

2015 Year-End Review Report



Waxhaw Police Department Mission Statement

The Waxhaw Police Department, as part of and empowered by the community, is committed to a safe and peaceful environment, rendering aid to those in need, and protecting the lives, property, and rights of residents and visitors.

We shall provide the highest degree of ethical behavior, professional conduct and quality police services. We shall actively seek to identify community problems and their solutions, enhancing the quality of life in our community.

The Waxhaw Police Department shall provide honest, fair and efficient law enforcement to all people within its jurisdiction by:

- A. Endeavoring to maintain the peace and tranquility in our community.
- B. Vigorously pursuing and arresting known criminals in the Town of Waxhaw.
- C. Educating the public and citizens in crime prevention and encouraging them to take safeguards to avoid becoming a victim of a crime.
- D. Providing prompt and fair enforcement of local, state and federal laws to all people.

The Waxhaw Police Department was created in 1889. For many years the department was a one-man operation. As time went the Town's population grew, and so did the police department. By the late 1990's there were eight sworn officers. In 2003 the Town of Waxhaw started to change, and grow dramatically. Over the last fifteen years our police department has grown from 8 to 26 full time sworn officers, 2 Administrative assistants, and 5 unpaid reserve officers. Of these officers 17 of them are uniformed officers in the patrol division the remainder are community police officers, detectives, and Command Staff. The Waxhaw Police Department services a population of approximately 17,000 and an area of about 12 square miles. Our patrol area includes three schools, local businesses, several parks, and numerous residential neighborhoods. Our agency is comprised of several different units such as, patrol division, narcotics, criminal investigations, SWAT team, and the community Police unit.

In 2015, the Waxhaw Police Department received 24,808 calls for service. Of those calls for service 173 were Part I crimes which include murders, rapes, robberies, assaults, burglaries, larcenies, theft of motor vehicles and arsons. We also had 707 that were Part II crimes. Part II crimes consisted of other offenses that occurred in 2015. In addition to our officers responding to these crimes, they also wrote 3,079 traffic citations as well as responded to 304 traffic accidents throughout the year. Each year officers are required to complete 27 hours of in-service training by the North Carolina Criminal Justice Training and Standards. On top of these required hours by the State, our department completed 1,670 hours of continuing education classes. In closing the Waxhaw Police Department has implemented a culture of community policing. We believe that it is a philosophy that promotes organizational strategies, which supports the systematic use of partnerships and problem solving techniques, to proactively

address the immediate conditions that give rise to the public safety issues. We as a department completed numerous community police events listed below.

Waxhaw Police Department Community Events

- D.A.R.E. for homeschoolers at Police Department
- Cub Scouts – 6 Presentations segmented into groups of 11, 14, 8, 20, 16, 9
- Girl Scouts – 2 Presentations segmented into groups of 13, 16
- Business 1 on 1 meetings – 37 total meetings through the year
- HOA Meetings – 6 attended
- Police Department Tours – Groups segmented in numerical and word order: 27, 28, 8, and the Chapel Hill Police Department
- Community Service – 43 days of community service recorded
- Safe Kids meetings attended – 12 meetings attended to excluded the awards luncheon which is listed below
- DARE Program – Kensington Elementary (150 Kids), 11-week program; meeting dates were every Tuesday and Thursday. Waxhaw Elementary 125 Kids (Schedule varied)
- Kensington Elementary Boosterthon – Feb. 12th 350 kids present at this event
- Legal Shield Identity Theft Class – Feb. 12th
- DARE Graduation – Feb. 13th
- Father Daughter Dance – Kensington Elementary Feb. 20th
- Citizens Police Academy (2 classes)

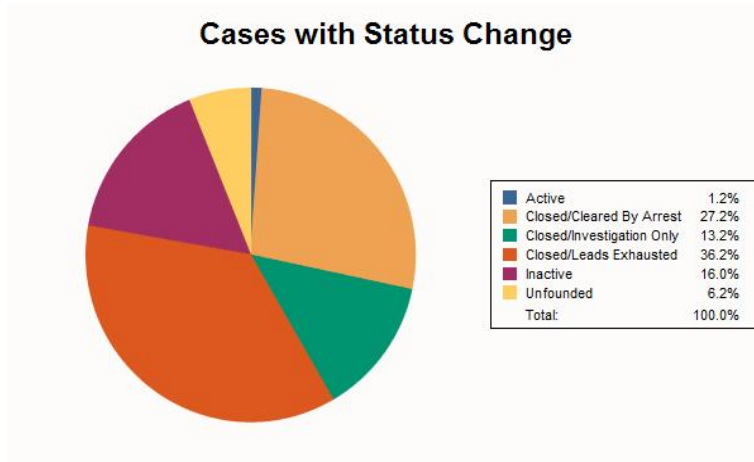
- School Visits – Bonds Grove Church Preschool on Feb. 20th 100 kids, Waxhaw Elementary
Feb. 27th
- Waxhaw Elementary Fundraiser – Feb. 27th
- Board Interview – March 5th
- Waxhaw Business Association Meetings – third Wednesday of every month
- Waxhaw Elementary Recreation Night
- Parenting in the Digital Age – March 25th 18 people
- Kensington Elementary School Trip – Biz Town, March 31st, 75 Kids
- Waxhaw Elementary Bullying Class – April 1st
- Rotary Club Presentation – April 16th
- Safe Kids Day – Tonawanda Park, Monroe NC, April 18th
- Waxhaw Elementary Trip – Parkwood Middle School, 125 Kids, April 21st
- Field Day at Kensington Elementary – April 27th
- Neighborhood Watch Prescott Neighborhood – April 30th
- Kensington Elementary Trip – Cuthbertson Middle School
- Explorer Competition Event – CMPD training Academy, May 2nd
- Safe kids Bike to School Day – May 6th
- White Oak Manor Senior Citizen Event
- DARE Graduation at Waxhaw Elementary – 300 people, May 15th
- Spring Fest – May 15th
- VIP for VIP Event – Cuthbertson high School
- First Friday – Attending everyone last year

- Rising 6th Grade Parents Night – Cuthbertson Middle School, May 21st
- Memorial Day Ceremony, May 25th
- Church Visit – May 27th
- Town Softball Tournament – May 30th
- Meeting – School Administrators, June 1st
- Waxhaw Elementary School Visit, June 4th
- 5th Grade Graduation – Cuthbertson Middle School, June 9th
- Last Day of School – Kensington School Trip to Sports Connection, June 10th
- Neighborhood Watch Meeting – Prescott Neighborhood
- Fourth of July Parade & Fireworks
- Teen Driver Instructor Clinic – VIR
- Woman’s Safety and Self-Defense Cass – July 16th
- Skate Park Grand Opening – July 1st
- Cancer Fundraiser – Softball Tournament Aug. 1st
- National Night Out – Aug. 3rd
- United Methodist Church Event – 18 kids
- Child Development Center – Bullying and Child Safety Class: 50 kids Aug. 18th, Sept. 21st 50 kids again.
- Ride Along – 1
- Skate After Dark Event – Aug. 21st
- Hillcrest Block Party – Aug. 22nd, 50 people
- First Day of School – Cuthbertson Middle & High, and Parkwood Middle School Visit

- Board Interview
- DARE – Kensington Elementary School 150 people
- 911 Memorial Service
- Church Visit
- Kensington After School Visit – 2
- Autumn Treasure – Oct. 10th – 11th
- Marvin Elementary School Visit
- Movie Night Kensington – Oct. 16th
- Cancer Walk – Oct. 18th
- Kensington Elementary Trip – Camp thunderbird, Oct. 22nd – 23rd
- Cystic Fibrosis Event – Oct. 24th
- Boy Scout Event – Waxhaw Volunteer Fire Department, Waxhaw Police Department, and Union EMS held a joint event for the Boy Scouts, 140 kids
- Veterans Day Ceremony Nov. 11th
- Senior citizen Luncheon – Dec. 4th
- Ginger Snap 5k – December 5th
- Menorah Lighting
- Light up Millbridge Event – Dec. 12th
- Christmas Parade – Dec. 13th

Other events include – Ribbon Cutting Ceremonies, Business owner events, traffic stops, responding to calls for service, etc...

Waxhaw Police Department Investigations



Active 3

Closed/Cleared By Arrest 66

Closed/Investigation Only 32

Closed/Leads Exhausted 88

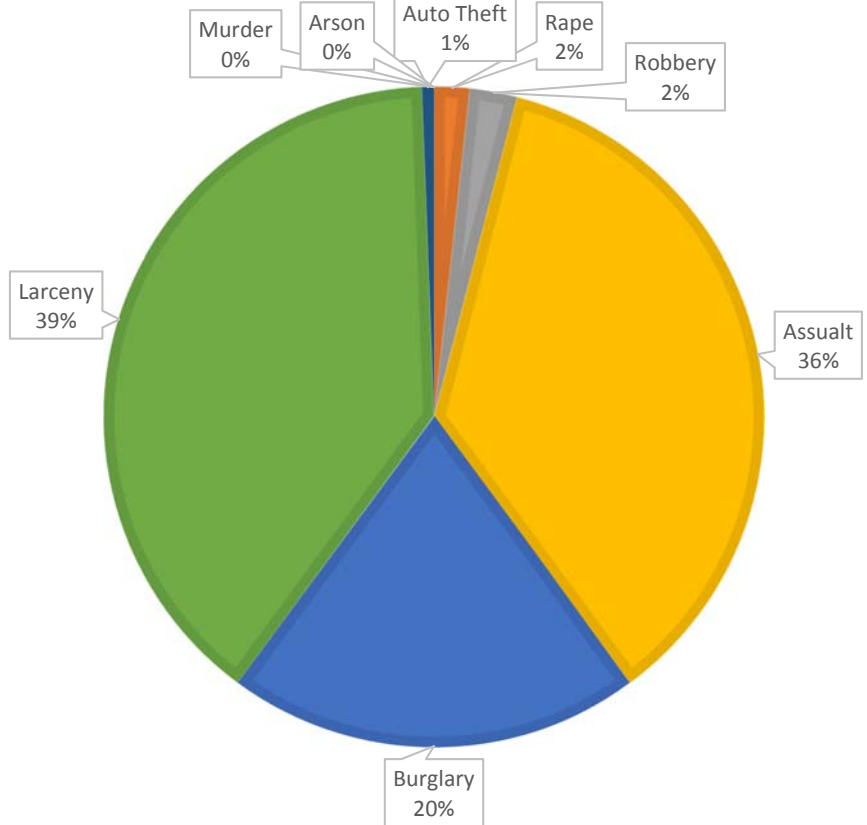
Inactive 39

Unfounded 15

Total: 243

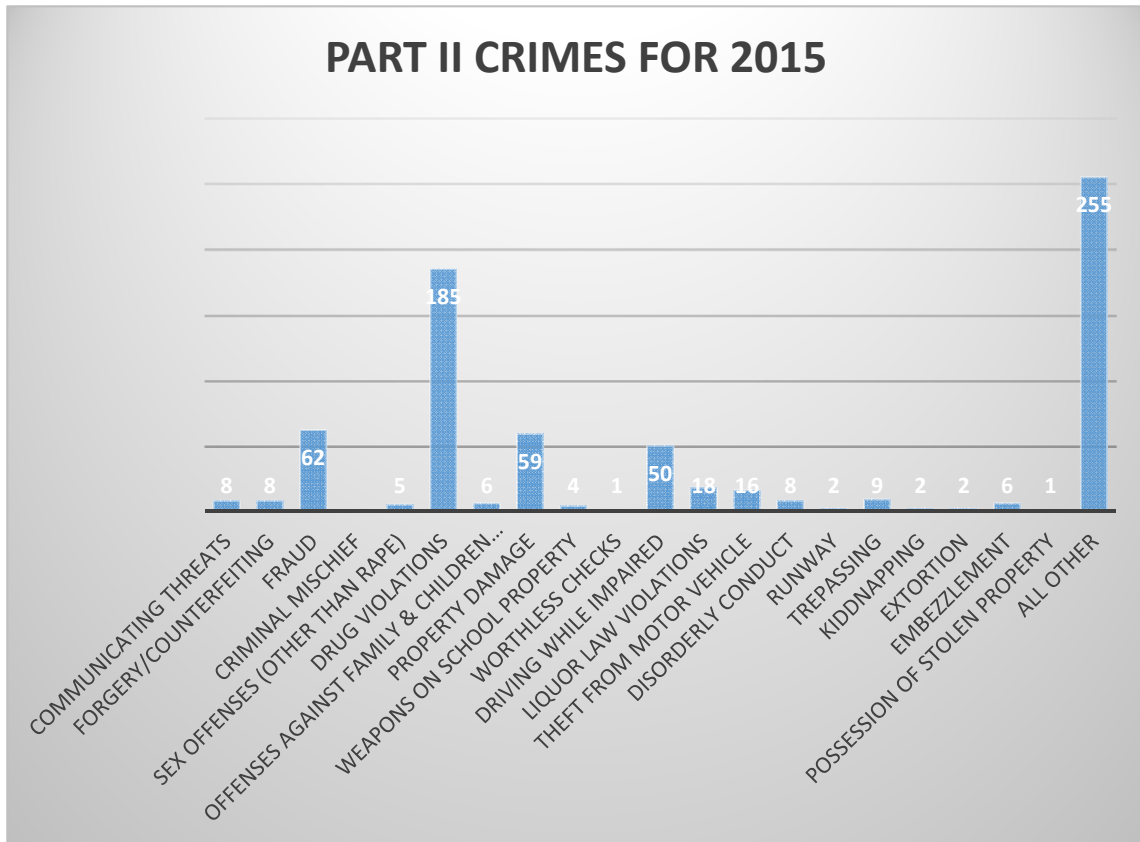
PART I CRIMES FOR 2015

■ Murder
 ■ Rape
 ■ Robbery
 ■ Assault
 ■ Burglary
 ■ Larceny
 ■ Auto Theft
 ■ Arson



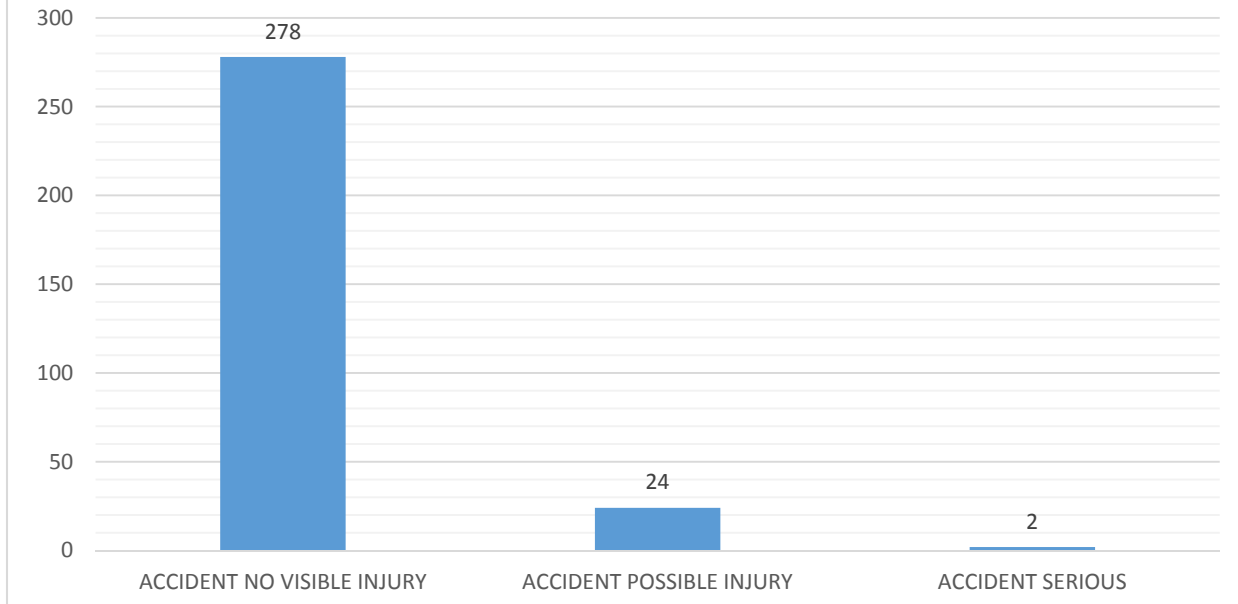
Murder	0
Rape	3
Robbery	4
Assault	62
Burglary	35
Larceny	68
Auto Theft	1
Arson	0
 Total	 173

PART II CRIMES FOR 2015

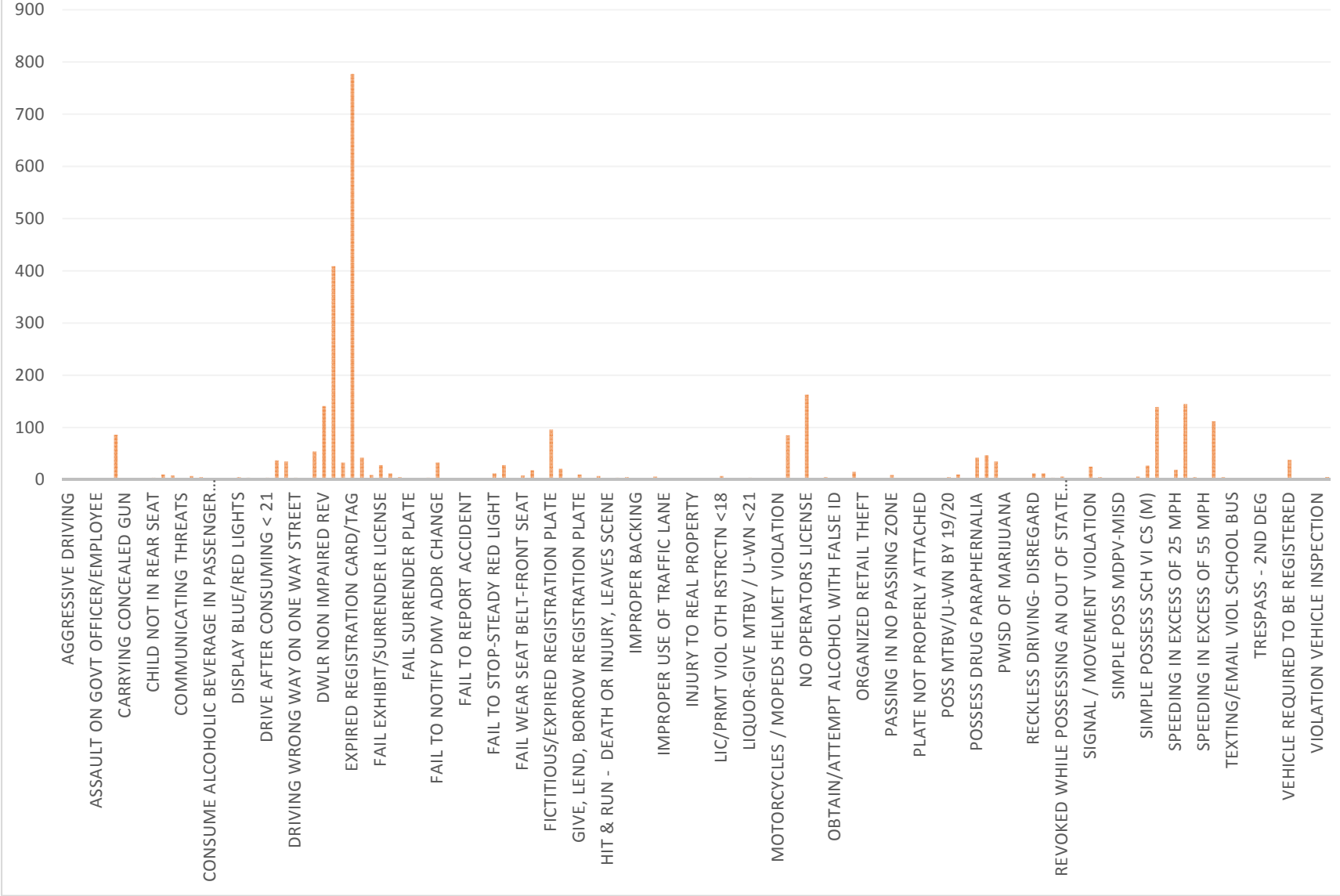


Communicating Threats	8
Forgery/Counterfeiting	8
Fraud	62
Criminal Mischief	
Sex Offenses (other than rape)	5
Drug Violations	185
Offenses Against Family & Children (Stalking)	6
Property Damage	59
Weapons on School Property	4
Worthless Checks	1
Driving While Impaired	50
Liquor Law Violations	18
Theft from Motor Vehicle	16
Disorderly Conduct	8
Runway	2
Trespassing	9
Kidnapping	2
Extortion	2
Embezzlement	6
Possession of Stolen Property	1
All other	255
Total	707

2015 Accidents



2015 Citations Issued



Awards & Grants Received by Waxhaw Police Department

- #1 city in North Carolina to raise a young family in
- 7th safest city in North Carolina
- 11th city in North Carolina for fewest traffic fatalities
- \$15,000 grant was awarded for Tasers and less lethal shotguns
- \$60,000 grant was awarded from the Governor's Highway Safety Program for vehicles and an officer.
- \$75,000 grant was awarded for the Police Department Firearms Simulator