



# Brunswick Police Department 2025-2026 Budget Presentation



# Retirements



Communications Supervisor  
Arthur "Fudd" Frizzle  
*29 years of service*



# Promotions



Communications Supervisor  
Rebecca Blier-Carter



# Community Policing Grant



- Late 2022, the U.S. Department of Justice awarded a grant to dedicate a Community Policing Officer
- Additional emphasis to existing proactive Community Policing philosophy
- 3 years of funding towards wages
- Funding expires January, 2026





# Vacancies



## Patrol

- Currently
  - 3 vacancies
  - 3 in the Police Academy
  - 1 on Field Training
- For several months
  - 1 on extended military leave
  - 2 out with injuries
  - 4 vacancies
  - 2 on Field Training
  - In total, 9 fewer Officers available



## Communications

- Currently
  - 1 vacancy, multiple applicants in process



# Recognition





# Community Events



73 buckets of sand delivered to Seniors!



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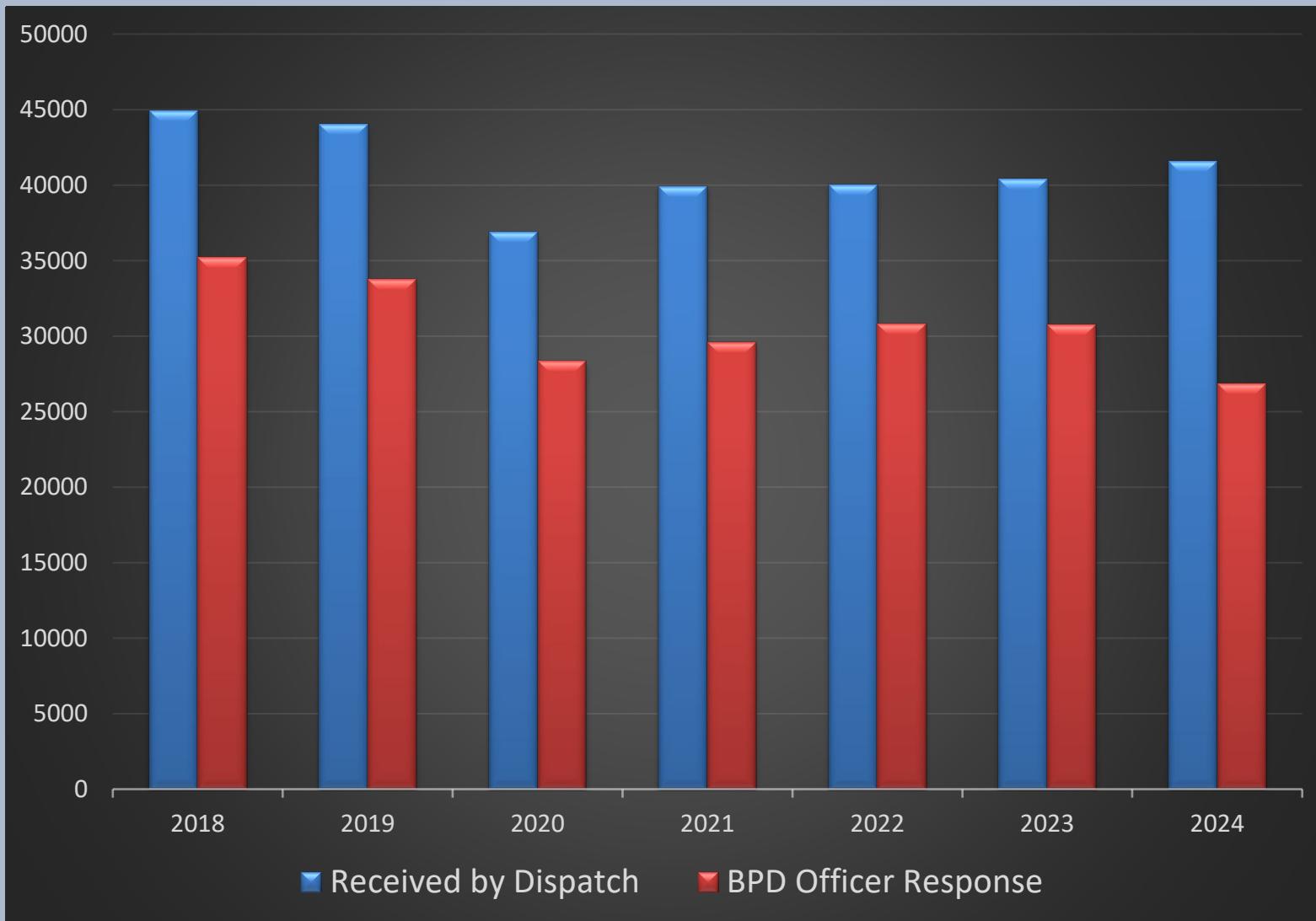


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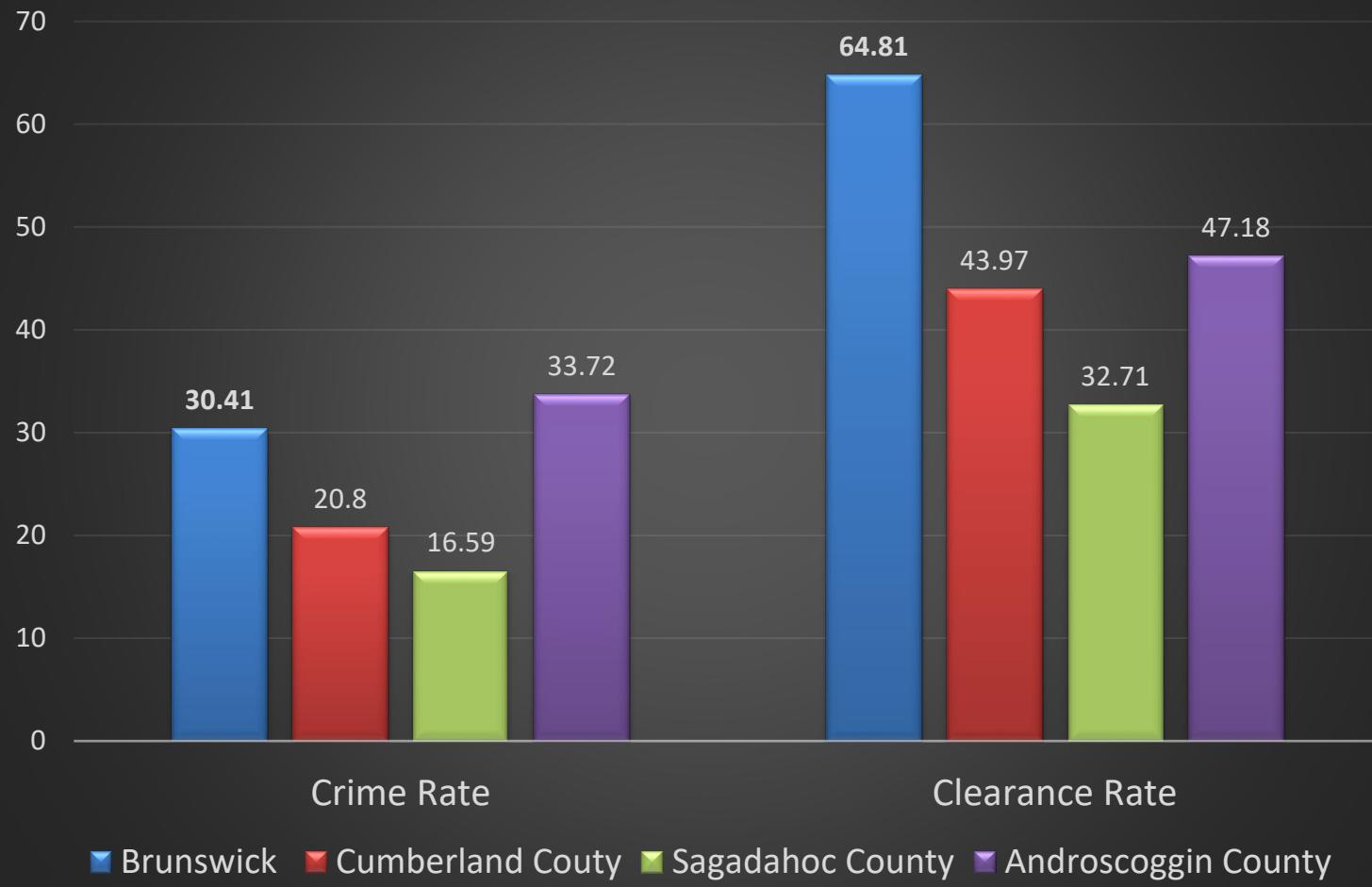
# Calls for Service





# Crime and Clearance Rates

2023





# Theft (Scams)

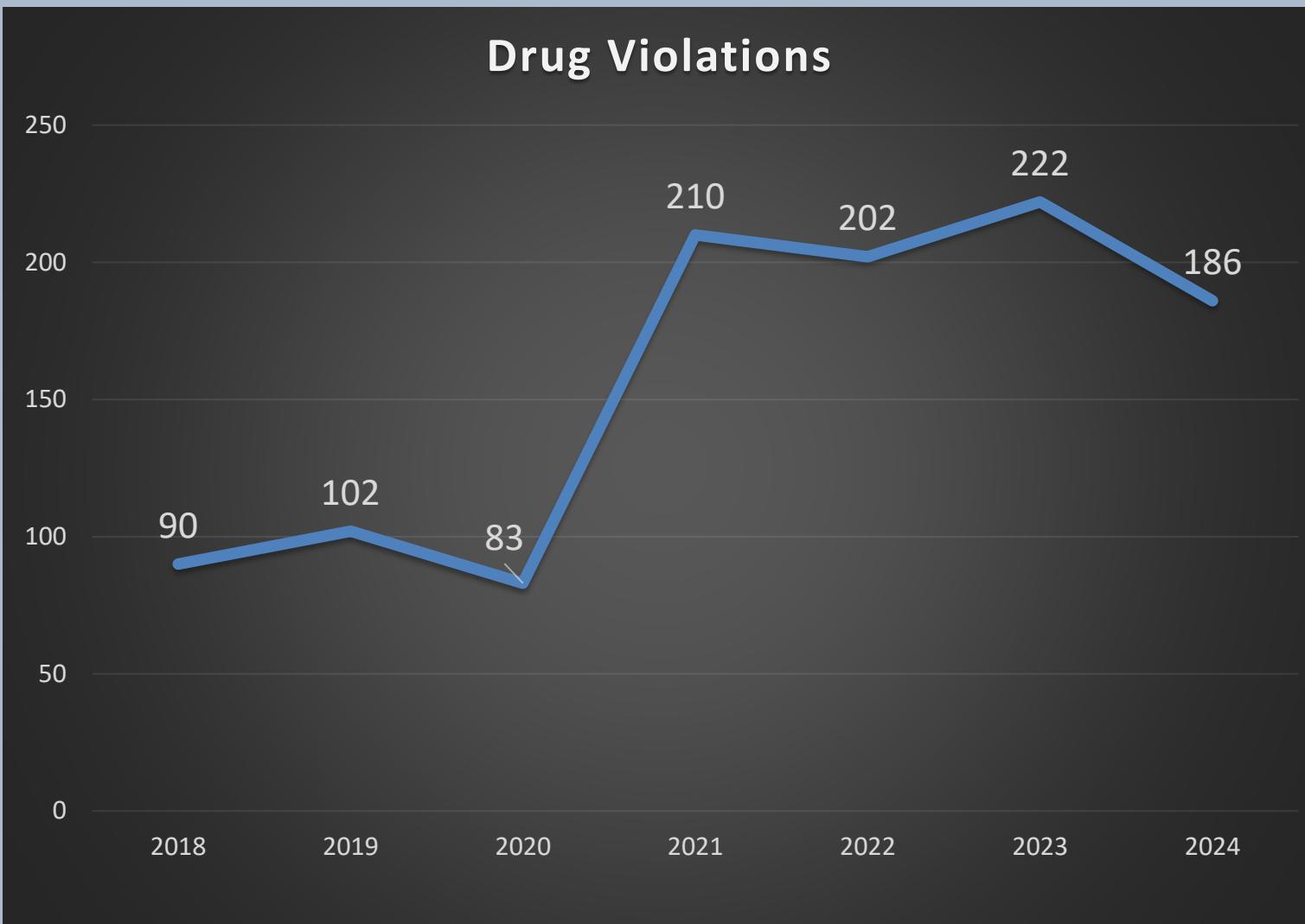
- Increase in scams aimed at seniors in 2024
  - 42 reported incidents
    - \$199,138 lost /stolen
    - \$114,743 saved after calling Police





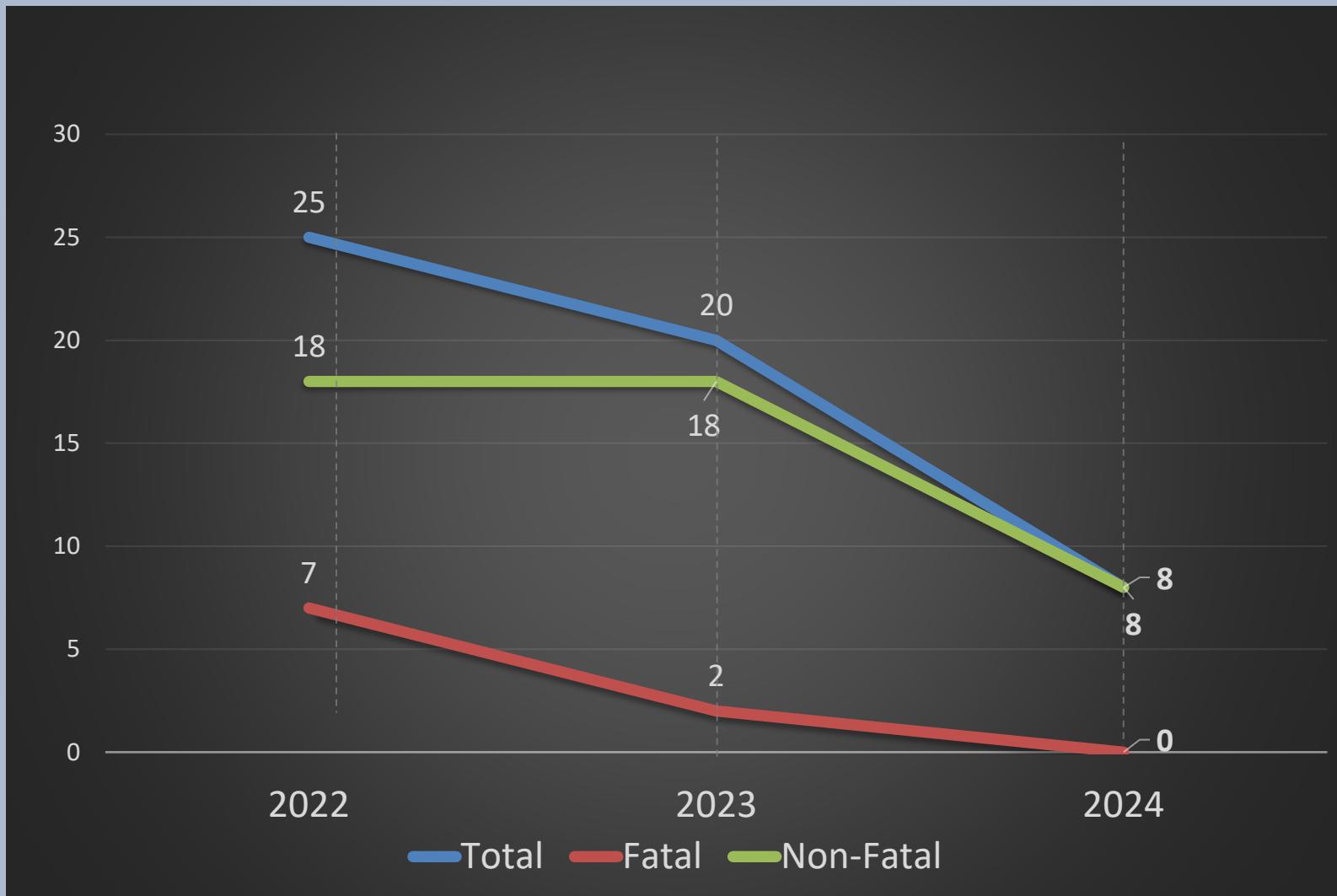
# Drug Violations 2018 - 2024

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# Overdoses 2022 - 2024





# Drug Takeback

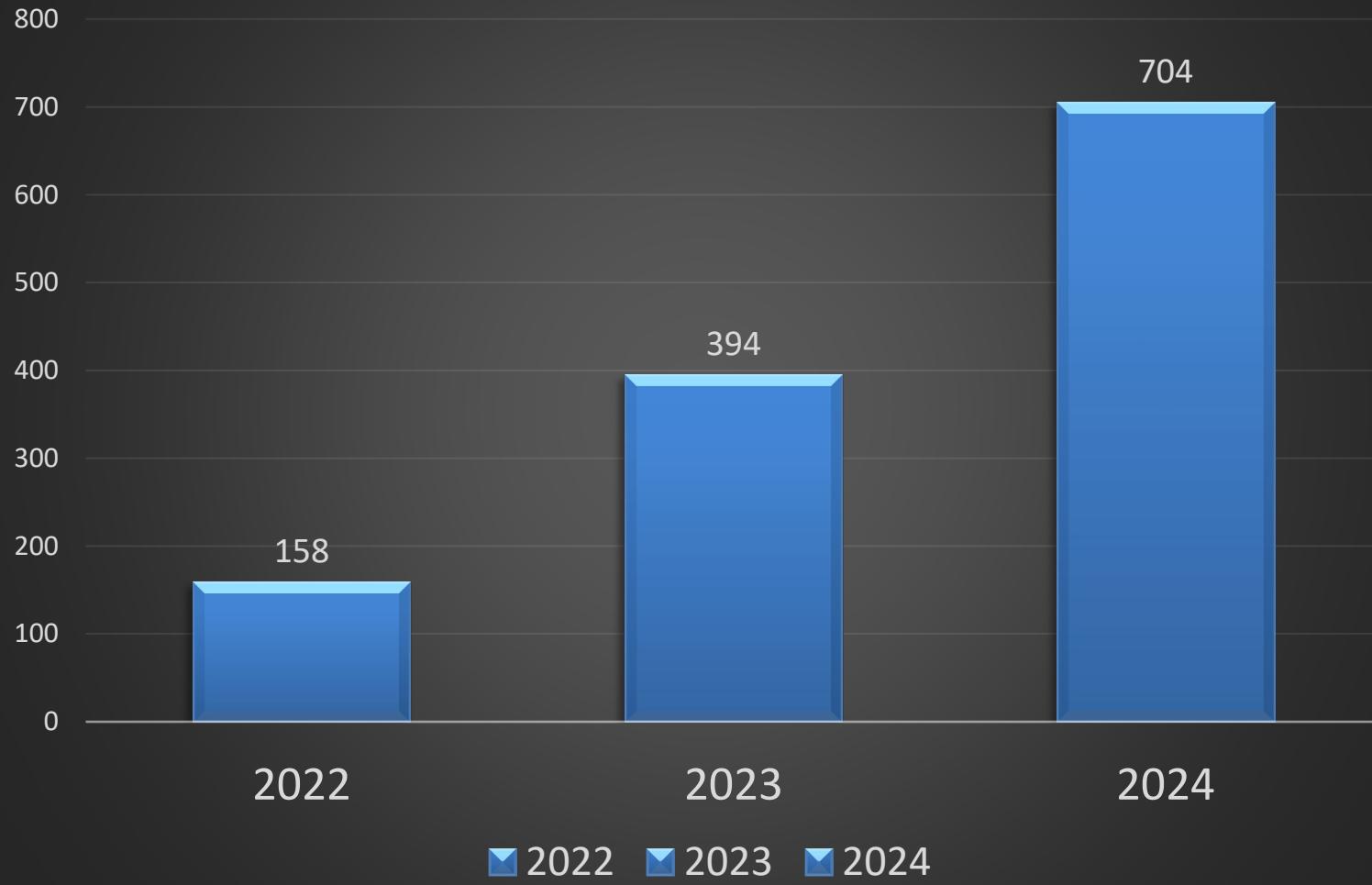
- Drug Box in BPD Lobby Through Year
  - April, 2022 - April, 2023: 1028.7 lbs.
  - April, 2023 - April, 2024: 1000.1 lbs.
  - April, 2024 - April, 2024: 959.3 lbs.
- National Drug Takeback Day
  - April, 2023: 101.4 lbs.
  - April, 2024: 116 lbs.
  - April, 2025: 34 lbs. (bad weather)





# Mental Health

Brunswick Mental Health Calls





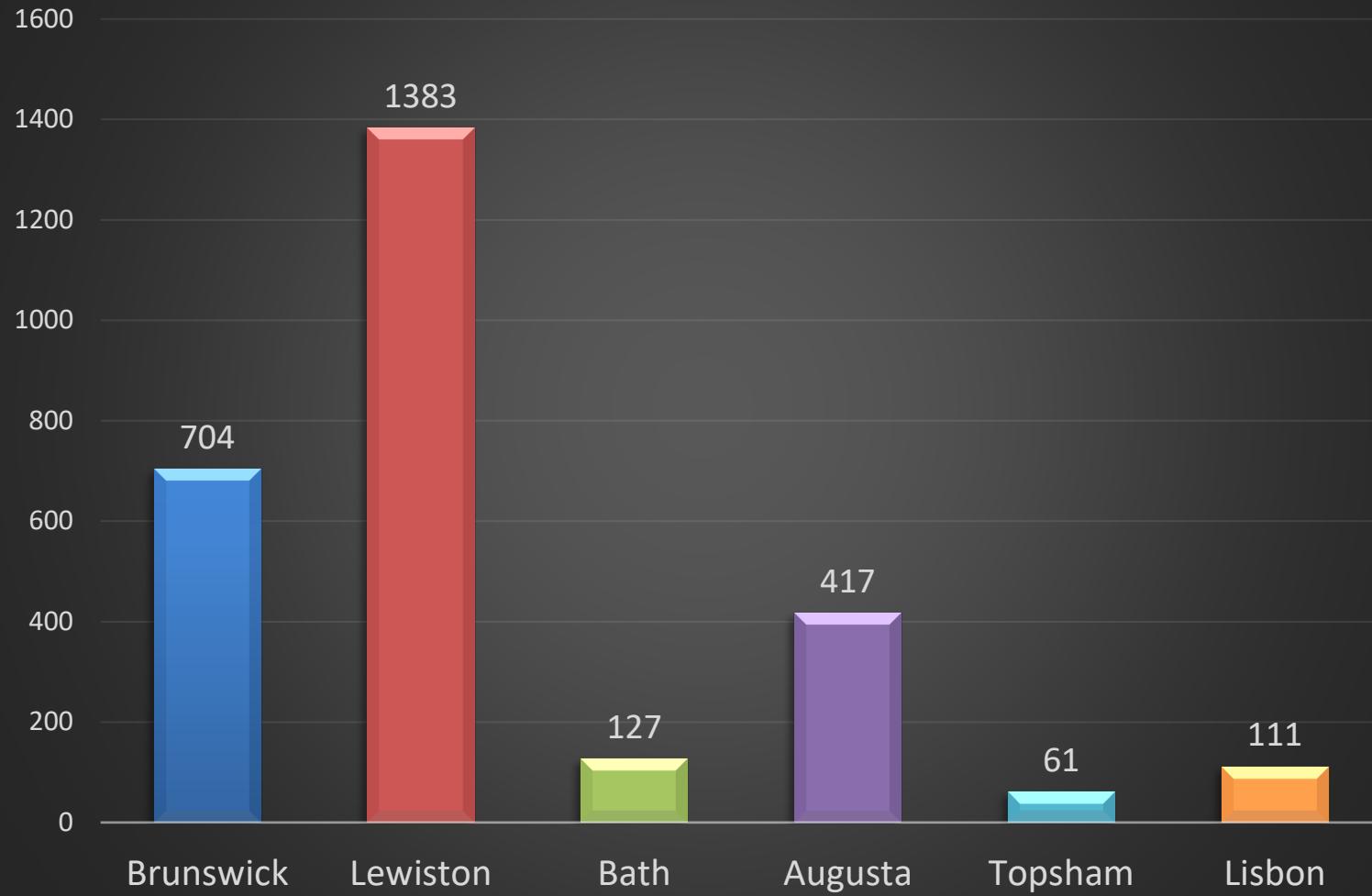
# Mental Health

- Average time on 2024 Mental Health Call is 35 minutes
- Total number of mental health calls in 2024 is 704
  - $35 \text{ min} \times 704 = 24,640 \text{ min} / 60 = 410.66 \text{ hours}$
- 1 Officer doing 40 hours of mental health for 10 week



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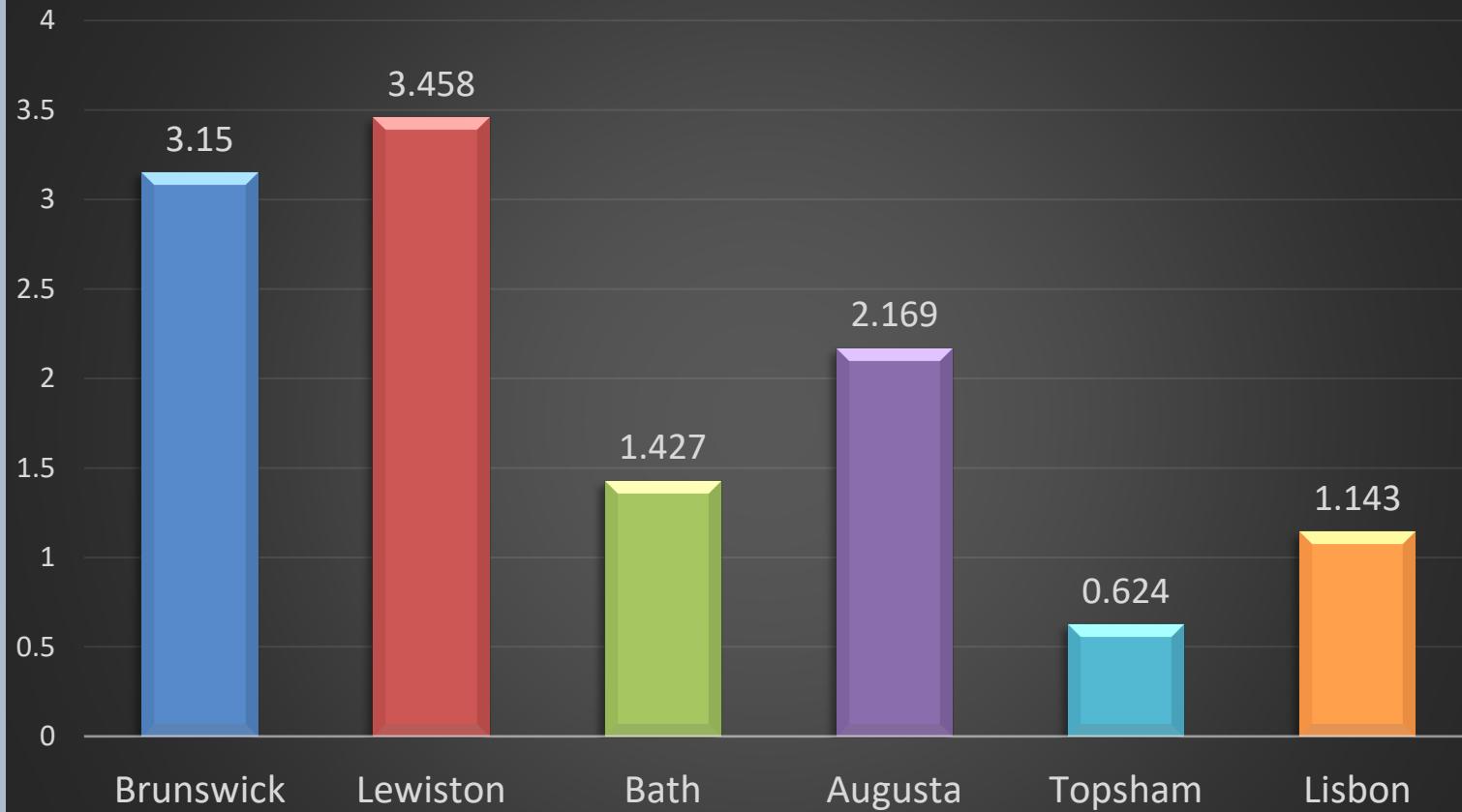
## 2024 Mental Health Related Calls





# Mental Health

## 2024 Mental Health Calls per Population





# Mental Health Liaison

- Shared Mental Health Liaison with Sagadahoc County in Fall, 2023
  - Follow-up based
  - Co-response with Officers when available
- May 12<sup>th</sup>, 2025: Full-time Mental Health Liaison specific to Brunswick
  - Co-response with Officers when available
  - Follow-up with resources
  - Outreach based



# Unhoused Task Force

- Started in March of 2024 to work collectively on issues
- Has grown to include all stakeholders and continues to grow
- Currently includes representation from:
  - Patrol
  - Dispatch
  - Parks and Rec
  - Mental Health Liaison
  - OPTIONS Liaison
  - The Gathering Place
  - Brunswick School Dept.
  - Curtis Library
  - Hannaford
  - Tedford Housing – Warming Center
  - Maine Housing – Hub Coordinator
  - Tedford Housing – Homeless Outreach
  - Maine Community Health
  - Brunswick Human Services
- As needed – ACO, Fire Department, Faith Based Organizations



# Employee Mental Health





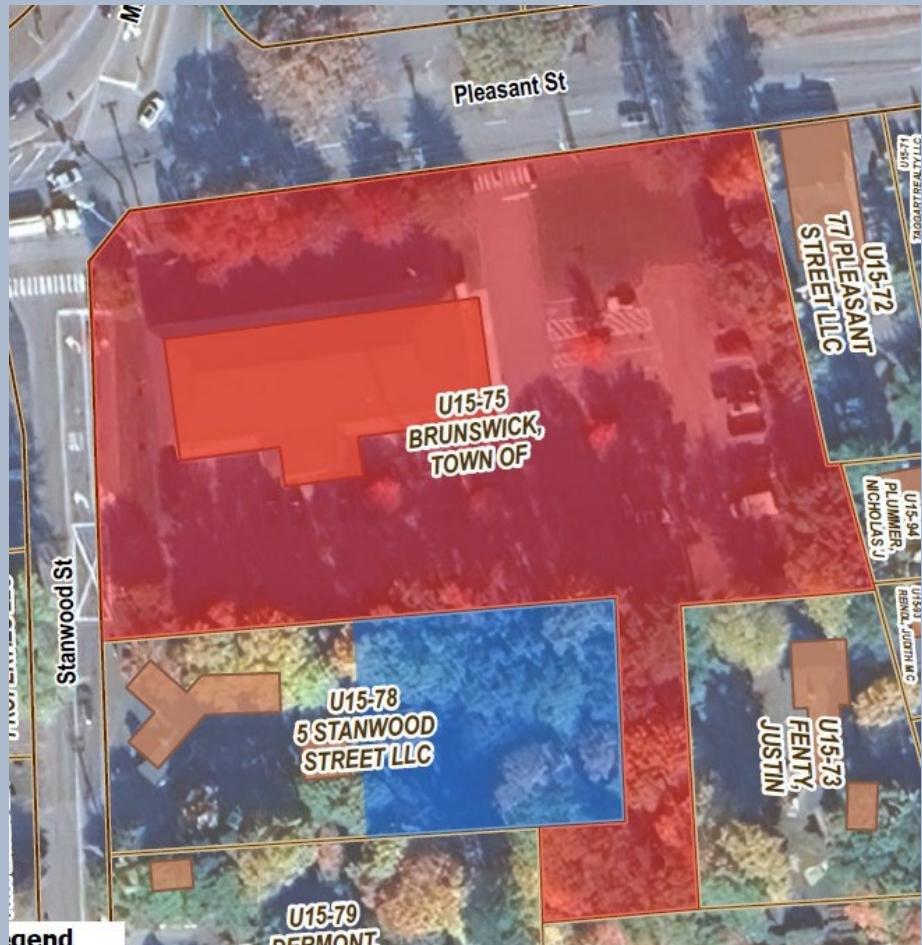
# Completed Projects

- Upgraded Records Management System to Central Square in August, 2024
- Cruiser and Body Camera upgrade: May, 2025



# Capital Improvement

- Land Acquisition
  - Currently 35 parking stalls for staff and visitors
    - 3 are handicap
    - 2 are internet exchange





# Capital Improvement



- Mobile Data Terminals
  - Currently, at end of life



# Questions

