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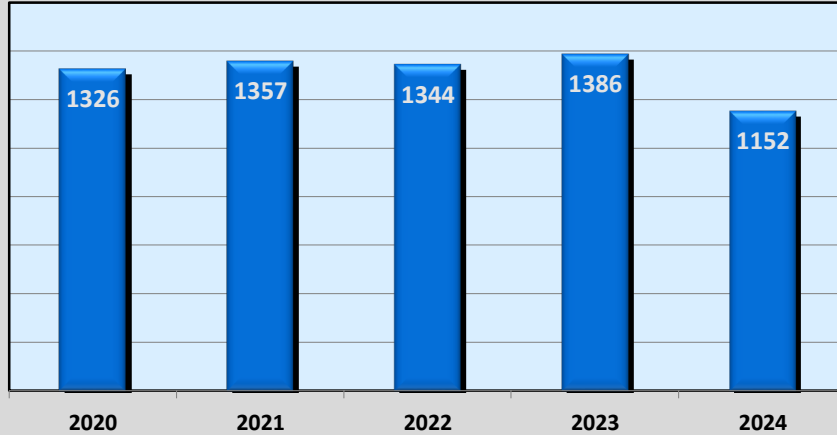
BLUFFTON POLICE DEPARTMENT

October 31, 2024

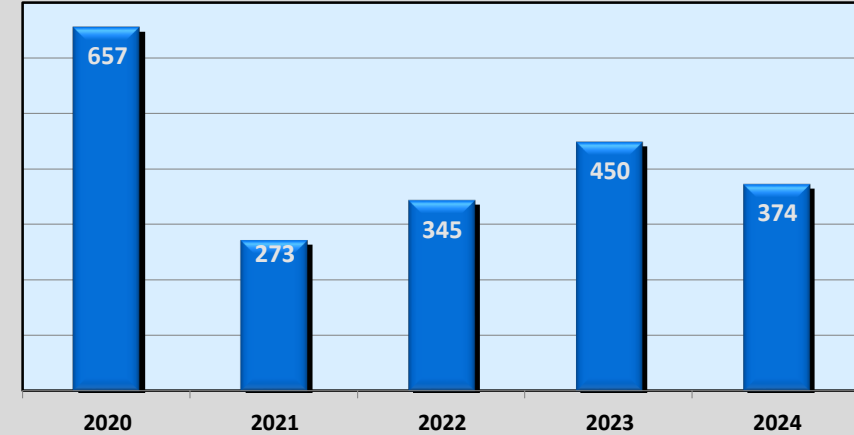
Presented by Chief Joseph Babkiewicz

DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS

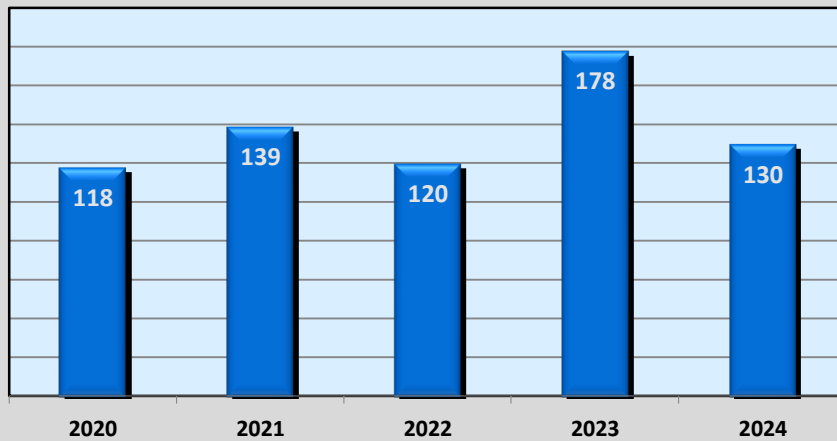
October Calls for Service Comparison



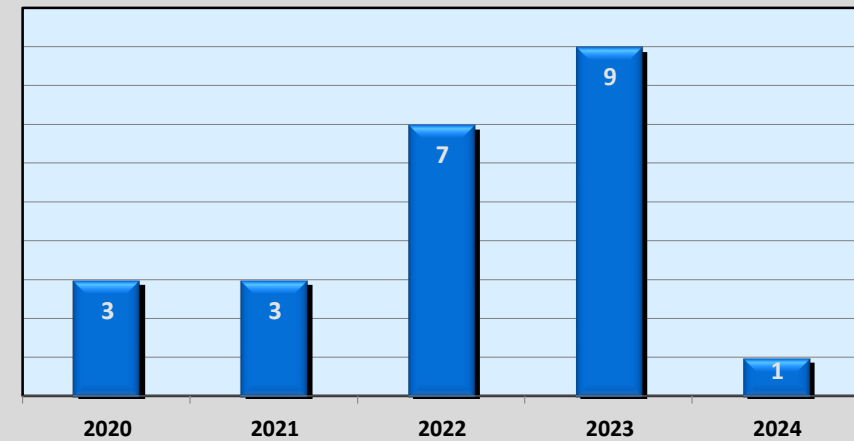
October Traffic Citation Comparison



October Collision Comparison

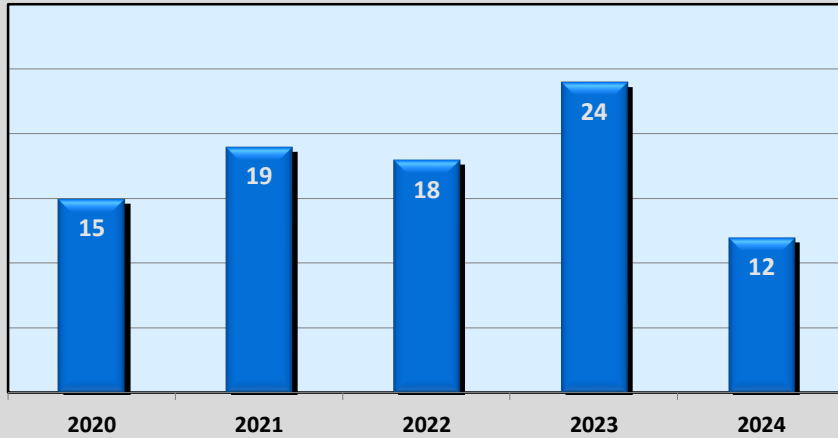


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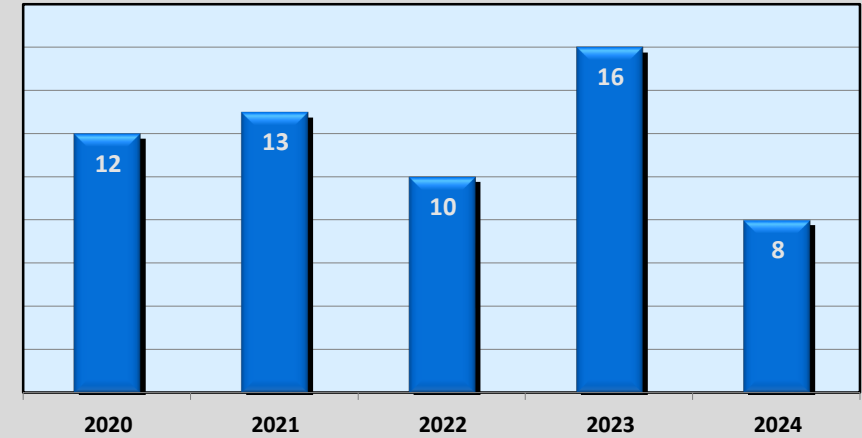


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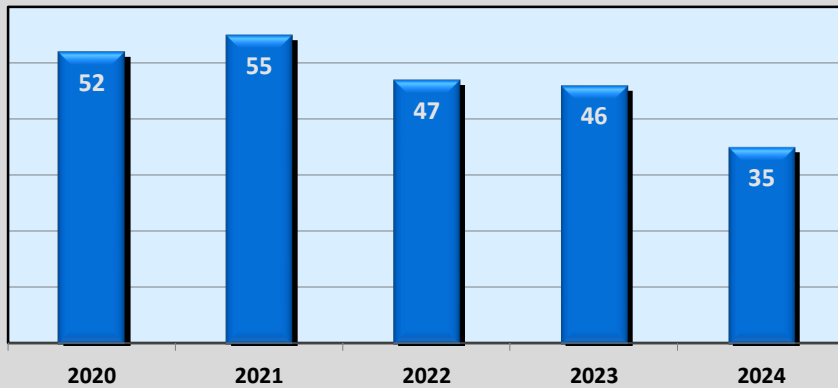
October Theft Comparison



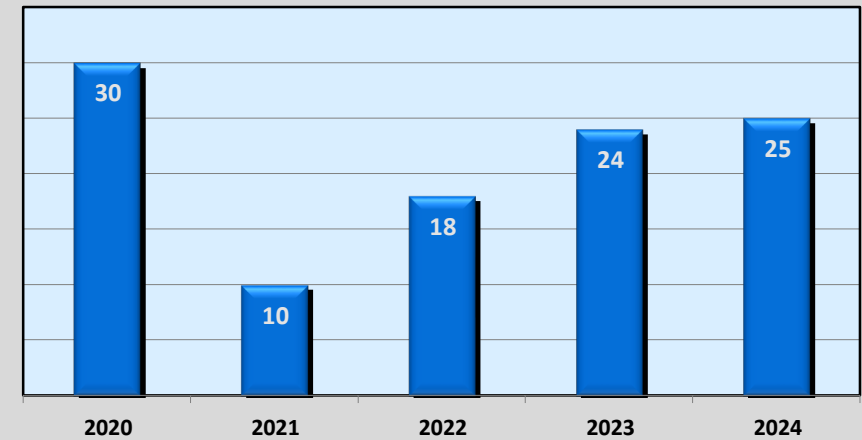
October Assault Comparison



October Domestic Calls for Service Comparison



October Arrest Comparison

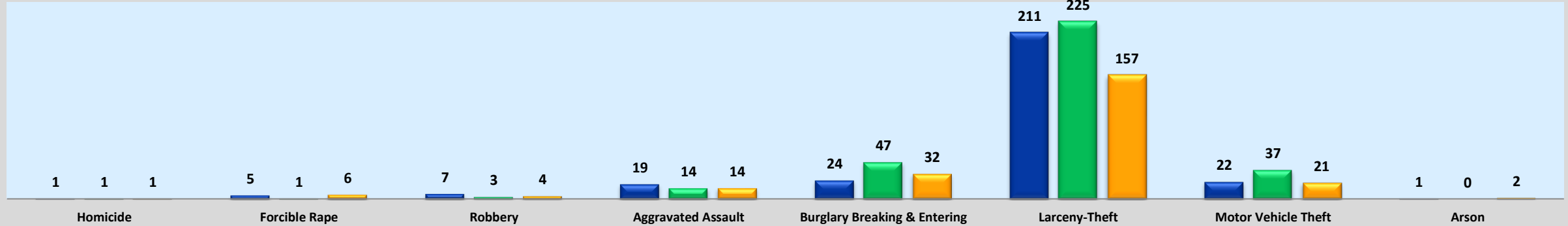


DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS

Year-to-Date
October

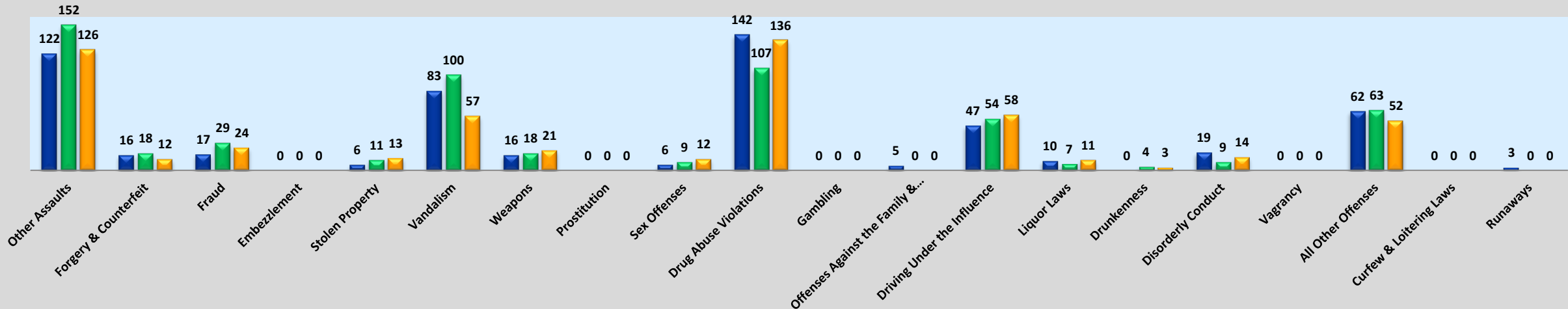
Part I Crimes

■ 2024 ■ 2023 ■ 2022



Part II Crimes

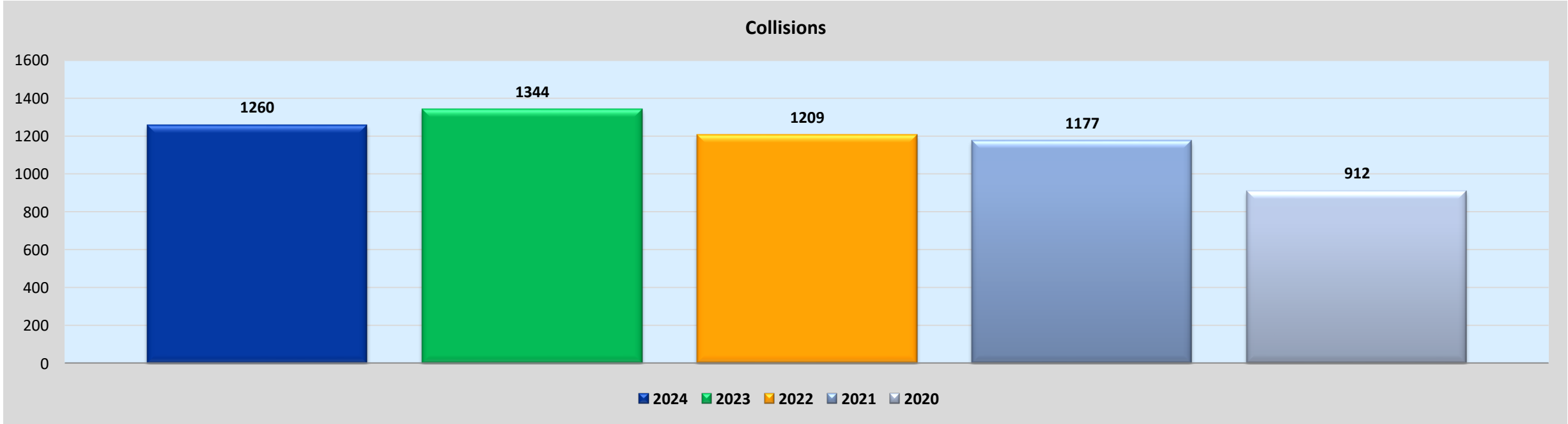
■ 2024 ■ 2023 ■ 2022



DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS

Year-to-Date
October

Collisions



DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS

Law Enforcement Advisory Committee

- Review and approval of Police Departmental Policies: SOP 015 – Leave and Attendance, SOP 017 – Traffic Law Violations and SOP 018 – Traffic Collision Investigations.
- Discussed incident relating to Officer who recently received the 1st Medal of Valor for the department.
- New Professional Standards Unit
- New Lexipol software for Department policies
- Flock Cameras
- Safest City Award in South Carolina
- Partnership with NAACP

Meetings Attended by Chief Joseph Babkiewicz

Every Wednesday – Senior Staff Communications Meeting

Every Wednesday – Commanders Meeting

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

Oct 1st – CPSM Zoom meeting

Oct 1st – Captains Promotion Ceremony

Oct 2nd – Google Meeting with Sharpe Performance Representative

Oct 3rd – Attend meeting with Town Manager

Oct 3rd – Attend State of the Region meeting

Oct 3rd – Attend Flock Camera meeting

Oct 4th – Attend Candidate testing

Oct 7th – Attend Bluffton High School – Safe Driving Campaign meeting

Oct 7th – Attend meeting with Project Manager

Oct 7th – Google meeting - Urban SDK

Oct 7th – Attend BPD Citizens Policy Academy

Oct 8th – Attend Bluffton High School – Low Country for Healthy Youth Video

Oct 8th – Attend meeting with Finance Department

Oct 8th – Command Staff meeting

Oct 8th – Attend Town Council meeting

Oct 9th – Escort Chief for the Day

Oct 9th – Attend meeting with Crossing Guards

Oct 10th – Attend meeting with Town Manager

Oct 10th – Meeting with SLED Agents (Partnership)

Oct 10th – Attend LECAC meeting

Meetings Attended by Chief Joseph Babkiewicz cont.

- Oct 11th – Attend Candidate testing
- Oct 12th – Attend Affordable Housing Committee Event / Smoke Alarm Blitz
- Oct 13th – Attending Arts & Seafood Blessing of the Fleet
- Oct 14th – Attend October Wellness Committee meeting
- Oct 15th – Meeting with Charleston DA
- Oct 15th – Attend Hispanic Heritage Celebration Luncheon
- Oct 15th – Meeting with Squat “n” Gobble representative
- Oct 15th – Attend Town Council Quarterly Workshop
- Oct 16th – Attend October Birthdays and Anniversary Celebration
- Oct 16th – Meet with NAACP Board
- Oct 16th – Attend Football Senior Night at Bluffton High School
- Oct 17th – Meeting with Town Manager
- Oct 17th – Meeting with Support Captain
- Oct 17th – Attend Town of Bluffton Groundbreaking – Buckwalter Place
- Oct 18th – 23rd – Attend IACP Conference – Boston
- Oct 24th – Meeting with Project Manager
- Oct 24th - Google meeting – Urban SDK Procurement
- Oct 24th – Meeting with Town Manager
- Oct 25th – Attend Grand Opening and Ribbon Cutting – Beaufort County Veterans Affairs Bluffton Office
- Oct 25th – Attend Spooktacular Event
- Oct 26th – Attend Alzheimer’s Walk
- Oct 26th – Attend Bluffton Elementary Trunk or Treat
- Oct 26th – Attend Hampton Hall Truck or Treat

Meetings Attended by Chief Joseph Babkiewicz cont.

Oct 29th – Attend Community Meeting

Oct 29th – Attend Unveiling of Bluffton Breeze Bus “wrapped” event

Oct 30th – Attend TOB Staff Strategic Planning Workshop – day 1

Oct 31st – Attend TOB Staff Strategic Planning Workshop – day 2

Oct 31st – Google meeting – Flock Camera Mapping

DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS

Commendations -	None
Complaints -	None

Police Department Demographics as of October 31, 2024

DEPARTMENT	Black	Hispanic	Other	White	Grand Total
Female	2	4	1	18	25
Male	7	5	3	35	50
Grand Total	9	9	4	53	75

SWORN OFFICERS	Black	Hispanic	Other	White	Grand Total
Female	1	1		10	12
Male	5	5	3	31	44
Grand Total	6	6	3	41	56

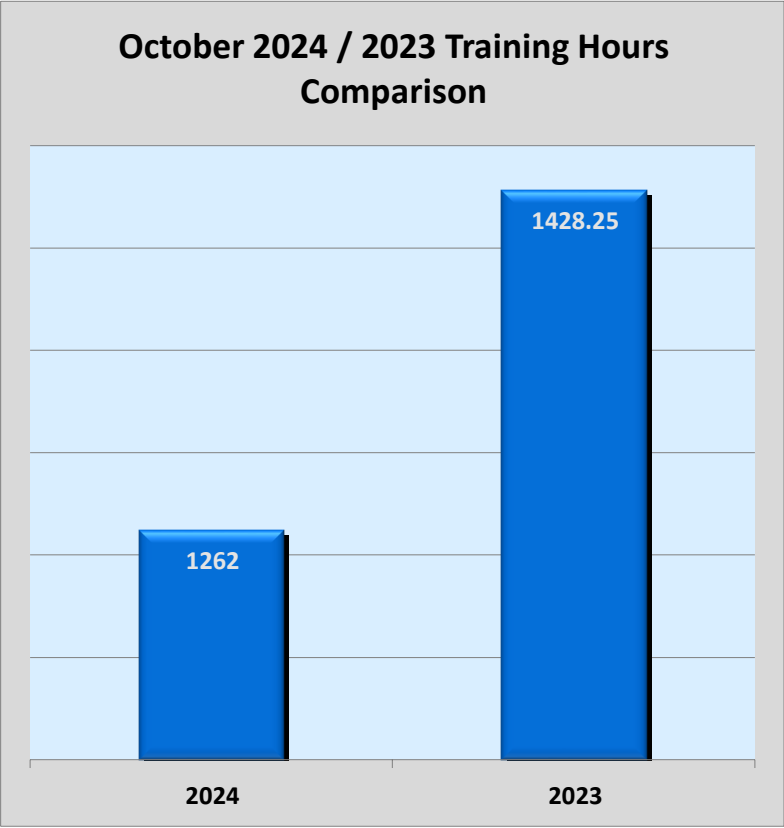
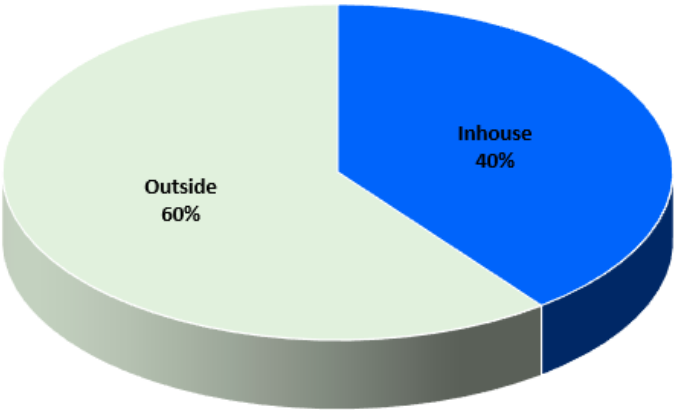
October Officer Training

In-House

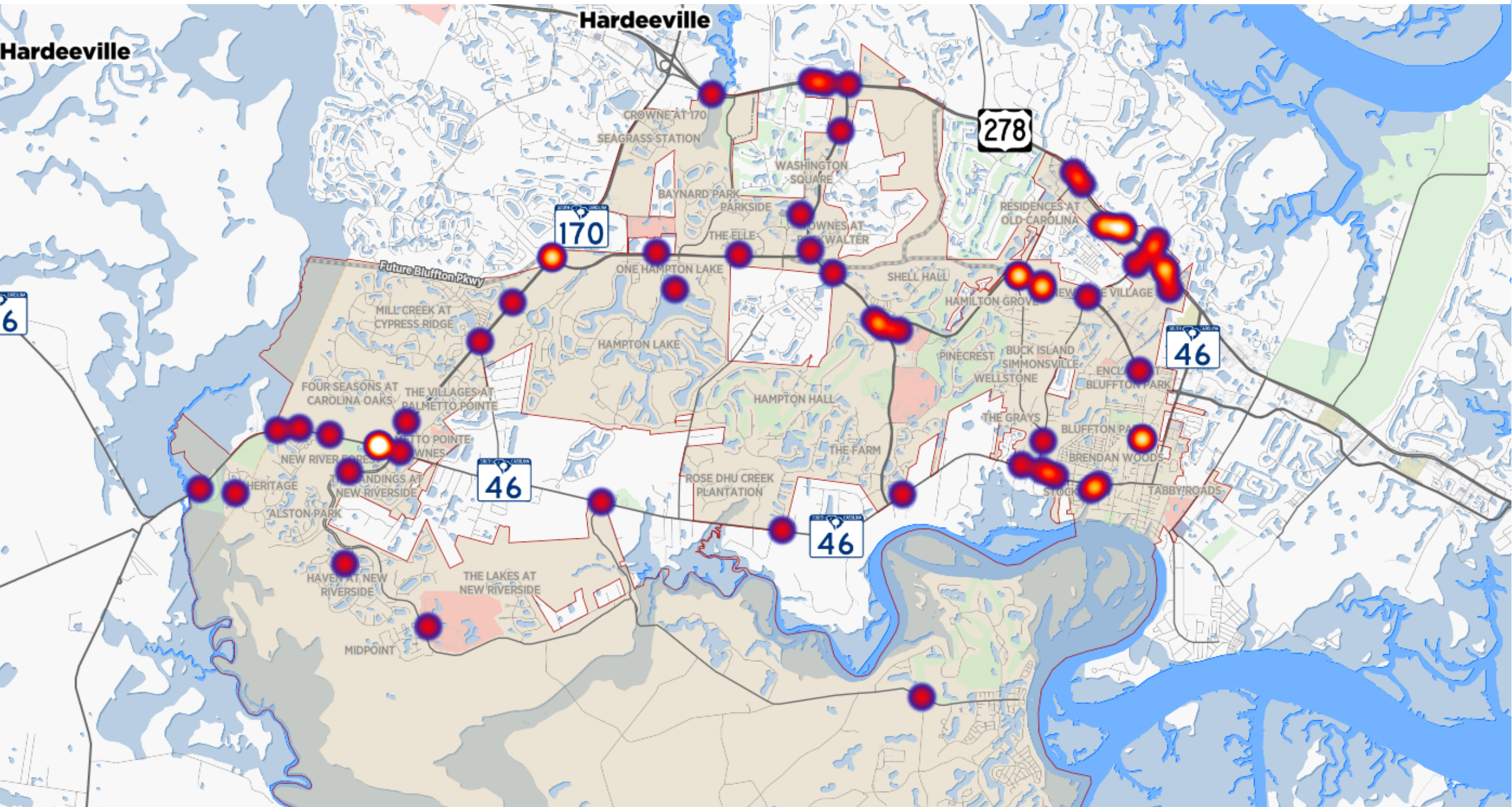
- Line-Up 2024 - September-October - 1 Officer
- Ethics in Law Enforcement - 1 Officer
- Interacting with the Mentally Ill as a First Responder - 7 Officers
- Line-Up 2024 - November-December - 32 Officers
- Annual DV 2024 - Back to Basics - 43 Officers
- DUI/SFST Recertification (24-1) - 3 Officers
- Anti-Bias Training for LE - 15 Officers
- Bloodborne Pathogens for First Responders - 1 Officer
- Crisis Intervention in Dealing with Mentally Ill Subjects - 13 Officers
- Pre-Academy Training - 2 Recruits
- SLED Forensic Art Unit training – 4 Officers

Outside

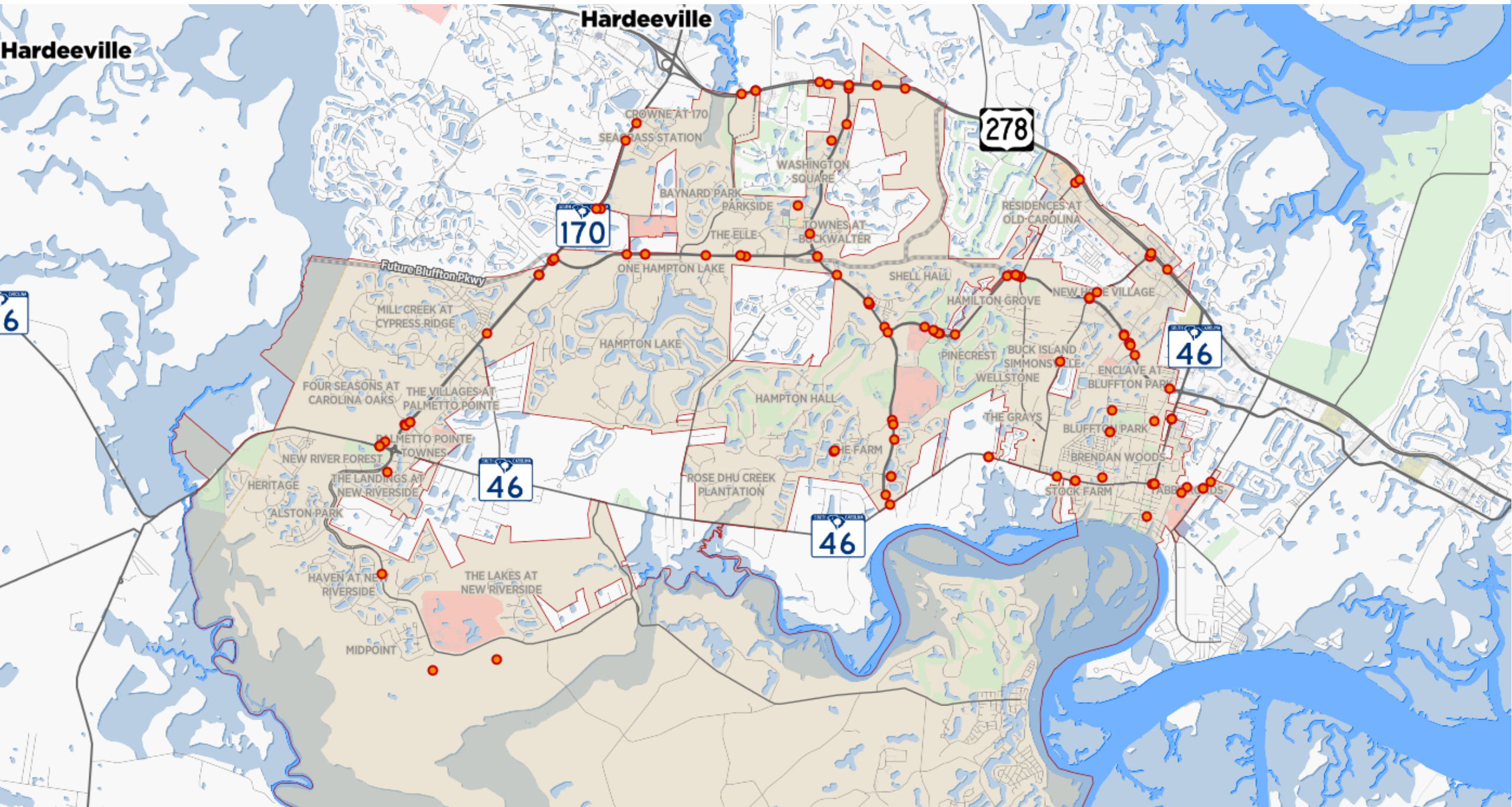
- Basic Law Enforcement Certification - 2 Officers
- Exterior Response to Active Shooter Events - 1 Officer
- NASRO Basic SRO Course - 1 Officer
- CIT Training - 1 Office
- 2024 AACE Conference - 1 Officer
- Less Lethal Instructor Course - 1 Officer
- IACP 2024 - 2 Officers
- Specific Skills - 1 Officer
- Crowd Management for sports and special events - 2 Officers
- ROCIC 33rd Homicide Conference - 1 Officer



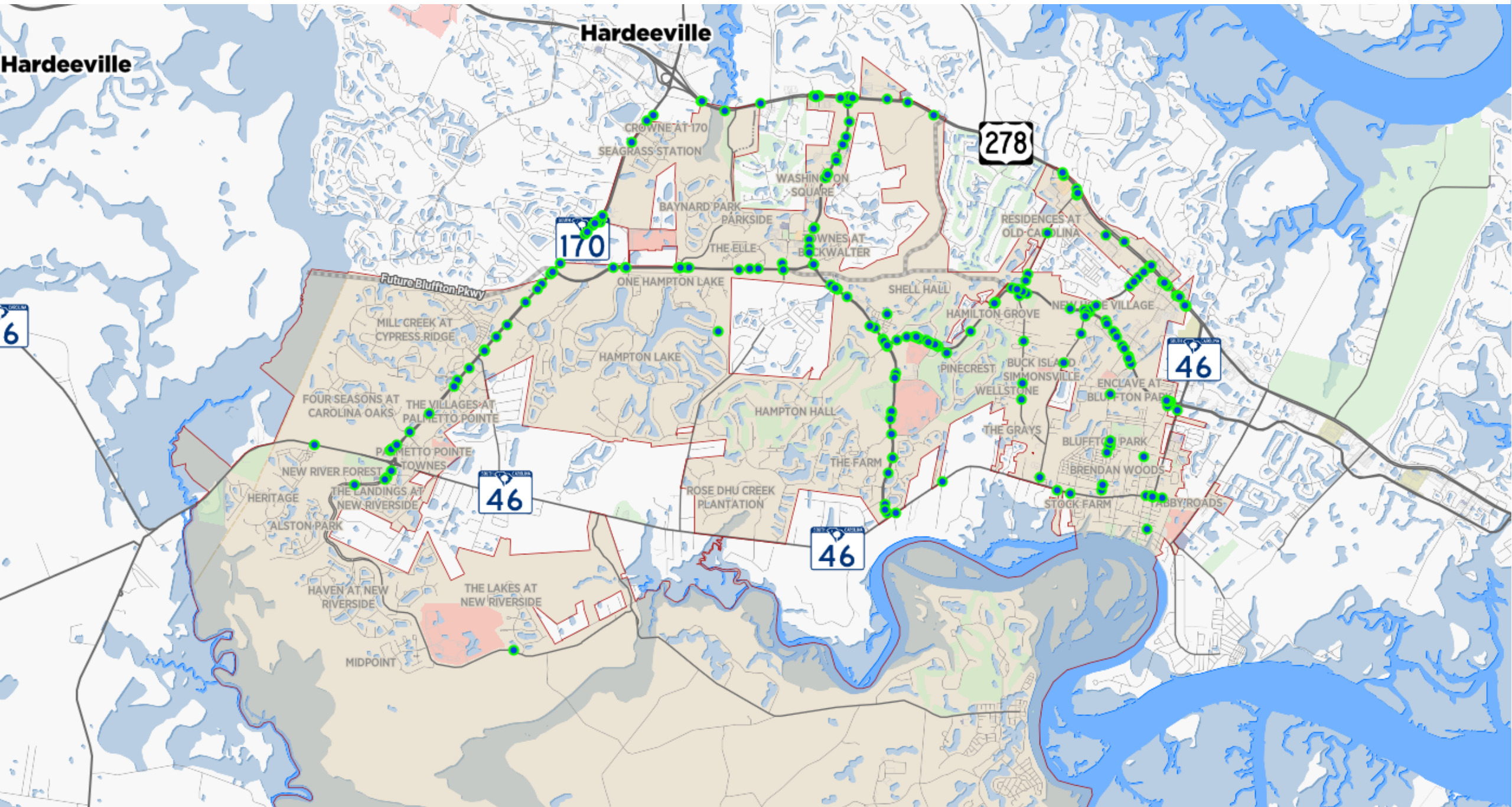
COLLISIONS (130) October 2024



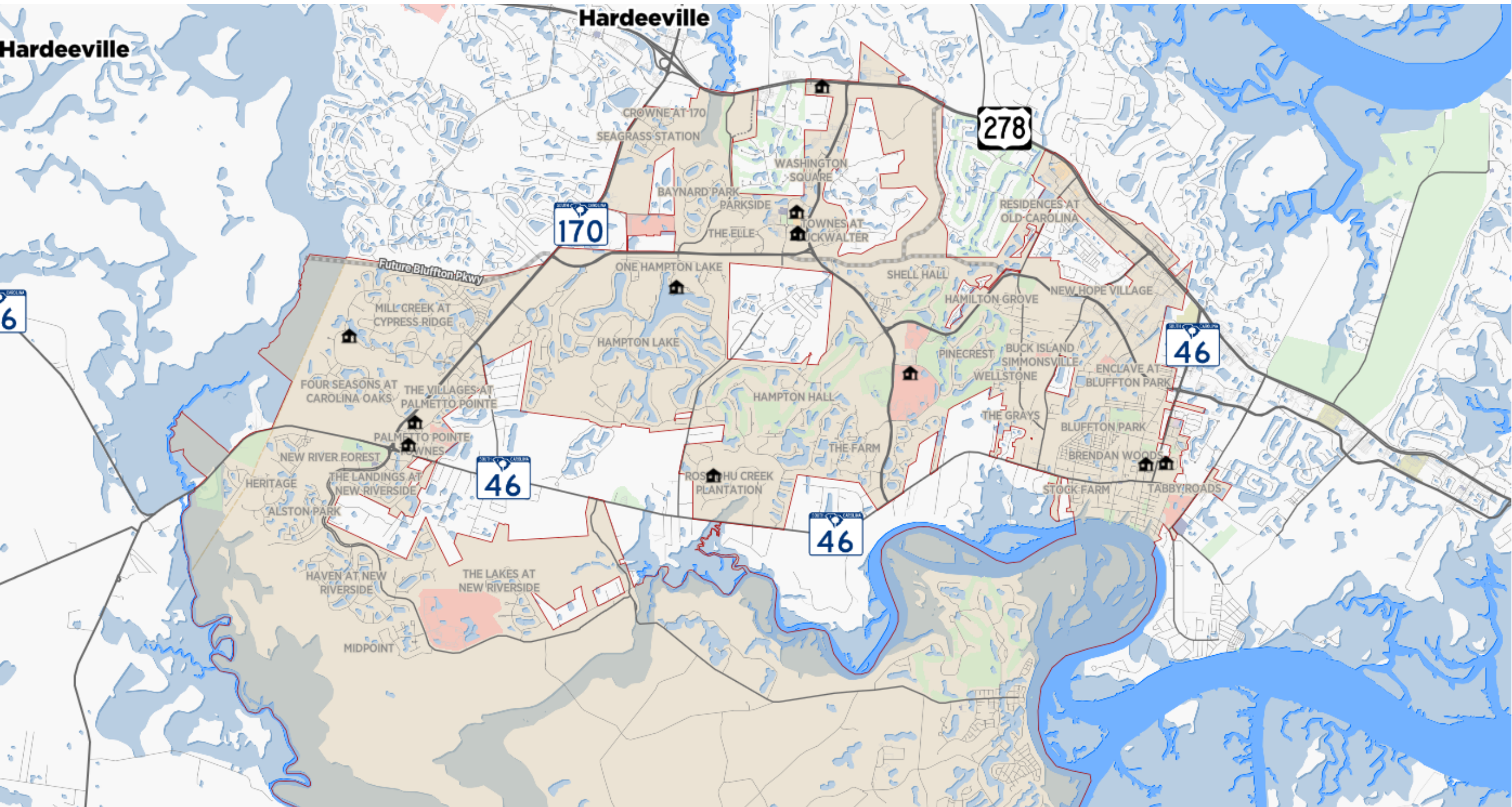
CITATIONS ISSUED (120) October 2024



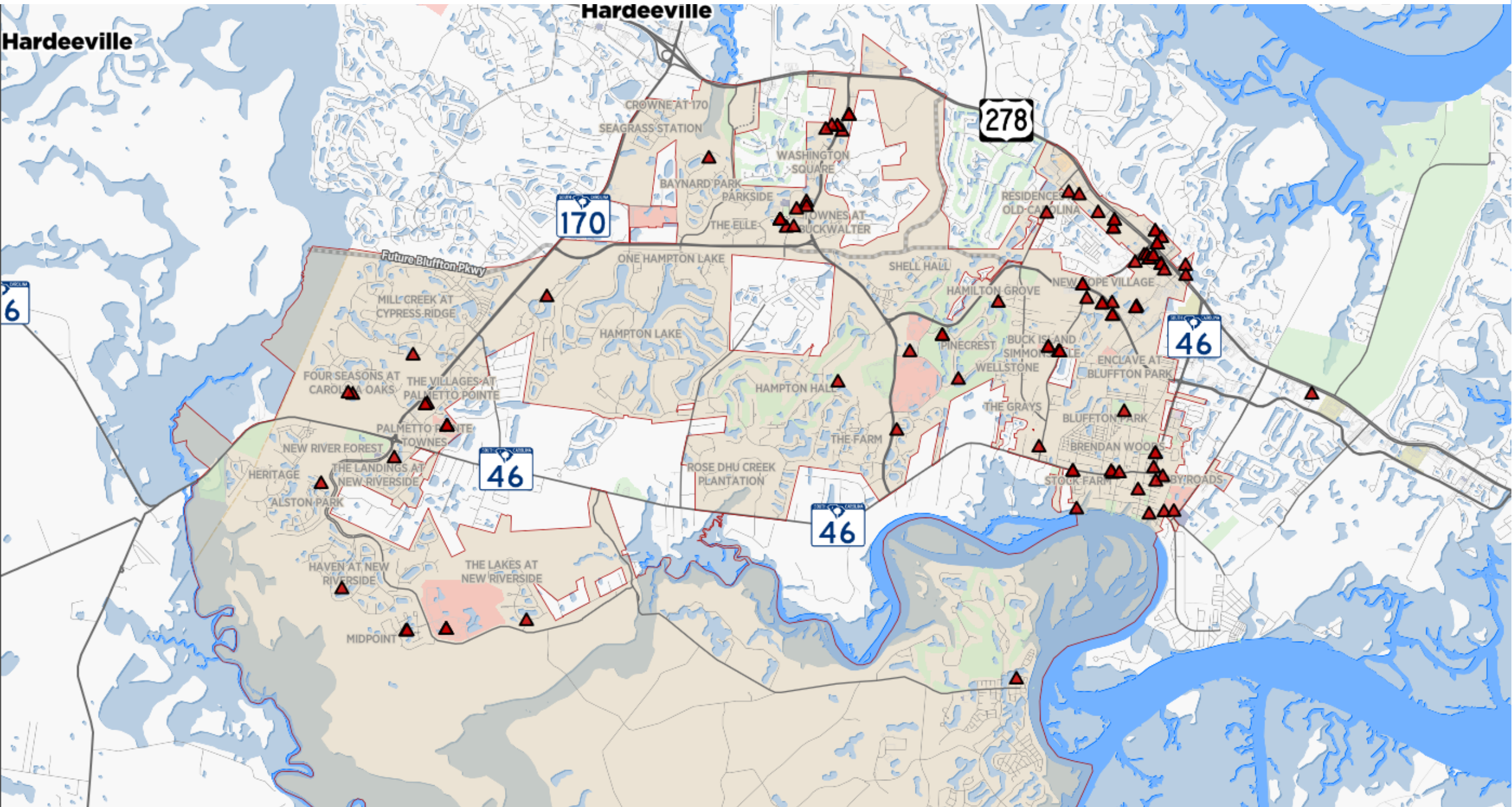
WARNINGS ISSUED (254) October 2024



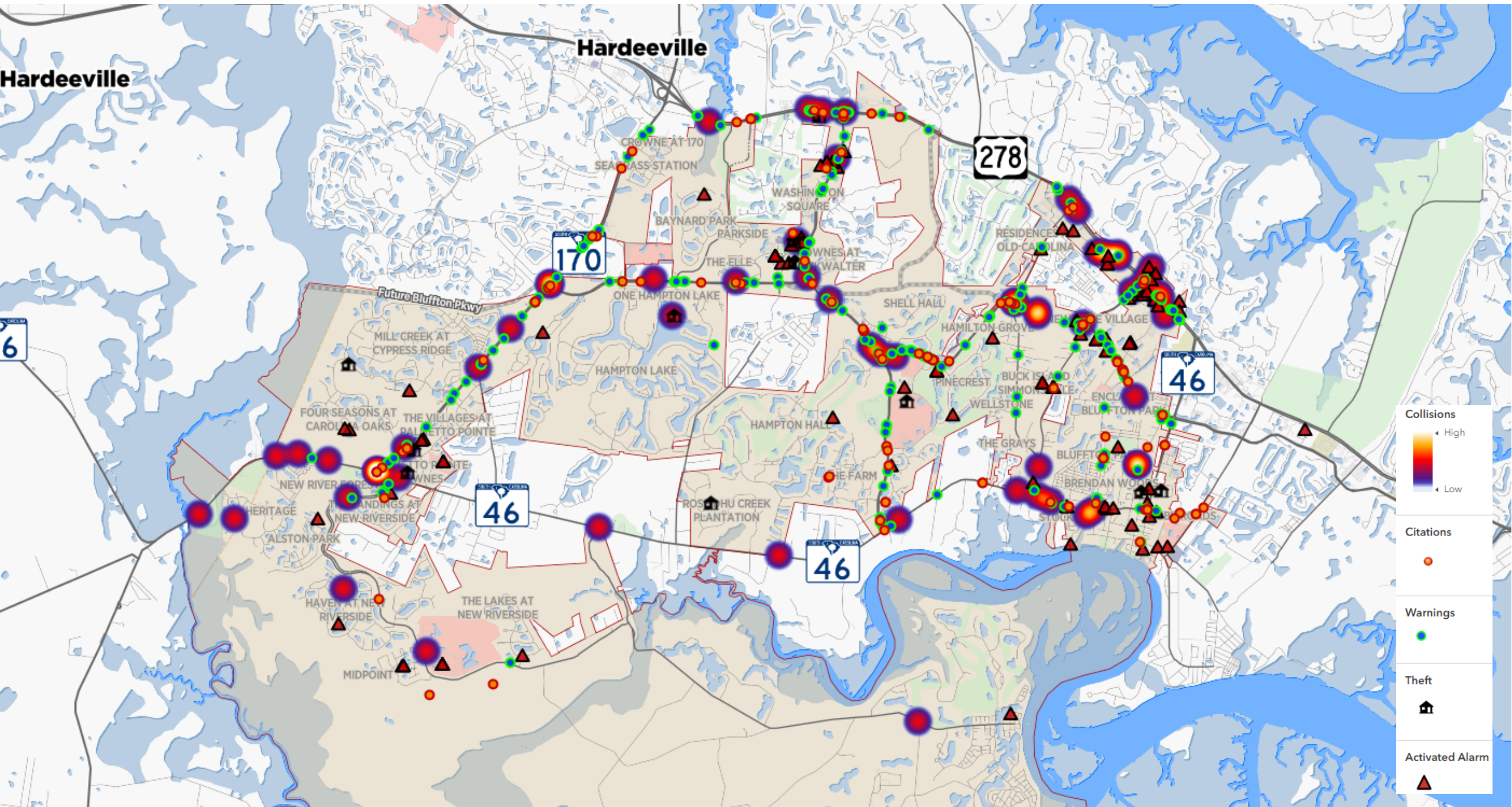
THEFTS (12) October 2024



#1 CALL TYPE – Activated Alarms (108) October 2024



COLLISIONS, CITATIONS, WARNINGS, THEFTS AND Activated Alarms – October 2024



PATROL DIVISION

CALLS FOR SERVICE TOP 10 CALL TYPES	
Case Follow Up	115
Activated Alarm	111
911 Hang-Up	91
Disturbance	84
Accident	84
Reckless Driving	63
Assist Motorist	38
Noise Complaint	36
Health Welfare	33
Domestic	33

TOTAL CALLS FOR SERVICE: 1152

AVERAGE PER DAY: 41

PRO-ACTIVE PATROLS	
Extra Patrol - Business	567
Extra Patrol - Residence	467
Traffic Stop	326
Traffic Enforcement	20

PATROL DIVISION

UNIFORM TRAFFIC CITATIONS TOP 10 VIOLATIONS	
Driving Without a License	24
Operating Vehicle License while License/Registration Expired	17
Driving Under Suspension	9
Speeding 15mph - 24mph over	8
Possession of 28G (1oz) or less of Marijuana	7
Failure to Maintain Proof of Insurance	4
Improper Vehicle License	3
Failure to Return License	2
Speeding 25mph over speed limit	2
Speeding: 10mph or less	2

TOTAL CITATIONS ISSUED: 120

AVERAGE PER DAY: 4

UNIFORM TRAFFIC WARNINGS TOP 10 VIOLATIONS	
Vehicle License Violation	43
Speeding	41
Defective Equipment	30
Other	26
Speeding & more	17
Disregarding Stop Sign	13
Changing Lanes Unlawfully	8
Improper Lane Use	7
Disregarding Traffic Signal	6
Vehicle License Violation & more	5

TOTAL WARNINGS ISSUED: 254

AVERAGE PER DAY: 9

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS	
Cases Assigned	26
Incident Reports	6
Supplemental Reports	23
Cases Closed	14
Arrests Made	0
Arrest Warrants	1
Bond Court	5
Case Call Outs	4
Search Warrants	11

Case Call Outs:

1. 24BP28527 – Shots Fired
2. 24BP28063 – Vehicle B&E

Bond Court:

1. 24BP24335 – Unlawful Communication
2. 24BP27887 – Domestic Violence 3rd
3. 24BP13454 – Assault and Battery 2nd
4. 24BP28527 – Discharging Firearms at or into an Occupied Dwelling

Mental Health Advocate:

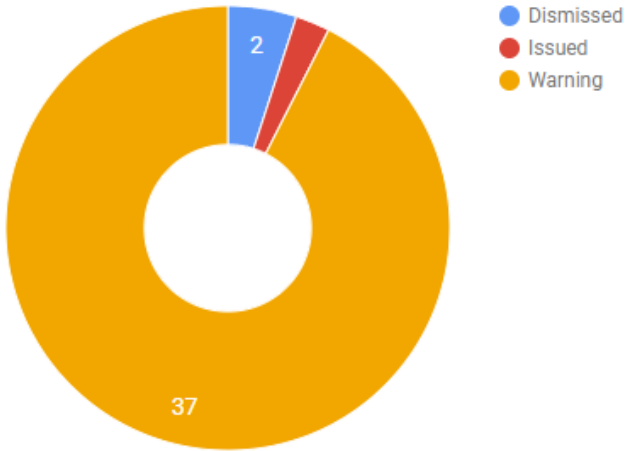
0 – Calls for Service
5 – Referrals
14 – Follow Ups
15 – Supplemental Reports

Victim Advocate:

1 – Case Call Out
3 – Incident Report
10 – Case Closed
2 – Bond Court
13 – Supplemental Reports

COMMUNITY SERVICE ASSISTANTS

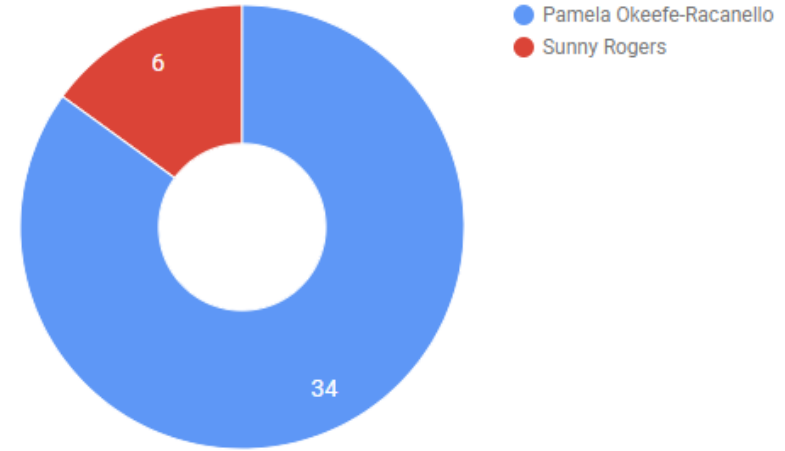
Tickets By Status Last 30 Days



Total Count: 40

As of 10/25/2024, 12:00:00 AM

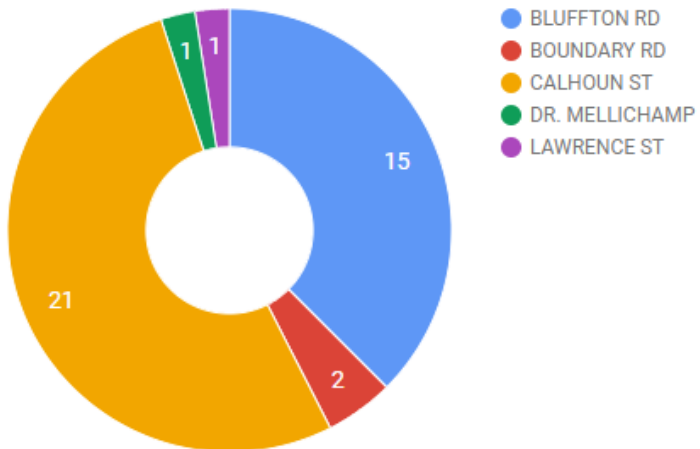
Tickets By Officer Last 30 Days



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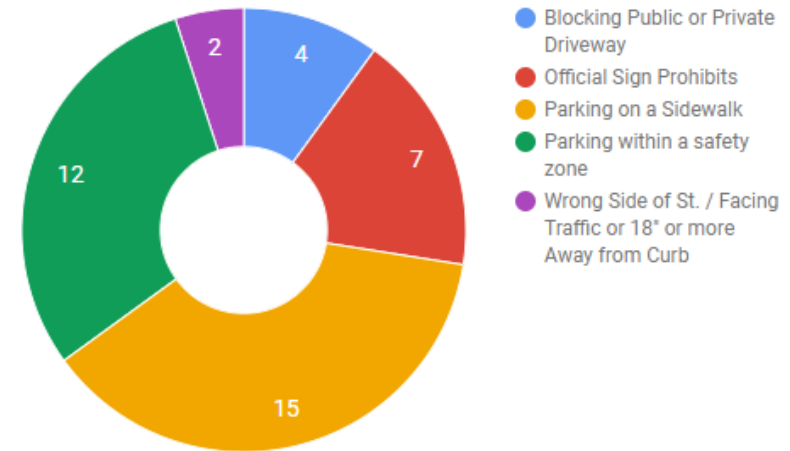
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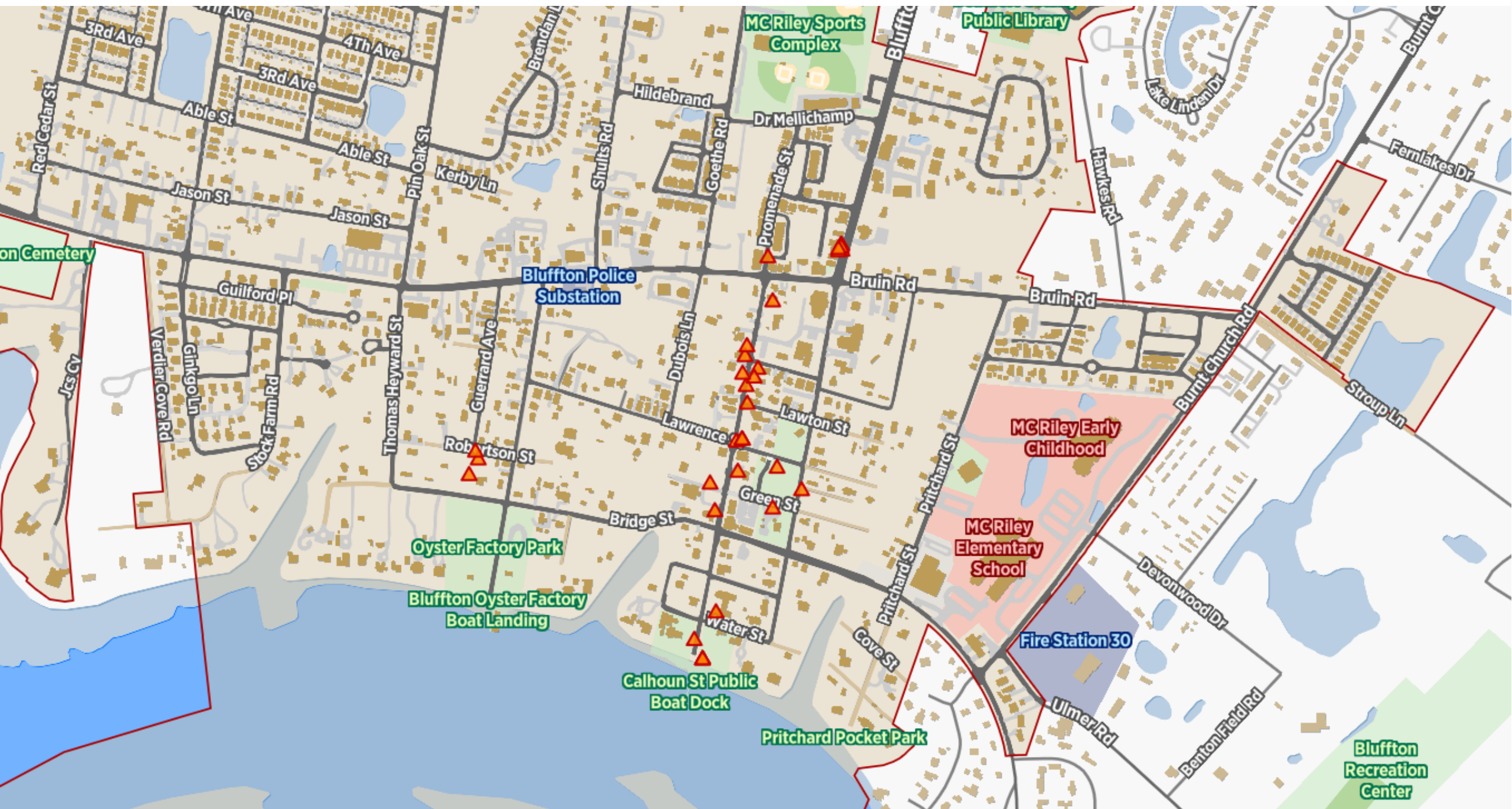
Tickets By Violation Last 30 Days



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As of 10/25/2024, 12:00:00 AM

DOWNTOWN CITATIONS (40) – October 2024



CODE ENFORCEMENT

Code Enforcement:

William Bonhag – attending conference in Oklahoma City 10/20/24 – 10/28/24

Signs

- Multiple Business advertisement signs removed from Old Town and various locations throughout Bluffton.
- * Working on HTAX & ATAX letters along with follow-up collections.

Complaints / Property Checks / Follow-ups / Ordinance Letters

- 1238 ,1240,1242 May River Road, working with this group as they are cleaning up these locations that have been longtime neglected. Status ongoing progress.
- 160 Simmonsville,158 & 156 Building Safety as we have several violations for this location. This is a Frazier property with occupants failing to leave is our understanding.
- Florence from Cypress ridge called in a complaint pertaining to a painting business at 2318 Blakers Blvd. Also, a commercial trailer for food at 2354 Blakers Blvd. Matter concluded successfully.
- Orange tagged 73 Shults Road for HVAC materials to be removed on site.
- Helene & Dennis Christie of 7 Hickory Trace called to report found human feces in a bag from neighbor at # 5 Hickory Trace and needed a health and welfare check on Scott Loveless living in home at #5. Helene was referred to BPD who responded for this matter. The outside of this home looks ok, but the interior is in bad condition, garbage piled window high and smells of cat urine according to PD

1238 May River Road

- August 20,2024 Court for 1238 May River Road for illegal dumping and running business from location with building materials need to be removed. Failed to appear. 8/20/24; 2 NOV's issued for compliance date of Monday 8/26/24, failure to comply resulted in Summons issued for court 9/17/24 for Miguel Sanchez-Bocenegra at 9am.Failure to show, property owner contacted, pending property clean up.
- Spoke with renter and agreed to clean all by 11/1/24

218 Buck Island rd / owner Norberto Angeles

- August 7,2023 was another 30 days given deadline for cleaning up of property and removal of all RV occupants in accordance with town codes. (non-compliant)
- The property is sold 6/6/24 to Norberto Angeles.
- All motor vehicles are off property.
- Mr. Todd is no longer residing on site.
- Major progress has been made with this property and will follow up soon w/ before and after photos as requested by Town Manager Stephen Steese,

CODE ENFORCEMENT

Code Enforcement continued:

69 Calhoun Street

- 10/3/24 after reviewing situation with Lyndee Simoneaux the Bridge had set up their vendors in their parking lot blocking ¼ of the way, without any permit for operation. Notice of Violation was issued. Pending a permit issuance.

375 Hope Pond Way

- 9/27/24 Notice of violation for no business license was issued to The Bluffs Med Spa & Massage as directed by Chief Building Official Marcus Noe. Compliance date is 10/4/24.

925 Fording Island Road - Hargray

- On 9/18/24, Hargray was issued a Notice of Violation for operating w/o a Business License with a compliance date of 9/25/24
- 9/30/24 Hargray Jesse Baker was issued a Summons for Court appearance for Sec.6-19 License Required for failing to obtain a Business License. The court is scheduled for 10/15/24. Business license obtained.

75 Goethe Road

- Residents complained about this location's abundance of tires, vehicles not registered on location and needs to be cleaned-up. Spoke to son Jonathan as he advised me that he will clean up this location. Indicated he is having his tire machines fixed to open back up his tire business, unfortunately, he does not fully comprehend that this area is zoned residential only and the town will not issue a license for this place. Vehicles are covered at this time; scattered tires are being addressed.
- This will be placed on a must visit with Codes Team and PD; they have no business license; this is also a residential zone, and all commercial containers need to be removed.

131 Goethe Road

- Claudia Gomez Aguilar was issued letters pertaining to her blatant display of party chairs, 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 issuance of summons.

CODE ENFORCEMENT

Code Enforcement continued:

218 Simmonsville Road

- 3/14/24 Due to several violations, this location was boarded up.
- I viewed the property from 220 Simmonsville Road noticed and took photo as backdoor board was removed for illegal entry.
- Vehicle on site w/o plates as of 3/25/24
- 5/15/24 second notice issued from Building Safety allocating 30 Days to repair all or demolish. 6/15/24 next step for a hearing in front of Building Board.
- 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.

73 Shults Road

- Issued NOV for commercial dumpster and HVAC items dispersed amongst the area.
- Met with Homeowners 9/13/24 and rectified matter for all items to be removed.

35 Ballfield Road

- Complaint by owner Joe Louis Green Jr. about trees cut down and a trailer placed upon the lot.
- Visited the property Wednesday 10/16/24 confirmed status.
- Pending reports from Sidney Holland regarding status matters.
- This appears to be a civil family matter though the trees cut down and trailer placement are a growth management situation.
- 10/28/24 at 9am spoke with BCSO Deputy Cleveland is the owner of the property as he says he can show the deed. I told him once I speak to Building and GM I will get back to him and we can meet at the property.

COMMUNITY ACTION TEAM

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Attended Arts & Seafood Meeting
ALEERT Exterior Response to Active Shooter Events (Lancaster)
Command Staff Meeting
Chief for a Day (Cross Schools student)
Cookout Event with FD Affordable Housing Committee
Cookout with Bluffton High School Football Team (Senior Week)
Hampton Hall Trunk or Treat
Boys & Girls Club Trunk or Treat
Attended Bluffton Bike Event meeting
TOB BPD Safety Spooktacular
Alzheimer's Walk