



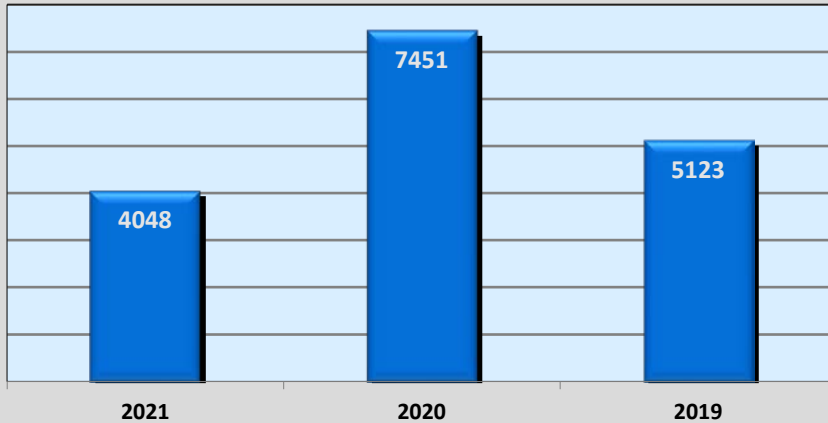
Bluffton Police Department June 2021 Statistical Information

Presented by:
Chief Stephenie Price

June 30, 2021

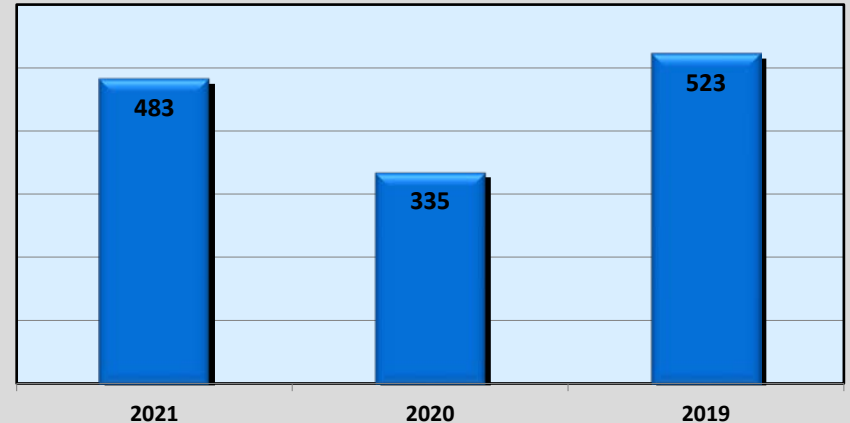
June Trends

June Calls for Service Comparison

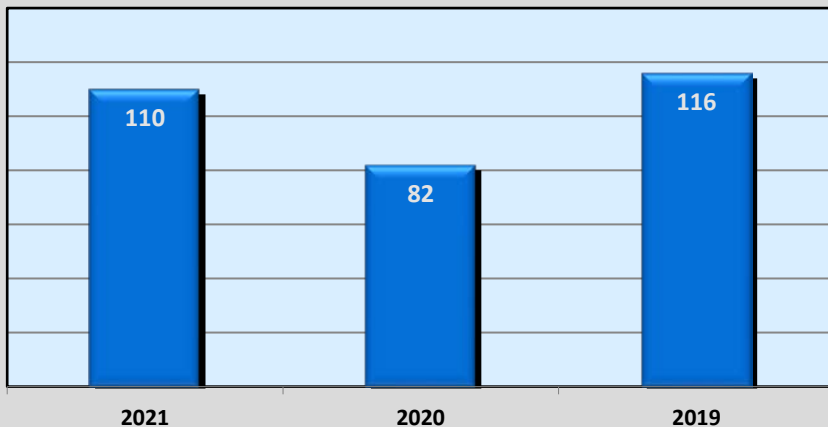


Note: Calls for Service includes Pro-Active Patrols

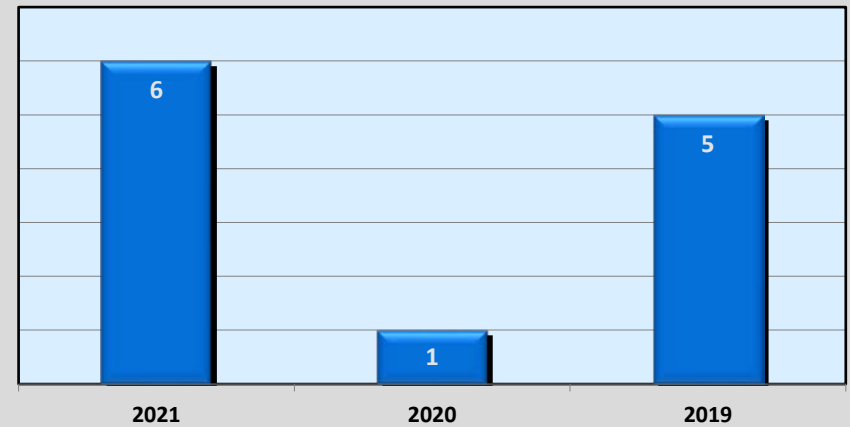
June Traffic Citation Comparison



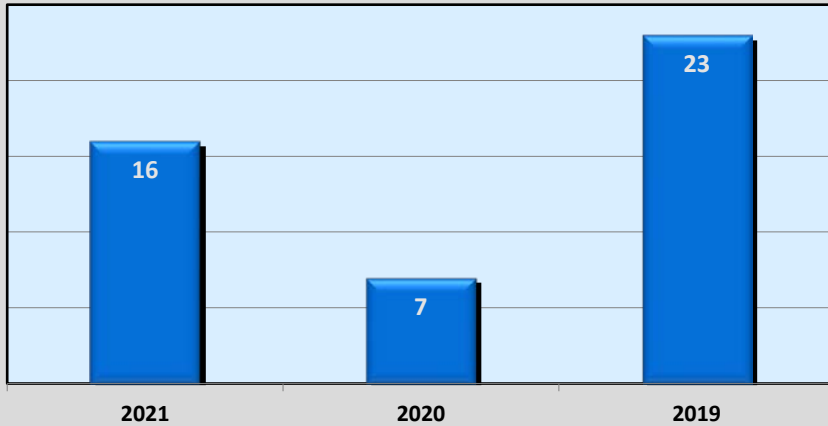
June Collision Comparison



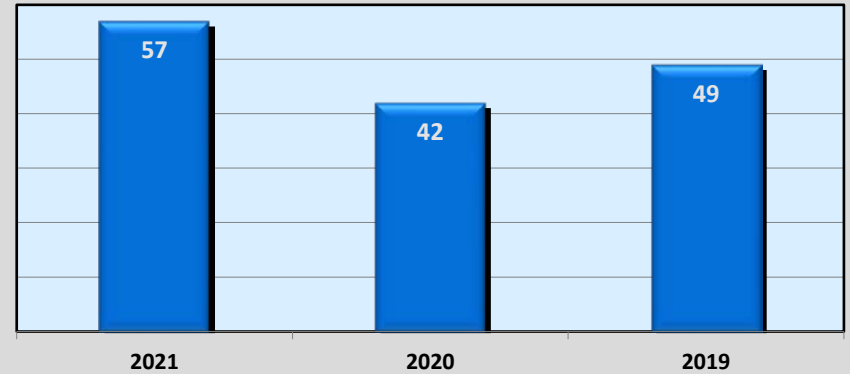
June Burglary Comparison



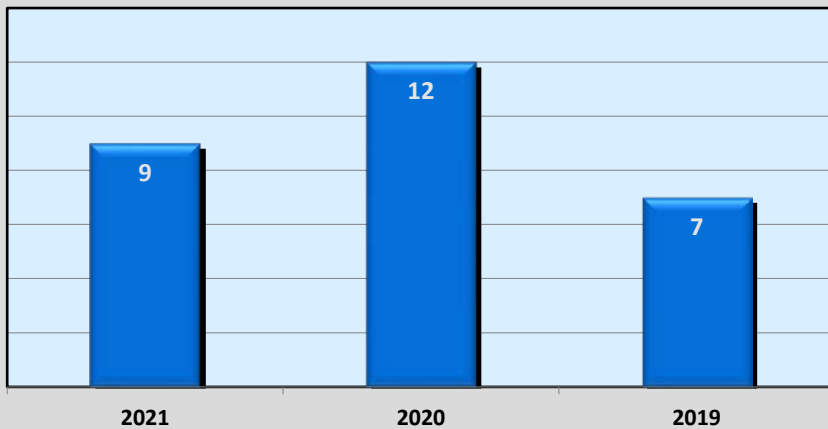
June Theft Comparison



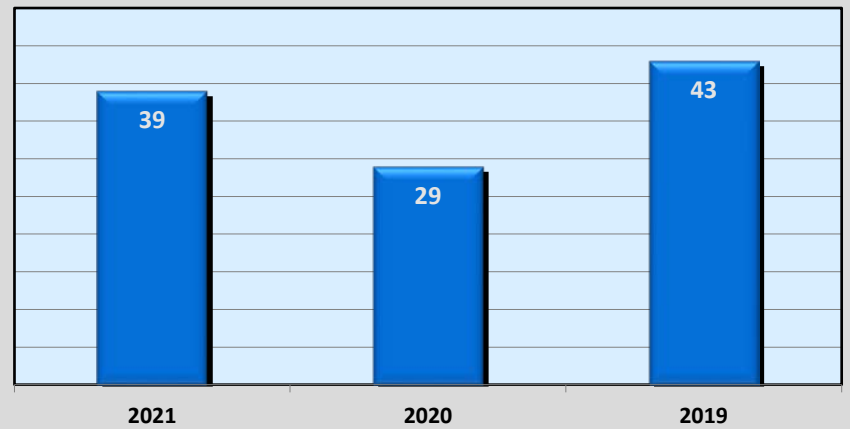
June Domestic Calls for Service Comparison



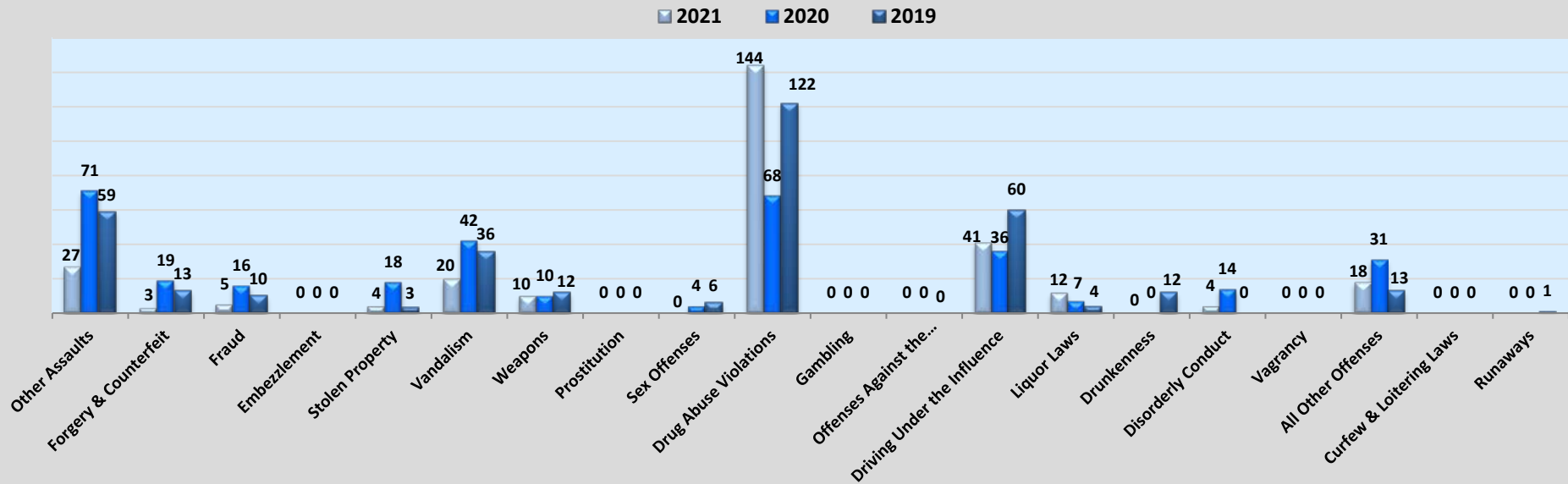
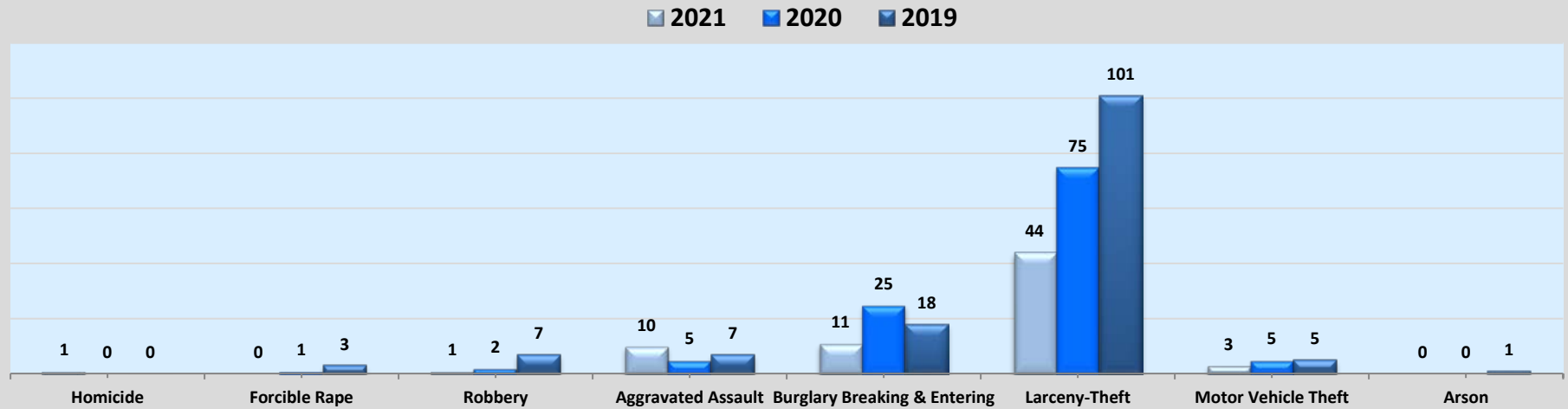
June Assault Comparison



June Arrest Comparison



Part I and Part II Offenses



Department Highlights

Arrests

Adult Felony: 10

Adult Misdemeanor: 12

Juvenile: 6

DUI: 10

Complaints

No complaints received in the month of June.

Commendations

None



Police Department Demographics as of June 30, 2021

Department:	Black	White	Hispanic	Asian	Other	Total
Females	3	10	3	0	1	17
Males	5	39	3	2	0	49
Sworn Officers	Black	White	Hispanic	Asian	Other	Sworn Total
Females	1	5	2	0	0	8
Males	5	34	3	2	0	44

Department Highlights



Policy Committee (no changes)

Final Review:

- SOP 066 – Body Worn Camera – final review completed
- SOP 002 – Biased Based Profiling – final review completed
- SOP 001 – Emergency and Pursuit Operation of Police Vehicles
- SOP 032 – Internal Affairs Investigations

In Progress:

- SOP 006 – Departmental Weapons
- SOP 007 – Response to Resistance

Police Initiatives:

- **Mentoring Program** – Recruiting/Retention Unit has started a new program to aid in the transition of a newly hired officer. The program last up to a 1 year and mentors are required to contact their protégé at least twice a month, but open communication is encouraged, for the purposes of introduction to culture, community to guide them in their new roles.

Department Highlights

TOWN OF BLUFFTON LAW ENFORCEMENT CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING Thursday, June 10, 2021

Members Present: Harry Lutz, Mayra Rivera-Vazquez, Michael Frazier, Reggie Howard, Michael Frazier, Bill O'Toole and Gerhard Ogurek
Members Not Present: Tabor Vaux, George Baily and Jennifer Morrow

Staff Present: Lieutenant Danyov and Officer Harden

Chairman Tabor Vaux was not present. Vice Chairman Harry Lutz called the meeting to order at 6:18 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Prior to Vice Chairman calling the meeting to order, new member Gerhard Ogurek introduced himself to the present committee members. Each member then introduced himself/herself to Mr. Ogurek.

A motion to amend the minutes from May was presented and several members seconded the motion.

Old Business:

There was not any "old" business that needed to be addressed.

New Business:

There was not any "new" business that needed to be addressed.

Bluffton Police Department Update:

Lieutenant Danyov presented the committee with the Bluffton Police Department. Items discussed are as follows:

- Spanish classes are being offered to BPD Officers in order to better communicate with our Spanish speaking community.
- The multi-jurisdictional hiring expo that was previously scheduled will be postponed to a date to be determined in September 2021.
- Cook out with the Cops community event will be held at the Baynard Park Community on June 11, 2021 at 1700. BPD Officers will be present to show community support and answer any questions that the community may have.
- Three new Officers started with the BPD this month. One Officer is prior certified from New York and is equipped with a K9. Another Officer is a local hire and speaks Spanish. The third Officer was honorably discharged from the United States Marine Corps.
- Lt Danyov asked the committee members to come up with ideas or additional methods in order to address retention efforts.
- The next LECAC will be held on July 8, 2021 at BPD training room in order for committee members to observe and utilize the de-escalation and scenario simulator.

Discussion:

- Harry Lutz stated that the purchase of the simulator is a great asset for the BPD. It is a tremendous tool to train Officers and to maintain proficiency. It is also a valuable asset to educate community members and possibly the media on the decision making process that Officers face every day.
- Bill O'Toole commended the efforts of the BPD recruitment team in order to identify potential new hires in an efficient manner. Mr. O'Toole stated that some agencies take a significantly long period for this process and potentially losing new hires to other agencies. Mr. O'Toole stated that many applicants submit applications to several agencies at once and often accept an offer from the first agency.

- Harry Lutz asked the question in terms of geographic location of new hires if the majority are from out of state or local hires. Lt Danyov answered that the BPD hiring board tries to maintain a balance of out of state and local new hires. This balance is beneficial to the BPD because it brings diversity to the department. Lt Danyov also stated that the hiring board also maintains a balance of prior certified Officers and Officers with no prior law enforcement experience.

- Harry Lutz also asked if there are any additional incentives for BPD, Officers in order to apply or remain with the department. Lt Danyov answered that there are several incentives for Officers and that the department is researching additional incentives. The Department is researching the possibility to increase the boundaries that Officers may drive their "take home" vehicles in an "off-duty" status. Other incentives include one hour of paid gym time. The department continues to provide for the health of each Officer both physically and mentally.

- Michael Frazier asked if there has been any reports regarding scam/fraud using music apps. He stated that he has had several citizens inquire about this. Lt Danyov answered that scams/fraud attempts are common for this area due to the individuals attempting to prey on the older generation residing in the Bluffton area. Lt Danyov encouraged anyone who maybe a victim of fraud/scam to contact the BPD.

- Mayra Rivera asked about the mental health position. Lt Danyov answered that the BPD is looking to fill a non-sworn position to a qualified applicant to offer mental health services to the community. Gerhard Ogurek stated that his previous agency had this position and it was a great benefit to the department and to the community.

- Harry Lutz would like to have more advance notifications of BPD scheduled events.

- Harry Lutz asked the question about "left lane" traffic enforcement in regards to slower traffic in the left lane.

- Michael Frazier stated that his company would be donating to the BPD for the hiring expo.

- Harry Lutz would like to see if members of the committee could get a "shirt" identifying them as members of the LECAC.

- Mayra Rivera would like to put on the agenda for next month's meeting the capability for the LECAC to branch out more and meet with the community.

A motion to adjourn was made at 1833 and several members seconded the motion.

Officer Terry Harden

Secretary



Department Highlights

Meetings Attended by Chief Stephenie Price

Every Tuesday – Weekly meeting with Interim Town Manager

Every Wednesday – Attended Senior Staff Communications Meeting

Bi-Weekly – Town Update Zoom Meeting

Every Monday – Commanders Meeting

Jun 1st – Meeting with Finance Director

Jun 1st – Lunch meeting with Council Member

Jun 1st – Meeting with LowCountry Alliance for Healthy Youth

Jun 2nd – Attend MuniCode Training – zoom

Jun 3rd – Breakfast meeting with Chaplain

Jun 3rd – Meeting with Human Resource Director

Jun 3rd – Meeting with Attorney

Jun 4th – Attend Zoom Meeting SCLEA Council

Jun 7th – Zoom Interview with Hilton Head

Jun 7th – Attend LowCountry Crime Reporting

Jun 7th – Attend Lt's Hurricane Lunch Meeting

Jun 7th – Attend Buck Island Simmonsville Meeting

Jun 8th – Lunch meeting with Council Member

Jun 9th – Guest Speaker @ Shalom Club of Sun City

Jun 10th – Visit Operator Patriots FOB

Jun 10th – Attend meeting at Hilton Head Island Chamber

Jun 10th – Attend BIS Community Meeting

Jun 11th – Command Staff Interviews

Jun 11th – Attend Cook Out with Cops @ Baynard Park

Jun 12th – Community Event – Ice Cream Pop-Up Popsicle

Jun 13th – Attend Welcome Drop-In for Town Manager

Jun 13th – Attend Cookout at HE McCracken School

Jun 15th - Attend/Host Boys and Girls Club Board meeting

Jun 15th – Attend May River High School Graduation

Jun 17th – LEC tour with New Town Manager

Jun 17th – Attending Boys and Girls Club meeting

Jun 17th – Tour/Dinner with Citizens (Kiwani's Club Auction)

Jun 18th – Attend Bluffton High School Graduation

Jun 21st – Lunch meeting with HHI Chamber Director

Jun 23rd – Meeting with Town Manager

Jun 25th – Attend Community Mental Health Advocate Applicants meeting

Jun 30th – Breakfast meeting with Chaplain

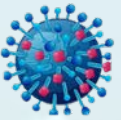
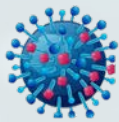
Jun 30th - Lunch with Growth Management Director



DO THE FIVE

Help stop coronavirus

- 1 **HANDS** Wash them often
- 2 **ELBOW** Cough into it
- 3 **FACE** Don't touch it
- 4 **SPACE** Keep safe distance
- 5 **HOME** Stay if you can

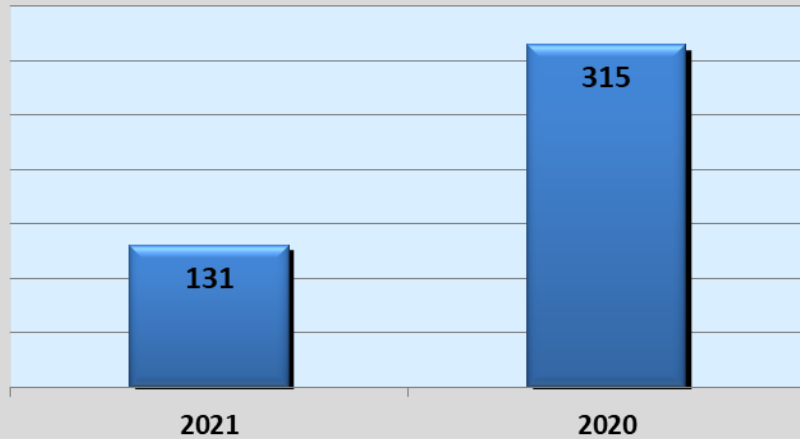


COVID-19 Pandemic

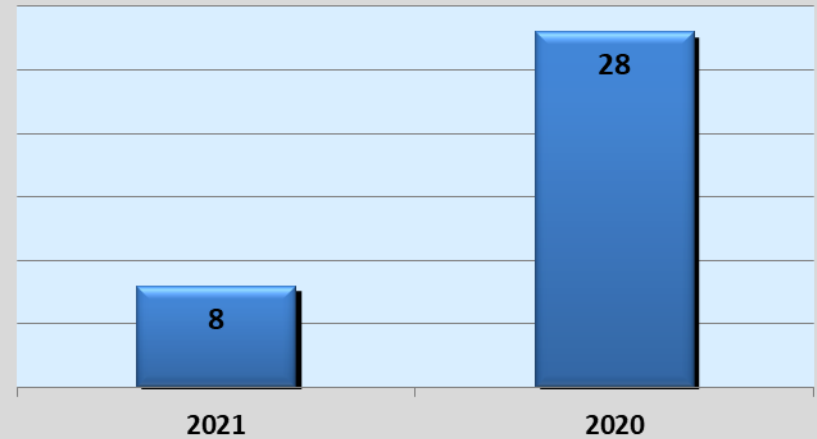
Calls for Service Comparison Charts

January - June

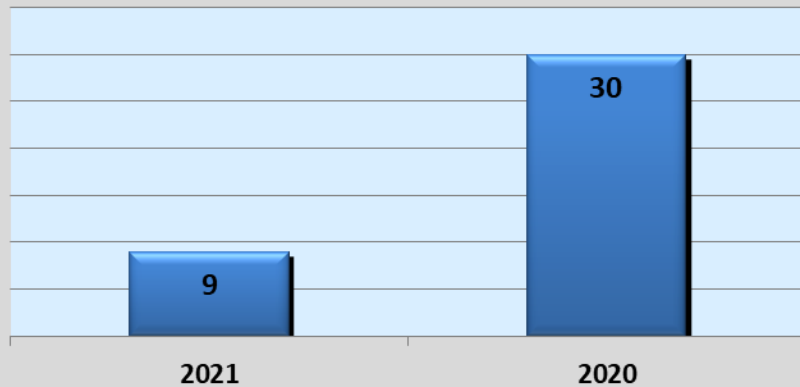
Domestic Comparison



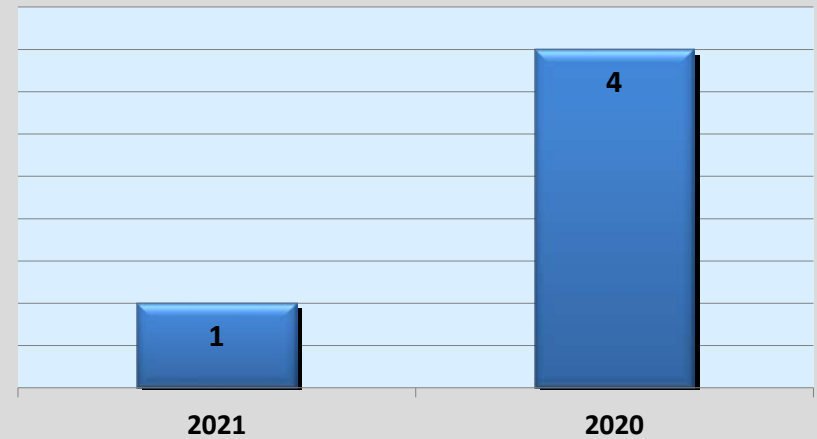
Assault & Battery Comparison



Mental Subject Transports Comparison



Armed Robbery Comparison



Department Highlights

Training – In-House

CPR - 5 Officers
Datamaster Re-certification - 2 Officers
ACADIS Line-Up - 13 Officers
EVOC - 1 Officer
Firearms / Rifle - 6 Officers
Boat Operators Course - 9 Officers
LEFTA Internal Affairs Training - 3 Officers
Less Lethal Training - 5 Officers
Pre-Academy - 5 Recruits

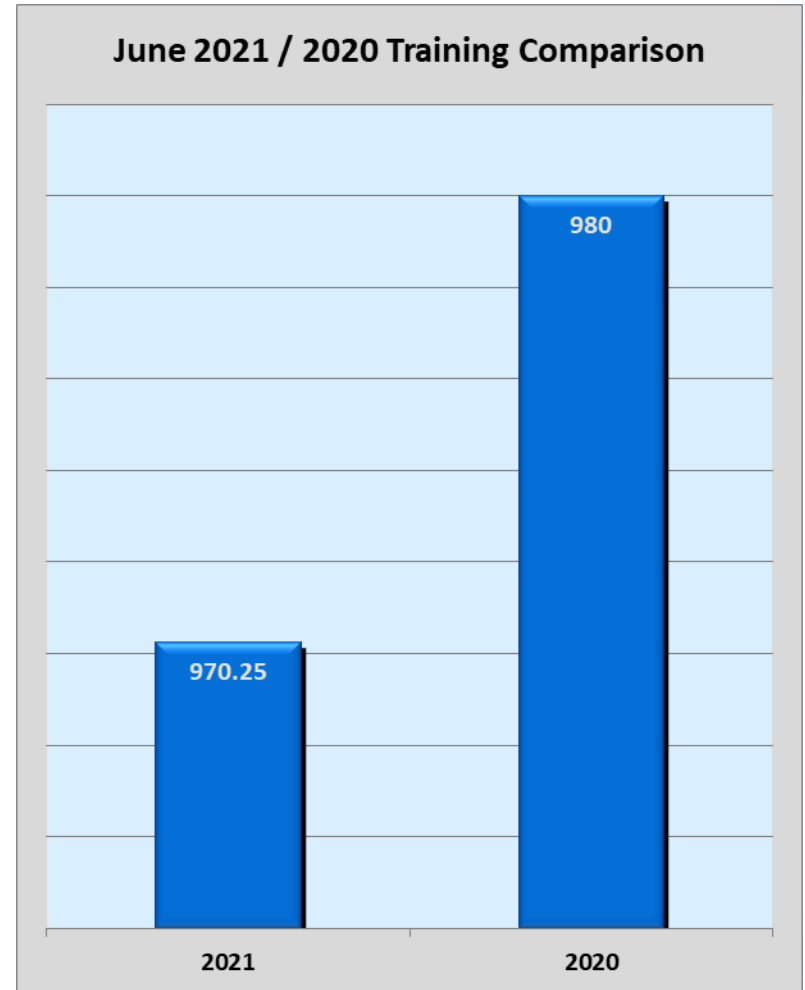
Training – Outside

Basic Law Enforcement Academy - 1 Officer
Mobile Field Force Training - 1 Officer
NEMAA FY21 Region IV Training



Marine Patrol

No Data available for June



Patrol Division

CALLS FOR SERVICE TOP 10 CALL TYPES	
Activated Alarm	194
911 Hang-Up	177
Case Follow Up	94
Disturbance	73
Community Relat	70
Reckless Drving	55
Susp Vehicle	54
Accident	54
Misc Call	52
Domestic	49

Total Calls for Service: 1378
Avg per day: 46

PROACTIVE PATROL	
Extra Pat Busin	1394
Extra Pat Resid	842
Traffic Stop	434

UNIFORM TRAFFIC CITATION TOP 10 VIOLATIONS	
Exp or Unreg Lice Plate &	27
Speeding15mph-24mph & mor	23
Driving without a License	20
DUS/notsuspforDUI-1st & m	14
DUI/1st Offense & More &	9
Speeding 11mph-15mph & mo	8
Simple Possession & more	7
Speeding10MphOrLess & mor	7
Speeding25MphOrMore & mor	5
SeatBeltViolation & more	4

Total Traffic Citations Issued: 154
Avg per day: 5

UNIFORMS TRAFFIC WARNINGS TOP 10 VIOLATIONS	
Speeding	81
Defective Equipmnt	60
Vehcle Licnse Viol	42
Speeding & more	25
Defective Equipmnt & more	23
Improper Lane Use	16
Other	13
Improper Lights	8
Improper Lane Use & more	8
Improper Turn	8

Total Warning Citations Issued: 329
Avg per day: 11

Criminal Investigation Division

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS	
Cases Assigned	14
Incident Reports	3
Supplemental Reports	3
Cases Closed	3
Arrests Made	1
Arrest Warrants	2
Bond Court	4
Case Call Outs	4
Search Warrants	1

Case Call Outs:

21BP31401 Missing Juvenile
21BP31656 Strong Armed Robbery
21BP30160 Deceased female
21BP28415 Burglary

Bond Court:

Responded twice for domestic violence

Extradition: None

Training:

Firearms training - 5hrs
IT training-1hr
Drone Training- 1hr

Community Action Team - June 2021

Code Enforcement:

Sign Violations: Multiple Business advertisement signs removed from Old Town and various locations throughout Bluffton

Business License Renewal / H-Tax / A-Tax:

- Prepared labels for delinquent business tax letters. Per Town Hall information will be sent to me no later than July 20, 2021.

Complaints/Property Checks/Follow-Ups:

- Responded to Noise complaint on Crossings Blvd. H.O.A has regulations for noise on Holidays. Resident will contact H.O.A to discuss.
- Sub-Contractor license check for Tony Charron in Palmetto Bluff. KDL / KFL on Davies Road, couldn't produce I.D at the time.
- Sub-Contractor license renewal for Lighthouse Electrical. They were named on a permit at the time was prior to their renewal.
- Certified and Regular letter sent to Jimmy Taylor @ Calvary Training Center. Spoke to his wife on the phone, the manure piles have been removed and property is in compliance.
- Spoke to April Hudson regarding an illegal dump site on the edge of the parking lot behind Evi-Core off Buckwalter Parkway. Paint cans and buckets were found at the site, photos were taken of the site and tags on the buckets. I contacted Sherwin Williams to determine who the paint was sold to and made the appropriate calls. The business confirmed ownership and indicated it was done by their sub-contractor and ultimately cleaned the area without incident.
- Business License check for G&S Roofing, A1 Glass and Fireside contractors for 234 Davies Road. They were listed on a permit application to town hall, at the time their business license was expired.
- Spoke with Ms. Norma Cooley regarding a fenced right of way on a property located on Wharf Street. Upon review it appears to be a deeded right of way as its solely contained on privately owned property. Ms. Cooley isn't harmed in any way based on this property being fenced off and no action was taken.
- Spoke with Jacob @ DHEC regarding a potential collaboration between DHEC and Bluffton for a cleanup but the property in question was found to be on Alljoy which is outside jurisdiction.
- Certified and Regular letter sent to 25 Bruin Road for a sign that contained flashing and moving message. Letter were sent to both the owner of the property along with the occupant as they were different.
- License check for contractor: Alpha Omega Construction Group for Tony Charron @ Palmetto Bluff
- Complaint investigation of potential tree removal without permitting on Goethe Road. Information from Town Hall, original email from Heather Colin. I spoke with Will Howard, planning department regarding the potential issues. Further property inspections will be done to determine extent of possible violation(s).

Community Action Team - June 2021

Downtown Traffic Stats

Tickets: 3
Warnings: 4
Truck Route: 0
Parking Tickets: 34

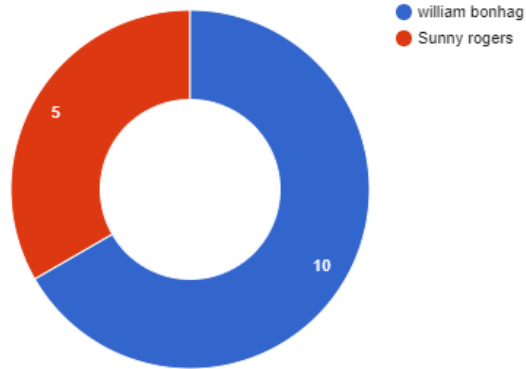
Traffic Officer(s)

Cpl. Dickson
Tickets: 50
Warnings: 14
Total Citations: 64
Collision Reports: 6
Incident Reports: 1

Officer. Harden
Tickets: 38
Warnings: 54
Total Citations: 92
Collision Reports: 7
Incident Reports: 1

Community Service Assistants - June 2021

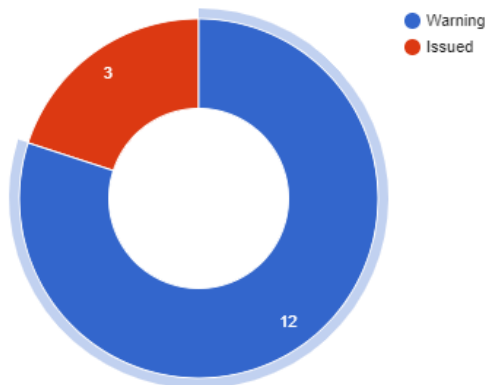
Tickets By Officer Jun. 2021



Total Count: 15

As of 7/1/2021, 12:00:00 AM

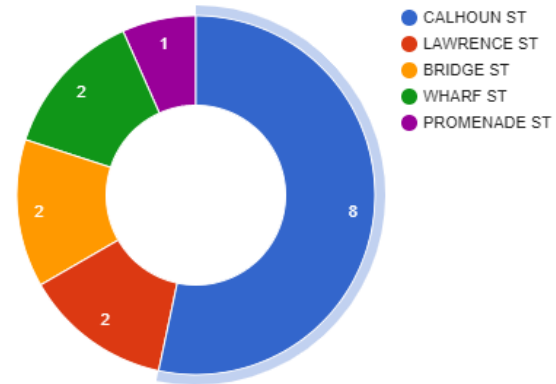
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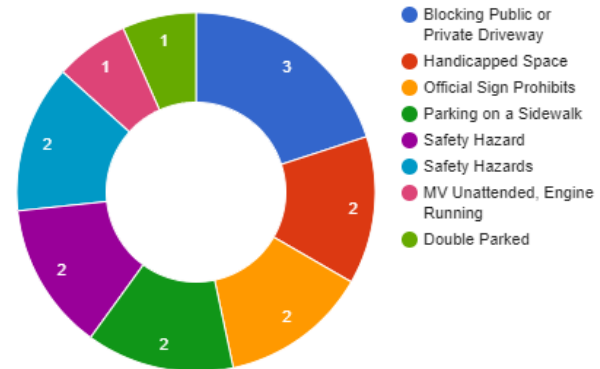
Tickets By Location Jun. 2021



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Tickets By Violation Jun. 2021



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Lutzie 43 Actions

Lutzie 43 Event:

- Farmers Market (June 24) – handed out Lutzie 43 Lanyards



Take 43 Key Seconds to Complete the Safe Driving Checklist

- ✓ **Clear Head**
Ensure you have a clear head - one that is not affected by alcohol, drugs, emotions or fatigue.
- ✓ **Clear Hands**
Have clear hands - send a text, adjust the radio, and put all devices away so you can drive hands-free.
- ✓ **Clear Eyes**
Set your sights on the road ahead. Do not look to the side at a passenger or down at a text.
- ✓ **Click It**
Finally, click your seatbelt. It's the law and could save your life!
- ✓ **Now, Turn Your Key.**



In April 2019, the Town of Bluffton partnered with the Lutzie 43 Foundation. The objective - inspire all of us to make better decisions as drivers. According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 3,166 lives were lost in 2017 as a result of distracted driving. Join the Town of Bluffton in its efforts to make the state of South Carolina a handsfree state. **#HandsFreeSC**

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