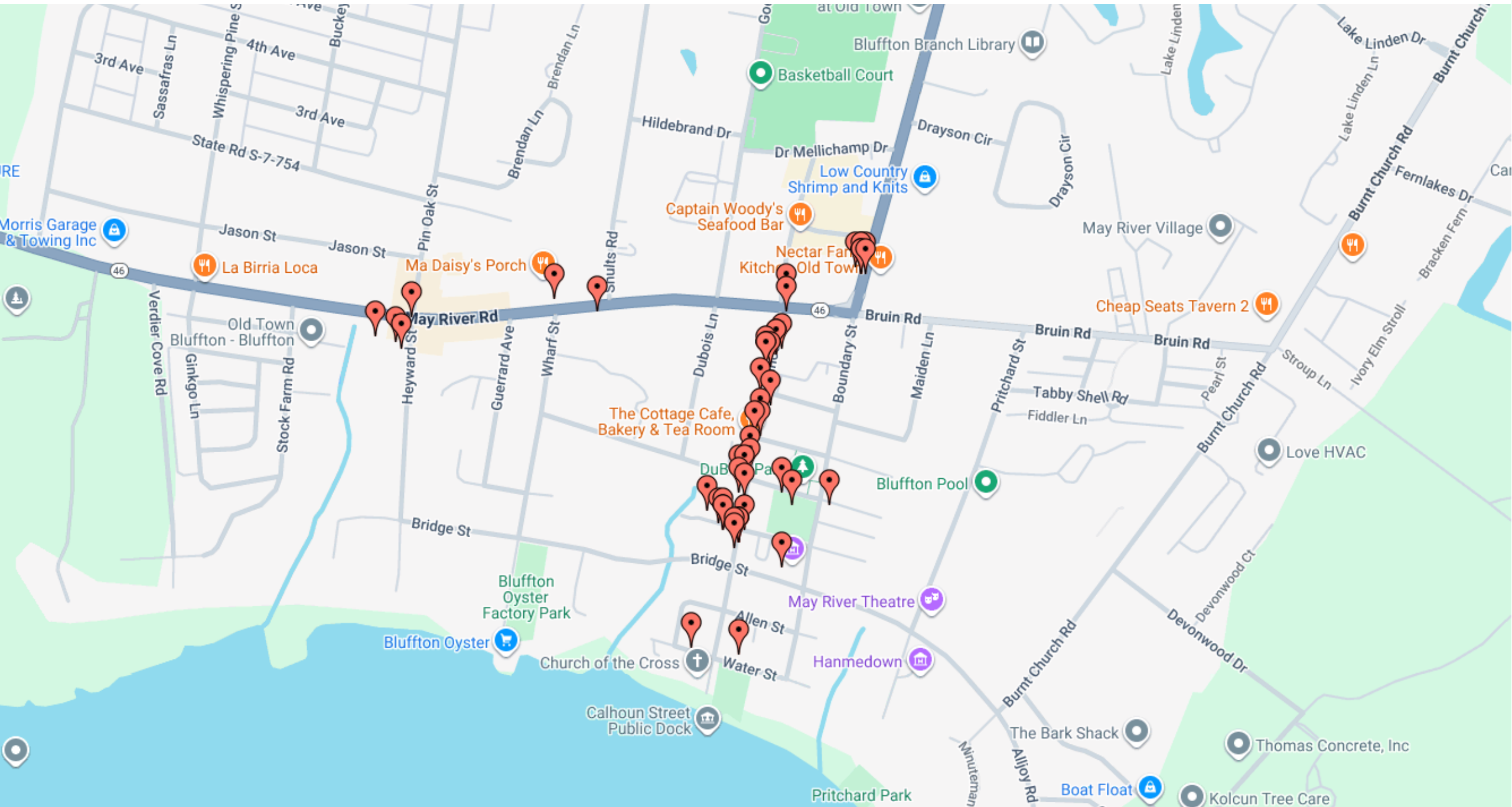


- Parking on a Sidewalk
- Parking within a safety zone
- Wrong Side of St. / Facing Traffic or 18" or more Away from Curb
- Official Sign Prohibits
- Blocking Roadway or Alley

Total Count: 55

As of 9/29/2025, 12:00:00 AM

DOWNTOWN CITATIONS (55) – September 2025



CODE ENFORCEMENT

Code Enforcement:

William Bonhag

Signs

- Issued 36 NOV's for commercial business license failure to pay.
- 8 Wharf Street homeowner has complained about the loud music coming from Ma Daisy's porch. H/O will be attending council meeting on 10/14/25 with other neighbors regarding this matter.

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.

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 9/18/2025, Still pending cleanup of entire yard. Should the yard not be attended to by the time I return from vacation, a summons shall be issued to the owner.

4375 Bluffton Pkwy Unit B – Caliwell Nails

- Notified by Angie Castrillon they have placed an illegal sign that is unpermitted, too large and backlit.
- 6/24/25 Tuesday, a Notice of Violation shall be issued with a compliance date of 6/29/25.
- Largest sign removed, Bluffton Sign Co. now handling. 8/7/25 pending conclusion with licensing.

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.

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

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.

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.
- Summons pending owner response.

CODE ENFORCEMENT

Code Enforcement continued:

Simmonsville 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.

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.

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.

COMMUNITY ACTION TEAM

COMMUNITY ACTION TEAM
Attended Supervisor FMLA Training
Covered Courtroom Security
Covered the Historic Preservation Commission Meeting
Covered Town Council Meeting
Attended the Legislative Delegation at Town Hall
Covered Roots and River Festival Oyster Factory Park
Attended Cross Schools Family Chapel Day
Held a community meeting with Four Seasons residents
Attended 9-11 ceremony at Buckwalter Park
Attended Farmers Market Thursdays
Responded to call for service Lawrence St @ Boundary St
Attended Ida's Closet food drive Campbell AME
Attended Ivy Brook Academy for Community Helpers
Participated in the P.A.T course
Follow up at 20 Twin Oak Rd
Assisted SRO's and K'9 handlers with a school search at May River High School
Assisted Campbell AME annual conference of the AME Church Sept.17 th -19 th
Attended May River Montessori Peace Event
Assisted with Heads Up, Phones Down Hwy 278 Traffic Enforcement Sept.22 nd -26 th
Covered Planning Commission Meeting
Covered May River High School Homecoming Dance
Covered Bluffton High School vs Savannah Country Day Football game
Covered HE McCracken Middle School vs RSLA Football game
Assisted Citizens Police Academy
Police Substation Walk-ins: 5