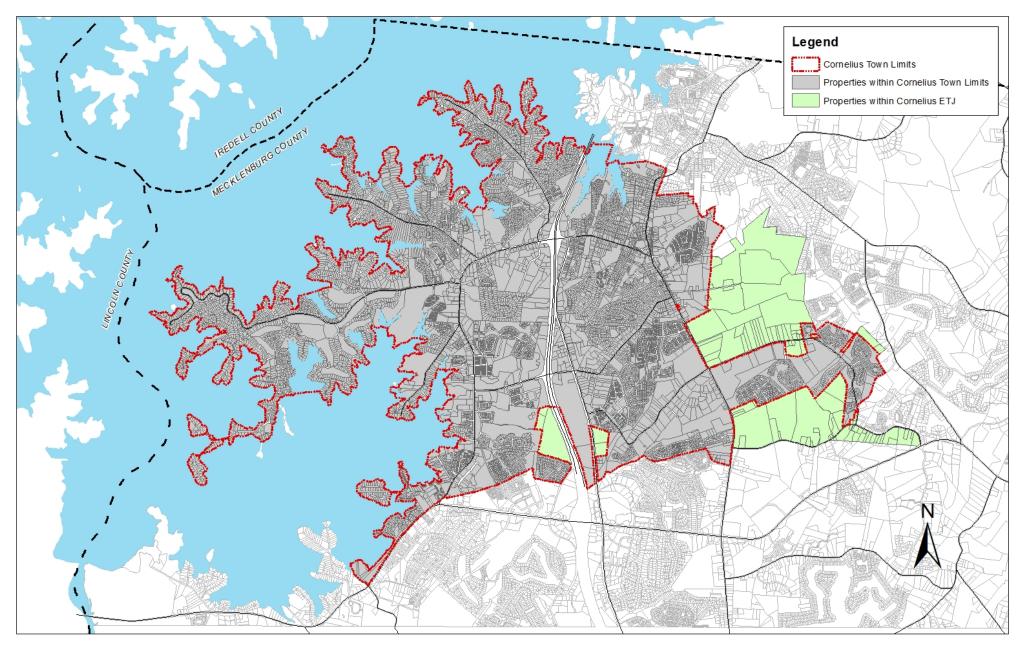
# **Mecklenburg County Board of Commissioners**

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2024 Annual ETJ Update



### **CORNELIUS ETJ AREAS**





### ETJ CRIME COMPARISON

	2023	2024	Percent Change
Violent Crimes			
Homicide	0	0	0%
Rape	0	0	0%
Robbery	0	0	0%
Aggravated Assault	1	0	-100%
Property Crimes			
Larceny	4	5	25%
Burglary	2	0	-100%
B&E Vehicle/Vessel	1	11	1000%
Auto Theft	1	0	-100%
Arson	0	1	N/A



### ETJ POLICE ACTIVITY

#### **Special Operations Division Deployment:**

- The SWAT Team has not been deployed in the ETJ
- Maritime Operations and Tactics (M.O.A.T.)

### **Non-Sensitive Special Police Initiatives**

- Traffic Safety Initiatives
  - Speed Enforcement
  - Seatbelt Checks
  - Monitor Top Crash Locations
- Lake Safety Initiatives
  - ✓ Vessel Safety Checks
  - Monthly Safety/Educational Events During the Boating Season
  - ✓ Lake Norman Safety Day

### **Evidence and Property Collected**

Three pieces of evidence collected in 2024

### **Crime Trends**

No Crime Trends Noted



### ETJ ACTIVITY FOR LAND AND LAKE

		Officer and Citizen Generated Calls			
<b>Total Calls for Service</b>	1,179		2024		
911 Calls	123	Total Calls	1,179		
<b>Officer Initiated Calls</b>	844	911 Calls	123		
Average Response Time		Officer Initiated	844		
•		Non-Emergency	206		
Land	6.5 minutes	Walk-in's/Other	5		
Lake 9.5 minutes					
Traffic Stops	129				
Vessel Stops	85	Personnel Response			
State Citations	44		2024		
Written Warnings	88	Total Units	1,165		
•		Total Personnel	1,664		
Verbal Warnings	76	Response Time	6.5		
Arrest	1	(Land)			
<b>Community Involvement</b>	26	Response Time (Lake)	9.5		
Drowning	2				

\*4 vessel stops were cleared Assignment Complete and 1 was cleared Checked Alright



LAKE PATROL TOP 5 CITIZEN CALLS FOR SERVICE

Attempt to Locate	32
Lake Related Question	23
Vessel Assist	22
Vessel Distress	22
Vessel Reckless	17



LAKE PATROL TOP 5 OFFICER INITIATED CALLS

Lake Unit Activity	155
Vessel Navigation Hazard	91
Vessel Stops	85
Vessel Safety Check	24
<b>Community Involvement</b>	18



LAND PATROL TOP 5 CITIZEN CALLS FOR SERVICE

Crash PD	18
Assist Citizen	16
911 Hang Up	13
Crash PD	7
Welfare Check	7



LAND PATROL TOP 5 OFFICER INITIATED CALLS

Traffic Stop	129
<b>Crime Prevention</b>	126
Follow Up	40
Traffic Enforcement/Unit	31
Traffic Enforcement	30



## LAKE PATROL DROWNINGS

In July, a 27-year-old male drowned after he went underwater near the Sandbar and never resurfaced. He was not wearing a flotation device.

In August, a 64-year-old male drowned after he jumped off a sailboat. He began to struggle shortly after jumping off the boat. Bystanders attempted to throw him a lifejacket but missed and he went underwater and never resurfaced.



## LAKE PATROL HIGHLIGHTS

In May, officers continued to work closely with Mecklenburg County Parks to launch new protocols for boat and jet ski rentals.

The Joshua Murray Boating Safety Center opened in April. The official petition for the center was approved through Mecklenburg County in September.

During the month of July and most summer months, officers hosted a summer lake camp and participated in several church, bike and community camps in the area.

In August, the Boat America Class was held at the new Joshua Murray Boating Safety Center.



LAKE PATROL COMMUNITY AND EDUCATION EVENTS

- Community Dock Safety Days
- Vessel Safety Check Events
- Cornelius Summer Camp
- Ride-A-Longs
- Big Day at the Lake
- Facebook Explorers Group
- Parade of Lights
- National Safe Boating Week
- PYC Light Parade
- Citizen Academy
  Presentation
- Love Where You Lake
- Float it Forward
- Let's Shake On Boating Safety



- Lake Norman Marine Commission
  - Monthly Meeting
  - Education Committee
  - Rental/Charter Boat Committee
- Asian Festival/Dragon Boat Races
- Big Day at the Lake
- FEMA Lake Clearing Exercise



## JOSHUA MURRAY BOATING SAFETY CENTER

Since the Joshua Murray Boating Safety Center opened at Blythe Landing, we have successfully hosted a variety of safety-related programs, trainings, and community engagement activities. Our mission is to promote safe boating practices and foster a sense of community on the water.

**Events:** 

- Safety Training Looped Video
- The Young Explorers
- Joint Emergency Responders Spring Training
- Maritime Operations and Tactics Training
- Boating Safety Week Event and Dedication Event
- Lake Safety Camp
- Boating America Certification
- Love Where You Lake Training
- Youth Boating Safety Experience at JM Center
- Paddle Board Safety Awareness Training
- Alcohol on the Water Training
- Vessel Safety Inspections
- Bailey Middle School Boating Safety Club



# JOSHUA MURRAY BOATING SAFETY CENTER

Since the doors opened in April 2024, the Joshua Murray Boating Safety Center at Blythe Landing has positively influenced approximately 400 individuals, including local youth, adult recreational boaters, and Lake Norman Emergency Responders.

Through hands-on activities like PFD fitting, the Boating America class, and youth summer camps, participants have gained valuable knowledge for a safer and more enjoyable experience on the lake.



BOATING, SAFETY, EDUCATION AND AWARENESS CENTER

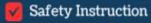
Join us for this family-friendly community event where we will launch our NEW Joshua Murray Boating, Safety, Education and Awareness Center.

Launch Day!

😽 Fun Activities

Food sponsored by Chick-fil-A

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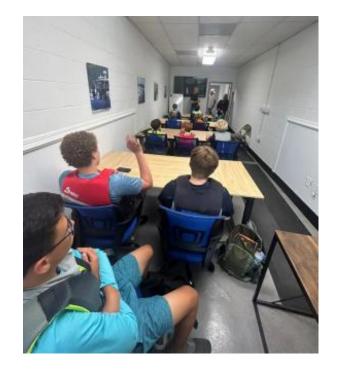
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# JOSHUA MURRAY BOATING SAFETY CENTER











# LAKE PATROL COMMUNITY PARTNERS



















## QUESTIONS?

