

Kings Mountain Police Department

112 South Piedmont Avenue

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Chief Gerald Childress



Bi-Monthly Newsletter October & November 2025



VISION: *“To be an agency admired for its diverse services through the utilization of innovative & progressive strategies, while setting the standard for excellence in public safety”*

PERSONNEL / TRAINING:

On Friday, October 31 2025 Officer Jacob Baker was sworn in to Kings Mountain Police Department.

Welcome to the KMPD family!



Cadets trained at the KMPD Range using airsoft guns, learning core firearm safety from trained officers. This supervised, hands-on instruction reduces misuse, builds confidence, reinforces discipline and judgment, and helps cadets understand the responsibilities officers face while strengthening the program's credibility & mentor relationships. They also trained at Cleveland Community College's Active Shooter Simulator, where they practiced decision-making, situational awareness, and communication in a controlled but realistic setting. These high-stress scenarios allowed cadets to identify threats, work as a team, and apply safe response practices, all while building confidence and reinforcing the critical thinking and resilience needed for future public safety careers



Community Engagement



October 20, 2025
Community Resource
Officer Robert Medlin
& CIU Detective Alex
Geissinger assisted with
Operation Medicine
Drop at Patrick Senior
Center. OMD is
designed for safe drop
off of unwanted
medication.



On Thursday November 20, 2025 The GROW Ministry from First Baptist Church,
Kings Mountain stopped by the police department with delicious goodies!

Thank you for making this day a little sweeter!!

Community Engagement

November 15, 2025 Kings Mountain Police Department partnered with Food Lion, Safe Kids Cleveland County, the YMCA, and the Cleveland County Chapter of Road to Hope for a community kids' bike ride. Safe Kids provided free helmets to all participating children, helping promote safety and fun for our young riders!



**STORY TIME
WITH A COP**

**Connecting kids and
community through literacy.**



Community Resource Officer Robert Medlin & Sergeant Paul Alexander participated in Storytime with a Cop at Mauney Memorial Library!

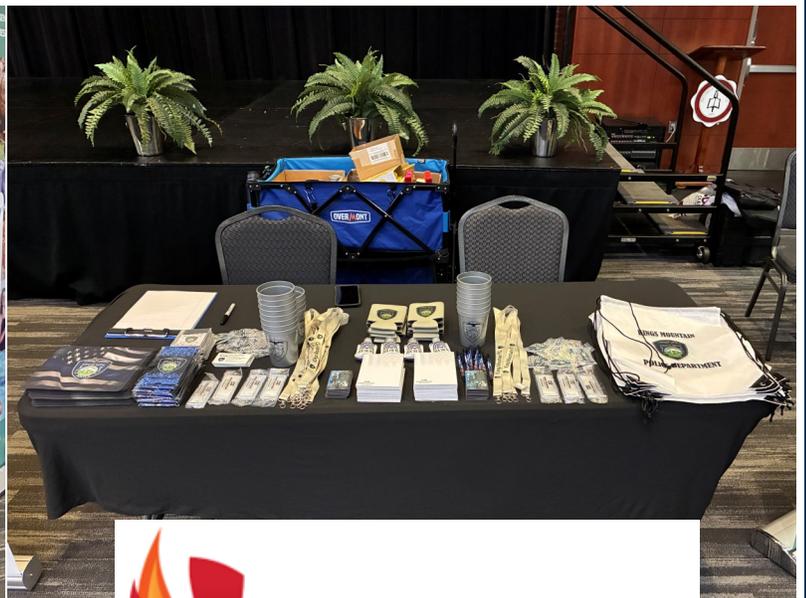


Community Engagement

Bradley Stewart, the nephew of Detective B.J. Bayne, recently visited KMPD from Tennessee. To show his appreciation for the female employees, he created lovely bouquets made of origami. Bradley, who has been practicing origami since he was a small boy, believes a handmade present is a special way to express gratitude. He is a talented artist who creates his own unique origami designs & shares tutorials with others on Facebook, helping them master the art form step-by-step. The female staff were delighted to receive the thoughtful. Handmade gifts, which they saw as a wonderful acknowledgement of their hard



work & dedication. The unique bouquets not only helped brighten their offices but also demonstrated that they are supported in their essential roles within law enforcement. For more details, visit Bradley's Instagram (@outrageous_origami)



GARDNER-WEBB
UNIVERSITY

Kings Mountain Police Department along with other agencies & businesses in Cleveland County partnered together for a job/career fair located at Gardner-Webb University.

What's happening at KMPD

KINGS MOUNTAIN POLICE DEPARTMENT'S 2025

Christmas TOY DRIVE

NOVEMBER 3 - DECEMBER 12

PLEASE BRING NEW, UNWRAPPED GIFTS TO:

KINGS MOUNTAIN POLICE DEPARTMENT

112 S. PIEDMONT AVENUE



FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT

KMPD - 704-734-0444

What's happening at KMPD

KINGS MOUNTAIN PUBLIC SAFETY CADET UNIT 1780

is now accepting applications for the 24/25 school year.

This program is designed to mentor young adults to serve their communities by providing knowledge, skills and practical experience through education and training delivered by public safety professionals.

Young adults between the ages of 14-20, residing within the immediate area of KM or attends a KM school is encouraged to visit KM Police Department, KM Fire Department or see your School Resource Officer for an application!!!



The **RIDE-ALONG PROGRAM** is an educational tool designed to

familiarize citizens with the complexities of police work, promote community relations and provide insight into police operations.

Stop by KMPD for a Ride Along request form!



INCIDENTS AT A GLANCE –OCTOBER/NOVEMBER 2025:

Incident Type	Oct.	Nov.	Incident Type	Oct..	Nov.
Total Arrests	31	36	Fraud	6	4
Total incident	97	88	Investigations	39	35
Warrants Issued	6	5	Larceny	27	24
911 Calls	713	701	Medical Calls	9	10
Accidents	59	58	Missing Persons	2	1
Animal Complaints	15	11	Vehicle Stops	223	105
Arrest Warrants Served	53	25	DWI/Drugs/Overdose	7	9
Alarm Calls	80	64	Suspicious/Vehicle Persons	120	115
Disturbances	29	28	Threats & Assaults	28	14
Domestic Disturbances	30	22	Well-Being Checks	26	25

MISSION STATEMENT: *The Kings Mountain Police Department is committed to consistently providing a safe environment to our citizens, visitors & businesses through professional Law Enforcement Services. We are further committed to leading community problem solving by providing effective services to improve the quality of life. We will work aggressively in a joint effort with the citizens of our community forming a partnership to address crime and disorder in a safe & professional manner, so help us God...*

Dear Citizens of Kings Mountain, I want to extend my sincere appreciation for your ongoing support of the Kings Mountain Police Department. Your trust and partnership play a vital role in helping us keep our community safe, connected, and resilient. This newsletter is one of the ways we remain engaged with you—sharing timely updates, useful information, and meaningful highlights from across our community. Our commitment is to provide a consistent and dependable source of communication you can rely on. As always, thank you for standing with us and for contributing to what makes Kings Mountain such a great place to live, work, and serve.



We also encourage you to take a few moments to complete our online COP Citizen Survey. Your feedback is extremely valuable and helps guide our efforts to better serve you and the entire community. We'd truly appreciate hearing from you.— Chief Gerald Childress



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Crime Stoppers

(704) 481-TIPS

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