

Cherokee Indian Police Department
Public



MONTHLY REPORT

JUNE 2026

MONTHLY SUMMARY

By: Chief of Police Carla Neadeau

Dear EBCI Communities,

I am writing to express my deepest gratitude for the unwavering support you have shown to the Cherokee Indian Police Department. Your constant encouragement and trust in our officers and staff have been a source of immense strength and motivation for us all.

The bond between our community and the police department is a testament to the values of unity, respect, and mutual support that we hold dear. Your cooperation and understanding have been crucial in helping us maintain peace and safety within our community. We are truly fortunate to serve such a compassionate and supportive community.

I would also like to take this opportunity to extend my heartfelt thanks to all the officers and employees of all the Cherokee Law Enforcement Divisions and all tribal and state programs that make protecting and serving the tribe a reality. Your dedication, hard work, and relentless commitment to duty, often under challenging and non-stop schedules, do not go unnoticed. Each one of you plays a vital role in ensuring the safety and well-being of our community, and for that, I am profoundly grateful. Together, we have faced many challenges, and together, we will continue to strive for a safer and stronger community. Thank you once again for your unwavering support and for being an integral part of our mission.

The purpose of the EBCI Law Enforcement Monthly Report is to compile data into one integrated report for review. I hope you find these reports informative and useful. Several community members have offered suggestions about these reports, and we will make changes as this effort of openness continues.

June remained busy for us as you will see in the pages that follow. The data in the tables below shows an increase in almost every category this month.

We are still hiring.

We appreciate all your support, and we welcome every opportunity to do better.

With deepest gratitude,

Chief of Police Carla Neadeau

Cherokee Indian Police Department

Calls Answered

Calls Dispatched Cherokee

2025												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	AVG
1301	1455	1529	1574	1835	1767	1816	1789	1780	1879	1705	1746	1681
2026												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	AVG
1754	1570	1781	1743	1816	1620							

Calls Dispatched Snowbird/Cherokee Co.

2025												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	AVG
197	399	316	154	299	307	316	351	278	331	279	284	293
2026												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	AVG
368	310	208	274	278	349							

Traffic Safety Total

Traffic Stop:

2025												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	AVG
172	193	211	324	311	257	231	228	215	236	266	239	240
2026												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	AVG
233	213	315	285	283	251							

Total Citations Issued:

2025												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	AVG
20	32	41	51	184	74	103	95	121	115	151	114	92
2026												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	AVG
143	73	70	97	82	111							

DWI Arrests:

2025												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	AVG
5	10	6	5	3	12	3	7	6	1	6	5	6
2026												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	AVG
6	3	4	4	4	6							

Total Motor Vehicle Crashes:

2025												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	AVG
38	44	45	40	74	78	69	65	52	122	83	46	63
2026												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	AVG
39	40	32	74	48	44							

Extra Patrol:

2025												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	AVG
178	318	256	251	243	276	322	329	459	640	812	662	396
2026												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	AVG
525	534	592	575	479	497							

Crimes, Reports, and Arrests *Criminal Arrests:*

2025												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	AVG
35	43	46	39	49	36	40	42	82	90	103	48	54
2026												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	AVG
96	72	45	94	95	84							

Incident Reports:

2025												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	AVG
442	625	675	546	685	600	667	661	628	706	651	635	627
2026												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	AVG
628	455	655	658	753	627							

Drug Offenses:

2025												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg.
15	37	15	32	24	16	31	25	22	29	42	37	27
2026												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg.
34	24	28	31	26	38							

Larcenies:

2025												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg.
33	33	27	21	33	21	30	19	26	26	24	10	25
2026												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg.
28	23	17	23	20	22							

Assaults:

2025												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg.
37	32	35	29	41	48	39	49	16	50	52	28	38
2026												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg.
34	43	20	48	49	41							

Checkpoints:

2025												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg.
3	6	16	0	10	20	3	11	17	2	12	8	9
2026												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg.
5	6	13	4	3	4							

Overdoses:

2025												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg.
4	2	4	4	3	3	1	1	5	7	5	5	4
2026												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg.
1	1	2	2	2	4							

Fatal Overdoses:

2025												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg.
0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	.25
2026												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg.
1	1	0	0	1	0							

Non-Fatal Overdoses:

2025												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg.
4	1	4	3	1	3	1	1	5	7	1	4	3
2026												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg.
0	0	2	2	0	4							

Natural Resource Enforcement

Citations:

2025												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg.
2	11	69	19	16	19	31	46	13	21	16	1	22
2026												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg.
5	1	52	25	15	7							

Natural Resources

-Patrolling backwoods

-Checking food plots

-Patrolling Graham and Cherokee County

Special Operations Activities

ACTIVITIES

- **Extra patrol and increased traffic enforcement**
 - **Big Cove Community:**
(2) speeding citations, (1) license violation citation, (1) speeding written warning, (1) registration violation & unsafe movement written warning.
 - **Yellowhill Community:**
(1) Speeding written warning, (1) unsafe movement & red light violation warning
 - **Painttown Community:**
(1) Speeding citation
- **Assist Patrol**
- **Assist Probation**

Civil Service:

2025												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg.
89	84	87	69	82	138	48	36	145	73	53	31	78
2026												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg.
32	31	42	31	53	61							

Special Operations

Outstanding Paper service:

2025												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg.
11	9	9	6	9	14	17	14	8	12	15	9	11
2026												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg.
9	6	4	13	36	21							

Special Operations

Warrants:

2025												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg.
7	6	5	6	0	1	2	0	3	12	9	4	5
2026												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg.
4	12	0	3	19	11							

This total does not include the remaining units of the police department.

Special Operations

Transports:

2025												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg.
8	25	25	8	13	16	29	13	23	24	19	8	18
2026												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg.
9	17	8	10	10	19							

Please note that if cases decrease it is because the case has been closed by means of suspects charged, or by other means.

****Please be aware that the quantity is no reflection on the severity or complexity of the cases. In other words, a lower number is no indication of how hard or long an investigator is working certain sensitive caseloads****

Investigations

Major Crimes:

2025												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg.
36	37	104	106	108	125	101	98	85	30	8	35	73
2026												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg.
38	18	9	14	13	16							

Investigations

Special Victim Crimes:

2025												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg.
68	70	79	77	79	87	88	88	84	76	41	45	74

2026												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg.
46	48	63	35	38	42							

Investigations

General Crimes:

2025												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg.
38	40	61	93	95	85	80	78	60	53	62	65	68

2026												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg.
65	66	66	72	70	72							

Investigations

Narcotics:

2025												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg.
95	93	96	78	83	104	102	105	99	88	72	66	90

2026												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg.
68	74	73	74	67	68							

Drugs Seized (May)

Grams

<i>Processed Marijuana</i>	<i>122.00</i>
<i>Cocaine</i>	<i>1.5</i>
<i>Crack Cocaine</i>	
<i>Meth (Powder)</i>	
<i>Crystal Meth (Ice/Glass)</i>	<i>8.7</i>
<i>MDMA (Ecstasy)</i>	
<i>Opioid/Opioid Derivative</i>	<i>16.4</i>
<i>Heroin</i>	
<i>Peyote</i>	
<i>Alcohol (Ounces)</i>	
<i>Other Drug (Prescription)</i>	
<i>Schedule I</i>	<i>10.1</i>
<i>Schedule II</i>	
<i>Schedule III</i>	
<i>Schedule IV</i>	
<i>Schedule V</i>	

NARC/CRO

Assisted with 6 investigations with other divisions at CIPD

Joint operation with Swain County Sheriff's Office and State Probation

38 arrests

3 checkpoints

74 traffic stops

22 citations

Federal Grand Jury Indictments on 2 current investigations.

<i>DARE \$ Received FY26</i>	<i>0</i>
<i>Asset Forfeiture</i>	<i>\$23,025.68</i>

- *Due to stipulations of tribal garnishment requirements DARE fines are one of the last tiers to be withdrawn. Understanding this, we received \$0 in support from DARE fines.*
- *Asset forfeiture money can only be used for Narcotics Officers. (equipment, vehicles, training, etc.) This money comes from the Department of Justice.*
- *Sheriff Offices across the state can receive substance abuse state tax money. The tribe does not pay state taxes therefore we are not included in the payout.*

Sex Offender

63 Total Offenders Registered with the tribe

60-Tier 3 sex offenders

Probation

Active Probationers:

2025												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg.
334	334	318	325	278	277	365	365	403	418	414	419	354
2026												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg.
302	453	474	477	412	346							

➤ Probation filed 31 probation violations for month of June.

Detention

Booked In:

2025												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg.
60	66	78	72	83	87	82	92	91	90	83	99	82
2026												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg.
86	72	77	77	83	83							

Detention

Released Inmates:

2025												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg.
58	52	79	72	76	86	80	76	91	91	83	86	78
2026												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg.
74	66	69	75	70	83							

Juvenile Division:

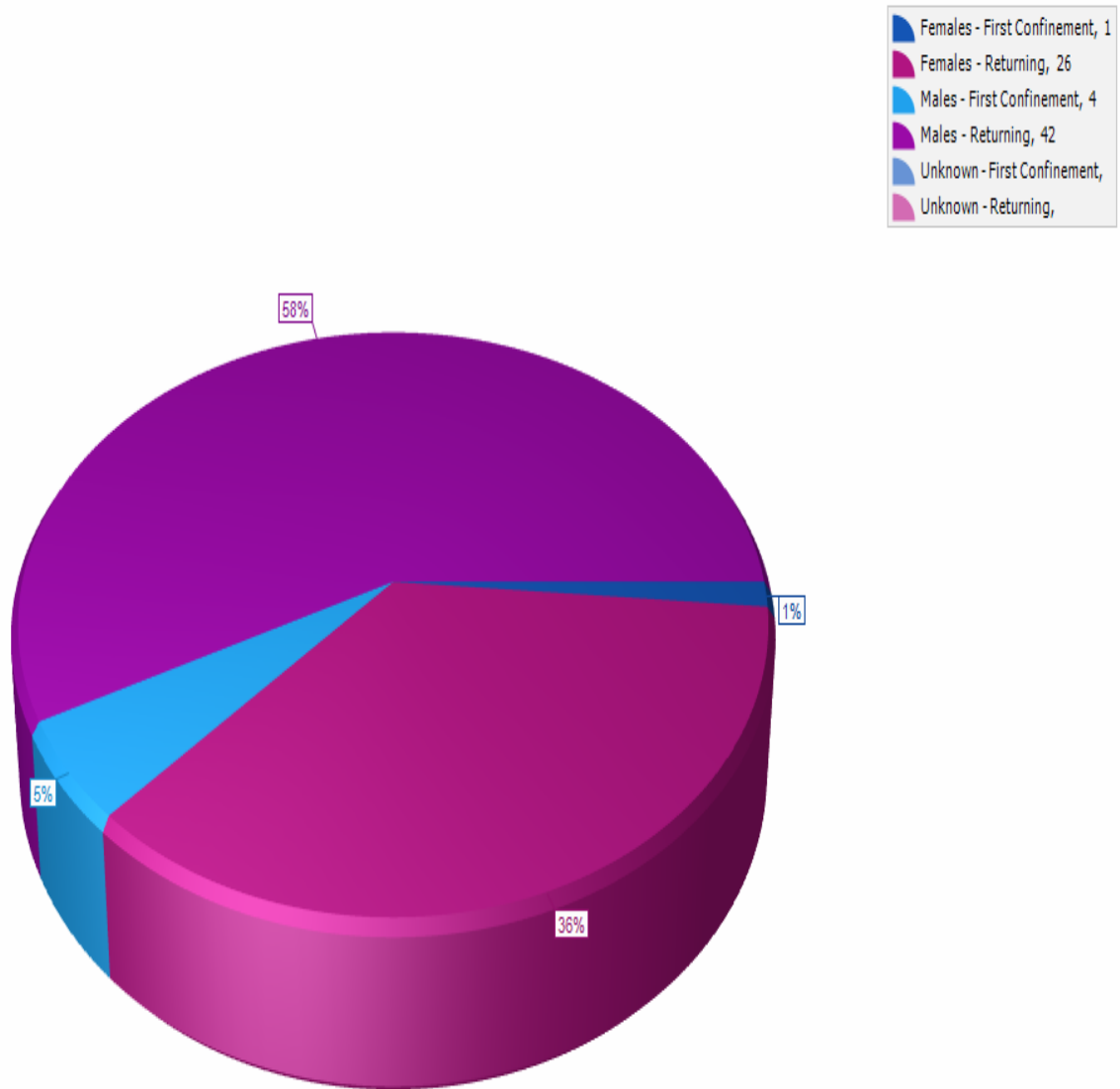
Note: The Discipline Meetings are when a serious incident is on a student against a student to determine what level of disciplinary action they receive.

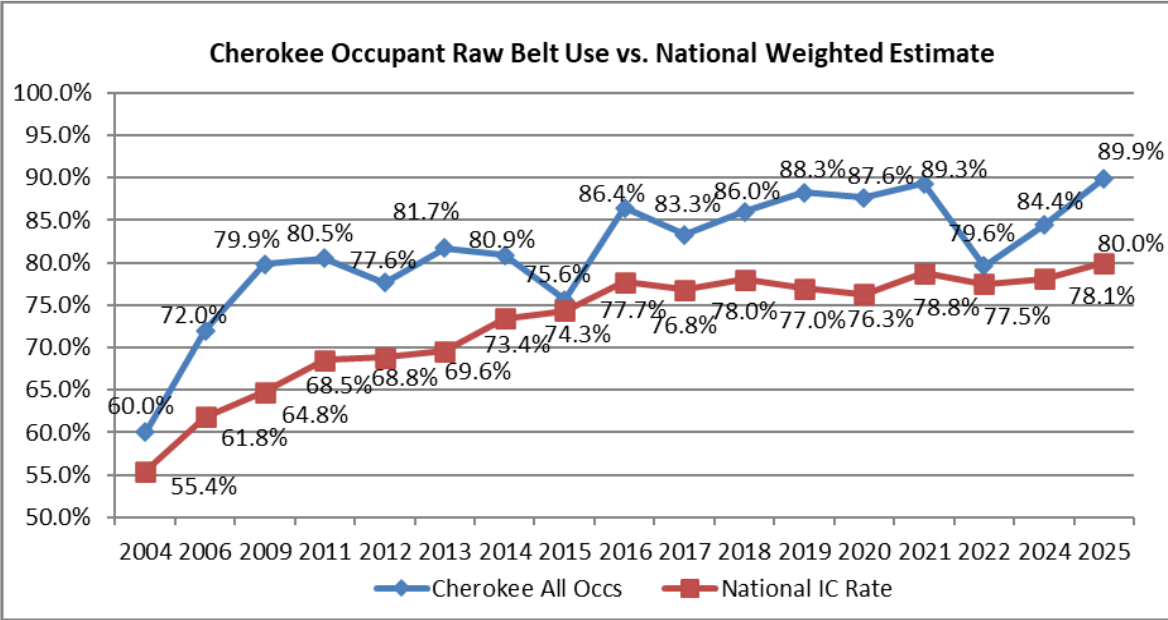
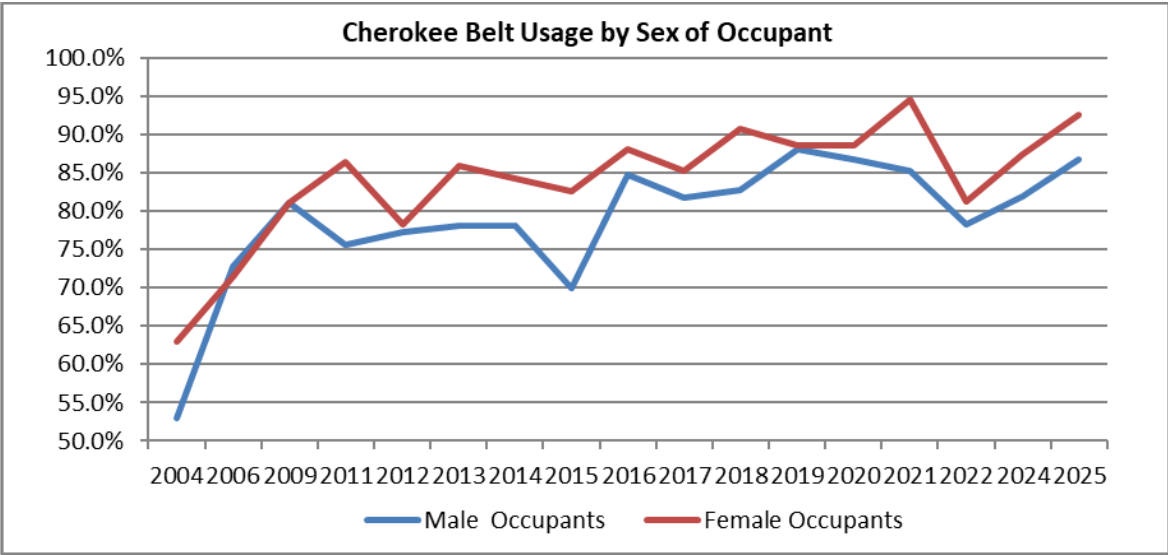
EBCI-CIPD Memorandums of Agreements (Other Agencies)

Signed MOA	Reviewing MOA	Declined
Swain County Sheriff Office	Blue Ridge National Park	
Great Smoky Mtn National Park	Maggie Valley Police Dept.	
Andrews Police Department	Waynesville Police Dept.	
Murphy Police Department	Canton Police Dept.	
Asheville Police Department		
Jackson County Sheriff Office		
State Bureau of Investigations		
Cherokee Co. Sheriff's Office		
Graham Co. Sheriff Office		

Cherokee Tribal Detention

Recidivism/Repeat Inmates





JUNE SAFETY TIP

Stay hydrated, avoid peak sun hours, wear light clothing, and monitor for heat-related symptoms to stay safe during June's high temperatures.

Hydration and Fluids

Drink plenty of water throughout the day, even if you don't feel thirsty, as dehydration can occur quickly in hot weather. Include electrolyte beverages if engaging in prolonged outdoor activity or heavy exercise to replace lost salts and minerals. Avoid excessive caffeine or alcohol, which can increase dehydration risk

Clothing and Sun Protection

Wear **loose, lightweight, and light-colored clothing** to allow your body to cool naturally. Apply broad-spectrum sunscreen with SPF 30 or higher, and wear hats or sunglasses to protect against UV exposure. Light fabrics and sun protection reduce the risk of sunburn and heat stress

Scheduling and Activity Management

Plan outdoor activities for **early morning or late evening** when temperatures are lower. Pace yourself and take frequent breaks in shaded or air-conditioned areas. Avoid strenuous activity during peak heat hours, especially if you are not acclimated to high temperatures

Recognizing Heat-Related Illness

Be aware of symptoms of **heat exhaustion**: heavy sweating, weakness, dizziness, headache, nausea. Move to a cool place, rest, and drink water or an electrolyte beverage. **Heat stroke** is a medical emergency: high body temperature, confusion, or loss of consciousness requires immediate medical attention and cooling measures

Operations/Notable Events

- Elders Walk
- Kituwah Celebration

Patrol



Lieutenant Patrol

Dustin Clark



Front row left to right: Patrol Officer Devon Hudson, Sergeant Zachary Dezarn, Patrol Officer Daniel Saylor, Patrol Officer Joseph Barber, Patrol Officer Brandon Walk, Lieutenant Jason Cable



Left to right back row: Lieutenant Dustin Clark, Patrol Officer Brennan Martin, Sergeant Ben Murphy, Patrol Officer PJ Toineeta-Jim, Front row: Patrol Officer Antonio Bernhisel, Patrol Officer John Lacy



Front row: Patrol Officer Hunter Berryessa
Second row: Patrol Officer Daniel Saylor, Sergeant Cody Owle, Patrol Officer Brandon Walk



Front Row: Lt. Dustin Clark, Interim Sergeant Crystal Edwards.
Second Row: Sam Ingram, Kyle Smith, Hunter Swayney



Snowbird/Cherokee County Patrol:

Left to Right: Patrol Officers Mike Edwards, Joe Jones, David Styles, Sergeant Jeremy Spencer



Snowbird/Cherokee County Patrol:

Left to Right: Patrol Officer Taylor Rennoldson, Sergeant Greg Shields, Chris Harris, Robbie Rivers, Casey Farmer



Major Crimes

Left to right: Detective Nathan Deweese, Detective Jason Howell, Sergeant Cody McKinney



Special Victims Unit

Left to right: Detective Ashley Cromer, Detective Alicia Case, Detective Jason Hughes



Community Response Officers

Left to Right: Officer Patrick Smith, Doug Woodard, Logan Woodard, Steve Switzer, Eli Crowe



General Crimes

Left to right: Sgt. Jamie Silvers, Detective Tiffany Holland, Detective David Velez



Evidence Tech: Kari Hensley, Mitchell Frizzell



Sex Offender Tracker Jeff Girty

Juvenile



Left to Right: SRO James Powell, SRO Nick Stephenson, SRO Dustin Wright, SRO Alex Climbingbear, Sergeant Jason Owl, SRO Scottie Chekelelee

Natural Resource Enforcement



Left to right: NRE officer Kyle Effird, Sergeant Jonah Bird, NRE officer Dewitt Chekelelee, Sergeant Jeremiah Bird

Probation



Left to right 1st Row: Probation Officer-Doug Carver, Probation Sergeant-Beth Driver, Bailiff Rick Tabor.

Back Row: Bailiff Nicholas Wade, Probation Officer Kevin Brooks

Special Operations

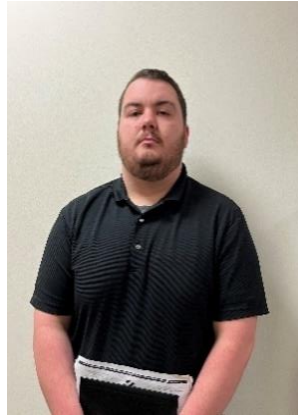


Left to right: Officer Andrew Sampson, Scott Buttery, Nathan Messer, Abbygayle Swayney, Jamie McEntire, Sergeant Jeff Smith

Officers



Patrol Officer: Kaylom
Saylor



Patrol Officer
Cory Frazier



Patrol Officer
Joseph Eagleman



Patrol Officer
Malaki Moore



Patrol Officer
James Bradley



Probation Officer
Kelly Rhodes

Cadets

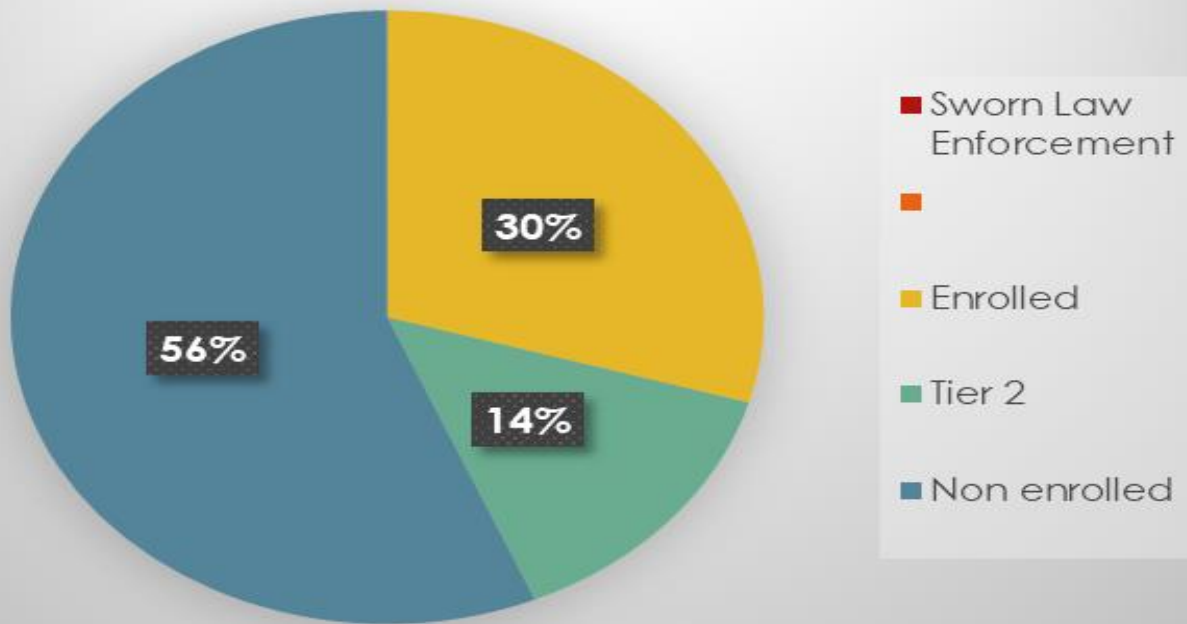
Currently have three enrolled cadets that began training on July 6th, 2026. Two at AB-Tech and one at SCC. Pictures coming soon.

Recruitment/Retention

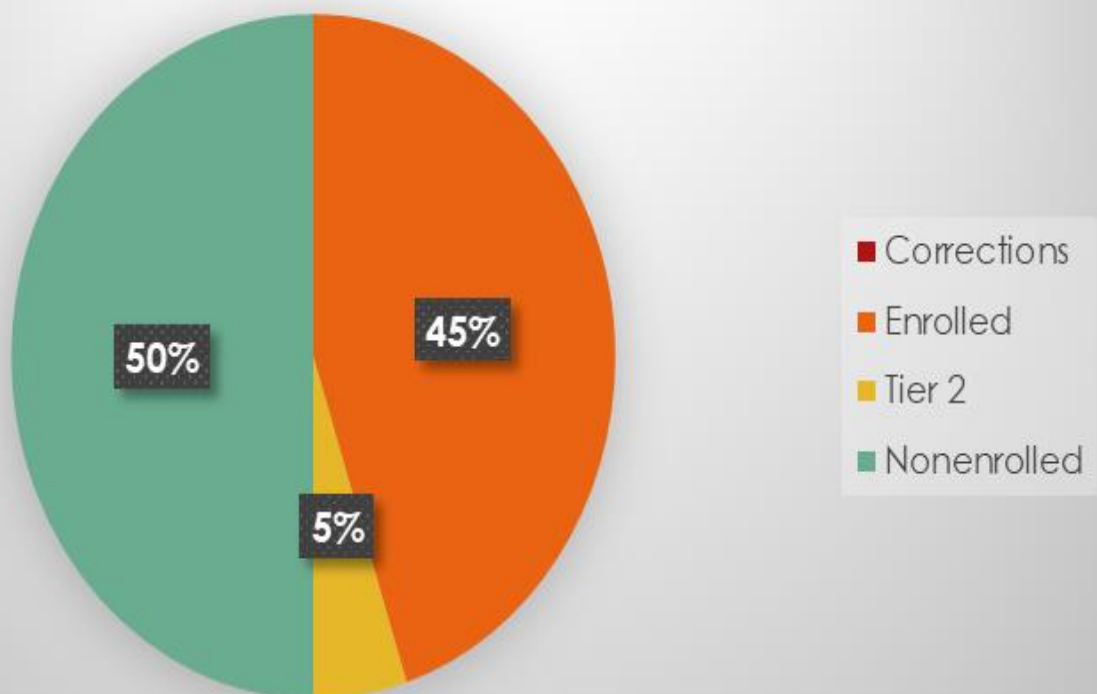
- 2 vacant patrol positions-received three applicants-Interviews this week.
- 2 Sergeant Patrol
- 2 Narcotic Detectives
- 5 Community Response-5 applications ATH turned in.
- 4 vacant Corrections
- 1 NRE

Total Sworn Officers=91, 81 are filled this includes all departments NRE, Patrol, Narcotics, Special Operations, Probation, and Investigations.

SWORN LAW ENFORCEMENT

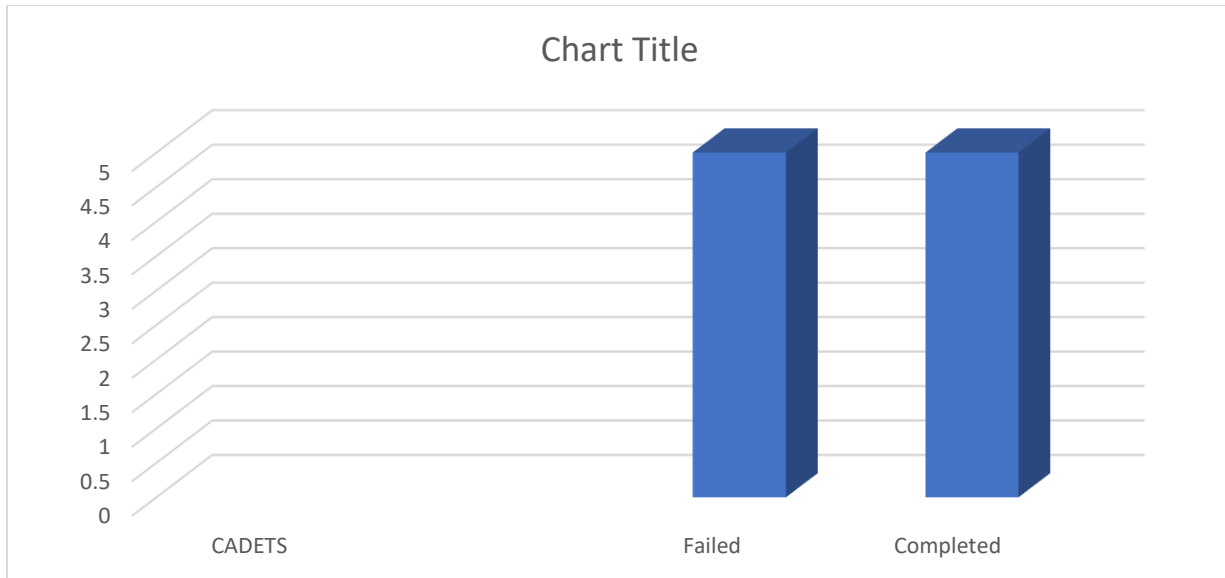


Corrections



Patrol Cadets

Money that has been spent on cadets that have failed out of the course has been over \$60,000.



Citizen Complaints

Month	Application of Service	Employee Misconduct	Unsubstantiated	Substantiated	Under Investigation	Corrective Action
None/June	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	
	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	
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