



City Council - Public Safety Committee

**Thursday, June 26, 2025, 5:30 PM, Zoom/Champlain Room, 3rd Floor, City Hall,
Burlington**

When: Jun 26, 2025 05:30 AM Eastern Time (US and Canada)
Topic: Public Safety Committee Meeting

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1. Adopt the Agenda

1.1. Motion to amend/adopt agenda

2. Adopt Minutes

2.1. Motion to adopt draft minutes from May 29, 2025

3. Public Forum

Subject

3.1. Verbal Comments

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Category 3. Public Forum
Department
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4. Fire Chief's Report

Subject 4.1. Fire Chief's Report
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Category 4. Fire Chief's Report
Department
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Recommended Action

5. BPD Check-in

Subject 5.1. BPD Check-in
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Category 5. BPD Check-in
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6. State's Attorney Case Data

Subject 6.1. State's Attorney Case Data
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Category 6. State's Attorney Case Data
Department Council and Board
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7. Situation Room

Subject 7.1. What is it, who is involved, and when it will start - Ingrid Jonas
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Category 7. Situation Room

Department Mayor's Office

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8. Other Committee Business

Subject 8.1. Other business

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Category 8. Other Committee Business

Department Council and Board

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9. Adjournment

Subject 9.1. Motion to adjourn

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Category 9. Adjournment

Department Council and Board

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10. Informational and Non-Discrimination Statements

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Category 10. Informational and Non-Discrimination Statements

Department Council and Board

Type

Public Safety Committee
Thursday, May 29, 2025
Remote via Zoom/In-Person in Champlain Room, 3rd Floor, City Hall, Burlington,
Vermont
DRAFT MINUTES

Members Present: Melo Grant (Chair), Mark Barlow

Staff Present: Hayley McClenahan (Assistant City Attorney), Michael LaChance (Fire Chief), Michael Curtin (BFD Battalion Chief), Shannon Trammell (BPD Executive Manager)

Public Present:

Meeting called to order at 5:33 PM by Councilor Grant.

1. Adopt the Agenda
1.01 Adopt the Agenda

Motion to Adopt Agenda as written.

Motion by Councilor Barlow, Seconded by Councilor Grant

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Unanimous

2. Adopt Minutes
2.01 Motion to Adopt Draft Minutes from April 17, 2025

Motion to Adopt Agenda as written.

Motion by Councilor Barlow, Seconded by Councilor Grant

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Unanimous

3. Public Forum
3.01 Verbal Comments

No action was taken.

Public forum closed at 5:35.

4. Chiefs' Oral Reports
4.01 Police

Executive Manager Trammell discussed Chief Burke's ideas for the chief's report going forward and recruitment and retention strategies. No action was taken.

4.02 Fire

Chief LaChance reviewed the latest response data from the Fire Department. No action taken.

5. Data from State's Attorney

5.01 Data from State's Attorney

Councilor Grant reviewed the latest caseload data from the State's Attorney's Office. No action was taken.

6. Urban Park Ranger Information

6.01 Reminders about Camping in Parks

Councilor Grant, in anticipation of more activity in the summer months, stated that where posted, camping is not allowed in parks, and people have 2 hours to vacate from when they are notified of the violation. Councilor Barlow added that camping activity can be reported through SeeClickFix. No action was taken.

7. Sheltering on Public Lands Policy

7.01 Sheltering on Public Lands Policy

The Committee stated there would be a review of this item at a future meeting. No action was taken.

8. Overdose Prevention Center – Next Steps

8.01 Overdose Prevention Center – Next Steps

The Committee discussed how the location of the Overdose Prevention Center would be a community-driven process. No action was taken.

9. Chair Comments on Public Safety Resolutions

9.01 Chair Comments on Public Safety Resolutions

Councilor Grant and Councilor Barlow shared comments on the public safety resolution passed by the City Council on May 19.

No action was taken.

10. Upcoming Meeting Dates

10.01 Upcoming Meeting Dates

The Committee set the next meeting dates for June 26, July 24, and August 28. No action was taken.

11. Adjournment

11.01 Motion to Adjourn

Motion to adjourn the meeting.

Motion by Councilor Barlow, Seconded by Councilor Grant

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Unanimous

The meeting was adjourned at 6:52 PM.

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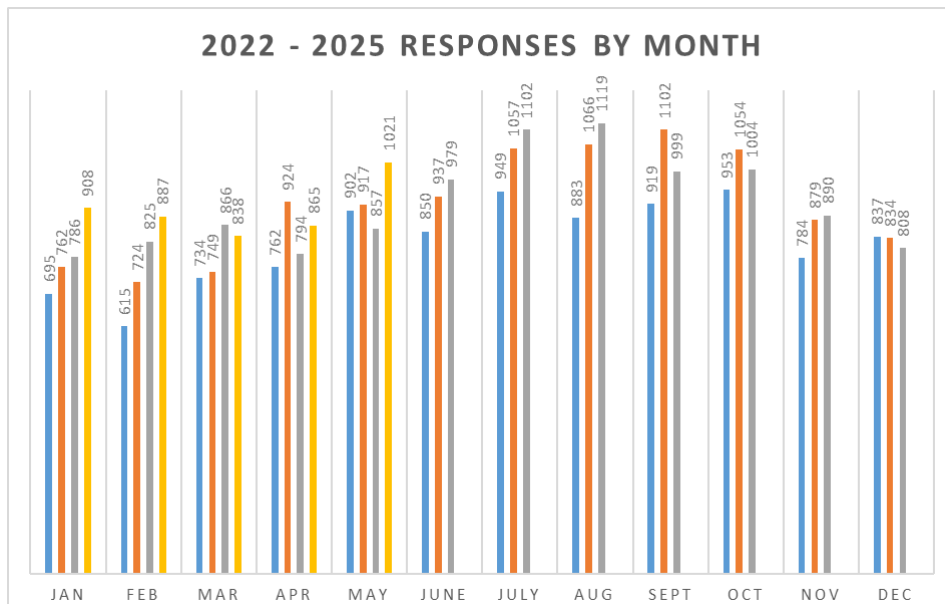
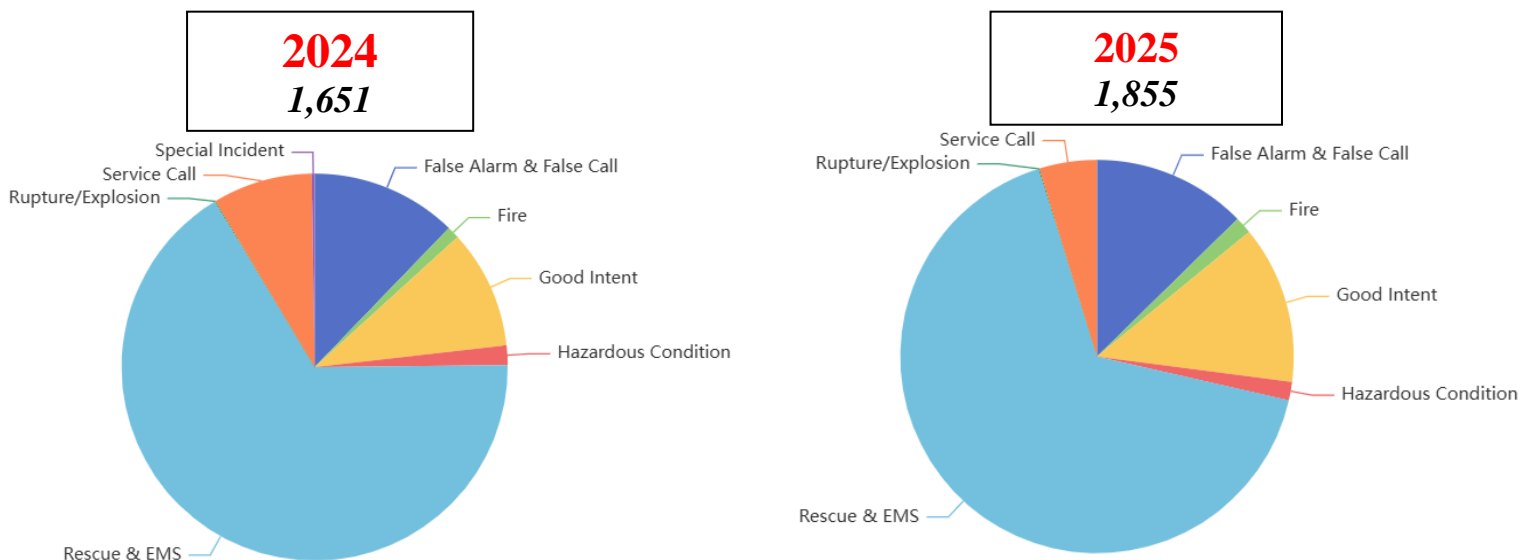
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June 17, 2025

Chief's Report to the Burlington Fire Commission

Personnel: We had two members resign recently. Jared Markovsky is pursuing a fire service career in Maine and Alec Johnson is relocating to Florida. We wish them the best and thank them for their service to the city. Chief LaChance's last tour is 6/30/25. This will create 6 vacancies. The plan as of now will be to start the next recruit school earlier than April, possibly October of this year. BC of Training Troy Ruggles will be promoted to Deputy Chief of Operations and SFF Adam Savoy will be promoted to BC of Training on 7/7/25. Congratulations to both.

Responses: In April and May of 2025, the fire department has responded to 1,855 calls for service. During the same period in 2024, we responded to 1,651, a **12.35 %** increase.



Overtime: April 01, 2025 – May 31, 2025

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2025</u>
• Minimum Staffing Overtime:	1652.25 hrs	1688.75 hrs
• Mandatory Minimum Staffing Overtime:	305.5 hrs	317.25 hrs

The above data shows a 2.2% increase in Minimum Staffing Overtime and a 3.8% increase in Mandatory Minimum Staffing Overtime during the same period last year. Overall, the minimum staffing overtime burden on the employees and city budget increased by 2.5%.

Note: The above overtime burden on the staff accounts for Minimum Staffing Overtime, giving us the 22 people required to meet minimum staffing levels. This does not account for extra duty jobs or CRT overtime. In the same period, our staff committed to the following extra duty and CRT overtime:

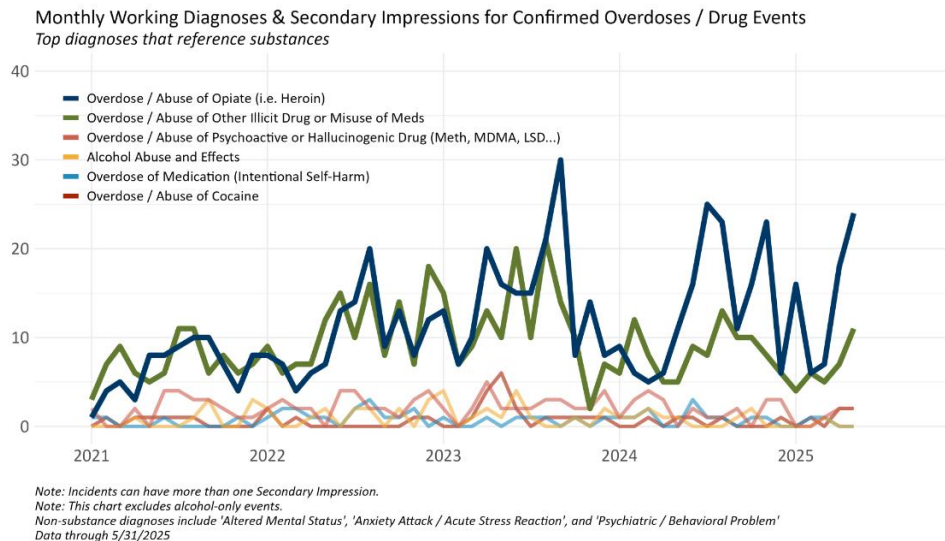
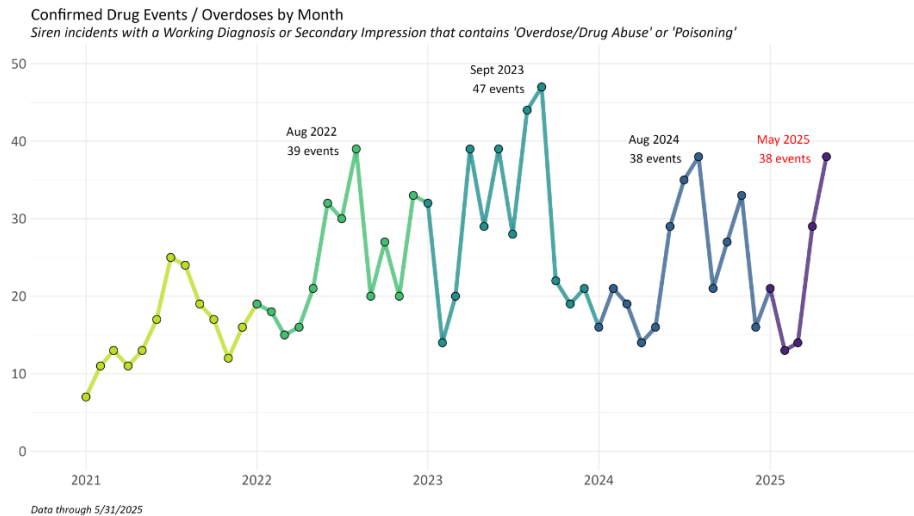
- Extra Duty: 155 hrs
- CRT Overtime: 611.5 hrs

Fleet: Preliminary work has started on creating specs for an RFP for a new Ladder 2 and an ambulance. Build times are still around 44 months.

Buildings: Station 2 floor project is nearing completion with concrete being poured last Thursday. It will have to cure and be sealed before we can move back in sometime in July. Currently, Ladder 2 has been relocating to downtown for the night tour.



Community Response Team Pilot: We have given Buprenorphine once in the field and transported the patient to UVMMC. Unknown on outcome but will follow up with Dr. Wolfson. Members can now offer Buprenorphine to a patient suffering from withdrawals without having had Narcan first.



We are tracking data from the CRT deployment. Below are some metrics showing the program's impact. This data shows how many people the team has touched, the quantity of wound care supplies handed out, comfort care supplies distributed, Narcan leave-behind kits distributed, the number of referrals, direct phone requests, and incidents where the team went above and beyond in their duties.

Total:	2587	1341	355	233	63	20	4
	# of Attendees	# of Wound Care Items Distributed	# of Comfort Care Supplies Distributed	# of NLB Kits Distributed	Total # Referrals/ Bridge to Service Providers	Total Request For CRT Members Via Phone	Total Above & Beyond Incidents

Administrative Division:

- Station 2 apparatus floor is being poured and should be ready for occupancy by July 1st.
- Station 1 stairwell and basement work still pending contract approval by the city attorney's office.
- Floor sweepers have been purchased for Stations 2, 4 and 5.
- BP Wastewater has been scheduled to jet the apparatus floor drains at all Stations except Station 2.
- Mountain Air has been scheduled to complete HVAC PM work at all stations except Station 2.
- Champlain Door Systems will be conducting apparatus door maintenance over the next few weeks.
- Working toward parking lot and front ramp improvements for Stations 1, 3, 4 and 5.
- Station 1 WiFi – In collaboration with City IT and Burlington Telecom, temporary improvements have been made to ensure adequate WiFi coverage.

Personnel:

- Members have been submitting annual employee appraisals utilizing the revised process. Thank you.
- We will have (6) vacancies by mid-Summer. Our entry-level firefighter application process will open July 1st.

Policies:

- Introduced a new SOG that provides guidance regarding the use of background checks in our hiring process.
- In the process of developing new SOGs to address accidents & injuries.
- Will be reviewing all administrative SOGs to ensure all are current and applicable. If aware of any issues or have suggestions, please let me know.

Operations Division:

Purchased the following items that are now NFPA compliant to the 2025 standards.

- **76** SCBA Units
- **7** Rapid Intervention Team (RIT) Packs
- **6** SCBA Units for Confined Space Operations
- **100** Spare SCBA Cylinders
- **101** Facepieces
- **101** Face Mounted Regulators

Working group formed for new public safety building. Will be working with developers to come up with conceptual designs and needs for a new firehouse/public safety building.

Prep for July 3rd event. Hiring extra members, creating Incident Action Plan.

Situation Table Training 6/24-6/25

Fire Marshal's Office:

- The FMO conducted two fire extinguisher trainings for businesses in the City last month with the new fire extinguisher training prop. Attendees were excited to that they were able to see real fire instead of the usual video screen training they have received from other trainers in the past. Live fire is important to see because not everybody is comfortable around fire. This style of training helps them to decide if they want to fight the fire before evacuating.
- BSD had a short run of students damaging chrome books by shorting out the charging ports because of TikTok challenges. We had one fire last month because of this which caused no building damage or injuries. TikTok challenges are always changing and the FMO has spoken with some students about the dangers of these challenges. I have offered to speak to all schools specifically about these challenges, but have not had a reply yet.
- Construction is booming in the city. New construction as well as remodeling has taken off and a lot of large projects are in the pipeline, but are dependent on zoning changes.

Training Division:

- We completed the Lateral Recruit Academy 25-01 on May 30, 2025. Captain Blake did a super job as always with the class. All recruits have been assigned to their respective crews and will complete their one-year probation. We learned a lot about running this academy for laterals both positive and negative. We will utilize the lessons learned going forward in future academies.
- We are working with the US Coast Guard on a multi-jurisdictional drill coming up in August to be held at the USCG station Burlington.
- We are pleased to advise that the AFG funding for our live fire training has been freed up and we will be scheduling these for this Fall. I am hopeful we will be able to complete these before the grant deadline of June 2026.
- We are in to our summer training program where we are allowing more company level drills to be managed by the company officers. We provide the topic and the necessary tools and the officer coordinates on shift for completing the training. You may have seen our members at the waterfront for water rescue and or the Moran Frame & Rock Point for rope rescue or at any other location in the city. We have energetic, skilled and proactive officers and members honing their skills every day.
- We have been adding to our drill yard at McNeil. A new container for storage of equipment was added to remove storage within the training building itself and we also are adding a 20-foot container to replace our wooden roof prop.
- The BC of training was asked to conduct a training for VT 911 call takers in Montpelier on May 28th. The purpose of the training was to enhance knowledge of the fire service for those call takers/dispatchers.
- The UVM Med Center tour and training proved beneficial when shortly thereafter we responded to an auto fire in the parking garage. Members operated efficiently and mitigated the problem quickly.
- We have members attending water rescue and rope rescue training coming up. One of our members is finishing his two-week class at NFA.

EMS Division:

The EMS Division is currently in the midst of our June department-wide training initiative. We were fortunate to welcome Brigid Blazek, a certified de-escalation trainer and Community Service Officer, who provided a condensed 2.5-hour de-escalation course to our department members. This training was both timely and highly impactful, offering practical tools to enhance our response strategies during high-stress interactions.

We extend our sincere gratitude to Brigid, the Community Service Liaisons, CAIP Division Supervisor Lacey-Ann Smith, and the Burlington Police Department for their support and collaboration. This partnership is particularly meaningful, as the Burlington Police Department typically does not provide de-escalation training outside of their own personnel. Their willingness to share resources with our division demonstrates a commendable commitment to interdepartmental cooperation and public safety.

Following this training cycle, the EMS Division will shift focus toward several key initiatives:

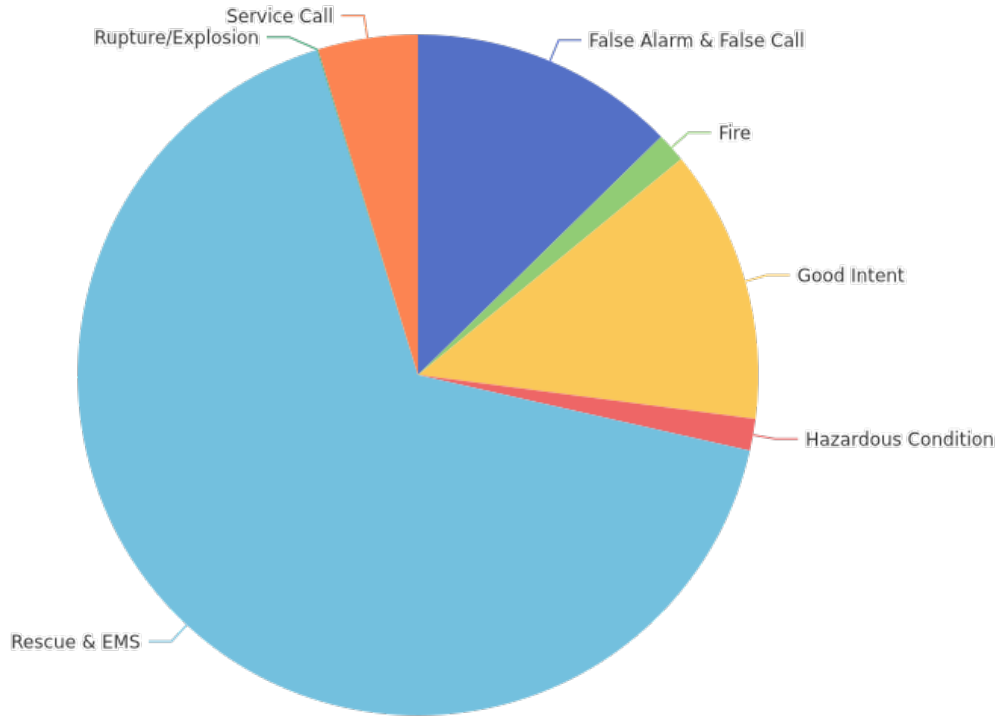
- **Patient Safety SOG Update:** We are in the process of updating and introducing a new Standard Operating Guideline focused on patient safety.
- **EVOC Refresher:** In collaboration with the Fire Training Division, we will be coordinating a refresher course on Emergency Vehicle Operations Certification (EVOC) to ensure continued operational excellence and safety.
- **QA/QI Documentation Improvements:** We are also partnering with our QA/QI Committee to evaluate and enhance our documentation practices, update relevant SOGs, and develop a clear, user-friendly documentation guide for our members.

We look forward to continuing these efforts to support our personnel, improve patient care, and ensure high standards across all EMS operations

Below is information about response types, training information, and a company-level inspection report.



April / May Total Incidents



INCIDENT TYPE SERIES NAME / INCIDENT TYPE	TOTAL CALLS
False Alarm & False Call	235
700 - False alarm or false call, other	2
7001 - False alarm caused by Contractor/Construction	6
710 - Malicious, mischievous false call, other	1
711 - Municipal alarm system, malicious false alarm	2
712 - Direct tie to FD, malicious false alarm	1
731 - Sprinkler activation due to malfunction	3
733 - Smoke detector activation due to malfunction	60
735 - Alarm system sounded due to malfunction	23
736 - CO detector activation due to malfunction	2
740 - Unintentional transmission of alarm, other	10
741 - Sprinkler activation, no fire - unintentional	4

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INCIDENT TYPE SERIES NAME / INCIDENT TYPE	TOTAL CALLS
743 - Smoke detector activation, no fire - unintentional	78
744 - Detector activation, no fire - unintentional	9
745 - Alarm system activation, no fire - unintentional	31
746 - Carbon monoxide detector activation, no CO	3
Fire	26
100 - Fire, other	1
111 - Building fire	7
113 - Cooking fire, confined to container	5
118 - Trash or rubbish fire, contained	4
131 - Passenger vehicle fire	1
140 - Natural vegetation fire, other	3
160 - Special outside fire, other	5
Good Intent	241
600 - Good intent call, other	82
611 - Dispatched & canceled en route	32
622 - No incident found on arrival at dispatch address	55
641 - Vicinity alarm (incident in other location)	1
651 - Smoke scare, odor of smoke	7
653 - Smoke from barbecue, tar kettle	1
661 - EMS call, party transported by non-fire agency	57
671 - HazMat release investigation w/no HazMat	4
672 - Biological hazard investigation, none found	2
Hazardous Condition	28
400 - Hazardous condition, other	2
411 - Gasoline or other flammable liquid spill	4
412 - Gas leak (natural gas or LPG)	6
424 - Carbon monoxide incident	3
440 - Electrical wiring/equipment problem, other	1
444 - Power line down	1
445 - Arcing, shorted electrical equipment	1
462 - Aircraft standby	1
463 - Vehicle accident, general cleanup	9
Rescue & EMS	1236

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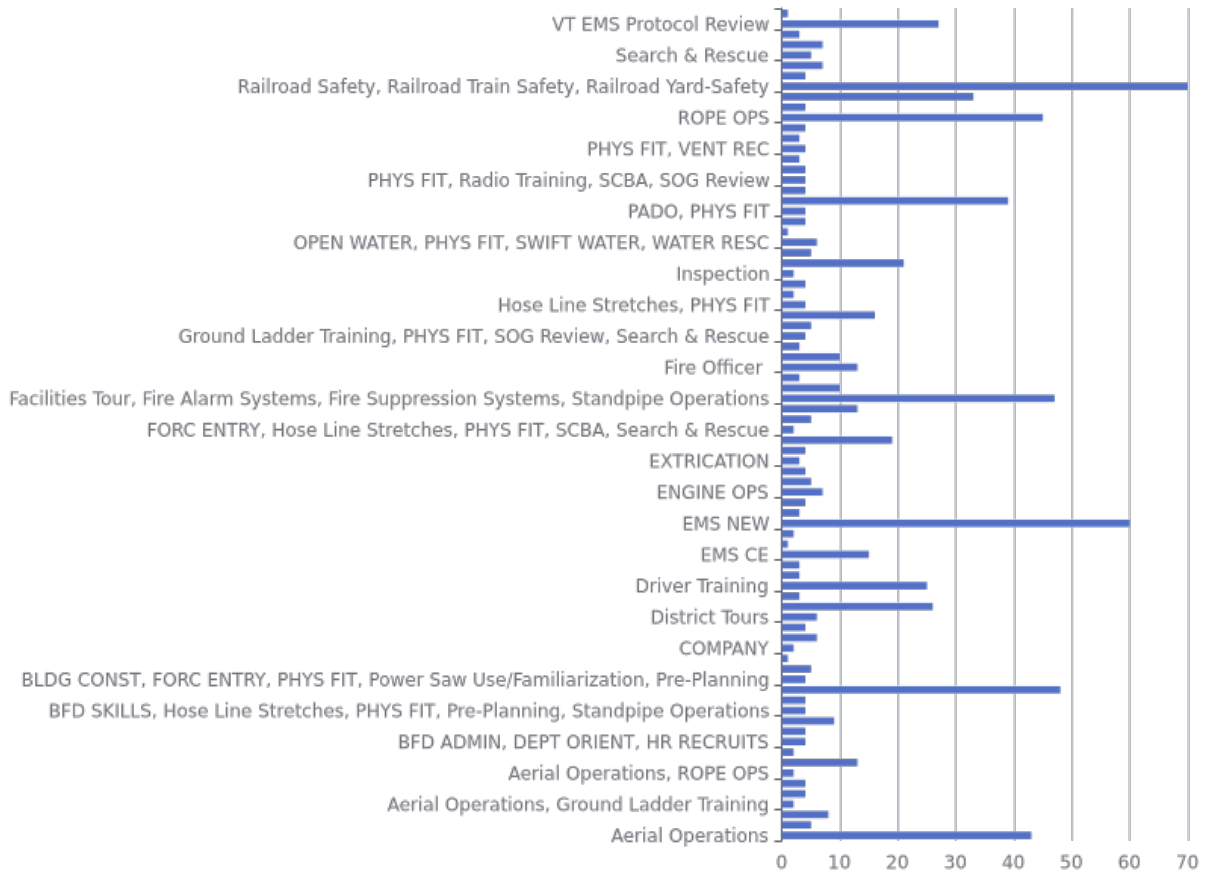
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INCIDENT TYPE SERIES NAME / INCIDENT TYPE	TOTAL CALLS
300 - Rescue, EMS incident, other	1
320 - Emergency medical service incident, other	3
321 - EMS call, excluding vehicle accident with injury	1187
322 - Motor vehicle accident with injuries	19
324 - Motor vehicle accident with no injuries.	7
331 - Lock-in (if lock out , use 511)	1
353 - Removal of victim(s) from stalled elevator	13
360 - Water & ice-related rescue, other	1
381 - Rescue or EMS standby	4
Rupture/Explosion	1
243 - Fireworks explosion (no fire)	1
Service Call	88
510 - Person in distress, other	1
511 - Lock-out	1
512 - Ring or jewelry removal	1
520 - Water problem, other	1
531 - Smoke or odor removal	2
542 - Animal rescue	1
550 - Public service assistance, other	12
552 - Police matter	7
553 - Public service	10
554 - Assist invalid	38
555 - Defective elevator, no occupants. Includes Elevator alarms.	1
561 - Unauthorized burning	13
Total	1855



April / May Training Report



TOPIC NAMES	TOTAL HOURS
Aerial Operations	75
Aerial Operations, District Tours	8
Aerial Operations, Driver Training	22
Aerial Operations, Ground Ladder Training	8
Aerial Operations, Ground Ladder Training, PHYS FIT, Search & Rescue	38
Aerial Operations, PADO	38
Aerial Operations, ROPE OPS	1
Aerial Operations, TRUCK OPS	22
BFD ADMIN	4
BFD ADMIN, DEPT ORIENT, HR RECRUITS	36
BFD ADMIN, Ground Ladder Training	36
BFD SKILLS	11

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TOPIC NAMES	TOTAL HOURS
BFD SKILLS, Hose Line Stretches, PHYS FIT, Pre-Planning, Standpipe Operations	36
BFD SKILLS, May Day Drills, PHYS FIT, Rapid Intervention Teams, SCBA, Search & Rescue	36
BLDG CONST, District Tours, Pre-Planning, Tactical Tours/Familiarization	144
BLDG CONST, FORC ENTRY, PHYS FIT, Power Saw Use/Familiarization, Pre-Planning	44
BLDG CONST, FORC ENTRY, PHYS FIT, Power Saw Use/Familiarization, SCBA, VENT REC	45
COLLAPSE	1
COMPANY	2
COMPANY, ENGINE OPS	6
DEPT ORIENT, SCBA, SOG Review	36
District Tours	9
District Tours, Pre-Planning, Tactical Tours/Familiarization	78
District Tours, RECRUITS	36
Driver Training	26
Driver Training, EXISTING, NEW	3
Driver Training, PADO, PHYS FIT, Pump Operations	27
EMS CE	31
EMS CE, VT EMS Protocol Review	6
EMS CERT	6
EMS NEW	119
EMS NEW, EMS OUTSIDE, ROPE OPS	26
EMS RECRUITS, RECRUITS	36
ENGINE OPS	7
ENGINE OPS, Hose Line Stretches	45
ENGINE OPS, Standpipe Operations	36
EXTRICATION	2
EXTRICATION, PHYS FIT	36
FORC ENTRY	13
FORC ENTRY, Hose Line Stretches, PHYS FIT, SCBA, Search & Rescue	18
Facilities Tour	10
Facilities Tour, Fire Alarm Systems, Fire Suppression Systems	39

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TOPIC NAMES	TOTAL HOURS
Facilities Tour, Fire Alarm Systems, Fire Suppression Systems, Standpipe Operations	141
Facilities Tour, Fire Alarm Systems, Standpipe Operations	30
Fire Inspector CE's	15
Fire Officer	10
Fire Officer , LEADERSHIP	10
Ground Ladder Training, Hose Line Stretches, SCBA, Search & Rescue	27
Ground Ladder Training, PHYS FIT, SOG Review, Search & Rescue	35
Ground Ladder Training, VENT REC	48
Hose Line Stretches	14
Hose Line Stretches, PHYS FIT	36
Hose Line Stretches, Rapid Intervention Teams	18
INDIVIDUAL	2
Inspection	1
MEDIC W/ FTO, Pre-Planning	21
NREMT Cardiology	8
OPEN WATER, PHYS FIT, SWIFT WATER, WATER RESC	54
Officer Development	15
PADO	9
PADO, PHYS FIT	38
PHYS FIT	48
PHYS FIT, ROPE OPS, ROPES	36
PHYS FIT, Radio Training, SCBA, SOG Review	36
PHYS FIT, Rapid Intervention Teams	36
PHYS FIT, TRUCK OPS	27
PHYS FIT, VENT REC	40
Power Saw Use/Familiarization	3
RECRUITS, ROPE OPS, ROPES	12
ROPE OPS	146
ROPE OPS, ROPES	4
ROPES	56
Railroad Safety, Railroad Train Safety, Railroad Yard-Safety	184
Rapid Intervention Teams, SCBA, Search & Rescue	34

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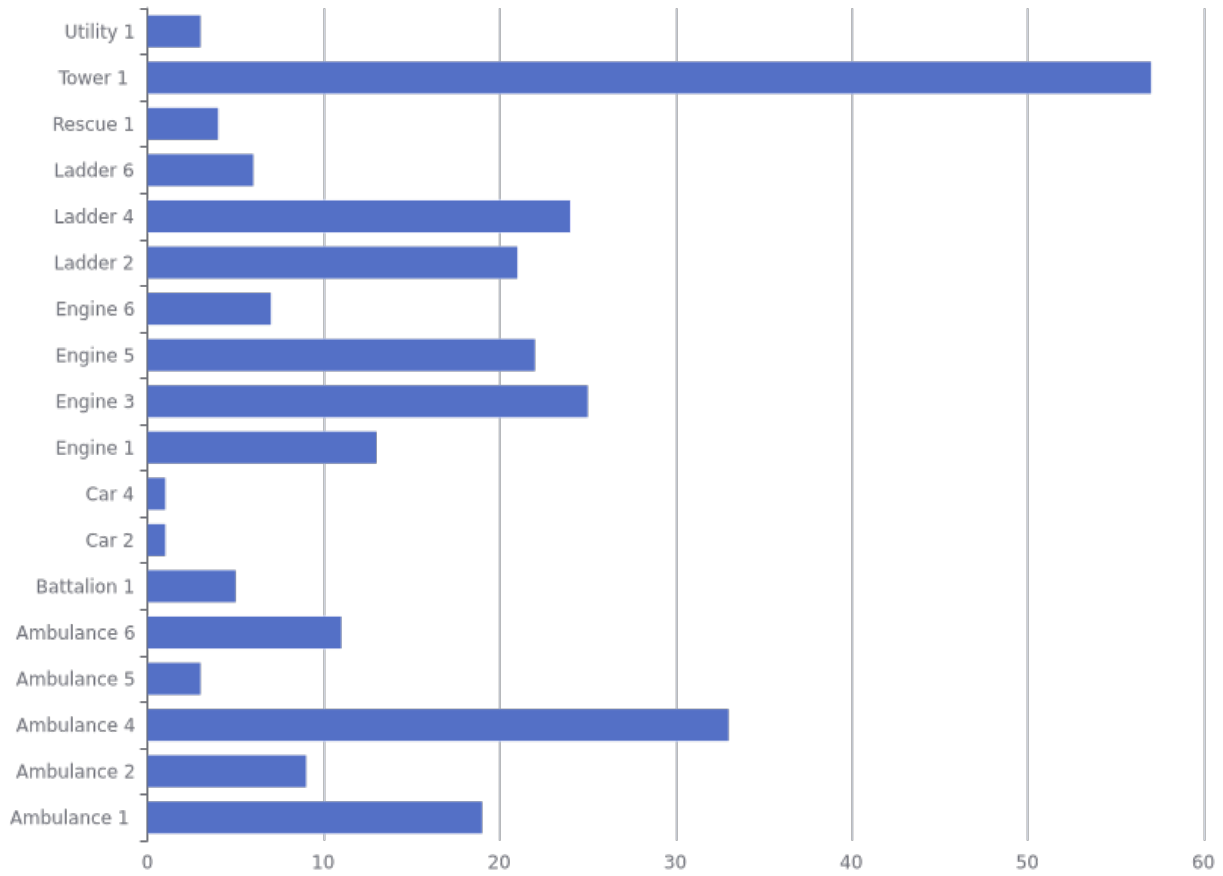


TOPIC NAMES	TOTAL HOURS
SWIFT WATER	7
Search & Rescue	8
TRUCK OPS	7
VEH EX REC	27
VT EMS Protocol Review	43
(NULL)	3
Total	2541

Description: Total member training hours for last calendar month



Asset Checks Completed April / May



APPARATUS NAME	TOTAL CHECKS
Ambulance 1	19
Ambulance 2	9
Ambulance 4	33
Ambulance 5	3
Ambulance 6	11
Battalion 1	5
Car 2	1
Car 4	1
Engine 1	13
Engine 3	25
Engine 5	22
Engine 6	7

Asset Checks Completed April / May

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APPARATUS NAME	TOTAL CHECKS
Ladder 2	21
Ladder 4	24
Ladder 6	6
Rescue 1	4
Tower 1	57
Utility 1	3
Total	264



Total General Fire Safety Inspections April/May

FIRE STATION	TOTAL INSPECTIONS COMPLETED
Central - Station 1	3
Station 2	3
Station 3	4
Station 4	2
Station 5	2
Total	14

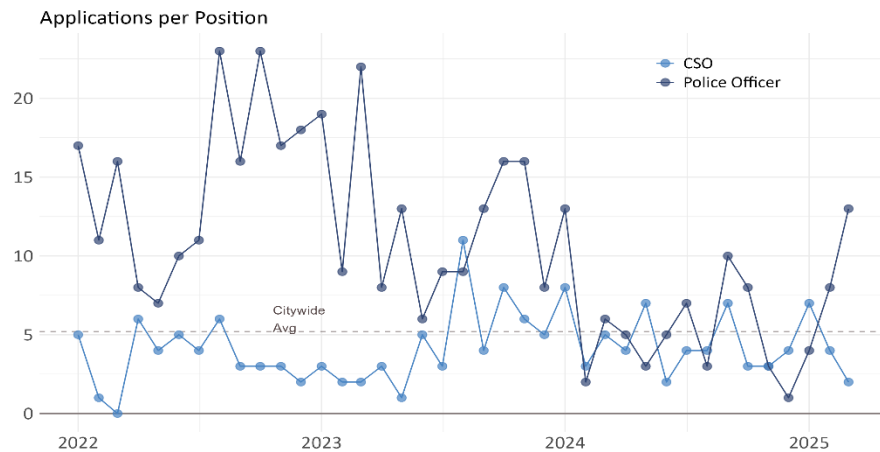


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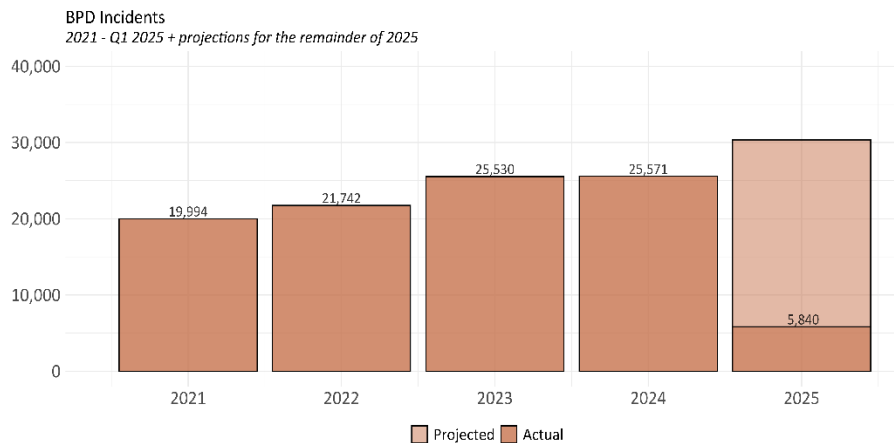
April 25th, 2025

Chief's Report – Burlington Police Commission

Personnel: The agency is carrying vacant positions in the Emergency Communications Center, Police Officer ranks, Community Service Officers, and the CAIP. Our recruitment team is hard at work processing sixteen police officer applicants, which is a strong number. The applicants are at various stages in the hiring process, one job offer has been extended to a police officer applicant. Police Officer and CSO application data is encouraging, the hiring process is rigorous:



The department continues to respond to incidents leveraging all elements of the organization: Sworn, CSO, CAIP, and community partners like Street Outreach. Within the set there are no trends of significance.

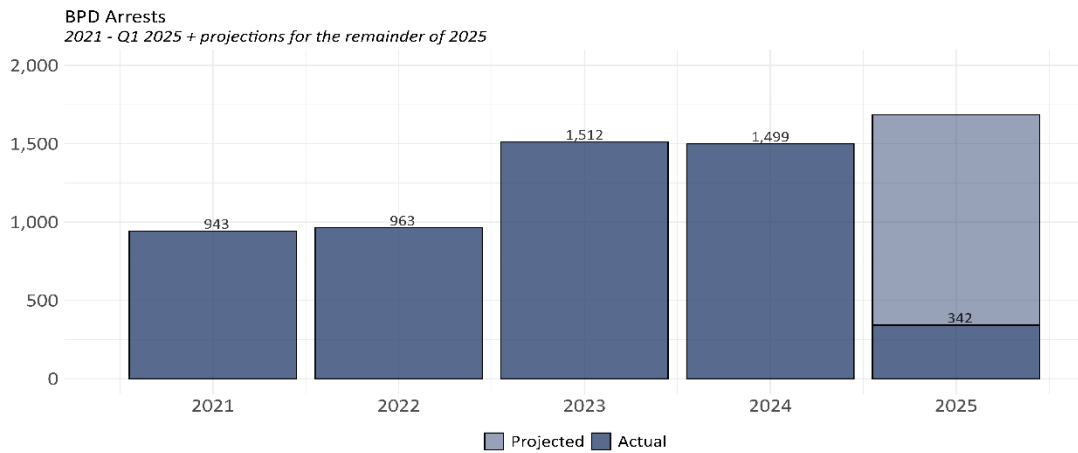


Projected based on 19% of past year's incidents having occurred at that date.
Data through 03/31/2025
'Stacked - No Response' and Online Only incidents removed



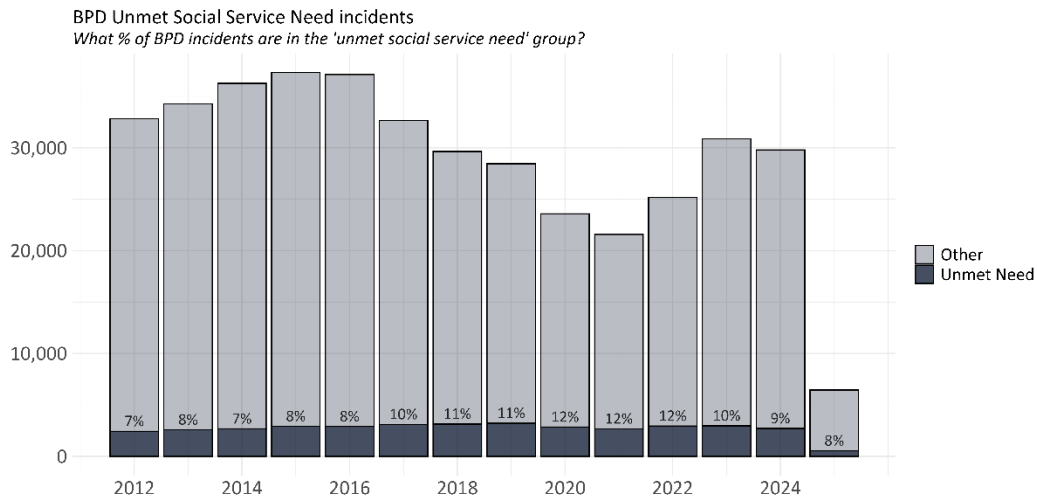
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Sworn personnel are attending to numerous incidents which culminate with arrest. An open data question under exploration – what categories of criminal arrest drove the sharp increase 2022 – 2023?



Projected based on 20% of past year's arrests having occurred at that date. Data through 03/31/2025

The department remains focused on responses to incidents related to unmet social service needs:



*Data through 3/31/25
Incidents include: Welfare Check, Intoxication, Mental Health Issue, Suicide - Attempted, Overdose*

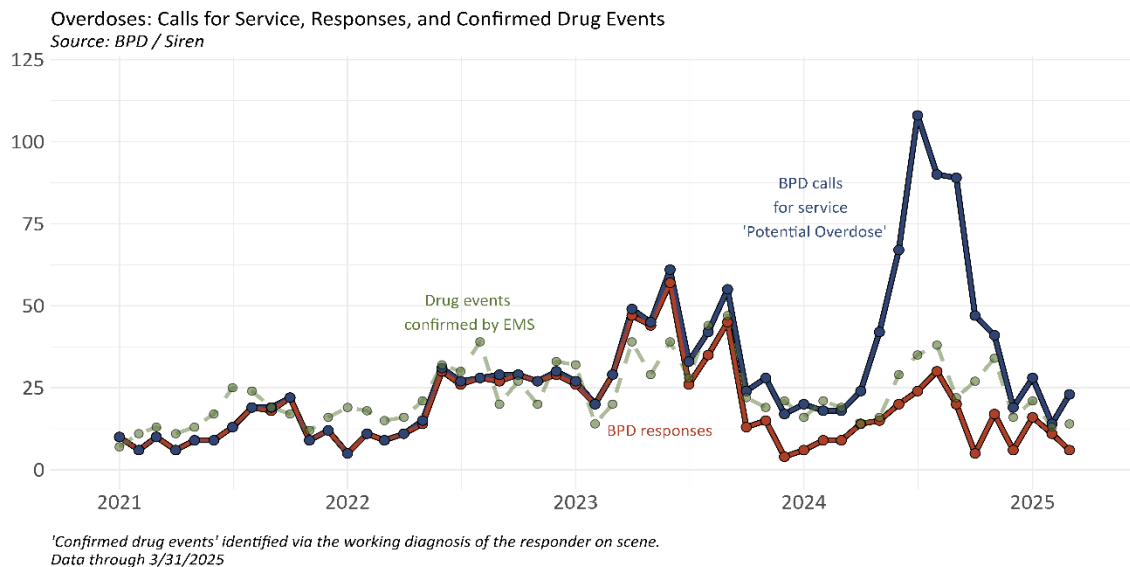
These data sets are of interest in evaluating how the City invests in social service provision. Currently the police department budget supports the Howard Center Street Outreach Team and the BPD Crisis, Advocacy, Intervention Program to better address these incidents. It is



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important to note that often the initial response to many of these incidents involve a police officer due to reported danger acuity.

The department has been meeting with the leadership of the Fire Department and the Administration to examine demands on City services related to substance use disorder. Our goal - using our combined resources with improved efficacy and efficiency. An example of initial data exploration:



The line “BPD calls for service potential overdose” highlight the public’s perception of increased drug consumption in public places. EMS data accounts for the actual number of incidents which involved substance use.

In closing, I have just completed my first 30 days with BPD. I have had the opportunity to hold one on one meetings with ninety percent of BPD’s formal leaders, several City Councilors, and a variety of other community stakeholders. This is also a busy season in terms of budget and collective bargaining. I look forward to adding dimensions to this monthly report - department training, specific incidents, data analysis, employee accomplishments, etc. It’s my distinct honor to serve as the City’s Interim Chief of Police.

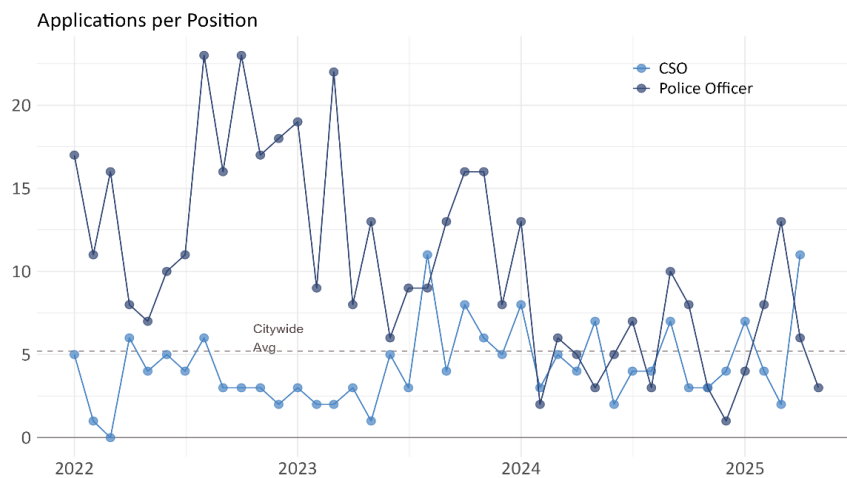


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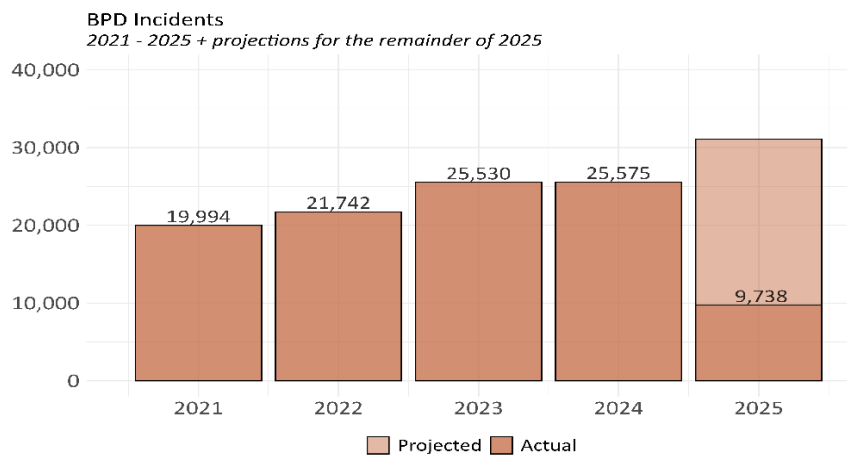
May 23rd, 2025

Chief's Report – Burlington Police Commission

Personnel: The agency has vacant positions in the Emergency Communications Center, Police Officer ranks, and CAIP – the Community Service Officer team is fully staffed. The department received three police officer applications in May.



Operations: The department continues to respond to incidents leveraging all elements of the organization: Sworn, CSO, CAIP, and Street Outreach.



*Projected based on 31% of past year's incidents having occurred at that date.
Data through 05/15/2025
'Stacked' - No Response' and Online Only incidents removed*



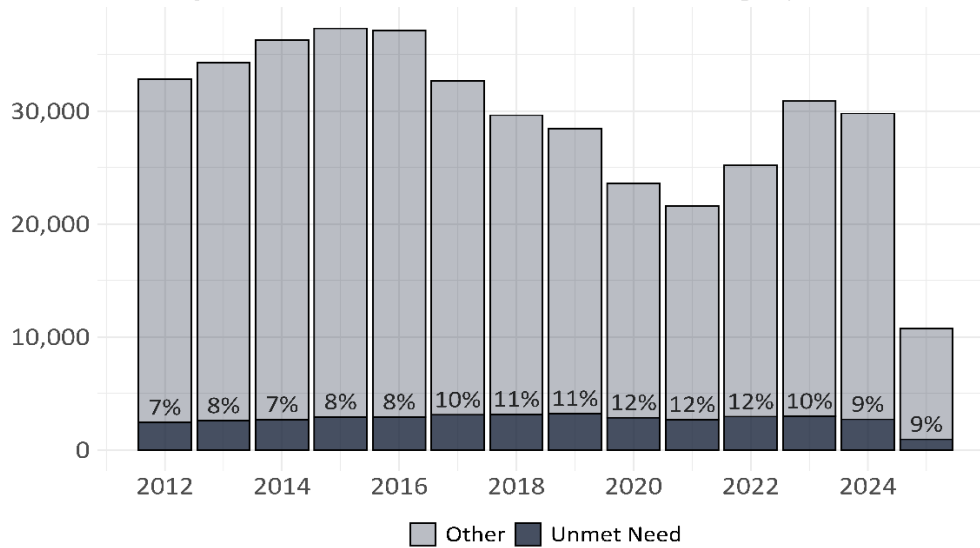
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The department has been more intentional in patrol deployment strategy this spring. The “top ten” incident types for the latest operating period illustrate the department’s activities in comparison to recent years:

Incident Type	Count	% Change from 2024	% Change from 2021 - 2024 average
Suspicious Event	890	24%	45%
Foot Patrol	853	9%	85%
Trespass	467	51%	84%
Traffic	377	-7%	25%
Assist - Public	370	11%	13%
Assist - Agency	331	13%	6%
Found/Lost Property	326	33%	44%
Mental Health Issue	318	15%	7%
Welfare Check	305	11%	-8%
Ordinance Violation - Other	293	433%	314%

The department remains focused on the impact of incidents related to unmet social service needs – little change seen in the data for this operating period.

BPD Unmet Social Service Need incidents
What % of BPD incidents are in the 'unmet social service need' group?

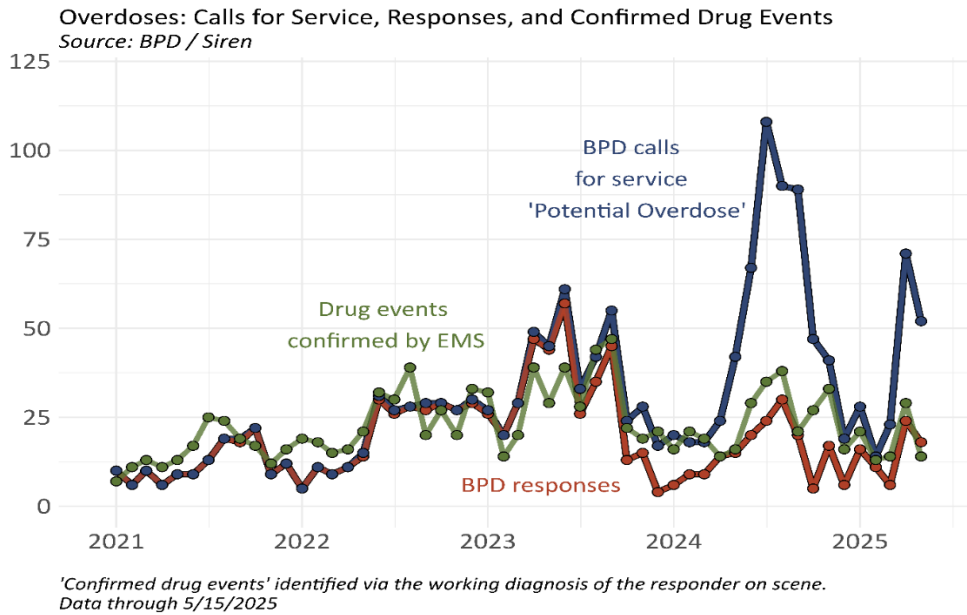


Data through 5/15/25
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The department has continued to track overdose data. There was a sharp increase in the number of reported overdose incidents. EMS confirmed drug events tracked the trend but not to an alarming level. Anecdotally, there was information in the community about a specific brand of potent heroin.



Policy / Direction: During the months of April and May the department has been focused on the following:

- Formal recruitment plan issued to the Recruitment Division from the Interim Chief of Police.
- Focused foot patrol initiatives in City Hall Park and on Church Street – Uniform Services and CSO ranks.
- Improvements / Updates to the Police Department web site.
- Improved customer service greeting created for the BPD business phone lines.
- Engaged with the Hot Spot working group - City Attorney / Burlington Business & Workforce Development.
- Direction given to the leadership of the CSO and CAIP Teams - develop departmental directives for their areas of responsibility.
- Working closely with the City Data Team in developing products which illustrate our work, the overlap with social services, and Fire / EMS. This is foundational as we approach working with the Situation Table.
- Shannon Trammell is managing the extensive construction projects at BPD headquarters.
- FY 26 Budget preparation.

**Comparison of
pending case
values from 05-1-
25 to 06-1-25**

COUNTY	Under dispo guidelines	Near dispo guideline *	Over dispo guideline	N/A**	Total Pending (per judiciary)	Total pending (per math)
Addison	14	-15	13	9	21	21
Bennington	16	-8	-12	-42	-46	-46
Caledonia	0	1	-42	-34	-75	-75
Chittenden	-42	14	-39	-34	-101	-101
Essex	2	-2	-2	-2	-4	-4
Franklin	-53	-3	-19	-33	-108	-108
Grand Isle	1	-14	2	7	-4	-4
Lamoille	-7	-1	-26	-48	-82	-82
Orange	29	2	9	-10	30	30
Orleans	-13	5	-20	-27	-55	-55
Rutland	18	17	-30	-1	4	4
Washington	21	15	8	-29	15	15
Windham	19	12	-10	2	23	23
Windsor	-46	19	-17	-17	-61	-61
Grand Total	5	23	-168	-242	-382	-382

Comparison of pending case values from 3-1-23 to 06-1-25

COUNTY	Under dispo guidelines	Near dispo guideline *	Over dispo guideline	N/A**	Total Pending (per judiciary)	Total pending (per math)	Total percent change in case volume from 3-1-23 to 06-1-25	Ranked total change in volume	Percent change in Disposition guidelines cases from 3-1-23 to 06- 1-25	Ranked change in disposition cases based on percentage reduction
Addison	165	6	-120	-73	-22	-22	-5%	11	-62%	7
Bennington	138	-33	-735	-202	-832	-832	-52%	4	-77%	3
Caledonia	98	4	-669	-201	-768	-768	-48%	6	-63%	6
Chittenden	637	-13	-889	-376	-371	-641	-20%	9	-58%	9
Essex	55	4	-101	-48	-90	-90	-34%	7	-62%	8
Franklin	483	29	-228	-284	0	0	0%	13	-48%	11
Grand Isle	-2	-5	-55	-14	-76	-76	-66%	2	-79%	2
Lamoille	34	-24	-696	-90	-776	-776	-67%	1	-90%	1
Orange	113	20	-68	-86	-21	-21	-5%	12	-34%	14
Orleans	62	-7	-868	-175	-988	-988	-54%	3	-66%	5
Rutland	304	-12	-1321	-318	-1347	-1347	-50%	5	-76%	4
Washington	587	60	-323	-306	18	18	1%	14	-47%	12
Windham	389	30	-341	-312	-236	-234	-14%	10	-37%	13
Windsor	167	12	-321	-205	-347	-347	-29%	8	-55%	10
Total	3230	71	-6735	-2690	-5856	-6124				

Total

	Under dispo guidelines	Near dispo guideline *	Over dispo guideline	N/A**	Total Pending (per judiciary)	Total pending (per math)	Difference between judiciary total pending cases and math	% over dispo
3/1/2023	3,479	943	10,668	3,880	18,702	14,164	4,538	75.32%
4/1/2023	3,260	840	9,316	3,278	13,416	16,694	(3,278)	55.80%
5/1/2023	3,241	858	9,009	3,173	15,749	16,281	(532)	55.33%
6/1/2023	4,714	948	7,002	3,083	15,747	15,747	-	44.47%
7/1/2023	4,717	1,169	6,816	3,169	15,216	15,871	(655)	42.95%
8/1/2023	4,954	1,168	6,988	3,349	16,459	16,459	-	42.46%
9/1/2023	5,394	1,253	7,774	3,773	18,194	18,194	-	42.73%
10/1/2023	4,954	1,168	6,988	3,349	16,459	16,459	-	42.46%
11/1/2023	5,221	1,122	6,620	2,641	15,604	15,604	-	42.43%
12/1/2023	5,207	1,047	6,574	2,671	15,499	15,499	-	42.42%
1/1/2024	4,902	1,125	6,360	2,597	14,984	14,984	-	42.45%
2/1/2024	5,118	1,171	6,196	2,677	14,938	15,162	(224)	40.87%
3/1/2024	5,172	1,126	6,070	2,704	15,072	15,072	-	40.27%
4/1/2024	5,046	988	5,681	2,916	14,631	14,631	-	38.83%
5/1/2024	5,043	1,017	5,482	2,958	14,500	14,500	-	37.81%
6/1/2024	5,089	854	6,974	1,247	14,164	14,164	-	49.24%
7/1/2024	4,935	889	6,679	1,260	13,763	13,763	-	48.53%
8/1/2024	5,193	893	6,280	1,526	13,892	13,892	-	45.21%
9/1/2024	5,266	973	6,500	1,585	14,324	14,324	-	45.38%
10/1/2024	5,316	980	6,461	1,699	14,456	14,456	-	44.69%
11/1/2024	5,349	892	6,263	1,495	13,999	13,999	-	44.74%
12/1/2024	5,260	912	6,257	1,397	13,826	13,826	-	45.26%
1/1/2025	5,252	948	6,342	1,473	14,015	14,015	-	45.25%
2/1/2025	6,887	1,100	4,468	1,514	13,969	13,969	-	31.99%
3/1/2025	6,731	1,081	4,352	1,561	13,725	13,725	-	31.71%
4/1/2025	6,613	1,043	4,223	1,630	13,509	13,509	-	31.26%
5/1/2025	6,750	972	4,118	1,449	13,289	13,289	-	30.99%
6/1/2025	6,709	1,014	3,933	1,190	12,846	12,846	-	30.62%

Chittenden County

	Under dispo guidelines	Near dispo guideline *	Over dispo guideline	N/A**	Total Pending (per judiciary)	Total pending (per math)	Difference between judiciary total pending cases and math	% over dispo
3/1/2023	838	227	1,521	577	2,893	3,163	(270)	48.09%
4/1/2023	838	201	1,348	517	2,387	2,904	(517)	46.42%
5/1/2023	815	222	1,252	502	2,791	2,791	-	44.86%
6/1/2023	1,199	220	851	506	2,776	2,776	-	30.66%
7/1/2023	1,216	265	863	541	2,885	2,885	-	29.91%
8/1/2023	1,220	268	906	576	2,970	2,970	-	30.51%
9/1/2023	1,300	324	1,082	682	3,388	3,388	-	31.94%
10/1/2023	1,220	268	906	576	2,970	2,970	-	30.51%
11/1/2023	1,253	263	971	486	2,973	2,973	-	32.66%
12/1/2023	1,279	236	1,028	506	3,049	3,049	-	33.72%
1/1/2024	1,214	261	976	491	2,942	2,942	-	33.17%
2/1/2024	1,303	239	934	514	2,990	2,990	-	31.24%
3/1/2024	1,366	250	961	475	3,052	3,052	-	31.49%
4/1/2024	1,321	189	887	547	2,944	2,944	-	30.13%
5/1/2024	1,350	200	840	541	2,931	2,931	-	28.66%
6/1/2024	1,177	227	1,179	236	2,819	2,819	-	41.82%
7/1/2024	1,143	238	1,142	229	2,752	2,752	-	41.50%
8/1/2024	1,155	251	1,054	291	2,751	2,751	-	38.31%
9/1/2024	1,165	269	1,067	298	2,799	2,799	-	38.12%
10/1/2024	1,114	234	1,091	317	2,756	2,756	-	39.59%
11/1/2024	1,149	206	1,006	244	2,605	2,605	-	38.62%
12/1/2024	1,151	208	1,069	255	2,683	2,683	-	39.84%
1/1/2025	1,166	220	1,059	270	2,715	2,715	-	39.01%
2/1/2025	1,503	193	666	249	2,611	2,611	-	25.51%
3/1/2025	1,467	216	688	264	2,635	2,635	-	26.11%
4/1/2025	1,439	239	675	264	2,617	2,617	-	25.79%
5/1/2025	1,517	200	671	235	2,623	2,623	-	25.58%

6/1/2025	1,475	214	632	201	2,522	2,522	-	25.06%
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Monthly Filing Data - Total Filings

COUNTY	Total by	Average by	Average	2025	2025				
	County	County	Percentile	January	February	2025 March	2025 April	2025 May	2025 June
Addison	818	40.90	23.00%	63	43	37	55	61	
Bennington	1,928	96.40	61.50%	87	66	78	76	87	
Caledonia	1,011	50.55	38.40%	62	41	55	54	57	
Chittenden	4,918	245.90	100.00%	202	196	238	264	241	
Essex	158	7.90	7.60%	12	3	7	8	6	
Franklin	2,226	111.30	76.90%	104	78	113	113	102	
Grand Isle	85	4.25	0.00%	0	3	7	6	3	
Lamoille	859	42.95	30.70%	38	31	31	53	37	
Orange	676	33.80	15.30%	38	33	32	29	50	
Orleans	1,417	70.85	46.10%	71	67	56	57	62	
Rutland	2,415	120.75	84.60%	101	138	123	131	117	
Washington	2,536	126.80	92.30%	151	129	100	139	159	
Windham	2,165	108.25	69.20%	114	99	121	119	119	
Windsor	1,473	73.65	53.80%	95	90	70	79	71	
Monthly Total				1,138	1,017	1,068	1,183	1,172	-
2025 Total				1,138	2,155	3,223	4,406	5,578	5,578
	Total by	Average by							
	County	County							
10th Percentile	313.4	15.67							
20th Percentile	761.2	38.06							
30th Percentile	854.9	42.75							
40th Percentile	1092.2	54.61							
50th Percentile	1445	72.25							
60th Percentile	1837	91.85							
70th Percentile	2171.1	108.56							
80th Percentile	2301.6	115.08							
90th Percentile	2499.7	124.99							
100th Percentile	4918	245.90							

Monthly Filing Data - Misdemeanor Filings

	Total by County	Average by County	Average Percentile	2025 January	2025 February	2025 March	2025 April	2025 May	2025 June
Addison	575	31.94	23.00%	50	30	26	38	53	
Bennington	1,184	65.78	61.50%	57	35	51	52	56	
Caledonia	686	38.11	38.40%	45	28	37	38	41	
Chittenden	3,415	189.72	100.00%	147	148	189	194	187	
Essex	91	5.06	7.60%	9	1	4	7	3	
Franklin	1,655	91.94	84.60%	84	68	88	98	85	
Grand Isle	47	2.61	0.00%	0	3	7	2	2	
Lamoille	595	33.06	30.70%	30	27	19	45	28	
Orange	466	25.89	15.30%	32	28	24	22	37	
Orleans	1,020	56.67	53.80%	44	51	45	45	49	
Rutland	1,624	90.22	76.90%	75	108	87	101	85	
Washington	1,745	96.94	92.30%	111	113	81	119	121	
Windham	1,556	86.44	69.20%	88	76	89	95	94	
Windsor	981	54.50	46.10%	69	70	57	63	60	
Monthly Total				841	786	804	919	901	-
2025 Running total				841	1,627	2,431	3,350	4,251	4,251
	Total by County	Average by County							
10th Percentile	203.5	11.31							
20th Percentile	531.4	29.52							
30th Percentile	593	32.94							
40th Percentile	745	41.39							
50th Percentile	1000.5	55.58							
60th Percentile	1151.2	63.96							
70th Percentile	1562.8	86.82							
80th Percentile	1636.4	90.91							
90th Percentile	1718	95.44							
100th Percentile	3415	189.72							

Monthly Filing Data - Felony Filings

	Total by county	Average by County	Average Percentile	2025 January	2025 February	2025 March	2025 April	2025 May	2025 June
Addison	164	9.11	23.00%	13	13	11	16	8	
Bennington	573	31.83	92.30%	30	31	27	24	31	
Caledonia	203	11.28	38.40%	17	13	18	16	16	
Chittenden	999	55.50	100.00%	55	48	49	70	54	
Essex	53	2.94	7.60%	3	2	3	1	3	
Franklin	372	20.67	61.50%	20	10	25	15	17	
Grand Isle	19	1.06	0.00%	0	0	0	4	1	
Lamoille	186	10.33	30.70%	8	4	12	8	9	
Orange	163	9.06	15.30%	6	5	8	7	13	
Orleans	275	15.28	46.10%	27	16	11	12	13	
Rutland	556	30.89	84.60%	26	30	36	30	32	
Washington	477	26.50	76.90%	40	16	19	20	38	
Windham	408	22.67	69.20%	26	23	32	24	25	
Windsor	341	18.94	53.80%	26	20	13	16	11	
Monthly Total				297	231	264	263	271	0
2025 Running total				297	528	792	1,055	1,326	1,326
	Total by County	Average by County							
10th Percentile	86	4.78							
20th Percentile	163.6	9.09							
30th Percentile	183.8	10.21							
40th Percentile	217.4	12.08							
50th Percentile	308	17.11							
60th Percentile	365.8	20.32							
70th Percentile	414.9	23.05							
80th Percentile	508.6	28.26							
90th Percentile	567.9	31.55							
100th Percentile	999	55.50							

Clearance Rate Summary

	# of months over 100% Clearance Rate	2025				
		January	February	2025 March	2025 April	2025 May
Addison	12	61%	112%	148%	71%	83%
Bennington	16	134%	217%	132%	108%	124%
Caledonia	16	107%	133%	104%	117%	117%
Chittenden	16	123%	83%	106%	95%	122%
Essex	15	88%	143%	80%	153%	108%
Franklin	11	82%	85%	119%	109%	116%
Grand Isle	16	350%	143%	69%	78%	67%
Lamoille	17	203%	121%	95%	78%	147%
Orange	12	77%	107%	89%	117%	62%
Orleans	22	106%	132%	122%	141%	130%
Rutland	26	92%	135%	115%	106%	101%
Washington	12	74%	75%	113%	76%	72%
Windham	13	90%	88%	117%	90%	87%
Windsor	15	96%	87%	81%	106%	123%

Counties over 100% Clearance Rate

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Number of Months in Dataset 30

Mean # of Counties with CR over 100% 7.3

Clearance Rates - June 2025

Division	Unit	Civil Clearance Rate	Criminal Clearance Rate	Environmental Clearance Rate	Family Clearance Rate	Judicial Bureau Clearance Rate	Probate Clearance Rate
Statewide Court	Total	105%	106%		98%		153%
	Addison	91%	83%		100%		88%
	Bennington	111%	124%		122%		100%
	Caledonia	286%	117%		93%		1024%
	Chittenden	82%	122%		86%		189%
	Essex	56%	108%		120%		14%
	Franklin	109%	116%		73%		68%
	Grand Isle	73%	67%		167%		167%
	Lamoille	95%	147%		97%		27%
	Orange	86%	62%		138%		73%
	Orleans	120%	130%		76%		67%
	Rutland	83%	101%		141%		104%
	Washington	210%	72%		86%		90%
	Windham	101%	87%		113%		138%
	Windsor	83%	123%		71%		86%
Statewide Courts	Total			190%		124%	
	Environmental			190%			
	Judicial Bureau					124%	
Total		105%	106%	190%	98%	124%	153%

Applied filters: StartOfMonth 5/1/2025 - 5/31/2025

CRIMINAL BACKLOG INFORMATION

6.1.25

Pending cases by county:

COUNTY	NEW FELONIES FILED	NEW MISD FILED	TOTAL CASES FILED	Under dispo guidelines	Near dispo guideline *	Over dispo guideline	N/A**	Total Pending Cases	Clearance rate For past month
Addison	8	53	61	276	28	74	38	416	84%
Bennington	31	56	87	405	56	220	93	774	124%
Caledonia	16	41	57	293	49	398	90	830	119%
Chittenden	54	187	241	1,475	214	632	201	2,522	123%
Essex	3	3	6	81	12	63	22	178	117%
Franklin	17	85	102	784	101	247	72	1204	119%
Grand Isle	1	2	3	18	0	15	7	40	157%
Lamoille	9	28	37	236	27	79	44	386	60%
Orange	13	37	50	218	37	130	16	401	160%
Orleans	13	49	62	288	65	440	46	839	135%
Rutland	32	85	117	682	107	426	128	1343	100%
Washington	38	121	159	883	132	366	171	1552	73%
Windham	25	94	119	651	117	581	147	1496	87%
Windsor	11	60	71	419	69	262	115	865	121%
Totals:	271	901	1172	6709	1014	3933	1190	12846	113%

* The “Near” category is intended as an alert that a case is close to the time to disposition goal when active days are in this range. It is the interval between 0.75 of the disposition guideline and the disposition. For example, if the disposition guideline is 120 days, near would be 90 – 120 days, under would be less than 90 days and over would be greater than 120 days.

** “N/A” is an abbreviation for not applicable. The Judiciary utilizes a data tool, CORE, for measuring disposition time. The implementation of disposition guidelines in CORE is focused on the interval between case filing and entry of judgment for Court Statistics Project (CSP) case types having a disposition guideline. Circumstances where a case would have a guideline status of “n/a” would include reopened disposition (aka post judgment) or a case type with no disposition guideline. (These are predominantly VOP cases)