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DATE: 10/15/2026
TO: Doug Bergstrom, Town Administrator, Town of Georgia
FROM: John Grismore, Sheriff
RE: September Monthly Reporting

September Notes:

In September, we committed 126.5 hours of patrol services. During that time, we logged 64 total incidents of those, 33 were traffic stops. From the 33 traffic stops, we issued 44 warnings and 20 tickets. We noted a total of 13 speeding related offenses in September – which could indicate that numbers are declining – which is typical as the weather turns colder.

Notable Incidents:

26FRC001872 – Deputy seized 14.07 grams of cocaine from traffic stop (individual has not been charged yet).

26FRC001924 – Deputy seized .08 grams of cocaine from traffic stop.

Forward Looking:

We are looking forward to welcoming Cpl. Jeff Barriger back from his medical leave (he was the deputy injured in Fairfax earlier this year). Additionally, we are very close to hiring an additional full-time deputy to support our Patrol Services Unit. This will not only allow us to investigate additional patrol hours, but it will also give us the opportunity to reengage with the Governor's Highway Safety program and supplement our contract hours with additional traffic enforcement hours.

Report Summary:

	April	May	June	July	August	September
Total Hours Worked	81.5	79.5	81	207	159.5	126.5
Total Incidents	44	47	37	87	100	64
Incidents Per Hour Worked	0.54	0.59	0.46	0.42	0.63	0.51
Total Drug Involvements	0	0	0	0	0	2
Total Arrest Charges	8	4	3	3	3	3
Total Traffic Stops	31	25	21	59	61	33
Total Directed Patrols	3	7	2	4	14	5
Total Warnings Issued	23	22	10	73	73	44
Total Tickets Issued	16	22	16	30	18	20

Incident Data:

Traffic Stop	33
Directed Patrol	5
Motor Vehicle Complaint	5
Theft	4
Assist - Agency	3
Drugs	2
Accident - Injury to person(s)	1
Accident - Property damage only	1
Animal Problem	1
Assist - Motorist	1
Assist - Public	1
Eluding Police	1
Informational	1
Suspicious Event	1
Theft of MV	1
Threats/Harassment	1
VIN verification	1
Welfare Check	1

Arrest Data:

Retail Theft (Misdemeanor)	2
Drugs - Cocaine, Possession Misdemeanor	1

Motor Vehicle Enforcement Data:

VO - Ordinances In Municipalities	7
FYY - Stop Sign	6
S02 - 11-20 MPH Over Speed Limit	6
SL2 - 11-20 MPH Over Speed Limit	6
DEF - Condition Of Vehicle	5
DLT - Driving On Roadways Laned For Traffic	4
DP - Failed To Display Front Registration Plate	3
INS - Operating Without Liability Insurance	3
NR - Persons Required To Register	3
PNA - Misuse Of Number Plates	3
VNI - Vehicle Not Inspected Within 15 Days Of Vt. Registration	3
CEL - Using Portable Electronic Device Outside Work or School Zone 1st violation	2
OSC - Operating After Suspension/Revocation/Refusal	2
OWS - Obstructing Windshields	2
AEI - Vehicle Approaching Or Entering Intersection	1
BR - 11-20 MPH Over Speed Limit	1
DP2 - Failed to Display Rear Registration Plate or Failed to Display Both Registration Plates	1
IRV - Interstate Highway Regulations	1
LBK - Limitations On Backing	1
S03 - 21-30 MPH Over Speed Limit	1
SIG - Signals Required	1
SL1 - 1-10 MPH Over Speed Limit	1
SPV - Starting Parked Vehicles	1

Community Correspondence:

Date	Mode	Contact Name	Information/Concern	Action(s) Taken
09/04/26	Email	Kevin Barnum	"Howdy! I live at 498 Sandy Birch Rd and I've been quite concerned with the level of speeding happening daily on our road, it's resulted in near misses, and more recently some beloved neighborhood cars getting hit. I totally understand you guys are probably stretched so thin and short staffed but I just want to ask if you could do a couple speed traps on our road to help remind the community it is indeed a 35mph zone and there are children and families and small furry friends that ride/walk our roads. If not I get it, I just felt like I had to say something about this noticeable increase in dangerous and distracted driving on our road. Best wishes and much care Kevin Barnum, Homeowner"	Information was pushed out to the patrol services unit as well as shared with our VSP partners.
09/25/26	Via VSP	Anonymous	"Friday at 5:15 pm a car with 2 people pulled into willow way, Georgia vt and started dumpster diving through construction debris in a new house site.	Information was pushed out to the patrol services unit.

			People were obviously taken copper, metal objects, soda bottles, etc. Both were very obviece but driving a newer model vehicle. Told them a stop stealing and they scattered."	
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