



# City of Cooper City

Police Chief's Monthly Report

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## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

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During the month of October, Cooper City experienced a 5% increase in calls for service as compared to September and a 9% increase as compared to October 2024. This month-over-month increase is likely due to the arrival of the holiday season and seasonal population increases. The year-over-year increase can be attributed to population increases, expansion of proactive policing efforts, and increased community engagement. Despite the marked increase in call volume, Cooper City deputies maintained strong response times.

Overall reported incidents experienced a decrease of 6% and the percentage of incidents reported as crimes decreased by 5% in a month-to-month comparison. Additionally, this month Cooper City experienced only one incident of attempted overnight vehicle burglaries. During the attempted burglaries, all vehicles were locked, thwarting the thieves' efforts to steal property inside. These statistics highlight the successes of crime prevention through community education and proactive policing efforts.

The Cooper City District maintained a very robust schedule of community events throughout the month of October, including a catalytic converter theft prevention event, a clergy brunch, and a trick-or-treat event, just to name a few. Additionally, multiple social media initiatives occurred throughout the month aimed at addressing current trends and assisting citizens in navigating the beginning of the holiday season. BSO Cooper City remains dedicated to maintaining strong partnerships within the community and addressing the needs of our residents.

Our Code Enforcement Unit continued its commitment to a proactive approach in maintaining overall community standards, achieving an impressive 87.9% initial compliance rate this month. Furthermore, the unit was successful in partnering with the city to reintroduce the monthly "Know the Code" segment in the *Cooper City Weekly*.

Throughout the month of October, traffic enforcement efforts continued at a high level. Deputies issued 229 traffic citations and 521 written warnings. Additionally, two DUI arrests were made. Operation Ticket was in effect throughout the month, yielding 70 issued citations. In a year-over-year comparison crashes decreased by 1.41%. Conversely, when compared to September 2025, crashes increased by 25%, underscoring the importance of traffic safety education campaigns targeted at the public along with continued enforcement efforts.



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## **CALLS FOR SERVICE**

During October 2025, Cooper City deputies responded to 2,119 calls for service, representing a 9% increase compared to October 2024 and a 5% increase from September 2025. During this same period, reported Part I crimes increased year-over-year, with 33% more incidents (four additional crimes) in October 2025 than in October 2024; however, month-to-month, Part I crimes decreased by 20%, with four fewer incidents than in September 2025. The rise in total calls for service driven primarily by an increase in police-initiated service calls reflects heightened proactive enforcement and officer visibility, which typically generates more documented calls even as it suppresses crime. The month-to-month reduction in Part I crimes suggests that these directed patrols and engagement strategies have been effective in deterring criminal activity.

- **Time of Day:** Calls for service peak during between the hours of 2:00 pm and 6:00 pm, which coincides with school release and evening rush hour. The overnight calls for service remained low.
- **Geographic Location:** Zone 1604 continues to be the busiest zone in the city. In addition to containing Walmart, this zone has generated the highest call volume and the most reported Part I crimes in 2025 year-to-date.
- **Date:** Daily activity spikes are consistently observed during school dismissal and during the end-of-workday period, creating short, concentrated increases in traffic congestion, citizen contacts, and calls for service.
- **Type of Call:** Police service calls remain the largest category, with 1,091 calls generated in October 2025, an increase of 152 calls month-over-month and 210 calls year-over-year. The second-highest category was traffic enforcement, with 260 calls, reflecting a 10% decrease month-over-month (-22 calls) and a 10% decrease year-over-year (-14 calls). Minor accidents ranked third, with 63 reported incidents, representing a 20% increase month-over-month (+9 calls) and a 10% increase year-over-year (+5 calls), while accidents with injuries remained stable, increasing by just one call month-over-month and showing no change year-over-year. Code Enforcement activity declined, with a 20% decrease month-over-month (-11 calls) and a 10% decrease year-over-year (-3 calls). This decrease likely reflects improved compliance from earlier enforcement and education efforts, reducing the need for repeat inspections or follow-up complaints.

**Summary Analysis** The distribution of calls for service remains consistent with prior quarters, with the highest demand occurring during late-afternoon peak periods, particularly around school dismissal and end-of-workday traffic. Zone 1604 continues to generate the highest workload and Part I crime activity, driven largely by retail and commercial locations such as Walmart. To address these trends, message boards and directed patrols will be strategically deployed to enhance visibility and deter retail theft, supported by community education efforts through social media outreach and HOA meeting engagement.



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## **REPORTED INCIDENTS**

During the month of October, the Cooper City District generated 136 total incident reports, representing a 6% decrease from the previous month. Of these 136 written incidents, 55 (40%) were criminal in nature and 81(60%) were non-criminal. Comparatively, in the previous month of September, the district generated 145 total incident reports, of these 145 written incidents 60 (45%) were criminal in nature and 80 (55%) were non-criminal in nature.

### **Criminal:**

- Property crimes accounted for 76.4% (42) of crimes reported. The majority of crimes reported were retail thefts along with other categories of theft.
- Persons Crimes accounted for 23.6% of the crimes reported: Battery (9), Aggravated Assault (2), Robbery (1), and Stalking (1). The majority of persons crimes reported were domestic in nature.

### **Non-Criminal:**

- Non-criminal reports primarily consisted of a mix of information reports and non-criminal police service calls.

While the overall number of reports that were generated decreased in the month of October, the level of service in Cooper City remains high, with deputies emphasizing proactive crime-prevention patrols, messaging, and education. There has been no noted increase in any specific criminal activity. As is typical, the highest three crime categories in Cooper City were retail theft, burglary conveyance, and other categories of theft. Non-criminal reports highlight growing public interaction with deputies for quality-of-life concerns, underscoring community trust and accessibility.

### **Notable Trend – Burglary Prevention**

This month, the Cooper City district experienced only one incident of attempted overnight vehicle burglaries. During the incident, all of the vehicles that were attempted to be opened were locked. This positive outcome is very likely the result of significant social media messaging to community members to take part in the “9PM Routine” and lock their vehicles before going to sleep to prevent victimization. Great job, Cooper City!



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## ARRESTS

Cooper City saw steady enforcement activity in October, with arrests involving adult offenders and a balanced mix of felony and misdemeanor cases. The concentration of arrests tied to domestic-related offenses highlights the importance of early intervention, victim support services, and continued proactive enforcement. It also reflects the deputies' vigilance in identifying, responding to, and appropriately acting on domestic-related incidents.

Total arrests	Types of arrests	Top Offense Categories
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>October 2025: 28</li><li>2025 Year-to-Date: 294</li><li>October 2024: 32</li><li>2024 Year-to-Date: 242</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Felony: 15</li><li>Misdemeanor: 13</li><li>Adult: 28</li><li>Juvenile: 0</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Domestic battery: 5</li><li>Burglary: 3</li><li>Robbery-Domestic: 3</li><li>DUI: 2</li></ul>

### Noteworthy arrests

**Burglary Arrest:** On October 12, 2025, deputies arrested 2 offenders who burglarized a local religious institution. The investigative efforts by deputies resulted in stolen property being returned to the victim and the offenders being charged with burglary and narcotics-related offenses.

**Fraud Arrest:** In addition, an investigation, along with an alert victim, were able to capture a fraudster who was in the process of scamming the victim out of over \$10,000. The victim in this case contacted law enforcement while actively being victimized in a scam where he was withdrawing money from multiple banks. Deputies responded and arrested one of suspects involved in the scam, preventing the victim from losing additional funds.



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## TRAFFIC

This month, deputies investigated 70 traffic crashes, including 6 with injuries. The majority occurred along Flamingo Road, with the Griffin/Flamingo intersection accounting for the highest number of incidents. Deputies issued 229 traffic citations, with speeding (190) and stop sign violations (118) as the leading offenses. Additionally, 521 written warnings were issued, and 2 DUI arrests were made. Compared to September, crashes increased by 25%, while a comparison of October 2025 to October 2024 yielded a decrease of 1.41%.

Traffic Crashes	
<b>Total October Crashes: 70</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Injury: 6</li><li>• Non-injury: 64</li><li>• Fatal: 0</li></ul>	<b>Top Intersection Crashes</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Griffin/Flamingo (5)</li><li>• Stirling/Flamingo (4)</li><li>• Sheridan/Pine Island (4)</li><li>• Griffin/SW 90<sup>th</sup> Ave (3)</li></ul>

Traffic Citations	
<b>Total Citations</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Citations: 754 (52 related to school zone enforcement)</li><li>• Written Warnings: 521</li><li>• DUI Arrests: 2</li></ul>	<b>Top Types of Citations</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Speeding: 190</li><li>• Stop Sign Violation: 118</li><li>• No Proof of Insurance: 60</li></ul>

## Initiatives

- Public Safety Messaging: Multiple deployments of data driven message boards in support of education and enforcement efforts.
- Partnerships with City: On-going analysis of traffic situation surrounding Griffin Elementary School and Pioneer Middle School.
- Operation Ticket: 28 Hours, 70 Citations issued



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## COMMUNITY POLICING EVENTS

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**Catalytic Converter Theft Prevention Event.** On October 4<sup>th</sup>, the Broward Sheriff's Office Cooper City District hosted a Catalytic Converter Theft Prevention event to help residents protect their vehicles and reduce theft-related crimes. Attendees learned how to identify potential theft risks, mark their converters, and implement security measures to deter criminals.

**Clergy Brunch.** On October 7<sup>th</sup>, The Broward Sheriff's Office Cooper City District hosted a Clergy Brunch to strengthen partnerships between local faith leaders and law enforcement. The event provided an opportunity for open dialogue on community concerns, public safety initiatives, and collaborative efforts to enhance the quality of life for Cooper City residents.

**Youth Broward Leadership.** On October 9<sup>th</sup>, the Broward Sheriff's Office Cooper City District was honored to host students from the Youth Leadership Broward program for an afternoon of learning and engagement. Participants heard from Captain Tianga, who spoke about leadership, teamwork, and the role of law enforcement in community safety. The group also toured the Real Time Crime Center and observed a drone demonstration, gaining insight into how technology supports modern policing and crime prevention efforts.

**Senior Safety Seminar.** On October 14<sup>th</sup>, The Cooper City District hosted a Senior Safety Seminar focused on crime prevention, personal safety, and fraud awareness. Attendees learned valuable tips to stay safe at home and in the community, with resources provided to help recognize and report scams.

**Petal It Forward.** On October 15<sup>th</sup>, The Cooper City District participated in the annual Petal It Forward initiative, spreading kindness one bouquet at a time. Deputies joined local florist, De La Flor, in surprising residents with flowers — one to keep and one to give away — reminding everyone of the power of simple acts of kindness in building a stronger, more connected community.

**Booper City.** On October 17<sup>th</sup>, the Cooper City District participated in this year's Booper City event, joining residents for a fun and festive evening filled with family-friendly Halloween activities. Deputies enjoyed engaging with the community, sharing safety tips, and celebrating the season together.

**Bingo & Badges.** On October 22<sup>nd</sup>, residents enjoyed a fun-filled evening of Bingo & Badges with our deputies! Along with friendly competition and great prizes, the event featured an important crime prevention topic — Child ID Kits. Attendees learned how these kits can assist law enforcement in an emergency and received helpful tips on keeping children's information up to date and secure.

**Leadership Broward.** On October 23<sup>rd</sup>, we had the pleasure of welcoming participants from Leadership Broward for an engaging and informative visit. Attendees learned about the Broward Sheriff's Office's community initiatives, the Real-Time Crime Center, and the many ways we work



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collaboratively to keep our neighborhoods safe. The event included insightful discussions and a behind-the-scenes look at our commitment to public service.

**Trick-Or-Treat Shop to Shop.** On October 25<sup>th</sup>, BSO deputies joined families and local businesses for the annual Trick-or-Treat Shop-to-Shop event in Cooper City! Little ghosts and goblins filled the plaza, collecting candy, showing off creative costumes, and enjoying a safe and fun Halloween celebration. Events like this bring our community together and remind everyone that safety can be sweet!

## SOCIAL MEDIA INITIATIVES

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**Human Trafficking Awareness.** The Cooper City District remains committed to raising awareness about human trafficking and educating the community on recognizing the warning signs. Awareness and early reporting are key components of crime prevention—each tip or observation can help identify victims, disrupt trafficking networks, and prevent future crimes.

**Swatting Trend.** We took this opportunity to educate the community that swatting can lead to real emergencies being overlooked due to the diversion of resources. It is essential to educate the public about the signs of swatting and to encourage them to report any suspicious activity to the authorities.

**Domestic Violence Assistance.** We provided the community with domestic violence resources. Raising awareness helps victims recognize abuse early and seek help before situations escalate to serious harm. Assistance programs provide shelter, counseling, legal help, and advocacy – critical lifelines for those escaping abuse.

**See Something, Say Something.** We reminded the community that their voice could prevent harm. If something doesn't look right, trust your instincts and speak up. Early reporting of suspicious activity can stop crimes or dangerous situations before they occur. When people stay alert and speak up, criminals are less likely to target a community that's paying attention.

**9PM Routine Campaign.** Locking doors, securing vehicles, and removing valuables reduces the chance of burglaries and thefts. A nightly reminder helps residents develop consistent safety practices, making crime prevention second nature. When many neighbors follow the routine, it creates a collective effort that makes the entire community less of a target.

**Fraud Prevention Awareness.** The Cooper City District encouraged residents to stay alert and informed about the latest fraud and scam tactics targeting our community.

**Halloween Safety Awareness.** We reminded residents to make safety a priority this Halloween along with reinforcing that increased visibility, supervision, and awareness help prevent accidents and crime. Basic safety tips – such as traveling in groups, checking treats before eating them, and reporting suspicious activity – were given.



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## CODE ENFORCEMENT

Code Enforcement activity in October continued to show strong voluntary compliance (87.9%), with the vast majority of residents correcting issues after receiving education or a warning. The most common concerns remained bulk trash, parking design issues, commercial vehicles and trailers, house numbers, and unauthorized dumpsters.

October Statistics:	Distribution of Enforcement	Enforcement Focus
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Total Enforcement: 339</li><li>• Verbal Warnings: 25</li><li>• Courtesy Inspections: 0</li><li>• Re-Inspections: 104</li><li>• Civil Citation Warnings: 122</li><li>• Civil Citations: 41</li><li>• Parking Citations: 17</li><li>• Magistrate Referrals: 3 cases referred due to non-compliance</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Verbal Warnings: 25</li><li>• Civil Citation Warnings: 122 (45 normal, 77 sweep week)</li><li>• Code Civil Citations: 41 (24 normal, 17 sweep week)</li><li>• Parking Citations: 17</li><li>• Re-Inspections: 104</li><li>• Magistrate Referrals: 3 cases referred due to non-compliance</li></ul>	<p>The majority of violations involved:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Bulk trash</li><li>• Off-street parking design</li><li>• Commercial vehicles, boats, trailers, jet-skis, RVs, and vehicles with commercial insignia</li><li>• House Numbers</li><li>• Non-Franchise Dumpster</li></ul>

### Social Media Collaboration

Code Enforcement partnered with Cooper City PIO Michael Cobelo to successfully reintroduce the monthly “Know the Code” segment in the *Cooper City Weekly*. This month’s feature highlighted recent updates and existing changes to the City’s Code of Ordinances, with a special focus on educating residents about the revised parking ordinances. The segment included clear descriptions, visuals, and examples outlining the dos and “don’ts” of proper parking practices.



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## **EMPLOYEE COMMENDATIONS**

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On October 13<sup>th</sup>, Deputy Evgeny Yasinsky displayed exceptional compassion and initiative during two separate incidents. In the first, he went out of his way to comfort a distraught young woman, showing genuine empathy and care for a resident in crisis. Later that same shift, upon learning that a fellow deputy had a disabled vehicle on a poorly lit section of road, Deputy Yasinsky – despite being near the end of his shift – requested permission to respond and remained on scene to ensure the deputy's safety until assistance arrived. His actions exemplify a deep commitment to both community and coworkers.

On October 28<sup>th</sup>, Deputy Kelli Covet and K9 Anthem responded to a mutual-aid call from Lauderhill Police regarding a missing and endangered adult. Despite a seven-hour delay since the individual's disappearance, K9 Anthem successfully tracked the scent and located the individual about a quarter mile away, dehydrated and distressed. Upon contact, the individual reached out for Anthem, demonstrating an instant emotional connection. Deputy Covet skillfully transitioned from search operations to a calming engagement while waiting on the arrival of his caretaker. Their teamwork and compassion led to the safe recovery of a vulnerable adult and exemplified the skill and heart of this K9 team.