## Hartsville Police Department



**Monthly Report** 

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The Hartsville Police department employs 35 sworn positions, 3 civilians, and 8 crossing guards



Since last August tickets show a gradual downward trend overall, despite some peaks. Since September of 2016, Citations have been trending upwards. With new hires to fill the gaps and improved morale, tickets have steadily increased. Feb numbers were our highest since June of 2016.



Arrests on average are around 135 persons per month. Despite some peaks and drops, for the most parts arrests are pretty stable. August had a false spike in arrests; that is attributable to 73 cases of prescription fraud perpetrated by two individuals. The real number should be closer to 148, slightly above average. In the last four months there has been a decline in arrests, however in February we began saturation events in response to recent violent crimes. February arrests were the highest in the previous 12 months.

## Arrestees and Victims

On average, between 50-65% of arrested persons come from outside the city limits, showing that we serve many more people than our in-town population.

In February, there were 234 arrests, including 16 Juveniles.

## Crime Types

Arrests consisted of the following: (Major categories, not inclusive of all arrests):

Shopliftings – 21 (55% from outside city)
Thefts/Burglary – 5 (80% from outside city)
Forgery/Fraud – 83 (10% from outside city)
Drug Offenses – 42 (62% from outside city)
DUI/Drunkeness- 22 (64% from outside city)
Assaults- 10 (45% from outside city)
Weapons Violations 4 (25% from outside city)

Totals for all arrests (including those not listed above) 96 of 234 people arrested (41%) live outside the city limits.