



Shallotte Police Department January 2025 Report

Highlights

- SPD 1112 had Calls for Service and Self-Initiated incidents.
- 208 Volunteer Services hours.
- 32 Traffic Accident investigations.
- Patrol issued 67 citations.
- Chief Stanley and Major Gravino attended NC Association of Chiefs Conference
- CPR Class was held at PD for volunteer staff. 14 volunteers attended.
- Sergeant Baker was awarded Commendation Medal for his efforts in the NCGHSP.
- Officer Hunter Whaley was presented the Officer of the Year Award.

Investigation and Incident Summary

The Shallotte Police Department's Investigative Division managed 24 cases in January. The division filed charges in seven cases, which included seven misdemeanors and seven felonies, while obtaining two search warrants.

Their efforts led to the recovery of \$5,727.09 in stolen merchandise from local businesses. Detectives focused heavily on four high-priority cases. Details of these key cases are provided below.

1. Missing Child (Recovered):

A juvenile was reported missing on December 23, 2024 after the parents failed to comply with a custody order issued by the Department of Social Services. Law enforcement and social services conducted extensive searches, including visits to the father's and mother's last known addresses, hotel searches, and a review of surveillance footage. Attempts to contact the father included phone calls and arranging meetings in both North Carolina and South Carolina, but cooperation was not achieved.

On January 10, 2025, law enforcement located the child in a camper near Sunset Harbor and transferred custody to social services per the court order. The missing persons case was closed following the recovery.



2. Larceny of Motor Vehicle:

On January 8, 2025, detectives were alerted to a stolen vehicle belonging to a B&B Crane LLC. Investigators confirmed that a 2005 Ford Ranger had been stolen on the night of January 6, 2025. B&B Crane LLC. provided GPS data and a map showing the truck's route, which led detectives to the wrecked vehicle.

On the same night, a male individual was arrested by deputies for breaking into a nearby residence and damaging property. The individual was charged with felony larceny of a motor vehicle, breaking and entering a motor vehicle, and injury to personal property. The stolen vehicle was recovered and returned to B&B Crane LLC., case closed.

3. Misdemeanor Discharge of Firearm in City Limits:

On Tuesday, January 21, 2024, at 3:30 PM, officers were dispatched to Walmart at 4540 Main Street in response to a report of shots fired in the store's restroom. Dispatch indicated that the firearm discharge was accidental, and the individual involved had left the store. The store manager, who had received the report from the employee, called 911. Officers were successful in collected the spent projectile from the restroom partition. This incident remains under investigation by the detective division.

4. Armed Robbery:

On Tuesday, January 21, 2025, at 3:09 AM, the Shallotte Police Department was called to the Scotchman at 359 Whiteville Road after reports of an armed robbery. Upon arrival, officers spoke with the store employee, who explained that a male suspect had entered the store, pointed a gun at him, and demanded money. The suspect then fled the scene on foot, heading down Bridger's Road, taking \$80 in cash from the register.

Detectives responded to the scene, where they began gathering evidence, including statements from the employee and video footage of the robbery. However, the investigation is still ongoing with few leads at this time.