



-  **Professionalism**
-  **Respect**
-  **Integrity**
-  **Dedication**
-  **Excellence**



2025 ANNUAL REPORT



Officer Andres Pina graduates from academy at the Georgia Public Safety Training Center. He is then sworn in by Mayor Christ.

On the cover: On March 20, 2025, SPO Feniel Etienne received a Valor Award for rendering aid, while off-duty, to someone in a mechanic's shop who had a gunshot wound to his leg. He saved the man's life.



Mission Statement

The mission of the Lilburn Police Department is to enhance the quality of life in the City of Lilburn by working cooperatively with the community to promote a safe and secure environment, resolve problems, preserve the peace, and uphold the law.

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To our Lilburn Community:

It is my privilege to present the Lilburn Police Department's Year-End Report for 2025. As your Chief of Police, I am proud to share the accomplishments of our dedicated officers and professional staff, who work tirelessly each day to keep Lilburn one of the safest and most welcoming communities in Gwinnett County and across the State of Georgia.

Public safety is not achieved through law enforcement alone — it is the result of a genuine partnership between your police department and the citizens we serve. This year has reaffirmed what I have always believed: when residents and officers work together, built on a foundation of mutual trust and open communication, our entire community is stronger for it.

In 2025, the men and women of the Lilburn Police Department responded to thousands of calls for service across our neighborhoods, business corridors, parks, and schools. Our officers maintained swift average response times to priority calls, conducted proactive patrols throughout every corner of the city, and continued to build the relationships that make community policing effective and meaningful.

Looking ahead to 2026, our department will continue our relationship by expanded community outreach programs, deeper collaboration with city government, local businesses, neighboring agencies, and community organizations. We remain focused on addressing quality-of-life concerns and ensuring that every resident — regardless of background or neighborhood — feels seen, heard, and protected.

I want to extend my deepest gratitude to the residents of Lilburn for your continued support, your tips that help us solve crimes, and your participation in community programs. I am equally proud of every officer and civilian member of the Lilburn Police Department, whose dedication and sacrifice make this community safer every single day.

Respectfully,

Chris M Dusik, Chief of Police





September 11, 2025 marked two years for Chief Dusik as Lilburn Police Department's Chief of Police.

Our Values

Members of the Lilburn Police Department are committed to the following organizational values, which guide our conduct to help accomplish our Mission Statement:

- ♦ **PROFESSIONALISM** - We support a climate of mutual respect, trust, and compassion, which will promote professionalism and positive attitudes. We will provide quality service in a courteous and efficient manner.
- ♦ **RESPECT** - We will treat all people impartially and in a dignified and courteous manner. We will exhibit understanding of ethnic and cultural diversity, both in our professional and personal endeavors.
- ♦ **INTEGRITY** - We demand the highest level of integrity from our employees. We are committed to the highest standards of trust, responsibility, and ethical conduct while promoting justice in a fair and impartial manner. We will hold ourselves accountable for our actions.
- ♦ **DEDICATION** - We will promote personal and professional growth by supporting continuing education and progressive training of the highest quality.
- ♦ **EXCELLENCE** - We believe that we can achieve our highest potential by actively involving our employees in problem solving and improving the level of service provided to the community. We are committed to exceptional effort, accuracy, and thoroughness.

Above and Beyond in 2025

- ◆ On Wednesday, March 5, 2025, at 8:52 PM, Lilburn officers responded to a "shots fired" call in the parking lot of 4760 Lawrenceville Highway. Dispatch advised two men were fighting over a gun. Upon arrival, Officer Trice found two males engaged in a physical fight. One male fled on foot while the other fled in a vehicle. Officer Trice pursued the male in the vehicle, who headed south on Killian Hill Road. Officer Trice executed a P.I.T. (Precision Immobilization Technique) maneuver and successfully apprehended the suspect. Inside the vehicle, officers discovered four vacuum-sealed bags of marijuana along with a large sum of cash.
- ◆ In July of 2025, Investigator Cody Belcher was recognized by Mayor and City Council for his actions during the tragic shooting at Apalachee High School. With his own children nearby at the elementary school, Investigator Belcher responded there and assumed the responsibility of keeping worried parents informed, and assisting with child pick-up. He remained there until all the kids were released to their parents or put on the bus.
- ◆ This year, a Peer Counseling group was formed. Some of the Lilburn Police Officers went through Certified Peer Counselor Training in order to assist their fellow officers going through a crisis.
- ◆ Captain Worley announced his retirement this year. He spent 32 years with Lilburn Police Dept. We thank Captain Worley for his decades of service and wish him the best in his well-deserved retirement!
- ◆ Corporal Matthew Legerme has been focused on officer recruitment and assumed the position of Training Coordinator in December. At that time there were 4 openings. Since then, we have received over 140 applications and currently every position is accounted for with an active waitlist.



In 2025...

In June of 2025, Officer Pereyra-Zavala was first on scene of an accident involving a motorcycle. The motorcycle rider lost control and hit a van. The rider's leg was shattered, Officer Pereyra-Zavala applied a tourniquet, providing comfort and medical care. Ultimately, part of the gentleman's leg did have to be amputated but this officer's swift, decisive actions were credited as instrumental in saving the rider's life.



This gentleman did later come to Lilburn Municipal Court to speak to kids in Teen Court. He was able to see Officer Pereyra-Zavala again and thank him.

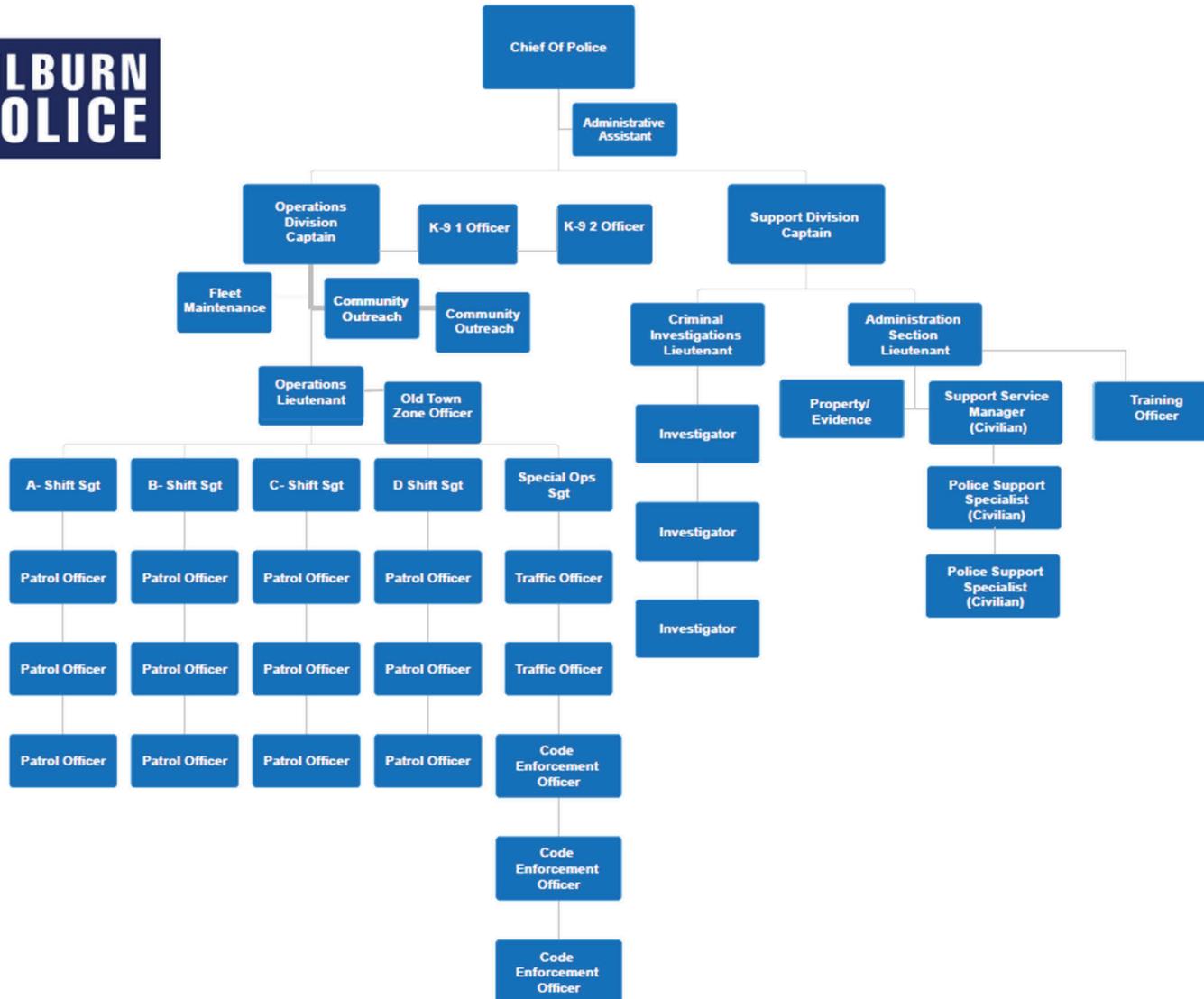




DIVISIONS



LILBURN POLICE DEPARTMENT ORGANIZATIONAL CHART





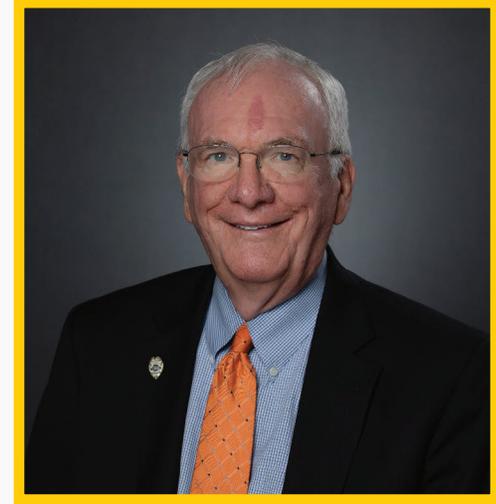
Administration



Chris M. Dusik
Chief of Police



Monica Sims
Administrative Assistant
to the
Chief of Police



Scott Batterton
Chaplain

Support Division



Captain Scott Bennett
Support Commander



Lt. Keith Boles
Criminal Investigations



Lt. Rob Kirschner
Administrative Section



**Corporal Matthew
Legerme**
Training Coordinator

Support Division



Cpl. Vince DiFatta
Investigator



Cpl. Todd Bureta
Investigator



Cody Belcher
Investigator

Support Division



SPO. Chad Hannula

Property & Evidence

Custodian



Ofc. Chad Foster

Court Security

Support Division



Heather Melton
Support Services
Manager



Nicole Stainbrook
Police Support Specialist



Payton Deweese
Police Support Specialist

SUPPORT SERVICES UNIT

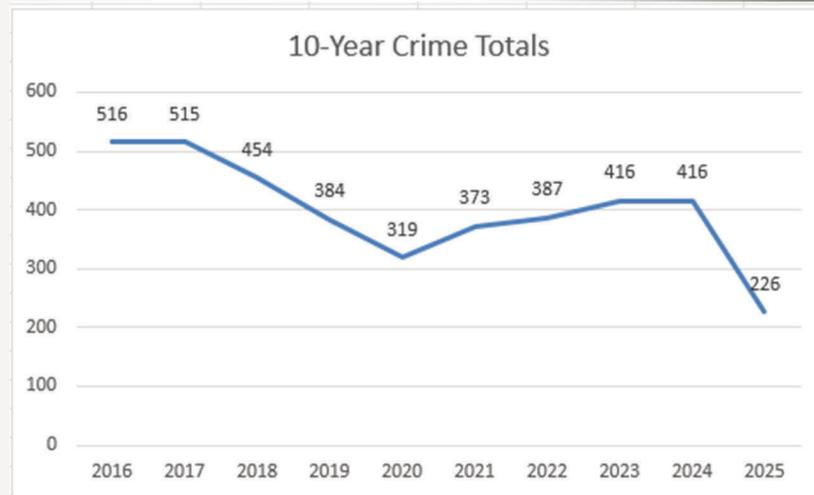
The Support Services Unit is comprised of two Police Support Specialists and a Support Services Manager. This department submits statistics monthly to the National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS), Hate Crime Statistics Data Collection Program, Law Enforcement Officers Killed & Assaulted (LEOKA), National Use of Force Data Collection, and the Law Enforcement Suicide Data Collection. In addition to case reporting, the unit processed over 850 background checks for public and private use, billed 635 false alarm calls, maintained over 800 criminal arrest warrants in the Georgia Crime Information System database, and processed over 1500 open records requests. These requests are from the city online portal, local records checks, and from Gwinnett Solicitor's and DA's office. In 2025, the Support Services Unit processed 1,637 incident reports and 1,022 accident reports. Also in 2025, 7,138 citations and warnings were issued and processed. This year, our department now uses Guardian Alliance Technologies for law enforcement applicant background checks.

This department is a member of the Georgia Records Association, a member of the Georgia Association of Terminal Agency Coordinators, and is responsible for maintaining compliance with the Georgia Crime Information Center (GCIC). In 2025, the Support Services unit passed a GCIC audit, which is a department within the Georgia Bureau of Investigations. The Support Services department is the official Records Custodian for the department and maintains all police department records with the exception of personnel records. We ensure adherence to established records retention schedules and the unit maintains policies and procedures for the department. This department handles fingerprinting, solicitor/canvassing permits, and provides notary services. Two of the three staff are currently enrolled in the Georgia Records Management Professional Certificate program. Our goal entering 2026 is to transition to more digital record-keeping.

Pictured right: Support Services participated in the city "Country Hoe-Down" celebration.



The City of Lilburn crime statistics show a 56% decrease in Part I Crimes over the past decade. Part I crimes include Homicide, Rape, Aggravated Assault, Robbery, Burglary, Larceny, Motor Vehicle Theft, and Arson.



Lilburn Police Department has been a participant in the FBI UCR Program (Uniform Crime Reporting) and now NIBRS (National Incident Based Reporting System). NIBRS was implemented to improve the overall quality of crime data collected by law enforcement. NIBRS goes more in depth because of its ability to provide circumstances and context for crimes like location, time of day, and whether the incident was cleared.



TRAINING UNIT

In 2025, the Lilburn Police Department ensured full compliance with the Georgia Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST) Council by completing a total of **4,765 documented training hours**. The Training Unit conducted **31 in-service training courses** covering mandated, specialized, and skills-based instruction. Additionally, **one newly hired officer successfully completed Basic Law Enforcement Training**, exceeding **800 hours of certified instruction**.

To enhance officer readiness and public safety outcomes, the department expanded its **reality-based and scenario-driven training model**, emphasizing practical application and decision-making under stress. Specialized instruction included **vehicle ballistics, vehicle counter-ambush response**, and a **vehicle pin maneuver** designed to reduce suspect flight and improve pursuit safety.

All sworn personnel were evaluated on **verbal de-escalation techniques** and **conducted energy weapon (Taser) proficiency** in high-pressure scenarios, ensuring compliance with use-of-force standards. Patrol officers are equipped with **tire deflation devices** to support pursuit mitigation strategies and reduce risk to the public and officers.

In 2025, the department also implemented a **revised Firearms Training Program**, incorporating enhanced tactical movement, judgment-based shooting exercises, and scenario-based live-fire drills. This program is designed to improve officer survivability, accuracy, and decision-making during armed encounters.

These training initiatives support the department's commitment to **professional excellence, constitutional policing, risk reduction, and continuous improvement**, consistent with recognized law enforcement accreditation standards.



Cpl. Matthew Legerme Training Coordinator

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS UNIT

The Criminal Investigations Unit is comprised of a Lieutenant, 3 investigators, and an additional investigator assigned to the Gwinnett County Metro Drug Task Force. Criminal Investigations is responsible for investigating crimes committed within the city limits of Lilburn, but also works with other local, state, and federal agencies as needed. In 2025, the Criminal Investigations Unit worked 92 cases, issued 26 warrants, and cleared 46 cases. CID obtained a clearance rate of 50%.



Crime	2024 National	2025 Lilburn
Murder/ Manslaughter	61.4%	100%
Aggravated Assault	49.1%	94.12%
Rape	27.2%	No cases
Arson	28.1%	No cases
Robbery	30.4%	14.29%*
Burglary	15.2%	22.73%
Larceny / Theft	17.3%	32.03%
Property Crime	15.9%	25.89%
Motor Vehicle Theft	9.2%	32.00%

*7 robbery cases reported for 2025, which was a decrease from 2024

PROPERTY AND EVIDENCE

SPO Chad Hannula supervises the Property and Evidence Unit for Lilburn Police Department.

In 2025 property and evidence has taken in 446 new items. This means as of January 1, 2025, property and evidence contained 8485 items based on active items of 8039.

As of January 1, 2025 there was a total of 8039 total items in inventory. This shows an increase of 194 active total items in inventory, though 446 items were taken in.

The process for obtaining court orders to reduce property and evidence that is past disposition date was addressed. With the assistance of the City Attorney's office, a court order was completed: Superior Court Order 25-A-08253-9. This is an exhaustive process which resulted in hundreds of items that are/were ready for disposal, return or auction. A second court order was also prepared but not yet signed, this will result in a further reduction in the 2026 calendar year.

Six seizures were sent to the DA's office in 2025 (All awaiting court order).

Two vehicles were awarded to the city by court order or seizure. The titles were obtained by fleet and are now currently owned by the city.

Start 2025 –	8039 Items
Added in 2025-	446
Ended 2025-	8233

The goal of 2026 will be a continued reduction of active items that have no further investigative value, found items where the owner cannot be located, and safe keeping items that are not picked up. The Evidence Custodian will also continue the transition to the bin system.

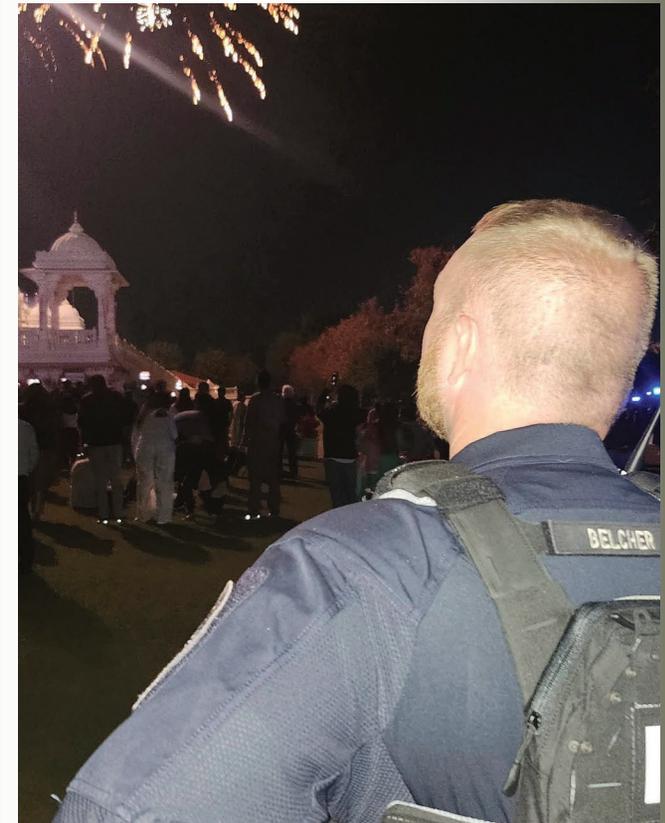
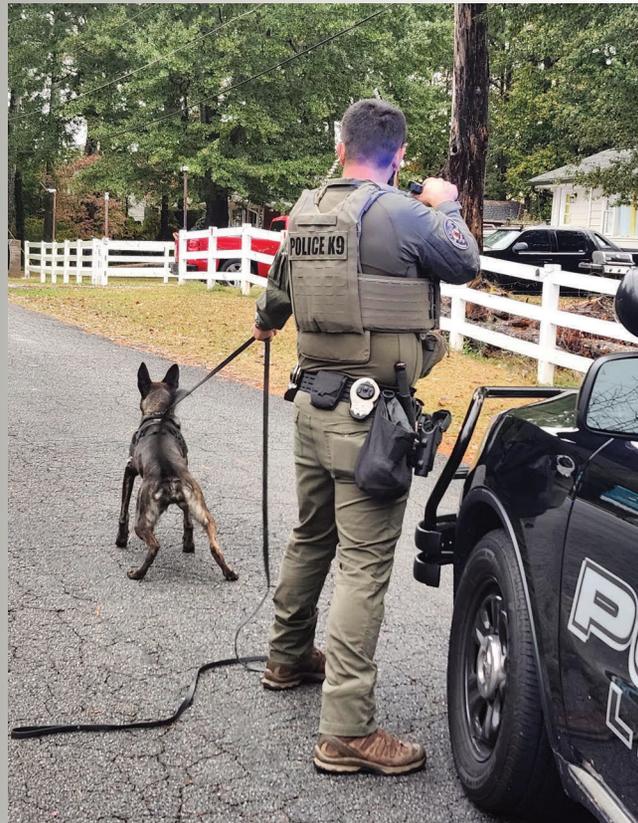




SPECIAL RESPONSE TEAM

The multi-agency **Special Response Team (SRT)**—comprised of the **Lilburn, Duluth, and Suwanee Police Departments**—conducted **16 high-risk search warrant operations** during the reporting period. These operations were executed in response to violent and complex criminal investigations requiring specialized tactical capabilities.

Criminal offenses associated with these warrants included **felony murder investigations involving a double homicide, five armed robbery cases, and one aggravated assault**, in which the suspect was also linked to a homicide in **DeKalb County**. Additional operations addressed **narcotics-related offenses** and **multiple child exploitation investigations**.





The successful execution of these high-risk operations underscores the effectiveness of the regional SRT model, which enhances **officer safety, interagency coordination, and public protection** while addressing the most serious criminal threats within the participating jurisdictions. This team is now led by Investigator Cody Belcher.

Operations Division



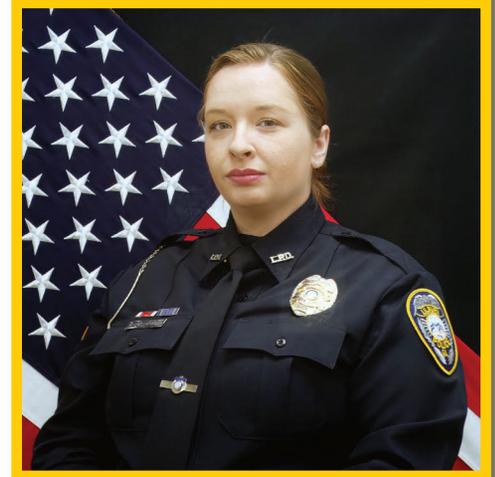
Captain Rob Worley
Operations Commander



Lt. Micky White
Patrol Lieutenant



Cpl. Mike Johnson
Community Outreach



SPO Samantha Pellegrino
Community Outreach

Operations Division



**SPO. Almedin "Aj"
Ajanovic**
K-9 Officer



Akeema
K-9 Officer



Officer Kyle Fields
K-9 Officer



Elektra
K-9 Officer

Operations Division

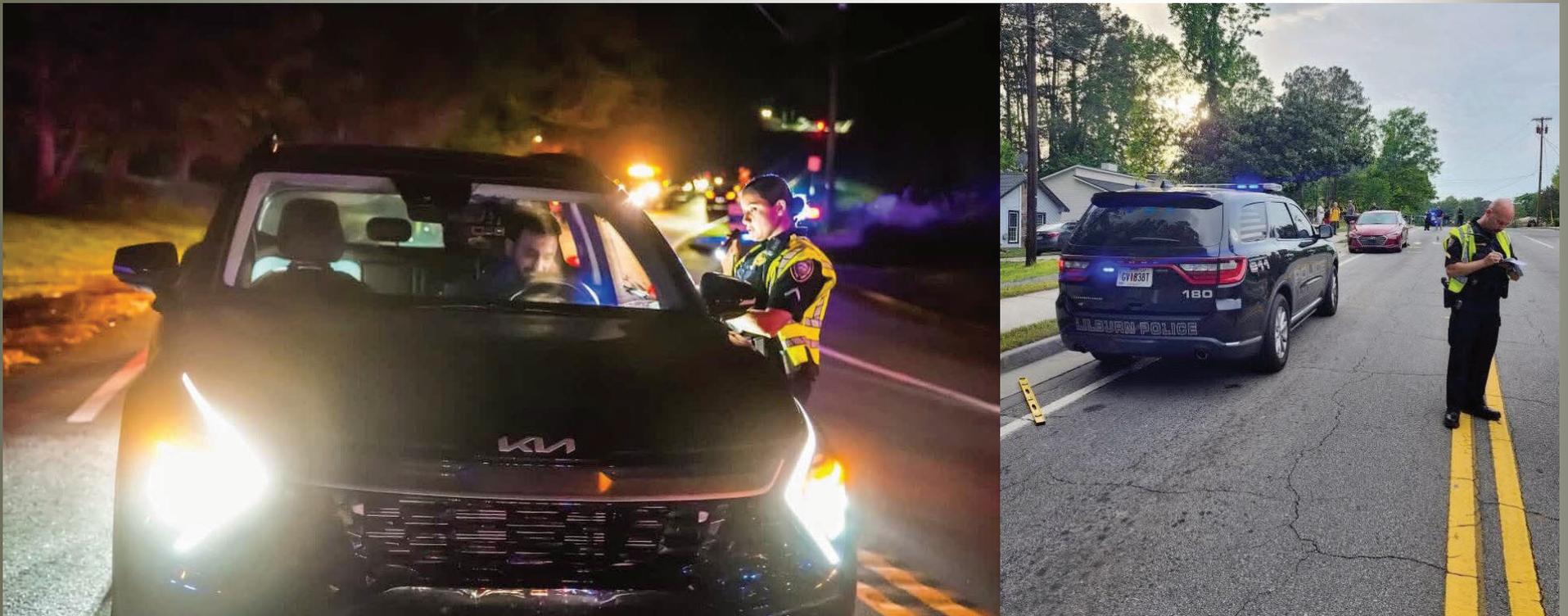


PATROL

The Patrol Division is led by the Patrol Lieutenant under the Operations Division. During 2025, the Operations Division maintained high visibility and conducted numerous area, residential, and business checks.

The Patrol Unit answered a total of 24,792 calls for services. Units have generated **1637 incident reports, of which 49% cleared by arrest.**

Patrol Units have assisted in Community Outreach Events, Hiring Events, and Multi-Cultural Events with our Community Outreach Officers. Patrol Units use time while patrolling neighborhoods to meet the citizens of our community and help educate them on how not to become victims of crimes. Officers speak with citizens on locking car doors and not leaving valuables in vehicles.



A Shift



Sgt. Jeff Northway
Patrol Supervisor



**Ofc. Victor Pereyra-
Zavala**
Peace Officer



Ofc. Andres Pina
Peace Officer

B Shift



Sgt. Marquis Henderson
Patrol Supervisor



SPO Feniel Etienne
Peace Officer



SPO Veronica Arnold
Peace Officer



Ofc. Ryan Mitchell
Peace Officer

C Shift



Sgt. Sabrina Thornton
Patrol Supervisor



SPO Keaunna Trice
Peace Officer



Ofc. Christian Cantave
Peace Officer

D Shift



Sgt. Maurice Kennard
Patrol Supervisor



SPO Mario Martin
Peace Officer



Ofc. Jake Nielsen
Peace Officer

LILBURN K-9 UNIT



Lilburn Police Department K-9 Unit was established in January of 2017. Since the unit has been active, it has been responsible for numerous apprehensions from burglaries in progress, to tracking, to narcotics, to located articles. In addition to daily proactive measures to combat crimes, the unit also participates in community events and conducts demonstrations for the public at scheduled events. Also, the unit competes and certifies yearly through NNDDA, AWD, and USPCA.

In 2025, the K-9 unit (SPO Ajanovic and K-9 Ajax and K-9 Akeema, and Ofc. Fields and K-9 Elektra) were responsible for 71 arrests, ranging from narcotics (meth, cocaine, marijuana) to tracking to article finds and other handled calls. In April 2025, K-9 Ajax and SPO Ajanovic certified through two separate organizations (NNDDA and AWD) in patrol and narcotics. During the certification, the K-9 team also competed in various scenarios and deployments, and was awarded 2nd place in patrol.

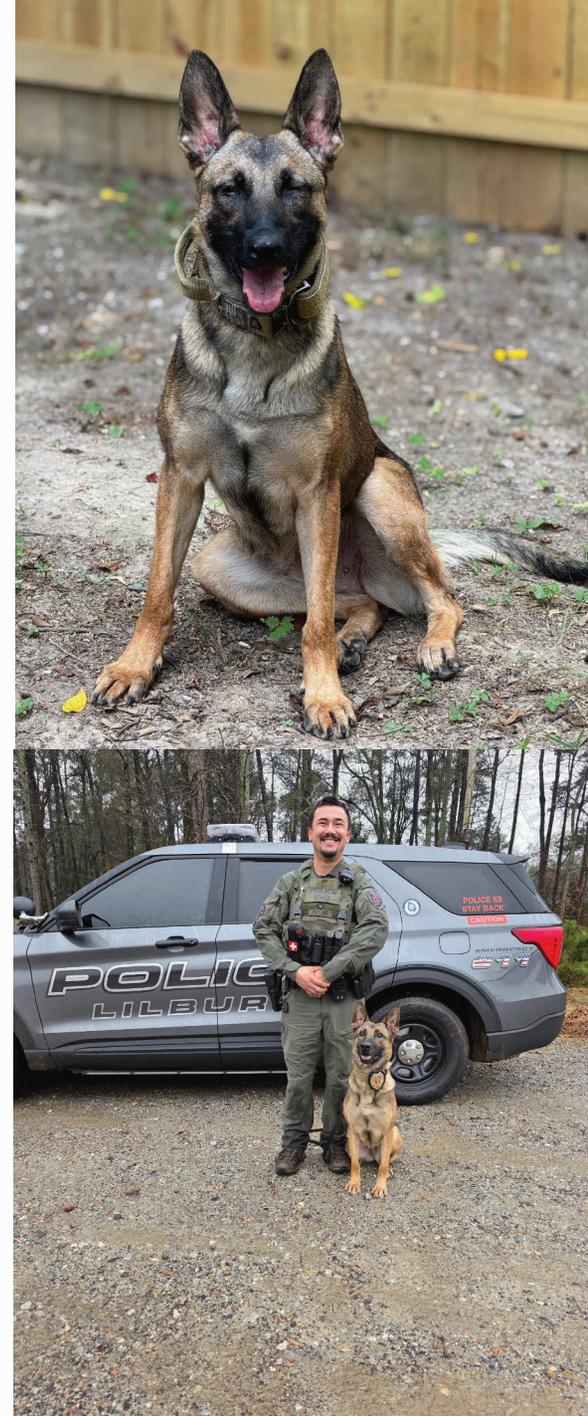
In July 2025, SPO Ajanovic obtained a new K-9 to replace K-9 Ajax. K-9 Akeema started with Lilburn Police Department July 2025. SPO Ajanovic and K-9 Akeema certified through NNDDA and USPCA.

In 2025, K-9 Unit completed over 510 hours of training and had 26 deployed calls. In September 2025, K-9 Ajax retired. With proactive measures and tasks the unit has successfully accomplished, in July of 2025, K-9 Unit was expanded and another K-9 was purchased. K-9 Akeema replaced K-9 Ajax and also with handler Ofc. Kyle Fields, he got a new K-9 (K-9 Elektra) and they started their duties on December 2nd, 2025.

LILBURN K-9 UNIT

Some of the highlight cases for 2025 are listed below:

- While focused on suppressing crime and interdiction, SPO Ajanovic observed a subject on a bicycle with no lights. Subject started to flee. SPO Ajanovic went after the subject, who ended up dropping the bicycle and fleeing on foot. Subject then dropped at item as he fell. SPO Ajanovic was able to tackle the subject and retrieved a gun subject dropped from under him. Subject just got out for two armed robberies and he also had 14 baggies of meth on him.
- K-9 Unit was assisting GCPD with a locating a vehicle involved in entering autos. SPO Ajanovic located the vehicle and vehicle fled. Chase ensued. After the pursuit terminated, passenger fled out of the vehicle. K-9 Ajax was deployed was able to apprehend the suspect, who was armed with a handgun with extended magazine.
- K-9 assisted the DEA with a case and subsequent search warrant, which resulted in a trafficking amount of cocaine being located and numerous weapons being seized.
- Gwinnett County just had a subject run from them and discarded a gun during foot pursuit. County didn't have any K-9s working, so they requested SPO Ajanovic and K-9 Akeema to do an article search and they assisted GCPD. K-9 Akeema found the gun under the dumpster. The gun ended up being stolen out of Dekalb, stolen from vehicle.
- Suspect threatened to kill his ex-girlfriend. Suspect was on the way to her home while stating he was coming to "smoke" her. Ofc. Fields located the vehicle using FLOCK and passed the information to GCPD. GCPD assisted in detaining the suspect. Ofc. Fields contacted PD out in California to confirm the validity of the TPO.
- Officer Fields located a male loitering and prowling behind 4230 Lawrenceville Hwy after hours. During the contact, the suspect was wanted and had methamphetamine in his possession.
- Utilizing FLOCK, Officer Fields was able to locate a stolen vehicle. During the incident methamphetamine was located along with the suspect having outstanding warrant.
- Theft from Annsbury Ct construction site. Fields was able to gather proper information about the incident while locating the suspected vehicle with the use of FLOCK. Later in the day, with SPO Ajanovic's attention to detail, he located the suspected vehicle parked in the outskirts of Lilburn. Later in the investigation, one suspect was arrested along with a seizure of \$1,400.00.



Special Operations



Sgt. Daniel Bride
Special Operations
Supervisor



Cpl. Jose Hernandez
Traffic Unit

Code Enforcement



Don Dillard

Code Enforcement Ofc.



Kiersten McCord

Code Enforcement Ofc.



Rachel Charles

Code Enforcement Ofc.

TRAFFIC UNIT



In 2025 the Lilburn Traffic Unit issued 1,682 traffic citations. There were 1,022 traffic accidents reported, 2064 vehicles involved, 243 accidents with injuries and 2 of those were serious injury/fatality accidents.

Officers assigned to the Special Operations Traffic Unit have hundreds of training hours. Officers must be specialized in accident investigations and accident reconstruction. With this training, officers can then recreate a major accident using measurements and advanced mathematics to determine the cause. Officers assigned to this unit must also be proficient in Standardized Field Sobriety Testing, Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement, Phlebotomy for Law Enforcement, and much more.

The Traffic Unit also attends monthly Metro Atlanta Traffic Enforcement Network meetings where different topics are discussed at each meeting. Topics include any updates in traffic laws, training in spotting and locating stolen vehicles, fake license plates, legal aspects of a traffic stop (discussed by attorneys), etc. The meetings are hosted by different agencies and include conducting safety road checks, where officers ensure drivers are operating with a valid driver's license, are wearing seatbelts, are operating a safe vehicle, meaning all lights are operational, the vehicle tires are in good condition, the windshield isn't broken, to name a few, and checking for valid insurance and updated registration. The City of Lilburn conducts at least two safety road checks per year.

We work hard and are diligent in keeping our city streets safe for everyone traveling through our city, not just the residents, and for this reason, a specialized Traffic Unit is necessary.



TRAFFIC UNIT

As a Police Officer, one of the duties, is to enforce traffic laws. As a Traffic Unit for the City of Lilburn Police Department, my primary function is to patrol the city looking for driver's committing traffic violations. Violations include speeding, running a red light, not making a complete stop at a posted Stop sign, distracted driving (which is the leading cause of traffic accidents in Georgia), vehicle's following to closely, unrestrained driver's or unrestrained children, etc. I deal with these violations daily. Each one is dangerous because any one of these can lead to an accident, where the accident could be something minor or as bad as a fatality. By being vigilant and enforcing these laws, we are educating the public and by enforcing these laws, we are making the City of Lilburn a safer place to drive.

- Corporal Jose Hernandez, Traffic Unit



Code Enforcement



- ◆ Lilburn Code Enforcement worked tirelessly in May & June of 2025 to do a sweep of expired business licenses.
- ◆ Code Enforcement continues proactive investigation of unlicensed short-term rental properties.
- ◆ 77 citations issued for violations with 6 Bench Trails.

In 2025, with three full time officers, Code Enforcement has been able to direct additional focus on working proactive cases. Officer Ray Charles and Officer Kiersten McCord primarily work residential cases while Officer Don Dillard works commercial business cases. In June of 2025 the City rolled out the new SeeClickFix system. This system allows Lilburn citizens to submit complaints faster and easier with more accurate address locating.

In 2025, Code Enforcement worked 2,371 proactive cases with 1,960 cases closed with compliance. Reactive cases received by complaint via Request Tracker & SeeClickFix were 1,282 cases in which 966 cases have been resolved. Over 3,653 cases were worked this year with an 80% clearance rate.

Code Enforcement continues to help educate and build community relationships with the residents and business owners in Lilburn. This hard work helps in making Lilburn a safer and more beautified city and community.



Code Enforcement



Reactive Cases (See ClickFix, Citizen Calls, etc.)

Case Type	Number Worked	Compliance Obtained/Closed
Exterior Property (trash/debris)	397	269
Unsafe Fences, Roof, Tarp, etc.	6	13
Tall Grass/ Weed Complaint	50	39
Illegal Construction	76	33
Junk Vehicles	52	33
Littering/ Illegal Dumping	19	10
Nuisance	41	22
Sign Violations	134	129
Unlicensed Business	446	374
Dilapidated/Vacant Building(s)	16	5
Zoning Violation	45	39
TOTAL	1,282	966

Proactive Cases

Case Type	Number Worked	Compliance Obtained/Closed
Exterior Property (trash/debris)	413	259
Unsafe Fences, Roof, Tarp, etc.	7	1
Tall Grass/ Weed Complaint	30	18
Illegal Construction	73	20
Junk Vehicles	139	71
Littering/ Illegal Dumping	8	5
Nuisance	39	19
Sign Violations	1,449	1,440
Unlicensed Business	132	67
Dilapidated/Vacant Building(s)	4	3
Zoning Violation	77	57
TOTAL	2,371	1,960

COMMUNITY OUTREACH



The Lilburn Police Department Community Outreach had a wonderful year in 2025. The Lilburn Police Department participated in 76 safety meetings and presentations. These meetings were held in various locations throughout the City of Lilburn to include schools, houses of faith, businesses, and residential communities.

The Lilburn Police Department presented six senior scam presentations to help prevent our elderly citizens from being victimized by scammers.

The Lilburn Police Department held four cookouts for neighborhood watch groups.

The Lilburn Police Department sponsored three Red Cross Blood drives.

- The Lilburn Police Department participated in two DEA Takeback events and collected a total of 178 LBS of unused or expired medication from the Lilburn community to help prevent those medications from being abused or used.
- The Lilburn Police Department went to visit Camp Rise, a special needs summer camp at The Nett Church. Lilburn Officers had a chance to meet the campers and show them police cars and talk to them about safety. This was a great time by all!
- The Lilburn Police Department Held Two Women's Self Defense Classes.
- The Lilburn Police Department held a Citizen's Police Academy where class members met for 13 weeks of classes learning aspects and capability of the Lilburn Police Department.
- The Lilburn Police Department participated in the Meadow Creek Justice Program where we assisted with mock interviews with the students.
- The Lilburn Police Department also assisted with several Trunk or Treat events for churches and at the Plaza Las Americas.
- The Lilburn Police Department continued the Vulnerable Person Registry program and assisted several individuals and their families who were challenged in their health and vulnerable to wandering off.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH



The Lilburn Police Department was able to add a new officer, SPO Pellegrino, to the Community Outreach section to increase the capability of the program and reach more citizens.

Corporal Johnson received several awards throughout the year including BAPS Shri Swaminarayan Mandir, Atlanta. He was honored to receive a plaque from Central Baptist Church, and was a GALA of excellence Ambassador Award Winner.

Corporal Johnson and SPO Pellegrino became certified Peer Counselors to be able to help fellow officers going through a crisis.

- SPO Arnold During 2025, actively contributed to community engagement and education initiatives that strengthened relationships between law enforcement and the community. She initiated *Traffic Tip Tuesday*, a social media outreach effort designed to educate the public on traffic safety and promote proactive communication. She participated in multiple community outreach meetings with the Metro Atlanta GEMS group, collaborating with partners to support engagement and community development. She attended the PLECET Conference in Chicago to further professional growth and enhance community policing strategies. Additionally, she taught a Spanish-language *Women in Law Enforcement* class for the Norcross Police Department Citizens Police Academy, expanding outreach to Spanish-speaking community members. To further support public safety, she obtained my Child Passenger Safety Certification, enabling her to provide accurate guidance and education on child car seat safety.
- The Lilburn Police Department participated in two Career Fairs for Lilburn Middle School and Career fair Gwinnett Technical College.
- The Lilburn Police Department worked with other agencies and outside the city of Lilburn to include events such as the multi-agency community engagement meeting, multicultural event with GCPD, Gwinnett FD walk through, Lawrenceville PD's National Night Out, and the car seat check event with GCFD.
- One of the main goals of the community outreach program is to interact with the youth of Lilburn. We did events and presentations to show young children how being a police officer is and showed them how to be safe. These are just some of the events including Calvary church kids tour, Trinity Lutheran Church Presentation, Good Shepard Church School Tour, and a safety presentation at the City of Knowledge.

Women's Self-Defense Classes

During the months of June and September, the Operations Division held the Women's Self-Defense classes. The Women's Self-Defense Program is a two-day, comprehensive course that begins with classroom instruction in risk awareness, risk reduction, crime prevention strategies, and defensive concepts followed by hands-on training in physical defense techniques. Class instruction and demonstrations will allow you to decrease your vulnerability and give you a new sense of confidence and personal power. Class activities and discussions are designed to help women identify their risks, evaluate their strengths, and explore their options for dealing with the threat of violence.



LILBURN POLICE DEPARTMENT
Vulnerable Citizens Registry Program

Register in person at the Lilburn Police Department or at www.cityofilburn.com

About The Program
This voluntary registry will provide the Police Department with emergency contact information, detailed physical descriptions, known routines and special needs of individuals who reside within the city. This information will assist officers in communicating with, attending a residence of, or dealing with an emergency involving this individual.

Eligibility
While there is not an exhaustive list, this registry is designed for residents in Lilburn who are at risk if separated from their caregiver such as residents with Alzheimer's Disease, Dementia, Autism, Down's syndrome or similar disabilities.

All program information can be found at:

www.cityofilburn.com

CITY OF LILBURN PROGRAMS



Currently, Lilburn Police Department has 5 Cadets for 2025. The Lilburn Police Public Safety Cadet Program #922 (PSC) is part of a national nonprofit organization and is managed by law enforcement dedicated to prepare young adults, ages 14-20 (until 21st birthday) for careers and leadership in the public safety profession.

For more information email lilburnpsc@cityoflilburn.com

Citizens Police Academy

In 2025 the Lilburn Police Department held the Citizens Police Academy at the police department. The academy is a 13-week program designed to educate and inform citizens that face law enforcement efforts in the City of Lilburn today. Topics include criminal system overview, criminal procedure, patrol, investigations, special units including K-9, trauma aid, defensive tactics, use of force/simulator, and a firing range. A new class will begin February 2026.



Citizens Police Academy 2025

Court Services

In 2025, The Lilburn Municipal Court office is now comprised of a Court Administrator, a Deputy Court Administrator, Lead Court Clerk and Court Clerk. Judge Charles Barrett, III is the Chief Court Official. This year we welcomed Kelsey Wiley as the Chief Court Solicitor. In 2025, City of Lilburn also welcomed Bryan Brown and Laura Mayfield as solicitors. Since 2024, Lilburn Municipal Court continues to partner with probation company, Professional Probation Services.

In 2025, the Lilburn Municipal Court operated a total of 92 court sessions. This includes 79 regular court sessions, 4 Red Speed court sessions, 5 bench trial court sessions, and 4 Teen Court sessions. In 2025, Lilburn Municipal Court processed 7,084 cases.

Members of court staff are bilingual in Spanish and able to provide that valuable service to members of our community.



Pictured here: This year Penny Munive was promoted to Court Administrator.



Pictured right: Captain Bennett with Court Services and Support Services staff who participated in a “Pink Out” for Breast Cancer Awareness Month.

Court Services



Penelope Munive

Court Administrator



Julie Scoggins

Deputy Court Administrator



Victoria Anthony

Lead Court Clerk



Yesenia Saldana

Court Clerk



2025 PROMOTIONS



Maurice Kennard was promoted to Sergeant effective April 1, 2025.

2025 AWARDS

- The Ambassador Award — Corporal Mike Johnson - sworn,
Kiersten McCord - non-sworn
- Supervisor of the Year — Sgt. Maurice Kennard
- Chief's Award of Merit — Lt. Rob Kirschner
- Life Saving Award — Corporal Mike Johnson, Officer Victor Pereyra-Zavala, SPO Keaunna Trice
- Achievement Award — Cpl. Vince DiFatta, Cpl. Todd Bureta, and SPO Cody Belcher
- Top Gun Award — Investigator Cody Belcher
- Officer of the Year — Officer Victor Pereyra-Zavala
- Meritorious Service — Investigator Cody Belcher and Marquis Henderson
- Police Achievement — Sgt. Bride, Criminal Investigations Unit and Accident Investigations
- Civilian Employee of the Year — Heather Melton



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- PAID HOLIDAY, VACATION, SICK LEAVE
- MEDICAL AND DENTAL PACKAGE
- LIFE INSURANCE COVERAGE
- PENSION
- TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES
- SPECIAL UNITS
- AND MORE!

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