



City of East Ridge

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Office of the Interim City Manager
Mike Williams

MONTHLY REPORT

FOR

FEBRUARY 2026

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Vice-Mayor

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Councilmember

Andrea Witt
Councilmember

Mike Williams
Interim City Manager

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CITY MANAGER REPORT FEBRUARY 2026

To: Mayor and Councilmembers, City Staff, and Residents of East Ridge

Please find attached the February 2026 Monthly Report. This report includes information submitted by the various departments which is then organized and compiled for your review.

This report recognizes the City's efforts to remain transparent and to keep the City moving forward in a positive direction.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions, comments and/or suggestions regarding this report.

Sincerely,

Mike Williams
Interim City Manager



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Jennifer Deitrick
City Clerk
Administration Department

February 2026 Business License and Beer Permits Monthly Report

BUSINESS LICENSES ISSUED:

| <i>BUSINESS NAME</i> | <i>ADDRESS</i> |
|---------------------------------|---|
| God is Good C&B LLC | 5511 Ringgold Road, East Ridge, TN 37412 |
| McKinney Soccer Development LLC | 559 Prema Drive, East Ridge, TN 37412 |
| Joshua Lindsay | 416 Donaldson Road Apt A, Chattanooga, TN 37411 |
| Sugar Creek Getaways LLC | 188 John Arnold Street, East Ridge, TN 37412 |
| DGV Floors and Baths | 4153 East Ridge, Drive, East Ridge, TN 37412 |

NEW BEER PERMITS ISSUED:

| <i>DATE</i> | <i>BUSINESS NAME</i> | <i>ADDRESS</i> |
|-------------|----------------------|----------------|
| NONE | | |



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Cameron McAllister
Administrator
Economic & Community Development

February 2026 Economic & Community Development Monthly Report

The Economic and Community Development report for February 2026 is not available at this time. All February 2026 activity will be included and reported with the next monthly report in March 2026.



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Michelle Sinigaglio
Human Resources Director
Administration Department

February 2026 City of East Ridge Human Resources Monthly Report

EMPLOYEE DATA:

| <i>HEADCOUNT</i> | <i>BUDGET</i> | <i>ACTUAL</i> |
|---------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Full-Time Employees | 160 | 154 |
| Part-Time Employees | 22 | 20 |
| TOTAL: | 182 | 174 |

New Hires: 1
Police Officer

Terminations: 5
Part-Time Library Assistant
Firefighter
City Manager
Part-Time Crossing Guard
Part-Time Park Attendant

Transfers: 0

In Onboarding Process: 0

Recruiting For
Police Officer
Firefighter
Crossing Guard (Part-Time)
Park Attendant (Part-Time)

Police Department Reservists: 5

Volunteer Firefighters: 4

Pending Retirements: 1

Admin and/or Medical Leave: 0



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Patricia Cassidy
Court Clerk
Municipal Court

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Number of Citations Issued February 2026: 60 Traffic Citations

COURT APPEARANCES:

| <i>DATE</i> | <i>CRIMINAL</i> | <i>TRAFFIC</i> | <i>COME BACKS (To Pay)</i> |
|---------------|-----------------|----------------|------------------------------------|
| 02/03/2026 | 34 | 10 | 15 |
| 02/10/2026 | 35 | 13 | 19 |
| 02/17/2026 | 40 | 11 | 30 |
| 02/23/2026 | 14 | N/A | N/A |
| TOTAL: | 123 | 34 | 64 (Less than half show) |



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Clint Uselton
Police Chief
Police Department

February 2026 City of East Ridge Police Chief's Monthly Report

The City of East Ridge Police Department responded to a total of 1,608 calls for service during February 2026.

The department filled a total of 26 open records requests from citizens and the District Attorney's Office.

A total of 621 citations were issued from 688 traffic stops.

The East Ridge Police Department made a total of 59 physical arrests that included 67 misdemeanor charges and 20 felony charges.

The East Ridge Police Department answered 2 calls within the City of Ridgeside and conducted daily self-initiated activities (directed patrols, park and walks, etc.).

Currently, three officers are in the Field Training Program and one officer is in the basic police academy.



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February 2026

City of East Ridge Police Department Administrative Division Monthly Report

Records Division / Property and Evidence Division / Open Records /
Training / General Administration / School Resource Officer

ERPD Administrative Division

Lieutenant Rogers Car 14 – 53,140 miles

East Ridge Police Department Open Records / Court Operations / Fleet Maintenance / Station Officer, Quartermaster, IT Liaison, School Resource Officer

- General Admin Duties
- Met with Records Division, Property and Evidence Division, Training Sgt., School Resource Officer and Station Officer
- Assisted officers, personnel, and citizens with various requests.
- Mediated technical problems with software/databases and hardware.
- Worked on TylerRMS property module
- Assisted with IT-related Issues
- Fleet Maintenance
- Report Hamilton County Data
- Dash/Body camera maintenance
- City Court duties
- Officer account setup and resolving various account issues
- Policy review and updates
- Issued equipment to Officers
- Assisted / assigned open records requests

Station Officer

Corporal M. Wilson Car 11 – 55,094 miles

OPEN RECORDS:

| | |
|---------------------------------|------------|
| Open Records Requests Received | 25 |
| Open Records Requests Completed | 26 |
| Open Records Preparation Time | 11.5 Hours |

COURT OPERATIONS:

| | |
|---|---|
| Hamilton County Grand Jury Cases Presented | 0 |
| Hamilton County Grand Jury Cases Requested | 0 |
| Total Hamilton County Grand Jury Appearances | 0 |
| East Ridge Municipal Court Appearances | 4 |
| East Ridge Municipal Court Prisoner Transport Assists | 0 |

OFFICE CONTACTS:

| | |
|---|---|
| Citizen Contacts in Lobby | 4 |
| Reports Completed for Citizens in Lobby | 3 |

ERPD Records Division

Candace Brown, Myra Miracle, and Melissa Fletcher

| <i>INCIDENT REPORTS</i> | <i>ARREST REPORTS</i> | <i>CITATIONS ISSUED</i> | <i>CALLS FOR SERVICE</i> |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|
| 213 | 90 | 132 | 1,786 |

- NCIC Transactions – varies daily.
- NCIC entries made by Hamilton County 911 Communications are checked daily.
- Temporary Protection Orders are checked and/or modified daily.
- Validations – vary by month and include 10-50 entries per month.
- NCIC testing and training.
- Emails from Hamilton County 911 Communications are checked daily.
- E-Agent checked daily to ensure no unauthorized transactions have taken place.
- Answered multiple phone calls and emails for police department daily.
- Assisted visitors inside the police/fire departments daily.
- Assisted multiple officers/detectives in case investigations and background checks.

- Fire Department reports checked for accuracy and compliance.
- Entered Fire Department reports in Fire Program and corrections made when needed.
- Reports sent weekly to NFIRS (state program) – reports validated and corrected.
- Answered emails and phone calls daily regarding Police and Fire Department related questions.
- Worked with Hamilton County 911 with CAD assignments on new Officers.

ERPD Property and Evidence Division

Brandy Dove

| | |
|---|-----|
| Items Entered | 180 |
| Items Disposed | 7 |
| Narcotics Disposed | 10 |
| Firearms – prepared for trade / sale | 0 |
| Firearms traded / sold (Compass Auctions) | 0 |
| Other items sold on Compass - TOTAL | 0 |
| Vehicles sold on Compass | 0 |
| General Items | 0 |

DRUGS SEIZED:

| | |
|-------------------------------------|--------|
| Pills (dosage units) | 2 |
| Pills (grams) | 0 |
| Crack Cocaine (grams) | 3.4 |
| Cocaine (grams) | 0.3 |
| Meth (grams) | 108.31 |
| Marijuana (grams) | 177.19 |
| MDMA (grams) | 2.6 |
| Fentanyl (grams) | 35.7 |
| Fentanyl (pills) | 0 |
| Mushrooms (grams) | 0 |
| Promethazine Hydrochloride (ounces) | 0 |

Training Sergeant

Sergeant J. Massengale Car 12 – 61,878 miles

TRAINING AND CERTIFICATION:

Continued gathering lesson plans for the department’s 2026 training year. Development of the LIDAR Certification lesson plan for POST credit progressed, and additional materials were assembled to support LIDAR training for the traffic units. Preparations also began for onboarding new hire Nathan Miller, including initiating the required paperwork, contacting POST multiple times regarding his eligibility for

transition school due to his break in service since August 2022, and completing his sizing for the Premier Vest order. A Range Day was arranged for the new hire and for personnel receiving newly issued patrol rifles, scheduled for Friday, February 27, 2026, at the Catoosa County Range.

EQUIPMENT AND LOGISTICS:

Two HK USP .45 suppressors purchased from GT Distributors were entered into Tyler property management. The department’s QM cleaning kit was reviewed, and worn or depleted supplies were replaced. Assistance was provided with cleaning out the large QM storage area on Monday, February 2, 2026. Coordination support was also given to Lt. Rogers in assembling new tablet holders for departmental vehicles. Additionally, issuance of the new Troy SBR rifles equipped with suppressors began this month.

School Resource Officers

East Ridge High School

Cpl. E. Massengale – Vehicle # 88 Mileage: 21,735
Calls for Service: 0
Offense Reports: 10
Warrants Obtained: 9
Arrests: 1
SIA: 214

East Ridge Middle School

Officer Landrum - Vehicle # 87 Mileage: 23,981
Calls for Service: 3
Warrants Obtained: 3
Offense Reports: 13
Arrests: 0
SIA: 109
Traffic Stops: 2

East Ridge Elementary School

Cpl. Chadwick – Vehicle # 03 Mileage: 62,595
Calls for Service: 55
Warrants Obtained: 0
Offense Reports: 0
Arrests: 0
SIA: 109

Spring Creek Elementary School

Officer Chavez – Vehicle # 08 Mileage: 41,192
Calls for Service: 0
Warrants Obtained: 0
Offense Reports: 0
Arrests: 0
SIA: 0

Reserve Officers

OFFICER HOURS:

| <i>OFFICER</i> | <i>COURT HOURS</i> | <i>PATROL HOURS</i> |
|----------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| Officer Bailey | 0 | 0 |
| Officer Roberts | 3.0 | 0 |
| Officer Avans | 16.0 | 22.5 |
| Officer Brackett | 4.0 | 12.0 |
| Officer Bambrick | 3.0 | 19.5 |
| Office Crawford | 0 | 0 |
| Officer Duncan (ER Fire Dept.) | 0 | 0 |
| Officer Williams (ER Fire Dept.) | 0 | 0 |
| TOTAL: | 26.0 | 54.0 |

Total Reserve hours for February 2026: 80.0



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February 2026 City of East Ridge Police Department CID / CSU / K-9 Summary Monthly Report

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS STATS:

| NAME | PREVIOUS MO. | REACTIVATED | NEW CASES | CLEARED CASES | CHARGES | INACTIVE | CARRIED OVER | CLEARANCE RATE |
|---------------|--------------|-------------|-----------|---------------|----------|----------|--------------|----------------|
| S. Stojnic | 15 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 16 | 50% |
| VACANT | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0% |
| W. Johnson | 17 | 0 | 4 | 1 | 2 | 4 | 16 | 25% |
| J. Davis | 21 | 0 | 4 | 1 | 4 | 1 | 23 | 25% |
| TOTAL: | 53 | 0 | 10 | 3 | 6 | 5 | 55 | 30% |

| | |
|--------------------------------|-----|
| CID Total New Case Assignments | 10 |
| CID Total Cases Reassigned | 0 |
| CID Total Cases Cleared | 3 |
| CID Monthly Clearance Rate | 30% |

CID NOTE: The Detective Division continues to investigate a variety of alleged criminal offenses occurring within the confines of the city. The Detective Division routinely networks with other law enforcement agencies in sharing intelligence affecting the region.

CUMULATIVE CRIME SUPPRESSION (CSU) STATS:

| | |
|-------------------------------|------|
| Self-Initiated Arrests – MIS | 0 |
| Self-Initiated Arrests - FEL | 4 |
| Arrest Warrant Obtained – MIS | 1 |
| Arrest Warrant Obtain – FEL | 1 |
| Warrant Service - MIS | 1 |
| Warrant Service - FEL | 2 |
| Marijuana Seizures (grams) | 48.8 |
| Fentanyl Seizures (grams) | 13.0 |
| Meth (grams) | 15.7 |
| Firearm Seizures | 1 |
| Gang Contacts / Validations | 1 |
| Cases Opened | 1 |
| Cases Closed | 1 |

CSU NOTE: CSU continues to develop intelligence and has shared it with cooperating agencies to ultimately combat various types of criminal activity within the city. CSU is continuing to conduct follow up investigations on a variety of cases to include narcotics, fugitive, and vice-related offenses. CSU has taken a very proactive approach to initiating and clearing several good drug-related cases. CSU continues to make relevant transactions with the CPD-NIBIN unit to establish a more proactive approach to gun-related criminal activity. CSU coordinates with relevant patrol officers on follow up activities such as assisting them with continued investigation and or recommending prosecution based on their findings.

K-9:

| | |
|------------------------------------|------|
| Primary Officer Calls | 6 |
| Back-up / Assist Calls | 13 |
| Physical Arrests | 6 |
| Vehicle Sniffs | 2 |
| Tracks | 11 |
| Traffic Stops | 33 |
| Call Outs | 0 |
| Warrant Services | 0 |
| Assist Other Agency Warrants | 2 |
| K9 Training Hours | 27 |
| K9 Apprehensions | 1 |
| Methamphetamine (grams) | 12.5 |
| Fentanyl (dosage units) | 0.0 |
| Marijuana THC / Edibles (grams) | 3.4 |
| Other Drug Seizures (dosage units) | 0 |

K9 NOTE: Officer Hightower and his K9 partner Quest have continued to employ a proactive approach to detect and combat drug-related crime within the city.

CUMULATIVE WARRANTS DIVISION STATS:

| | |
|------------------------------|----|
| New Warrants Received | 26 |
| Warrant Service - MIS | 14 |
| Warrant Service - FEL | 4 |
| Misdemeanor Citation Service | 3 |
| Civilian Fingerprints | 5 |
| NCIC Entries | 25 |

WARRANTS DIVISION NOTE: The Warrants Division continues to seek solutions to streamline the warrants processes and implement appropriate measures. To date, the Warrants Division has had a measurable increase in the number of warrants served. The changes implemented over the preceding months have enabled the Division to extradite more arrestees from surrounding jurisdictions, including those within surrounding states.

VEHICLE ASSIGNMENTS:

| <i>DRIVER</i> | <i>VEHICLE</i> | <i>MILEAGE</i> | <i>MAKE</i> | <i>MODEL</i> |
|---------------|----------------|----------------|-------------|--------------|
| VACANT | 15 | 31,501 | Chevrolet | Colorado |
| G. Beck | 29 | 153,339 | GMC | Canyon |
| R. Hightower | 89 | 30,600 | Ford | PIU |
| D. Romans | 5 | 8,376 | Ford | Explorer |
| J. Goddard | 7 | 6,597 | Ford | Explorer |
| K. Kimsey | 28 | 61,298 | Ford | PIU |
| J. Daverson | 6 | 45,693 | Ford | PIU |
| S. Stojnic | 4 | 8,222 | Chevrolet | Colorado |
| VACANT | 25 | 23,001 | Chevrolet | Colorado |
| J. Davis | 41 | 18,419 | Chevrolet | Colorado |
| W. Johnson | 44 | 18,448 | Chevrolet | Colorado |
| SPARE-LINE | 54 | 78,675 | Dodge | Journey |



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February 2026 City of East Ridge Police Department Patrol / Traffic Division Monthly Report

| Officer | Days Worked | Warrants Obtained | Physical Arrest | Charges Misd. | Charges Felony | Reports (d1, d2) | Field Interview | SIA | Crash Reports | Traffic Stops | Traffic Citations | Service Calls | Assist Calls | Other Warrants | Warrant Service |
|-----------|-------------|-------------------|-----------------|---------------|----------------|------------------|-----------------|-----|---------------|---------------|-------------------|---------------|--------------|----------------|-----------------|
| HINSCH | 12 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 11 | 0 | 7 | 9 | 6 | 21 | 0 | 0 |
| MAGANA | 12 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 11 | 4 | 19 | 12 | 31 | 21 | 2 | 0 |
| MAHAFFEY | 14 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 9 | 0 | 8 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 38 | 34 | 0 | 0 |
| BAILEY | 13 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 39 | 7 | 83 | 40 | 49 | 36 | 2 | 0 |
| VALDEREZ | 14 | 2 | 5 | 5 | 2 | 17 | 2 | 171 | 6 | 33 | 30 | 39 | 14 | 0 | 4 |
| ALEXANDER | 16 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 4 | 1 | 66 | 0 | 12 | 6 | 21 | 42 | 0 | 3 |
| ALLEN | 14 | 0 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 34 | 0 | 42 | 33 | 35 | 19 | 0 | 1 |
| DARWIN | 12 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 0 | 36 | 0 | 30 | 47 | 23 | 32 | 0 | 1 |
| ACKERMANN | 11 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 9 | 0 | 39 | 1 | 2 | 5 | 26 | 23 | 0 | 0 |
| KIRBY | 14 | 4 | 7 | 5 | 5 | 7 | 1 | 35 | 0 | 34 | 37 | 26 | 65 | 1 | 1 |
| BRISLDEN | 14 | 3 | 9 | 8 | 3 | 35 | 1 | 86 | 1 | 12 | 3 | 62 | 30 | 8 | 7 |
| SMITH | 14 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 41 | 0 | 4 | 3 | 5 | 57 | 0 | 0 |
| RESENDIZ | 15 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 29 | 30 | 151 | 190 | 63 | 44 | 0 | 0 |
| BONANNO | 13 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 8 | 0 | 20 | 0 | 25 | 0 | 26 | 11 | 1 | 0 |
| BURGESS | 13 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 7 | 0 | 19 | 1 | 15 | 0 | 26 | 33 | 5 | 1 |
| CORNELIUS | 15 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 9 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 21 | 4 | 0 | 2 |
| JOHNSON | 15 | 3 | 4 | 8 | 1 | 10 | 0 | 63 | 9 | 63 | 91 | 45 | 36 | 0 | 0 |
| MILLER | 15 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 7 | 0 | 98 | 1 | 20 | 13 | 20 | 20 | 0 | 1 |
| NEIGHBORS | 15 | 10 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 11 | 0 | 55 | 2 | 7 | 0 | 34 | 24 | 1 | 2 |
| RHUDY | 16 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 10 | 0 | 48 | 0 | 9 | 1 | 16 | 54 | 0 | 2 |

| Officer | Days Worked | Warrants Obtained | Physical Arrest | Charges Misd. | Charges Felony | Reports (d1, d2) | Field Interview | SIA | Crash Reports | Traffic Stops | Traffic Citations | Service Calls | Assist Calls | Other Warrants | Warrant Service |
|----------------|--------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|--------------|----------------------|----------------------|--------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|
| WILSON | 14 | 3 | 0 | 4 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 56 | 8 | 52 | 53 | 40 | 61 | 0 | 0 |
| BLACKBURN | 13 | 6 | 5 | 6 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 27 | 1 | 7 | 4 | 46 | 18 | 1 | 1 |
| COX | 11 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 21 | 0 | 6 | 4 | 8 | 44 | 1 | 0 |
| ESTERMYER | 11 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 8 | 0 | 23 | 15 | 3 | 20 | 1 | 0 |
| HUSKINS | 13 | 0 | 5 | 8 | 4 | 5 | 0 | 72 | 0 | 10 | 8 | 27 | 29 | 0 | 0 |
| PARTIN | 9 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 30 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 26 | 19 | 0 | 0 |
| SZYDLOWSKI | 14 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 8 | 0 | 20 | 0 | 18 | 14 | 39 | 10 | 0 | 0 |
| LIVELY | 11 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 8 | 20 | 0 | 2 |
| Total | 373 | 38 | 59 | 67 | 20 | 193 | 6 | 1,143 | 72 | 688 | 621 | 809 | 841 | 23 | 28 |



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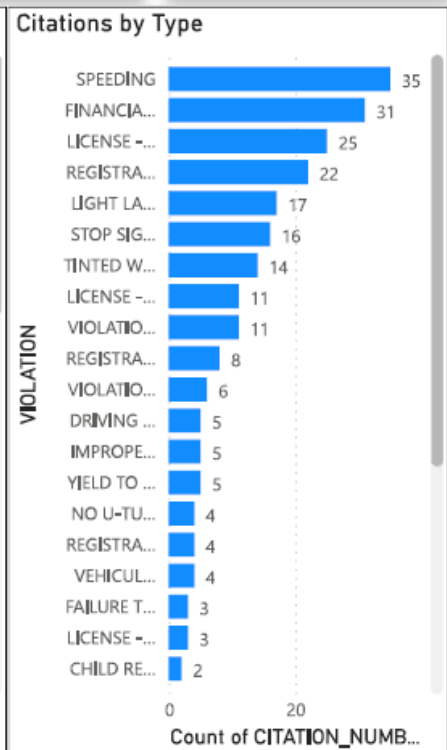
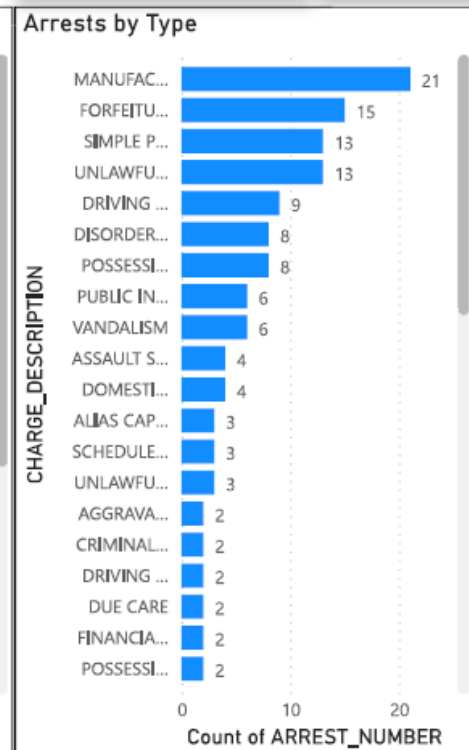
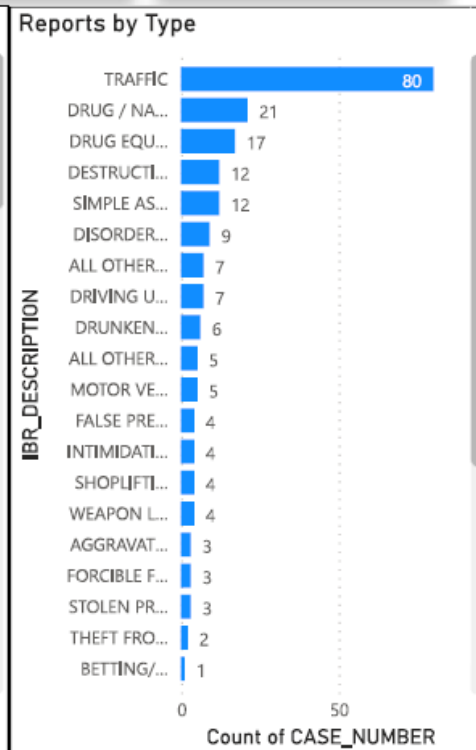
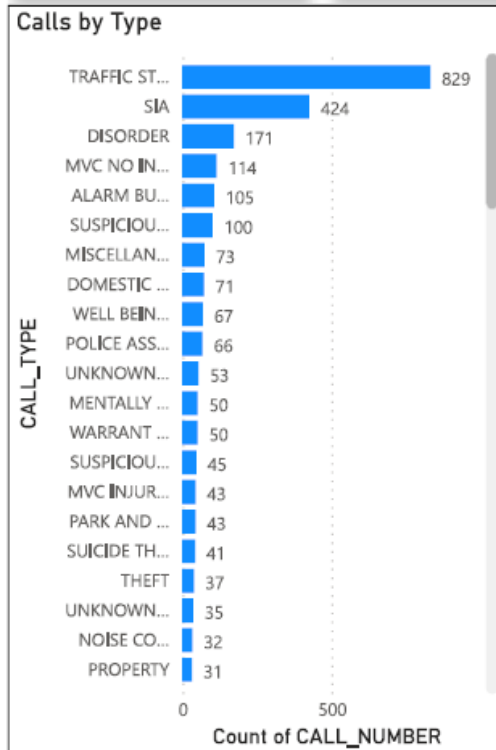
February 2026 City of East Ridge Police Department Monthly Activity Report

February 2026



EAST RIDGE MONTHLY ACTIVITY

| | | | | | |
|---|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Calls for Service 1786 | Incidents 213 | Arrests 90 | Total Charges 160 | Citations 132 | Warnings 112 |
|---|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|





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February 2026 City of East Ridge Police Department Monthly Crime Report

MAJOR CRIMES:

| | |
|--------------------------|----|
| Weapon Law Violations | 4 |
| Theft from Motor Vehicle | 2 |
| Motor Vehicle Theft | 5 |
| Kidnapping/Abduction | 1 |
| Forcible Fondling | 3 |
| Drug/Narcotic Violation | 22 |
| Driving Under Influence | 8 |
| Burglary | 1 |
| Aggravated Assault | 4 |

ACTIVITY TOTALS:

| | |
|-------------------|-------|
| Calls for Service | 1,786 |
| Reports Written | 213 |
| Citations | 132 |
| Warnings | 112 |



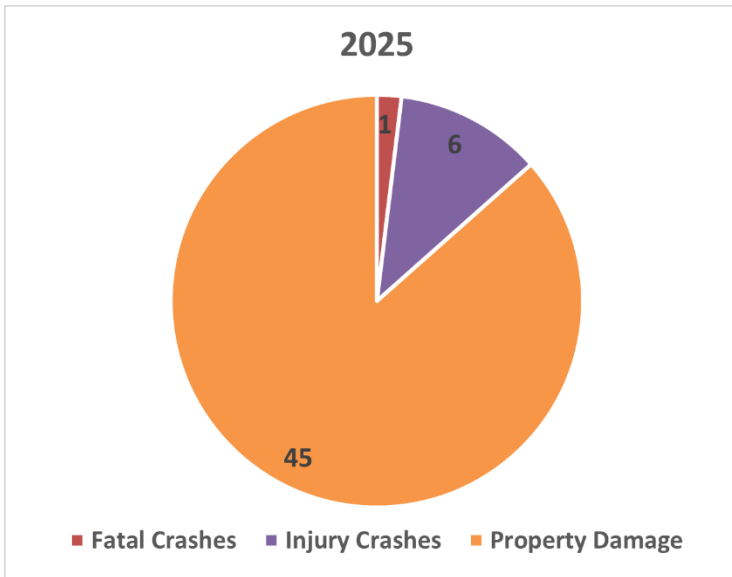
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February 2026 City of East Ridge Police Department TITAN Crash Monthly Report

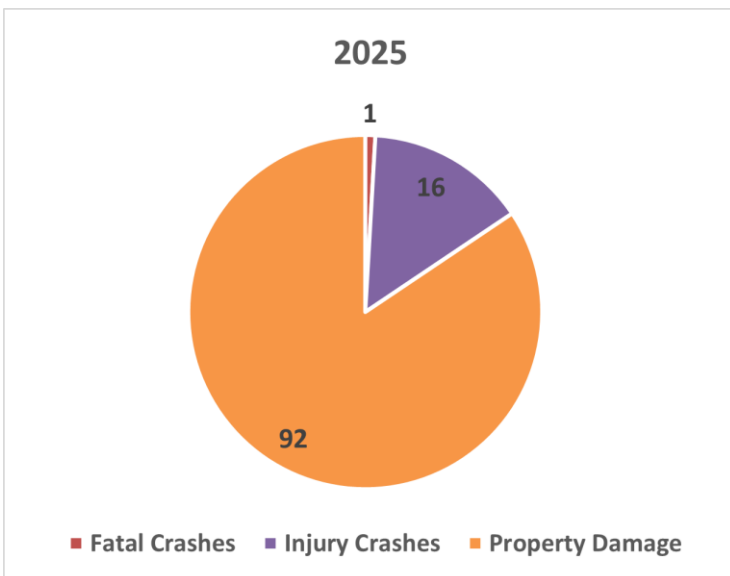
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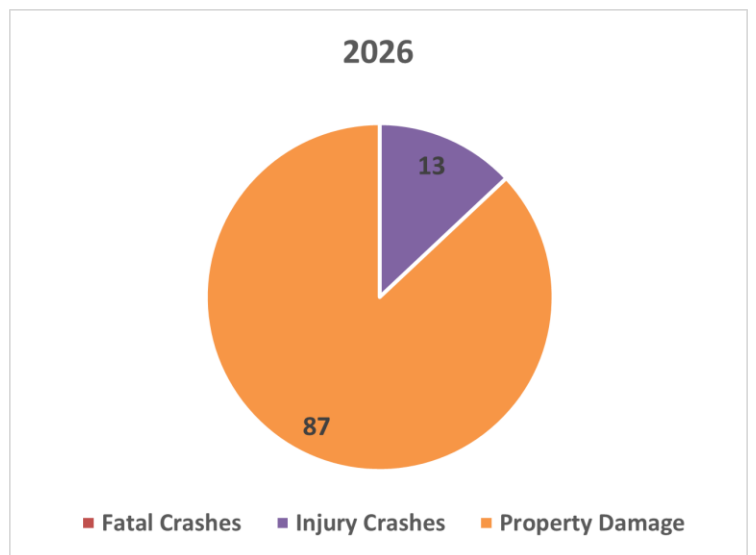
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Police Department

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| | |
|---------------------------|--|
| Shelter Population | Cats: 19 housed, 12 in foster care Dogs: 34 housed, 4 in foster care |
| New Intakes | Cats: 30 Dogs: 17 |
| Calls for Service | 36 total calls for service 1 responses to injured / sick animals 4 deceased animals transported 13 running at large calls 2 police assists |
| Feral Cat Program | 12 feral cat traps set 11 feral cats released back into the wild |
| Cat Statistics | 17 adoptions 3 returned to owners 0 transferred out 0 transferred in 0 returned to shelter 0 euthanized 1 neonate kitten passed away in care |
| Dog Statistics | 10 adoptions 11 returned to owners 7 transferred out 0 transferred in 0 returned to shelter 0 euthanized 0 neonate puppies passed away in care |



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Mike Williams
Fire Chief
Fire Department

February 2026 City of East Ridge Fire Rescue Monthly Report



Fire Operations

The Department responded to **181** calls for service in the month of **February 2026**.

Fire Administration

- Scheduled fire inspections and training for each shift.
- Fire Chief Mike Williams was appointed by City Council as the Interim City Manager upon the retirement of J. Scott Miller.
- Duty crews have been working on props for the fire in-service training for March. These props include building search and rescue operations and fire rescue inside McBrien Elementary School.
- Staff attended the Career Fair held at East Ridge High School, grand opening of Venue 1921 at East Ridge, retirement party of Sue Cross, retirement party of J. Scott Miller, and grand opening of Goodwill.
- Staff attended City Council meetings.
- Staff met with the first round of candidates for the City Manager position and attended the special called meeting for the candidates to be interviewed by the City Council.
- Staff have been working on a new ordinance for false fire alarms. The City Attorney, Assistant Fire Marshal, and Fire Chief will bring the proposed ordinance before Council in March 2026.

Training

Each shift completed a minimum of two hours of training per shift throughout the month. Training sessions covered a variety of operational, technical, and safety topics across multiple disciplines. Below is a summary of the training areas completed:

1. Company: SCBA Evolution, VEIS, Air Consumption Drill.
2. Company: Fire Dynamics, Ref. Essentials 7 Ch. 4.
3. Rescue: Swiftwater, Equipment Familiarization, Maintenance, and Use.
4. Company: Firefighter PPE, Ref. Essentials 7 Ch. 5.

5. Company: Portable Fire Extinguishers, Ref. Essentials 7 Ch. 6.
6. Driver Training: District Review, Streets, Hydrants/FDC.
7. Company: Ropes and Knots, Ref. Essentials 7 Ch. 7.
8. Hazardous Materials: Product Control.
9. EMS: Environmental Emergencies, Ref. First Responder Protocol Manual, Protocols PROT-025 to PROT-031.

One member is currently enrolled in Tri community Firefighter II Class and one member graduated from Hamilton County Firefighter I Class.

Maintenance

- Replaced thermostat on Car 1.
- Siddons Martin replaced the gear box on Squad 2, installed the Roto Ray light on Squad 1 and is working on the airhorns for Squad 1.
- Preventative maintenance was completed on Ladder One.
- Sent the HME Engine to have the fuel pump rebuilt and maintenance to prepare for sale.
- General maintenance on all apparatus, including fluid checks, bulb replacements, and other preventative maintenance items.

Special Projects

- Working on budget needs for the Fire Department.
- Working with Human Resources on employee evaluations for fire department members.

Incident Reports by Incident Type Series February 2026

| TYPE OF INCIDENT | NUMBER |
|--|--------|
| Outside Fire: Vegetation / Grass Fire | 2 |
| Outside Fire: Other | 1 |
| Outside Fire: Trash / Rubbish Fire | 2 |
| Transportation Fire: Vehicle Fire – Passenger | 2 |
| Electrical Hazard / Short Circuit | 2 |
| Electrical Power Line Down / Arching / Malfunction | 1 |
| Motor Vehicle Collision – No Injury | 3 |
| Hazardous Materials: Fuel Spill / Fuel Odor | 4 |
| Investigation: Odor | 3 |
| Law Enforcement Support | 1 |
| Illness: Abdominal Pain / Problems | 2 |
| Illness: Allergic Reaction / Stings | 1 |
| Illness: Altered Mental Status | 3 |
| Illness: Back Pain (Non-traumatic) | 2 |
| Illness: Breathing Problems | 9 |

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|---|------------|
| Illness: Cardiac Arrest | 1 |
| Illness: Convulsions / Seizures | 3 |
| Illness: Diabetic Problems | 2 |
| Illness: Heart Problems | 3 |
| Illness: Overdose / Poisoning | 2 |
| Illness: Sick Case | 7 |
| Pregnancy / Childbirth | 1 |
| Illness: Stroke / CVA | 3 |
| Illness: Unconscious Victim | 4 |
| Illness: Unknown Problem | 1 |
| Injury / Trauma: Fall | 7 |
| Injury / Trauma: Hemorrhage / Laceration | 1 |
| Injury / Trauma: Motor Vehicle Collision Injury | 11 |
| Injury / Trauma: Other Traumatic Injury | 2 |
| Medical Alarm | 1 |
| No Emergency: Cancelled | 12 |
| False Alarm: Accidental Alarm | 12 |
| False Alarm: Malfunctioning Alarm | 3 |
| False Alarm: Other False Call | 3 |
| Investigate Hazardous Release / Nothing Found | 1 |
| No Incident Found Upon Arrival / Location Error | 1 |
| Smoke From Nonhostile Source (Smoke Scare) | 2 |
| Alarm: Fire / Smoke Alarm | 10 |
| Citizen Assist: Assist / Service Call | 6 |
| Citizen Assist: Life Assist | 30 |
| Other: Stand-by | 1 |
| Rescue: Extrication / Entrapped | 1 |
| Total Alarms for February 2026 | 181 |

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|----------------------|-----|
| Fire Property Loss | \$0 |
| Fire Property Saved | \$0 |
| Civilian Deaths | 0 |
| Civilian Injury | 0 |
| Firefighter Injuries | 0 |
| Firefighter Deaths | 0 |

| MUTUAL AID REPORT | |
|--------------------------------|----------|
| Mutual Aid Received | 0 |
| Mutual Aid Given | 2 |
| TOTAL MUTUAL AID CALLS: | 2 |

CALLS TO THE CITY OF RIDGESIDE

| | |
|---|----------|
| Medical, citizen assist, non-fire related calls | 0 |
| Fire related calls | 0 |
| TOTAL CITY OF RIDGESIDE CALLS: | 0 |

FIRE MARSHAL'S OFFICE

| | |
|-------------------------|----|
| Annual Inspections | 16 |
| New Inspections | 4 |
| Public Education Events | 1 |
| Plan Reviews | 7 |

OPEN RECORDS REQUESTS

| | |
|-------------------------------|---|
| NFIRS Report(s) Requested | 1 |
| Other (Fire Marshal's Office) | 0 |



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Building Maintenance

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City Hall

- Replaced the aerator on the left faucet of the men's restroom.
- Tested all backflows.
- Began painting the Development Director's office.
- Cleaned up the area behind City Hall at the McBrien building, including mowing, weed eating, leaf blowing, tree trimming, and removing debris and trash.

Library

- Met with Stanley Steamer to get a quote on cleaning the Library carpet and floors.

Venue 1921 at East Ridge

- Assisted with hanging the remaining artwork before the grand opening.
- Wired in two new lights for the Venue 1921 sign.
- Replaced the igniter battery in one of the fire pits.
- Tested all backflows.

Parks and Recreation

- Fabricated a ground probe for Camp Jordan.
- Continued investigating and excavating the water line to locate a leak among the baseball fields.
- Replaced the backflow for soccer fields 1 and 2.
- Picked up our order of black trash bags from the Arena.
- Tested and replaced backflows at the Arena.
- Tested the backflows at the Community Center.

Fire Department

- Replaced the outlet above the sinks in the Battalion Chief's bunkroom.
- Installed a new cover over the outlet on the light pole in the parking lot.
- Replaced the exit sign above the door inside the bay of Fire Hall 1.

Police Department

- Replaced ceiling tiles under the sally port and in the conference room.
 - Replaced all light bulbs in the old jail cells.
 - Reinstalled the radio magnetic inside one of the Police SUVs.
 - Removed two old desks and assembled two new ones.
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Animal Services

- Coordinated with Bailey's, who visited the Animal Shelter on February 5, 2026, to assess improvements for air flow.
 - Created signs for shelter dogs to wear during City Manager recruitment videos.
 - Replaced the hose bib wye.
 - Repaired a leaking water bowl.
 - Replaced the HVAC filters.
 - Removed shelves and the old washer and dryer to make room for the new ones.
 - Paul Hagood filled in as an Animal Control Officer for a few days.
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Building Maintenance Department

- Cleaned the bathrooms and offices in the Building Maintenance facility.
- Reorganized the plumbing and electrical supplies in the stockroom.
- Installed a new light in the Building Maintenance garage.



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Robert Parker
Supervisor
Solid Waste Department

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SOLID WASTE REPORT:

| | |
|--|-------------|
| Solid Waste Collected | 759.14 tons |
| Recycled Materials Collected | 48.56 tons |
| Dumpster Junk | 39.25 tons |
| Dumpster Rentals | 5 |
| Brush Collected | 32 loads |
| Metal Collected | 2 tons |
| Cart Repairs / Replacement (lids / cans) | 17 |
| New / Extra Garbage Cans | 6 |
| New Recycle Cans | 9 |



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Chris Vaughn
Supervisor
Street Department

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WORK ORDERS:

| <i>TYPE</i> | <i>PRODUCED</i> | <i>NOTES</i> |
|-------------------|-----------------|---------------------------|
| Drain Patrol | 71 Locations | Checked and cleaned |
| Ditch Cleaning | 8 Locations | Cleaned out with back-hoe |
| Jetted Out Pipes | 5 Locations | Water jet trailer |
| Street Sweeper | 21 Locations | Various streets swept |
| Asphalt Repairs | 9 Locations | Put out 5 tons of asphalt |
| Pothole Repairs | 23 Locations | Bags of asphalt put out |
| Litter Collection | 28 Locations | Trash picked up |
| Boom Mower | 3 Locations | City Right-of-Ways |
| Miscellaneous | 49 Locations | Various work completed |



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Jeff Crowe
Supervisor
Traffic Control

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WORK ORDERS:

| <i>TYPE</i> | <i>QUANTITY</i> |
|--------------------------------|-----------------|
| New Signage | 5 |
| Signs Installed | 3 |
| Sign Maintenance | 77 |
| Shop Tasks | 15 |
| Miscellaneous | 13 |
| Signal Repairs | 7 |
| Banners | 0 |
| Traffic Studies | 2 |
| Resident Requests | 2 |
| Street Light Requests | 7 |
| ER Police Department Requests | 0 |
| ER Fire Department Requests | 0 |
| Street Department Requests | 1 |
| Sanitation Department Requests | 0 |
| Building Maintenance Requests | 3 |
| Camp Jordan Park Requests | 10 |
| Venue 1921 at East Ridge | 0 |

NOTES:

- Installed 12 thermoplastic stop bars.
 - 120' of 12" white thermoplastic



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Michael Howell
 Chief Building Official
 Building and Codes Department

February 2026 City of East Ridge Building and Codes Department Monthly Report

Number of Employees: 5

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|-------------------|--|
| Michael Howell | Chief Building Official |
| Melissa Mahoney | Administrative Assistant / Permit Technician |
| Torrey Holder | Residential Building Inspector |
| Michael Pettyjohn | Codes Enforcement Officer |
| Bobby Lawrence | Codes Enforcement Officer |

Purpose: The purpose of the Codes Department is to ensure that all citizens and contractors are assisted concerning the issues of Building Codes and Safety and Property Maintenance Codes. The duty of this department is to inspect and enforce these regulations in a certified and professional manner.

WORK ORDERS:

| ACTIVITY | SCOPE | TOTAL |
|----------------------------|--|------------|
| Issuing of Permits | Building (Comm. & Res.), Electrical, Plumbing, Mechanical, Fire, Sign | 92 |
| Building Inspections | Building, Mechanical, Plumbing, Electrical, Energy | 97 |
| Re-Inspections | Trades that have failed the first inspection | 9 |
| Street Cut Permits | WWTA, Chattanooga Gas, & TAW street cut permits | 8 |
| Signs Removed | Illegal signs removed from City limits | 1 |
| Continuing Education | Training for the departments, required certification test / International Building Certification | 0 Hours |
| Property Maintenance Liens | Unpaid property maintenance issues, including grass cutting, demo of unsafe structures, etc. | 0 Liens |
| Housing Board | Cases involving repair or demo of the structure | 4 Cases |
| Zoning Board | Cases involving the Zoning Ordinance | 0 Cases |
| Planning Commission | Cases involving rezoning, subdivision regulations, and plat signing | 0 Cases |
| Plan Reviews | In-house plan reviews Commercial / Residential – Plat Reviews | 10 Reviews |
| Unsafe Structure Abatement | Demolition of an unsafe structure | 0 |
| Code Violations | TOTAL | 133 |
| | Open Storage | 50 |
| | Disabled Vehicles | 32 |
| | Trash & Debris | 17 |
| | Post for Cleanups | 0 |
| | Other (Premise ID, Fence, Soffits, Fascia Boards, Gutters, Windows, etc.) | 34 |
| Customer Service Calls | Facilitate calls and inquiries from citizens / contractors | Daily |



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Shawna Skiles
Director
Parks and Recreation

February 2026

City of East Ridge Parks and Recreation Department Monthly Report

Administrative

- Worked on recreation sports teams
- Worked on Spring ball field contacts
- Worked on soccer field contacts
- Oversaw projects including the turf project and Arena restroom upgrades
- Met with Hamilton County in preparation for the next phase of turf installation
- Continued budget preparation for the upcoming fiscal year
- Attended meetings with new event organizers
- Attended baseball and softball meetings with Catoosa County
- Renewed league insurance
- Attended meeting with Chattanooga Tourism
- Promoted Spring sports
- Attended meetings with Pillar Construction every two weeks for progress updates on the Community Center Expansion Project
- Conducted interviews for Part-Time Park Attendant positions

Athletic Programming Recreation

- Indoor soccer is ongoing
- Preparing for Spring sports: soccer, baseball, flag football, and softball

Maintenance / Projects – Parks and Recreation

- Repaired the hinges on the Stadium door
- Repaired a tire on the Kubota tractor
- Trimmed the Memorial area in the park
- Repaired fence toppers around the ballfields and added new toppers to fields 5-8
- Repaired the broken signs on the restrooms
- Replaced blown out tiers on the John Deere Mower

- Worked on the sand spreader
- Repaired a bolt in Arena door for load-in
- Replaced a busted tire on Gator 2
- Replaced gate chains at the baseball fields

Camp Jordan Arena/Park Events

- Indoor soccer
- Newbreed Jiu Jitsu Federation
- Chattanooga Dog Agility Club events
- New City Fellowship Disc Golf Tournament
- Bodie Race

Tournaments / Athletic Events at Camp Jordan

- OLPH Middle School Tournament

Community Center

- Aerobics Memberships - 8
- Senior Programming Memberships – 95
- Open Gym Memberships – 20
- Hosted Senior Luncheon on February 24. The luncheon was the first ever targeted luncheon focusing on heart healthy foods.
- Attended the East Ridge High School Career Fair on February 21.
- Met with Red Bank Parks & Recreation to explain our programming and to discuss policies and procedures.
- Attended the monthly Chattanooga Are Out of School Alliance.



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Chris Vaughn
Supervisor
Street Department

February 2026 Venue 1921 at East Ridge Monthly Report

OVERVIEW:

- Four months into operations, foundational systems and procedures are now in place at Venue 1921.
- Staff are shifting focus toward proactive marketing, creative programming, and long-term sales strategy.
- Sales efforts are currently focusing on **Fall 2026 bookings**, as most weddings and large events book **6–12 months in advance**.
- We will have a nice Spring Calendar of activations to really learn the room.
- An **RFQ for janitorial services** has been issued to establish a dedicated cleaning partner and support overnight event flips.

February marked two key milestones:

- **Grand Opening of Venue 1921**
- **First official event** hosted with Freedom Church for their Volunteer Appreciation Gala

Venue 1921 also hosted the **retirement celebrations for Mr. Miller and Ms. Sue**, providing a space for City staff to celebrate years of service. Each welcomed guests from family to elected officials.

OPERATIONS & BOOKINGS:

- **Current Tour-Contract Conversion rate: 40.5%**
 - Industry benchmark for strong performance is typically **25% or higher**.
- Staff continue refining **event advancing procedures and operational workflows** as new event types utilize the space.
- Smaller events not suited for Venue 1921 are being **redirected to the East Ridge Community Center**, strengthening the partnership between facilities.
- Increasing inquiries from:
 - Food vendors and culinary experiences
 - Music promoters
 - Specialty event producers

STAFFING & COMMUNITY IMPACT:

- **Venue Assistant Jarinzi Alonzo Serrano** continues to provide strong operational support.
- Her **bilingual (Spanish/English) capabilities** are a significant asset for community engagement.
- Recently conducted a **full venue tour in Spanish** for prospective clients.
- Supporting outreach and bookings related to Quinceañeras, family celebrations and potential events for Hispanic Heritage Month in October.

PARTNERSHIPS & PROGRAMMING:

- Staff are exploring **recurring programming opportunities** to activate the venue.
- Current focus: identifying a producer for a **monthly elevated Sunday Market concept**.
- Conversations underway with multiple potential partners.
- Meetings held with **local hotel partners** to explore referral relationships and visitor-driven event opportunities.

These partnerships support the broader **East Ridge hospitality and tourism ecosystem**.

MARKETING & DATA DEVELOPMENT:

Recent media outreach includes interviews with:

- **Talk Radio with Jennifer Crutchfield** for the Jed and JR Morning Show
- **The Donna Show Live**

Operational systems continue to develop, including:

- CRM tracking for **event inquiries and booking activity**
- Data monitoring for:
 - Event types
 - Marketing effectiveness
 - Lead conversion rates
 - No response/No interest lead follow up questionnaire

This data will guide **future marketing and programming decisions**.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

| DATE | EVENT | AUDIENCE |
|-------------|--|--------------------|
| March 21 | Chili Cook-Off – Partnership with Touch The Sky Events | Open to the Public |
| March 25-28 | Statement Chattanooga – Upscale consignment shopping | Open to the Public |



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Patty Weaver
 Head Librarian
 Library Department

FY25/26 Library Services Statistics as of February 28, 2026

| | JULY 2025 | AUG. 2025 | SEPT. 2025 | OCT. 2025 | NOV. 2025 | DEC. 2025 | JAN. 2026 | FEB. 2026 | MAR. 2026 | APR. 2026 | MAY 2026 | JUNE 2026 | YTD FY25-26 |
|--------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|----------------|
| CIRCULATION (BOOKS/AUDIO) | 3,549 | 3,019 | 2,891 | 3,004 | 2,405 | 2,879 | 2,814 | 2,839 | | | | | 23,400 |
| CIRCULATION E-BOOKS | 401 | 386 | 353 | 342 | 338 | 324 | 353 | 325 | | | | | 2,822 |
| COMPUTER USERS | 250 | 202 | 238 | 237 | 178 | 205 | 157 | 196 | | | | | 1,663 |
| NEW CARDS ISSUED | 65 | 38 | 29 | 26 | 17 | 25 | 26 | 29 | | | | | 254 |
| PROGRAMS / ATTENDANCE | 32 / 540 | 13 / 117 | 34 / 1,067 | 41 / 653 | 29 / 424 | 26 / 430 | 26 / 298 | 18 / 184 | | | | | 220 / 3,706 |
| DOCUMENTS NOTORIZED | 15 | 8 | 36 | 22 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 | | | | | 87 |
| PAGES FAXED | 43 | 15 | 41 | 89 | 20 | 39 | 16 | 39 | | | | | 302 |
| PAGES SCANNED | 79 | 41 | 126 | 76 | 98 | 33 | 7 | 34 | | | | | 494 |
| COPIES MADE | 3,477 | 2,926 | 2,631 | 2,871 | 2,427 | 2,214 | 2,921 | 2,774 | | | | | 22,241 |
| ITEMS CATALOGUED | 88 | 110 | 133 | 133 | 50 | 66 | 83 | 118 | | | | | 781 |
| ITEMS DELETED | 176 | 105 | 3 | 105 | 4 | 1 | 447 | 75 | | | | | 916 |

29 new cards issued (23 Adult/6 Juvenile)
 2 Diamond Art Club - 23 participants
 1 LEGO Club - 12 participants
 1 Adult Bingo - 5 participants
 4 Knitting Club - 28 participants

1 Adult/Child Craft - 12 participants
 2 Story Time - 53 participants
 1 Baby Story Time - 11 participants
 1 Game Night - 21 participants
 1 Watercolor Class - 15 participants

1 Teen Advisory Board - 5 participants
 1 Elementary School Book Club - 10 participants
 1 Middle School Book Club - 3 participants
 1 Adult Book Club - 6 participants