



# To our first responders:



**You are heroes, true heroes because on the job you don't know what you are walking into.**

Every day we see news stories reporting violence in our country. We see video recordings from people who were there, we see reporters on the scene, but we don't see the first responders who have put their lives on the line to protect our citizens and community.

Dispatchers, officers, deputies, firefighters and emergency medical technicians who deal with the events as they happen to ensure safety and provide medical attention.

Your heroism shines through in what you do. A badge or patch on the chest or uniform makes you a hero. True heroes put their hand on the work of God and take an oath to protect and serve.

Here is a 'thank you' for all of your hard work and bravery.

**DISPATCHERS**

Thank you for sitting by the phone waiting to answer the 911 calls from terrified victims and informants, only to then keep the caller calm as you relay information to the officers, firemen, and medics who will be responding to the scene. You serve as the eyes and ears of a situation before anyone can arrive, and your position is overlooked and underrated way more often than it should be. Without you, how would anyone know where to go and what to prepare for?

**LAW ENFORCEMENT**

Thank you for putting your lives on the line in order to save those around you. Each day that you wake up and put on your badge, you know there is a chance you might not get home to take it off that night. You enforce rules, ensure safety, and get labeled with the "bad-guy" reputation just because you want to make the world a safer place.

You run toward the things that most other people run away from, and you deserve to know that your hard work and bravery doesn't go unnoticed.

**FIREFIGHTERS**

Thank you for doing so much more than putting out fires. When you go to work each day, you could be signing up to save a cat from a tree, deliver a baby on the side of the road, or save a child from an overturned vehicle. Other days you could be rescuing a family from a burning house, or have to tell the family outside that there was no way to get their mother out of the flames. Either way, you put yourself in harm's way to keep others safe, and you are so appreciated.

**EMS**

You are the calm voice amongst the chaos that says "everything is going to be okay." You see the most terrifying accidents that most could never dream of, but they leave you with nightmares for weeks. You have made a difference in so many lives, and your bravery, skill, and passion is seen in the lives you've saved.

You all are the difference between life and death.

Thank you to each and every person who goes to work with the goal to save a life. You are all amazing human beings.



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SCOTLAND COUNTY EMS

In general, Emergency Medical Services, nationally, is a product of the Viet Nam war.

In the 1970s combat medics came home after the war and needed a job, so EMS was created under the Federal Transportation Agency (FTA) as a medical service to respond to highway traffic accidents and treat traumas.

Scotland County EMS originally had four people who Sheriff B.P. Lytch. The first county ambulance was a converted van. The service grew and eventually became a county department.

Paramedics are required to have a two year degree from a community college. They are tested and certified by the NC Office of EMS, which establishes the standards for and monitors paramedics practices and EMS protocol in NC.



LAURINBURG POLICE DEPARTMENT

LAURINBURG — Laurinburg Police Department originally started with two people but has grown to a staff of 42 employees with three records clerks and 39 sworn officers serving in six divisions.

Laurinburg Police Department encourages residents to call 911 for emergencies. To speak with officers or administration or to leave a crime tip, call the main number 910-276-3211.

Residents are asked to use the tip line and the online tip reporting to give information on a crime that has been committed, on suspected criminal activity that is not an emergency or on the whereabouts of wanted persons.

Training requirements necessary for work at the police department are different for each division. Each officer needs a BLET or Basic Law Enforcement Training Degree. Command Staff needs management training.



LAURINBURG FIRE DEPARTMENT

Established in 1910, the city of Laurinburg Fire Department cover 72 square miles with a population of approximately 20,000 people.

The department responds to approximately 750 calls per year with an average of 70 structure fires per year. Other calls include vehicle fires, fire alarms, motor vehicles accidents, and various other service calls.

The Laurinburg Fire Department employees seven full-time employees that include the Fire Chief, Office Assistant, two Fire Lieutenants, three Fire Engineers, 10 part-time employees and 24 paid on-call personnel.

The city has two fire stations that are manned 24/7 to provide fire coverage for the city and the outlying district.

The department also has an Exploring program through the Boy Scouts of America. The program allows students to attend meetings and training to see if they want to pursue a career in the field.

There are also numerous different community outreach programs that the department participates in including fire prevention workshops, fire extinguisher and fire safety classes, safe kids child passenger safety, as well as working jointly with the health department and police department with events such as safety town.

The department's motto is Prevent, Protect and Preserve.

The department can be reached at 910-276-1811

Scotland County salutes our local heroes. Thank you for your service. Scotland County Manager's Office, 507 W Covington St. Laurinburg, NC 28352. (910) 277-2406

Thank you Chris Carpenter! Executive Director Habitat for Humanity. Chris Carpenter began working for Habitat for Humanity in April of 2009, when he felt the need to make giving back to others his career after several years of volunteering or leading fundraisers for other causes.

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Trauma Life Support, and other specialized training. Much of the training is provided through Richmond Community College and UNC Air Care and coordinated by the training officer.

EMS responds to about 6200 emergency 911 calls annually actually transporting about 4,650 patients or 75 percent of the calls to hospitals. The remaining calls are listed as refusals meaning that the patient, after being evaluated by paramedics, refuses to be transported to a hospital or decides they will visit their family medical provider at a later date.

Residents who call EMS for service need to be able to provide the patient's current symptoms or chief complaint, a list of current medications, past medical history, any event that may have caused the current symptoms, and current medical provider or providers. Any information that the paramedics or any higher level medical providers may need to treat the patient is always helpful.

Although, EMS is dispatched from the 911 Center to emergencies through 911 calls, they are often asked to provide stand by coverage for sporting events, festivals, parades, street fairs, and events where large crowds of people gather.

SCOTLAND COUNTY'S VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENTS

By Amber Hatten-Staley Staff reporter

STEWARTSVILLE

The Stewartsville Volunteer Fire Department was founded in 1971. The fire department was originally located in the backyard of one of the firefighters on Harry Malloy Road until it was destroyed by a tornado.

Stewartsville Volunteer Fire Department has 31 members and is led by Jaybird Jones. Stewartsville covers the South district of Scotland County and can be reached at 910-276-9410.

GIBSON

The Gibson Volunteer Fire Department became a county-wide volunteer department in 1978. Gibson Fire Department is located at 6280 Gibson Road in Gibson and serves the Southwest district of Scotland County.

The department currently has 30 volunteers and two junior firefighters and is led by Thomas McKay. The Gibson Fire Department can be reached at 910-268-4872.

SPRINGHILL

The Springhill-Friendship Volunteer Fire Department was founded in 1980. The fire station on 27860 Aberdeen Road in Marston was built in 2004 and is about one mile away from the original station.

Springhill-Friendship serves the North district of Scotland County. The department has 24 volunteers and is led by Chief Bill Norton and can be reached at 910-291-3119.

LAUREL HILL

The Laurel Hill Volunteer Fire Department was founded in 1977 and is located at 9200 Old Wire Road in Laurel Hill. The department serves the West district of Scotland County and has 36 volunteers who are led by William Skipper.

Laurel Hill Volunteer Fire Department can be reached at 910-462-3230.

WAGRAM

The Wagram Volunteer Fire Department is located at 24481 Marlboro Street in Wagram. The department serves the North district of Scotland County and is led by Chief Neal Shaw. Wagram Fire Department can be reached at 910-369-2809.



WAGRAM POLICE DEPARTMENT

The Wagram Police Department was established in 1911.

The department has two full-time officers, including Police Chief Kenneth Locklear, to serve the town's 801 residents.

Wagram officers go through state mandated training each year to keep up with certifications. The officers get their certifications in certain areas of the job with the officers choice of training.

The department is located at 24421 Marlboro St. Wagram.

Wagram police can be reached at 910-369-2400. If there is no answer, contact the Sheriffs Department at 910-276-3385 and they will dispatch an officer to your location.

SCOTLAND COUNTY REPUBLICAN PARTY. We Salute our Local Heroes! Jimmie E. Lewis. "A hero is an ordinary individual who finds the strength to persevere and endure in spite of overwhelming obstacles." - Christopher Reeve - FARM BUREAU INSURANCE. KEN LEWIS 223 Atkinson St Laurinburg, NC 28352 910.276.0094

**IMPORTANT NUMBERS**

- SHERIFF'S OFFICE: 910-276-3385
- EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR: 910-276-1313
- EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES: 910-276-1313
- E-911 COMMUNICATIONS CENTER: 910-277-3231
- LAURINBURG POLICE DEPARTMENT: 910-276-3211
- LAURINBURG FIRE DEPARTMENT: 910-276-1811
- WAGRAM POLICE DEPARTMENT: 910-369-2400
- WAGRAM FIRE DEPARTMENT: 910-369-2809

**E-911 OPERATIONS**

The Scotland County E-911 Communications Center provides 24 hour-a-day, 7 day-a-week 911 access and services to the citizens and user agencies in Scotland County.

E-911 services include receiving emergency and non-emergency request for services, dispatching of EMS, fire, law enforcement and rescue squad units, transferring 911 calls to other county emergency response agencies, monitoring and providing severe weather alerts, serving as a county point of contact for state agencies, and other duties as required.

The Communication Center is staffed by 14 full-time trained telecommunicators, each working 12-hour shifts on a rotating basis.

**911 CALL TAKING**

The Scotland County E-911 is the Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) for the County of Scotland. Each county 911 wire line and wireless call comes directly to the Center and is handled according to its location and nature.

During the call, the telecommunicator is required to get the location and nature of the emergency. Other information obtained includes, but is not limited to:

- The caller's name, address, and call-back number
- The presence of any weapons (if a crime was committed)
- Certain information for medical emergencies (life status, medical history, etc.)
- Potential hazards at the scene of the emergency

When each 911 call is received, the telephone number and location of the caller is electronically displayed and is verified by the Telecommunicator. This is referred to as the ANI (automatic number identifier) and the ALI (automatic location identifier) information, which is provided to the 911 PSAP from the data base of the telecommunication company providing the 911 service. This information is electronically recorded in the PSAP and kept on file for official use only.

**DISPATCH SERVICES**

Dispatch services and support services are provided to the following user agencies in and around Scotland County.

**Emergency Medical Services:**  
Scotland County EMS  
Rescue Services:  
Scotland County Rescue

**Law Enforcement:**  
Scotland County Sheriff's Department  
Laurinburg Police Department

**Fire Service:**  
North Central Scotland Fire Department (Laurinburg)  
North Scotland Fire Department (Wagram)  
South Central Scotland Fire Department (Laurinburg)

Southwest Scotland Fire Department (Gibson)  
Springhill-Friendship Fire Department (Marston)  
Stewartsville Fire Department (Johns Station)  
West Scotland Fire Department (Laurel Hill)  
North Carolina Forest Service

**Other Services Agencies:**  
Scotland County Emergency Management  
Scotland County Animal Control Office  
Scotland County DSS  
Braveheart Medical Transport

In addition, the Scotland County E-911 maintains emergency callback lists for various city, county, state, and private utility services, as well as, other support agencies as needed.

**SCOTLAND RESCUE SQUAD**

The Scotland County Rescue Squad, chartered in the 1950s, is an all-volunteer agency that provide technical rescue services to the citizens of Scotland County.

The city of Laurinburg and Scotland County jointly support a volunteer team.

The squad also play a vital role in providing first responder support to Scotland County EMS.

The squad is available 24 hours a day to handle

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**SCOTLAND COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

Scotland County Sheriff's Office was founded in 1899 when Scotland County separated from Richmond to form it's own county.

The original number of deputies is not known, but the office currently has 65 full-time and three part-time employees serving in 10 divisions. Those divisions include: administrative support staff, investigations, field services such as patrol and school resource officers, detention center staff, and support services like civil process, courts and child support.

The county's deputies answer more 14,000 service calls a year and perform 1,556 business checks annually.

The sheriff's office encourages residents to only call 911 in an emergency and refer all other calls to the main number 910-276-3385.

When calling for service residents can help officers do

emergency situations. The Rescue Squad has modern up-to-date equipment, and all squad members have been thoroughly trained in rescue and emergency techniques.

In addition to providing technical rescue service, the rescue squad assist with searches for missing and lost persons, traffic control, evacuations, debris removal and many other essential functions to assist the residents of the county.

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their job by having the following information ready: the reason for calling, their name, the names of persons involved in the call including victims and possible suspects, a description of any person of interest including height, weight, race, description of clothing and a possible direction of travel.

Residents are asked to use the tip line and the online tip reporting to give anonymous information on a crime that has been committed, or criminal activity or on the whereabouts of wanted persons.

Training necessary for work at the sheriff's office differs from job to job. Administration requires DCI training and 24 hours a year of in-service training. Law enforcement officers need a two year Basic Law Enforcement degree, yearly fire arms certification and and 24 hours each year of in-service training. Investigation units are also required to have crime scene investigation training.



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