Hartsville Police Department



Monthly Report

November 2018

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



January and February showed a slump in Citations, as is usual for Winter, however Spring and Summer showed a marked increase. May showed our highest rates of ticket issuance for the previous 12 months. Our DUI officer is responsible for 24% of the tickets issued this month. Hurricanes had a drastic impact on citations in September and October. Officers were involved with Hurricane preparation and flood mitigation, and wrote fewer tickets. November Citations showed an increase.



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. Hurricane Florence did not impact arrests as much as citations, because even right up until the Hurricane arrived, people were still getting arrested. October had a marked decrease in arrests, however Arrests began returning to more of a normal level.

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 November there were 168 arrests, including 7 Juveniles.

Crime Types

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

Shopliftings – 25 (64% from outside city) Assaults – 6 (50% from outside city) Robbery -4 (25% from outside city) Burglary -3 (0% from outside city) Thefts -6 (50% from outside city) Forgery/Fraud – 12 (58% from outside city) Drug Offenses – 42 (64% from outside city) DUI/Drunkeness-18 (94% from outside city) Weapons Violations-2 (50% from outside city) Indecent Exposure -1 (100% from inside city)

Totals for all arrests (including those not listed above) 106 of 168 people arrested (63%) live outside the city limits.