CARTHAGE POLICE DEPARTMENT

ANNUAL REPORT

2023

Executive Summary

The Carthage Police Department places the utmost importance on serving our communities and safeguarding the lives, rights, and property of both residents and visitors of the town of Carthage. Throughout the year 2023, our committed team of sworn and civilian members worked tirelessly to uphold these fundamental priorities to strengthen both our department and our town. This 2023 Annual Report provides valuable insights and increased transparency into the concerted efforts undertaken by our team.

Over the course of 2023, our law enforcement officers diligently tackled the various crime patterns and trends that emerged. Our detectives, in collaboration with other departments, utilized advanced technology and networking capabilities in their investigations to hold subjects accountable. Our officers' efforts on the ground, combined with our detectives' strategic use of cutting-edge tools and resources, allowed us to effectively address and prevent crime throughout the year.

Our department continues to grow and face challenges head-on as we strive to serve our citizens and visitors. 2023 was no exception to the challenges faced; retention and recruitment continue to plague policing.

Our cadet program that was implemented has yielded positive results with the hiring of three applicants. Two of them have successfully completed the BLET program, while the third has completed BLET, and FTO and is working rotation. We are also awaiting paperwork for the out-of-state transfer of a candidate, who will undergo BLET training to obtain certification upon completion of the required hours.

Our department is committed to ensuring the highest standards of service to the people of the Town of Carthage. To that end, we have been actively reviewing and implementing new policies and practices to support our growth. In 2023, we applied for and were accepted into the North Carolina Law Enforcement Accreditation Program (NCLEA). This program will enable us to maintain the highest level of professionalism and excellence in our operations, as we work to meet the standards of the law enforcement community.

Obtaining the NCLEA accreditation brings valuable advantages, such as increased endorsement from government officials, enhanced transparency and community support, fortified protection against civil litigation, decreased exposure to risk and liability, and elevated agency accountability and compliance with industry-leading policies and procedures.

FY 23/24 Projects

Below are some projects and accomplishments completed by the Carthage Police Department for the 2023 / 2024 year.

RapBack Program

The Records of Arrest and Prosecution Background (RapBack) Program has been successfully implemented in accordance with the NCGS § 143B-972.1. This program aims to ensure that all criminal justice officers in the state are proficient and ethical in carrying out their responsibilities. Its purpose is to maintain a comprehensive and up-to-date record of any criminal activity involving these officers. The State of North Carolina mandated this program under NCGS § 143B-972.1.

The state of North Carolina requires all officers to undergo fingerprinting and subsequently stores their prints in the RapBack database. In the event that an officer is charged with an offense requiring fingerprinting, the system will flag it and promptly notify the NC Criminal Justice Training and Standards or Sheriff's Training and Standards. This process ensures that any legal issues involving officers are quickly and efficiently addressed, thereby promoting accountability and maintaining the integrity of law enforcement.

Cops Grant

The department had applied for two positions and was granted one through the COPS Grant for Community Police Officers. The position will play a crucial role in enhancing communication and trust between the Police Department and our communities. While the department has been successful in building positive community relations, this additional position will enable us to launch several community programs that were previously unfeasible due to staffing constraints. We are thrilled to commence several programs that will offer significant benefits to our community members in 24 / 25.

AXON Body and In-Car Cameras

We have procured cutting-edge body cameras and in-car systems via AXON and established a robust hardware and software infrastructure to support the entire system. Our policies have been updated to incorporate the latest technology and procedures.

FY 23/24 Projects

Lexipol Policy Manual

Facilitated the integration of updates to the Lexipol public safety policy manual, which aims to furnish law enforcement agencies with legally sound departmental policies. These policies are drafted by a team of legal and public safety experts and are based on the most recent government legislation and case law precedents for the year 2023. Policy updates completed per NCLEA program requirements.

SOMA Records Management System

Considerable effort was devoted to customizing the recently implemented Records Management System to align with our unique workflows and requirements. Rigorous testing was conducted on various elements, including the submission and return of records processes for NCIC, NC SBI, and the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Custom schemas were developed to meet our department's needs in the new RMS, encompassing Field Training, training records, vehicle damage, vehicle pursuits, use of force reports, and professional standards. Furthermore, several other custom schemas were created in-house to cater to our specific requirements. The RMS is the first cloud-based system in North Carolina, and we were among the first departments to assist and implement SOMA's features in the state.

NC Law Enforcement Accreditation Program

The department has been approved for participation in the North Carolina Law Enforcement Accreditation Program (NCLEA). The department has a two-year timeframe to create Written Directives and Proofs of Compliance for each of the required standards to achieve accreditation.

The Town of Carthage and its communities will benefit when its law enforcement personnel are following standardized policies and procedures that provide efficient, effective, and fair policing. Accreditation of agencies helps to ensure accountability and transparency that can enhance confidence and trust in law enforcement among the communities they serve.

FY 23/24 Projects

VIPER system Federal Communications Commission (FCC) standards

The initial phase of radio replacements has been procured to comply with the legal mandates and guidelines for information confidentiality that apply to the North Carolina Law Enforcement Telecommunications System. The Police Department has initiated the transition of their radios to meet the new VIPER system Federal Communications Commission (FCC) standards.

Staffing

Continued efforts are required to effectively manage short and long-term staffing needs, in order to align with the expectations of the community, service philosophy, crime trends, calls for service, population density, and the demand for citizen-police engagement. Our department has established a Cadet program to aid in the recruitment process and enhance our competitiveness with other departments for new hires.

Currently, there is one officer who has successfully completed the cadet program and field training. Additionally, two cadets have finished their BLET program at Sandhills Community College and have initiated the administrative part of their field training. However, their paperwork from NC Training and Standards is yet to be received. Once the paperwork is returned, they will be sworn in.

Furthermore, there is an out-of-state transfer who, has been sworn in and is undergoing field training. He is also attending Sandhills Community College to fulfill his state-required hours and meet the demands of an out-of-state transfer.

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FY 23/24 Projects

Carthage Elementary School Traffic

We provided continuous assistance in managing traffic flow during the morning drop-off and afternoon pick-up hours at Carthage Elementary School. The aim is to ensure the safety of all students and staff members.

Active Shooter Preparedness and Prevention

Conducted a tabletop exercise on Active Shooter Preparedness and Prevention at Peak Resources (Pine Lake). Incorporated feedback from Peak Resources to finalize the program, which is now available to other businesses within the Town of Carthage. The Exercise and training is provided by a certified general instructor through the North Carolina Criminal Justice Training and Standards.

Moore County Child Advocacy Center

The Child Advocacy Center (CAC) requires assistance in reviewing child-involved cases monthly across the entire county. This networking process is an integral aspect of the department as it aids in investigative efforts by establishing important contacts.

Friend to Friend

The department has established an ongoing assistance program with "Friend to Friend" to combat domestic abuse and human trafficking. This program involves networking with various contacts to aid in investigative efforts and show the community that law enforcement is actively involved in addressing these issues. The program has proven to be a critical resource in the department's efforts to combat these crimes.
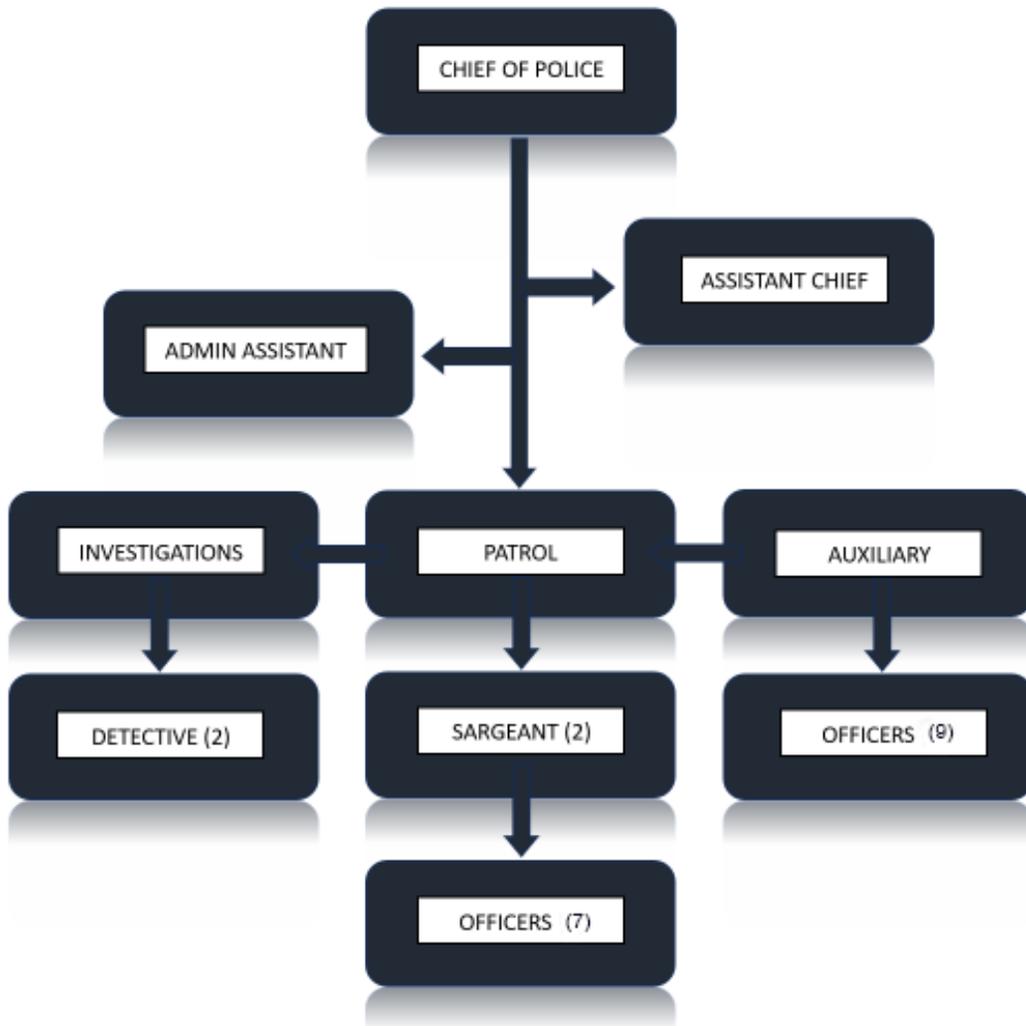
Personnel

The Carthage Police Department currently is composed of Administration, Investigations, Patrol, and Auxiliary Divisions. The Chief of Police, Assistant Chief, Administrative Assistant, Two Detectives, Two Sergeants, Seven Patrol Officers, and Nine Auxiliary Officers.

Carthage Police Department Organizational Chart

Personnel

Our department has been experiencing steady growth in recent years, but it has also been facing some challenges in terms of retention and recruitment of police personnel. In 2023, we experienced a significant decline in overall retention, and there was a noticeable decrease in the number of new students enrolling in the Basic Law Enforcement Training (BLET) programs. As a result, several schools were unable to hold the BLET programs due to a lack of students. These challenges have been a cause of concern for us, and we are exploring ways to address them effectively.

During the recent challenging period, five officers resigned from the department. Out of these, two officers completely left law enforcement. One of the officers remained with the Carthage Police Department but in a non-full-time capacity as an Auxiliary Officer. Another officer took up a law enforcement position closer to their family's hometown in a different county, while the remaining two officers joined other departments within Moore County.

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2023 Training & Development

Every certified officer shall complete annual In-Service training requirements as specified in 12 NCAC 09E and 12 NCAC 10B of the North Carolina Administrative Code.

Rules require that every law enforcement officer certified by the Commission must receive In-Service training annually. The Administrative Code outlines each year's topics.

2023 In-Service Training topics were Juvenile Justice Issues and Challenges, Legal Update, Firearms Training and Qualification, Mental Health Responses, Enhancing Community Policing, Ethics and Duty to Intervene, Critical Stress on the Job, Recognizing Assaultive Behaviors, Recognizing Fake IDs, Compliance and Subject Control, Accountability and Use of Force Report Writing, Liability of Patrol Vehicle Operation.

Every hour accumulated for training goes towards the officer's Intermediate and Advanced Law Enforcement Certification. Achieving your Advanced certification takes several years in law enforcement and several hundred hours of training. Having Officers with intermediate, and advanced certification helps the town by lowering the insurance premiums.

The Carthage Police Department has completed an accumulated 1,800 hours of in-service training for 2023. One of our Detectives has completed the Criminal Investigations Certificate Program (CICP) through the NC Justice Academy.

The Criminal Investigation Certificate Program recognizes law enforcement personnel who have completed investigative training to better prepare themselves for the rigors and challenges of criminal investigations. The best practices in investigative techniques and the practical application of detectives constantly change due to technological advances and legal changes and challenges. An investigator must stay up to date and receive instruction from dedicated and professional instructors. Professional investigators who seek out the best training stand out from the rest, and the North Carolina Justice Academy recognizes their dedication to the Criminal Investigation Certificate Program.

2023 Training & Development

We have a sergeant who is working towards their Accident Reconstruction Certification. The classes include At-Scene Traffic Crash Investigation, Advanced Traffic Crash Investigation, and Traffic Crash Reconstruction.

Officers of the Carthage Police Department receive training from the Forensic Tests for Alcohol Branch which provides training to federal, state, county, and municipal law enforcement agencies who have the responsibility of administering chemical analyses to drivers charged with implied consent offenses. Officers are trained and issued permits as Chemical Analysts to operate the Intox EC/IR II breath alcohol testing instrument.

Speed Measurement Instrument Certification

The Commission is authorized by the State of North Carolina to establish minimum standards and levels of training for radar, time-distance, and lidar operator and Speed Measurement Instrument certification. Having this certification allows our offers to enforce the speeding laws of the State of North Carolina within our town limits.

Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) Training

Several of our officers have completed or will be completing the CIT program. CIT programs bring community leaders together to help keep people with mental illness out of jail and in treatment.

FY 23/24 Budget

The Carthage Police Department requested $21,000 in the FY 23/24 budget for an update to the NC VIPER system. The VIPER system is subject to new standards set by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) for information confidentiality in the North Carolina Law Enforcement (Public Safety) Telecommunications System. To comply with these standards, the first phase of radio replacements has been completed, replacing old systems and non-upgradable software. The second phase, to be completed in the FY 24/25 budget year, will ensure that all mobile radios comply with the new mandated standards.

Additionally, the department requested $41,283 for an annual recurring cost to procure body cams and replace existing vehicle cameras. This request was made due to the previous supplier being bought out and the new company discontinuing support for the hardware and software that housed the videos. The department partnered with Axon, a leading provider of vehicle/body cameras and less lethal products. The partnership provided in-car cameras with LPR for the entire fleet, body cameras, and a taser package. The cost of the equipment is split over 5 years, and at the end of the 5 years, any outdated equipment will be replaced at no cost with the latest version to ensure continuity.

Axon also provides storage for all evidence collected through the camera system and discharge of the tasers. The State of North Carolina has also adopted this evidence system for the use of criminal discovery to share evidence with the District Attorney's Office.

Finally, the operating budget for FY23/24 increased by $9,800, resulting from inflation and advertising for recruitment.

FY 24/25 Future Projects

NCLEA (Accreditation)

Ensure that we comply with the NC Department of Justice Accreditation Program by fulfilling our commitment to the NCLEA Program. This will involve a thorough review of our standard operating procedures and the necessary reforms to align with the program's requirements. Once completed, we must submit it for the final assessment. The final assessment will be carried out through off-site electronic file reviews and a site-based visit by trained assessors. This will include interviews with staff and community members, attending roll calls, ride-a-longs, and a comprehensive tour of the facility.

VIPER system Federal Communications Commission (FCC) standards

The Department of Justice has laid out legal mandates and guidelines with regard to the confidentiality of information from the North Carolina Law Enforcement Telecommunications System. In order to comply with these requirements, the Police Department needs to upgrade their remaining radios to meet the new VIPER system FCC standards. This will require the purchase of phase two equipment and installation to ensure compliance with the guidelines.

Community Outreach Programs

Coordinate and manage diverse community outreach initiatives and events aimed at fostering engagement and enhancing public safety, including but not limited to, City-wide and Community Neighborhood Watch meetings, interactive sessions with law enforcement officials such as Chat/Lunch with a Cop and Coffee with a Cop, training programs on Active Shooter Preparedness and Prevention, and Lunch with Kids at Carthage Elementary School.

FY 24/25 Future Projects

Community LPR Camera Program

We propose to secure grant funding for a pilot program centered around a community camera system that involves automated license plate reader (LPR) technology. This technology is a highly effective tool for law enforcement agencies in identifying vehicles that have wants and warrants associated with them. The proposed system will be integrated with our existing LPR system in vehicles, providing a force multiplier for agencies and enhancing officer efficiency.

Special Needs Awareness Program (SNAP)

Implement a confidential database with crucial information about individuals with special needs that may be useful for responding public safety personnel. Provide the community with the opportunity to voluntarily participate in the Special Needs Awareness Program (SNAP).

Having prior knowledge of a person's special needs, such as autism, hearing impairment, dementia, emotional or behavioral disability, etc. will assist police officers and emergency personnel in resolving calls for assistance in a safer and more effective manner for everyone.

Community Lockbox Program

Propose and secure funding for a lockbox initiative aimed at aiding senior citizens residing in the Town of Carthage. The program would enable seniors to apply for and receive a lockbox to store a spare key for their residence. The lockboxes would be designed to allow emergency access by the Police Department via a master key in situations where citizens are unable to reach the door. Upon approval, the lockbox would be installed at the senior's residence and the information would be integrated into the Computer-Aided Dispatch (CAD) system to ensure that dispatch and first responders can access the information in the event of an emergency.

FY 24/25 Future Projects

Staffing

To ensure that the police department is capable of maintaining community safety amidst the growth of the Town of Carthage, it is crucial to address both short and long-term staffing needs. These needs should be in line with the community's expectations, service philosophy, crime trends, calls for service, population, density, and demand for citizen-police engagement. By doing so, the department will be able to enhance its capabilities and effectively meet the safety demands of the community. We are asking for an additional position for the patrol division to match the granted position from the COPS grant to balance out the shift rotations.

Grants

Identify potential grant resources and specialized training programs that can enhance the equipment resources available to first responders during critical incidents. This includes equipment such as less-lethal weapons, red dot sights, AED's, license scanners, and other similar items that can help improve response effectiveness.

The National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS)

The National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS) is undergoing a transition to a new submitting format. This shift will involve technical changes in the way data is collected and processed, with the aim of enhancing the system's reporting capabilities and improving its overall efficiency. Carthage Police Department will comply with this new way of submissions from within our Records Management System after testing and approval.

Fleet Rotation

The Police Department's vehicle fleet rotation that was anticipated for FY 2023-24 was postponed to FY 2024/25 to allow room in the budget to absorb the unforeseen costs of radio upgrades and the body/vehicle cameras. We will be proposing the vehicle fleet rotation in FY 2024-25 to ensure that our debt service for fleet rotations remains spread out so as not to lead to unsustainable cost burdens from fleet rotations occurring too close together.

Recommendations

Well-designed police facilities enable staff to perform their duties efficiently, effectively, and securely. As a facility ages, as the Carthage Police Department has, it no longer meets the needs of our evolving department, thus, negatively affecting morale, efficiency, safety, security, technology, and overall delivery of police services. When these conditions occur, agencies search for alternatives. Typical remedies include expanding or renovating the existing facility, adaptively repurposing an existing non-police facility, or building an entirely new facility.

Based on the growth and expansion of the Carthage Police Department, we suggest initiating a planning phase to address the inadequacies of the current facility. This would entail the provision of additional space for office use, conference room, general and equipment storage, as well as a dedicated area for evidence processing and secure evidence storage.

The steady increase in local population over the years, coupled with the Town of Carthage being the county seat, has resulted in a significant surge in visitors to the town during business hours. This has led to a considerable rise in overall calls for service, traffic violations, and automobile accidents, which has had a significant impact on the Police Department.

In order to align with the evolving needs of the growing Town of Carthage, it is imperative that the Police Department's staffing levels are increased over the next 2 to 5 years. This will ensure that the department remains in sync with the community's expectations, service philosophy, crime trends, calls for service, population density, and demand for citizen-police engagement. By doing so, the department will be able to bolster its capabilities and effectively cater to the safety requirements of the community.

2023 Activity Report

CALLS FOR SERVICE	COUNT
2023 Calls for Service	7,729

REPORTS FILED	COUNT
2023 Reports Filed	256

CITATIONS ISSUED	COUNT
2023 Citations Issued	708

WARNING CITATIONS	COUNT
2023 Warning Citations	435

WARRANTS SERVED	COUNT
2023 Warrants Served by Carthage PD	159

ARREST MADE	COUNT
2023 Arrest Made by Carthage PD	96

Protective Orders	COUNT
2023 Protective Orders in Town Limits	13

2023 Activity Report

Vehicle Accidents	% Alcohol-Related	Fatal Crash	Non-Fatal (Injury)
Total: 477	2.10%	1	76

Traffic Analysis for Areas of Complaints

McReynolds St. near Old Buggy Inn		8 Days of Analysis	
Vehicles Analyzed	Speed Limit	Enforceable Violations	Percent
73,959	35	1,225	2%

Dowd Rd. near Ross		7 Days of Analysis	
Vehicles Analyzed	Speed Limit	Enforceable Violations	Percent
10,974	35	833	8%

Summit St. near Kim Ln.		7 Days of Analysis	
Vehicles Analyzed	Speed Limit	Enforceable Violations	Percent
4,038	35	51	1%

Buggy Dr. near Seawell Pl.		7 Days of Analysis	
Vehicles Analyzed	Speed Limit	Enforceable Violations	Percent
1,338	25	0	0%

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S. McNeill St. near Rockingham		7 Days of Analysis	
Vehicles Analyzed	Speed Limit	Enforceable Violations	Percent
21,905	35	6,283	29%

15-501 near Carriage Oaks Dr.		7 Days of Analysis	
Vehicles Analyzed	Speed Limit	Enforceable Violations	Percent
22,670	35	10,154	45%

Savannah Garden Dr. near Roberts Pl.		7 Days of Analysis	
Vehicles Analyzed	Speed Limit	Enforceable Violations	Percent
1,434	20	13	1%

15 South near Glendon Carthage Rd.		7 Days of Analysis	
Vehicles Analyzed	Speed Limit	Enforceable Violations	Percent
19,791	35	3,464	18%

Vass Carthage Rd. near Wave Rd.		7 Days of Analysis	
Vehicles Analyzed	Speed Limit	Enforceable Violations	Percent
10,475	45	1,461	14%

Sunset Dr. near S. McNeil St.		8 Days of Analysis	
Vehicles Analyzed	Speed Limit	Enforceable Violations	Percent
1,135	35	38	3%

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Saunders St. near Pinehurst St.		8 Days of Analysis	
Vehicles Analyzed	Speed Limit	Enforceable Violations	Percent
7,776	25	650	8%

Monroe St. near Pinehurst St.		8 Days of Analysis	
Vehicles Analyzed	Speed Limit	Enforceable Violations	Percent
85,669	35	1,142	1%

Pinecrest St. near Edge Hill Pkwy		8 Days of Analysis	
Vehicles Analyzed	Speed Limit	Enforceable Violations	Percent
1,785	25	427	24%

Almond Dr. near Cashew Loop		8 Days of Analysis	
Vehicles Analyzed	Speed Limit	Enforceable Violations	Percent
2,995	20	49	2%

Union Church Rd. near Suggs St.		8 Days of Analysis	
Vehicles Analyzed	Speed Limit	Enforceable Violations	Percent
23,466	35	6,733	29%

15-501 Hillcrest Area		8 Days of Analysis	
Vehicles Analyzed	Speed Limit	Enforceable Violations	Percent
103,225	45	736	1%

2023 Activity Report

Incident Reports filed with the Carthage Police Department FY/2023

REPORT TYPE	COUNT
Robbery	1
Aggravated Assault	2
Simple Assault	14
Intimidation	3
Arson – Structure Fire	1
Burglary / Breaking & Entering	3
Shoplifting	4
Theft from Building	1
Theft from Motor Vehicle	5
All Other Larceny	9
Motor Vehicle Theft	3
Counterfeiting	1
Obtaining Property by False Pretense	1
Identity Theft	4
Embezzlement	1
Damage / Vandalism of Property	12
Drug / Narcotics Violation	5
DWI	1
Liquor Law Violation	1

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Incident Reports filed with the Carthage Police Department FY/2023 – Cont.

REPORT TYPE	COUNT
Trespass	12
Larceny by Employee	1
Natural Disaster Damage	1
Shooting into Occupied Dwelling	1
Traffic Crash – Fatal	1
Unattended Death	5
Missing Person	3
Hit & Run	6
Resist Arrest	1
Threaten Violence	3
Attempt to Elude	1
Unauthorized Use of Motor Vehicle	2
Child Abuse / Neglect	2
Fugitive – Out of State	1
Brandish Firearm	1
Pass Counterfeit Money	3
Check Fraud	1
Fraud Bank Account	1
Fraud Debit Card	1

2023 Activity Report

Incident Reports filed with the Carthage Police Department FY/2023 – Cont.

REPORT TYPE	COUNT
Fraud Financial Card	1
Fraud Prescription	1
All Other Offense – 50B	2
All Other Offense – Assault	1
All Other Offense – B&E Motor Vehicle	1
All Other Offense – Child Support	1
All Other Offense – Civil Matter	1
All Other Offense – Communicating Threats	2
All Other Offense – Criminal Summons	1
All Other Offense – Damage to Property	1
All Other Offense – Dementia Patient	1
All Other Offense – Dog Attack	1
All Other Offense – Found Property	4
All Other Offense – IVC Service	6
All Other Offense – Information	13
All Other Offense – Lost Property	2
All Other Offense – Lost / Stoen Wallet	1
All Other Offense – Missing Items	1
All Other Offense – OFA Service	1

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Incident Reports filed with the Carthage Police Department FY/2023 – Cont.

REPORT TYPE	COUNT
All Other Offense – Ordinance Violation	2
All Other Offense – Overdose	2
All Other Offense – Possess Stolen Property	1
All Other Offense – Possible Assault	1
All Other Offense – Possible Fraud	1
All Other Offense – Property Damage	1
All Other Offense – Struture Fire	1
All Other Offense – Suspicious Phone Call	1
All Other Offense – Trespassing	13
All Other Offense – Unruly Juvenile	1
All Other Offense – Vehicle Fire	2
All Other Offense – Warrant Service	159
All Other Offense – Accused Larceny	1
All Other Offense – Altercation	1
All Other Offense – Outstanding Process	1
All Other Offense – Drug Investigation	1
All Other Offense – Communicating Threats	3
All Other Offense – Criminal Summons	2
All Other Offense – Domestic	2

2023 Activity Report

Incident Reports filed with the Carthage Police Department FY/2023 – Cont.

REPORT TYPE	COUNT
All Other Offense – Elder Neglect	1
All Other Offense – Emergency Commitment	2
All Other Offense – Found Property	4
All Other Offense – Indecent Exposure	1
TOTAL REPORTS FILED	256

Citations Issued by the Carthage Police Department FY/2023.

OFFENSE DESCRIPTION	CITATION	WARNING
Brakes		1
Canceled / Revoked / Suspended Tag	23	
Center Lane Violation	1	
Deliver / Accept Blank / Open Title	1	
Designated Lane Violation	1	
Drive / Allow REG. Plate Not Displayed	1	
Drive Left of Center	2	
Drive Left of Center-Pass Right	1	
Drive Without Two Headlamps	5	
Drive / Allow MV No Registration	7	

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OFFENSE DESCRIPTION	CITATION	WARNING
Driver's License		18
Driving While Impaired	1	
Driving While License Revoked	38	
DWLR Impaired Revocation	3	
DWLR Not Impaired Revocation	26	
Exceeding Posted Speed	27	
Exceeding Safe Speed	1	
Expired Operators License	7	
Expired Registration Card	256	
Expired / No Inspection	77	
Fail to Maintain Lane Control	2	
Fail to Stop Stop Sign / Red Light	30	
Fail to Secure Passenger Under 16	2	
Fail to Stop Steady Red Light	1	
Fail to Wear Seat Belt	3	
Fail to Yield Left Turn	1	
Fail to Yield Stop Sign / Flashing Red Light	3	
Failure to Reduce Speed	19	
Failure to Yield		4
Fail to Yield – Yield Sign	1	
Fictitious / Altered Registration	14	
Flee / Elude Arrest (m)	1	
Traffic	1	

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OFFENSE DESCRIPTION	CITATION	WARNING
Hit / Run Fail to Stop Property Damage	1	
Improper Backing	1	
Improper Passing		8
Improper Passing on Right	1	
Left of Center		15
Lights		101
Misdemeanor Larceny	1	
Muffler		1
No Liability Insurance	3	
No Operators License	52	
Open Container Alcohol	2	
Operate / Allow Vehicle No Insurance	18	
Other Traffic		19
Other Hazardous Violations		24
Possess Marijuana Paraphernalia	6	
Rear Lamps Violation	1	
Careless and Reckless	2	
Resisting Public Officer	1	
Safety Inspection Violation		1
Shoplifting	1	
Simple Possession of Marijuana (m)	5	
Speeding	28	
Speeding Warning		74

2023 Activity Report

OFFENSE DESCRIPTION	CITATION	WARNING
Stop Sign or Signal		42
Unsafe Movement	25	34
Unsafe Passing	3	
Vehicle Insurance		2
Vehicle Registration		87
TOTAL CITATIONS ISSUED	708	435

Calls for Service taken by the Carthage Police Department in FY/2023.

CALLS FOR SERVICE	COUNT
Abandoned Vehicle	2
Admin	351
Alarm Business	189
Alarm Residential	35
Animal Complaint	77
Assault	14
Assist other Agency	84
ATV	4
Bomb Threats	1
Breaking Entering Larceny	16
Business Check	1109
Careless & Reckless	114
Child Abuse	2

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CALLS FOR SERVICE	COUNT
Child Custody	7
Citizen Assist	163
Civil Service	1
Communicating Threats	26
Conducting Investigations	6
Counterfeit	4
Debris in Roadway	9
Direct Traffic	339
Disabled Motorist	87
Dispute	24
Disturbance	53
Domestic	42
Drugs	9
Drunk Driver	21
Elder Abuse	2
Escort	129
Fight	10
Fingerprinting	4
Follow Up	45
Foot Patrol	1039
Forgery	1
Fraud	18
Funeral Escort	11

2023 Activity Report

CALLS FOR SERVICE	COUNT
Harassing Phone Calls	4
Harassment	12
Hit and Run	17
Identity Theft	4
Improperly Parked Vehicle	14
Indecent Exposure	2
Information	18
Intoxicated Persons	6
IVC Service	8
Juvenile	13
Keys Locked in Vehicle	107
Kidnapping	1
Larceny	59
Loitering	2
Lost Property	16
Loud Music	4
Meeting/Class	1
Mental Subject	6
Missing Person	9
Noise Complaint	7
Obtaining Property False Pretense	1
Open Door	14
Ordinance Violation	9

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CALLS FOR SERVICE	COUNT
Pickup Belongings	1
Property Damage	25
Property Found / Recovered	28
Prowler	1
Public Service	183
Residence Check	193
Robbery	1
Scam	3
Search Warrant	1
Security Check	452
Selective Enforcement	7
Shots Fired	11
Special Assignment	9
Special Event	2
Store Closing	168
Subpoena Service	24
Suspicious Activity	56
Suspicious Package	2
Suspicious Person	122
Suspicious Vehicle	133
Traffic Offense / Violation	2
Traffic Signal	3
Traffic Stop	1033

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CALLS FOR SERVICE	COUNT
Trespassing	50
Unauthorized Use of Motor Vehicle	4
Vandalism	3
Vehicle Accident	477
Vehicle Maintenance	72
Warrant Service	159
Welfare Check	118
TOTAL CALLS FOR SERVICE	7,729