Hartsville Police Department



Monthly Report

March 2019

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The Hartsville Police department employs 36 sworn positions, 3 civilians, and 8 crossing guards



Spring and Summer 2018 showed a marked increase in citations, however fall and winter showed the usual slump. May showed our highest rates of ticket issuance for the previous 12 months. Hurricanes had a drastic impact on citations in September and October. Officers were involved with Hurricane preparation and flood mitigation, and wrote fewer tickets. January and March showed an increase with a February slump.



March had a huge spike in arrests, due in large part to Operation Spring Freeze. April-June had shown a gradual drop towards average, with a large percentage of offenders being from outside the City limits. October had a marked decrease in arrests, however Arrests began returning to more of a normal level. Although November to December showed a slight decrease, there was not as much as an arrest slump as there was a citation slump. January had a huge rise in arrests followed by a slump towards average, whilst March showed a slight increase.

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 March there were 174 arrests, including 11 Juveniles.

Crime Types

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

Shopliftings – 32 (81% from outside city) Assaults – 8 (62% from outside city) Robbery -1 (100% from outside city) Burglary -5 (20% from outside city) Thefts -5 (60% from outside city) Forgery/Fraud – Drug Offenses – DUI/Drunkeness-13 (85% from outside city) 31 (65% from outside city) 26 (65% from outside city) 2 (50% from outside city) Weapons Violations-

Totals for all arrests (including those not listed above) 121 of 174 people arrested (70%) live outside the city limits.