Cherokee Indian Police Department

Public

MONTHLY REPORT

MAY 2025

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.

May 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 have two enrolled male cadets in Basic Law Enforcement Training right now and two cadets started today.

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

2024												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	**AVG**
1084	1323	1365	1165	1248	1444	1457	1406	1240	1284	1187	1415	**1302**
2025												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	**AVG**
1301	1455	1529	1574	1835								

Calls Dispatched Snowbird/Cherokee Co.

2024												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	**AVG**
116	145	236	172	179	280	193	201	200	209	244	359	**211**
2025												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	**AVG**
197	399	316	154	299								

Traffic Safety Total

Traffic Stop:

2024												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	**AVG**
123	158	233	154	199	275	166	227	142	252	164	172	**180**
2025												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	**AVG**
172	193	211	324	311								

Total Citations Issued:

2024												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	**AVG**
60	68	97	62	45	81	39	101	32	24	32	26	56
2025												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	**AVG**
20	32	41	51	184								

DWI Arrests:

2024												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	**AVG**
5	2	5	5	4	11	5	4	6	8	6	7	**6**
2025												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	**AVG**
5	10	6	5	3								

Total Motor Vehicle Crashes:

2024												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	**AVG**
46	35	49	36	7	31	39	54	46	61	78	41	**48**
2025												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	**AVG**
38	44	45	40	74								

Extra Patrol:

2024												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	**AVG**
72	61	82	44	92	145	160	101	103	100	129	269	**113**
2025												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	**AVG**
178	318	256	251	243								

Crimes, Reports, and Arrests *Criminal Arrests:*

2024												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	**AVG**
30	55	58	28	36	33	41	21	35	24	21	27	**35**
2025												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	**AVG**
35	43	46	39	49								

Incident Reports:

2024												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	**AVG**
382	365	370	326	268	373	350	380	293	275	234	413	**336**
2025												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	**AVG**
442	625	675	546	685								

Drug Offenses:

2024												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg.
19	30	27	22	27	24	27	27	20	16	18	20	**23**
2025												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg.
15	37	15	32	24								

Larcenies:

2024												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg.
23	22	23	30	26	31	33	30	19	32	26	21	**26**
2025												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg.
33	33	27	21	33								

Assaults:

2024												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg.
38	39	26	37	43	43	39	40	37	39	50	38	**39**
2025												
2Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg.
37	32	35	29	41								

Checkpoints:

2024												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg.
9	14	9	11	14	24	16	8	2	7	17	6	**11**
2025												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg.
3	6	16	0	10								

A new policy had to be put in place before officers could continue checkpoints, this policy has been updated.

Overdoses:

2024												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg.
5	10	11	5	3	5	1	4	8	2	6	4	**5**
2025												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg.
4	2	4	4	3								

Fatal Overdoses:

2024												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg.
0	2	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	**1**
2025												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg.
0	1	0	1	0								

Non-Fatal Overdoses:

2024												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg.
4	8	9	4	3	4	1	4	8	2	6	3	**5**
2025												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg.
4	1	4	3	1								

Natural Resource Enforcement

Citations:

2024												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg.
6	11	67	19	40	43	48	48	18	7	9	0	**26**
2025												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg.
2	11	69	19	16								

Special Operations Activities

- Traffic control at intersection of hospital road
- Assist Probation with bailiff duties
- Assist Probation with front door security
- Assist Patrol with calls
- Firearms Qualifications for Department
- SWAT Training
- Hostage Negotiations Training Edneyville
- Drove Bear Cat in Swain and Cherokee parade
- Cover shift in Snowbird

Special Operations

Civil Service:

2024												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg.
57	104	126	124	118	70	98	94	121	116	84	95	**101**
2025												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg.
89	84	87	69	82								

Special Operations

Outstanding Paper service:

2024												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg.
3	5	9	3	6	2	15	6	14	25	3	6	**9**
2025												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg.
11	9	9	6	9								

Special Operations

Warrants:

2024												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg.
1	0	7	7	5	8	10	3	3	2	1	6	**4**
2025												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg.
7	6	5	6	0								

Special Operations

Transports:

2024												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg.
3	23	18	28	17	20	24	17	17	12	9	11	**17**
2025												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg.
8	25	25	8	13								

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:

2024												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg.
57	58	55	60	67	72	77	12	17	22	37	35	**47**

2025												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg.
36	37	104	106	108								

Investigations

Special Victim Crimes:

2024												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg.
95	87	88	85	98	103	110	45	50	55	60	70	**79**

2025												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg.
68	70	79	77	79								

Investigations

General Crimes:

2024												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg.
52	55	57	59	59	64	69	15	20	25	30	37	**45**

2025												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg.
38	40	61	93	95								

Investigations

Narcotics:

2024												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg.
116`	117	115	98	131	136	135	136	120	105	104	106	**118**
2025												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg.
95	93	96	78	83								

Sex Offender

63 Total Offenders Registered with the tribe

60-Tier 3 sex offenders

Probation

Active Probationers:

2024												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg.
319	318	332	339	394	373	336	337	321	330	331	324	**338**
2025												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg.
334	334	318	325	278								

Detention

Booked In:

2024												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg.
362	74	88	76	68	67	78	51	61	7	52	50	**61**
2025												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg.
60	66	78	72	83								

Detention

Released Inmates:

2024												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg.
64	73	80	83	76	65	77	54	59	38	41	54	**64**
2025												
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg.
58	52	79	72	76								

EBCI-CIPD Memorandums of Agreements (Other Agencies)

SIGNED

- Swain County Sheriff's Office-Sheriff Cochran
- Great Smoky Mountain National Park Service-Daniel Vandzura
- Andrews Police Department-Caleb Styles
- Murphy Police Department-

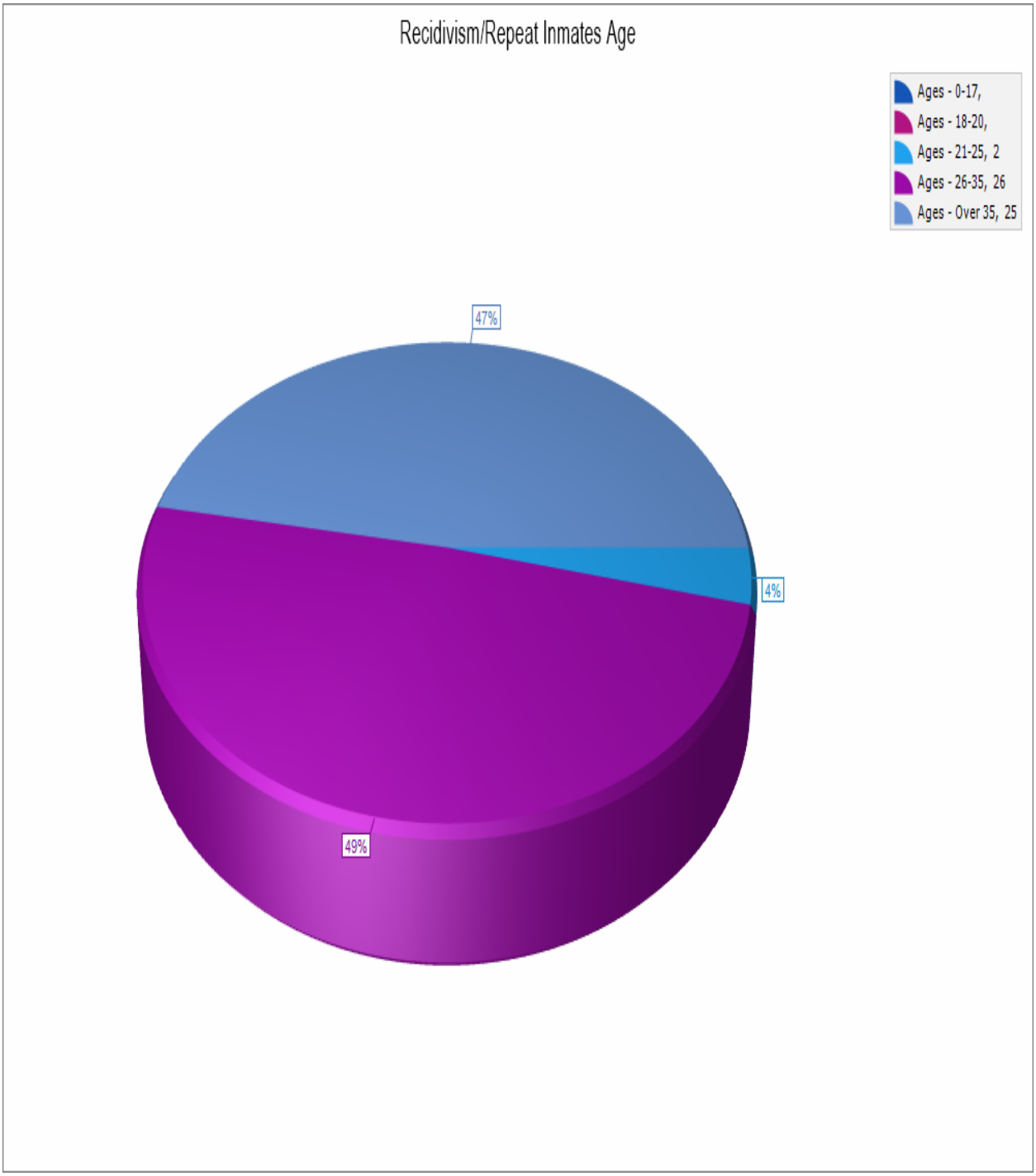
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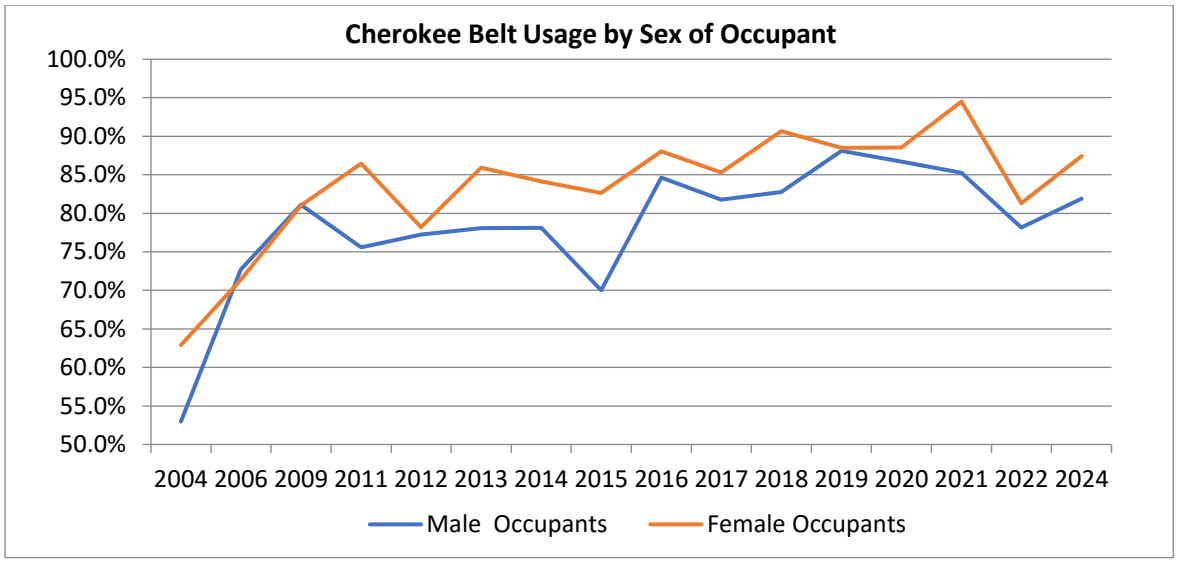
- Graham County Sheriff's Department-Brad Hoxit
- Jackson County Sheriff's Department-Doug Farmer

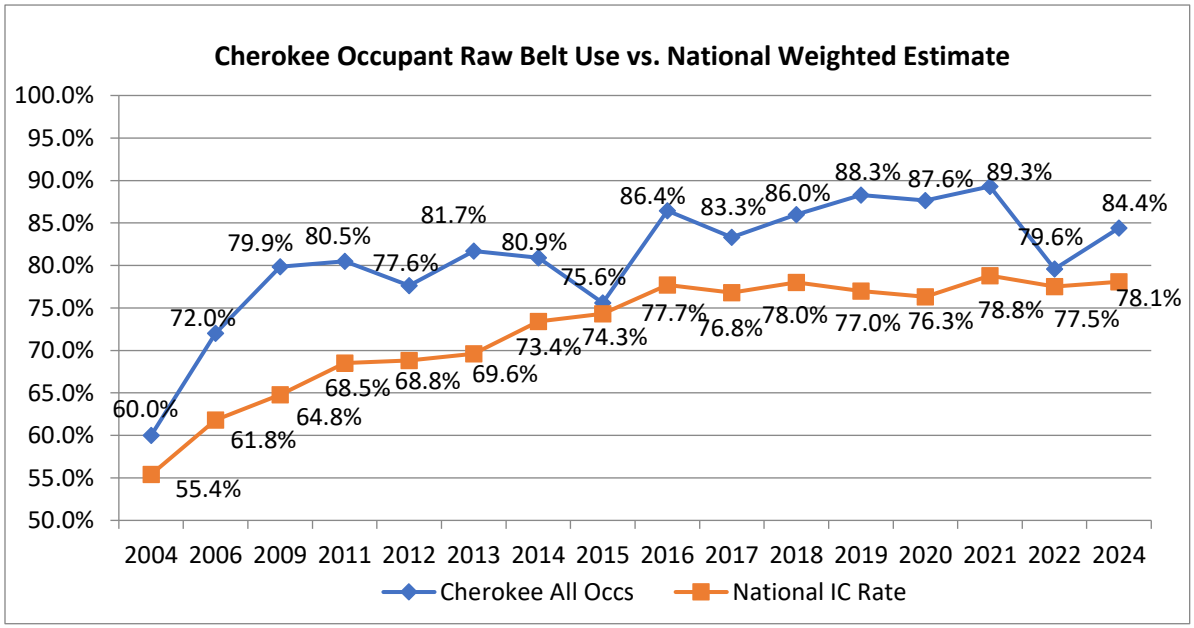
REVIEWING THE AGREEMENT

- Asheville Police Department-Chief Lamb
- Blue Ridge Park Service-Hanna Aimee
- Maggie Valley Police Department-

Cherokee Tribal Detention




Cherokee Belt Usage by Sex of Occupant
100.0%
95.0%
90.0%
85.0%
80.0%
75.0%
70.0%
65.0%
60.0%
55.0%
50.0%
2004 2006 2009 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020 2021 2022 2024
Male Occupants
Female Occupants


Cherokee Occupant Raw Belt Use vs. National Weighted Estimate
100.0%
95.0%
90.0%
85.0%
80.0%
75.0%
70.0%
65.0%
60.0%
55.0%
50.0%
2004 2006 2009 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020 2021 2022 2024
60.0%
72.0%
79.9%
80.5%
77.6%
81.7%
80.9%
75.6%
86.4%
83.3%
86.0%
88.3%
87.6%
89.3%
79.6%
84.4%
55.4%
61.8%
64.8%
68.5%
68.8%
69.6%
73.4%
74.3%
77.7%
76.8%
78.0%
77.0%
76.3%
78.8%
77.5%
78.1%
Cherokee All Occs
National IC Rate

Safety tips for May include:

An extreme heat event is a series of hot days, much hotter than average for a particular time and place. Extreme heat is deadly and kills more people than any other weather event. Climate change is making extreme heat events more frequent, more severe, and last longer. But we can take action to prepare. Prepare now to protect yourself and your loved ones.

What Should You Do Before Extreme Heat Occurs?

Learn How to Stay Hydrated

You need to drink enough water to prevent heat illness. An average person needs to drink about 3/4 of a gallon of water daily. Everyone's needs may vary.

- You can check that you are getting enough water by noting your urine color. Dark yellow may indicate you are not drinking enough.
- Avoid sugary, caffeinated and alcoholic drinks.
- If you are sweating a lot, combine water with snacks or a sports drink to replace the salt and minerals you lose in sweat.
- Talk to your doctor about how to prepare if you have a medical condition or are taking medicines.

Gather Emergency Supplies

Gather food, water and medicine. Stores might be closed. Organize supplies into a Go-Kit and a Stay-at-Home Kit. In the event of a power outage, you may lose access to clean drinking water. Set aside at least one gallon of drinking water per person per day. Consider adding drinks with electrolytes. Include sunscreen and wide-brimmed hats.

- **Go-Kit:** at least three days of supplies that you can carry with you. Include backup batteries and chargers for your devices (cell phone, CPAP, wheelchair, etc.).
- **Stay-at-Home Kit:** at least two weeks of supplies.
- Have a 1-month supply of medication in a child-proof container and medical supplies or equipment.
- Keep personal, financial, and medical records safe and easy to access (hard copies or securely backed up).

Consider keeping a list of your medications and dosages on a small card to carry with you.

Make a Plan to Stay Cool

Do not rely only on electric fans during extreme heat. When temperatures are in the high 90s, fans may not prevent heat-related illness. Taking a cool shower or bath or moving to an air-conditioned place is a much better way to cool off.

- Spending a few hours each day in air conditioning can help prevent heat illness.
    - If you have air conditioning, be sure that it is in working order.
    - If you do not have air conditioning or if there is a power outage, find locations where you can stay cool. For example, a public library, shopping mall, or a public cooling center. Plan how you will get there.
    - Additional resources may be available from local government or community groups.
- Make sure you have plenty of lightweight, loose clothing to wear.
- Create a support team of people you may assist and who can assist you. Check in with them often to make sure that everyone is safe.

Learn Emergency Skill

- Learn how to recognize and respond to heat illness.
- Learn **First Aid** and **CPR**.
- Be ready to live without power. Utilities may be offline. Be ready to live without power, gas, and water. Plan for your electrical needs, including cell phones and medical equipment. Talk to your doctor. Plan for backup power.

Plan to Stay Connected

- Sign up for free emergency alerts from your local government.
- Plan to monitor local weather and news.
- Have a backup battery or a way to charge your cell phone.
- Have a **battery-powered radio** during a power outage.
- Understand the types of alerts you may receive and plan to respond when you receive them:
    - A WATCH means **Be Prepared!**
    - A WARNING means **Take Action!**

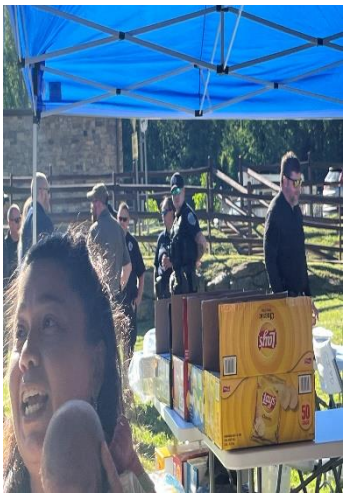
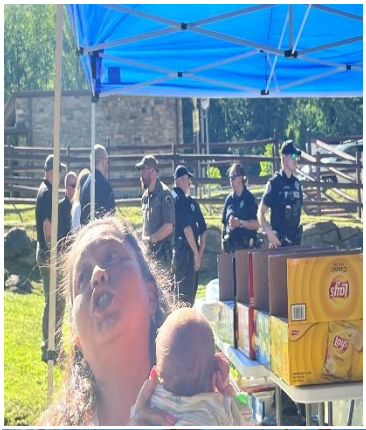
Complaints

- May-complaint for allegations against officer for false report, false arrest, and prejudice. (Under Investigation).
- May-complaint for harassment by officers (Unsubstantiated).

Operations/Notable Events

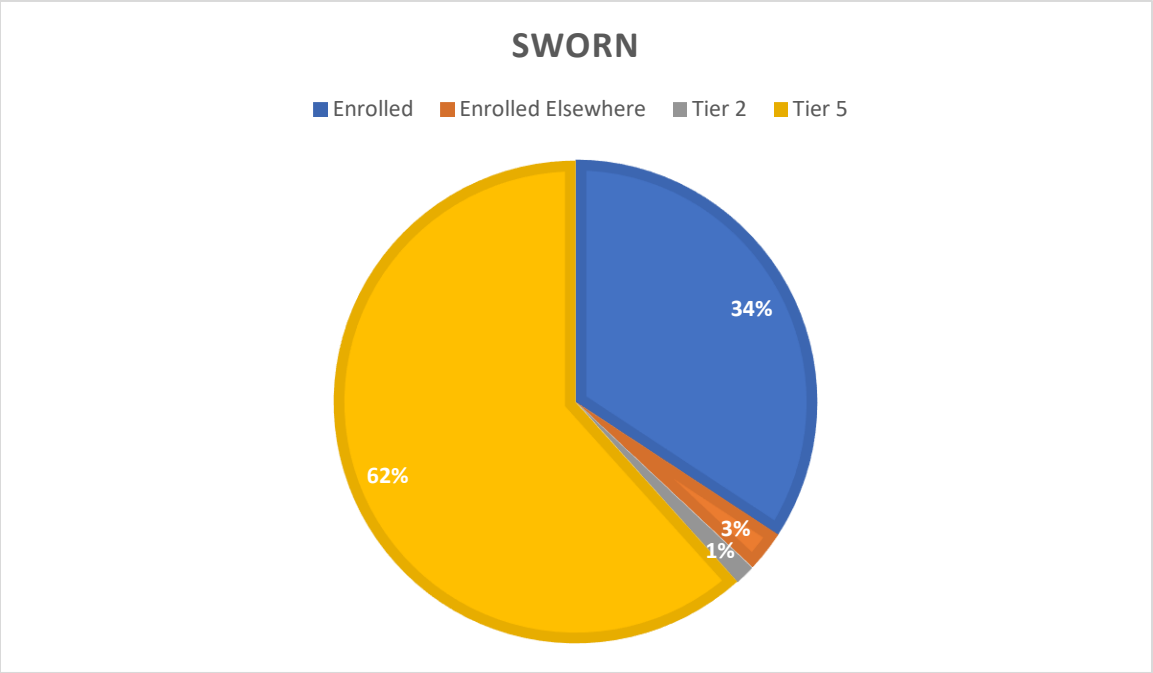
- Swain and Cherokee Senior Graduate Parades
- Meet and Greet event held by Cherokee Police Department and the Cherokee Police Commission
- Had a fundraiser for Bambi Sneed and Victim Advocate Mirmiam Fuller raised $4,933 for each.



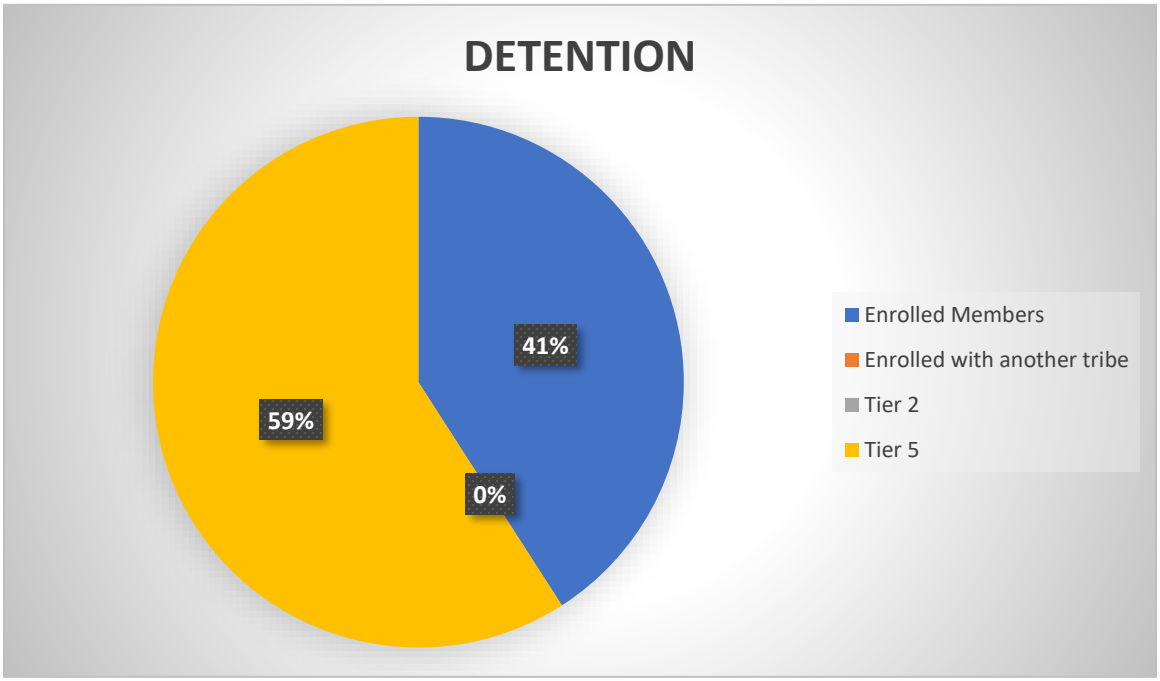










Total Sworn Officers=91, 81 are filled this includes all departments NRE, Patrol, Narcotics, Special Operations, Probation, and Investigations.



Total Detention Officers=26, 19 are filled

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