



CITY OF BURLINGTON POLICE DEPARTMENT

2025 Annual Report





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2025 ANNUAL REPORT

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MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF

On behalf of the City of Burlington Police Department, I am proud to present our 2025 Annual Report. This report highlights the work of our department throughout the year, the services we provide, and our priorities as we move forward into 2026. As we reflect on the past year, we are grateful for the progress made and remain focused on building a strong, sustainable future for our department and our city.



Our success is made possible by the dedication of our sworn officers, civilian staff, and volunteers, who serve the community with integrity and professionalism each day. As we look ahead, a primary focus of the department is recruiting and hiring new officers to replace those who are retiring, ensuring we maintain appropriate staffing levels and continue providing the high-quality service our residents expect and deserve.

Equally important is our continued commitment to training, professional development, and officer wellness. Comprehensive and forward-thinking training ensures our officers maintain the knowledge and physical skills necessary to meet the evolving challenges of modern policing. At the same time, we recognize that overall wellness, mental, physical, and emotional, is essential to long-term effectiveness, sound decision-making, and resilience. By prioritizing both training and wellness, we are investing in our personnel so they can continue to serve the community safely, professionally, and at their best.

Community engagement remains a cornerstone of our mission. By fostering strong relationships with residents, businesses, and community partners, we reinforce trust and collaboration. When we work together as a unified team, we create a safer and more connected Burlington. We encourage residents to stay engaged with the department through our social media platforms, including Facebook and Instagram, where we share updates, provide information, and promote transparency.

The City of Burlington Police Department will continue to work closely with the Mayor, City Administration, elected officials, and partner agencies to address community needs and enhance public safety. I am extremely proud of the men and women of this department and the community we serve. Thank you for your continued trust and support as we move forward together into the coming year.

Sincerely,

Ryan Elbertson
Chief of Police

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the City of Burlington Police Department is to ensure the best quality of life for our citizens through partnerships with the community, enforcement of the law, and providing of a safe environment. We will act professionally, and ensure that all officers conduct themselves with the highest level of moral and ethical standards.



CORE VALUES

INTEGRITY

To be trusted by the public and seen as honest, sincere and virtuous.

PROFESSIONALISM

Maintaining an educated workforce committed to integrity, accountability and self-regulation.

SERVICE

To enhance the quality of life for all City of Burlington residents by providing timely, professional and compassionate police services.

VISION

The department strives to be a model law enforcement agency through its commitment to excellence and partnerships with our community.





CODE OF ETHICS

"As a Law Enforcement Officer, my fundamental duty is to serve mankind: to safeguard lives and property; to protect the innocent against deception, the weak against oppression or intimidation and the peaceful against violence or disorder; and to respect the Constitutional rights of all men to liberty, equality and justice.

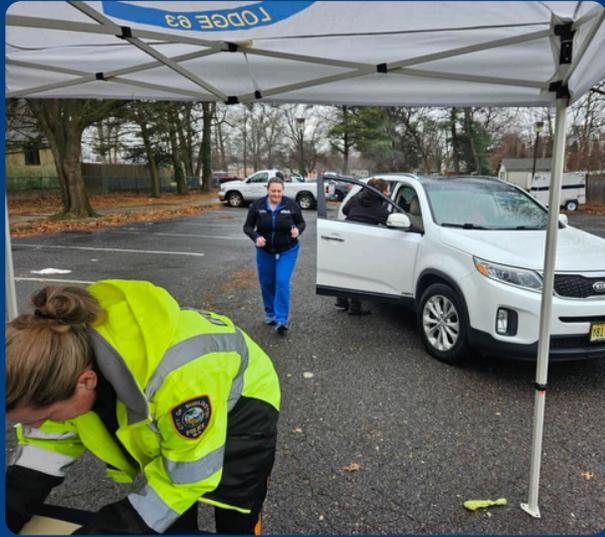
I will keep my private life unsullied as an example to all; maintain courageous calm in the face of danger, scorn or ridicule; develop self-restraint; and be constantly mindful of the welfare of others. Honest in thought and deed in both my personal and official life, I will be exemplary in obeying the laws of the land and the regulations of my department. Whatever I see or hear of a confidential nature or that is confided to me in my official capacity will be kept ever secret unless revelation is necessary in the performance of duty.

I will never act officiously or permit personal feelings, prejudices, animosities or friendships to influence my decisions. With no compromise for crime and with relentless prosecution of criminals, I will enforce the law courteously and appropriately, without fear or favor, malice or ill will, never employing unnecessary force or violence and never accepting gratuities.

I recognize the badge of my office as a symbol of public faith, and I accept it as a public trust to be held so long as I am true to the ethics of police service. I will constantly strive to achieve these objectives and ideals, dedicating myself before God to my chosen profession... law enforcement."

A YEAR IN REVIEW

January



In partnership with the County and Willingboro Vet, BCPD hosted a free drive-thru rabies clinic for our residents, helping keep our community and pets healthy and safe.



In honor of MLK Jr. Day of Service, Easton and the Helper Helpers, together with Amazon and BCPD, prepared homemade chili and vegetable soup, made turkey and ham sandwiches, and collected gloves and hats to distribute to those in need.



BCPD shared pastries and coffee with residents of the Manor, taking time to answer questions, listen, and hear their stories.



The Rachel's Challenge Program at Burlington City High School hosted our amazing crossing guards for a delicious pancake breakfast.

A YEAR IN REVIEW

February



Officer Martinez and K9 Echo participated in The O League's STEAM World Panel on Forensic Science, sharing insight into K9 Echo's role in law enforcement and the work of the K9 Unit.



SRO Roberson joined in the fun as the school district hosted pep rallies to celebrate the Eagles.



BCPD partnered with the Prosecutor's Office and several community groups to host multiple Straight to Treatment outreach events throughout the year, connecting individuals with support for substance use, housing, ids, and other social services.



Sgt. Tisby visited Wilbur Watts as a guest reader during library time, sharing stories about the Greensboro sit-ins and Ruby Bridges and sparking meaningful conversations about history and courage.

A YEAR IN REVIEW

March



BCPD visited with residents of the Manor, sharing information on the safe and proper disposal of expired or unused medications.



During Read Across America Week, officers visited Captain James Lawrence, Samuel Smith, and Wilbur Watts to read stories with students.



Captain Robert O'Brien completed the prestigious 10-week FBI National Academy, a globally respected program in advanced communication, leadership, and fitness, reserved for top law enforcement professionals.



Members of the department attended the RCBC Career Fair, engaging with students and sharing information about careers in law enforcement.

A YEAR IN REVIEW

April



Members of the department attended Career Day at St. Paul School, engaging with students about life in law enforcement and answering their questions as they explore future career paths.



Members of the department attended the Spring Resource Fair & Egg Hunt, hosted by the Burlington County Sheriff's Office and Burlington County Special Services School.



During spring break, BCPD joined the Happy Helpers and Amazon to provide lunch at the Riverline and participate in a community cleanup.



Members of the department attended Career Day at Burlington City High School, engaging with students about life in law enforcement and steps they can take now to prepare for life after school.

A YEAR IN REVIEW

May



Officers hosted a bike rodeo, riding with children, teaching bike safety, and giving out helmets and two brand-new bikes, all thanks to Amazon.



After 25 years of dedicated service to the Burlington community, Captain Michael Ekelburg is retiring.



Members of the department joined Burlington Township for a Straight to Treatment outreach, providing residents with resources for housing, mental health, and substance use support.



Officer Najah Pruden was honored with the Knights of Columbus Shield Award, recognizing his commitment, professionalism, and meaningful service to the community.

A YEAR IN REVIEW

June



At the Community Awards Breakfast hosted by Prevention Plus, Chief Elbertson was honored for his efforts to improve residents' lives. Burlington was well represented, with community members also recognized for their positive impact.



Members of the department participated in the annual fishing derby at Kennedy Park, giving young residents the chance to enjoy a free day of fishing.



Ptl. Yunus Boduroglu, Badge #116, graduated from the Cape May County Police Academy. From SLEO I to full-time officer, he is a valued member of the team!



Cpl. Pruden was honored as a Hometown Hero at the Trenton Thunder game.

A YEAR IN REVIEW

July



The Burlington City and Edgewater Park Police Departments' Youth Police Academy Class 4 was a great success, with cadets learning about many aspects of law enforcement.



Cruise Nights on the River took place over the summer, with proceeds supporting community policing efforts.



Members of the department hosted a bike rodeo for Life 4 Corners summer camp students, with helmets provided thanks to Amazon.



Officer Martinez and K-9 Echo attended Christ Baptist Church's Vacation Bible School.

A YEAR IN REVIEW

August



BCPD hosted National Night Out, an annual event that brings the community together to strengthen connections with law enforcement while promoting safety, crime prevention, and engagement.



Officers were invited to join Christ Baptist for their Community Cookout and Backpack giveaway.



BCPD partnered with Prevention Plus and other community groups to host the XGlosive "Light the Night" basketball event, giving local kids a fun-filled evening of basketball with a unique twist.



After more than 30 years of dedicated service to the Burlington community, Lieutenant Joseph Caruso is retiring.

A YEAR IN REVIEW

September



Members of BCPD attended several Back to School Nights across the district, sharing safety tips with students and their families.



Ptl. Rianna Soto, Badge #117, graduated from the Camden County Police Academy and is now a proud member of the team!



Crossing Guard James Ogburn reached an incredible milestone, 20 years of service. A familiar and friendly face, he has kept students and the community safe with dedication, reliability, and a wonderful spirit.



After 25 years of service to the Burlington community, Detective Corporal Anna Czajka is retiring.

A YEAR IN REVIEW

October



The K-9 Car Show drew over 200 cars and many visitors to downtown, raising essential funds to support the K-9 Unit.



October is Dysautonomia Awareness Month. For years, BCPD has welcomed visitors placing turquoise ribbons on our vehicles to show support. Raising awareness helps bring this invisible illness into the spotlight.



BCPD partnered with Pearl Point Apartments to host the 5th Annual Trunk or Treat at the Riverfront, providing a fun-filled event for all.



Michael Ekelburg has returned to BCPD as a Class III Reserve Officer and is now serving as the SRO at Captain James Lawrence School.

A YEAR IN REVIEW

November



The Burlington County Chapter of Jack and Jill of America, Inc. donated special comfort bags for children, each filled with items like Play-Doh, fidget toys, and other soothing tools to help during difficult moments.



Members of the department returned to the Manor to share coffee and pastries, provided by Laundry King, while discussing the latest scams and tips to avoid fraud.



During the Straight to Treatment outreach at the Riverline station, Chick-fil-A provided 100 free sandwiches to individuals seeking resources and assistance.



Officers provide security at home football and basketball games, supporting our student athletes with pride.

A YEAR IN REVIEW

December



BCPD attended the Holiday Parade and Village, marching with families and keeping the community safe through traffic posts and patrols. It was a great night for all!



Our CSW Amanda partnered with Life 4 Corners for their Winter Wonderland, providing children in need with jackets, toys, helmets, and safety information.



Ptl. Xavier Mourey, Badge #118, and Ptl. Adam Hwilka, Badge #119, graduated from the Monmouth County Police Academy. We're proud to have them on the team!



BCPD partnered with the mayor and city officials to distribute holiday toys and coats to local schools, a wonderful collaboration between the city, residents, and schools.

2025 Promotions



ROBERT O'BRIEN
Captain



DAVID MATTHEWS
Lieutenant



RONALD FUSS
Lieutenant



ROBERT PERRO
Lieutenant



DAVID EDWARDSON
Sergeant



CHARLES HANEY
Sergeant



LISA TISBY
Sergeant



JORDAN GORLESKI
Corporal



NAJAH PRUDEN
Corporal

2025 PERSONNEL

The list below reflects department active personnel and assignments as of December 2025

Chief of Police

Ryan Elbertson

Captain

Robert O’ Brien

Lieutenants

David Matthews  

Ronald Fuss

Robert Perro

Sergeants

David Edwardson  

Charles Haney  

Lisa Tisby 

Corporals

Brian Ptaszenski  

Ricardo Rios

Jordan Gorleski

Najah Pruden 

Detectives

William Lancenese  

Cameron Lung 

Patrol Officer

Gregory Pierce 

Justin Zeuner 

Aaron Martinez 

Andrew Kostic 

Makenzie Murphy 

Woodley Duga 

Robert Clemente  

Sean Fitzpatrick

Xavier Morris

Christopher Hubbs 

Yunus Boduroglu

Rianna Soto

Xavier Mourey

Adam Hwilka

Andrew Stephens

SLEO II

Christopher Rivell

Stephen Hesson

SLEO III

Javier Ortiz

Brandon Roberson

Daniel Pascal 

Joseph McHugh

Michael Ekelburg

SLEO I

Jeffery Green

Justin Pires

Marissa Lorang

Police Aide

Beverly Schnegelsberger

Support Services

Renee Delapena

Jamie Pennacchi

Mauren Agnew

Matthew Wiesniewski

Amanda Mackie

CROSSING GUARDS

Crossing guards play a vital role in ensuring the safety of children and pedestrians by controlling traffic and preventing accidents at busy intersections.



Head Crossing Guard: Patricia Kennedy

- Leon Benjaminov
- Walter Brown
- Whitney Brown
- Aldo Bucci
- Jeffery Carr
- Gerald Cipollone
- Andrew Cross
- Alfred Greenwood
- John Gusrang
- John Lipscomb
- Robin McNeil
- Julianna Merluse

- Diana Mikos
- Kathleen O'Connor
- James Ogburn
- Mary Peebles
- Bruce Robinson
- Betty Searls
- Claude Sivels
- Virginia Thompson
- Preston Turner
- Diane Wagner
- Brian Williams



CHAPLAINS

Volunteer police chaplains serve the community by offering emotional support, guidance, and comfort to individuals in times of crisis, fostering trust and compassion between law enforcement and the public.



- Chaplain Pollard
- Chaplain Domosh
- Chaplain Diggs
- Chaplain Dunham
- Chaplain Hutton
- Chaplain Lowe
- Chaplain Warren
- Chaplain Joyner



Chief of Police

Ryan Elbertson



Chief of Police Ryan P. Elbertson began his law enforcement career with the City of Burlington Police Department in October 1999 as a Class I Special Officer. In 2002, he transitioned to a full-time position after successfully graduating from the Burlington County Police Academy.

Throughout his career, Chief Elbertson has served in and supervised numerous specialized units, including the Special Response Team, Emergency Services Unit, Special Enforcement Unit, and as the Supervising Firearms Instructor. His dedication and leadership led to his promotion to Sergeant in September 2013, where he served in

both the Patrol Division and the Criminal Investigation Division.

In April 2019, he was promoted to Lieutenant, taking on key responsibilities as the Patrol Division Commander, Training Officer, and Fleet Manager. In January 2020, he was appointed as the Department's Accreditation Manager, where he oversaw the implementation and maintenance of critical operational standards and certifications.

Chief Elbertson is a graduate of the New Jersey State Association of Chiefs of Police Command and Leadership Academy and the FBI National Academy's 275th Session in Quantico, Virginia. Chief Elbertson is a New Jersey State Chiefs of Police Accredited Command Executive. He holds a Bachelor's Degree in Public Administration and a Master's Degree in Administrative Science from Fairleigh Dickinson University.

As Chief of Police, he continues to exemplify leadership, professionalism, and a commitment to excellence in serving the City of Burlington Police Department and the community it protects.

CAPTAIN

Robert O'Brien



Robert O'Brien serves as the Captain for the City of Burlington Police Department. He began his law enforcement career in 2008 after graduating from the Burlington County Police Academy as an alternate route candidate. Starting in Medford Township, Captain O'Brien joined the City of Burlington Police Department in 2011, where he has since built a diverse and accomplished career.

During his tenure, Captain O'Brien has served in the Patrol Division, operated as a member of the Special Response Team (SRT), and worked as a Field Training Officer before advancing to supervisor of the Field Training Program. He was also a member of the C.R.I.M.E. Unit and the Detective Bureau, gaining valuable tactical and investigative experience, and served as a firearms instructor to uphold high standards of safety and proficiency within the department.

Captain O'Brien is a graduate of the New Jersey State Association of Chiefs of Police Command and Leadership Academy and the FBI National Academy's 293rd Session and currently serves as the Operations Division Commander. He oversees the department's operational and administrative functions, including internal affairs, firearms permitting, the Detective Bureau, and specialized units and programs such as the Special Response Team, School Resource Officers, community services, recruitment, and public information. Additionally, he provides executive oversight of critical accountability and wellness programs, ensuring effectiveness, transparency, and professional standards across the organization.

Captain O'Brien's extensive experience, leadership, and commitment to excellence embody the mission of the City of Burlington Police Department: to serve and protect the community with integrity and professionalism.

LIEUTENANT

David Matthews



Lieutenant David Matthews embarked on his law enforcement career with the City of Burlington Police Department in 1999 as a Class I Special Law Enforcement Officer. His exemplary service led to his full-time appointment at the Burlington County Sheriff's Department in 2001. He graduated from the Burlington County Police Academy in April 2003, earning a promotion to Class II Special Law Enforcement Officer in Burlington City. In December 2003, Lieutenant Matthews was appointed as a full-time Police Officer in the Patrol Division. While serving in this Division he was assigned to the Traffic Unit, teacher of the Gang Resistance Education and Training (G.R.E.A.T.) program, the Motorcycle Unit, Crime Scene Investigator, and Certified as an Accreditation Manager.

In July 2016, Lieutenant Matthews' leadership and commitment were recognized with a promotion to Sergeant. His tenure as Sergeant saw him take on additional responsibilities as a TAC Officer and elevated to Supervisor of both the Traffic Unit and Motorcycle Unit, along with several other internal responsibilities.

A lifelong resident of Burlington, Lieutenant Matthews is a proud alumnus of Burlington City High School, class of 1987. His pursuit of excellence in leadership was further solidified in 2017 when he successfully completed the prestigious NJ State Chiefs of Police Command and Leadership Academy.

Promoted to the rank of Lieutenant in December 2024 before taking on the role permanently in June 2025, he is currently undergoing comprehensive training in all aspects of Police Administration, ensuring operational effectiveness, proper training, and professional development for all Officers. He has extensive experience and a commitment to excellence which embraces the mission of the City of Burlington Police Department. He is poised to continue his exemplary service and leadership in law enforcement for the City of Burlington.

LIEUTENANT

Ronald Fuss



Ronald Fuss serves as a Lieutenant for the City of Burlington Police Department. He graduated from the Burlington County Police Academy in 2002. During his career, Lieutenant Fuss has served in the Patrol Division and has been a member of several additional units. He has served on the Emergency Services Unit, the Special Response Team, acted as a Field Training Officer, Head Firearms Instructor, Head Taser Instructor, Less Lethal Instructor, a member of the Traffic Unit, and also a member of the Motorcycle Unit. Lt. Fuss also serves as an Active

Shooter Response Instructor working with local organizations to provide Civilian training and education to help develop community safety.

Lieutenant Fuss is a graduate of the New Jersey State Association of Chiefs of Police Command and Leadership Academy. His current role is Administrative Division Commander and is a Certified Accreditation Manager. He is in charge of the Honor Guard Unit and Reserve Officer Units. He also acts as the Career Development, Training Coordinator, Records Division Supervisor, and is the Homeland Security Liaison.

Lieutenant Fuss takes pride in all of his positions past and present to ensure the safety of the City of Burlington community.

LIEUTENANT

Robert Perro



Lieutenant Robert Perro began his law enforcement career in September 2004 with the City of Burlington Police Department after graduating from the Camden County Police Academy, Class 44. After several years serving in the Patrol Division, he advanced his skills by attending the Philadelphia K-9 Academy, where he was partnered with K-9 Duce. Lieutenant Perro and Duce served the community together from 2007 through 2015, forming a highly effective K-9 team dedicated to proactive policing and public safety.

Throughout his career, Lieutenant Perro has served in a variety of specialized assignments, including the Pro-Active Unit, where he spent one year, and as a Detective for two years. He also served as the department's Community Policing Officer for two years, strengthening relationships between law enforcement and the community. In addition, he played an important role in the department's accreditation efforts, contributing to the successful reaccreditation of the agency and reinforcing its commitment to professional standards and best practices.

In September 2021, Lieutenant Perro was promoted to the rank of Sergeant, where he served for four years as a Patrol Supervisor. His leadership and dedication were further recognized in September 2025 when he was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant. Demonstrating a continued commitment to professional development, he successfully completed the Command and Leadership Program in October 2022.

Originally from Burlington, Lieutenant Perro spent much of his youth in San Jose before returning to his beloved hometown in October 2001. With extensive experience across multiple assignments and a strong connection to the community he serves, Lieutenant Perro brings proven leadership, dedication, and professionalism to his role, continuing to support the mission and values of the City of Burlington Police Department.



OFFICER OF THE YEAR: PATROL DIVISION

Corporal Robert Clemente

Corporal Robert Clemente, badge #90111, began his law enforcement career in 2018 as a reserve police officer with the Burlington City Police Department. In 2019, he was hired by the Lumberton Police Department as a patrol officer, where he gained valuable experience in patrol operations.

In 2021, Corporal Clemente returned to Burlington City as a full-time police officer and has since served in the Patrol Division. He is a member of the department's Honor Guard and Traffic Unit, serves as an ABLE Instructor, and is a certified Humane Law Enforcement Officer (HLEO). Throughout his career, he has demonstrated a strong work ethic, professionalism, and an unwavering commitment to serving the Burlington City community.

This past year, Corporal Clemente's hard work and consistent performance have earned him the title of 2025 Officer of the Year. He is dedicated to serving the community and takes pride in doing the job the right way. He produces thorough, well-written reports, is proactive with traffic enforcement, and serves as a reliable mentor to younger officers.

2025 INTERNAL AFFAIRS SUMMARY REPORT

The City of Burlington Police Department is committed to providing law enforcement services that are fair, effective, and impartially applied. The goal of internal affairs process is to ensure that the integrity of the department is maintained through a system of internal discipline where fairness and justice are assured by objective, impartial investigation and review. All complaints are investigated to their logical conclusion, based upon all available evidence, and then categorized in the following classification of dispositions.

Exonerated: The alleged incident did occur, but the actions of the employee were justified, legal and proper.

Sustained: The investigation disclosed sufficient evidence to prove the allegation, and the actions of the employee violated provisions of rule and regulation or department written directives.

Not Sustained: The investigation failed to disclose sufficient evidence to clearly prove or disprove the allegation.

Unfounded: The alleged incident did not occur.

In 2025, a total of 10 Internal Affairs complaints were made against City of Burlington Police Officers. All of these complaints were filed by citizens, ranging from demeanor issues to rule violations.

Out of the 10 complaints, 1 was sustained, 8 were exonerated, and 1 was unfounded. When a complaint is sustained, the officer receives training to ensure future compliance with policies. In 2025, no officers (0) received "Major Discipline" defined by and in accordance with reporting requirements outlined in the New Jersey Attorney General Guidelines governing Internal Affairs Policy & Procedures.

2025 USE OF FORCE SUMMARY REPORT

In 2025, members of the City of Burlington Police Department used force in 10 police-related incidents. This report provides a detailed summary of the types of force used, the frequency of each application, and the related outcomes. Tracking these incidents helps the department maintain transparency, evaluate police practices, and ensure accountability.

It should be noted that in several incidents, more than one officer used force during the course of the incident, which resulted in separate use of force reports being completed. Additionally, in some incidents, multiple types of force were used and documented on a single Use of Force Report.

Each use of force incident undergoes several layers of meaningful review at the command level to determine whether the force used was appropriate, necessary, and consistent with department policies.

Type of Force	2025
Firearms Used	0
CED (Taser)	0
OC Spray (Pepper Spray)	0
Baton	0
K-9	0
Weaponless	17
Arrests	10
Total Incidents	10
Complaints	0
Use of Force Reports Completed	15

2025 MOTOR VEHICLE PURSUIT SUMMARY

The Police Pursuit Incident Reports are completed by each officer who engages in a pursuit with a motor vehicle. An Administrative Review is then performed on each pursuit. The review consists of a detailed examination of the Police Pursuit Incident Report, In-car Video Recorder and Body Worn Camera footage of the event, and case report(s) to ensure New Jersey Attorney General Guidelines and City of Burlington Police Department Policy and Procedures were properly followed during the course of the pursuit. The Police Pursuit Summary is completed as part of the annual administrative pursuit analysis and review. These reports are completed at the end of each year so that the data gathered throughout each particular year can be analyzed and submitted to the Burlington County Prosecutor's Office.

Number of Pursuits Initiated	0
Number of Pursuits Resulting in Accidents	0
Number of Pursuits Resulting in Injuries	0
Number of Pursuits Resulting in Death	0
Number of Pursuits Resulting in Arrest	0
Number of Pursuits Terminated	0

2025 STRAIGHT TO TREATMENT SUMMARY REPORT

The Straight to Treatment program was created to help those who are caught in the powerful grip of addiction and substance abuse but would like to break free with the opportunity to be connected to a program to assist them with overcoming their addiction. The program was created by the Burlington County Prosecutor’s Office and is operated in conjunction with the City of Burlington Police Department along with numerous treatment centers.

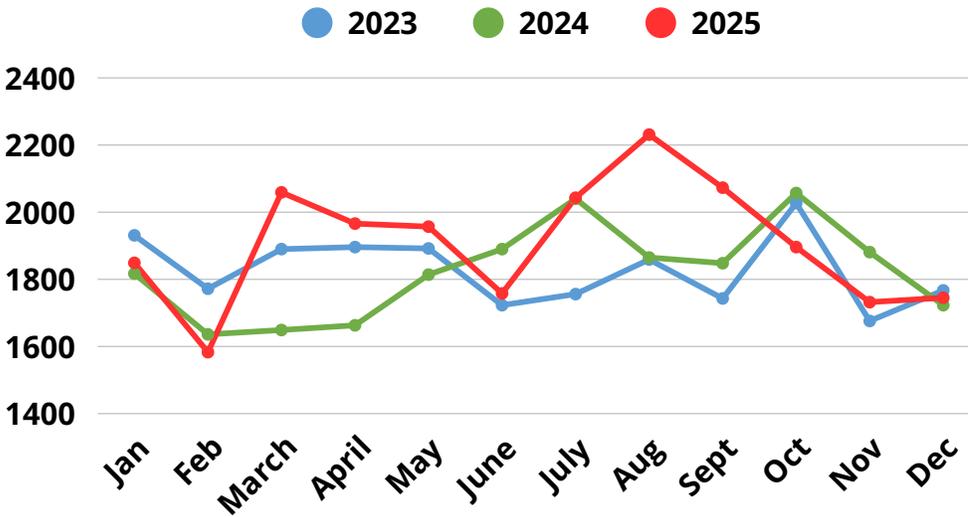
The City of Burlington Police Department was able to assist a total of 12 individuals who needed help with their addiction, 10 of those were able to enter into detox and rehabilitation programs immediately. Below is a list of all who were assisted during 2025:



TOWN	STATE	COUNTY	M/F	AGE	Date
Homeless	NJ	Burlington	M	54	2/5/2025
Berlin	NJ	Camden	M	39	2/6/2025
Burlington	NJ	Burlington	M	39	2/25/2025
Palmyra	NJ	Burlington	M	48	2/28/2025
Burlington	NJ	Burlington	F	42	4/25/2025
Homeless	NJ	Burlington	M	54	5/7/2025
Burlington	NJ	Burlington	M	57	5/23/2025
Willingboro	NJ	Burlington	M	29	6/29/2025
Burlington	NJ	Burlington	M	52	9/18/2025
Maple Shade	NJ	Burlington	M	26	9/24/2025
Homeless	NJ	Burlington	M	42	11/2/2025
Mount Laurel	NJ	Burlington	M	61	11/13/2025

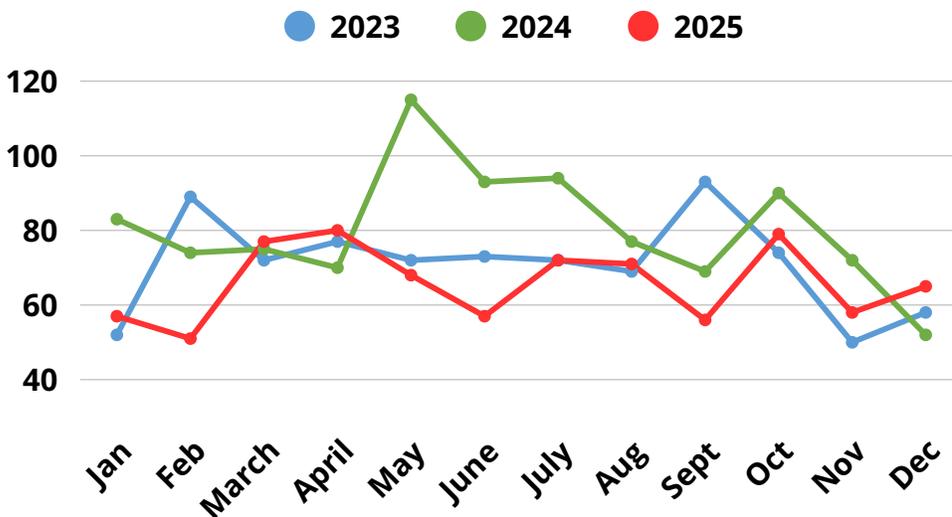
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INCIDENTS 2023-2025



In 2025, we saw a typical seasonal increase in incidents during the warmer summer months, followed by a gradual decrease toward the end of the year. As the year went on, incident levels stabilized, reflecting our ongoing efforts in patrol coverage, planning, and community presence. Our focus remained on responding promptly while working to keep our neighborhoods safe.

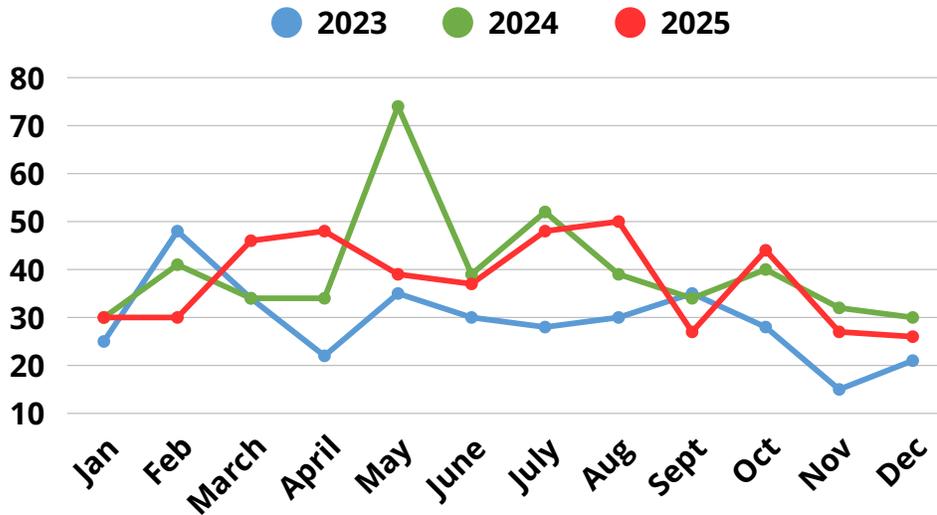
CASES 2023-2025



Throughout 2025, case numbers remained relatively steady with no significant spikes. This consistency reflects our emphasis on early intervention, visibility, and strong relationships with residents. By working closely with the community and addressing issues early, we continued to prevent situations from escalating and supported a safe and secure Burlington for all.

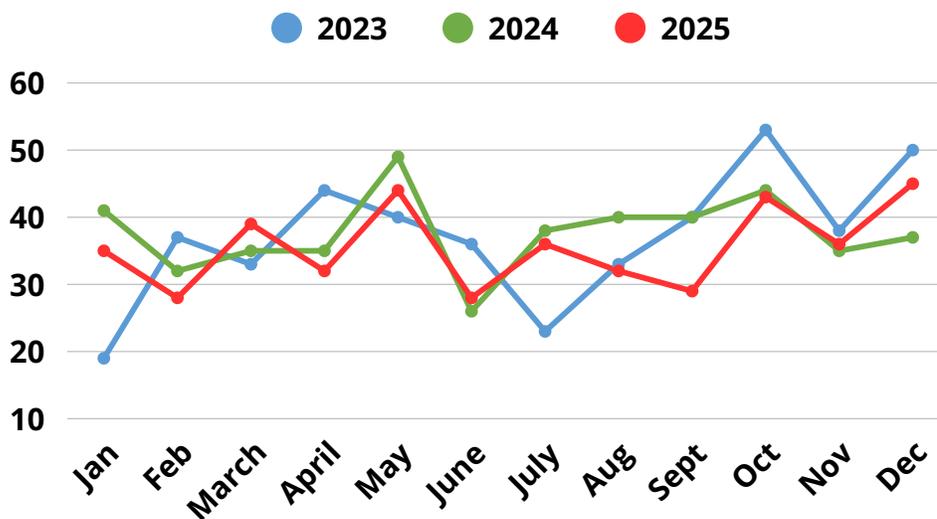
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ARRESTS 2023-2025



In 2025, arrest activity remained steady throughout the year, with slight increases during the spring and summer months when overall activity in the community is typically higher. Toward the end of the year, arrests declined, reflecting our continued focus on compliance, education, and proactive policing rather than enforcement alone. Our goal remained to address issues early and use enforcement when necessary to keep the community safe.

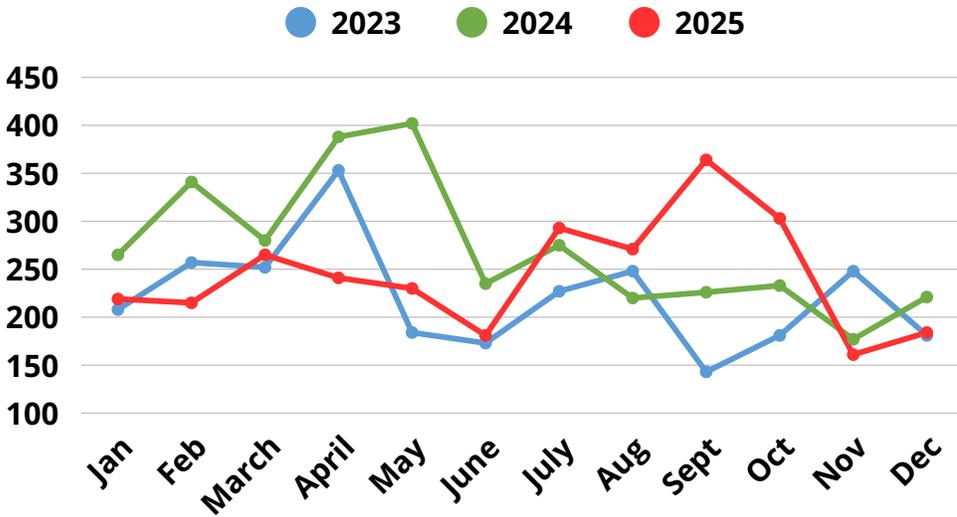
MVCS 2023-2025



Motor vehicle crashes in 2025 stayed fairly consistent month to month, with some increases during busier travel periods. These trends highlight the importance of ongoing traffic enforcement, public education, and roadway safety initiatives. Throughout the year, we worked to improve traffic safety through visibility and community awareness, helping to reduce risk and promote safer driving for everyone in Burlington.

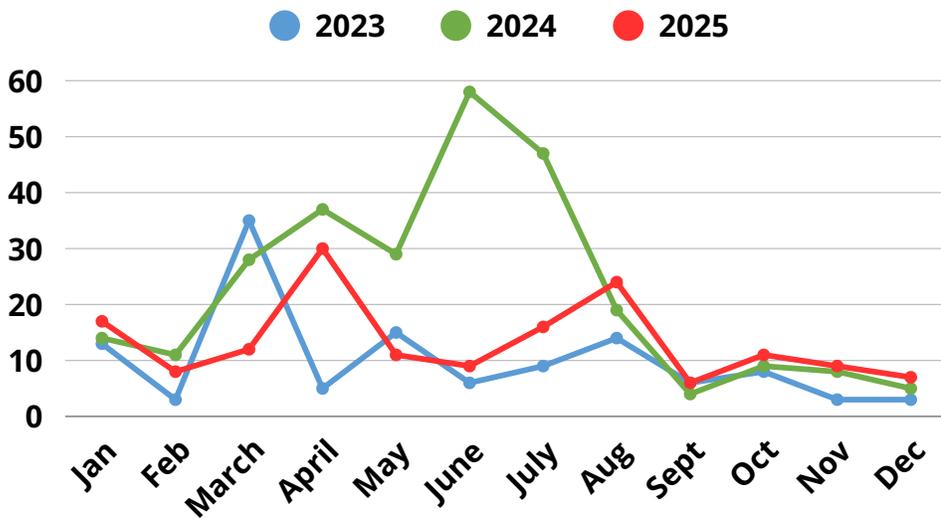
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SUMMONS 2023-2025



In 2025, summons activity increased during the late summer and early fall, a time when community activity and traffic are typically higher. These enforcement efforts were focused on promoting safety, accountability, and compliance with the law. As the year progressed, summons numbers declined, reflecting improved compliance and our continued emphasis on education and prevention.

ORDINANCE VIOLATIONS 2023-2025



Ordinance violations in 2025 remained relatively low throughout the year, with minor increases during busier months. Our response focused on resolving concerns through education, warnings, and cooperation whenever possible. The overall trend reflects continued progress in addressing community concerns while maintaining a balanced, community-focused approach to enforcement.

2025 NATIONAL INCIDENT-BASED REPORTING SYSTEM (NIBRS)

Offense	Reported in 2025	Reported in 2024	Percent Change	Offenses Cleared	Percent Cleared	Percent Of Category	Rate Per 100,000*
Murder	1	0	NA	0	0.00	0.83%	10.17
Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	NA	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
Justifiable Homicide	0	0	NA	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
Non-consensual Sex Offenses:							
Rape	5	0	NA	2	40.00%	4.17%	50.86
Sodomy	0	0	NA	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
Sexual Assault with Object	0	0	NA	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
Fondling	1	1	0.00%	1	100.00%	0.83%	10.17
Aggravated Assault	34	29	17.24%	21	61.76%	28.33%	345.84
Simple Assault	61	58	5.17%	43	70.49%	50.83%	620.49
Intimidation	17	28	-39.29%	8	47.06%	14.17%	172.92
Kidnapping/Abduction	1	1	0.00%	1	100.00%	0.83%	10.17
Consensual Sex Offenses:							
Incest	0	0	NA	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
Statutory Rape	0	0	NA	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
Human Trafficking, Commercial Sex Acts	0	0	NA	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
Human Trafficking, Involuntary Servitude	0	0	NA	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
Crimes Against Persons Total	120	117	2.56%	76	63.33%	24.79%	1220.63
Robbery	6	9	-33.33%	4	66.67%	2.10%	61.03
Burglary/Breaking & Entering	16	26	-38.46%	7	43.75%	5.59%	162.75
Larceny/Theft Offenses	146	236	-38.14%	61	41.78%	51.05%	1485.10
Motor Vehicle Theft	20	27	-25.93%	6	30.00%	6.99%	203.44
Arson	0	0	NA	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
Destruction Of Property	68	93	-26.88%	16	23.53%	23.78%	691.69
Counterfeiting/Forgery	2	3	-33.33%	0	0.00	0.70%	20.34
Fraud Offense	16	25	-36.00%	2	12.50%	5.59%	162.75
Embezzlement	0	0	NA	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
Extortion/Blackmail	0	0	NA	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
Bribery	0	0	NA	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
Stolen Property Offenses	12	20	-40.00%	5	41.67%	4.20%	122.06
Crimes Against Property Total	286	439	-34.85%	101	35.31%	59.09%	2909.16
Drug/Narcotic Violations	24	17	41.18%	24	100.00%	30.77%	244.13
Drug Equipment Violations	23	25	-8.00%	23	100.00%	29.49%	233.95
Gambling Offenses	0	0	NA	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
Pornography/Obscene Material	0	0	NA	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
Prostitution	0	0	NA	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
Weapons Law Violation	31	25	24.00%	19	61.29%	39.74%	315.33
Animal Cruelty	0	0	NA	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
Crimes Against Society Total	78	67	16.42%	66	84.62%	16.12%	793.41
Total Group "A" Offenses	484	623	-22.31%	243	50.21%	100%	4923.2

2025 TRAINING AND EDUCATION

The City of Burlington Police Department recognizes that, to operate effectively, it has the responsibility to provide appropriate, up-to-date, and sustainable training to all its officers. Law enforcement instruction is a key component of 21st Century Policing, particularly in today's ever-changing environment.

Ongoing law enforcement training and education provide protection for both officers and the organization, reduce risks, foster growth for officers and the department, and ultimately benefit the community. Policing is a high-risk profession that leaves little room for error, making training critical. It is one of the top priorities of the City of Burlington Police Department. While law enforcement training requires significant time, resources, and funding, the benefits to the department, officers, and community are invaluable.

In 2025, members of the City of Burlington Police Department completed the following training, but not limited to:

- Domestic Violence
- Right to Know
- Basic SWAT
- Red Dot Instructor
- Search and Seizure
- Interview and Interrogation
- Firearms Instructor
- Rifle Instructor
- HazMat
- Title 39
- FBI-LEEDA
- Law Enforcement Active Shooter Emergency Response (LASER)
- Traffic Incident Management (TIM)
- National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS)
- Document Fraud
- Use of Force
- Basic Course for Police
- K9 In-Service
- FBI Conference
- Field Training Officer (FTO)
- Firearms Qualifications
- Rifle Qualifications
- Conducted Energy Devices Qualifications
- Less Lethal Shot-gun Qualifications
- Rifle Armorer
- Burlington County Prosecutors Office In-Service
- Resiliency Program
- Chemical Munitions Instructor
- Less Lethal Instructor
- Conducted Energy Device Operator
- Search Warrant Preparation
- LIDAR Traffic Enforcement (Radar)
- Crisis Communication (CIT)
- School Resource Officer
- Burlington County SANE/SART
- Motor Vehicle Pursuits
- Drug Impaired Driving (DID)
- Cyber Security Training
- Incident Command System (ICS)
- OC Spray Instructor
- Internal Affairs Investigations
- CJIS Security Training
- Bloodborne Pathogens
- Homicide Investigation
- Advanced Crime Scene Investigations
- Zoom-In Crime Scene Photography
- Defensive Tactics
- Firearms Law and ID Application Training
- Alcotest Operator
- Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement (ARIDE)
- Active Threat/Shooter
- Cellblock Management and Suicide Awareness
- OPRA
- DWI Standard Field Sobriety
- Case Law Updates

2026 GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

- Explore New AI Technology to Assist in Report Writing
- Explore New Grant Opportunities
- Improve Applicant Pipeline
- Strengthen Transparency
- Build Upon and Enhance Existing Community Relations
- Build Upon and Enhance Existing Physical Fitness Equipment and Mental Health Awareness for Staff

