



# Sugar Mountain Police Department

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## REPORT TO VILLAGE COUNCIL

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Our call volume has remained steady for this time of year. Our activity report is included with this report. However, there are no major incidents to report. All officers have continued to improve our Community-Oriented Policing efforts. Community-Oriented Policing (COP) emphasizes preventive and proactive policing; the approach calls for police to concentrate on solving problems rather than just responding to calls. I believe these efforts have helped officers become more familiar with the community's needs and expectations of the police department, along with deterring criminal activity. Sugar Mountain Police Department has received mostly positive feedback utilizing foot patrols in business areas, recreational areas, and residential areas.

On 8/12/2025, Officers who had not been certified on the TAZER 10 were trained; now, all fulltime SMPD staff is certified in the use of the TAZER 10. Chief Turbyfill, Officer Brown, and Officer Clark were certified back in January as TAZER 10 instructors. Officer Linkous and Officer Clark are enrolled in online training (De-escalation for Patrol Officers) through Robeson County Community College; this training will be a great asset in their daily patrol duties. Officer Kiefer and Officer Linkous are scheduled to attend Intoximeter ECIRII training later in September. Once completed, all SMPD fulltime staff will be certified as operators of the Intoximeter ECIRII. The Intoximeter ECIRII is used to collect breath samples in Driving While Impaired investigations.

On 7/22/2025, Officer Clark assisted the NC Highway Patrol during a traffic crash on NC 184. The incident occurred near the NC 184 Linville Ridge entrance.

On 7/31/2025, Officer Buchanan responded to a fight in progress at 1595 Grouse Moor Drive. Officer Buchanan found that the person causing the disturbance was intoxicated and was fighting with roommates. Officer Buchanan arrested the male subject for consuming alcohol underage. The male subject was taken before the Avery County Magistrate and then turned over to the Avery County Detention Center.

On 8/13/2025, Chief Turbyfill and Officer Buchanan assisted the NC Highway Patrol with traffic control after a traffic crash caused a power outage to the NC 105/NC184 traffic light. A single vehicle collided with a power pole, causing extensive damage.

As always, we will strive to provide a professional law enforcement service to the citizens and guests of Sugar Mountain.

Included is our past month's activity report and speed sign data.

Business Checks-600, Residence Checks-573, Citations-7, Arrest -1

Patrol Miles: 5,364

Respectfully yours in service,



Casey Turbyfill, Chief

# Activity Log Event Summary (Totals)

## Sugar Mountain Police Department

(07/10/2025 - 08/15/2025)

911 Hangup	2	ABC Closing	28
Accident	8	Administrative Duty	18
Alarm Activation	4	Animal Complaint	2
Assist County Officer	1	Assist Fire Dept.	1
Assist Highway Patrol	3	Assist Home Owner	4
Assist Medical	2	Assist Motorist	13
Assist Other Department	12	Assist Other Officer	5
Assist Public Works	2	Business Check	600
Calibrate Alco- Sensor	3	Call in Public Works	1
Citation	9	Civil Dispute	1
Civil Disturbance	1	Communicating Threats	1
Community Police Contact	26	Continue Investigation	2
Court	3	Damage to Property	1
Deliver Letter	4	Direct Traffic	11
Domestic	1	Escort	6
Fight	2	Foot Patrol	179
Fraud	1	Interview	1
Intoxicated Person	2	Investigation	4
Larceny	1	Medical Call	2
Mental Subject	1	Misdemeanor Arrest	1
Noise Complaint	3	Object in Road	2
Open Door	3	Other	11
Parking Citation	1	Refer to Magistrate	1
Residence Check	573	See Officer	10
Stationary Patrol	12	Stationary Radar	25
Suspicious Activity	6	Suspicious Person	1
Suspicious Vehicle	8	Training	9
Trash	1	Trespassing	4
Unwanted Person	1	Vehicle Search	1
Vehicle Stop	41	Verbal Warning	11
Warning Citation	22	Wash/Clean Patrol Vehicle	1
Welfare Check	5		

**Total Number Of Events: 1,721**

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