2022 Annual Report

Burke County Sheriff's Office Sheriff Alfonzo Williams

INTEGRITY



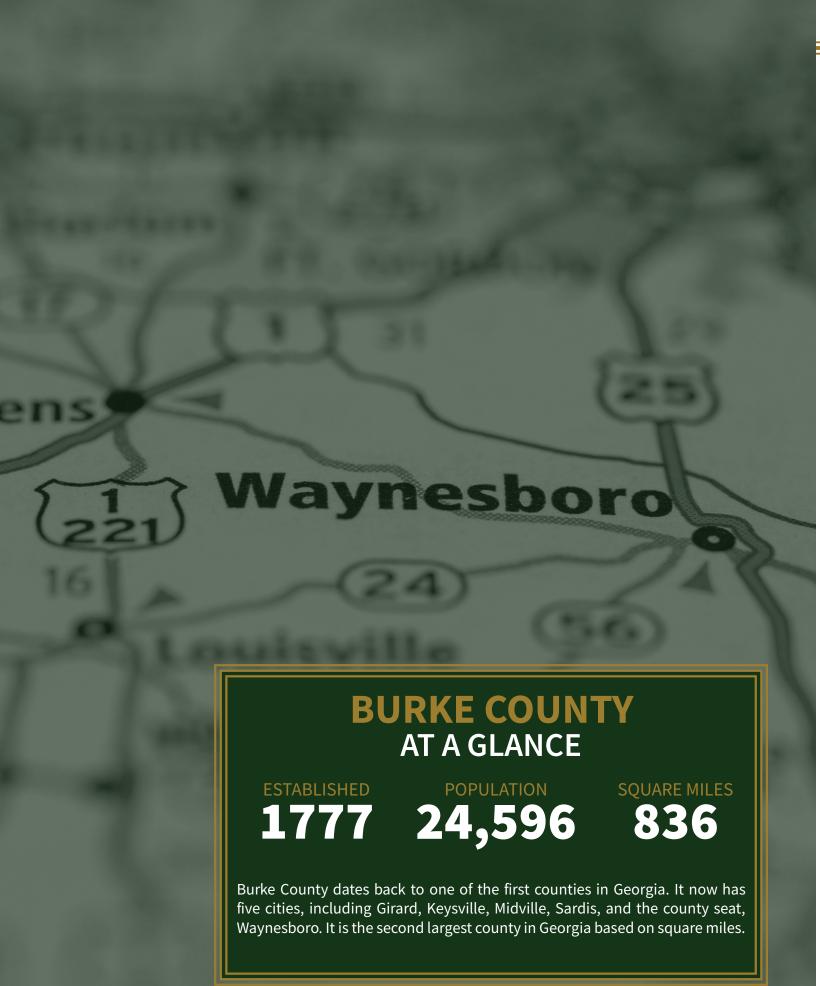
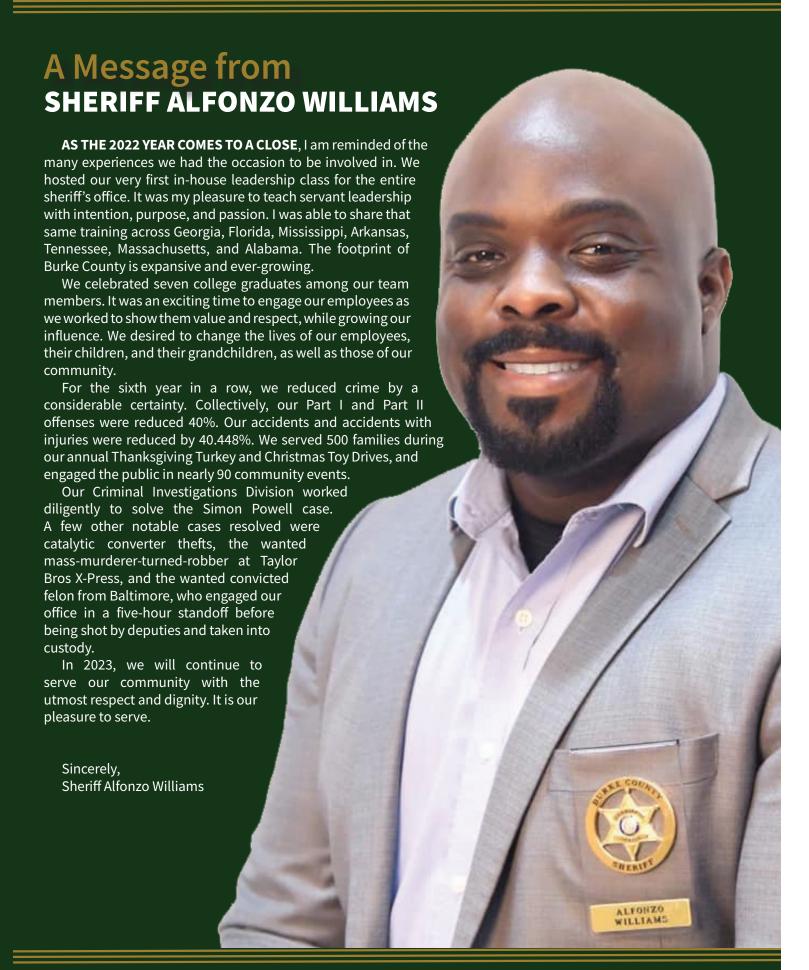




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LAW ENFORCEMENT PROFESSIONALS' CODE OF ETHICS

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 my 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 as long as I am true to the ethics of the police service. I will constantly strive to achieve these objectives and ideals, dedicating myself before God to my chosen profession ...

LAW ENFORCEMENT.

COMMAND STAFF



SheriffAlfonzo Williams

MISSION

The mission of the Burke County Sheriff's Office is to create and maintain a partnership with its employees, residents, businesses and community leaders, as well as others who choose to live, work, visit, hunt, play and learn in our communities. Additionally, our mission is to protect life and property, solve societal problems, and enhance social, environmental, economic, and educational opportunities for everyone in Burke County.

VISION

The Burke County Sheriff's Office will be on the forefront of its profession by employing the latest and most cost-effective methods in delivering quality service to the residents of Burke County while maintaining positive relationships with those we serve.



Major Chad Plueger



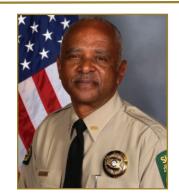
MajorDedric Smith



MajorJason Vinson



Major Lee Webster



MajorLarry Lewis



CaptainRandall Norman



CaptainJimmy Wylds



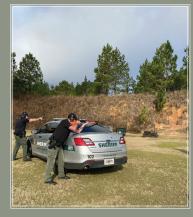






















2022 NEW HIRES

WELCOME TO BCSO



Sergeant Michael Hodge



Sergeant Daniel Rodriguez



Sergeant Allen Usry



Sergeant Lynn Lee



Deputy Sheriff



Deputy Jailer Jessica Lee



Deputy Jailer Caitlyn Ashley



Deputy Jailer Gwendolyn Struchen



Deputy Sheriff



Deputy Sheriff Brandon Smith



Deputy Sheriff Cameron Hampton



Deputy Sheriff Gregory Dukes



Deputy Jailer

Deputy Jailer

Meorlena Whitfield

Records

Nicole Miller



Deputy Jailer



Special Projects



Monique Cobb



Human Resources



Deputy Sheriff



Deputy Sheriff (SRO) Mark Barnwell



Deputy Sheriff

Deputy Sheriff (SRO)

Terrance Jackson



Deputy Sheriff Christopher Young





Deputy Sheriff

Deputy Sheriff Johnathan Fletcher

Japonica McKinney





Gloria Sapp

JOIN the BCSO family

You can be part of the Burke County Sheriff's Office family. Applications are available online at www.burkecountysheriff. com. Applicants must be able to complete a background check, including drug test and voice stress analysis. Scan the QR code to learn more.

Aspiring deputies must:

- Be a U.S. citizen, either by birth or naturalization by the time of hire
- Be at least 18 years old
- Have an associate degree, OR
- Have two years of work experience as a law enforcement or certified peace officer with full arrest power,
- Have the approved combination of education and experience that proves the candidate can successfully perform the required duties of the job.

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS

The Criminal Investigations Division includes investigations of all crimes, both felony and misdemeanor, in unincorporated Burke County. Specialized divisions within Criminal Investigations include Narcotics and Gangs. From Jan. 1 to Nov. 30, 2022, Criminal Investigations was assigned 287 cases. Of those, 71 were cleared by arrest. One case was cleared due to lack of evidence (unfounded). The Special Response Team also is under the Criminal Investigations umbrella. The Unit provides a highly trained and skilled tactical team as a resource for the county handling critical incidents. In 2022, the SRT had six call outs, which includes one out-of-county call out. Criminal Investigations is led by Major Jason Vinson.

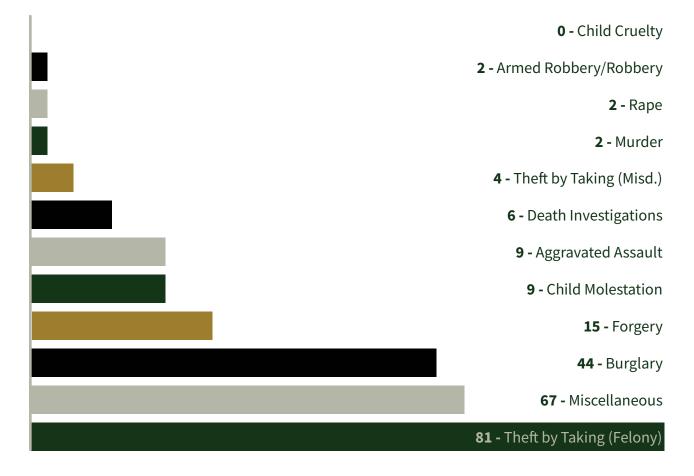


Major Jason Vinson

CID STATS

Total Cases	287
Cleared by Arrest	71
Unfounded	1
Cleared Other	62
Pending	163

Statistics based on Jan. 1, 2022-Nov. 30, 2022









MARIJUANA

\$297,404

MONEY **SEIZED**

2,430.4g **METH**

94.2g COCAINE

HEROIN	2 ₈
MDMA	119.3
OPIOIDS	3,474.5
MISC. PILLS	110

ILLEGAL GUNS

SEIZED



VEHICLES

SEIZED

NARCOTICS DIVISION

Statistics based on Jan. 1, 2022-Nov. 30, 2022



	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Homicide	0	4	1	1	2
Rape	3	2	1	0	1
Robbery	6	3	8	1	2
Aggravated Assault	14	19	20	11	8
Burglary	66	56	62	33	22
Larceny Auto	36	25	59	18	10
Larceny Other	167	130	129	84	58
Vehicle Theft	22	26	24	21	16
Arson	2	1	6	1	0
Total	316	266	310	170	117

2022 Statistics from Jan. 1, 2022-Nov. 30, 2022. All others are a full 12 months.

PART 2 CRIMES

	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Other Assaults	118	99	147	129	109
Forgery/Counterfeiting	13	7	9	4	5
Fraud	43	35	28	20	14
Embezzlement	0	0	0	1	0
Stolen Property	0	2	4	2	0
Vandalism	5	6	18	24	22
Weapons	36	24	33	30	14
Prostitution	0	0	0	0	0
Other Sex Offenses	2	2	4	3	7
Narcotics	12	15	8	5	4
Gambling	0	0	0	0	0
Family/Children	10	5	6	25	12
DUI	39	52	56	65	29
Liquor Laws	1	1	0	0	0
Disorderly Conduct	14	19	25	6	4

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DETENTION CENTER

Detention Services includes the Burke County Detention Center, inmate transportation and supervision of inmate work crews. The Detention Center detains all arrested offenders. It is commanded by Major Dedric Smith. The Detention Center operates with five certified deputies and 22 certified correctional officers. The jail, which was renamed the Burke County Detention Center in January 2017, houses those who have been arrested for misdemeanor and/or felony offenses.

768
TOTAL INMATES
BOOKED IN







MajorDedric Smith

Average 2 bookings per day

Arrest by Age

20 and under	21-30	31-40	41-50	51-60	60 and up
107	205	249	114	67	26



AUXILIARY SERVICES

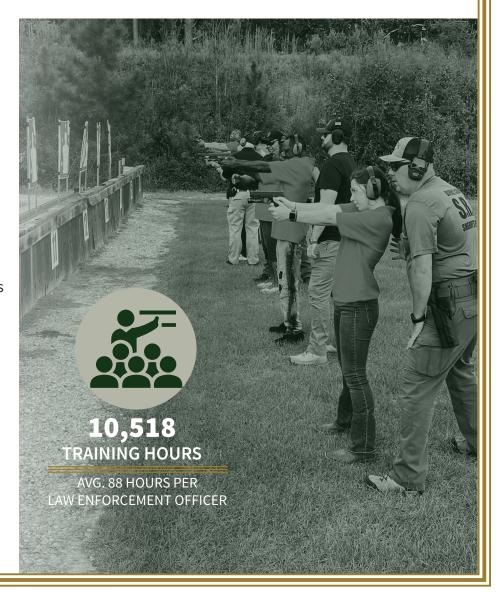
The Auxiliary Services Division encompasses Training, Procurement, Fleet and IT. The majority of the division serves those within the Sheriff's Office as a whole. Training is a key focus of the Burke County Sheriff's Office, ensuring deputies are well-equipped as they serve the community. The BCSO Training Staff serves as adjunct instructors for the Georgia Public Safety Training Center's Local Basic Law Enforcement Academy. During the year, the Sheriff's Office had six personnel attend BLETC and four personnel attended BJOC. Fleet maintains the vehicles of the agency, and Procurement ensures the agency is getting the best cost possible on the items the Sheriff's Office purchases. The Auxiliary Services Division is led by Major Lee Webster.



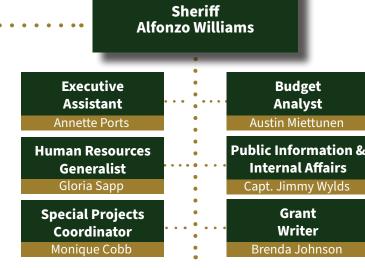
Major Lee Webster

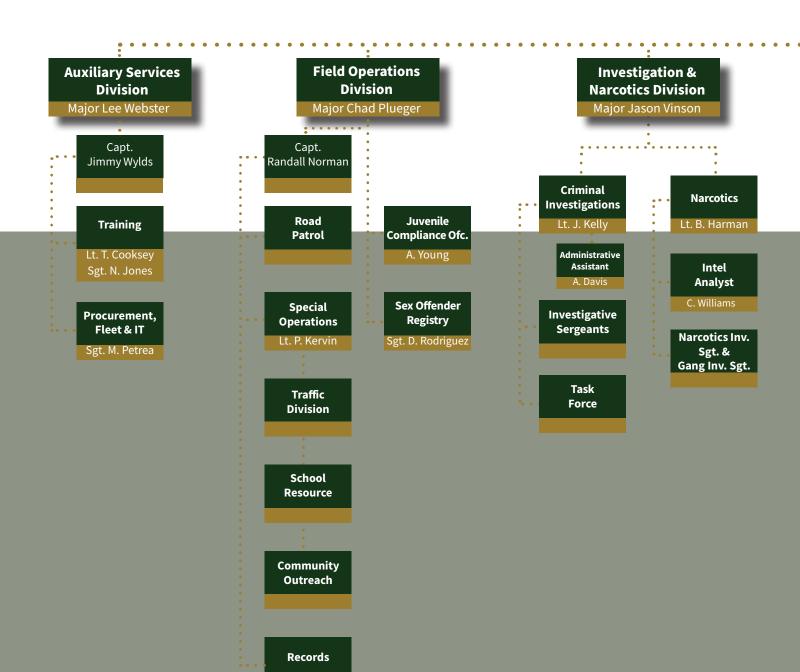
IN-SERVICE TRAINING CLASSES HELD

Sexual Harassment Ethics Professionalism in LE **Internal Affairs** Taser - Recertification, Transition and Certification classes Judgmental Use of Force (JPS) Policy and Procedure **Gang Awareness** Search and Seizure Use of Force – Classroom and Scenarios De-escalation **Community Oriented Policing Report Writing CPR** and First Aid **Defensive Tactics** Less Lethal Shotgun Handgun Skills Weapons Re-qualification, Handgun, Rifle and Shotgun Precision Rifle Certification and Qualification Leadership Special Response Team Force Options

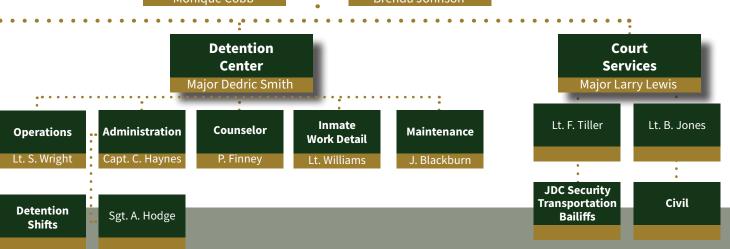








Kim Briscoe



ORGANIZATIONAL CHART

Serving Burke County with integrity, respect and honor.

FIELD OPERATIONS

Field Operations is comprised of road patrol, traffic, school resource officers, community outreach, records and sex offender registry. Field Operations deputies provide emergency response in life-threatening situations and non-emergency assistance. The road patrol, also known as uniformed patrol, operates on two, 12-hour shifts that are commanded by a lieutenant, sergeant, and corporal, and patrol a specific zone of Burke County. Field Operations deputies provide a wide range of law enforcement services to the residents of Burke County. The division is commanded by Major Chad Plueger.

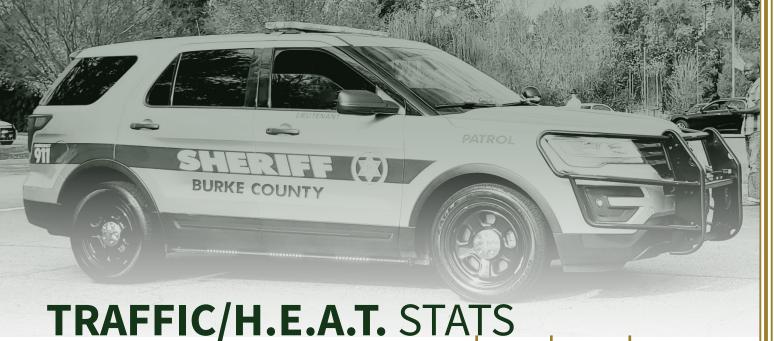


Major Chad Plueger

FIELD OPS STATS

Computer Aided Dispatch Events	66,207
Incident Reports	1,575
Felonies	267
Misdemeanors	482
Family Violence	133
Miscellaneous Reports	1,577

Statistics based on Jan. 1, 2022-Nov. 30, 2022



2021 2022 **Total Crashes** 849 1,009 570 Crashes w/ Injuries 65 69 70 Total Injured 109 108 104 98 Fatal Crashes 9 6 9 4 **Total Fatalities** 7 5 10 Commercial Vehicle Crashes 28 34 25 19 **Property Damage Crashes** 775 934 778 412 **Private Property Crashes** 87 116 83 Hit and Run 43 **73** 60 16

> 3,784 TOTAL CITATIONS







SEAT BELTS







DRIVING

DUI RELATED

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SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS







School Resource Officers (SRO) deputies are assigned to schools within the Burke County Public Schools System. An SRO role incorporates a variation of functions focused on prevention. However, each role played by the SRO is dependent upon the circumstances of the situation. In addition to being highly active and visible throughout the schools, each SRO is a valuable and accessible resource for students, parents, teachers, and administration regarding law issues. Having SROs assigned to the public schools within the county ensures a reduced response time for any calls for service and increases the deterrence of any criminal activity. Additionally, the SRO serves as the front line of defense when ensuring the safety and security of our schools. SROs serve a population of more than 4,500 students in Burke County's six public schools.

RECORDS



WARRANTS ENTERED
243 CLEARED | 111 CANCELED



479
DRIVER HISTORIES
COMPLETED



3,628CRIMINAL
HISTORIES



40
VEHICLES ENTERED
22 CLEARED

OTHER ITEMS

Open Records Requests: 196 Received (195 Completed)

Missing Persons Entered: 30 (24 Cleared)

Guns Entered: 33 (17 Cleared)

Articles Entered: 4 (2 Cleared)

Statistics based on Jan. 1, 2022-Nov. 30, 2022

RESERVE UNIT

Reserve deputies of the Burke County Sheriff's Office save taxpayers thousands of dollars each year. Currently, there are seven reserve deputies serving the community. These deputies have the same responsibilities and authority as full-time paid officers. They volunteer their time in all areas of the Sheriff's Office including Patrol, Investigations, Vice & Narcotics, Special Operations, Detention Services, Court Services and the BCSO Special Response Team.



Deputy SheriffThomas Reid

COURT SERVICES

Court Services handles all security for the Burke County Judicial Center, transports to and from the Judicial Center, and inmate transport from other counties and states. Since November of 2017, Court Services transport division traveled to nine counties in South Carolina, nine counties in Florida, seven in North Carolina and 110 of Georgia's 159 counties. Court Services is led by Major Larry Lewis.



Major

Larry Lewis

TRANSPORTSTotal Inmate Transports: 394

Prison related: 89 DUI/Drug Court: 4 Regular: 274

Population Screened

Medical: 23 Mental Health: 4

21,741	31,897	34,552	34,073*
2019	2020	2021	2022

SECURITY STATS

Walk-Through Detectors	34,073
Baggage Scans	9,629
Fingerprints by Bailiffs	333

PROHIBITED ITEMS LOCATED

Knives: 336
OC (pepper spray): 78
Other (tasers/stun guns): 79
Guns: 1
Arrests: 40

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SUPERIOR COURT

DELIVERED: 434	DUE SEARCH: 29	RETURNED: 1
Summons: 58	Summons: 18	Summons: n/a
Subpoenas: 153	Subpoenas: 6	Subpoenas: 1
Grand Jury: 195	Grand Jury: 5	Grand Jury: n/a
Garnishments: 7	Garnishments: n/a	Garnishments: n/a
FiFa: 16	FiFa: n/a	FiFa: n/a
Writ: 5	Writ: n/a	Writ: n/a
Foreclosure: n/a	Foreclosure: n/a	Foreclosure: n/a

STATE COURT

DELIVERED: 510	DUE SEARCH: 62	RETURNED: 2
Summons: 60	Summons: 16	Summons: n/a
Subpoenas: 405	Subpoenas: 45	Subpoenas: 2
Garnishments: 4	Garnishments: n/a	Garnishments: n/
FiFa: 19	FiFa: n/a	FiFa: n/a
Dispossessory: 22	Dispossessory: n/a	Dispossessory: n/
Writ: n/a	Writ: n/a	Writ: n/a
Foreclosure: n/a	Foreclosure: 1a	Foreclosure: n/a

MAGISTRATE COURT

DELIVERED: 1,325	DUE SEARCH: 152	RETURNED: 5
Summons: 488	Summons: 98	Summons: n/a
Subpoenas: 438	Subpoenas: 48	Subpoenas: n/a
Garnishments: 48	Garnishments: 1	Garnishments: n/a
FiFa: 36	FiFa: n/a	FiFa: n/a
Dispossessory: 300	Dispossessory: n/a	Dispossessory: 5
Writ: 8	Writ: 2	Writ: n/a
Foreclosure: 7	Foreclosure: 3	Foreclosure: n/a

CIVIL UNIT TOTAL

DELIVERED: 2,864 DUE SEARCH: 317 RETURNED: 9

JUVENILE COURT

DELIVERED: 595

Subpoenas: 423 Court Orders: 8 TPO: 18 Domestic*: 11 Divorce: 25 Child Support: 76 Probate: 34

DUE SEARCH: 74

Subpoenas: 30 Court Orders: 4 TPO: 1 Domestic*: 2 Divorce: 2 Child Support: 34

Probate: 1 RETURNED: 1

Subpoenas: 1
Court Orders: n/a
TPO: n/a
Domestic*: n/a
Divorce: n/a
Child Support: n/a
Probate: n/a

* Non-Divorce

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COURT SESSIONS

Total Sessions: 490

DUI/Drug Court: 21

State Court: 40

Superior Court: 113

Juvenile Court: 30

Magistrate Court: 77

Bond Hearings: 152

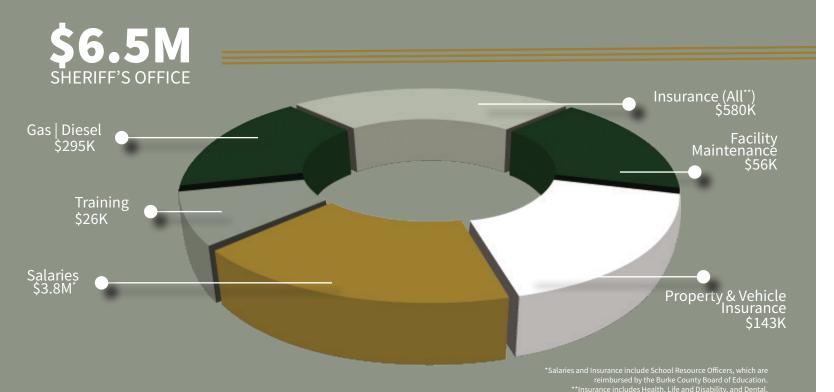
Grand Jury: 14

Commission Meetings: 12

Citizens Review Panel: 12



FINANCE



SALARIES OVERTIME: \$100,000
FICA: \$243,930
MEDICARE: \$56,300
RETIREMENT: \$427,590
WORKERS COMP: \$111,680
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES: \$5,500
REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE: \$95,700
COMPUTER SOFTWARE AND MAINT: \$36,760

RENTALS AND LEASES: \$66,570
COMMUNICATIONS AND POSTAGE: \$54,781
ADVERTISING: \$1,600
TRAVEL: \$18,913
DUES, FEES & JURY FEES: \$3,452
REWARD/INFORMANTS FEES: \$1,000
CONTRACTED SERVICES: \$85,788
SUPPLIES: \$26.942

UNIFORMS: \$29,200
VEHICLE PARTS: \$39,100
SMALL EQUIPMENT: \$15,000
TFR FOR GOHS HEAT POSITIONS: \$99,700
MATCH FOR BVP GRANT: \$12,825
TRANSFER TO SGF - COPS GRANT: \$799,878

DETENTION CENTER FICA: \$100,330 MEDICARE: \$23,420 RETIREMENT: \$174,300 EPAIR AND MAINTENANCE: \$29,132 PUTER SOFTWARE AND MAINT.: \$10,000 RENTALS AND LEASES: \$18,409 INSURANCE: \$18,220 COMMUNICATIONS AND POSTAGE: \$12,000 TRAINING: \$10,000 \$216K \$300K \$1.5M \$239K \$100K WATER AND SEWERAGE: \$40,000 NATURAL GAS: \$10,000 FACILITY MAINTENANCE: \$5,256 SMALL EQUIPMENT: \$13,000 **Inmate Medical** Salaries Electricity Insurance Inmate Food Prof. Services

Stay Connected with Us!



Did you know the Burke County Sheriff's

Office has an app? You can find a lot
of useful information at the touch of a
button, including a list of Frequently Asked
Questions, a form to commend an officer
with whom you had a positive experience,
a place to report anonymous tips and
much more. Search Burke County Sheriff's

Office in the App or Google Play stores to
get the free app!



Special Projects CoordinatorMonique Cobb

The Burke County Sheriff's Office social media channels provide our citizens with information when time is of the essence: BOLOs and missing persons, as well as positive news about what BCSO personnel are doing in our community! Give us a follow if you haven't already.



23,000
FOLLOWERS
@burkecountysheriffga



1,170
FOLLOWERS
@sheriffburkega

COMMUNITY OUTREACH



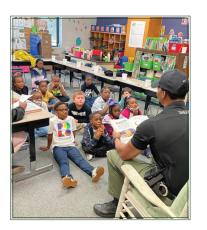




Community Outreach is extremely important to Sheriff Williams and the Burke County Sheriff's Office. Throughout the year, the Community Outreach Team and other members of BCSO can be found engaging with schoolchildren, collecting and distributing food and toys during the holidays, opening its doors to residents who want to learn more about the department through the Citizen's Police Academy and more. In 2022, Community Outreach participated in 89 community service events. The objectives, through the Community Oriented Policing model, are to foster relationships with the citizens, educate the citizens on different subjects, provide safety-related programs based on community needs, and be active in our schools by teaching drug resistance programs and mentoring programs. The Community Outreach Team accomplishes its mission through the development and presentation of various programs in response to the changing needs of the county, as well as maintaining established prevention, safety, and educational programs. The duties of the members of this team include speaking to various groups on crime prevention methods, distributing crime prevention literature, and maintaining liaisons with neighborhoods.

























2022 HIGHLIGHTS





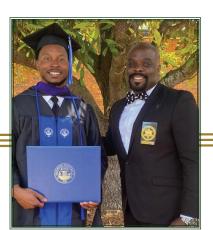
Teen Summits

The Burke County Sheriff's Office launched Empowering Youth Summits in 2022, focusing on engaging youth and teens in a positive manner. Studies show the more positive encounters young people have with law enforcement, the more apt they are to engage law enforcement when they need help. Burke County SO wants to show youth they are not there to just arrest them and help them understand that law enforcement is there to help. The Sheriff's Office held two summits for young men and two summits for young women in 2022.



Poised for Success

Several officers graduated from the Georgia Public Safety Training Center's Regional Police Academy and Georgia Peace Officer Standards and Training Council (POST) training. Congratulations to graduates Deputy Herbert Abrams Jr., Deputy Gregory Dukes, Deputy Chase Varner, Deputy Johnathan Fletcher, and Deputy Brandon Smith. Several BCSO employees continued their education and graduated from Faulkner University in 2022. Congratulations to Nathan Jones (Bachelor's), Christopher Greene (Master's), Anthony Bennerman (Master's), Brenda Bell Johnson (Bachelor's), Tessa Myers (Bachelor's), Matthew Petrea (Bachelor's) and Randall Norman (Master's St. Leo).











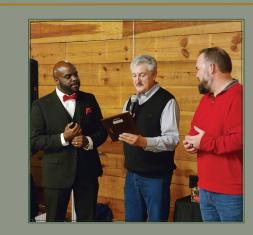








EMPLOYEES OF THE YEAR AWARDS









Deputy of the Year (Road Patrol) – Deputy Tyler May
Special Operations Division – Deputy Erik Napier
SRO – Deputy Mark Barnwell
Investigations – Sgt. Johnny Snyder
Auxiliary Services – Lt. Tommy Cooksey
Administrative Services – Annette Ports & Jeannie Blackburn
Court Services – Jennifer Williams
Detention Services – Sgt. Annette Hodge
Employees of the Year – Sheriff Alfonzo Williams & Capt. Jimmy Wylds

CITIZEN'S POLICE ACADEMY

The Citizen's Police Academy provides Burke County residents a hands-on learning experience of the many divisions of the Burke County Sheriff's Office. The academy is a 10-week program with classes running approximately two hours, once a week. Instruction is provided by sworn deputies in their field of expertise. The Burke County Sheriff's Office has found that education has been the most effective in gaining understanding and support from the community. The academy is FREE to Burke County residents. Participants must be 18 years of age or older, of good moral character, and have no felony convictions.

Course Curriculum includes Patrol, SROs, Traffic, Detention Center, Transportation, GOHS, Judicial Center Security, Records/Administration, Communications, Narcotics, Training Division, SWAT, Crime Suppression Team, Civil Division and Criminal Investigation Division (CID).





















HOW TO GET INVOLVED.

Citizen's Police Academy classes are announced on the Burke County Sheriff's Office social media page prior to registration opening. Participants should be willing to be fully engaged during the 10-week class. Follow @burkecountysheriffga on Facebook or @sheriffburkega on Instagram to get the latest notifications.



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