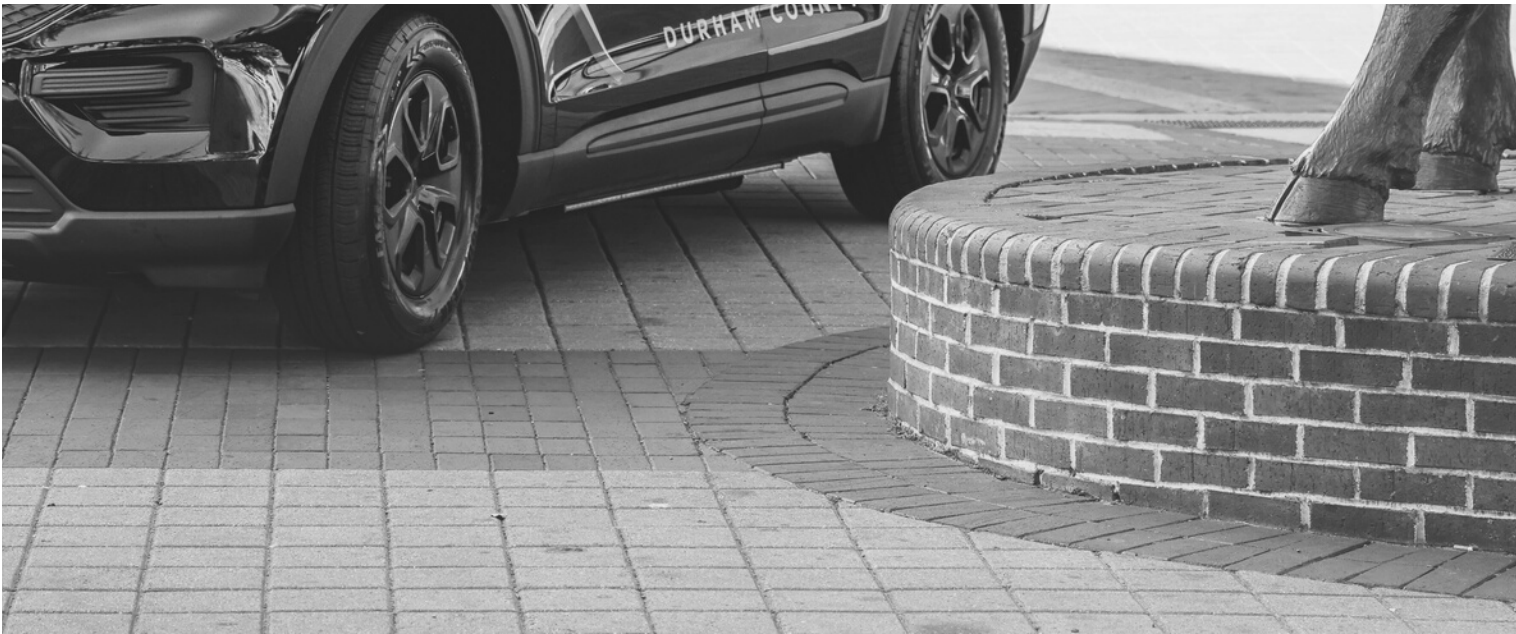


2022 ANNUAL REPORT



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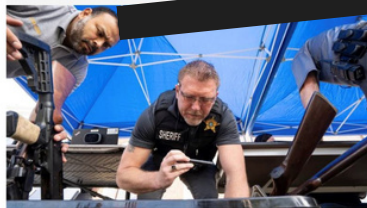
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BIG PICTURE GOAL

The quality of neighborhood life, its safety, and welfare comes from the unique commitment of each of its citizens. The Durham County Sheriff's Office takes pride in its role as a fellow citizen of the community; partnering with its members in the delivery of quality law enforcement services.

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LOCAL

As demand continues, residents swap guns for cash at second Durham County gun buyback



As your Sheriff, I am honored to present the great work we are doing at the Durham County Sheriff's Office.

2022 was marked by great accomplishments: a significant reduction in crime, continuing trust from the local community, and DCSO maintaining coveted "Triple Crown Accreditation" status. When I travel across Durham and our state and country, both law enforcement and the public know we are only one of three agencies in North Carolina and just the 29th in the entire United States that has received such distinction from the American Correctional Association, National Commission of Correction Health Care and Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies. When others validate our work, it gives us great confidence and pride to keep carrying out our mission statement of **Honor, Duty, Service.**

We now look forward to a new calendar year when I will begin my second term leading this great office. We have laid a great foundation. But the work is not over. Transparency is key to keep building trust. That's why the data you are about to review explains - in detail - how public dollars are being spent to provide the best quality of service to every Durham County resident. We can not do this job alone. I value our partnership with the Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) and our citizens to discuss future initiatives so we can keep moving DCSO forward. As public servants, we are sworn to serve the community. I, along with every DCSO member, take this oath seriously because we all realize how important it is. Together, I look forward to keep making the Durham County Sheriff's Office a national model other law enforcement entities will emulate.

AGENCY BUDGET

FY 2021/2022 - Total	\$38,433,906
Personnel Costs	\$32,349,108
Operating Costs	\$6,140,548
Vehicle Replacements	\$1,780,744
Capital	\$626,447

208

Detention Officers

197

Deputies

86

Civilians

In 2022, DCSO assisted with:

35 Active
Community Watch
groups in **5**
patrol
areas

Sheriff's Community Oriented Policing Effort

S.C.O.P.E.

The Durham County Sheriff's Office SCOPE Motor Unit's primary role for the agency is to provide the following services: traffic enforcement, motorcade escorts, dignitary protection and motorcycle safety education programs while participating in community service (public relations) events. During the year, the SCOPE Unit responded to a total of 5,136 calls for service. 4,693 calls were for traffic stops, escorts, alarms, and traffic crashes in which SCOPE was the primary unit to respond to these calls. We also assisted the following divisions: Transportation, Civil, Animal Services and Warrants.

All law enforcement agencies and our SCOPE Motor Unit were impacted by COVID-19 throughout 2022. Most of SCOPE's work is community service oriented, so some of our numbers are down from last year. Due to the restrictions that were mandated by the state, many community service events were cancelled.

Despite the challenges, the SCOPE Motor Unit participated in 195 community events, provided 268 funeral escorts, and initiated 260 Governor's Highway Safety Program (GHSP) speeding enforcement events. As a direct result, we accumulated 24,000 GHSP points which are being used to purchase equipment for the Agency.

SCOPE deputies
organized and/or
participated in
community

195 service
events

268 funeral
escorts

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Despite the continued challenge of many annual outreach events being cancelled or postponed, the Durham County Sheriff's Office once again had the honor to have our deputies, detention officers and civilian staff to participate in many activities throughout 2022. The return of National Night Out, Touch a Truck, street parades, community festivals and visits to local schools gave us the opportunity to serve the community both while on and off duty. We worked as mentors, donated our time as volunteers with local nonprofits and social service organizations, and helped provide needed supplies like food and hygiene items along with significant financial donations.

Back in 2019, the Sheriff's Community Advisory Board (CAB) was first established. Since then, CAB members have voluntarily served to advise Sheriff Birkhead on topics of importance to the local Durham community. We thank them for their service well beyond their original commitment and look forward to bringing on a new board in 2023. Sheriff Birkhead also added community engagement facilitator positions in 2022. These individuals are embedded in traditionally marginalized neighborhoods and act as liaisons in these specific areas to the Sheriff.

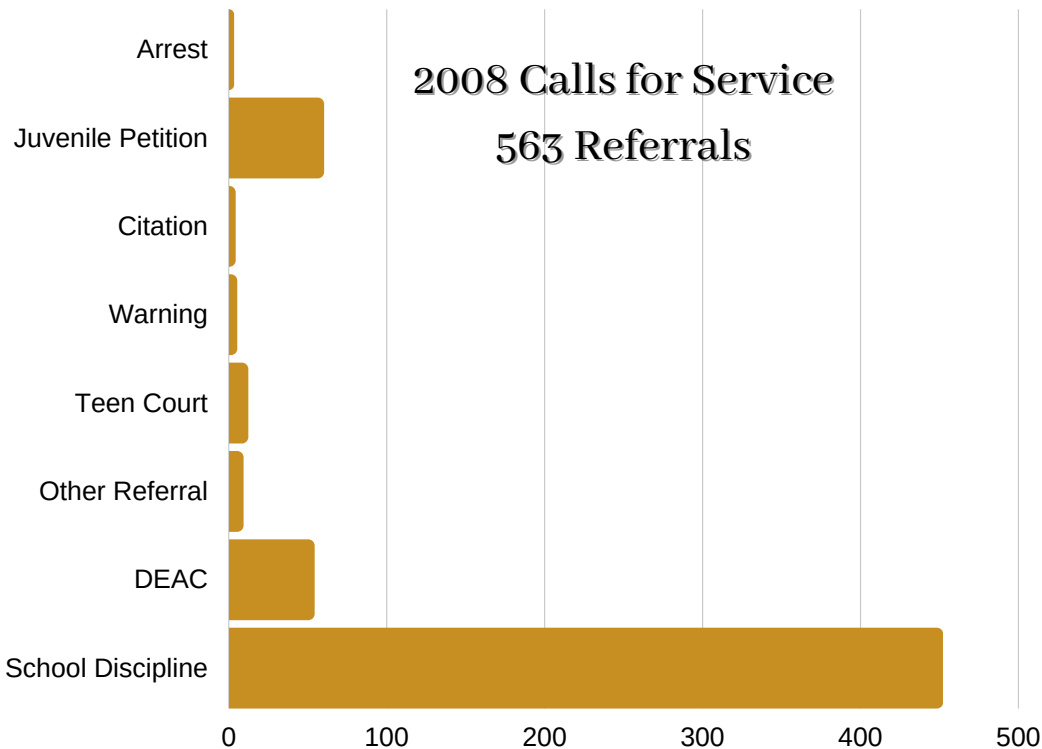
Finally, Sheriff Birkhead hosted monthly discussion forums through a partnership with the Durham County Public Library System to educate residents on our office programs and services, and to receive feedback directly from them on how we can better serve the community at large.

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Juvenile Actions are responses to criminal-related incidents at a school where a School Resource Officer (**SRO**) has the option to take no action or dispose of a case in one of the following ways:

- Recommend school disciplinary action (e.g. suspension)
- Teen Court referral
- DSS/welfare organization referral
- Criminal Court via arrest or misdemeanor citation
- Criminal action via juvenile court with a juvenile petition
- Divert criminal case to Misdemeanor Diversion Program (MDP)
- Refer to other programs such as DEAC, PROUD, TRY, and Project Build



SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS

During the 2021-2022 school year, SROs responded to 2,008 calls for service at their respective schools. The graph at left shows the more frequently requested calls for service at our schools.

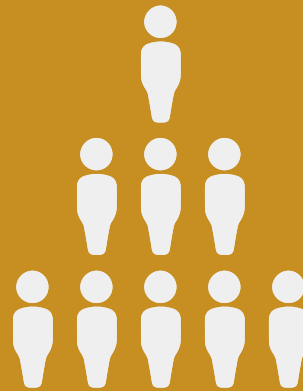
As a result of responding to calls for service, some calls require more investigation and result in the need for an Incident Report. SROs completed 367 Incident Reports this school year. While investigating these incidents, SROs routinely use some type of enforcement action. SROs do a great job in using discretion and outside resources to enforce disciplinary action without having to involve the criminal justice system, but some crimes committed do result in Criminal Actions such as Juvenile Petitions, Citations or Arrest. During the 2021-2022 school year, SRO completed 563 Juvenile Referrals. The graph lists the breakdown of the referrals by SROs, Please keep in mind the number represents the number of students referred and not the number of charges filed.



We are #SOCIAL



One of the largest Facebook communities among the 100 Sheriff's Offices in North Carolina with almost 16,000 followers



A community of over 7,000 Twitter followers



Transitioning in person forums to a podcast format in 2023!

@DurhamSheriff



FY 2021/2022

5,242

Total Arrestees
Processed at Jail

\$ 199

Average
Daily Cost
Per Inmate

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The **Durham County Detention Facility** operates 24 hours a day, seven days a week. The facility opened in the summer of 1996 with a capacity of 576 single cells. It was designed as a direct-supervision facility.

CIVIL DIVISION

Civil process is one of the oldest documented responsibilities of the county sheriff. Deputies serve civil documents, facilitate final eviction notices, fulfill civil executions by seizing money or property, and collect back taxes owed to Durham County.

16,318 Civil Papers Served
1,619 Child Support Papers

*FY 21/22



DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

Deputies in this unit investigate domestic violence cases and serve protection orders

661 DVPO Filings
632 Service Attempts
439 Services
170 Out of County/State Service/Attempts

NIBRS Crime Reporting

Total Cases Investigated in 2022

Aggravated Assault 84 ▲

Burglary 135 ▼

Larceny 346 ▼

Robbery 24 ▼

Murder 5 ▲

Rape 28 ▲

Arson 3 ▲

Motor Vehicle Theft 66 ▲

ANIMAL SERVICES

FY 2021/22 Breakdown

Calls for Service 10,117 ▼

Stray Animals 2,097 ▲

Animal Traps 960 ▼

Animal Bites 688 ▲

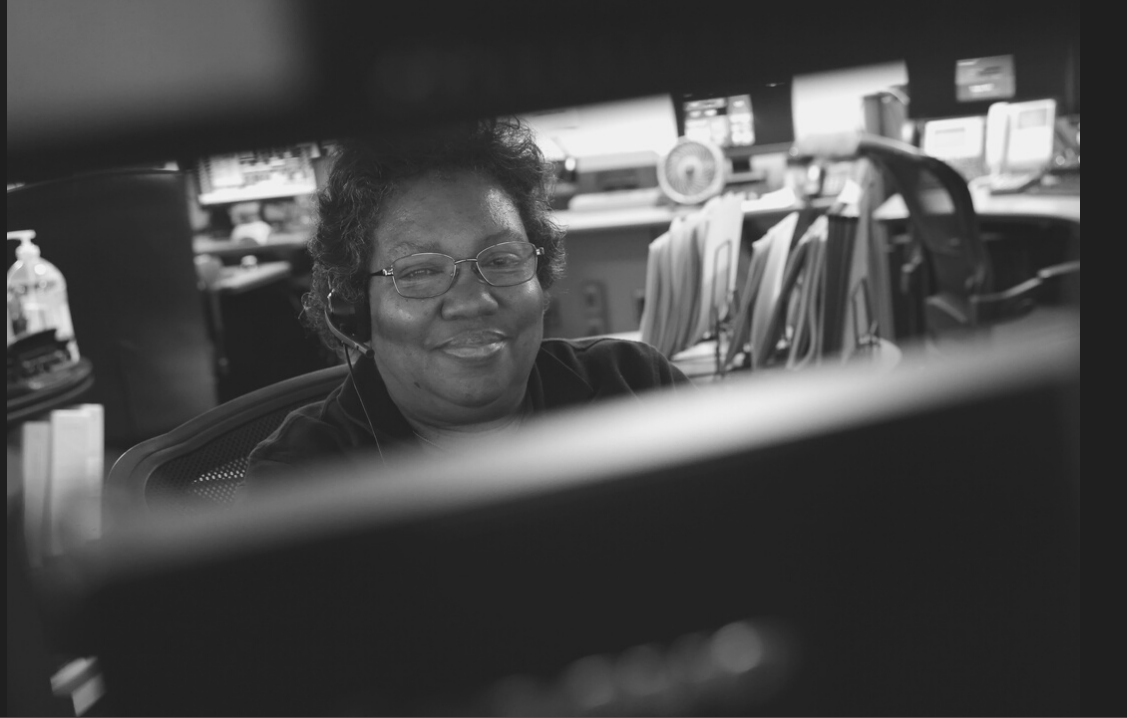
Animal Abuse 583 ▲

Animals Returned 216 ▲

Rabies Vaccinations 892 ▼

Rabies Cases 5 ▲





14 Communicators

12 Certified in Crisis Communication



COMMUNICATIONS

The Communications Center is usually the public's first point of contact with the Sheriff's Office. It is staffed with two telecommunicators at a time and is open 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.

Telecommunicators are responsible for answering calls from the public and dispatching deputies in response to calls for service. With the help of a computer-aided dispatch system, telecommunicators manage, monitor, and provide vital information to deputies in the field throughout Durham County.

87,045
Calls
Processed

Professional Standards Division



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Investigations conducted by the professional standards division for 2022:

14

internal affairs investigations

1

investigation was unfounded

13

investigations were sustained

0

investigations were not sustained