

Kernersville Police Department



Annual Report 2025

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History of the Kernersville Police Department

Kernersville is centrally located within Forsyth County in the Piedmont Triad region of North Carolina.

In 1871 William Stockton is known to be the first policeman in Kernersville with Frank Linville and Will Gamble serving as police officers in the late 1890's. In the early 1900's, Kernersville operated under the constable form of law enforcement, which often required lighting of the street lamps as well as the "keeping of the peace".

One of the Town's noted constables was George Fontaine whose law enforcement career included membership in the North Carolina State Highway Patrol and service as Assistant Sheriff of Forsyth County under Sheriff Ernie Shore.

In the early 1940's the Kernersville Police Department, as we know it today, came into existence. The first known Police Chief in the 1940's was Chief Matthews, who hired and worked with Police Officer Dewey Sykes. Later, Dewey Sykes served as Chief of Police from 1945 through 1966, a period in excess of 21 years. Chief Grady H. Stockton served as Chief of Police from 1966 until 1984, a period of 18 years. His son, Chief Grady C. "Neal" Stockton, was the longest serving Chief of Police serving from 1984 to 2009 a period of 25 years. Chief Kenneth W. Gamble served for three years from 2009 until 2013. Chief Scott A. Cunningham served as Chief of Police from 2013 to 2017. Chief Tim Summers served as Chief of Police from 2017 to 2023. Current Chief Jason Tilley was promoted June 1, 2023.



About Our Agency

Our Mission

The mission of the Kernersville Police Department is to ensure police services are provided for, and with, the community in a legal, ethical and professional manner.

Our Vision

Our vision as stewards of the community is to provide the highest quality of life and public safety, through integrity and compassion in partnership with our community, while engaging and supporting our employees.

Our Core Values

Sanctity of Life

Human life should be regarded as sacred, and it is our responsibility to ensure its protection and utmost respect at all times.

Integrity

The act of remaining true to oneself and one's principles, even in challenging situations.

Service

The Kernersville Police Department is committed to enhancing the quality of life for all residents by providing a higher level of service.

Professionalism

The Kernersville Police Department is committed to maintaining a competent, well-trained, and fully equipped staff that is dedicated, compassionate, and empathetic.

Commitment

As members of the Kernersville Police Department, we are dedicated to serving our community, representing our department with honor, and supporting each other in our duties.

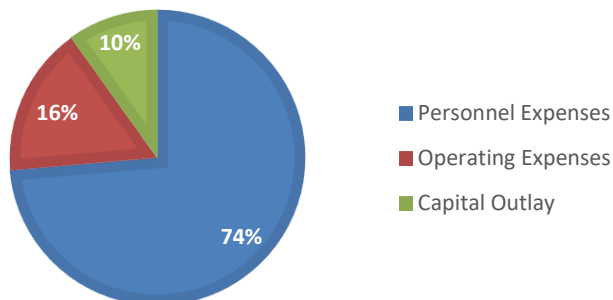
Teamwork

Members of the Kernersville Police Department understand quality of life and public safety are maximized by the combined actions and collaborative efforts from both, the police department and the community.

2025 Agency Demographics

Sworn	Male	Female	Asian	Black	Hispanic	White
Total						
70	66	4	0	1	2	68
Non-Sworn	Male	Female	Asian	Black	Hispanic	White
Total						
20	2	18	0	0	4	16

2023 - 2024 BUDGET BREAKDOWN



Budget Trends

	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
Personnel Expenses	7,231,139	7,412,959	7,948,615	8,447,506	9,578,379
Operating Expenses	1,192,176	1,302,127	1,630,952	1,732,626	2,139,319
Capital Outlay	786,609	981,455	899,000	1,109,280	1,284,865
Total	9,209,924	9,696,541	10,478,567	11,288,412	13,003,463

Message from the Chief

As I address the esteemed community of Kernersville today, I wish to begin by expressing my profound appreciation for the exceptional individuals of the Kernersville Police Department. Your unwavering dedication, selflessness, and tireless commitment to serving and safeguarding our community are both acknowledged and deeply valued. Each day, you face challenges with professionalism and compassion, embodying the highest principles of integrity and service. It is your diligence and steadfast dedication that help make Kernersville a safer and more vibrant place to live.

On behalf of our entire community, I extend heartfelt gratitude for your sacrifices and enduring service.

The 2025 Annual Report from the Kernersville Police Department provides a comprehensive overview of the department's accomplishments and its ongoing efforts to maintain peace and order in our town. The report highlights the department's collaborative initiatives with citizens, business owners, and civic organizations—all aimed at ensuring Kernersville remains a safe and welcoming environment in which to live, work, shop, and enjoy recreational activities.

Our police department is composed of both sworn officers and civilian staff, all of whom work diligently around the clock to support the high quality of life that our residents and visitors enjoy. The Chief of Police commends the dedication and commitment of all employees and emphasizes that while mistakes may occur, the values of accountability and transparency remain essential to delivering lawful, ethical, and professional service.

The report also underscores the importance of ongoing evaluation and enhancement of services, policies, and procedures, key components in providing an even higher standard of service to our community. Though the department continues to face challenges, such as filling vacancies without compromising its high hiring standards, the continued dedication of the staff is evident in the town's low crime rates and the strong sense of community safety.

Moreover, the report expresses sincere appreciation for the vital support provided by Town Manager Curtis Swisher, along with the Mayor and the Board of Aldermen. Their leadership and commitment play an essential role in ensuring the safety and well-being of our community.

In conclusion, the Kernersville Police Department stands as a commendable organization, steadfast in its mission to serve and protect. Through collaboration with citizens, local businesses, and civic groups, the department remains devoted to preserving peace and order. The quality of life we enjoy in Kernersville is a direct reflection of the tireless efforts of these dedicated professionals. With continued support from our town leadership and a shared commitment to progress, we are confident that Kernersville will remain a secure and thriving community for all.

Sincerely,



Jason Tilley
Chief of Police

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

Provide a great work environment that attracts and retains diverse quality personnel, rewards excellence, and enhances the skills and opportunities for all who work for the Kernersville Police Department.

- Ensure that hiring standards are upheld rigorously for the benefit of both the agency and the community.
- Promote leadership development and provide one-on-one coaching through Performance Protocol.
- Offer educational support to our staff members who wish to pursue an Associate's or Bachelor's Degree from an accredited college.
- Provide employee assistance for mental health and stress-related issues through Atrium's Pastoral Team.
- Collaborate with Human Resources to work on raising current pay grades and starting pay through the department's salary study.

Deliver a higher level of service.

- Inform, educate, and collaborate with the community on public safety.
- Participate, monitor, and enhance social media for department announcements, news, and information.
- Partner with the community for social events such as "Coffee with a Cop", "National Night Out", and Chamber of Commerce events.
- Increase public participation from citizens and businesses in the Real-Time Crime Center and camera registry program.
- Increase the number of License Plate Readers (LPRs) in the department, utilizing the current advancements in LPR technology.

Preserve the peace and maintain a high quality of life for all citizens.

- Continue to utilize crime analysis and the GIS Administrator to be proactive in combating crime.
- Enhance the frequency and visibility of patrol activities to effectively deter and prevent criminal activity.
- Engage proactively with citizens, homeowners' associations, business owners, and other stakeholders to cultivate partnerships that mitigate criminal activity and enhance overall community quality of life.
- Utilize every division to focus on crime trends, problems, and citizen concerns in Kernersville.
- It is essential to continue educating the public and promoting the registration of residential and business surveillance cameras with the Real-Time Crime Center. This initiative will significantly enhance the ability to support investigations and foster a safer community.

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

Continue to focus on roadway safety and traffic-related problems.

- Utilize advanced tactics to enforce roadway safety.
- Promote safe driving practices through various events, to effectively educate the community on the importance of roadway safety.
- Focus on high-risk areas and work towards minimizing or eliminating hazardous traffic zones.
- Install electronic speed limit signs in necessary areas to encourage voluntary compliance with speed limits.
- Upgrade Traffic Team equipment, specifically purchase new radar trailers.

Continue to evaluate agency effectiveness and efficiency.

- Revise methods and resources to effectively achieve KPD's mission.
- Review and redistribute tasks, as necessary, to meet the needs of the department and the town.
- Listen to the concerns shared by the community; take action to ensure a strong partnership.
- Complete Zone Analysis and realign patrol zones as necessary for maximum efficiency and effectiveness.
- Continuously assess and update policies and procedures, incorporating best practices for law enforcement services, while maintaining CALEA Accreditation.

Command Staff



Eric Pittman

Patrol Services Bureau Commander

Assistant Chief Pittman began his career with the KPD in 2005. In 2008, he was assigned to the Traffic Team, followed by the Highway Interdiction Team in 2011. He transferred to the Narcotics Division in 2013, where he served as a Detective until his promotion to Sergeant in Patrol in 2017. In 2019, he was promoted to Lieutenant in Patrol, a role he held until his promotion to Captain in 2021. That position was later renamed Assistant Chief, which he continues to serve in today.



Damien Marotz

Investigative and Technical Services
Bureau Commander

Assistant Chief Marotz began his career with the KPD in 2002. Prior to that, he served as a Forsyth County Special Deputy with Forsyth Technical Community College. In 2010, he was promoted to Sergeant, serving in Patrol and the School Resource Officer Unit until 2015. He was then promoted to Lieutenant in 2015, where he worked in Patrol and Special Operations. In 2023, he was promoted to Captain, a position that was later renamed Assistant Chief, which he currently holds.



Natalie McGhee

Police Services Manager

Natalie began her career with the KPD in 2005 in the Records Division. In 2009 she transferred into the Administrative Division where she worked as an Administrative Services Assistant and then Accreditation Manager. In 2015 she was promoted to Police Services Manager.



Lisa Hutchens

Police Operations
Specialist



**Kimberly
Dennings**

Police Operations
Specialist



Jason Tilley
Chief of Police

The Department is led by Chief of Police, Jason Tilley. Chief Tilley was appointed to his position in June of 2023. Prior to that, he served as the Department's Patrol Captain. Jason Tilley's career in law enforcement began in 2003 as a Police Officer for the Winston-Salem Police Department. For nearly 20 years he has served the Kernersville Police Department joining the department in 2004. He has served in many different leadership roles within the department including Sergeant on Patrol and Traffic Teams, and Lieutenant on Patrol and over the Criminal Investigative Division. He has been Lead Firearms Instructor, SWAT Team Commander, and Professional Standards Lieutenant. In 2017 he was promoted to Captain over the Uniform Patrol Division, Special Operations Division and SWAT. Tilley holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Criminal Justice from American Military University.

Our Department

Kernersville has a population of 28,760 and covers approximately 19.34 square miles.

The Kernersville Police Department has 71 sworn and 20 non-sworn authorized positions with four major components: Office of the Chief of Police, Patrol Services Bureau, Investigative and Technical Services Bureau, and Support Services Bureau. Each of these components encompasses the various divisions and units within the department.

Our Community

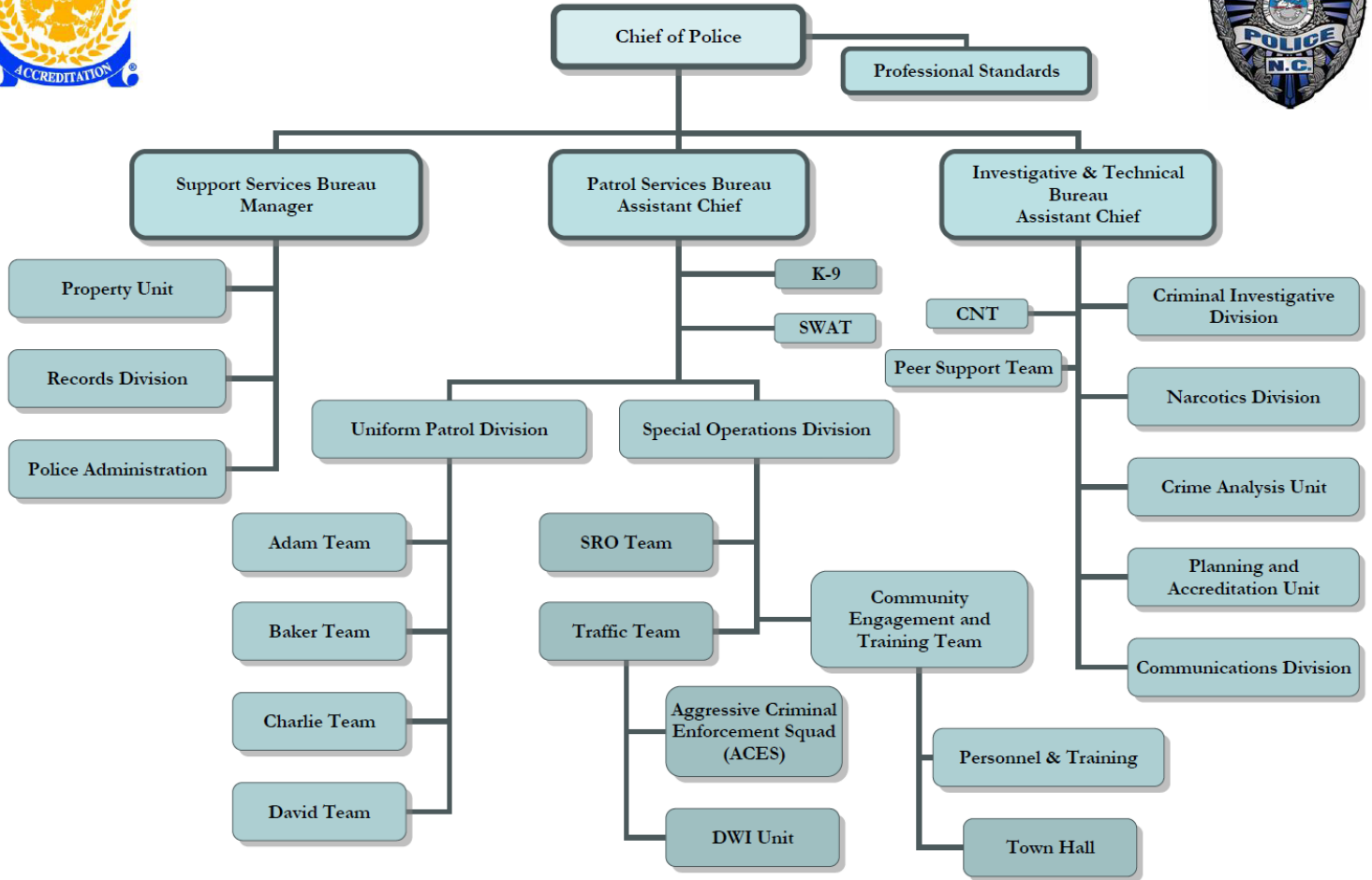
The Kernersville community continuously supports their police department. A heartfelt appreciation and thanks to all those who continue to show their loyalty.



Organizational Chart



Organizational Chart Kernersville Police



Lieutenants



Derek Marion
Patrol - Adam Team
Serving Since 2004



Michael Pearson
Patrol - Baker Team
Serving Since 2002



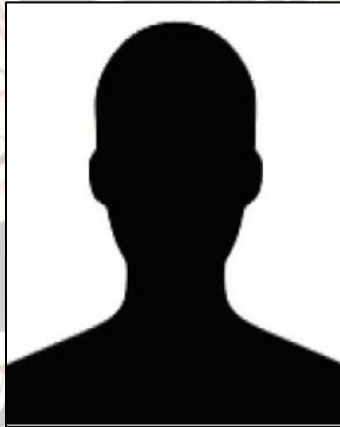
Dan Wemyss
Patrol - Charlie Team
Serving Since 2000



Lance Branham
Patrol - David Team
Serving Since 2014



James Deeney
Special Operations
Serving Since 2004



D. M. Ridings
Narcotics
Serving Since 2000



Frank Sanchez
Criminal Investigations
Serving Since 2016

Sergeants



Corey McRae
Patrol – Adam Team
Serving Since 2017



Austin Harmel
Patrol – Baker Team
Serving Since 2015



Sawyer Highfill
Patrol – Charlie Team
Serving Since 2016



Brian Whitaker
Patrol – David Team
Serving Since 2004



Samuel Johnson
Traffic Team
Serving Since 2015



Kevin Bowden
School Resource Officers
Serving Since 2005



Blake Jones
Community Engagement
Serving Since 2005

Civilian Supervisors



Amy Clewis
Communications
Serving Since 2012



Amanda Manners
Communications
Serving Since 2023



Kynlee Hernandez
Records
Serving Since 2000





Patrol Services Bureau

Assistant Chief E.A. Pittman

The Uniform Patrol and Special Operations Divisions are commanded by Assistant Chief E. A. Pittman. Uniformed Patrol consists of four platoons that operate 24 hours a day. Patrol Officers are assigned to one of four zones within the town limits of Kernersville. Zone patrol helps Officers focus on community-oriented policing where they can work closely with citizens and business members in Kernersville.

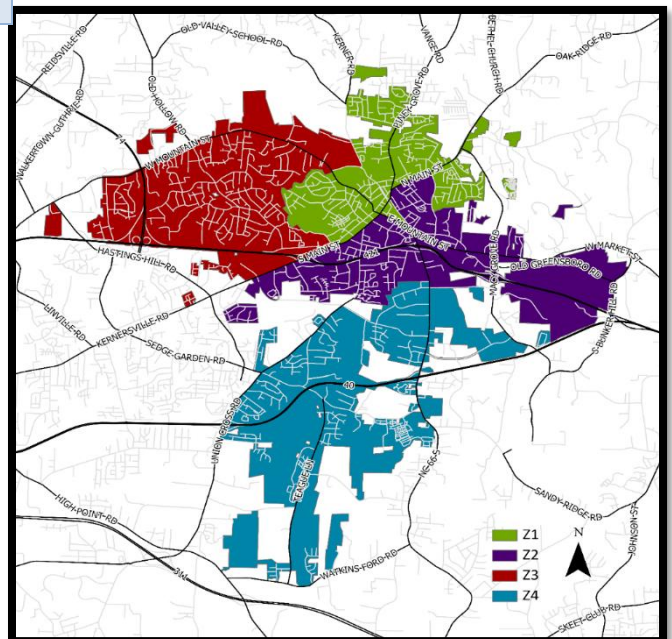
The Special Operations Division consists of one Lieutenant, three Sergeants, and 20 Officers. Included are operational components of the ACES Unit, Traffic Team, DWI Unit, Community Engagement Team and the School Resource Officer Team. These Officers are trained in specialized areas and support the Uniform Patrol Division.

The Uniformed Patrol Division is divided into four platoons: Adam, Baker, Charlie, and David. Each platoon is comprised of a Lieutenant, a Sergeant, and six Officers. They patrol their assigned zones 24 hours a day. Patrol Officers respond to all types of calls for service. A call for service represents a singular incident or situation that was called in by a citizen or a call that is initiated by the Patrol Officer. In 2025, the Kernersville Police Department responded to 53,033 calls for service.

Zone	Number of Calls
Zone 1	11,762
Zone 2	13,805
Zone 3	12,264
Zone 4	11,083
Outside of Town	4,119
Total	53,033



Community-Based Activities	
Foot Patrols	4,942
Funeral Escorts	97
School Education Programs	276
Security Checks	23,272
Vehicle Jump Starts	73
Vehicle Unlocks	354
Bike Patrol	71





Special Operations Division

Lieutenant Jimmy Deeney

The Special Operations Division is supervised by Lieutenant Jimmy Deeney. Included in this Division are the operational components of the Aggressive Criminal Enforcement Squad (ACES), Traffic Team, DWI Unit, Community Engagement Team and the School Resource Officer Team. These officers are trained in specialized areas and support the Uniform Patrol Division.

Traffic Team and ACES

Traffic Team focuses on the prevention and reduction of traffic violations and collisions. There are four officers assigned to this Unit and two DWI Task Force Officers who are working under a specialized grant.

ACES focuses on proactive policing initiatives within the town limits. Their responsibilities include, South Main Street patrol, traffic enforcement, self-initiated investigations, surveillance operations, intervention in ongoing criminal activities, prevention of retail theft, foot patrols, targeting crime trends, apprehension of active and/or wanted individuals, and conducting high-visibility security checks in problem zones.



Sgt. S. P. Johnson



Enforcement Action Taken by Driver's Sex, Race, and Ethnicity

Action	Gender	White	Black	Native American	Asian	Other	Total By Race	Hispanic	Non Hispanic	Total By Ethnicity
Citation Issued	Female	296	172	0	4	2	474	73	401	474
No Action Taken	Female	43	16	0	1	0	60	9	51	60
On-View Arrest	Female	21	12	0	0	0	33	5	28	33
Verbal Warning	Female	696	414	0	18	2	1130	127	1003	1130
Written Warning	Female	269	129	0	4	1	403	37	366	403
Citation Issued	Male	442	231	0	10	6	689	156	533	689
No Action Taken	Male	42	12	0	1	2	57	10	47	57
On-View Arrest	Male	45	40	0	0	1	86	16	70	86
Verbal Warning	Male	1139	622	2	21	6	1790	264	1526	1790
Written Warning	Male	397	158	1	12	2	570	82	488	570
Female Total	Female	1325	743	0	27	5	2100	251	1849	2100
Male Total	Male	2065	1063	3	44	17	3192	528	2664	3192
Total		3390	1806	3	71	22	5292	779	4513	5292

School Resource Officer Team

The Kernersville Police Department School Resource Officer (SRO) Team is made up of 8 Officers. They are assigned to middle schools and high school for WS/FC schools. One characteristic that makes this SRO Unit unique is the participation in elementary schools. Cash, Caleb's Creek and Kernersville Elementary Schools have an officer visit their campus each morning. SROs at each school maintain safety, educate on public safety topics and mentor students.



Sgt. K. R. Bowden

The Kernersville Police Department hosts a day camp for the community each year. The Youth Camp is designed for children ages 8–12 and offers a unique opportunity to spend a week with the police officers who serve in our schools.



Kernersville School Resource Officers Proudly Serve

Kernersville Elementary School • Caleb's Creek Elementary School • Cash Elementary School

Kernersville Middle School • Southeast Middle School • East Forsyth Middle School

East Forsyth High School • North Carolina Leadership Academy



Community Engagement Team

Sergeant W. B. Jones

The Community Engagement Team is managed by Sergeant W. B. Jones. He oversees Personnel and Training, the Crime Prevention Unit, and the Town Hall Officer. Responsibilities include handling and overseeing a variety of personnel functions such as recruiting and hiring Police Officers, managing training-related functions such as course construction, scheduling, and maintenance of all training records. This team also focuses on crime prevention, community outreach, and education. The Crime Prevention Unit provides a variety of crime prevention services including residential and commercial security assessments, K-9 demonstrations, facility tours, and community watch programs. They also manage the Department's social media accounts including Facebook and the Town website.

Community Engagement

The Kernersville Police Department is dedicated to building community partnerships with residents, business owners and those who visit the Town of Kernersville. Programs are designed to encourage conversation, education and participation. Some of the nationally standardized programs such as Coffee with a Cop and National Night Out have been extremely successful and allow opportunities for community engagement with officers. Participation in local events like parades and festivals bring the community together in celebration.

Crime Prevention is also essential in outreach and is best achieved by partnerships with the community and the police department. Citizens taking ownership with their neighborhood combined with direct action can improve the quality of life in the Town of Kernersville.

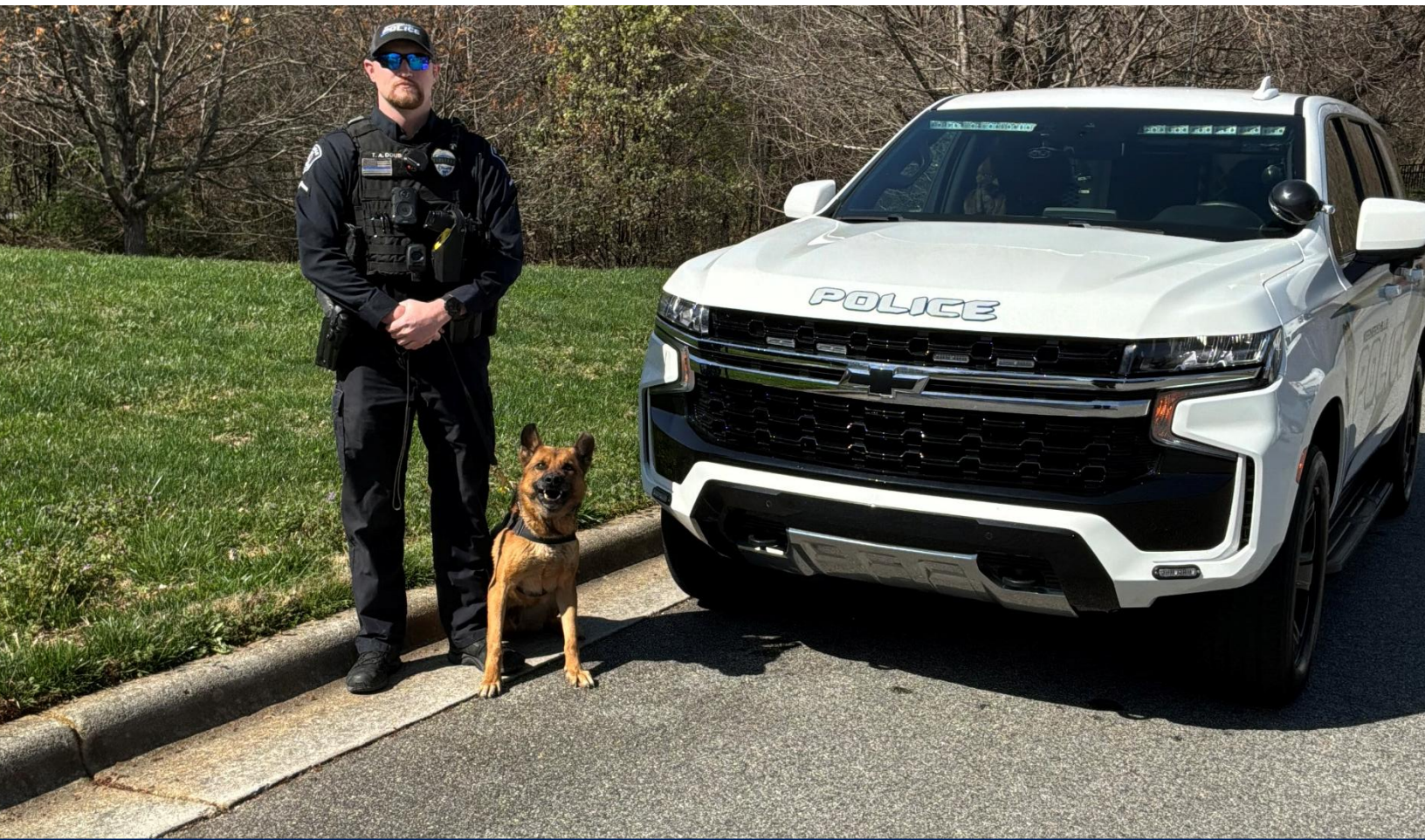




Town Hall Officer

Officer D. L. Gordan

The Town Hall Officer is stationed at the front of Town Hall. He provides security and assistance to all Town employees and citizens visiting the facility. Safety is our utmost priority and this position adds an additional layer of security to our building.



K-9 Unit

The K-9 team is comprised of four K-9s and their handlers. These units are assigned to the Uniform Patrol Division. The K-9 units are trained for patrol work and narcotics detection. These highly skilled teams of officer and K-9 provide specialized investigative assistance throughout all areas of the Department. In 2025 the K-9 Team participated in 11 public demonstrations and received 670 hours of training.



Apprehensions and Searches

Apprehensions	12
K9 Foot Patrol/Property Checks	14
Evidence Searches	14
Controlled Substance Search	135 vehicles

Arrests and Citations

Arrests	27 controlled substance arrests 41 other arrests
Citations	72 traffic citations 2 other citations

K-9 Drug Hits & Assisting Other Teams

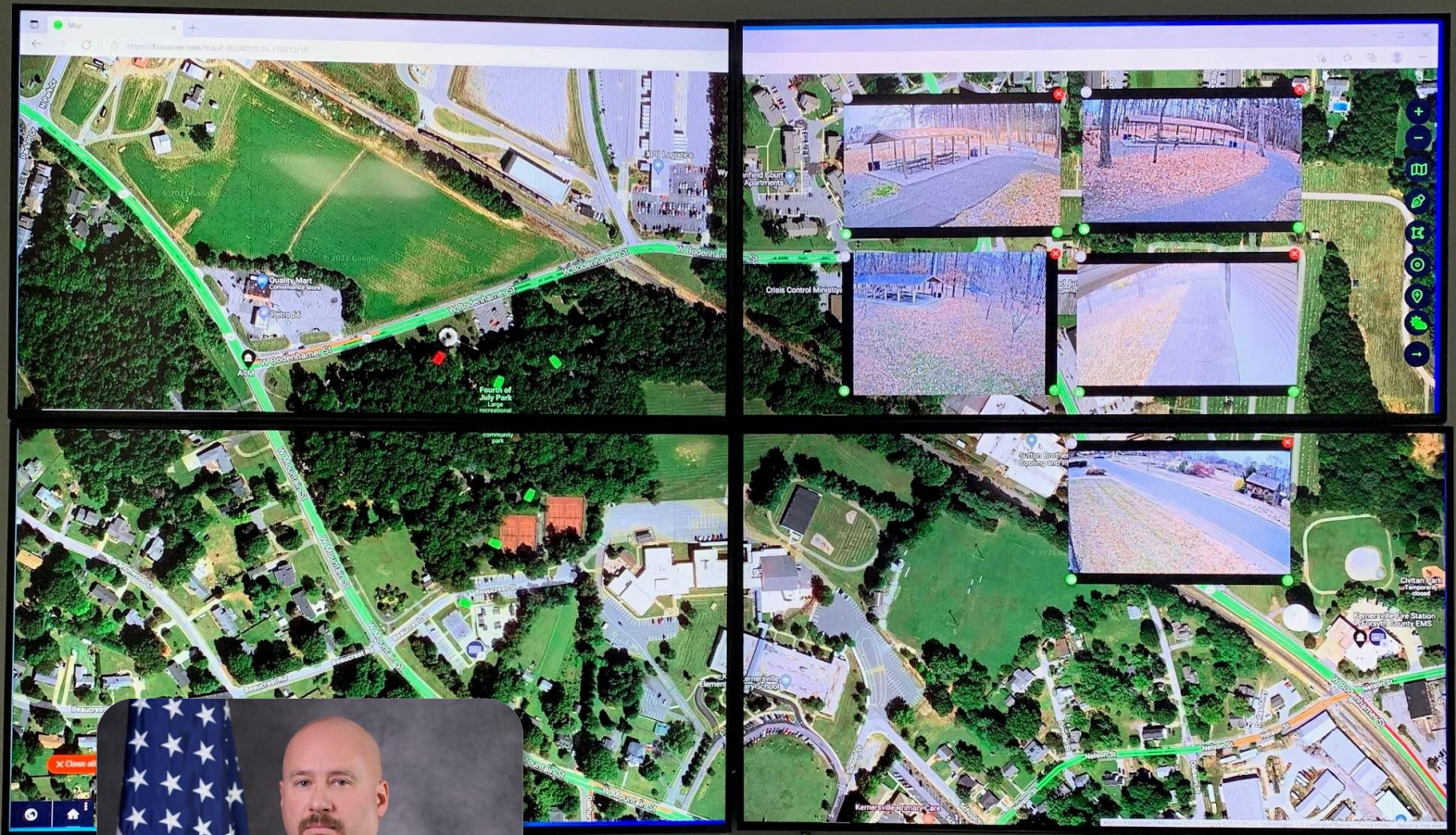
Marijuana	\$798.04	63.02 Grams
Meth	\$406.30	3.89 Grams
Cocaine Rock	\$200	1.60 Grams
Heroin	\$117	0.39 Grams



Investigative and Technical Services Bureau

Assistant Chief D. S. Marotz

The Investigative and Technical Services Bureau is commanded by Assistant Chief D. S. Marotz. This Bureau covers the Criminal Investigations Division, Narcotics Division, Planning and Accreditation Unit, Communications Division, and the Crime Analysis Unit. The Bureau has a total of 12 sworn personnel and 13 civilian personnel.



Criminal Investigative Division

Lieutenant F. L. Sanchez

The Criminal Investigative Division (CID) is comprised of six detectives supervised by Lieutenant F. L. Sanchez. CID is tasked with investigating the most serious of reported crimes in our community related to firearms, child abuse, robberies, internet fraud, and sexual assaults. In addition, CID is responsible for assessing crime scenes to ensure forensic evidence is properly identified and collected according to professional standards. Such evidence includes DNA, electronic data extraction, automated ballistics evaluations, finger and palm prints.

Drone Program / Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UVA)

The Kernersville Police Department's UAV Program is equipped with drones of various sizes and capabilities that can be deployed by FAA Licensed UAV Pilots quickly to enhance public safety, assist in search/rescue missions, provide visual support and transparency, and provide real time situational awareness to Emergency Responders during the course of their duties. The Town of Kernersville's UAV Program is also available to be utilized for crime scene documentation and traffic crash reconstruction.

In 2025 the Kernersville Police Department had 191 drone deployments.



Real Time Crime Center

The Real Time Crime Center (RTCC) is a centralized location used to enhance investigations as well as situational awareness during criminal investigations and major incidents. RTCC provides that capability by transmitting video from city cameras, consented private security systems, drone cameras, license plate readers, as well as consented doorbell cameras. The RTCC is a proactive effort to provide necessary information to be successful in criminal investigations and enhance public safety.



License Plate Readers

The Kernersville Police Department utilizes Flock Safety License Plate Readers (LPRs) as a modern tool to enhance public safety and support criminal investigations. These stationary, solar-powered cameras are strategically placed throughout the town and are designed to capture high-resolution images of vehicle license plates, including vehicle make, model, color, and distinguishing features. The data collected is automatically compared against national and local law enforcement hotlists, providing real-time alerts on stolen vehicles, wanted persons, and vehicles associated with criminal activity. In 2025 officers received 364 official hotlist alerts. This technology has significantly improved our ability to respond to in-progress crimes, locate missing persons, and generate actionable leads, contributing to a safer community through intelligence-driven policing.





Narcotics Division

The Narcotics Division encompasses a Lieutenant and 4 detectives who are responsible for detecting and eradicating illegal narcotics activity in Kernersville. This division participates in undercover drug purchases, search warrants, interdiction, investigative contacts, and developing leads associated with drug-related investigations. This division also provides support to other sworn personnel in the Department.

2025 Forsyth County Drug Task Force	
Drug Seizures	Quantity
Cocaine	74,315 Grams
Crack Cocaine	312 Grams
Heroin	4,333 Grams
Marijuana	164,114 Grams
THC (Gummies/Wax)	11,919 Grams
THC (Vapes)	56,677 Doses
Methamphetamine	115,755 Grams
MDMA/Ecstasy	5027 Doses
Fentanyl	29,801 Grams
Psilocybin	2,259 Grams
Prescription Pills	188 Doses
US Currency	\$594,279
Total Value of All Seizures	\$594,279

In addition to the aforementioned responsibilities within the corporate Town limits of Kernersville, the Kernersville Police Department, Forsyth County Sheriff's Office, Winston-Salem Police Department, and King Police Department combined their narcotics investigation divisions to form the Forsyth County Drug Task Force (FCDTF). The FCDTF works interchangeably with federal and state partners to ensure facilitation of ongoing investigations to reach a successful conclusion. The primary mission of the FCDTF is to identify and dismantle criminal organizations trafficking illegal narcotics within Forsyth County.

2024 Narcan Use		
Total Overdose Calls	Total Narcan Doses Administered	Total Narcan Doses Administered by Police Personnel
11	15	2

The Kernersville Police Department utilizes Narcan (Naloxone) in an effort to assist and treat individuals suspected of experiencing an opioid related overdose. Naloxone is a type of medication used to rapidly reverse effects during an opioid overdose. This form of medication is an opioid antagonist, which means it binds to opioid receptors and blocks the effects of other opioids. The response can quickly restore a person's normal respirations who has experienced slow and or stopped breathing as a result of an overdose. This is essential for those exposed to narcotics containing opiates in an effort to prevent fatal overdoses. The Kernersville Police Department values the lives of all citizens and strives to maintain their health and safety at all times.



Manager A. R. Clewis

Communications Division

The Communications Division is under the supervision of Manager A. R. Clewis. Nine Telecommunicators and one Supervisor work in shifts to operate the Communications Center 24 hours a day. Dispatchers answer emergency and non-emergency phone calls and dispatch officers on calls for service. They are the vital link between the citizens of Kernersville in need of Police assistance and the Officers responding to the calls.

Calls for Service

All calls for service are dispatched through the Kernersville Police Department Communications Center. All calls for service are prioritized by the following:

Code 1: Calls when immediate presence of Police may prevent death or injury or alleviate the threat of death or injury.

Code 2: Calls when a more rapid response by Police is advantageous, but not imperative.

Code 3: Calls are non-urgent and do not present a potential threat to person(s) or property.



CAD Source Code	
ASAP	177
DCI	24
E-911	343
W911	3,927
Phone	10,670
Radio	52
RPTO	15
Self-Initiated	38,118
Walk in	154
Flock	6
Total	53,486

Kernersville Police Department
Communication Division
Open 24 Hours a Day, 7 Days a Week
Non-Emergency - (336) 996-3177
Emergency - 911



Planning and Accreditation Unit

K. T. Dennings

The Planning and Accreditation Unit is run by Police Operations Specialist, K. T. Dennings. Dennings maintains Agency compliance for the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA) and oversees the agency's fleet, uniforms and equipment, ensuring officers have all the tools they need to perform their duties. This position is also a part of Administrative Services and works on special projects as the Agency's Planner.

Accreditation

The Department became Nationally Accredited through the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA) in November of 2013. The department has received re-accreditation in 2016, 2020 and again in 2024. Compliance has to be proven in 484 professional standards that cover Policy and Procedures, Management, Operations, and Support Services.

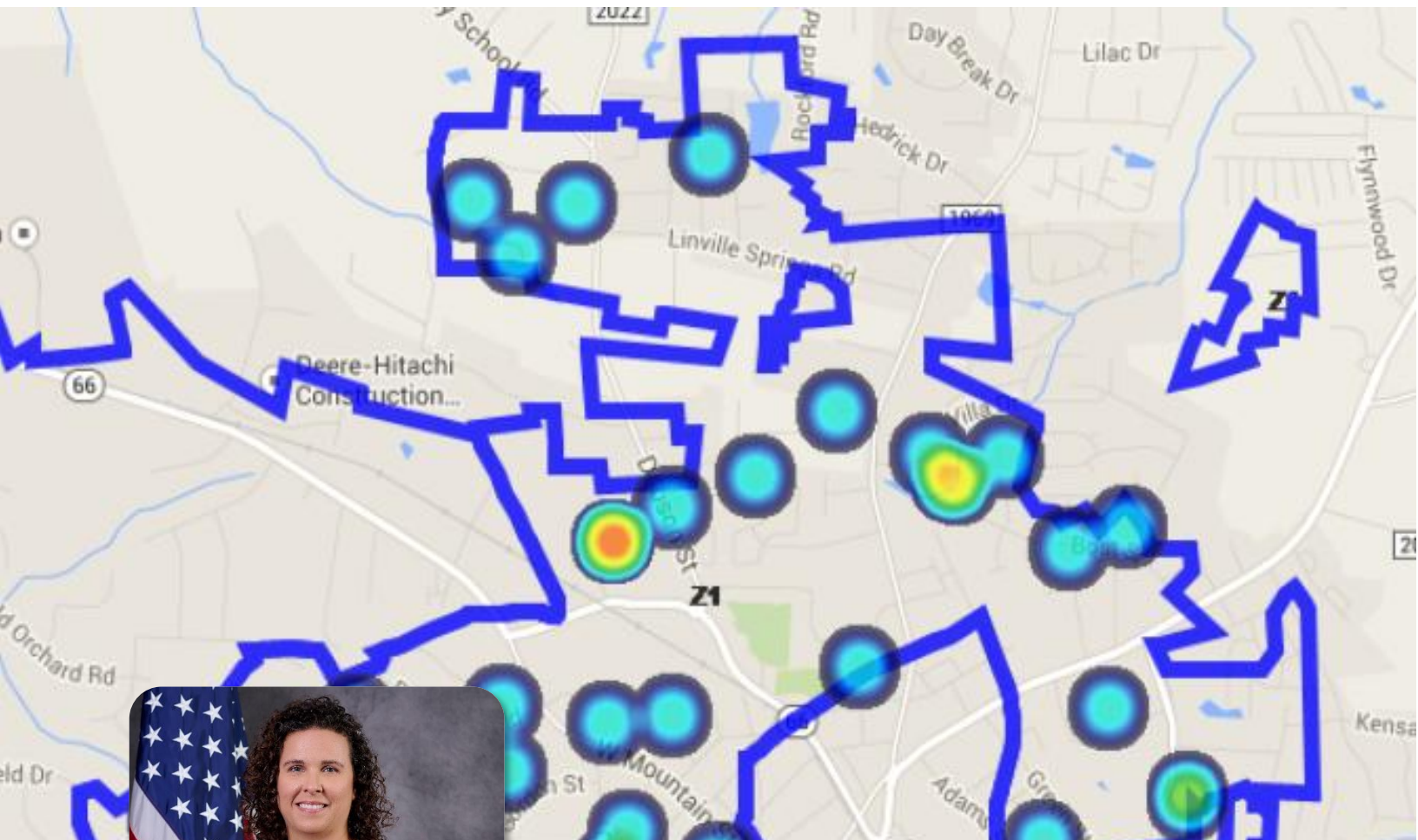


Fleet, Uniforms, & Equipment

The Police Operations Specialist manages the Department's fleet of approximately 100 vehicles. She plays an integral part in the installation of the emergency equipment within the vehicles, ensuring that the Department is utilizing the technology to its optimum performance.

This position is also the Quartermaster for the Department, meeting the demands of maintaining and controlling the acquisition and distribution of the Department issued equipment and supplies.





Crime Analysis Unit

C. V. Westphal

C. V. Westphal serves as the Crime Analysis Specialist for the Department and supports the Department by providing information on identified patterns or crime trends. She generates information for possible patrol deployment and resource allocation. This unit also provides administrative support to the Criminal Investigative Division and Narcotics Division and serves as the transcriptionist for the Department.

Hot Spots

The Crime Analysis Unit provides operational data used by the Department to identify "hot spots" and zone analysis. Through the compilation of monthly statistical data and year-to-date comparisons, the Department is able to readily identify specific resource needs. The Department is able to allocate personnel to areas where crime trends show an elevated risk, increasing the chances of capturing suspects in the act of committing the crime.

Below is a year-to-date comparison of Calls for Service and Group A crimes for the previous three years.



KERNERSVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

CRIME STATS 3 YEAR COMPARISON DECEMBER 2025

	2025	2024	2023	25/24 % CHG	25/23 % CHG
CALLS FOR SERVICE	53033	58025	50519	-8.60%	4.98%
SELF INITIATED CALLS	38085	42973	34818	-11.37%	9.38%
MURDER	1	2	3	-50.00%	-66.67%
RAPE/SEXUAL ASSAULTS	8	6	9	33.33%	-11.11%
ROBBERY	12	7	9	71.43%	33.33%
AGG. ASSAULT	47	55	72	-14.55%	-34.72%
BURGLARY/BREAKING AND ENTERING	64	101	110	-36.63%	-41.82%
POCKET-PICKING	0	0	0	N/C	N/C
PURSE-SNATCHING	0	0	0	N/C	N/C
SHOPLIFTING	335	446	385	-24.89%	-12.99%
THEFT FROM MOTOR VEHICLE	205	143	230	43.36%	-10.87%
THEFT OF AUTO PART OR ACCESSORY	31	20	44	55.00%	-29.55%
THEFT FROM BUILDING	27	40	52	-32.50%	-48.08%
THEFT FROM COIN MACHINE	2	0	2	Zero to 2	0.00%
ALL OTHER LARCENY	110	116	157	-5.17%	-29.94%
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	50	46	43	8.70%	16.28%
ARSON	3	6	5	-50.00%	-40.00%
TOTAL OFFENSES	895	988	1121	-9.41%	-20.16%

CFS do not include the following dispositions: ACC, DUP or TEST.

*Officer Initiated Calls are included in the total count of CFS

*Murder, Rape & Aggravated Assaults are counted as victims. Auto Theft is a count of vehicles taken.

Data pulled by Report Date, some incidents may have occurred in previous years.

Unfounded crimes are removed

*Crime counts for select Group A offenses by year.





Records Division

Supervisor K. M. Hernandez

The Records Division is run by Records Supervisor K. M. Hernandez and includes three Records Assistants. This Division manages and maintains reports produced by the Kernersville Police Department. They are often the first contact citizens make when visiting the Police Department.

Records personnel review all reports submitted by officers, and ensure compliance with National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS) protocols. Vehicle Crash data is also reviewed by Records personnel and reported to the Department of Motor Vehicles.

The Records Division processes all incoming legal papers including warrants for arrest and subpoenas and tracks them in NCAWARE, the State's automated warrant system. They manage the Department's access to North Carolina State Bureau of Investigation's Division of Criminal Information (DCI) and the National Crime Information Center (NCIC). The Records Division ensures proper entry for Missing and Wanted persons, stolen vehicles and stolen articles through DCI/NCIC.



Incident Reports and Vehicle Crash Reports may be obtained via the Police to Citizen Website:
<http://p2c.toknc.com>

2025 Records Activity Reports Processed	
Incident Reports	3,417
Arrest Reports	1,483
Accident Reports	1,529
Supplemental Reports	2,598
Citations	1,284
Racial Profiling Reports	5,723
Subpoenas/Warrants in RMS	1,372
Field Contact Reports	38
Names added/updated	5,944
FTO Training	3
DWI Reports	176
Prosecution Reports	187
Juvenile Cases	62

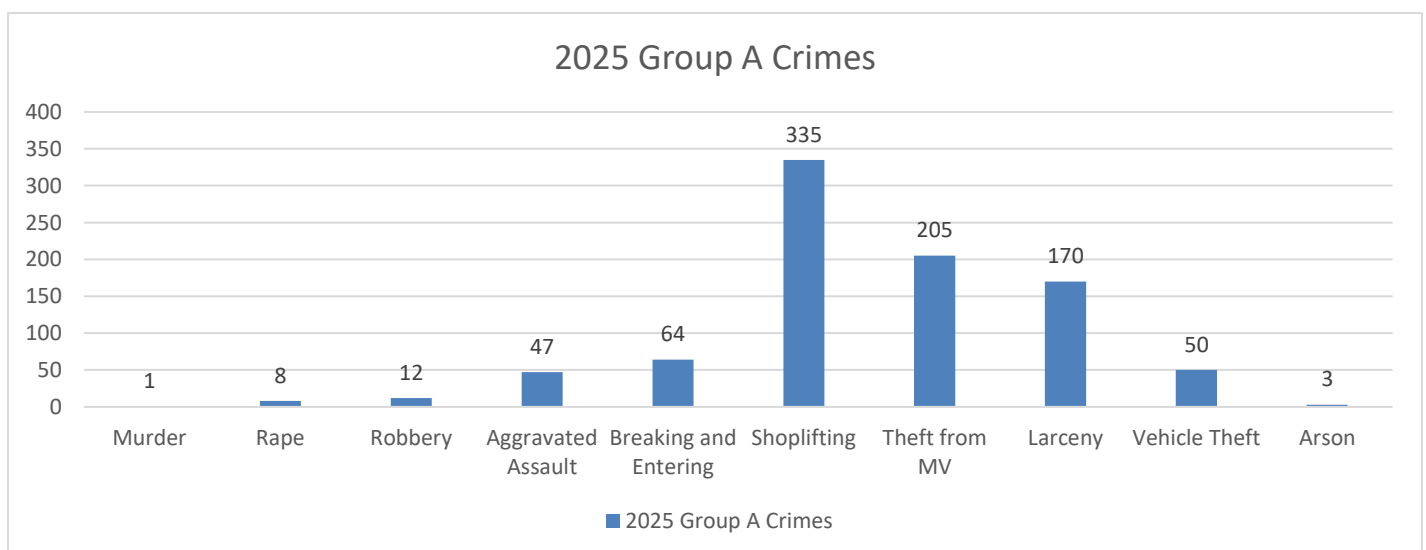


**Kernersville Police Department
 Records Division
 Monday-Friday 8:00am – 5:00pm
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The department uses the National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS), a comprehensive and detailed reporting system with 58 offense categories. NIBRS also collects up to 10 offenses per incident and collects details such as location types. NIBRS collects data on each incident and arrest within 22 crime categories made up of 46 specific crimes called Group A offenses. There are also 10 Group B offense categories for which only arrest data is collected. The classification of these offenses is based solely on police investigation.

Group A offenses include violent crimes; murder, rape, robbery, and aggravated assault; and property crimes: burglary, larceny, motor vehicle theft, and arson. The total number of victims is counted in murder, rape, and aggravated assault. The number of vehicles stolen in each incident is counted in motor vehicle theft.



Property and Evidence

Property can be sorted into the following categories:

Evidence/Seized Property – Any item of property, article, or material that is seized, collected, or received by an officer and directly relates to an investigation.

Found Property – Any lawfully owned item of property that an officer seizes for the purpose of returning it to its rightful owner.

Safekeeping Property – Any item of property an officer seizes that does not meet the criteria for evidence or found property.



2025 Property Management

Items Received	1,558
Items Disposed	1,549
Monthly Dispositions	4,843
Items Submitted to Lab	89
Items Received from Lab	67
Items to Secret Service	13
FTO Training	8
Cases Seized by DOR	3
Amount Seized by DOR	\$741
Cases Sent to WSFCS	36
Amount Sent to WSFCS	\$16,038.97



T. A. Echols

The Property Unit is staffed by Property Technician T. A. Echols. All items of property are in her care and control. She is tasked with facilitating the proper intake, storage, and disposal of property and evidence. The integrity of these items is maintained by cataloging property, storing it securely, and providing detailed documentation to track the property at all times.



Specialized Assignments



The Department offers qualified personnel an opportunity to apply for and participate in Specialized Assignments. Specialized Assignments are characterized by increased levels of responsibility and specialized training. Some assignments may be temporary in nature, dependent upon the needs of the Department and the community.

Special Weapons and Tactics

Kernersville's Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) Team is a highly skilled and disciplined team on-call 24 hours a day. They are instrumental in safely resolving critical issues such as barricaded persons, hostage situations, sniper situations, terrorist acts, crowd control, and other highly volatile situations.

Rescue Vehicle

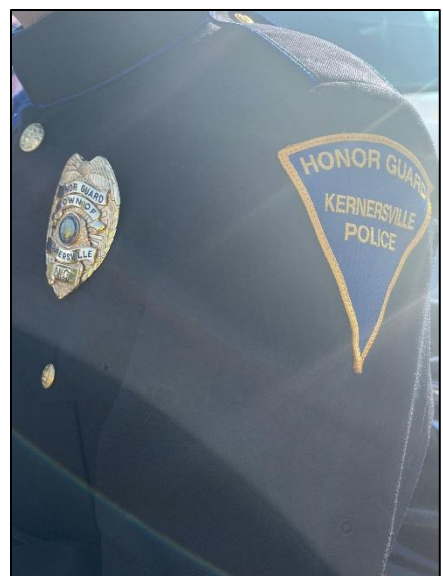
The Bearcat rescue vehicle is instrumental in many situations including: weather related occurrences, law enforcement issues, missing persons, and other issues that may arise involving the Police Department and the Town.

Crisis Negotiation Team

The Kernersville Police Department Crisis Negotiation Team (CNT) is comprised of eight personnel which includes a Coordinator and a Team Leader. CNT assists the Department in response to critical incidents. The team is on-call 24 hours a day and specializes in handling barricaded persons and hostage situations.

Honor Guard

The Kernersville Police Department Honor Guard is a ceremonial Police Unit comprised of four team members. This team attends funerals, memorials, and other ceremonies on behalf of the Police Department. The Honor Guard reflects the highest traditions of Law Enforcement: professionalism, integrity, dignity, and respect at all ceremonies.





Employee Recognition and Awards

Our Staff are the foundation and primary resource of the Kernersville Police Department. As a service providing entity, people are the core of KPD operations. The community deserves and is entitled to the best possible services. To provide this level of service, we employ outstanding, high quality people with diverse backgrounds, skills, and experiences. The continuous outstanding actions of our personnel must be recognized and encouraged. The following are just a few accomplishments our staff has made over the previous year which have been recognized by the Department.

New Employees



Police Officers

Carter Anderson
Tommy Carter
Wesley Cline
Samuel Fohn
Ashley Pryor
Michael Russell
DJ Young

Telecommunicators

Isabella DeLaGarza
Natalia Gonzalez
Sierra Stanley

Records

Jazmin Burdette
Kim Price

Promotions

POII Scott Bennett

MPOI Dustin Ammons

MPOI Thomas Doub

MPOI Andrew Lindsay

MPOI Beatriz Lopez

MPOI Ryan Mabe

MPOI Sam Slyman

MPOI JD Young

MPOII Dillon Cox

MPOII Chris Inman

MPOII Culin Keenan

Sgt. Sawyer Highfill

Lt. Lance Branham

Telecomm II Savannah Hughey

Supervisor Amanda Manners

Retirements



Mark Blair



David Brown



Greg Hiatt

To Our Retirees,

Thank you for your years of dedication and service. Your hard work, commitment, and impact have left a lasting legacy, and we are truly grateful for all you've given.



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