

## Ben Fulmer

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**From:** BeLoved Asheville <BeLoved Asheville <belovedasheville@gmail.com>> on behalf of BeLoved Asheville  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 12, 2017 9:30 AM  
**To:** AshevilleNCCouncil@ashevillenc.gov  
**Subject:** Presentation from Public Comment Amy Cantrell  
**Attachments:** Questions about policing.pdf

Dear City Council,

Thank you for listening as we addressed you again last night! I tried to send this yesterday night, but it seemed like it bounced back. I believe that was caused by the video attached with public comments from people experiencing homelessness in our community. Here is the link to that video instead: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=n88N0lqdiMM> Third time is a charm. I have now converted the presentation into a pdf because the email bounced back with just the powerpoint.

I am deeply troubled by the lack public process leading up to today's budget session. The fact that the policing increase was brought as a part of the base budget and cut the the public completely out of this process. The public has repeatedly showed up at the budget work sessions (where it was not discussed until today when it was already in the budget) and committee meetings (Public Safety and CPAC) to talk about this proposed budget increase and for the last month the Chief of Police has been absent.

I will note that though communities of color and people who are experiencing homelessness cry out against overpolicing that these cries fall on deaf ears. We have statistics from the NAACP Criminal Justice Work Group on racial disparities in local policing, and we have statistics from our work at BeLoved about the high number of arrests and citations for possibly homeless people in Asheville.. And we have increased the budget for policing without considering the root causes of crime and systems that criminalize people into mass incarceration, further homelessness and joblessness.

And the numbers the Chief presented:

20 vacant positions but saying this increase will save money in overtime when logically if we filled those 20 positions we would cut overtime costs.

Shouldn't we focus on filling those positions first before asking for 15 more?

Attached is my presentation. The source is [www.governing.com](http://www.governing.com). from 2015 FBI UCR data

The folks in the video are part of our Homeless Voice project at BeLoved Asheville. Homeless Voice meets weekly and works to have people who are homeless amplify their voices in public policy decisions affecting their lives and to equip the group to create their own projects to benefit the homeless community.

please text or email me with questions and thank you again!

Peace,

Amy

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**From:** Barbara Whitehorn <Barbara Whitehorn <BWhitehorn@ashevillenc.gov> > on behalf of Barbara Whitehorn  
**Sent:** Friday, March 31, 2017 5:26 PM  
**To:** councilgroup  
**Cc:** All Department Directors; Tony McDowell; Jaime Matthews  
**Subject:** Council Requested Information  
**Attachments:** APDBudgetRequest Memo.docx; Federal Funding memo.docx; HR\_Memo\_03282017.docx; Memo - Energy Audits and Facilities Master Planning Process - 03-28-17 - final.docx; Memo- FY18 Transit Budget- 170331.doc; Staffing and Budget Trends memo.docx; APD MYP FY16-17 to FY 18-19.pdf; CurrentAllocation\_NoPct2.pdf; ProposedAllocation\_NoPct2.pdf

Councilmembers,  
Attached are memos in response to your requests for more information.  
If you have any questions, please submit them to me or to Jaime.

The three PDF files are the attachments to the APD memo.

Thank you and have a lovely weekend,

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**Cc:** DOeser@ashevillenc.gov  
**Subject:** RE: DATA needed


Dan, these are preliminary for the "Nuisance" crime numbers  
Do we know if these are in fact what Wade is referring to? Probably yes since this is the recent format, but keep me posted otherwise. Thanks

### Nuisance Crimes - Asheville Citywide

	2015	2016	Change	Percent Change
<b>A101_Vandalism</b>	<b>1074</b>	<b>1017</b>	<b>-57</b>	<b>-5%</b>
Graffiti	325	243	-82	-25%
Vandalism-Other	749	774	25	3%
<b>A102_Simple Assault</b>	<b>894</b>	<b>1032</b>	<b>138</b>	<b>15%</b>
Domestic	349	430	81	23%
Non-Domestic	545	602	57	10%
<b>A201_DrugOffenses</b>	<b>2076</b>	<b>1951</b>	<b>-125</b>	<b>-6%</b>
A211_Distribution	330	189	-141	-43%
A221_Possession	1746	1762	16	1%
<b>A201_Prostitution</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>-28</b>	<b>-76%</b>
<b>A401_Gambling</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>-3</b>	<b>-75%</b>
<b>A501_DisorderlyConduct</b>	<b>944</b>	<b>986</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>4%</b>
A511_DisorderlyConduct	54	80	26	48%
A512_ResistPoliceOfficer	411	416	5	1%
A513_IntoxicatedDisruptive	479	490	11	2%
<b>A601_Panhandle</b>	<b>337</b>	<b>301</b>	<b>-36</b>	<b>-11%</b>
<b>A701_LiquorLawViolation</b>	<b>841</b>	<b>1023</b>	<b>182</b>	<b>22%</b>
A711_OpenContainer	713	891	178	25%
A712_Drinking	128	132	4	3%
<b>A801_DWI</b>	<b>568</b>	<b>443</b>	<b>-125</b>	<b>-22%</b>

A901_Trespassing	1861	1497	-364	-20%
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**From:** Wade Wood  
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**To:** Ed Eads <[eeads@ashevillenc.gov](mailto:eeads@ashevillenc.gov)>  
**Cc:** Daniel Lemley <[DLemley@ashevillenc.gov](mailto:DLemley@ashevillenc.gov)>; Douglas R. Oeser <[DOeser@ashevillenc.gov](mailto:DOeser@ashevillenc.gov)>  
**Subject:** Re: DATA needed

Yes.

Sent from my iPhone

On Jan 9, 2017, at 11:55, Ed Eads <[eeads@ashevillenc.gov](mailto:eeads@ashevillenc.gov)> wrote:


Was Rape intentionally excluded from #2?

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**From:** Ed Eads  
**Sent:** Thursday, January 05, 2017 6:31 PM  
**To:** Wade Wood <[wwood@ashevillenc.gov](mailto:wwood@ashevillenc.gov)>; Daniel Lemley <[DLemley@ashevillenc.gov](mailto:DLemley@ashevillenc.gov)>; Douglas R. Oeser <[DOeser@ashevillenc.gov](mailto:DOeser@ashevillenc.gov)>  
**Subject:** RE: DATA needed

I think we can get this completed by Monday.  
Doug, please see below on some starters for this...  
Dan and Wade, please see question on numbers 3 and 4 and 5 and 6 below.

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**Subject:** DATA needed  
**Importance:** High

Please work together to gather the below information by Tuesday, Jan 9<sup>th</sup>, of next week. I need to have it to the Chief by Jan 10, and want to review on the 9<sup>th</sup>.

This is being gathered for a year in review for 2016.

**Comparison of CALENDAR YEAR 2015 to 2016:**

- 1) UCR PART 1 - Ed can pick up on this piece – this is a standard report format (see attached)
  - a. Number of incidents
  - b. Change in number
  - c. Percentage of Change
  - d. Case closure numbers
  - e. Case Closure number changes
  - f. Case closure percentage change
- 2) Violent Crimes – Doug can assist here with existing GIS data.
  - a. Hot Spot maps
    - i. Homicides
    - ii. Agg Assaults
    - iii. Robbery
    - iv. Burglary
    - v. Larceny From Motor Vehicle
- 3) Nuisance Crimes – (graffiti, vandalism, trespass, etc.) – I’ve attached the Nov monthly report which identifies what we have been calling nuisance. Wade, will review of these crime types suffice?
  - a. Number of incidents
  - b. Change in number
  - c. Percentage of Change
- 4) MVAs – Ed can pick up on this. Doug, I’ll send you the GIS for mapping the hot spots. I assume this will be all wrecks for simplicity, including fender benders. Please advise otherwise.
  - a. Number of incidents
  - b. Change in number
  - c. Percentage of Change
  - d. HOT spot map for accident reduction locations
- 5) Traffic – are we talking about traffic stops? Or simply all traffic-related citations and DWI arrests? Please clarify.
  - a. Number of citations
  - b. Number of arrests
  - c. Change in number
  - d. Percentage of Change
- 6) Calls for Service – Total calls received by dispatch will need to come from Communications. Crime Analysis can provide the CAD counts, broken down by cancelled/not-cancelled (dispatched).
  - a. Calls received
  - b. Calls Dispatched
- 7) I added this as a seventh category. Ed or Doug can pick up on this.
  - a. Number of charges (arrests / citations)
  - b. Changes in numbers
  - c. Percentage of Change

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**From:** TBrigman@ashevillenc.gov  
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**Subject:** Feb Monthly  
**Attachments:** CRO Monthly FEB 2017.docx

Please see attached

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**From:** Erica Johnson <Erica Johnson <erica.rosalyn@gmail.com>> on behalf of Erica Johnson  
**Sent:** Monday, March 27, 2017 6:58 PM  
**To:** AshevilleNCCouncil@ashevillenc.gov  
**Subject:** A Million Dollars for the People

Hello,

I was unable to make it to the Public Safety Committee Meeting today; however, I would like to make it clear that I am in opposition to the \$1 million that Chief Hooper has requested on an annual basis for APD to double the downtown unit.

I have worked in a couple different fields that have brought me into regular contact with law enforcement. I have come to realize through this work, that I no longer want to talk about individual police officers or isolated events. I feel that we need to move past good cop/bad cop conversation: the "good" cop that attends the community BBQ and does the electric slide with all the kids and "bad" cop that arrested, violated or killed one of those same community members. I want to talk about policing as a whole.

We have seen time and time again that increased policing leads to increased arrest, conviction, sentencing and deportation. It does not end crime, nor does it end poverty. In fact, it further criminalizes poverty and keeps people in poverty (think re-entry). If crime connected to poverty is the concern (statistics?), I would ask you to consider whether or not policing adds to or detracts from the stress of poverty and how stress contributes to "crimes" -- drug use, stealing, violence, etc. What does it mean to consistently experience and observe state condoned surveillance, power and violence? What does it mean to have families torn apart? What does it mean to grow up knowing that your community has been targeted due to income, race, ethnicity, language, immigrant status, gender identity or sexual orientation? What does it mean to grow up knowing that you are not legally allowed to be you? What does it mean when you call the police and do not feel any safer after that interaction?

People have learned over time that they actually have to protect themselves from law enforcement most of the time. Law enforcement is all too often violating community members. This can happen by way of mere presence, intimidation, surveillance, harassment, policies increasing the scope of crime, over reaction to low level crimes, lack of action in actual times of crisis (think DV w/o physical marks), arrest, incarceration, deportation and so on. When people truly care about each other, they avoid the involvement of law enforcement at all costs; this often holds true even if they are being hurt by someone that they care for or have an attachment to. For example, statistics show that 1 in 3 victims of domestic violence feel *less* safe after calling for LE support; 1 in 2 feel the same as prior to the call; 1 in 5 feel more safe. That means 70% of DV victims that call LE for help feel the same or less safe after involving LE. Only 20% feel any safer (<http://www.cdar.uky.edu/CoerciveControl/docs/law-enforcement-draft6%209-28-15.pdf>).

These lessons I have learned merely by engaging in my (Asheville) community led me to these beliefs, triggered my interest in the research that is out there and shaped my community-oriented values. Communities will be safer when we choose to invest in the people by helping to meet their basic needs: housing, public transportation, high quality schools, community centers, mental health, support for drug users, restorative justice programming, re-entry programming, safe spaces for women and LGBT+ people. People avoid calling the police when they can and when they do call, it often does not help them feel more safe.

Thank you for listening. I hope that you consider spending one million dollars on the people rather than the people policing them.



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**From:** juliemayfield@avlcouncil.com  
**Sent:** Saturday, April 08, 2017 6:56 PM  
**To:** Meghan Rogers  
**Subject:** Re: ADA Support of APD Downtown Unit Expansion

Thanks Meghan.

Sent from my iPad

On Apr 7, 2017, at 10:41 AM, Meghan Rogers <[meghan@ashevilledowntown.org](mailto:meghan@ashevilledowntown.org)> wrote:

Mayor and City Council:

The Asheville Downtown Association's Board of Directors supports the Asheville Police Department's request to add officers to its Downtown Unit. We support 24-hour/7-day coverage of the central business district (CBD) by the downtown unit, rather than by patrol and augment officers.

This request proactively considers the projected growth of downtown and the time it will take to hire and train new officers. Each day, downtown's population increases as residents come in to the city center for work. Our residential population is growing too and will likely double in upcoming years. Data shows the current number of residential units for the central business district at 997, with an additional ~700 units planned. Add to this nearly 600 new hotel rooms and an additional 80,000sqft+ of office space in the Central Business District and the daily population growth of downtown becomes even more significant.

The Chief's request also proposes extending the boundaries of the Downtown Unit to include not only the Central Business District and South Slope, but also the River Arts District and South French Broad area. Calls for service in these combined areas are comparable to that of the department's current districts.

In the current downtown (CBD) area, car B&E's have increased substantially rising from 137 in 2015 to 173 in 2016. The South Slope area has seen a similar rise in car B&E's, specifically with unlocked vehicles. Aggravated assaults have increased from 47 in 2015 to 56 in 2016. Domestic and non-domestic aggravated assaults have increased in the South French Broad area and rapes have doubled. In 2016, there were seven rapes reported within the *proposed* Downtown District, spanning from downtown to the South French Broad area and in the River Arts District. Burglaries have risen in the River Arts District (RAD) over the past two years, particularly business burglaries increasing from two incidents in 2015 to 12 in 2016. Vehicles stolen from RAD have doubled over that same time period. *Statistics provided by Asheville Police Department.*

The Downtown Unit is a specialized community-policing unit and officers are better prepared to address the unique issues that arise in downtown, often providing social services and resource information. And because they are familiar with those who frequent downtown, they're better able to address needs and provide access to necessary assistance programs. Downtown Unit officers annually conduct more than 1,000 hours of community outreach in the form of community events, meetings with mental health/substance abuse resource providers,

jail/hospital diversion teams, etc. Officers are certified in crisis intervention and have developed close relationships with homeless service providers to help maintain safe spaces for those in need.

Our recent Issues Survey ranked safety as a top need for the vitality of downtown. In order to maintain a safe downtown we must plan for future needs now. We acknowledge that respondents ranked "more police" low when asked how they would assign resources. There is no doubt we have critical needs in our community; however, ensuring appropriate public safety for all residents and visitors to downtown must top that list of needs. We agree that parking/transportation options, infrastructure improvements, increased affordable/workforce housing and addressing homelessness in our community should also be top priorities, but don't believe that funding should be considered an "either-or" option. Also to note, our survey was completed in 2016 prior to the release of annual crime statistics.

Through partnerships and collaboration, we hope that Council members can find a compromise in budgeting that will prioritize safety, infrastructure, housing and social service programs to address downtown's most pressing challenges.

Sincerely:

Asheville Downtown Association Board of Directors

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**From:** CHallingse@ashevillenc.gov  
**Sent:** Monday, February 06, 2017 4:16 PM  
**To:** wwood@ashevillenc.gov  
**Subject:** FW: Deaverview data request  
**Attachments:** crime\_stats(final).xlsx; alc\_gun\_drugs(final).xlsx

DC,

I forgot to BCC you on my response to Abby. Prior to responding this was cleared by both Maddux and Chief.

Thank you,

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**From:** Christina Hallingse  
**Sent:** Monday, February 06, 2017 12:51 PM  
**To:** Margulis, Abigail (amargulis@ashevill.gannett.com)  
**Cc:** Records Request Mailbox  
**Subject:** RE: Deaverview data request

Abby,

Good afternoon! Attached please find two spreadsheets that adhere to your 1/19 request for information. The first spreadsheet contains all Part A crimes – murder, sex offenses, burglary, aggravated assault - for each of the ten public housing communities. The second spreadsheet includes all Part C arrests (liquor, drugs, weapons) for the ten public housing communities. These lists include all offenses that used the address of the public housing community as the reporting address. If another address was used as the reporting address it would not be captured in this list despite the fact that it occurred within a public housing community. Your email requested information for 2011-2015, but we included 2016 as well. Both spreadsheets are organized by offense and include the case number (incident number), offense, location and the date the incident occurred. If there is a publically available report you will be able to find this utilizing the [Police to Citizen tool](#) on our website (please note: rape, statutory rape, incest and sex offenses are excluded from P2C and public crime mapping, so even if an incident report exists for those crimes, it will not be available via P2C).

Below please find information that adheres to request #E. The second chart does not break down these calls by type of call, rather combines them. We do not have any records responsive to your request for information on “person with a dangerous weapon (not a gun) and persons with weapons wounds not sustained by a gun.”

Citywide Gun Related Calls							
Offense	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	Grand Total
Gunshot Wound	22	21	23	30	32	33	161

Gun Discharge	377	361	378	431	511	541	2599
Person with Gun	199	190	224	187	242	264	1306
<b>Total</b>	<b>598</b>	<b>572</b>	<b>625</b>	<b>703</b>	<b>785</b>	<b>838</b>	<b>4904</b>

Gun Related Calls in Public Housing Communities										
Year	Deaverview	Pisgah View	Hillcrest	Klondyke	Aston Towers & Gardens	Lee Walker	Bartlett Arms	Erskine	Livingston	Walton
2011	36	47	23	10	5	35	6	24	9	2
2012	33	34	8	2	3	7	1	22	7	5
2013	32	31	11	8	6	14	4	15	10	6
2014	28	19	11	11	6	27	3	13	10	2
2015	31	43	50	11	8	26	3	19	15	0
2016	68	45	39	12	12	11	2	13	15	8
<b>Total</b>	<b>228</b>	<b>219</b>	<b>142</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>23</b>

In request #F you asked for violent crimes trends based on time of the week or hour of occurrence. We do not have any records currently available that are responsive to this request.

In addition, I have reached out to Lt. Lamb and he is available on the 17<sup>th</sup> from 12-4 p.m. for a second ride-along. Please confirm that this date and time works.

Thank you,

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**From:** Margulis, Abigail [<mailto:amargulis@ashevill.gannett.com>]  
**Sent:** Saturday, February 04, 2017 12:40 PM  
**To:** Christina Hallingse  
**Subject:** RE: Deaverview data request

Christina,

For both requests, we want a way to contextualize the data in a meaningful way. So, we do want to have this data for all ten public housing communities. But would it be best to compare data to citywide data totals to put it into the right context or would it be better to compare it to a different data set, such as a specific district or another way?

Do you mind listing the categories that fall under those offenses? But I can say, we are most concerned with felony charges since we do not write about misdemeanor charges unless there are extenuating circumstances.

Morning Maddux!

Last week I met with Wally to determine what, if any requests, were still outstanding. He shared with me Abigail's massive request below. Attached please find two spreadsheets that I intend to send to her in response to her inquiry. If it's ok with you I would like to chat about my response this morning. Can I give you a quick call around 9:30?

Thank you,

**Christina Hallingse**

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**From:** Margulis, Abigail [<mailto:amargulis@asheville.gannett.com>]

**Sent:** Saturday, February 04, 2017 12:40 PM

**To:** Christina Hallingse

**Subject:** RE: Deaverview data request

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I hope you enjoy the rest of your weekend. I'll be back in the office Tuesday, but if you need me to clarify anything for the data request please text me and I will get back to you Monday. If it's easier to talk on the phone if you text me I can give you a call.

Thanks,  
Abby

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**From:** Christina Hallingse [<mailto:CHallingse@ashevilleenc.gov>]

**Sent:** Friday, February 03, 2017 10:06 AM

**To:** Margulis, Abigail

**Subject:** RE: Deaverview data request

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Thanks,  
Abby

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**From:** Christina Hallingse [<mailto:CHallingse@ashevillenc.gov>]  
**Sent:** Friday, February 03, 2017 10:06 AM  
**To:** Margulis, Abigail  
**Subject:** RE: Deaverview data request

Abby,

Good morning! I wanted to let you know that I have been forwarded your request for information from 1/19 below. As this is a very large request, I appreciate your patience as we work to put this information together. I need to get clarification from you on a few of your requests:

1. Request D (statistics for arrest on liquor law violations, drug law violation, illegal weapons possession). Are you wanting this data citywide or just for the ten public housing communities? Can you please narrow down your request as to what drug and liquor law violations you are interested in? These categories have quite a few offenses that fall under them and it would be helpful to know which in particular you want information on.
2. Request E (how many times police have responded to shots fired, gunshot wounds, persons with a fun, person with a dangerous weapon, persons with weapon wounds). Are you wanting this data citywide or just for the ten public housing communities?

I have spoken with our crime analyst and we should be able to complete your request by next Friday, February 10<sup>th</sup>.

Thank you,

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**From:** Margulis, Abigail [<mailto:amargulis@ashevill.gannett.com>]  
**Sent:** Thursday, January 19, 2017 3:13 PM  
**To:** Wallace Welch  
**Subject:** Deaverview data request

Hi,

I have finally drafted my public records request for the Deaverview project we talked about the other week. Let me know if you have any questions about anything I've listed below. Like I said when we last met, we want to do this project right and I only want to make this data request once so it doesn't create more work for anyone.

**A.** I am requesting crime statistics from 2011-2015 for the 10 public housing communities.

1. Livingston
2. Lee Walker
3. Hillcrest
4. Klondyke
5. Erskine
6. Pisgah View
7. Walton
8. Aston Towers & Gardens
9. Deaverview
10. Bartlett Arms
11. Public housing community totals

**B.** I would like crimes separated out by year for each housing complex.

- Murder
- Sex offenses (Rape, Fondling, Incest and Statutory Rape)
- Robbery
- Burglary (1<sup>st</sup> degree)
- Breaking and entering/larceny after breaking and entering
- Aggravated Assault
  - o Assault with intent to kill or inflicting serious injury

**C.** I'd like to request the incident/police report for:

- Murders
- Aggravated assault
  - o Assault with intent to kill or inflicting serious injury
  - Gunshot wounds/people wounded with a weapon not a gun

**D.** I also need the statistics for arrests for the following categories:

- Liquor Law Violations

- Drug Law Violations
- Illegal Weapons Possession/deadly weapon possession

E. How many times have police responded to?

- Shots fired (gun discharge)
- Gunshot wounds
- Persons with a gun
- Person with a dangerous weapon (not a gun)
- Persons with weapon wounds not sustained by a gun.

F. I'd also like to request (if possible) if there is a trend to when violent crimes tend to occur whether it's a certain time of the week or during day/night time hours.

It's crucial to our reporting and review that we put some context and analysis behind this data to have a way to compare these numbers with the city as a whole.

Our hope is once data is provided the crime analyst can provide further information for context behind the raw numbers. We want to understand the magnitude of the problem.

Thanks,

**Abigail Margulis**

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**From:** eeads@ashevillenc.gov  
**Sent:** Friday, February 24, 2017 11:38 AM  
**To:** gledford@unca.edu  
**Subject:** RE: Crime Statistics


Ms. Ledford,

For annual Crime Statistics through 2015 please refer to the following link. The 2016 counts have not yet been published.

<http://crimereporting.ncsbi.gov/Reports.aspx>

Let me know if you have any further questions. Thanks

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**From:** [gledford@unca.edu](mailto:gledford@unca.edu) [mailto:[gledford@unca.edu](mailto:gledford@unca.edu)]  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 23, 2017 4:06 PM  
**To:** Internet/Webmaster <[webmaster@ashevillenc.gov](mailto:webmaster@ashevillenc.gov)>  
**Subject:** Crime Statistics

Good Afternoon,

I am a journalist for the university paper and I am looking for statistics on crime rates in Asheville. The links to the most recent numbers appear to be broken.

Could I get the most recent data?

Thank you,  
Gretchen Ledford

## Ben Fulmer

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**From:** CHallingse@ashevillenc.gov  
**Sent:** Monday, February 06, 2017 12:51 PM  
**To:** amargulis@ashevill.gannett.com  
**Cc:** opengov@ashevillenc.gov  
**Subject:** RE: Deaverview data request  
**Attachments:** crime\_stats(final).xlsx; alc\_gun\_drugs(final).xlsx

Abby,

Good afternoon! Attached please find two spreadsheets that adhere to your 1/19 request for information. The first spreadsheet contains all Part A crimes – murder, sex offenses, burglary, aggravated assault - for each of the ten public housing communities. The second spreadsheet includes all Part C arrests (liquor, drugs, weapons) for the ten public housing communities. These lists include all offenses that used the address of the public housing community as the reporting address. If another address was used as the reporting address it would not be captured in this list despite the fact that it occurred within a public housing community. Your email requested information for 2011-2015, but we included 2016 as well. Both spreadsheets are organized by offense and include the case number (incident number), offense, location and the date the incident occurred. If there is a publically available report you will be able to find this utilizing the [Police to Citizen tool](#) on our website (please note: rape, statutory rape, incest and sex offenses are excluded from P2C and public crime mapping, so even if an incident report exists for those crimes, it will not be available via P2C).

Below please find information that adheres to request #E. The second chart does not break down these calls by type of call, rather combines them. We do not have any records responsive to your request for information on “person with a dangerous weapon (not a gun) and persons with weapons wounds not sustained by a gun.”

Citywide Gun Related Calls							
Offense	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	Grand Total
Gunshot Wound	22	21	23	30	32	33	<b>161</b>
Gun Discharge	377	361	378	431	511	541	<b>2599</b>
Person with Gun	199	190	224	187	242	264	<b>1306</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>598</b>	<b>572</b>	<b>625</b>	<b>703</b>	<b>785</b>	<b>838</b>	<b>4904</b>

Gun Related Calls in Public Housing Communities										
Year	Deaverview	Pisgah View	Hillcrest	Klondyke	Aston Towers & Gardens	Lee Walker	Bartlett Arms	Erskine	Livingston	Walton
<b>2011</b>	36	47	23	10	5	35	6	24	9	2
<b>2012</b>	33	34	8	2	3	7	1	22	7	5
<b>2013</b>	32	31	11	8	6	14	4	15	10	6
<b>2014</b>	28	19	11	11	6	27	3	13	10	2

<b>2015</b>	31	43	50	11	8	26	3	19	15	0
<b>2016</b>	68	45	39	12	12	11	2	13	15	8
<b>Total</b>	<b>228</b>	<b>219</b>	<b>142</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>23</b>

In request #F you asked for violent crimes trends based on time of the week or hour of occurrence. We do not have any records currently available that are responsive to this request.

In addition, I have reached out to Lt. Lamb and he is available on the 17<sup>th</sup> from 12-4 p.m. for a second ride-along. Please confirm that this date and time works.

Thank you,

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**From:** Margulis, Abigail [<mailto:amargulis@asheville.gannett.com>]  
**Sent:** Saturday, February 04, 2017 12:40 PM  
**To:** Christina Hallingse  
**Subject:** RE: Deaverview data request

Christina,

For both requests, we want a way to contextualize the data in a meaningful way. So, we do want to have this data for all ten public housing communities. But would it be best to compare data to citywide data totals to put it into the right context or would it be better to compare it to a different data set, such as a specific district or another way?

Do you mind listing the categories that fall under those offenses? But I can say, we are most concerned with felony charges since we do not write about misdemeanor charges unless there are extenuating circumstances.

Also, I enjoyed my ride along with Lt. Lamb. It was very informative and helpful despite the very cold weather. Since, it was so cold and very few people were out and about during foot patrol I would like to set up a second ride along with Lt. Lamb for later this month. I would like to ride with him during the day (not sure how long yet, but possibly just the afternoon). I will be out of town Feb. 11-15, but am hoping we could set up something for Feb. 16, 17 or something for the following week.

I hope you enjoy the rest of your weekend. I'll be back in the office Tuesday, but if you need me to clarify anything for the data request please text me and I will get back to you Monday. If it's easier to talk on the phone if you text me I can give you a call.

Thanks,  
Abby

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**From:** Christina Hallingse [<mailto:CHallingse@ashevillenc.gov>]  
**Sent:** Friday, February 03, 2017 10:06 AM  
**To:** Margulis, Abigail  
**Subject:** RE: Deaverview data request

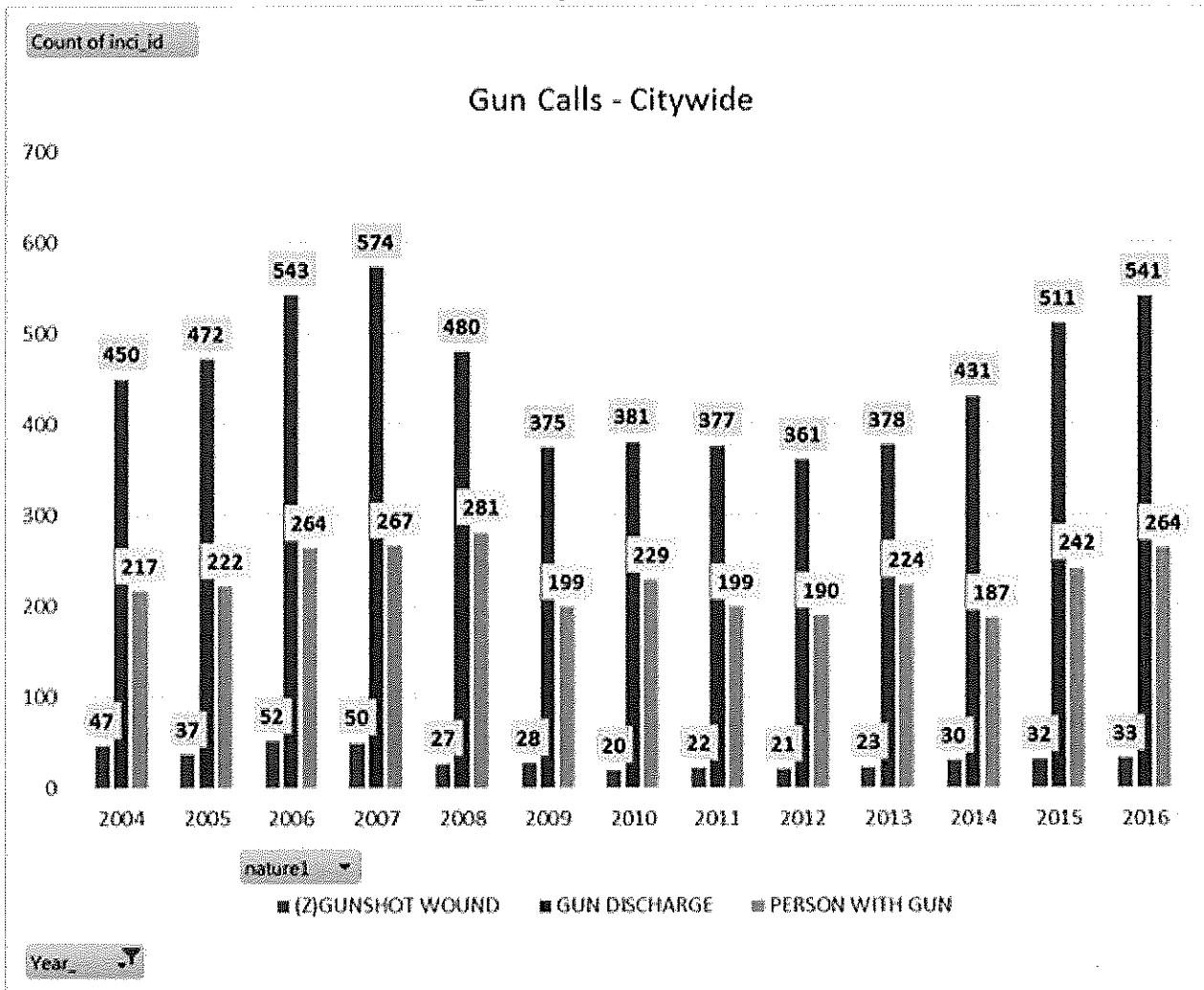
**Ben Fulmer**

**From:** eeads@ashevillenc.gov  
**Sent:** Monday, February 06, 2017 10:19 AM  
**To:** CHallingse@ashevillenc.gov; DLemley@ashevillenc.gov  
**Subject:** RE: Deaverview data request  
**Attachments:** Gun Calls

Christina, I'm not sure what was funneled to you. I just noticed I had sent the wrong "Gun Calls" attachment in my 1/25/17 0528pm email. Attached is the newer and correct one.

Please refer to that for detail. In summary for E.1.2.3 we have the following:


This chart is citywide. **She is asking only for 2011 to 2015.**



This next chart does NOT have the breakdown between Gunshot wound, Gun discharge, person with gun. It has all these three call types combined, but does provide the PH breakdown (see "1. PH" category only). **She is asking only for 2011 to 2015.**

Row Label	1. PH										2. Not PH					2. Not PH Total	3. Other	3. Other Total	Grand Total	
	A1 - Deaverview	A4 - Pisgah View	C1 - Hillcrest	C1 - Klondyke	C3 - Aston Towers & Garden	C3 - Lee Walker	C4 - Bartlett Arms	C4 - Erskine	C4 - Livingston	C4 - Walton	1. PH Total	A1 - Woodridge Apts	B2 - Ledgewood Village	B3 - Shiloh And Appledorn	C1 - Shallow North					C3 - Downtown
2004	66	123	13	3	2	10	4	11	11	1	244	2	17	13	15	29	76	394	394	714
2005	30	109	25	6	6	11	4	26	15	3	235		14	22	18	28	82	414	414	731
2006	44	103	33	13	5	52	6	39	18	11	324		12	33	19	38	102	433	433	859
2007	19	60	48	13	7	55	16	79	9	9	315		6	32	10	30	78	498	498	891
2008	31	53	56	20	7	40	6	45	8	3	269		9	21	26	24	80	439	439	788
2009	9	58	23	12	2	20	9	29	3	1	166		3	13	8	18	42	394	394	602
2010	17	58	30	12	3	41	5	27	8	1	202		5	17	15	19	56	372	372	630
2011	36	47	23	10	5	35	6	24	9	2	197		6	19	7	32	64	337	337	598
2012	33	34	8	2	3	7	1	22	7	5	122	2	6	17	8	17	50	400	400	572
2013	32	31	11	8	6	14	4	15	10	6	137	1	14	24	9	23	71	417	417	625
2014	28	19	11	11	6	27	3	13	10	2	130	3	10	23	7	25	68	450	450	648
2015	31	43	50	11	8	26	3	19	15		206	5	18	21	20	28	92	487	487	785
2016	68	45	39	12	12	11	2	13	15	8	225	7	16	31	11	33	98	515	515	838
2017	2	2	5	6					1		16	1		2		1	4	20	20	40
<b>Grand Tot</b>	<b>446</b>	<b>785</b>	<b>375</b>	<b>139</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>349</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>362</b>	<b>139</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>2788</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>288</b>	<b>173</b>	<b>345</b>	<b>963</b>	<b>5570</b>	<b>5570</b>	<b>9321</b>

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**Subject:** RE: Deaverview data request

Ed,

Thanks for the quick response! If you could please send those responses to me that would great, as I don't think I got those. Are the last two easy to pull (easy as in not very time consuming)?

Thank you,

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**From:** Ed Eads  
**Sent:** Monday, February 06, 2017 10:01 AM  
**To:** Daniel Lemley  
**Cc:** Christina Hallingse  
**Subject:** RE: Deaverview data request

Right. I sent info on the gun calls already which answers the first three parts of E. I'll re-send to be sure she has that.


The request also goes into person with dangerous weapon (not gun), and weapon wounds not sustained by a gun.

Am I to research these last two? I've not pulled that previously. It appears the request is for both Citywide and PH.

E. How many times have police responded to?

- Shots fired (gun discharge)
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