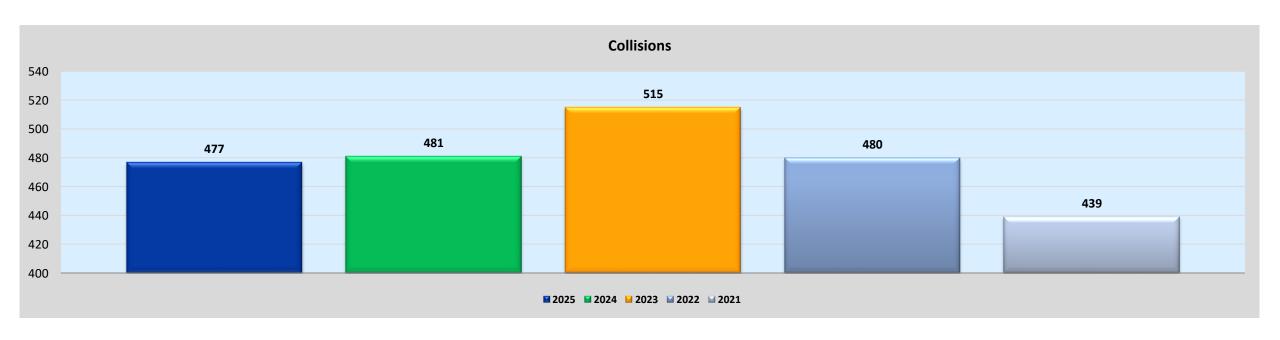


Year-to-Date April





Law Enforcement Advisory Committee

• April 10 meeting cancelled due to lack of agenda items.

Meetings Attended by Chief Joseph Babkiewicz

Every Wednesday – Senior Staff Communications Meeting Every Friday – Men's Meeting @ Bible Missionary Baptist Church

Apr 1st - Command Staff meeting

Apr 1st – All Hands Meeting

Apr 1st – Attend Meeting @ First Zion Baptist Church

Apr 2nd – Attend Groundbreaking Ceremony @ Novant Health

Apr 2nd – All Hands Meeting

Apr 3rd – Attend Bluffton Gullah Culture Heritage Center Unveiling event

Apr 3rd – Meeting with Enterprise Fleet

Apr 3rd – Meeting with Finance Director

Apr 3rd – Awards Committee meeting

Apr 5th – Attend Family Fun Day

Apr 5th – Attend First Zion Baptist Church Historical Presentation

Apr 7th – Meeting with Palmetto Bluff Representative

Apr 7th – Meeting with National Day of Prayer Representative

Apr 8th – Follow-Up Interview with Police Intern

Apr 8th – Meeting with ONNIT For the Brave Representative

Apr 8th – Attend Wall of Honor Ceremony

Apr 8th – Attend Town Council Meeting

Apr 9th – Host Chief of Police for a Day

Apr 9th – Meeting with Director of Compliance

Apr 10th – Host MRHS Law Enforcement Class Tour

Apr 10th – Corporal Promotion Ceremony

Meetings Attended by Chief Joseph Babkiewicz cont.

- Apr 10th Cookout with Cops @ Pinecrest Community
- **Apr 12**th Attend Bluffton Bunny Bonanza @ New Riverside
- **Apr 14**th Meeting with Bluffton Fire Assistant Chief of Operations
- **Apr 16**th Attend Juneteenth May River Event
- Apr 16th Attend Pinecrest POA meeting
- **Apr 16th Meeting with NAACP**
- **Apr 17**th Attend April Birthday and Anniversary Celebration
- **Apr 17**th Meeting with Finance Risk Manager
- **Apr 17**th Meeting with National Day of Prayer Representative
- Apr 18th Attend TOB Community Easter Egg Hunt @ BHS
- Apr 21st LE Assessment Microsoft Teams meeting
- Apr 21st Meeting with National Day of Prayer Representative
- Apr 21st Attend City of Hardeeville and Bluffton Joint Meeting
- Apr 22nd Vehicle Upfitting meeting
- **Apr 22**nd Attend Community Blood Drive
- Apr 22nd Attend American Legion Post 20th Anniversary Dinner
- **Apr 23rd Meeting with Town Manager**
- Apr 23rd Host BLMS Young Men's Group Tour
- **Apr 23**rd Speaker for Explorers Leadership class
- Apr 24th Attend Verizon Small Cell Permit Microsoft Teams meeting
- Apr 24th Attend Recruitment/Morale Committee meeting
- Apr 24th Attend Awards Committee meeting
- Apr 24th Attend Chaplains meeting

Meetings Attended by Chief Joseph Babkiewicz cont.

- **Apr 25**th Attend Arbor Day Dedication
- Apr 25th Participate in Local Heroes Story Time
- **Apr 25**th Attend Child Abuse Prevention Festival
- **Apr 28**th Attend Palmetto Bluffton Freedom Invitational
- **Apr 28**th Meeting in Hampton Hall
- **Apr 28**th Attend Enterprise Fleet meeting
- **Apr 29**th Meeting with Mayor and Town Manager
- Apr 29th WHHI TV Zoom meeting
- Apr 29th Meeting with ONNIT For the Brave Representative
- Apr 29th Command Staff Meeting
- **Apr 29**th Attend Town Council Quarterly Workshop
- **Apr 30**th Meeting with Cross Schools Principal
- Apr 30th End of Phase 1 meeting Recruit Cash

Commendations -	None
Complaints -	1 - Citizen Complaint – pending investigation 2 – Citizen Complaints - unfounded

Police Department Demographics as of April 30, 2025

DEPARTMENT	Black	Hispanic	Other	White	Grand Total
Female	2	4	1	17	24
Male	7	4	3	38	52
Grand Total	9	8	4	55	76

SWORN OFFICERS	Black	Hispanic	Other	White	Grand Total
Female	1	1		9	11
Male	6	4	3	33	46
Grand Total	7	5	3	42	57

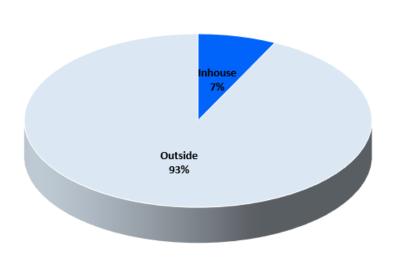
April Officer Training

In-House

Line-Up 2025 March-April - 4 Officers Legal Update 2025 - Part I - 1 Officer Line-Up 2024 November-December - 1 Office Line-Up 2025 May-June - 27 Officers Legal Update 2024 - Part 2 - 1 Officer Line-Up 2025 January-February - 1 Officer5

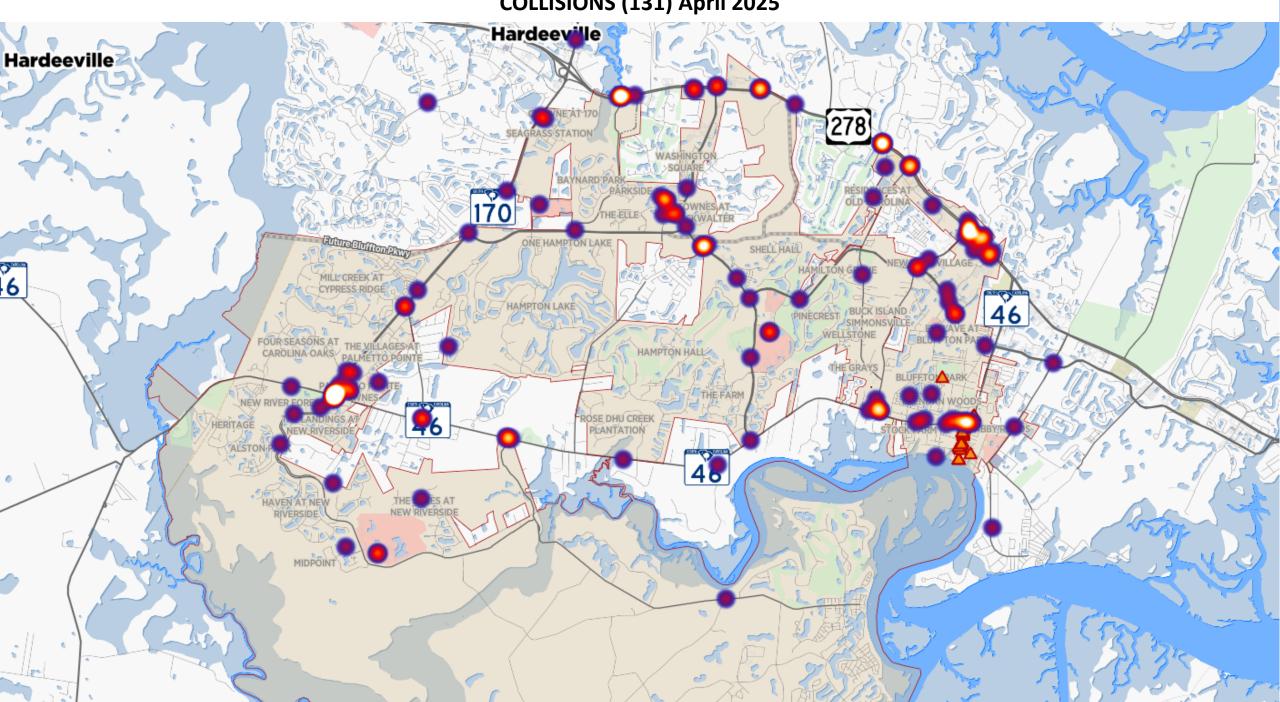
<u>Outside</u>

FBI LEEDA SLI - 1 Officer
Firearms Instructor - 1 Officer
DUI/SFST Instructor & Specific Skills Instructor - 1 Officer
SCCJA - Basic Law Enforcement - 2 Recruits
CIT Coordinator Certification Course - 1 Officer
ALERRT / AAIR - 2 Officers
Basic Criminal Investigation - 1 Officer

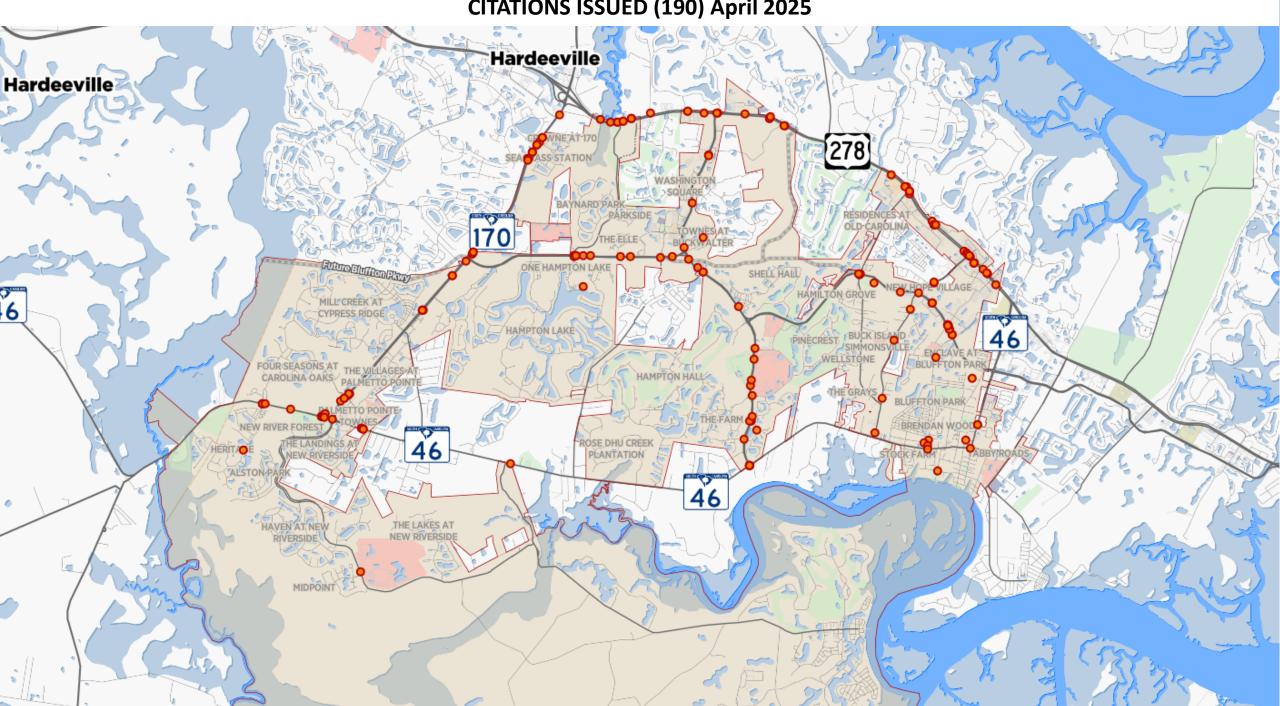




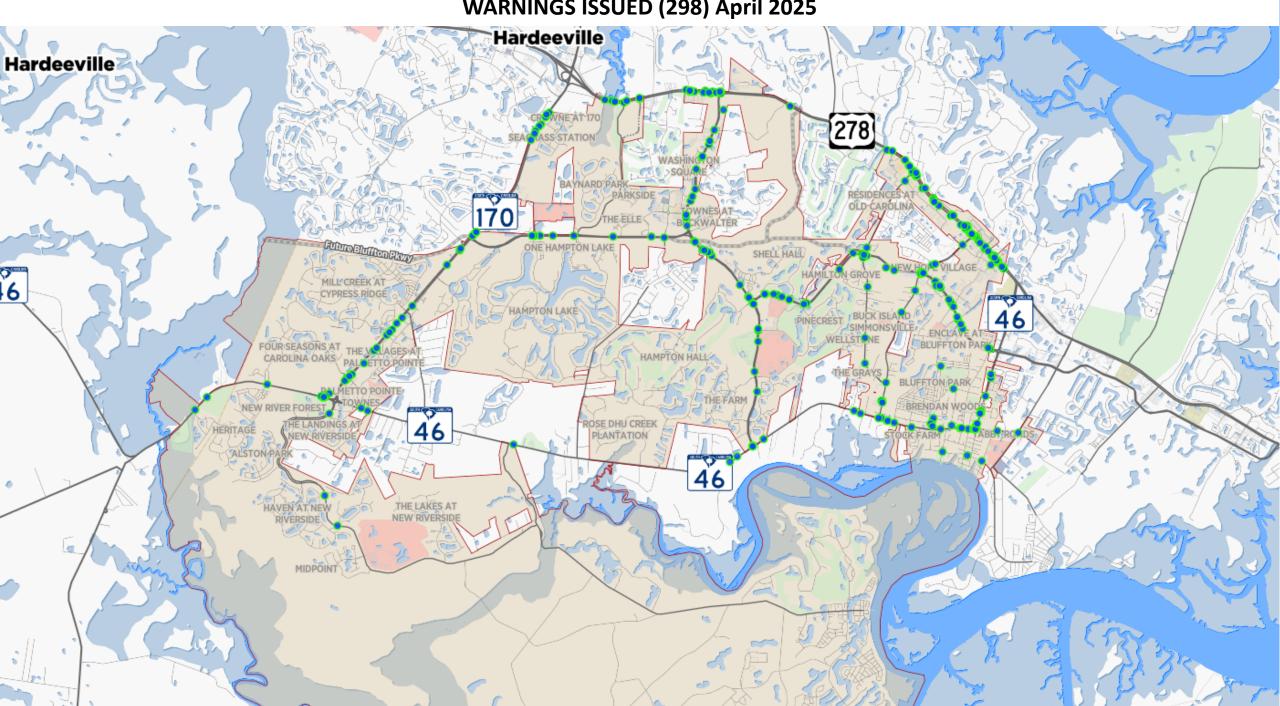
COLLISIONS (131) April 2025



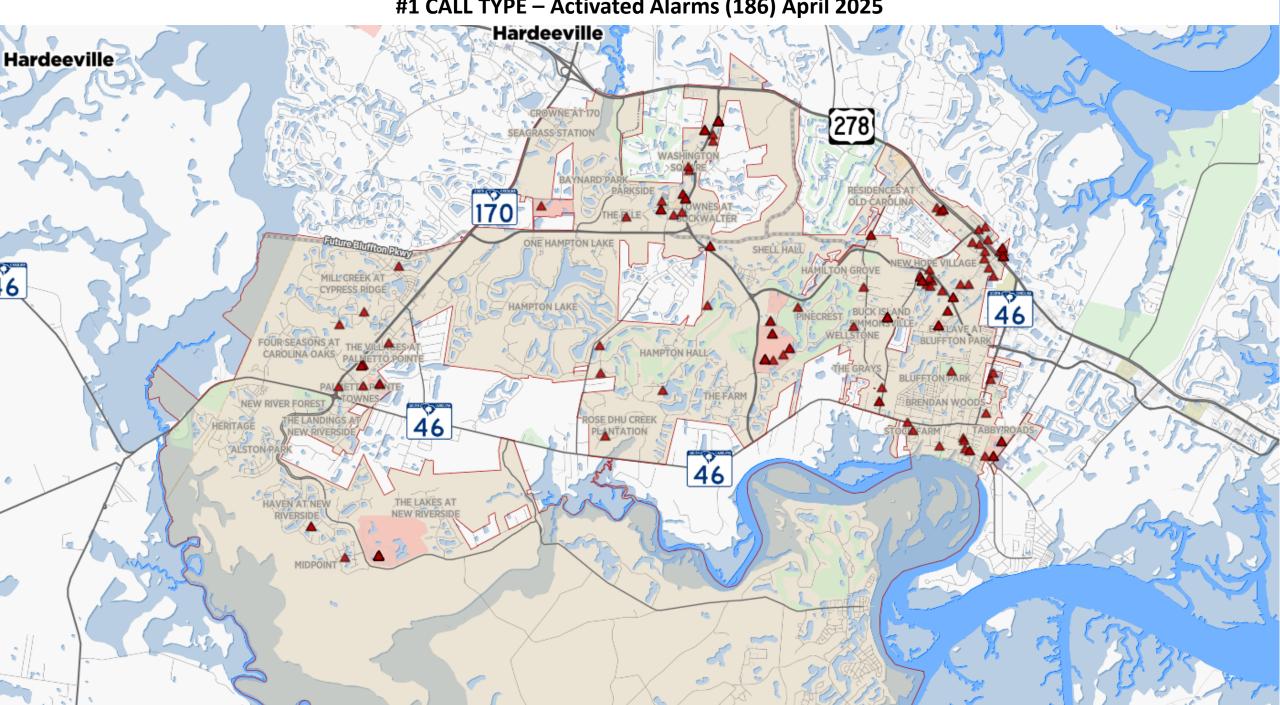
CITATIONS ISSUED (190) April 2025



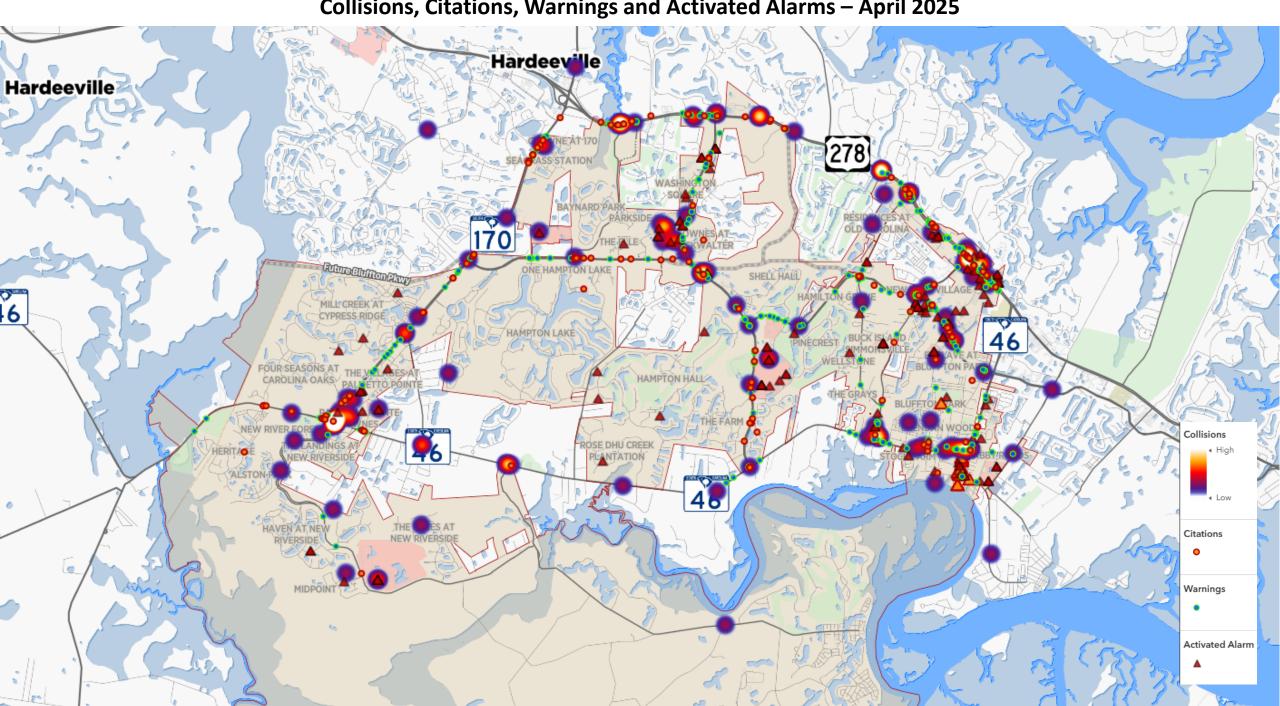
WARNINGS ISSUED (298) April 2025



#1 CALL TYPE - Activated Alarms (186) April 2025



Collisions, Citations, Warnings and Activated Alarms – April 2025



PATROL DIVISION

CALLS FOR SERVICE TOP 10 CALL TYPES	
Activated Alarm	186
Case Follow Up	124
911 Hang-Up	115
Accident	90
Disturbance	86
Reckless Driving	67
Miscellaneous Call	44
Assist Motorist	44
Domestic	42
Noise Complaint	28

TOTAL CALLS FOR SERVICE:	1253
AVERAGE PER DAY:	42

PRO-ACTIVE PATROLS	
Extra Patrol -Business	790
Traffic Stop	438
Extra Patrol - Residence	249
Traffic Enforcement	9

PATROL DIVISION

UNIFORM TRAFFIC CITATIONS TOP 10 VIOLATIONS	
Driving Without A License	29
Operating Vehicle While License/Registration Expired	23
Driving Under Suspension	22
Driving Under the Influence	15
Possession of 28G (1oz) or Less of Marijuana	13
Failure to Maintain Proof of Insurance	13
Failure to Return License	10
Speeding 25mph Over the Speed Limit	6
Uninsured Motor Vehicle	6
Open Container of Beer/Wine	5
TOTAL CITATIONS ISSUED:	190

AVERAGE PER DAY:

UNIFORM TRAFFIC WARNINGS TOP 10 VIOLATIONS	
Speeding	64
Defective Equipment	53
Vehicle License Violation	47
Changing Lane Unlawfully	16
Speeding & more	14
Improper Lane Use	12
Disregarding Stop Sign	10
Defective Equipment & more	8
Disregarding Traffic Signal	7
Improper Turn	5
TOTAL WARNINGS ISSUED	298
AVERAGE PER DAY:	10

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS		
Cases Assigned	11	
Incident Reports	2	
Supplemental Reports	103	
Cases Closed	54	
Arrests Made	1	
Arrest Warrants	8	
Bond Court/Grand Jury	7	
Case Call Outs	6	
Search Warrants	6	

Case Call Outs:

- 1. 25bp08586 Death Investigation
- 2. 25BP0889 Sexual Assault
- 3. 25BP09276 Shots Fired /Attempted Murder
- 4. 25BP09276 Shots Fired /Attempted Murder
- 5. 25BP10043 Death Investigation
- 6. 25BP09276 Shots Fired /Attempted Murder

Mental Health Advocate:

CIT: 2

Referrals - 9

Follow Ups - 45

Supplemental Reports - 32

Victim Advocate:

Case Call Outs: 2

Incident Reports: 2

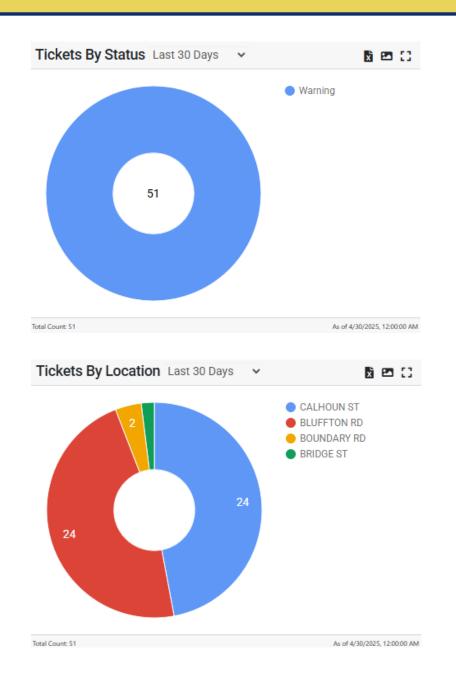
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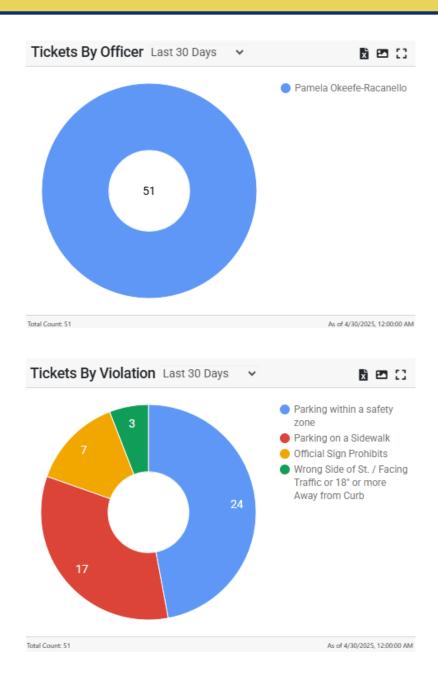
Bond Court: 7

Supplemental Reports: 19

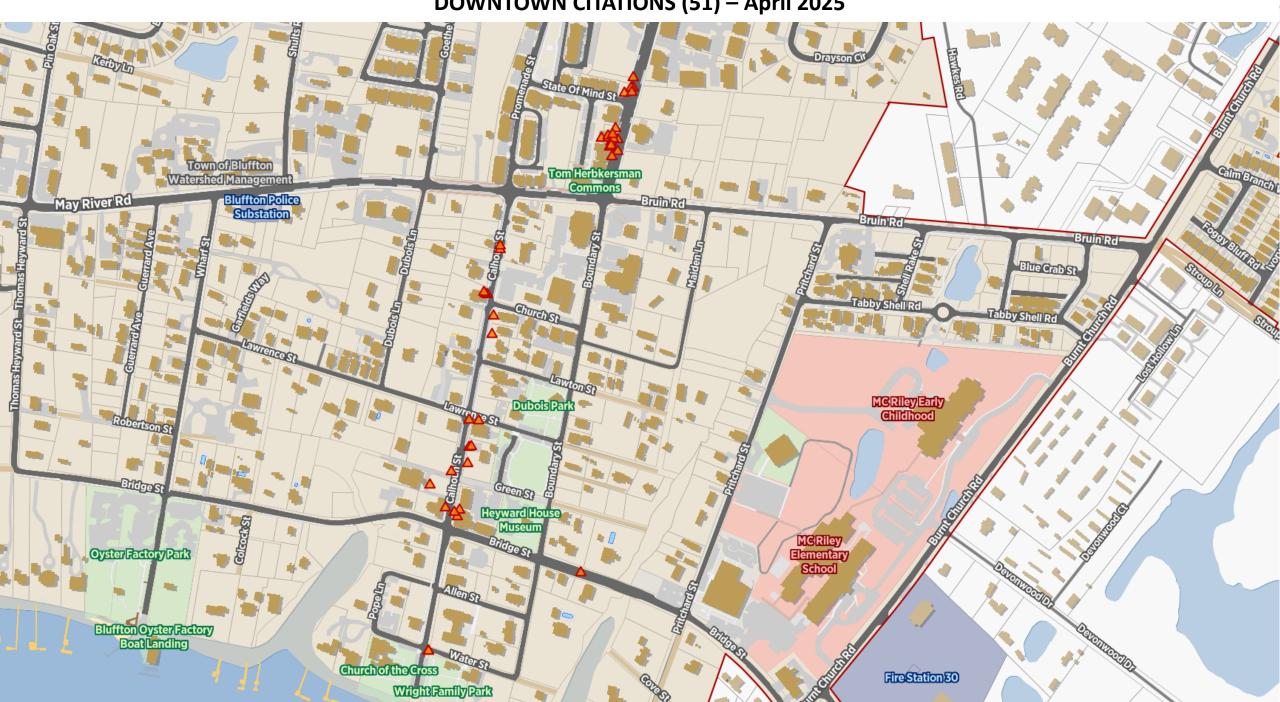
ICAC Cases Assigned: 3

COMMUNITY SERVICE ASSISTANTS





DOWNTOWN CITATIONS (51) – April 2025



CODE ENFORCEMENT

Code Enforcement:

William Bonhag

<u>Signs</u>

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.
- Emailed Kevin Icard regarding sidewalk business signs on May River Road, still waiting to hear regarding enforcement.

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 were notified by Marcus upon posting. Tenants are out of the house.
- 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. At present, Rob and Marcus are trying to arrange a meeting on site to discuss the situation.
- On 3/12/25 & 3/13/25 Emails were sent to Lashonda that included NOV for accumulations on property, garbage, construction materials, painting items, debris. Lashonda was directed to contact Marcus either by phone or email. The time for compliance for the cleanup is Thursday 3/20/25.
- 3/20/25 checked property and side and backyard need cleanup. Lashonda was sent an email with photos allocating her until Monday 3/24/25 for completion at which time will be re-inspected and possible summons issued.
- 3/20/25 Lashonda called and was given until Friday 3/28/25 to have the entire exterior cleaned up with the removal of all items. Completed 4/1/25
- 4/2/25 Marcus Noe and I met Lashonda's mother on site as her representative. She resides at 48 Guerard Street, we reviewed with her a few options. Marcus suggested to her to have an engineer look at her 2 structures on site for a report. 1238 will be costly for them to repair. Pending what they will be doing. We did not enter as this is an unsafe structure as Posted.
- LaShonda owns 1240 May River Road, this is on the radar for an inspection with the Team in May.

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. Pending meeting with owner.

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.

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 3/20/25 some issues need to be addressed, meeting with the owner this afternoon to discuss the remaining issues.
- Met with owner and 3/28/25 all will be completed. Monitoring location.

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. No contact has been made back to Codes from Mr. Numson.

CODE ENFORCEMENT

Code Enforcement continued:

241 Buck Island Road

- This location has placed a small size shed for living as an occupant was seen leaving this structure on 4/2/25 that is hidden behind some bushes next to the trailer home.
- No Permits were issued for this structure per Mary Sue McEntire
- 4/3/25 site visit with Chief Building Official Marcus Noe along with Bluffton PD
- Tenants' son stays in this structure periodically, son was disrespectful towards town staff and was looking to argue his point which was not valid. Refused to give his name as he does not reside here. Marus and I will check to see if he returns as he has left the property.
- Marcus noticed a bike on the porch, a visit was made with Officer Nelson, shell casings found on the porch. No individual came to the door at this time.

267 Buck Island Road

- 4/3/25 Noticed dumping on site
- Landscape Montezuma utilizing lot as commercial use
- Issued 2 NOV's, one for NO BL as this is a Residential Zone and the second one for accumulations on property.
- Marcus and I met with the owners and compliance was met by 4/21/25.

1181 May River Road

- Taquiera Food Truck removed 9 Confederate Jasmine fence creepers along about 40 feet worth, so people could see their food truck.
- This is considered town property as the documents reflect the property owner relinquished their rights to the town for fence and beautification.
- 2 tickets were issued for Damaging Public Property and Landmarks, altering and removing for a May 6th appearance

Starbucks/Washington Square

- 4/7/25 met with the manager as Starbucks failed to have their BL due to they needed their Retail License first.
- 4/9/25 an NOV for NO BL was issued
- License was obtained on 4/8/25 due to Codes visit.

COMMUNITY ACTION TEAM

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Command Staff meeting

Firearms Instructor Meeting

TOB Movie Night

TOB Employee Family Day

SRO Meeting

Chief of Police for the Day SGGCS

Red Cedar Elementary School tour of BPD

Chaplin Interview Janke

New Spring Church Community Eater Egg Hunt

TOB Bunny Bonanza

Juneteenth Meeting

MayFest Meeting

TOB Community Easter Egg Hunt BHS

TOB Community Blood Drive United Methodist Church

BMS Young Men's Group