Hartsville Police Department



Monthly Report

October 2019

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



August 2018 showed our highest rates of ticket issuance for the previous 12 months. April through July of 2019 have returned to levels seen in late fall of 2018, however there was a decent spike this August, for unknown reasons, and again in October.



Arrests over the past few months have slowly dropped off. July showed the lowest number of arrests of the past 12 months, however there was a jump in August due in part to Operation Summer Freeze. Otherwise, the cause of the slump is unknown, however we are down three patrol officers. Without the 45 arrests from Operation Summer Freeze, we would have been at 165 Arrests, which is closer to the average.

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 October there were 126 arrests, including 13 Juveniles. The number of Juveniles will increase as the "Raise the Age" law now considers those 17 years old to be Juveniles.

Crime Types

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

Shopliftings – 9 (100% from outside city)
Assaults – 6 (80% from outside city)
Robbery - 1 (100% from outside city)
Burglary - 5 (0% from outside city)
Thefts - 9 (77% from outside city)
Drug Offenses – 24 (50% from outside city)
DUI/Drunkeness- 19 (79% from outside city)

Totals for all arrests (including those not listed above) 81 of 126 people arrested (64%) live outside the city limits.