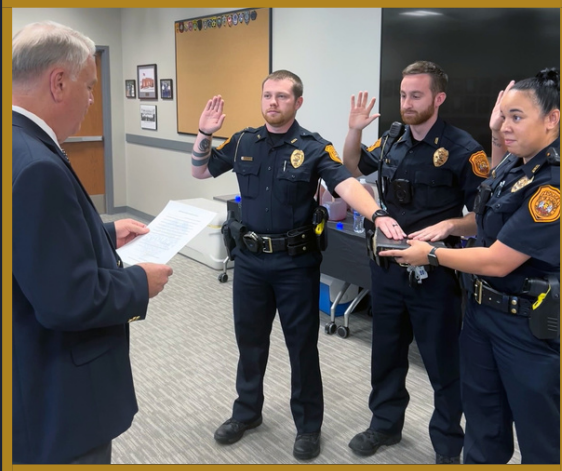


# ALBEMARLE POLICE DEPARTMENT



## ANNUAL REPORT - 2022



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# Chief's Message



I want to personally thank the men and women of the Albemarle Police Department (APD) for their professionalism and dedication to serving our community. Law Enforcement Officers have one of the most difficult jobs. They are asked to put others before themselves every day. The men and women in law enforcement are always available to help when called upon. They swore an oath to protect and hold sacred the rights outlined in the United States Constitution and to uphold the laws prescribed in the North Carolina General Statutes and Local Ordinances of the City of Albemarle.

APD strives towards excellence in the delivery of services utilizing modern technology and innovative policing methodology. I am honored to work with such a committed team. APD strives to recruit, hire and retain the best officers and civilian staff to provide effective courteous service to our citizens. I am proud to see advancements made by staff over the last 12 months in responsible, systematic planning and implementation of several policies and practices throughout the agency. The command staff worked diligently and meticulously to ensure these measures improved officer and organizational effectiveness.

The direct result had a significant impact on the following three areas; minimized liability in high-risk environments, improved public safety and a reduction in crime. The proactive efforts of our Officers, Detectives, Supervisors and Civilian Staff resulted in a record low year in total crime in comparison over the previous five years.

APD is committed to building positive relationships with members of our community to increase Community Policing and Problem-Solving efforts. The partnership and engagement will continue to result in a decrease in crime and quality of life issues. One major component that impacts Albemarle's future is the protection of the general welfare of our youth. Every child has the right to have a safe environment to play, grow, learn and develop into a positive young adult. Albemarle Police Department works with multiple teams within the city and community to make this a reality. I look forward to our future collaborative team approach to make Albemarle a better place for our citizens and community to thrive.

***"The proactive efforts of our Officers, Detectives, Supervisors and Civilian Staff resulted in a record low year in total crime in comparison over the previous five years."***



# Vision, Mission, Commitment

The Albemarle Police Department (APD) is a law enforcement agency with an authorized staff of 51 sworn officers and 7 civilian personnel. The department is nationally accredited by CALEA (The Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc.)-the gold standard in public safety.

Our vision is to take a leading role in making the City of Albemarle a place where people want to live, work, and play.

The Albemarle Police Department is committed to fairness, compassion, and excellence while providing police services in accordance with the law and sensitivity to the priorities and needs of the community.

Ethics: We honor the public's trust by displaying the highest standards of honesty, integrity, and accountability.

Leadership: We are servant leaders who prioritize the well-being of those in our community.

Vision: Our planning and decisions reflect the thriving community we aspire to be.





# Our Mission

- The Albemarle Police Department believes that the protection of life and property is our highest priority.
- The Albemarle Police Department will respect and protect the rights and dignity of all persons and conduct all citizen contacts with courtesy and compassion.
- The Albemarle Police Department will strive for excellence in its delivery of police services and will utilize training, technology, and innovation to achieve that goal.
- The Albemarle Police Department recognizes its inter-dependent relationship with the community it serves and will remain sensitive to the community's priorities and needs.
- The Albemarle Police Department will enforce the law impartially throughout the community.
- The Albemarle Police Department recognizes the individual worth of each of its members.



# Directory

## Main Office

155 W South St  
(704) 984-9500

## Office of the Chief of Police

155 W South St  
(704) 984-9515

## Internal Affairs

155 W South St  
(704) 984-9556

## Investigations Division

155 W South St  
(704) 984-9516

## Records Division

155 W South St  
(704) 984-9500

## Patrol Division

East Office  
1610 E Main St  
(704) 984-9550

## Stanly County Communications

(704) 986-3700



# Command Staff



Jason Bollhorst  
Chief of Police



J.T. Cranford  
Assistant Chief of Police



Captain D. Hicks  
Internal Affairs/ Professional Standards



Captain K. Swink  
Administrative Operations



# Command Staff



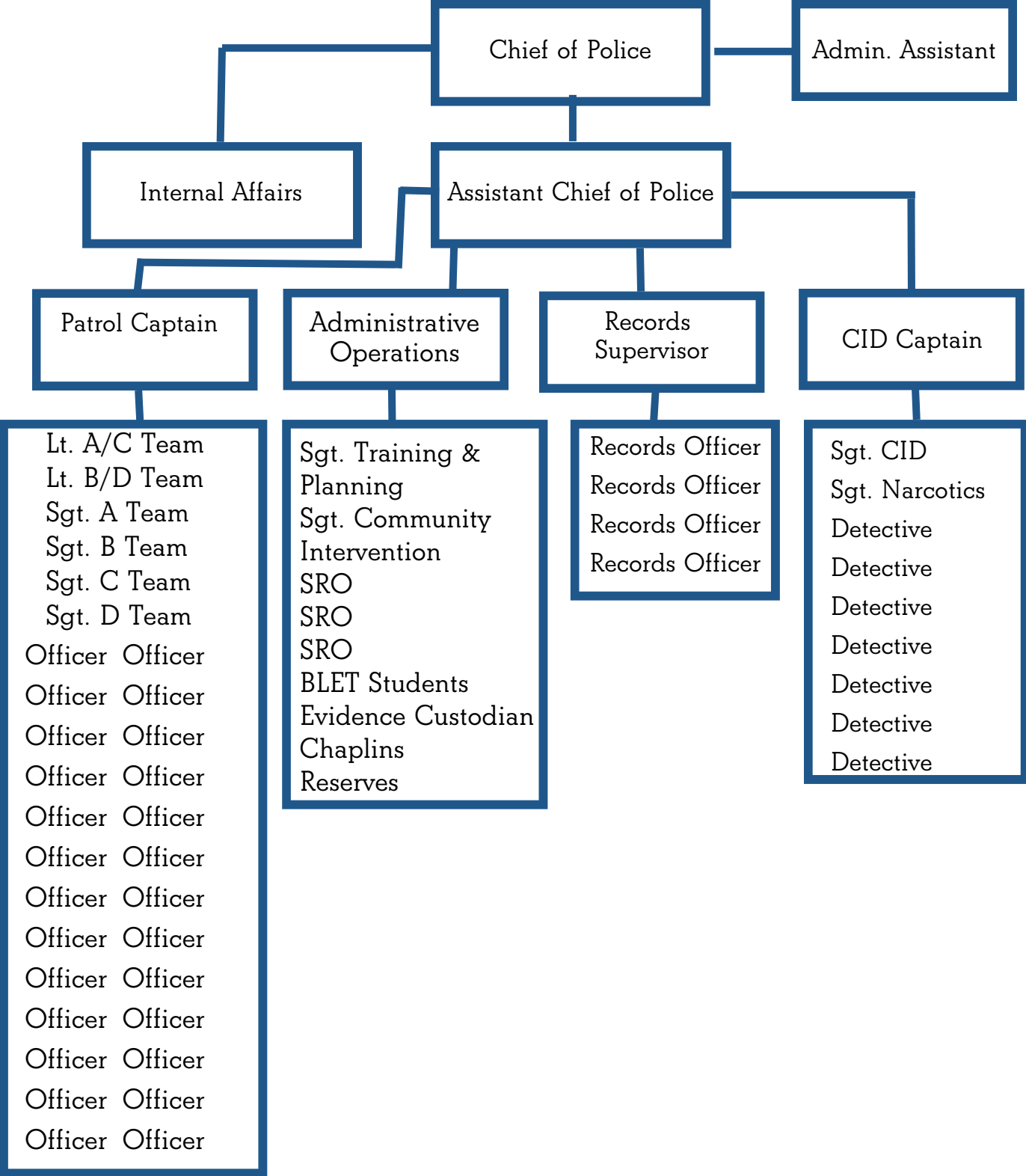
Captain J. Clark  
Criminal Investigations Division



Captain J. Laws  
Patrol Division



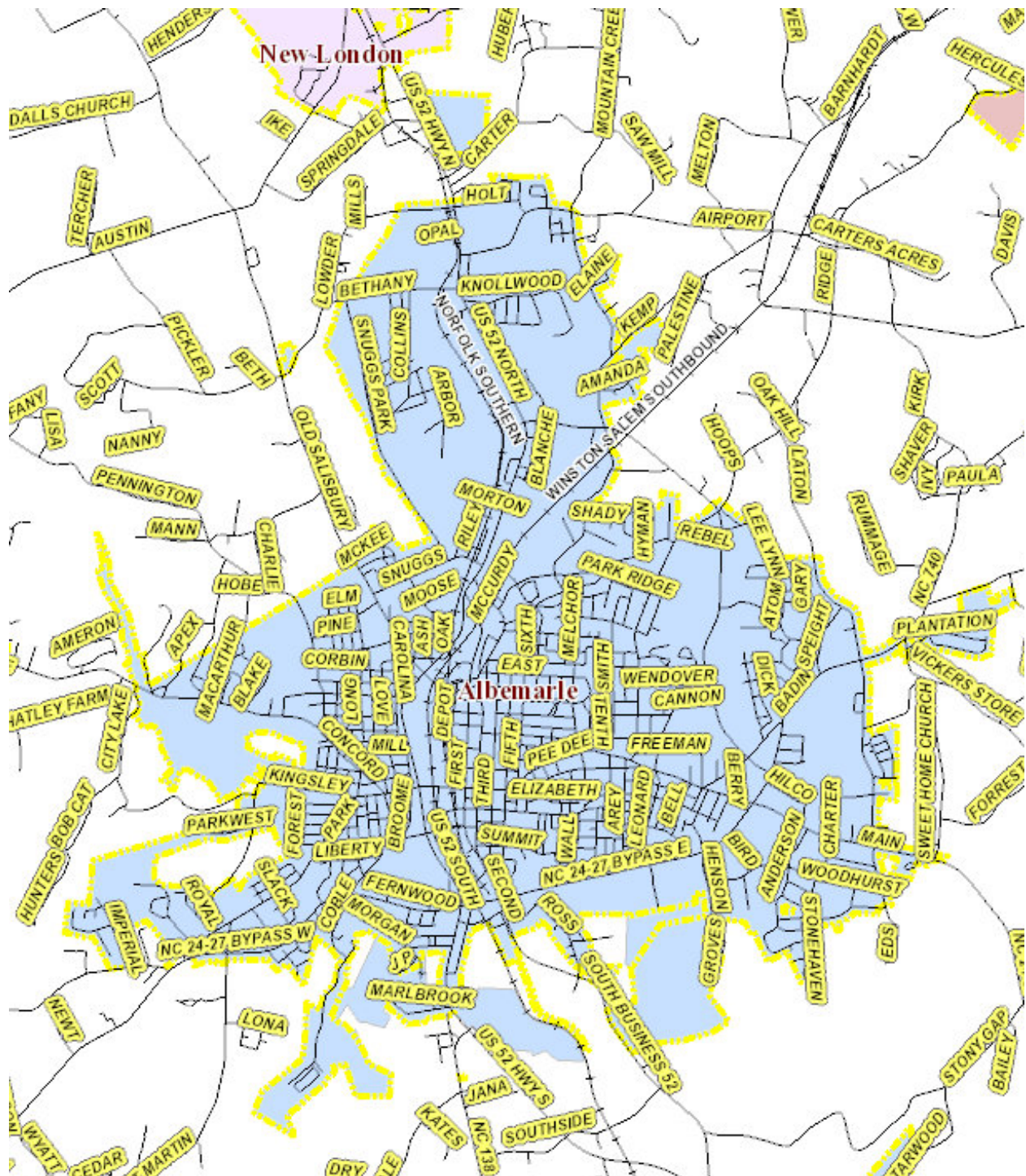
# Organizational Chart





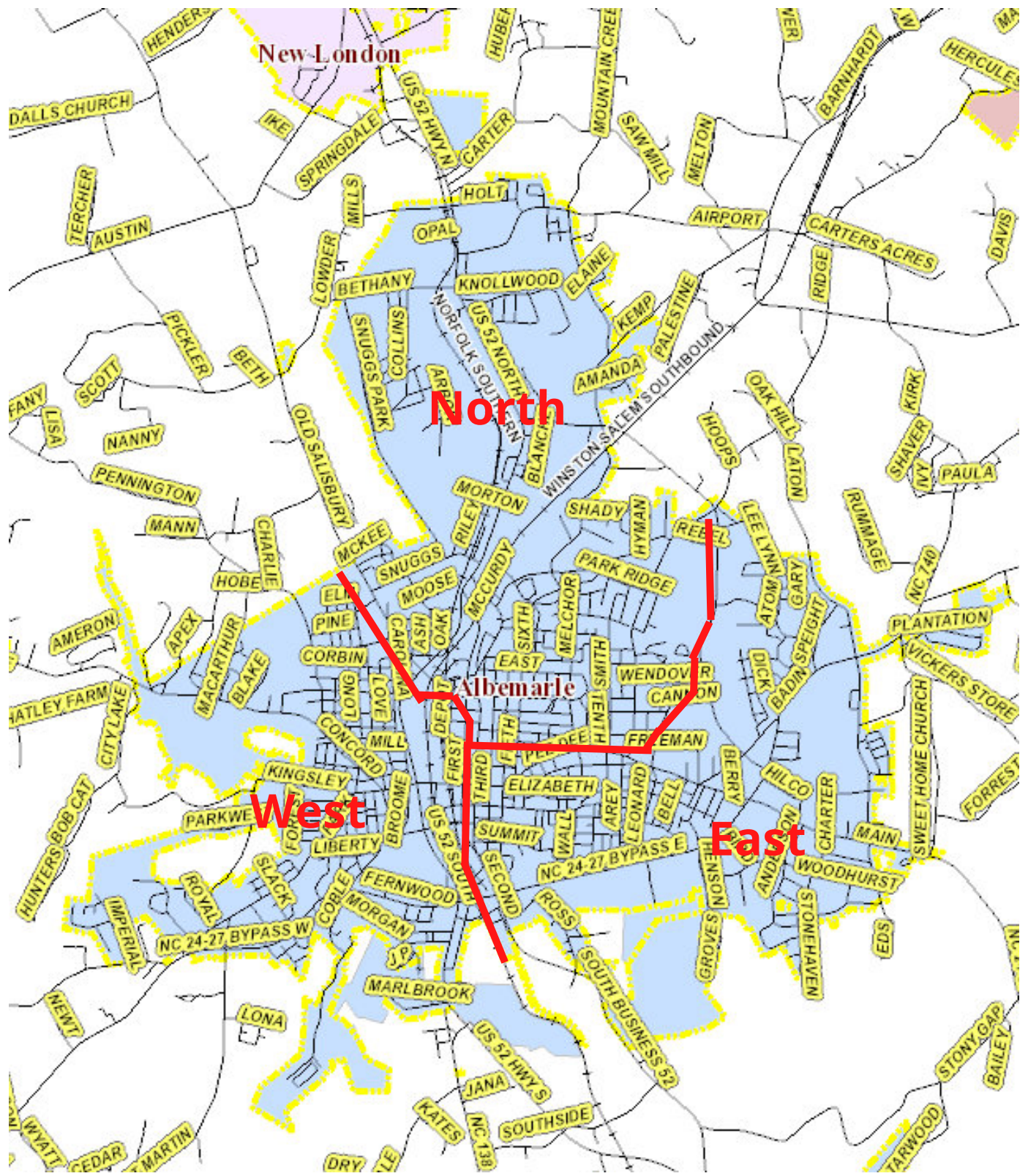
# City Map

The Albemarle Police Department patrol division is divided into 3 patrol zones, east, west, and north. Officers are assigned each zone for their daily duties. The city is approximately 17 square miles with 18,000 residents.





# Zones





# Monthly Highlights & Achievements

## January

- Officers Roberson & Johnson were sworn in.
- Ceremonial swearing-in for Chief Bollhorst was held.



## February

- Assistant Chief Huneycutt retired from APD after 33 years of service to the City of Albemarle.
- Officer Bunce was honored as a Hometown Hero.



# Monthly Highlights & Achievements cont.

## March

- Sgt. Gaines retired from APD with 30 years of service to the City of Albemarle.
- APD hosted an auction for unclaimed property.



## April

- APD participates in child abuse prevention event (Butterflies in the Park).
- Officers assisted with the Outdoorsman's Bonanza.
- Operation Medicine Drop was conducted at Stanly County Commons.
- Captain JT Cranford was promoted to Assistant Chief of Police.





# Monthly Highlights & Achievements cont.

## May

- BLET students graduated from Rowan-Cabarrus Community College.
- Officer Wilson was sworn in.
- APD marks National Police Week.

## June

- BLET class from SCC graduated in June of 2022.
- Det. Aldridge was honored as Hometown Hero.





## July

- Officers Beasley, Foster, and Harwood were sworn in.
- Officers assisted with the Oakboro Fourth of July event.

## August

- APD hosts Coffee with a Cop at Second St. Sundries.
- Back to school event was held at the E.E. Waddell Center.
- Officers welcome students back to school.





## September

- APD hosts Coffee with a Cop at Glory Beans.
- APD Chaplain Brian Johnson and APD Officer Cameron Harrington participate in Stanly County Dancing with the Stars benefiting the Butterfly House.
- Cpt. Springer conducts active shooter training.



*"This was fabulous training. Our team was very complementary of Sgt. Springer's assessment of our site. Thank you for taking time to work with our teams."  
-Bashney Dailey*



## October

- APD holds Faith & Blue events at City Lake Park, Rock Creek Park, & with local faith leaders.



- APD partnered with Safe Kids to host Community Night Out at YMCA Park Pavilion.
- Officers participated the City's Autumn Extravaganza and Trunk or Treat at All-Star Daycare.



- Active Shooter training was conducted at Stanly Community College.
- Officer Huneycutt and Det. Lear were promoted to Sergeant.





## November

- Officer Tipton was honored as a Hometown Hero.
- APD Officers completed In Service Training.





## December

- BLET class graduated from Rowan-Cabarrus Community College.



- APD's Holiday Heroes helped 15 children purchase Christmas gifts.



- APD helped Cub Scout Post 82 earn a merit badge during a visit to police headquarters.



# Crime Trends

The table below outlines crime trends in the City of Albemarle from the past five years (2018-22). Data from 2022 shows for a second consecutive year that the City experienced a substantial decrease in total crime.

Offense	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	5 Year Avg.
Murder	3	1	6	3	1	2.8
Rape	9	4	8	9	11	8.2
Aggravated Assault	75	117	116	56	70	86.8
Part 1 Offense Totals	87	122	130	68	82	97.8
Robbery	23	22	17	19	8	17.8
Burglary	182	183	158	107	94	144.8
Larceny	687	670	716	652	490	643
MV Theft	44	33	52	42	40	42.2
Property Crime	913	886	926	803	632	832
<b>Total</b>	<b>1000</b>	<b>1008</b>	<b>1056</b>	<b>871</b>	<b>714</b>	<b>789.8</b>



# Crime Statistics

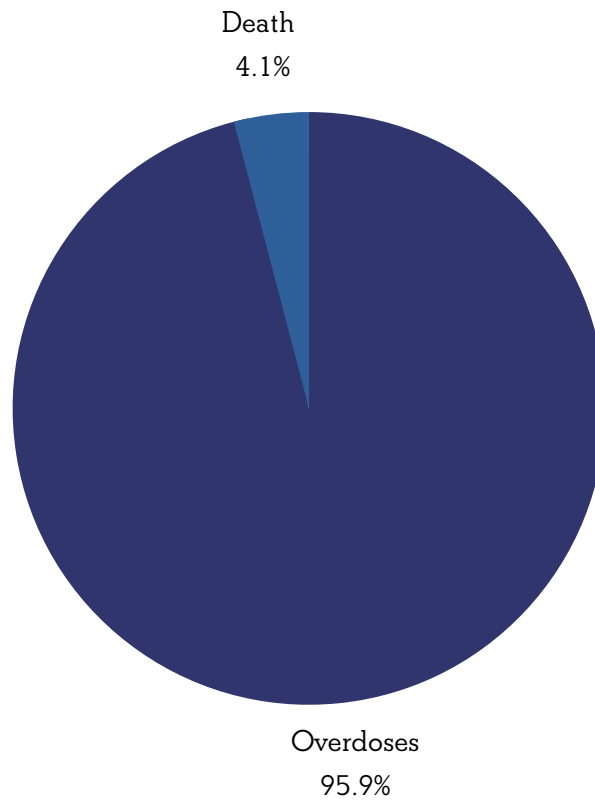
## Part 1 Clearance Rates

\*Please note numbers in green indicate an increase in case closure rate.

Offense Type	2021	2022	Clearance 2021	Clearance 2022	% Change	Nat. Avg.
<b>Homicide</b>	3	1	100%	100%	0%	64%
<b>Rape</b>	9	11	11%	66%	84%	35%
<b>Agg. Assault</b>	56	70	66.07%	67%	1%	53%
<b>Larceny</b>	652	490	50.30%	49%	3%	19%
<b>Robbery</b>	19	8	42.10%	25%	40%	29%
<b>Arson</b>	12	12	25%	25%	0%	21%
<b>Burglary</b>	107	94	28.04%	21%	25%	14%
<b>MV Theft</b>	42	40	38.10%	27%	29%	13%

# Overdose Cases

## 2022 Overdoses



	2021	2022	%Change
<b>Overdoses</b>	97	94	<b>-3%</b>
<b>Deaths</b>	10	4	<b>-60%</b>



# Calls for Service

	<b>Calls for Service per Citizen 2022</b>	<b>Calls for service Officer Initiated 2022</b>	<b>Officer Initiated Vehicle Stops 2022</b>	<b>Total Calls 2022</b>	<b>Total Calls 2021</b>	<b>% Change</b>
January	1778	685	302	2765	2770	-1%
February	1453	609	290	2352	2296	3%
March	1559	555	250	2364	2618	-10%
April	1572	638	325	2535	2754	-8%
May	1750	664	334	2748	3000	-9%
June	1724	667	310	2701	2922	-8%
July	1769	665	270	2704	2764	-2%
August	1634	610	244	2488	2637	-6%
September	1744	699	339	2782	2541	12%
October	1665	633	287	2585	2561	1%
November	1601	419	200	2220	2596	-15%
December	1671	488	236	2395	2346	2%
<b>Yearly Total</b>	<b>19,920</b>	<b>7,332</b>	<b>3,387</b>	<b>30,639</b>	<b>31805</b>	<b>-4%</b>

# Internal Affairs

The Internal Affairs Division conducts internal and administrative investigations regarding police personnel, firearm discharges, use of force investigations, employee misconduct, and any other investigations as directed by the Chief of Police. In 2022, out of 31, 805 calls for service, the department received 16 complaints, just .00050% from all citizen contacts.

Complaints may be made in person, by phone, in writing, or via online submission at <https://www.albemarlenc.gov/departments/police-department/share-your-feedback/report-of-complaint> All complaints will be investigated. The police department recorded 6 citizen complaints in 2022 and 10 supervisor reported complaints. There was a total of 8 Use of Force incidents, 8 vehicular pursuits, and 10 supervisor complaints. A total of 16 complaints investigated in 2022.

Activity or Type	2021	2022	% change
IA Investigation	7	4	0%
Inquiry	N/A	3	NEW
Use of Force	25	8	-68%
Firearm Discharges (Animal)	N/A	5	NEW
Employee Collisions	N/A	11	NEW
Vehicular Pursuits	12	8	-33%
Supervisor Complaints	12	10	-17%
Complaints resulting in action	18	*	*
Complaints Unfounded	1	*	*

\* = Data loss due to system failure



# Seizures & Arrests

Items Seized	Amount Seized	Street Value
Marijuana	6,015gm	\$60,150
Cocaine	158gm	\$9,480
Pills	7,007d/u	\$175,175
Heroin/Fentanyl	217gm	\$4,340
Methamphetamine	915gm	\$18,300
Other	3	\$60
Firearms	111	\$55,500
U.S. Currency	\$37,728	\$37,728
Vehicles	10	\$150,000

# Patrol Division Activity

<b>Injury Crashes</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>DWI Arrests</b>	<b>54</b>
Fatalities	1	Speeding Violations	194
Total Collisions	1025	Seat Belt Violations	60
DWI	56	Child Restraint	30
Reckless Driving	28	Total Enforcement Data	1,589





# Criminal Investigations

Criminal investigations is an essential part of the Albemarle Police Department. In 2022, Investigators closed countless cases and assisted the patrol division in working cases as well. The department responded to one homicide investigation in 2022 and investigators were able to close the case with arrests. A total of 808 cases were handled by the division in 2022.

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# Fiscal Year 22 / 23 Budget

The Albemarle Police Department fiscal year budget is prepared yearly for the next fiscal year. The operating budget represents the commitment of both the City Manager and City Council to provide for the most important citizen needs within the constraints of available revenue.

<b>FY 2022/2023 Budget</b>
<b>\$5,544,282</b>

For the break down of line-item budget for the Albemarle Police Department, click or copy/paste on the link below and see the report.

<https://www.albemarlenc.gov/budget>



# Records Services

The Records Division is comprised of five full-time civilian employees, one assigned to each Patrol Team and a Records Supervisor. We are open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Two part-time employees are also employed and can be called to work when needed. Record Specialists work 12-hour shifts on a schedule identical to the Patrol Teams, allowing them to be available to assist the Patrol and Detective Divisions as well as the public at all times. Records personnel directs and advises all visitors to the Police Department and answers all incoming calls. Customer Service is our top priority at all times, both when interacting with the citizens of our city and when assisting members of Law Enforcement.

In 2022, Records Specialist Pamela Efird was hired to fill the vacancy in records from 2021. The Records Division maintains records through ONESolution Records Management Software (RMS), provided by CentralSquare Technologies. Criminal reports are vetted by the Records Division personnel to assure they comply with National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS) requirements. Reports are then submitted to the NC State Bureau of Investigation.

<b>Requests</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>Percentage Change</b>
Incident Reports	2764	2110	-24%
Arrest Reports	1552	1298	-17%
Accident Reports	951	1025	8%
Traffic Citations	1513	1589	5%
Residential Security Checks	88	69	-22%

# Juvenile Programs

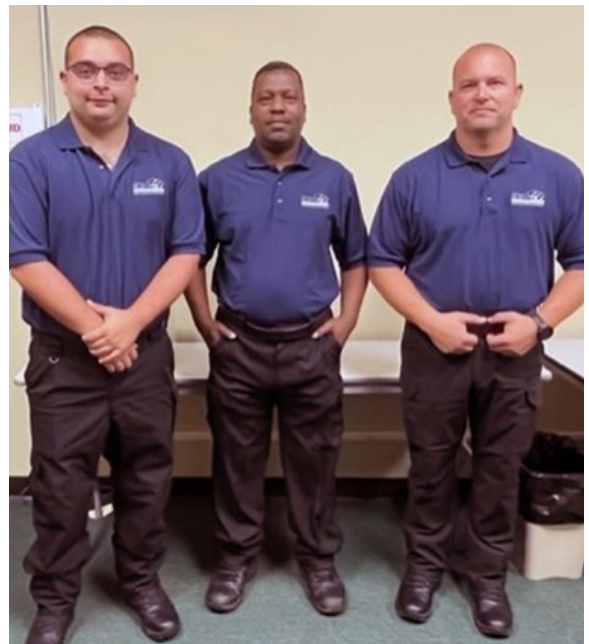
In 2022, the department had three school resources officers assigned to the local schools. Programs for 2022 included D.A.R.E., Junior Police Academy, Holiday Heroes, Community Night Out, various programs at the local schools, and reading to students.

<b>Programs</b>	<b>Number of Students (Programs) 2022</b>	<b>Number of Students (Programs) 2021</b>	<b>Percentage Change</b>
D.A.R.E.	130	100	33%
Junior Academy	N/A	13	100%
Other programs	15	10	100%

Juvenile cases were assigned to the SRO's and Detective Lear in 2022. These files were managed by Det. Lear for 2022. The SROs remain highly active in the local schools and work with coaching, team sports, and teaching the students in various ways.

# 2022 BLET Classes

New recruits are hired by the department and sent to Basic Law Enforcement Training to become sworn police officers. In 2022, we hired ten students with ten graduating and starting their career with the department in 2022. We also had three laterals hired in 2022. Each year the department strives to hire new recruits for the Spring and Fall Academies hosted by the local community colleges.





# Acknowledgements

The Albemarle Police Department would like to thank the employees who contributed to this report and for their efforts throughout 2022.

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