

Durham Police Department
2026 First Quarter Report
January 1 – March 31, 2026
Interim Police Chief Walter Tate

The Durham Police Department reports on five measures every quarter – 1) Part 1 Violent Crime 2) Part 1 Property Crime 3) Clearance Rates and 4) Sworn/Non-Sworn Staffing. The report also includes significant arrests and activities, and outstanding performances during the quarter.

Part 1 violent crime (homicide, rape, robbery, and aggravated assault) increased by 4.6% during the 1st quarter of 2026 compared to the same period in 2025. Part 1 property crime (burglary, larceny, and motor vehicle theft) decreased by 6.1% compared to 2025. Part 1 property crime comprised 86.4% of all Part 1 crime and larcenies made up more than half – 67% – of Part 1 crime.

Part 1 Violent Crimes	3-Year Avg	2024	2025	2026	2025-26 % Change
Homicide	9	6	9	13	+44.4%
Rape	39	40	34	43	+26.5%
Robbery	99	118	103	76	-26.2%
Aggravated Assault	241	287	203	233	+14.8%
Violent Crime Total	388	451	349	365	+4.6%

Statistics provided by the Police Department's Crime Analysis Unit

Part 1 Property Crime – January through March

Part 1 Property Crimes	3-Year Avg	2024	2025	2026	2025- 26 % Change
Burglary	269	315	275	216	-21.5%
Larceny	1,847	1,904	1,828	1,810	-0.9%
Motor Vehicle Theft	382	455	382	307	-19.8%
Property Crime Total	2,498	2,674	2,485	2,333	-6.1%

Part 1 Clearance Rates

Crime Category	FBI 2024	DPD 1Q 2025	DPD 1Q 2026
Homicide	57.5%	50.0%	76.9%
Rape	19.7%	7.7%	18.6%
Robbery	22.3%	21.2%	46.1%
Aggravated Assault	33.8%	38.5%	41.2%
Violent Crime Total	30.7%	31.4%	40.8%
Burglary	12.7%	15.8%	22.2%
Larceny	10.1%	8.2%	13.7%
Motor Vehicle Theft	6.3%	3.3%	15.6%
Property Crime Total	9.7%	8.3%	14.7%

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Adult Misdemeanor Diversion Program (October 2015 – March 2026):

*Adult MDP was for ages 18-21 until February 2019 when DPD did expansion to include up to age 26 and older adults at officer discretion

There have been 464 participants enrolled to date with a 99% completion rate and/or other participants on track to successfully complete. The recidivism rate for MDP remains at 96% with only 4% re-offending after a year or longer from MDP completion.

Demographics: 50% African American; 31% Caucasian; 18% Hispanic; and 1% AS/PI

Referrals to Wrap-Around Services	
Education Services	49
Employment Assistance	69
Mental Health	94
Mentoring	20
Substance Use Evaluations/Treatment	30
Housing	41
Total	303

Wrap-around services may continue for participants as long as needed - even after they have completed MDP.

Community resources and MDP programming options are available to participants in both English and Spanish. All MDP programming and wrap-around services are free of charge.

There was one new referral to the program during the first quarter of 2026. DPD Training Division staff scheduled the Diversion Coordinator to attend post BLET training for Academy 62 in order to present the program to the department's newest officers. This will mark the first time in several years in which the MDP Coordinator has spoken to the Academy class. This is anticipated to continue for future Academy classes.

Third Quarter Part 1 Domestic Violence Crimes (January - March)

Part 1 Violent Crime	2024	2025	2026
Homicide	2	0	1
Rape	9	3	8
Robbery	6	10	3
Aggravated Assault	58	42	53
Violent Crime Totals	75	55	65

Part 1 Property Crime	2024	2025	2026
Arson	1	0	1
Burglary	12	13	4
Larceny	11	18	22
Motor Vehicle Theft	2	1	1
Property Crime Totals	26	32	28
Part 1 Index Crime Totals	101	87	93

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Juvenile Offenses for January – March

Offense/Age	13	14	15	16	17	Grand Total
Aggravated Assault				1	1	2
All Other Offenses		3	3	10	6	22
Burglary		1	2	3	2	8
Drug Violations					2	2
Fraud					5	5
Larceny		3	5	1	5	14
Robbery			2	9	1	12
Simple Assault	1		1	1	1	4
Stolen Property		1		1	3	5
Vandalism				1		1
Weapon Violations	1			1	8	10
Grand Total	2	8	13	28	34	85

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DPD Staffing Levels

*As of December 31, 2025	Positions Filled	Positions Authorized	Staffing Percentage
Sworn	405	531	76.3%
Non-Sworn	133	145	91.0%

DPD Staff Departures (January - March)

Reason For Departure	2024	2025	2026
Resignation	17	11	6
Retirement	5	4	7
Termination	1	5	2

2026	Non-Sworn	Sworn	Recruits	Total
Resignation	2 (+1 PT)	3	1	6 (+1 PT)
Retirement	0	7	N/A	7
Termination	0	0	2	2

The chart above shows a breakdown of the types of staff departures during the first quarter by the classification of the staff members.

Applicants Tested During the First Quarter 2026

2025 First Quarter	Number of Applicants	Failed Written Test	Failed Physical Test
White Male	28	1	1
White Female	1		
African American Male	36	4	4
African American Female	6	2	3
Hispanic Male	22	3	1
Hispanic Female	3	2	1
Asian Male	1		
Asian Female			
Other Male	2	1	
Other Female			
Totals	99	13	10

Statistics provided by the Durham Police Department's Recruiting Unit

DEMOGRAPHICS FOR DURHAM POLICE DEPARTMENT BASIC LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING ACADEMY #63

	Number of Recruits
Total Recruits in Academy	33
Residency	
Durham Residents	12
Non-Durham Residents	21
Race/Ethnicity	
Caucasian	14
African American	12
Hispanic	4
Other	3
Gender	
Male	29
Female	4
Educational Attainment	
Bachelor's Degree (or Higher)	13
Associate degree	1
High School Diploma/Equivalent	19

New Recruiting Initiatives

During this quarter, the Recruiting Unit continued several marketing campaigns aimed at enhancing recruitment efforts, including the Durham Bus Campaign; the Lateral Officer Initiative;



Figure 1 RUNDPD
Occoneechee Speedway Relay

the 30x30 Initiative; DMVHUB digital video advertising; and Equal Opportunity Employment Journal digital and print advertising, along with expanded social media outreach.

The Recruiting Unit also continued its efforts with RUNDPD, a recruitment-focused initiative that invites both sworn and non-sworn employees to participate in local running events as visible representatives of the department. This quarter, RUNDPD participated in the Mutts and Marshmallows Race, Granville Ambulance Chase Race, Sole Mates Race, and the Occoneechee Speedway Relay. The unit also continued its collaboration with Fleet Feet of Durham/Carrboro to scan and fit Pre-Academy recruits for PT running shoes.

The unit continues to utilize the DocuSign program, adding several new documents to help streamline the background investigation and hiring process. Additionally, a later start time for Saturday testing dates was implemented to increase applicant participation.

During this quarter, the Recruiting Unit launched a “Recruiting Unit” Instagram page to highlight recruiting events and initiatives. Ongoing collaboration with the Public Affairs Unit including media interviews and social media spotlight stories continues to generate interest.

Finally, the Recruiting Unit continues to utilize eSOPH background investigation software to further streamline the background process, resulting in an increase in applicant background screenings and a smoother, more efficient workflow. During the first quarter, 35 officers from the Pre-Academy Program entered the Police Training Academy, reflecting continued progress in recruitment and pipeline



Figure 2 BLET 62 Graduation

2026 First Quarter - Job Fairs & Open Houses

The Recruiting Unit attended 24 events during this quarter. Military visits included Fort Bragg Solider Support Center (11), Seymour Johnson Air Force Base Career Center; HOH Hiring Events (3- Fort Lejune and Cherry Point); and Recruit Military (Fort Bragg). The Recruiting Unit attended 6 College/University Career Fairs. Colleges/Universities included Appalachian State University Job Fair; UNC Job and Intern Fair; NCCU Career Fair; UNC Greensboro Career and Intern Fair; UNC Wilmington POPAT Event; and Fayetteville Community College. Local events included Holton Career and NC4ME Career Social Events.

First Quarter Awards and Honors

Advanced and Intermediate Law Enforcement Certificates

The North Carolina Criminal Justice Education and Training Standards Commission offers the Professional Certificate Program to recognize the level of competency of officers serving governmental agencies within the State, to foster increased interest in college education and professional training programs, and to attract highly qualified people into law enforcement and criminal justice careers.

Eligibility for professional certificates is determined by a formula that combines formal education, professional training, and work experience as a law enforcement or criminal justice officer.

Six (6) officers received their Advanced Law Enforcement Certificate during the first quarter of 2026.

Corporal D. Beckett
Corporal K. Offenburg
Corporal M. Adkins
Senior Officer M. McGlasson
Senior Officer J. Stewart
Officer D. Creech Jr

Intermediate Law Enforcement Certificate

Eight (8) officers received their Intermediate Law Enforcement Certificate during the first quarter of 2026.

Officer D. Creech Jr.
Officer M. Saposnick
Officer A. Powlen
Officer N. Parkstone

Officer B. Mavrich
Officer D. Monroe
Officer E. Gonzalez
Officer B. Colley

First Quarter 2026 DPD Employees of the Month

District 2

January

Officer J. Luque responded to a stabbing call at 3600 N. Roxboro St. Upon arrival, Officer Luque met with the victim who had sustained a deep laceration on their left elbow. The suspect and the victim were in a verbal altercation that became physical. The victim pushed the suspect, and in return, the suspect stabbed the victim multiple times. Initially, there were conflicting stories between the victim and the suspect. Officer Luque reviewed video surveillance of the incident and determined that the suspect was the aggressor and was able to obtain a warrant for assault with a deadly weapon inflicting serious injury. Officer Luque was commended for her professionalism and dedication to the Durham Police Department and District 2.

February

Officer A. Misbah was recognized for the following reasons: In February 2026, Officer Misbah was recognized by the Durham chapter of Mothers Against Drunk Driving for his DWI enforcement in 2025, as he had the most DWI arrests in the department. Additionally, Officer Misbah is the department's only DRE (Drug Recognition Expert), which demonstrates his continued efforts to address impaired driving. Officer Misbah is also responsible for District 2's PBTs and making sure they are calibrated each month. Additionally, in February 2026, Officer Misbah made an on-scene arrest of a convicted felon in possession of a handgun. Officer Misbah responded to a disturbance on a GoDurham Bus. The suspect fled on foot and was quickly apprehended. A handgun was recovered, and the suspect was arrested and charged appropriately by Officer Misbah. In another incident in February 2026, while on routine patrol, Officer Misbah located a stolen U-Haul pickup truck. The stolen vehicle was occupied by two suspects who were each arrested and also charged with drug-related offenses. Finally, Officer Misbah consistently ranks among District 2's top performers in speed and DWI enforcement, and he is a great resource for his fellow officers.

March

District 2 recognized Officer B. Mavrich for her ongoing dedication, continuous effort, and hard work and service to both the Durham Police Department and the district. Over the month of March, Officer Mavrich responded to several incidents involving

sexual assaults as the primary officer. Officer Mavrigh met with the victims and conducted interviews while remaining compassionate and being sensitive to their needs. During the interviews, Officer Mavrigh was able to obtain information about the suspects and collect evidence. During one of the sexual assaults, Officer Mavrigh was able to locate a suspect with the help of her squad mates and make an arrest charging him with the offense. On March 24, 2026, Officer B. Mavrigh responded to a minor vehicle crash involving a 17-year-old girl and two grown men in the other vehicle. Prior to Officer Mavrigh's arrival, the grown men had convinced the 17-year-old to get \$500 out of a nearby ATM and give it to them to cover the damage to their car. Once Officer Mavrigh heard about this, she recommended that it would be a good idea to return the money to the 17-year-old and file a claim with the insurance company if repairs were necessary for their vehicle. The parties agreed to return the money. Both cars were older and the damage was minor. The 17-year-old's mother called the station and requested to speak to Officer Mavrigh so she could personally thank her for recognizing that her daughter was being taken advantage of and helped to resolve the issue. Officer B. Mavrigh is also recognized for her professionalism, exceptional report writing, and meticulous approach in handling these cases. Her commitment to the squad and the city of Durham exemplifies the core values of the Durham Police Department and her positive impact on District 2D is truly appreciated.

District 4

January

District 4 recognized Officer J. Butler of District 4, B Squad, as Officer of the Month for January 2026 due to his ongoing service to the district and community. The following are some examples of the good work he has did during the month: On January 20, Officer Butler responded to Swabia Ct. in reference to a break-in call. Upon arrival Officer Butler met with the manager who told him the suspect had been entering the business at night to sleep but the reporting party was not aware of anything missing. Later it was reported that there were items missing and Officer Butler conducted a follow-up with the manager and added the missing items to the report. The suspect was later arrested and charged during another break in attempt to the business. Officer Butler was commended by Assistant Chief Garcia for an exceptional report and teamwork which led to the arrest of the suspect. On January 29, Officer Butler responded to assist HEART with a trespasser call at a hotel on NC 55 Highway. HEART advised they had done everything that they could do and the suspect still refused to leave at the manager's request. Officer Butler then discovered the suspect had an active warrant for a felony probation violation. Officer Butler and assisting officers then confronted the suspect and attempted to place him under arrest. The suspect began to resist the officers by tensing up, pulling away, and grabbing the officers. As more officers arrived, they were able to gain control of the suspect and place him under arrest. The suspect was transported to the magistrate's office and charged with first degree trespassing, RDO, and was served with the felony probation violation. The suspect received a \$11,000 secured bond. During the month

of January, Officer Butler conducted 36 directed patrols, 1 foot patrol, 3 property checks, 4 traffic stops, and completed 4 field contacts. Officer Butler issued 3 citations and made 3 arrests charging a total of 5 misdemeanor offenses. Officer Butler is always ready and willing to respond to calls for service and to assist his fellow squad members with whatever they need. He arrives early for his shift and often reassigns calls from the outgoing shift so that they can leave on time. Officer Butler displays a good work ethic, good teamwork, and makes sound decisions. Officer Butler exhibits care and compassion for the community, especially for those with mental illness, often taking extra time to de-escalate and calm the situation before engaging. These are just some of the examples of good work that Officer Butler continues to perform everyday while working in District 4.

February

District 4 recognized Officer M. Mues, Jr. of District 4, B Squad, as Officer of the Month for February 2026. Officer M. Mues, Jr. was recognized due to his ongoing service to the district and community. The following are some examples of the good work he has done for the month of February 2026. On February 26, Officer Mues Jr. responded to 5311 S. Miami Blvd. due to the report of a gunshot wound victim. All available District 4 officers, as well as out of district officers, were responding to the scene. Officer Mues Jr. was the first to arrive. As he turned into the parking lot, he was met by a witness stating that the suspect had run out of the restaurant where the shooting occurred and toward a bank across the street. The suspect was being pursued by another witness. Officer Mues Jr. made his way over to the bank and observed a citizen holding the suspect at gunpoint. Officer Mues Jr. ran over to the citizen and suspect and immediately took command. Officer Mues Jr. took the suspect into custody without further incident. Officer Mues Jr. also recovered the suspect's firearm that was used in the shooting. Officer Mues Jr. then searched and secured the suspect in a police car and stood by with him until the suspect was transported to the hospital by EMS. Other officers arrived as the suspect was being taken into custody by Officer Mues Jr. and it was discovered that the victim was deceased. Officer Mues Jr. was then required to stay on scene so that he could brief CID on his part before going home. This incident has shown Officer Mues Jr.'s willingness to track down and apprehend a violent and dangerous suspect. Officer Mues Jr. is a new officer, with February being his first month released from training. Officer Mues Jr. has shown himself to be a valuable asset to the squad and the Durham Police Department already. He responded and assisted with five gunshot wound calls, four of them being homicides, this month alone. Along with those gunshot wound calls, Officer Mues Jr. answers all of his calls in a timely manner. He contributes to the monthly district initiative despite being very busy with calls. His supervisors are excited and look forward to working with Officer Mues Jr. as he continues his career with the Durham Police Department

District 5

January

District 5 recognized Officer N. Parkstone of District 5's Slide Squad for Officer of the Month for January 2026. On January 11, 2026, Officer Parkstone located a person of interest in connection with a homicide that had occurred the previous evening. He not only went above and beyond in locating the individual but also used his exceptional interpersonal skills to obtain vital information related to the investigation. Officer Parkstone quickly relayed the information he gathered to investigators and assisted with additional interviews. The details he obtained proved to be instrumental in developing one of the first significant leads in the case. On January 13, 2026, Officer Parkstone further demonstrated his dedication by volunteering to come in on his day off to assist the Organized Crime Division with the apprehension of the homicide suspect.

March

Investigator A. Roberts demonstrated exceptional productivity, initiative, and commitment to the mission of the Durham Police Department throughout the month. She conducted 128 traffic stops and led the majority of the district's speed enforcement operations, directly contributing to safer roadways and the reduction of hazardous driving behaviors. In addition to her enforcement efforts, Investigator Roberts arrested two individuals for driving while impaired, removing dangerous drivers from the road, and helping protect the community.

Investigator Roberts also played a critical role in supporting patrol operations by taking 17 additional crash reports, alleviating call volume, and allowing uniform officers to remain available for higher priority calls for service. Beyond her measurable outputs, she consistently demonstrates what it means to be a team player. She routinely volunteers for additional tasks and willingly covers extra on-call shifts when needed, demonstrating her reliability, selflessness, and dedication to the unit's success.

Training Division

January

The Training Division recognized Corporal Craven for Officer of the Month in recognition of his outstanding dedication, leadership, and multifaceted contributions to the Durham Police Department. Recently, a winter storm significantly impacted the academy's daily operations. Despite hazardous weather conditions, academy operations continued seamlessly under the leadership of Corporal Craven. He effectively navigated the scheduled training by adjusting class times as necessary and promptly communicating changes to instructors, ensuring the safety of all personnel while preserving the integrity of the training schedule. During this same period, Corporal Craven was also assigned to instruct Traffic Techniques, a three-day course that included two days of outdoor instruction while snow and ice remained on the

ground. Through careful planning, attention to detail, and sound judgment, he successfully conducted the training with no vehicle damage and no injuries to officers. His ability to adapt instruction to unsafe conditions while maintaining training standards reflects exceptional leadership, professionalism, and commitment to officer safety. Corporal Craven has served in the Training Division for an extended period and consistently demonstrates outstanding performance. Day after day, his attention to detail enables the department to produce well-prepared officers and maintain state accreditation. He is dependable, self-motivated, and can be relied upon in any situation with little to no supervision. Recruits regularly look to him as a mentor, and he sets a strong example for student officers as they prepare to transition to patrol duties. On countless occasions, Corporal Craven has taken on multiple responsibilities as the academy corporal and has provided critical assistance at the firearms range for both in-service and academy training. Even when away from the academy, he remains diligent in maintaining state audit documentation. He consistently offers assistance in any capacity needed—whether serving as a role player, evaluator, or instructor—to ensure the continued success of training operations. His consistent work ethic and clear communication with supervisors directly contribute to the successful completion of BLET classes. For these reasons, Corporal Craven is highly deserving of recognition as Officer of the Month for his continued dedication, exemplary leadership, and outstanding contributions to the Training Division and the department as a whole.

February

The Training Division recognized Corporal C. Shepperd as the Officer of the Month in recognition of his outstanding dedication, leadership, and multifaceted contributions to the Durham Police Department. Since being assigned to the Training Division, Corporal Shepperd has proven to be an invaluable member of the team. He currently serves as the department's In-Service Coordinator, a role that carries significant responsibility as the certifications of all department personnel depend on the accuracy and completeness of his work. This position requires coordination with Durham Technical Community College, management of numerous state AOC codes, and meticulous attention to detail. Corporal Shepperd quickly mastered these responsibilities and consistently exceeds expectations. It is not uncommon to find him working beyond normal hours to ensure tasks are completed correctly and on time. His work ethic, intelligence, and positive attitude set a high standard for others. Corporal Shepperd's contributions extend well beyond his primary assignment. He has volunteered as the Academy's Lead CCT Instructor, Co-Lead PT Instructor, and Taser Instructor. He also played an active role in all reality-based training during Academy 62's ALET program. Additionally, he volunteered to assist with pre-hire physical training and recently supported the Public Affairs Unit by participating in a departmental promotional video. As his Captain, this is the second time I have had the privilege of working with Corporal Shepperd. He is a highly motivated and dependable leader with a bright future in this department. I look forward to his continued growth and success. For these reasons, Corporal Shepperd is highly deserving of recognition as Officer of the Month for his

dedication, exemplary leadership, and outstanding contributions to the Training Division and the Durham Police Department.

Administrative Services Division

January

The Administrative Services Bureau recognized Robin Alston of the Records Unit as the Employee of the Month for January 2026. Robin regularly works with the DA's office, the Court Liaison, and the existing Felony Screening process. Robin is responsible for processing Felony Screenings and ensuring that the items have been properly uploaded to the system for the DA's office to review. This task is a large undertaking and one that requires a high level of attention to detail to ensure packets are processed accordingly and the correct information is provided and stored accurately. As a result of Robin's time with the department and in the Records Unit, she is very knowledgeable. Robin is also willing to share her knowledge with the staff. This knowledge allows the staff to be better informed and gain perspective on our processes and practices. She brings a positive attitude to work every day and regularly displays a can-do attitude.

Professional Standards Division

January

Corporal B. Francis was recognized as the Professional Standards Division's Officer of the Month for January 2026. Corporal Francis is an integral part of the Professional Standards Division. He consistently goes above and beyond for members of his unit, other department members, and citizens. After the promotions and transfer list came out, including dozens of new supervisors, one new supervisor was having trouble accessing Blue Team. Corporal Francis helped the supervisor and took it upon himself to conduct an audit of the Blue Team active directory to ensure that all supervisors were able to access the system without issue.

Corporal Francis was also vital in setting up equipment and preparing training aids for two new sergeants assigned to the unit. Additionally, Corporal Francis has been helping update the unit's Standard Operating Procedures and General Orders. Corporal Francis routinely offers to assist members of the City's Human Resources and Legal departments to make sure that hearings are handled properly. This includes an instance where he was able to compile hundreds of pages of documents on extremely short notice and distribute them to the appropriate parties. In another instance this month, Corporal Francis assisted legal with gathering documents they needed. His hard work and professionalism did not go unnoticed. Attorney Baker emailed Corporal Francis' supervisors lauding Corporal Francis as a "big help" and noting that he "went well above and beyond". When handling citizen complaints and concerns, Corporal Francis consistently demonstrates the ability to communicate with care, empathy, and professionalism. This was evident when a citizen, who had force utilized against them

during an arrest, took the time to email the department thanking Corporal Francis for his “outstanding” communication throughout the investigation. In addition to all of these things, Corporal Francis attended a weeklong training in January to become one of the first Durham Police Department officers to become certified in Computer Voice Stress Analysis. Corporal Francis does all this while volunteering with more duties that are not required of an Internal Affairs investigator, serving as the chair of the Accident Review Board and an IAPro System Administrator. It is for this and more that Corporal Francis deserves to be recognized as Officer of the Month.

Significant First Quarter Homicide Arrests/Charges

Foushee Street Homicide Arrest – On January 12, 2026, Dexter Hart, 37, was arrested and charged with murder. The charges stem from a fatal stabbing which occurred on January 10, 2026, in the 300 block of Foushee St.

Hillsborough Road Homicide Arrest – On January 22, 2026, Aryahna Mangum, 26, was arrested and charged with murder. The charges stem from a January 4, 2026, homicide that occurred in the 3500 block of Hillsborough Rd.

South Alston Avenue Homicide Arrest – On February 18, 2026, Donnell Stanford, 18, and a juvenile suspect were arrested and charged with murder. The charges stem from a fatal shooting which occurred on February 16, 2026, in the 600 block of S. Alston Ave.

Chartwell Court Homicide Arrest – On February 12, 2026, Andrea Foust, 41, was arrested and charged with murder and attempted murder. The charges stem from a homicide which occurred the same day on Chartwell Court.

Glenn School Road Homicide Arrest – On March 20, 2026, Anson Haviland, 51, was arrested and charged with murder and attempted 1st degree rape. The charges stem from a homicide which occurred on November 18, 2025, in the 1500 block of Glenn School Road.

East Umstead Street Homicide Arrest – On March 25, 2026, Sayqon Bowens, 23, was arrested and charged with murder. The charges stem from a homicide which occurred in the 200 block of E. Umstead Street on February 11, 2026.

Fayetteville Street/East Pilot Street Homicide Arrest – On March 31, 2026, Larue Barbee, 46, was arrested and charged with murder. The charges stem from a homicide which occurred along the American Tobacco Trail on March 9, 2026.

Significant First Quarter Aggravated Assault Arrests/Charges

Danube Lane Shooting Arrest – February 25, 2026, Cherokee Edwards, 24, was arrested and charged with assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill inflicting

serious injury (AWDWIKISI). The charges stem from a shooting which occurred on February 24, 2026, in the 4800 block of Danube Ln.

South Alston Avenue Shooting Arrest – On March 8, 2026, Jordan Garrett, 20, was arrested and charged with AWDWIKISI. The charges stem from a shooting which occurred the same day in the 700 block of S. Alston Ave.

Fayetteville Street Shooting Arrest – On March 11, 2026, Semira Allen, 21, was arrested and charged with two counts of assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill (AWDWIK) and one count of discharging a weapon into occupied property. The charges stem from a shooting which occurred on February 16, 2026, in the 2500 block of Fayetteville St.

Highway 55 Aggravated Assault Arrest – On March 20, 2026, Denzell Small, 34, was arrested and charged with felony assault with a deadly weapon. The charges stem from an incident which occurred on March 15, 2026, in which Small attempted to strike another individual with a vehicle.

Ellis Road Shooting Arrest – On March 19, 2026, David McMillan, 34, was arrested and charged with two counts of AWDWIKISI, discharging a weapon into occupied property, possession of firearm by felon, and going armed to the terror of the people. The charges stem from an incident which occurred on March 7, 2026, in which multiple people were shot in the 600 block of Ellis Rd.

South Alston Avenue Shooting Arrest - On March 19, 2026, David Lynch, 36, was arrested and charged with AWDWIKISI, discharge weapon into occupied property, discharge firearm inside an enclosure to incite fear and felony conspiracy. The charges stem from a shooting which occurred on October 7, 2025, in which a food truck driver was shot in the 700 block of S. Alston Ave.

Significant First Quarter Robbery Arrests/Charges

Commercial Robbery Arrest – On February 24, 2026, Keriya Allen, 28, was arrested and charged with multiple felony charges, including robbery with a dangerous weapon. The charges stem from two robberies of businesses which occurred in December 2025. On December 6, 2025, three suspects robbed a business in the 4900 block of N. Roxboro Rd. On December 7, 2025, another business was robbed in the 4900 block of N. Roxboro Rd.

Significant First Quarter Special Victims Unit Arrests/Indictments

DPS Obstruction of Justice Arrests - On January 21, 2026, Tanya Giovanni, 55, Ayesha Hunter, 55, and Tounya Wright, 60, were arrested and charged in relation to an assault on a Durham Public Schools student which occurred in November 2024. The suspects were charged as follows:

1. Ayesha Hunter: 6 counts of felony obstruction of justice and 2 counts of perjury
2. Tanya Giovanni: 5 counts of felony obstruction of justice
3. Tounya Wright: 3 counts of felony obstruction of justice and perjury

Indecent Liberties Arrest – On January 21, 2026, Murad Allen, 37, was arrested and charged with several offenses including indecent liberties with a child, 3rd degree sexual exploitation of a minor and destroying evidence. The charges stem from a report that was originally taken by an out of state law enforcement agency in December 2025.

Child Abuse Arrest – On February 23, 2026, Carylton Hamlett, 65, was arrested and charged with six counts of misdemeanor child abuse. The charges stem from an incident that was reported to Durham Police on January 2, 2026, in which multiple children were reportedly assaulted at a daycare center.

Aggravated Assault Arrest – On March 11, 2026, Charlie Cole, 33 was arrested and charged with several offenses, including first degree kidnapping, AWDWIKISI, and assault inflicting serious bodily injury. The charges stem from an incident which occurred on February 9, 2026, in the 2500 block of Fairlawn Rd.

Significant First Quarter Property Crime/Fraud Arrests/Charges

Vehicle Breaking and Entering Arrest – On January 23, 2026, Jayden Crowder, 18, was arrested and charged with multiple offenses, including two counts of felony break/enter motor vehicle, obstruction of justice, identity theft, and carrying a concealed weapon. The charges stem from an incident which occurred the same day near Pettigrew St. and Sowell St. after he was observed breaking into multiple vehicles and apprehended after a short foot pursuit.

Downtown Vehicle Breaking and Entering Arrest – On February 16, 2026, Jerry McCoy Jr., 60, was arrested and charged with multiple offenses in relation breaking and entering to vehicles in the 700 block of Ramsuer St. and the 700 block of Rigsbee Ave.