



City of Marco Island

Meeting Date: August 3, 2026

To: City Council

From: Interim Police Chief Joseph Belardo

Through: Casey Lucius, Ph.D., City Manager

Re: June 2026 Monthly City Council Report

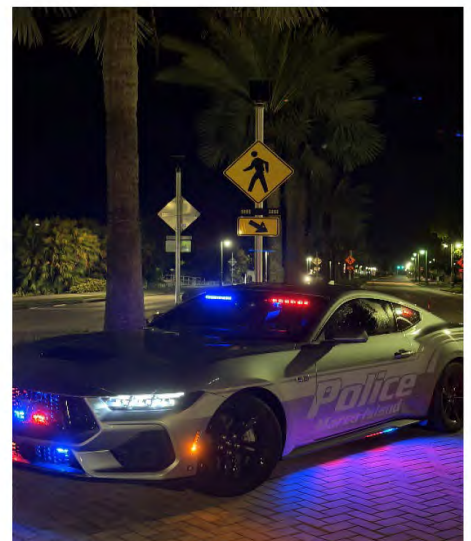
Employee News



Officer Marikay O'Brien was recognized in June by the Marco Island Rotary Club for demonstrating kindness, compassion and service beyond the badge. While assisting a person experiencing homelessness on Marco Island, Officer O'Brien took the time to help connect him with resources that could bring him closer to home. She also made sure he had something to eat and provided him with personal funds to help him along the way. Officer O'Brien is assigned to the Patrol Division and assists with the department's Community Oriented Policing Unit, helping strengthen relationships between our officers and the community we serve.

Community Oriented Policing

In June, the MIPD launched **Wednesdays with Will**, a new social media series designed to give residents a behind-the-scenes look at the work of our Traffic Unit. Hosted by Officer Will Prigge, the series combines education, enforcement, and community engagement by explaining traffic laws, highlighting real enforcement efforts, and answering questions frequently raised by the public. The series was inspired by resident feedback and reinforces the department's commitment to transparency and proactive communication. By showing the "why" behind traffic enforcement, *Wednesdays with Will* helps strengthen trust, encourages safer driving habits, and demonstrates how community input directly influences our public safety efforts.



June Police Activity Crime Report:

In June 2026, 69 incidents were reported to the Marco Island Police Department. Crimes against persons increased compared to June 2025 (2 vs. 1). Property crimes increased (11 vs. 8) when comparing June 2026 with June 2025. Miscellaneous crimes increased (8 vs. 4) compared to 2025. Crimes against society increased (4 vs. 1) compared to June 2025. The Marco Island Police Department made 7 arrests in June 2026 on charges including DUI, Resisting an Officer, Burglary, Battery, and Driving Without a License.

June 2026 vs. 2025 Crimes by Category, Non-Criminal Offenses							
Jun-2026			Jun-2025			% of Change	
Crimes against Persons	# of incidents	Year to Date	Crimes against Persons	# of incidents	Year to Date	June '26 v. June '25	YTD
Sex offenses	0	0	Sex offenses	0	0		
Domestic Battery	1	8	Domestic Battery	1	5		
Assault	1	7	Assault	0	15		
Impersonation	0	0	Impersonation	0	1		
Intimidation/Stalking	0	1	Intimidation/Stalking	0	1		
Total	2	16	Total	1	22	100%	-27%
Property Crimes			Property Crimes				
Robbery	2	2	Robbery	0	1		
Burglary	1	11	Burglary	1	2		
Burglary Auto	0	2	Burglary Auto	1	2		
Bicycle Theft	1	3	Bicycle Theft	0	4		
Motor Vehicle Theft	1	3	Motor Vehicle Theft	0	0		
Theft	3	23	Theft	1	22		
Criminal Mischief/ Vandalism	1	12	Criminal Mischief/ Vandalism	3	8		
Fraud	2	13	Fraud	2	3		
Total	11	69	Total	8	42	38%	64%
Misc. Crimes			Misc. Crimes				
Others (Trespass, Warrants, etc)	5	21	Others (Trespass, Warrants, etc)	0	16		
Hit and Run	1	13	Hit and Run	0	9		
Resisting Officers	1	1	Resisting Officers	0	0		
Criminal Traffic	1	13	Criminal Traffic	3	6		
Open carry of weapon	0	0	Open carry of weapon	0	0		
Fleeing and Eluding	0	0	Fleeing and Eluding	1	1		
Total	8	48	Total	4	32	100%	50%
Crimes against Society			Crimes against Society				
DUI	4	9	DUI	1	9	0%	
Narcotics	0	3	Narcotics	0	3		
Total	4	12	Total	1	12	300%	0%
Other Incidents			Other Incidents				
Marchman Act	2	8	Marchman Act	2	7		
Baker Act	0	10	Baker Act	2	14		
Operation Medicine Cabinet	2	14	Operation Medicine Cabinet	3	16		
Non-Criminal incidents	40	234	Non-Criminal incidents	29	243		
Total	44	266	Total	36	280	22%	-5%

Note: Non-Criminal incidents are reports that do not have a criminal offense or are information reports. Examples include fraud cases (outside of Marco Island Jurisdiction), other agency assists, lost and found items, and medical assists.

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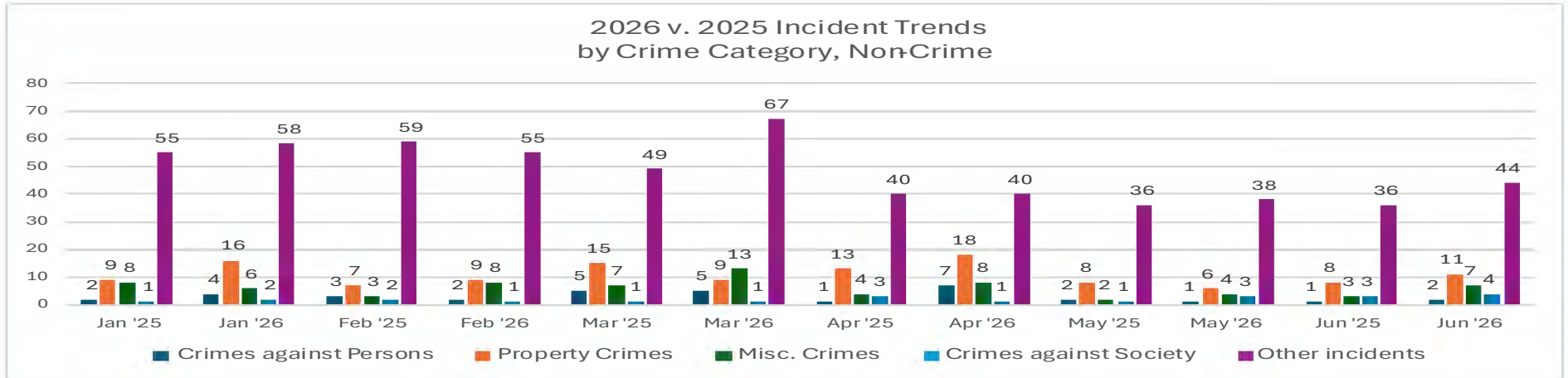
Note: Multiple criminal offenses may have occurred within some incidents. This reporting aligns with new crime data collection requirements from the Florida Department of Law Enforcement and the FBI. This announcement for crime reporting was covered in the February 2022 monthly report. Non-criminal incidents are reports that do not have a criminal offense or are information reports. Examples include fraud cases (outside of Marco Island jurisdiction), other agency assists, lost and found items and medical assists.

*Marchman Act: Florida Substance Abuse Impairment Act F.S.S Chapter 397

* Baker Act: Florida Mental Health Act F.S.S Chapter 394

2026. vs 2025 Incident Trend

In June 2026, there were 44 non-criminal incidents reported. 45% of non-criminal incident reports were comprised of suspicious incidents. 14% of reports referred to assistance to other agencies including Collier EMS, Marco Island Fire Department, and other law enforcement agencies. 24% of non-criminal incident reports are for lost and found property. The Marco Island Police Department will accept found property into our property and evidence department for safekeeping until an owner can be located.

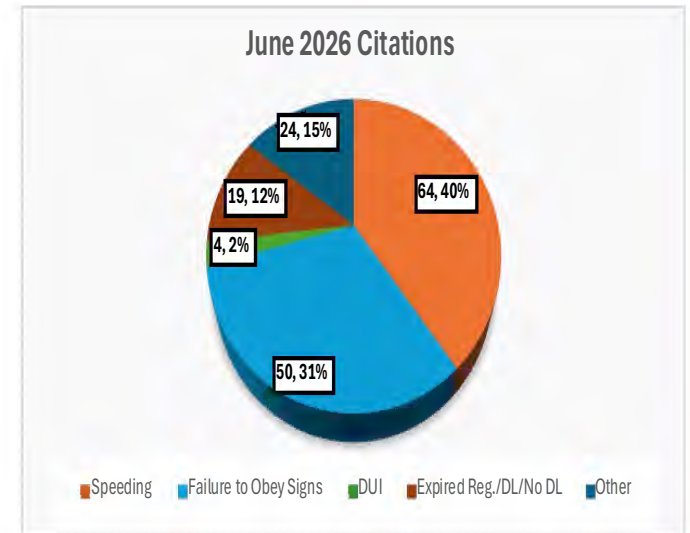


This data highlights the diverse range of incidents that the department responds to, emphasizing both public safety and community support.

Traffic Patrol

In June 2026, there were 445 traffic citations and warnings issued by the Marco Island Police Department. Of the 161 written citations issued, 31% were for failure to obey traffic signs or traffic lights. 12% of citations were for operating a motor vehicle with an expired registration or driver's license. 40% were for excess speeding. 15% were issued for other citations such as no insurance, improper turns, or careless driving. In June 2026 there were 6 seized drivers licenses and 1 seized license plate during traffic stops.

In June 2026, MIPD officers conducted 135 bicycle and e-bike stops. Of those stops, 39 involved a verbal warning, and 96 resulted in written warnings. Informational packets were supplied to riders during each stop. All stops resulted in corrective actions with lights, bells, and helmets distributed as needed.



Detective Bureau Monthly Investigative Report

Detective Bureau data reflects the number of cases assigned to the bureau each month. These totals do not account for active investigations carried over from previous months and, therefore, do not reflect the bureau's overall caseload.

Case Type	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	TOTAL	YEAR
Death Investigations	4	1	2	1	3	0							11	2025
Robbery	0	0	0	0	0	0							0	2025
Sexual Battery/Sex Crime/ICAC	0	2	1	0	0	2							3	2025
Child Abuse/Neglect	0	0	0	0	1	0							1	2025
Conveyance Burglary	1	2	1	1	0	2							7	2025
Burglary	0	0	1	1	0	0							2	2025
Trespassing	0	0	1	1	2	1							5	2025
GTA & Recovery	0	0	0	1	0	0							1	2025
Theft/Grand & Petit	7	5	9	2	5	2							30	2025
Fraud	5	4	5	5	0	6							25	2025
Vandalism	2	6	2	2	1	1							14	2025
Battery/Assault	1	3	1	7	2	1							15	2025
Domestic Violence	3	0	4	7	2	3							19	2025
Hit and Run/DUI Crash	2	0	2	1	2	1							8	2025
Other Arrests	3	1	2	0	2	0							8	2025
Other Custody/Marchman/Baker/RPC	2	2	2	4	1	0							11	2025
Missing Persons	2	0	2	0	0	1							5	2025
Suspicious Incidents/Non Criminal	0	1	2	1	1	1							6	2025
Sex Offender Check	2	4	4	7	1	1							19	2025
Arrest/Search Warrants	3	2	6	5	2	5							23	2025
Reports Completed	3	0	1	3	6	3							16	2025
Dept Wide Evidence Intake	1	2	8	6	7	3							27	2025
Child Protection Team Interviews	1	3	4	6	3	4							21	2025
Employee Background Checks	6	4	5	1	1	2							19	2025
Other non-criminal related duties	1	0	0	0	0	0							1	2025
2025 TOTAL (Activities)	0	1	0	0	0	0							1	2025
2026 TOTAL (Activities)	44	33	55	28	24	26							210	2025
	33	24	47	33	31	24							192	2025
	0	0	1	2	0	0							3	2025
	0	0	1	0	0	0							1	2025
	0	0	0	0	0	0							0	2025
	0	1	0	0	3	1							5	2025
	72	78	91	51	109	62							463	2025
	118	64	95	97	123	48							545	2025
	25	24	11	13	72	47							192	2025
	12	27	12	27	41	18							137	2025
	0	0	0	0	1	0							1	2025
	0	0	0	0	0	0							0	2025
	0	0	0	0	0	0							0	2025
	0	0	0	0	1	1							4	2025
	15	14	19	16	16	17							97	2025
	18	10	11	15	20	20							94	2025
2025 TOTAL (Activities)	188	173	215	141	247	171	0	0	0	0	0	0	1135	2025
2026 TOTAL (Activities)	213	150	207	212	240	141	0	0	0	0	0	0	1163	2026

- Battery/Assault cases showed no change when compared to the same period last year (0 vs 0). Suspicious Incident cases decreased (24 vs. 26) compared to June of 2025. Theft cases reflected an increase (6 vs. 2) compared to the same time last year.
- *Thefts are reflected in the data for the month the incident is reported, which can be different than the month the incident occurred.

June Marine Report

The Marine Report reflects activities conducted by MIPD Marine Officers while patrolling Marco Island's waterways and canals. These efforts include proactive patrols focused on enforcing marine and environmental regulations and promoting boater safety throughout the community. The Marine Unit vessels required mechanical repairs in June, which impacted patrol time and statistical data for the month. Training was conducted on the RIB or inflatable rescue boat, and Code Enforcement Officer Barrios trained with the Marine Unit in preparation for Code Enforcement's boat patrol. As part of waterway hazard mitigation, the Marine Unit worked with FWC and a local contractor to remove a derelict vessel from Goodland Bay during the month. Personnel balanced preventative patrol operations, boating safety enforcement, investigations, infrastructure concerns, community engagement, and officer readiness.

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	TOTAL	YEAR
Canal, Bay River and Gulf Patrol	101	200	286	299	338	155	200	175	230	225	158	155	2522	2025
	105	335	208	290	340	204								2026
Patrols / Business Checks	84	65	134	136	190	101	117	119	120	115	110	35	1326	2025
	75	75	150	122	150	190								2026
Vessel Stops	20	35	47	31	44	14	15	14	10	11	21	13	275	2025
	24	30	39	32	54	19								2026
Citations / Warning	23	51	50	34	44	16	16	16	12	12	23	15	312	2025
	24	30	41	36	56	18								2026
Sanitation Inspections - Factory Bay	5	4	3	3	7	5	4	2	4	0	0	0	37	2025
	0	0	2	0	0	0								2026
Sanitation Inspections - Smokehouse Bay	5	5	4	3	7	4	6	2	1	1	0	0	38	2025
	0	0	0	0	0	0								2026
Suspicious Vessels	2	0	0	0	1	2	1	1	3	2	0	0	12	2025
	0	0	11	14	0	2								2026
Marine Emergency Response (MERT)	1	2	4	4	8	2	2	2	1	2	1	2	31	2025
	6	4	14	9	6	5								2026
Assist Boaters / Citizen Contacts	13	15	12	11	22	4	2	3	1	3	5	0	91	2025
	12	6	12	14	25	5								2026
Resource Checks	4	10	4	3	0	2	1	3	3	0	2	2	34	2025
	0	4	2	2	0	0								2026
Boater Safety Checks	9	18	18	20	27	15	10	10	10	8	5	1	151	2025
	12	20	16	21	25	11								2026
Marina Inspections	65	45	60	80	85	85	68	65	60	55	48	38	754	2025
	75	69	70	72	75	53								2026
Total Events	332	450	622	624	773	405	442	412	455	434	373	261	5583	2025
Total Events	333	573	565	612	731	507	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2026

*Sanitation Inspection: Enforcement of sanitation regulations to ensure environmental standards for waste are being met.

*Resource Checks: Enforcement of the Florida Administrative Code for Florida Saltwater Fishing Regulations.

*Marina Inspections: Patrol and enforcement of marine regulations for vessels leaving and entering Marinas.

June 2026 Beach Patrol:



Beach Patrol activity in June decreased (345 vs. 347) compared to the previous month. Code Enforcement Officers issued 27 warnings, including 2 for Glass on the Beach, 2 for bicycles, 1 litter and debris, 20 Sea Turtle Protection, 1 boat and 1 jet ski too close to the beach. Officers continue to provide daily service to beachgoers.

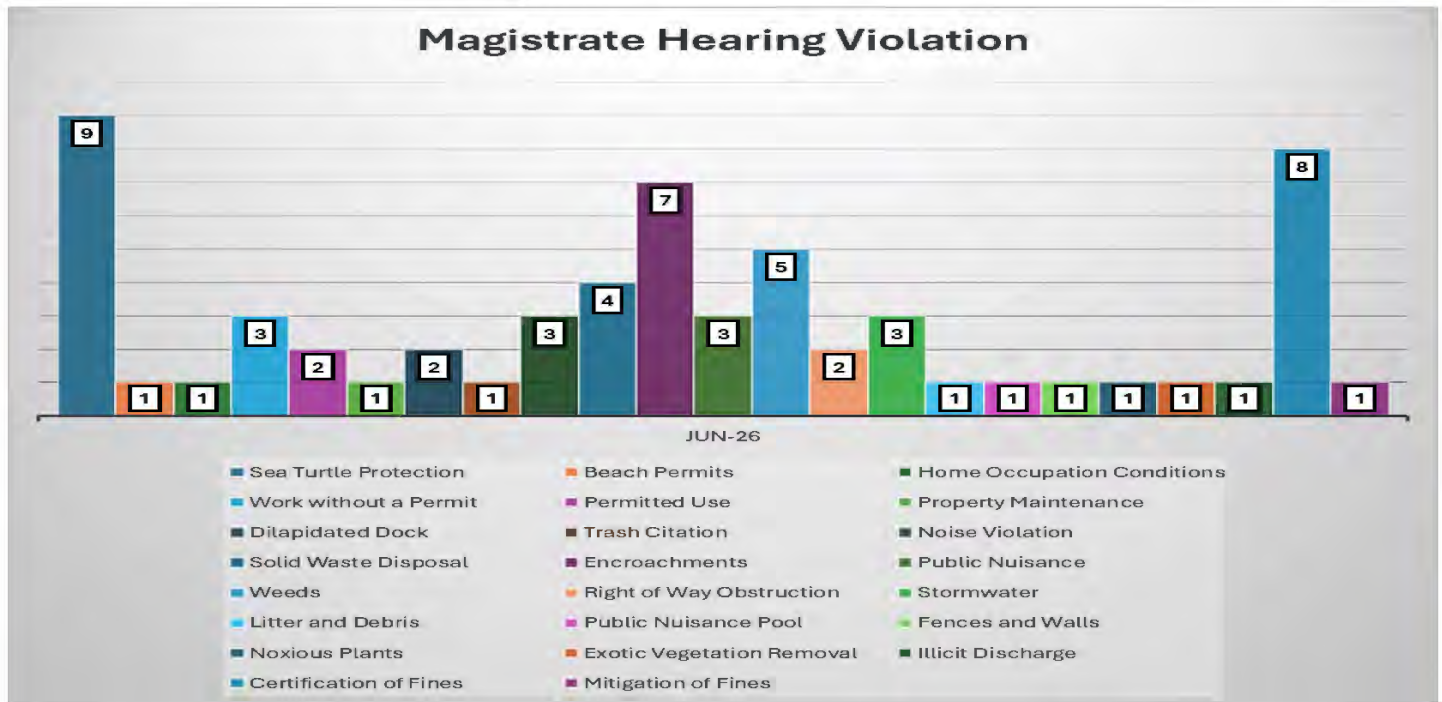
June 2026 Code Enforcement Officer (CEO) Report:



Code Enforcement Officer (CEO) activity in June 2026 remained predominantly self-initiated, with such investigations accounting for over 93% of all calls. Trash violations decreased 23% (87 vs. 110) compared to last month. Litter and Debris violations increased 50% (12 vs. 8) and Weeds/Litter on Private Property violations are up 110% (42 vs. 20). Citation numbers for June were as follows: 6 Noise, 2 Trash on Swale, 1 Boat Trailer, 1 Trailer, and 23 Prohibited Parking for a total of 33. The high volume of self-initiated investigations underscores the proactive efforts of Code Enforcement Officers in identifying and addressing issues before they escalate or are formally reported.

***** This figure reflects the total number of violations and not the number of cases. This is to account for cases with multiple violations**

Special Magistrate Hearings - 2026:

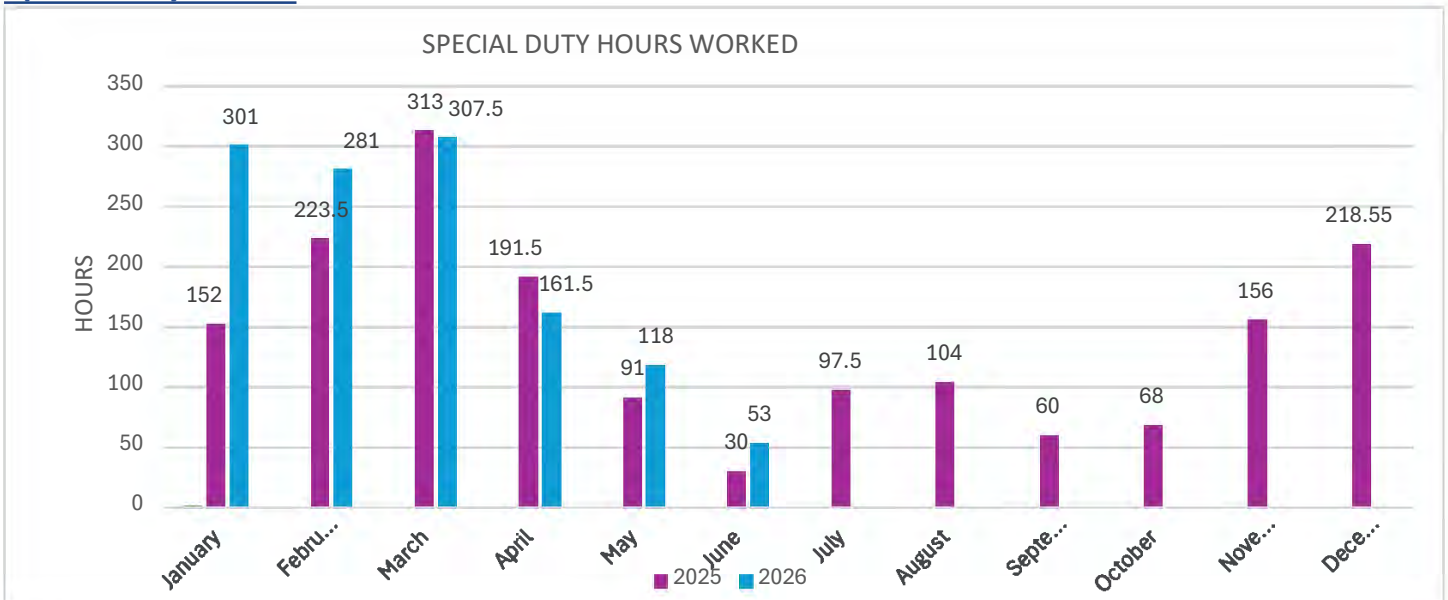


There were 50 cases on the Special Magistrate Agenda for June. This included 8 Certification of Fines, which involves placing a lien for unpaid fines, and 1 case for Mitigation of Fines. Mitigation is a structured process to evaluate reducing the financial penalty associated with a violation of offense. Each case can have more than one violation; this accounts for why the number of violations and cases are not the same.

For more information regarding the Special Magistrate Hearings please visit:

<https://marcoisland.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx>

Special Duty Details:



Special Duty Details refer to law enforcement duties performed for an outside vendor in addition to an officer's regularly scheduled work hours. These voluntary assignments include, but are not limited to, traffic and security at various locations. June 2026 Special Duty hours totaled 53, representing a 76% increase compared to the 30 hours worked during the same period last year. Additional church service hours contributed to the increase.

MIPD- Digital Media Report

Over the past month, our social media platforms continued to experience strong growth and engagement. Facebook generated 1.2 million views, 11.1K interactions, 697 new followers and 19.6K page visits, while Instagram recorded 176K views, 5K content interactions and 267 new followers. Combined, our platforms reached more than 1.37 million views and gained 964 new followers.

#WeProtect Paradise

One of June's strongest "We Protect Paradise" stories came from a proactive early-morning traffic stop. After noticing a vehicle traveling without taillights, an officer conducted a stop that resulted in a felony DUI arrest. This was one of eight arrests made during June, four of which were for DUI. The incident demonstrated how proactive patrol efforts help identify dangerous drivers and protect residents and visitors before a serious or potentially fatal crash occurs.



Top Performing Posts

June's **top-performing** social media post was the lighthearted "Snake Scare... or Pool Party?" story, which generated approximately 148,000 views after officers discovered that reported snakes in a swimming pool were inflatable toys.

The **second highest-performing** post, with 114,000 views, highlighted the department's response to community-reported traffic concerns and showed how officers directed enforcement to locations identified by residents.



The **third highest-performing post** reached 73,000 views and provided timely, accurate information regarding a serious medical emergency on Marco Island Beach, while also addressing and correcting early reports of a possible shark attack. Together, these posts demonstrate the value of balancing humor, community engagement and clear public-safety communication.

Total Incidents:

Incidents	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	Total YTD	
Community Oriented Policing Activities	1,868	1,716	1,893	1,463	1,641	1,574	1,613	1,570	1,913	2,112	2,102	2,383	21,848	2025
	2,803	2,323	2,488	2,202	2,286	2,530							14,632	2026
Extra Patrols	7,184	6,973	7,227	6,135	6,667	6,202	6,709	6,739	8,217	9,784	9,342	10,583	91,762	2025
	10,531	8,474	8,687	7,663	7,734	7,808							50,897	2026
Parking Complaints	14	49	45	30	18	9	16	55	41	45	27	25	374	2025
	33	34	68	86	47	35							303	2026
Noise Complaints	15	14	40	33	37	22	35	35	14	18	11	24	298	2025
	13	17	28	36	31	30							155	2026
Traffic Stops	361	437	470	386	424	380	460	495	454	705	591	614	5,777	2025
	663	723	759	523	931	985							4,584	2026
Noise Complaints Verified	0	1	1	2	0	0	4	6	4	1	0	1	20	2025
	1	7	13	10	5	6							42	2026
Traffic Citations	35	39	32	13	53	18	31	31	32	44	58	43	429	2025
	62	120	79	55	190	161							667	2026
Traffic stops increased 159% (1985 vs. 380) and traffic citations increased 794% (161 vs. 18), when compared to this time last year	95	107	111	99	69	81							1,119	2025
Traffic, Parking & Vessel Written Warnings	145	178	220	201	347	302							1,393	2026
Vehicle Crash	29	55	49	58	27	11	26	20	27	18	35	39	394	2025
	36	36	56	38	25	30							221	2026
Crime or Incident Reports Taken	82	75	116	51	49	50	62	35	15	63	55	79	732	2025
	75	54	95	74	56	69							423	2026
Persons Arrested	7	2	1	3	3	3	3	4	7	5	4	8	50	2025
	2	4	9	10	9	7							41	2026
Total Incidents	9,690	9,468	9,985	8,273	8,988	8,337	9,040	9,071	10,818	12,908	12,343	13,882	122,803	2025
	14,364	11,970	12,502	10,898	11,661	11,963	0	0	0	0	0	0	73,358	2026

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Calls for Service by Call Source: Vehicle Count Daily Averages

Call Source	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	Total YTD	
Officer/ Field Initiated	10,241	10,100	10,625	9,136	9,602	8,964	9,624	9,720	11,466	14,066	13,382	14,415	131,341	2025
	14,982	12,451	13,063	11,541	12,289	12,588							76,914	2026
911 Initiated	523	554	630	507	465	446	433	449	383	393	445	448	5,676	2025
	523	559	746	645	479	496							3,448	2026
Non- Emergency Dispatch Initiated	433	541	574	495	535	462	490	423	399	456	441	519	5,768	2025
	480	440	603	523	492	424							2,962	2026
Total Calls for Service	11,197	11,195	11,829	10,138	10,602	9,872	10,547	10,592	12,248	14,915	14,268	15,382	142,785	2025
	15,985	13,450	14,412	12,709	13,260	13,508	0	0	0	0	0	0	83,324	2026

Average daily traffic coming onto Marco Island via the Jolly Bridge increased 33 percent from June 2025 to June 2026..

* Calls for Service data, captured in the agency's Computer-Aided Dispatch (CAD) system, reflects any call that prompts a police officer or code enforcement officer to act or expend resources, whether initiated by the agency or the public. Notably, in June 2026, 93% of calls for service were officer-initiated in the field, as opposed to being driven by 911 or administrative dispatch.

This reflects a continued emphasis on proactive policing. Conversely, 911 calls increased 11% for June 2026 when compared to June 2025 (496 vs 446).

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	Avg Daily YTD	
Jolley Bridge North bound	12,668	14,636	14,920	13,203	11,574	10,903	6,528	9,421	10,252	11,881	11,820	12,080	11,657	2025
	13,831	15,071	15,109	14,252	11,459	10,177							13,317	2026
Jolley Bridge South bound	15,121	16,875	16,726	14,432	12,173	8,918	10,468	10,607	10,729	11,335	13,487	13,885	12,896	2025
	15,586	13,533	14,951	15,104	12,292	11,867							13,889	2026

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