

Monthly Report
Nov. 2025

Hurricane season ends with no U.S. storm impacts

By Hector Flores
County Administrator

The Atlantic hurricane season concluded on Nov. 30 with no tropical impacts anywhere in the United States. According to Emergency Management Director Parick Fuller, this season was the first since 2015 with no landfalling hurricanes in the U.S.

“The final tally was 13 named storms, five

County staff contribute food, cash for neighbors

Charlotte County employees conducted two food drives, one at our employee appreciation dinner in October, where staff donated more than 3,300 pounds of food, which was distributed to the community at the Human Services Department's Family Services Center. A second food drive ended Nov. 21 in time for the items donated to help families enjoy a Thanksgiving dinner. Staff donated 2,000 pounds of food

The Community Development Department's Annual Chili Cook-Off fundraiser on Nov. 21, raised \$520 for families in need this holiday season. The Community Services Department has a Food for Fines program through which library patrons can have their late fee fines forgiven by donating food. Last year, it collected 20,009 food items



becoming hurricanes, of which four were major Category 3 or higher. There were three Category 5 storms, though nearly all the activity occurred far out to sea. Outside of the U.S., Hurricane Melissa devastated Jamaica as a strong Category 5 storm,” Fuller wrote in a message to county staff on Monday.

He also conveyed his appreciation for all the preparation, training and awareness throughout the season.

I want to echo his gratitude to all residents who remained vigilant and prepared. The readiness you, your families and organizations embraced ensured we could respond to any tropical event and recover. Emergency Management will continue to monitor year-round for any hazard that may impact our area.



Charlotte County glowed green Nov. 4-11 in honor of our veterans. Green lights glowed at the Charlotte County Administration Center, Mac V. Horton West County Annex, and Family Services Center as part of Operation Green Light for Veterans — a nationwide effort to show support and gratitude for those who have served.

Sales tax focus group reviews parks projects

The Sales Tax Focus Group held its sixth meeting on Oct. 30 where it reviewed parks and recreation projects, including additional proposed phases of the Bissett Park and William R. Gaines Jr. Veterans Memorial Park expansions and replacements for the Tringali Community Center and the former Cultural Center of Charlotte County.

Panelists were provided backgrounds on the proposed projects, including design and construction estimates and status updates.

The focus group was selected by the County Commission to make recommendations about which infrastructure, quality of life, public safety and schools project will be funded by the 1% local option sales tax if it is approved by voters in the Nov. 3 general election.

Information Technology

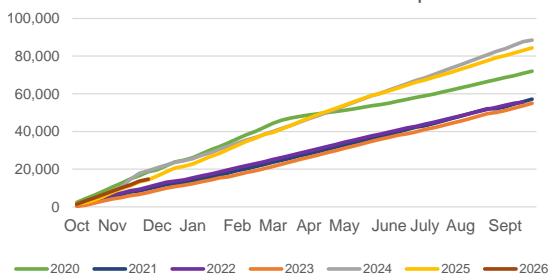
Service Tickets by Month


 Customer Satisfaction
 % Positive


Transit

 Transit Calls
 Average Handling Time
 (minutes)


Annual Cumulative Ridership



Director Highlights

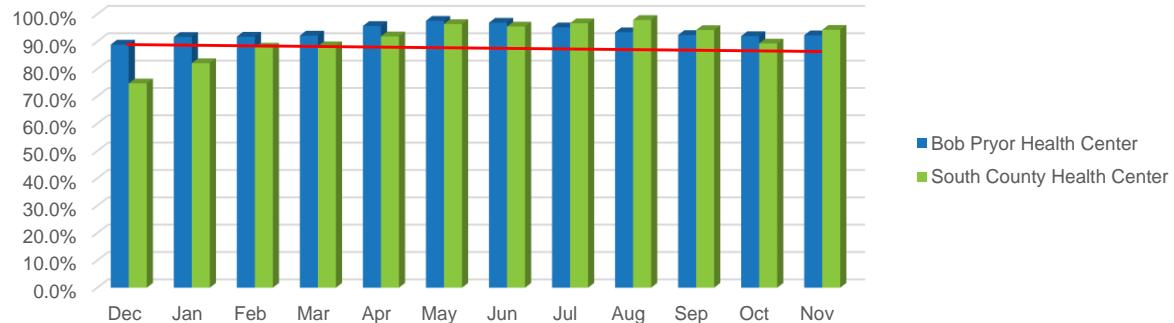
Property Tax Impact Analysis

Fiscal staff conducted a detailed financial analysis of eight Florida House Bills related to property tax reform, assessing how each proposal would affect local government revenues and budget planning. Their work included estimating potential revenue losses, evaluating changes to taxable values and exemptions, and identifying long-term fiscal impacts. This analysis provided a clear understanding of the financial risks and budgetary adjustments Charlotte County may face if the legislation is enacted.

November 2025

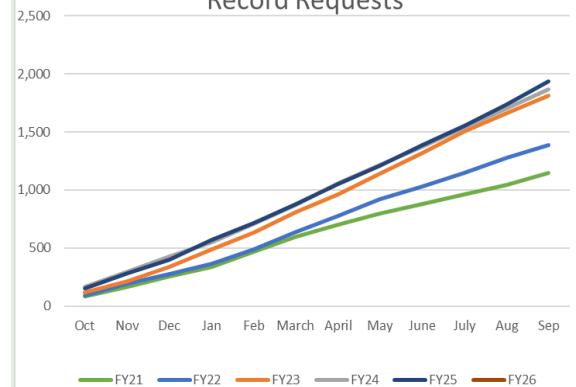


Health Center

 Employee Health Center
 Monthly Appointment Utilization Summary


Records Management

Record Requests



CharlotteCountyFL.gov

Most Visited Pages

Utilities Billing
48,985 views

Building Construction Permits
7,185 views

Building Construction Online Services
6,628 views

Most Downloads

Utilities Payment Options
1,032 downloads

Solid Waste Curbside Holiday Schedule
801 downloads

Nov. 12 Regular Meeting
662 downloads

Top Searched Terms

Jobs/career
211 searches

Permit
350 searches

Property taxes
283 searches

Communications

Internal Communications

Our Thanks & Giving Food Drive, held from Nov. 10–21, was an incredible success! Together, we collected 1,522.6 pounds of food to support families in need. The number of items donated in such a short time was truly remarkable. Once again, our team demonstrated their generosity, strengthened our caring culture, and stepped up to support the community both individually and collectively.

All donations were delivered to the Family Services Center food pantry, where they will directly benefit local families facing food insecurity. We are truly thankful for the kindness, compassion, and generosity shown by our employees.

Employee Newsletter

1,739 Emails Sent		Email Engagement	
818 (49%)	178 (10%)	20%	80%
Opened	Clicked	Mobile	Desktop

Social Media

(Analytics Across all Departments)

512 Posts

2.58 million Total Impressions

30,000 Engagements

697,700 Video Views

274,700 Total Followers

Post of the Month



S.R. 31 and Farabee Road Crash
5,400 Engagement

Most Impressions



S.R. 31 and Farabee Road Crash
565,900 Impressions

November 2025

Weekly Update By the Numbers

4 Email Campaigns

93,537
Emails Delivered

48,011
Emails Opened
3,194
Clicked

Most Clicked Link

Thanksgiving Schedule



Latest Updates

127
Streaming Views

610
Youtube Live Stream

5,300
YouTube Views
1,742
Website Views

Community Development

Nov. 2025

Under Review

Anthony's Touch of Class Collision
 18435 Paulson Drive,
 Port Charlotte
 New 5,000 sq. ft. building with four bays for additional collision repair services

Buc-ee's
 25599 Harborview Road,
 Punta Gorda
 74,000 sq. ft. gas station with 120 fueling stations and 740-spot parking area, and associated utilities, and stormwater

Manasota Key Resort
 985 Gulf Blvd., Englewood
 246 resort units along with associated ancillary facilities including, but not limited to, bars, restaurants, dock, pool, and other amenity elements

McDonald's
 5950 Duncan Road,
 Punta Gorda
 3,859 sq. ft. restaurant with dual drive-thru lanes and shared offsite retention

Whataburger
 1470 Tamiami Trail,
 Port Charlotte
 2,571 sq. ft. restaurant building with drive-thru facilities and associated parking, dumpster enclosure, and utilities

Under Construction



Auto Shop Charlotte
 524 Tamiami Trail,
 Port Charlotte
 2,600 sq. ft. auto repair building and associated infrastructure



Publix
 1500 Placida Road, Englewood
 55,454 sq. ft. grocery store and 2,100 sq. ft. liquor store



Towneplace Suites
 9044 Mac Drive, Punta Gorda
 112-room hotel, parking, landscaping, and stormwater

Completed



7Brew Coffee
 4275 Tamiami Trail, Port Charlotte
 520 sq. ft. drive-thru coffee shop

Permit Stats

124 single-family permits issued
246 single-family COs issued
2,081 permits taken
1,831 permits issued (Nov. 2025)

36,626 permits issued (FY24-25)
4,362 permits issued (FY25-26)

FY24-25: Oct. 2024 through Sept. 2025
 FY25-26: Oct. 2025 through Sept. 2026

Project Spotlight

Babcock Ranch
39 single-family permits issued in Nov. 2025
3,847 single-family COs issued since March 2017

West Port
3 single-family permits issued in Nov. 2025
868 COs issued since April 2017

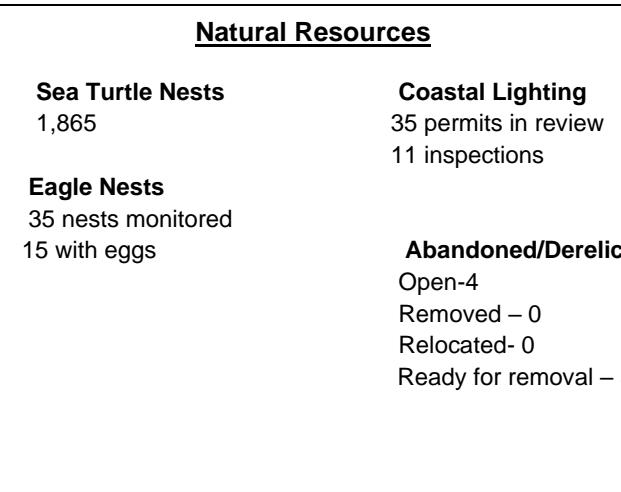
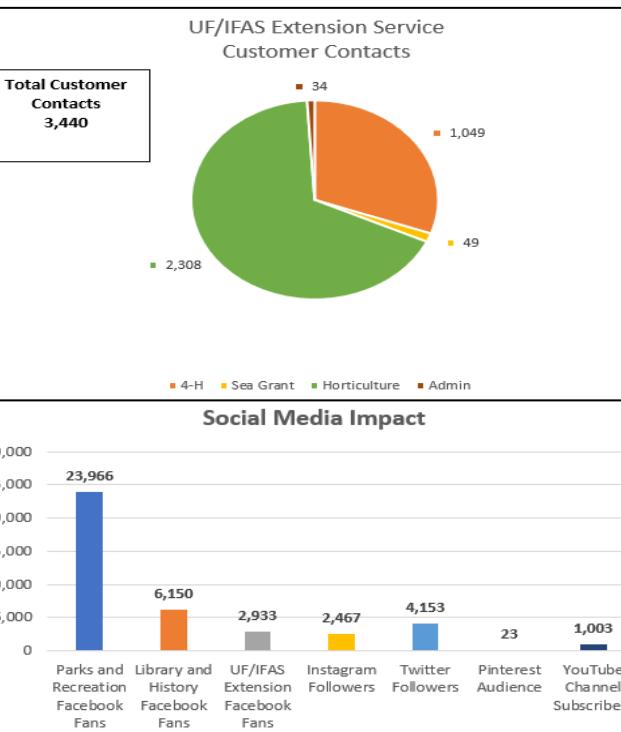
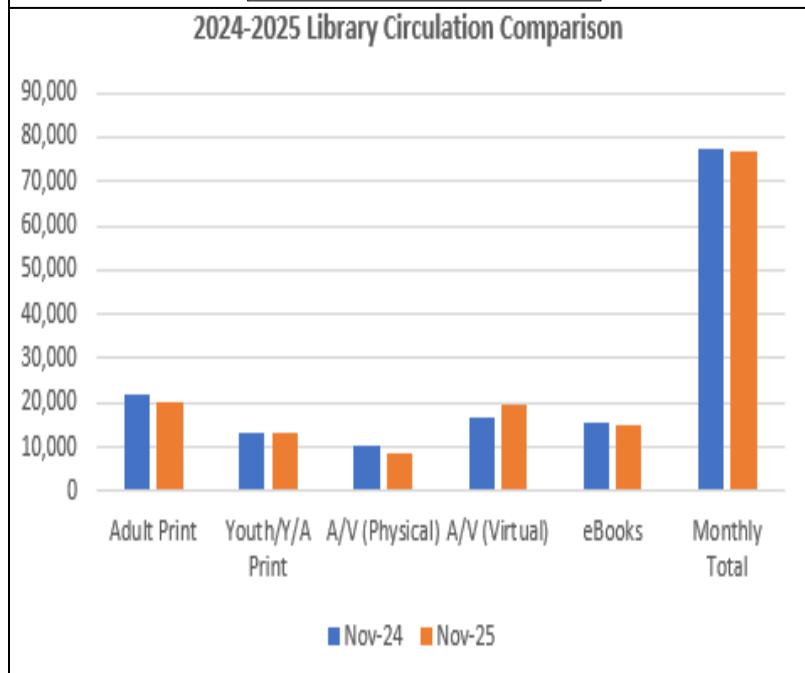
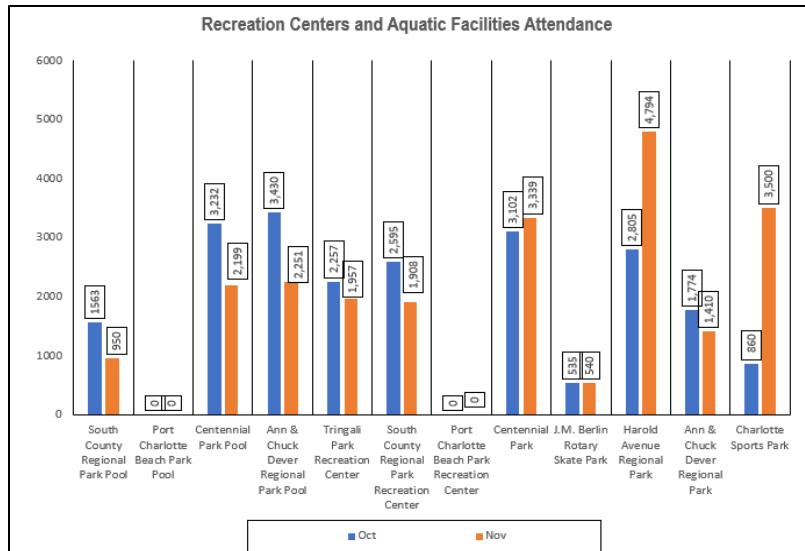
Current Plat Applications in Review

PFP-25-17: Wilmington Land Company is requesting Preliminary and Final Plat approval for a replat of Lots 11-53 and 87-119 of Heritage Station, as recorded in Plat Book 26, Pages 11A through 11I, of the Public Records of Charlotte County, Florida, to increase the number of units by 12 for consistency with the approved Major Modification to the PD Final Detail Site Plan. Wilmington Land Company is also requesting approval of a Construction and Maintenance Agreement associated with this plat. The site contains $14.93\pm$ acres and is generally located north of Yacht Club Boulevard, south of River Birch Court, west of Burnt Store Road, and east of Jolly Roger Boulevard. The proposed subdivision is in the Punta Gorda area and in Commission District II.

PFP-25-16: Lennar Homes, LLC is requesting Preliminary and Final Plat approval for a subdivision to be named, Tuckers Cove – Phase 4. The proposed subdivision is a replat of a portion of Tract F-1 of Tuckers Cove, as recorded in Plat Book 27, Pages 7A through 7Z48, of the Public Records of Charlotte County, Florida. They also seek approval of a Construction and Maintenance Agreement and surety to cover the construction of the plat infrastructure. The site consists of 584 residential lots and 12 tracts. This site contains $129.74\pm$ acres and is generally located south of Bermont Road, north of White Pearl Rd, west of the County line with Glades County and east of SR 31, inside the boundary of the Babcock Ranch Community Development of Regional Impact (DRI) Increment 2, in the East County area, and in Commission District I.

PFP-25-14: The Crosswinds (f/k/a Simple Life) is requesting a Preliminary and Final Plat approval for a subdivision named Crosswinds that consist of 122 single-family units, site landscaping and supporting utility, roadway and stormwater infrastructure. They also seek approval of a Construction and Maintenance Agreement and surety to cover the construction of the plat infrastructure. This project site is $68.43\pm$ acres and is generally located North of Duckweed Terr, South of Scham Rd., East of Burnt Store Rd. and West of Green Gulf Blvd. The proposed subdivision is in the Punta Gorda area, within the boundary of the Burnt Store Area Plan area, and in Commission District II.

Community Services



Parks and Athletic Field Maintenance

- 385 fields prepped for practices, games, tournaments
- 166 recycling bags collected
- 2,484 trash bags collected

Land Management

- 76.8 miles trails maintained
- 63 acres exotics/invasives treated
- 16 miles of habitat managed
- Overstory reduction –478
- Staff conducted an educational outreach event at Rotunda West Community Center this month. The topic of the discussion was “How to Florida” and 20 people attended in person. Staff conducted vegetation monitoring at multiple properties in addition to a gopher tortoise survey at Amberjack Environmental Park.

Project Management

- Projects Completed – 29
- Projects not started - 65
- Projects - In progress –100
- Total – \$ 67,310,957.02

Placida Boat Ramp Expansion

The Placida Boat Ramp expansion project is a 2014 Sales Tax project that has undergone many required revisions due to the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) permitting requirements to reduce impacts to marine life, seagrass, and coastal mangroves. With the changes made to the site plans, the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) approved the revisions and issued the Environmental permit in November of 2025. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) has also approved the changes, issuing a public notice of permit issuance that will run for 3 consecutive weekends starting November 30th in The Daily Sun newspaper.



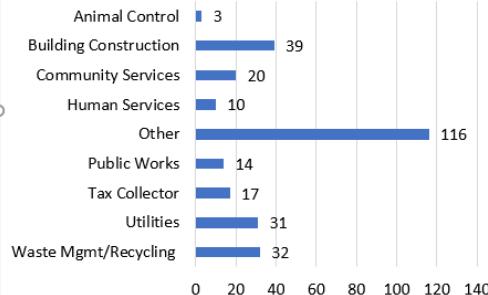
The Board of County Commissioners approved the construction amendment detailing the guaranteed maximum price (GMP) for Phase I of the G.C. Herring Park Project during their meeting held on November 12, 2025.

Harvard Jolly submitted a schematic design proposal for the Emergency Operations Center Expansion project, which was accepted by the project team and stakeholders. We are now entering the design development phase, which is expected to take around 2-3 months.

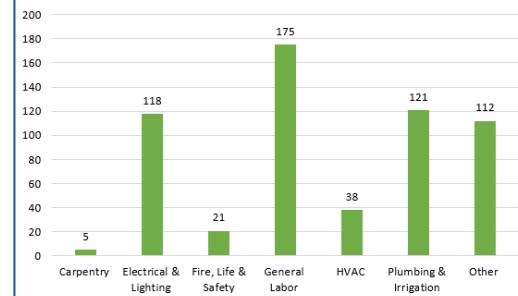
Following the kickoff meeting held on November 18th, the design for the Bayshore Phased Improvement project has begun. The project will enhance drainage, replace the grass parking with pavers, and add diagonal parking areas to better accommodate larger vehicles.



FY26 Switchboard Calls November 2025 Total Calls - 282



FY26 Work Orders - November 2025 Total Opened - 680 Total Closed - 590



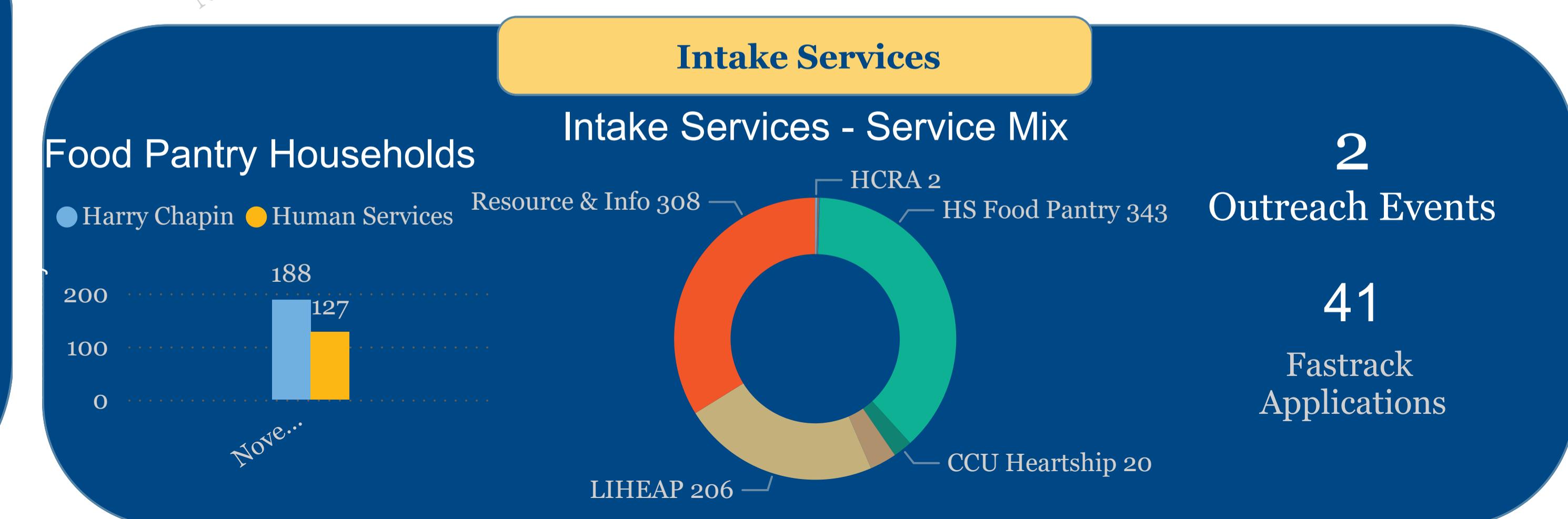
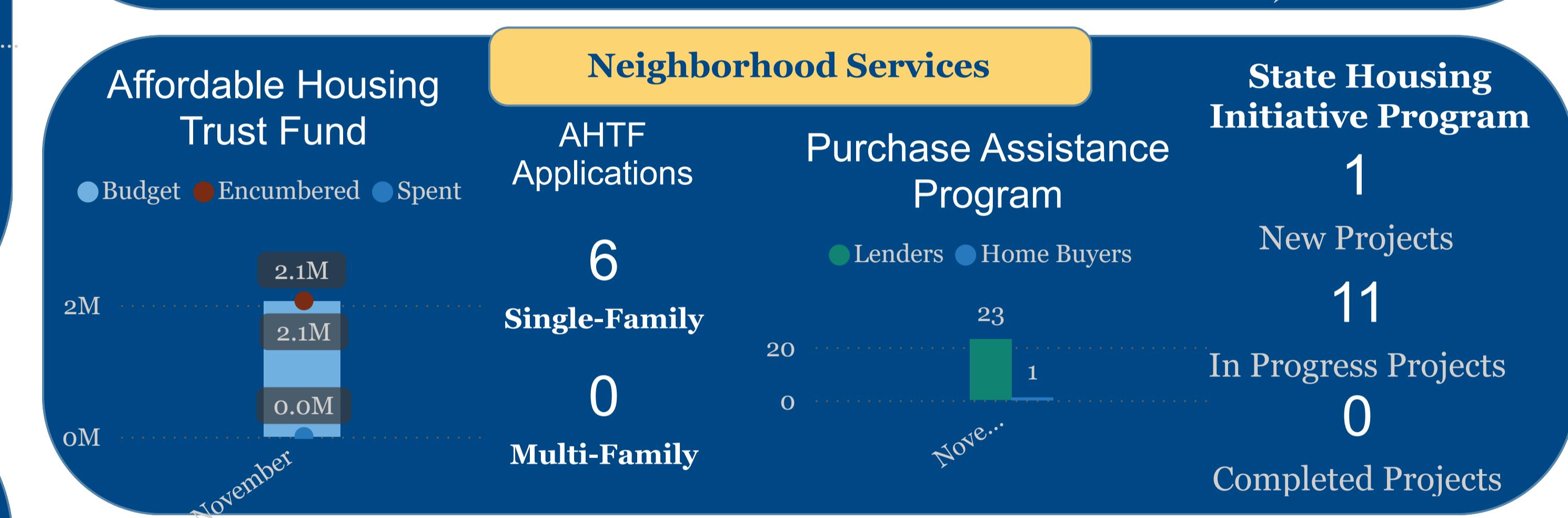
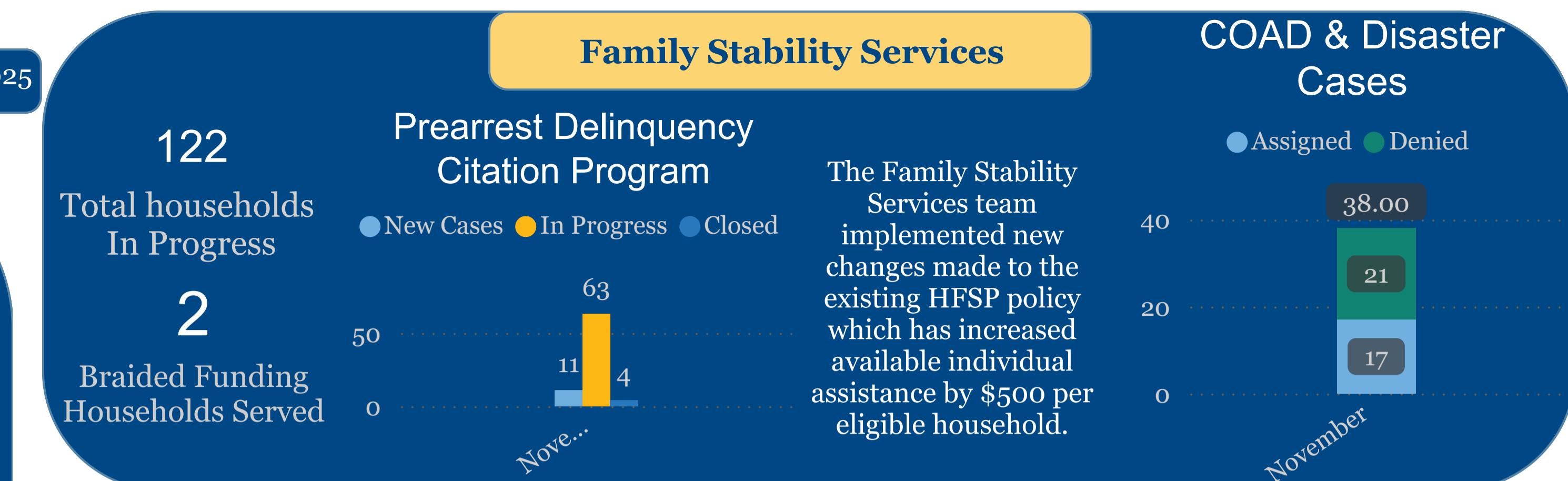
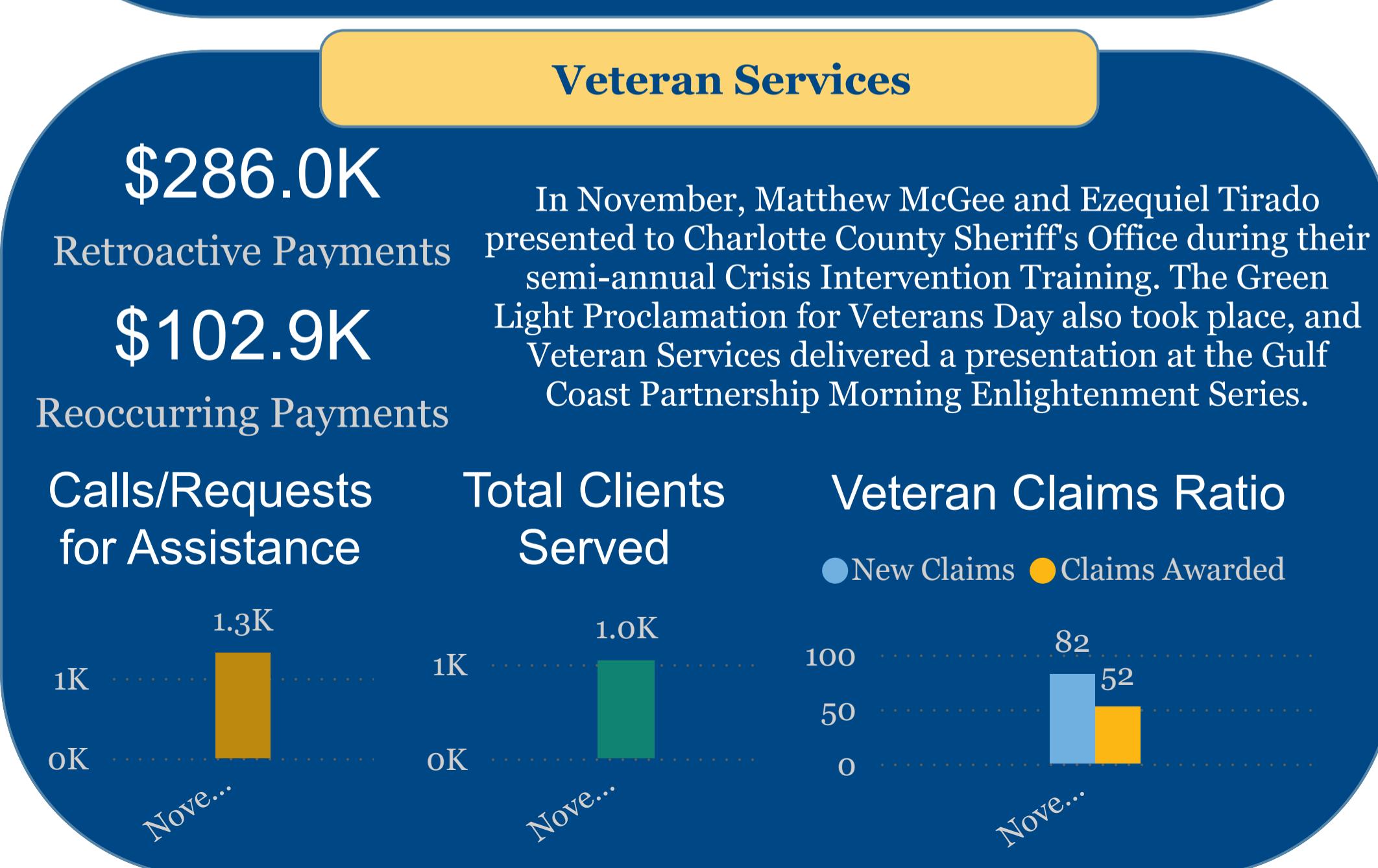
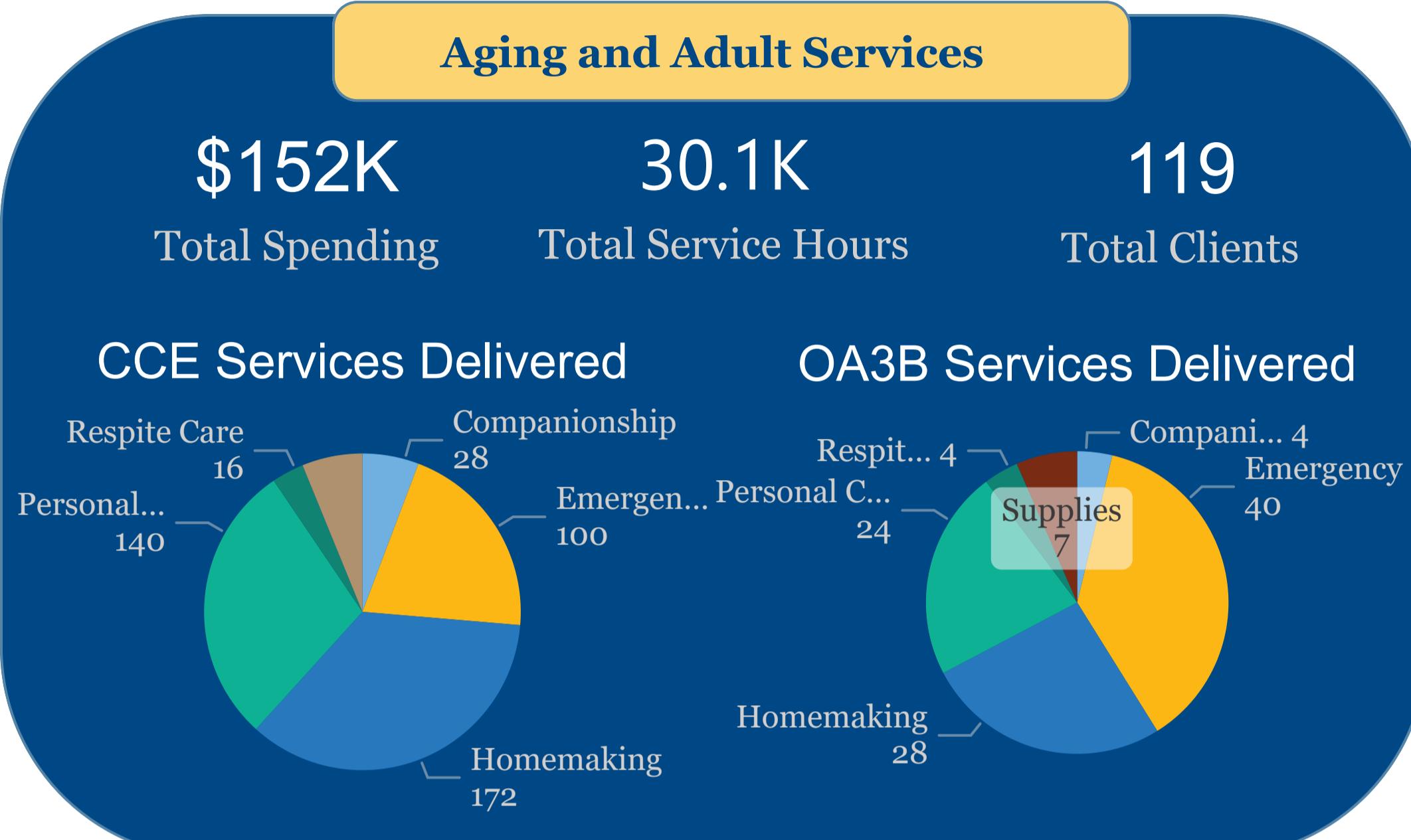
Small Projects - November 2025



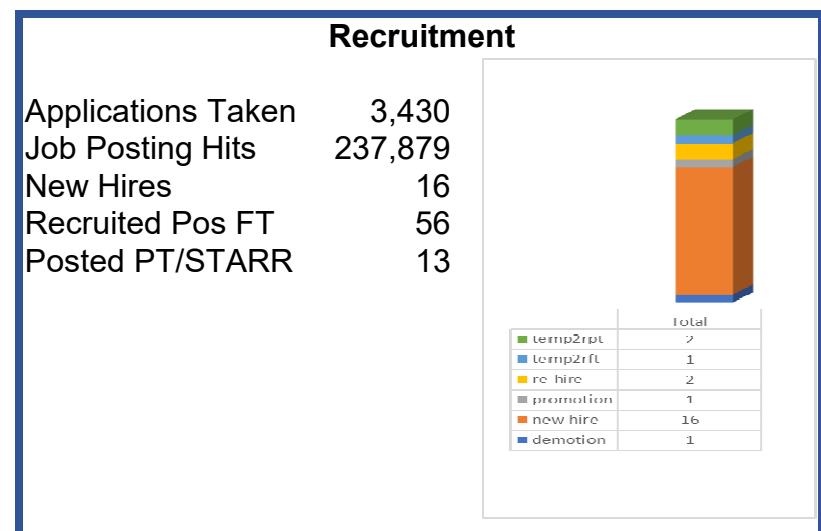
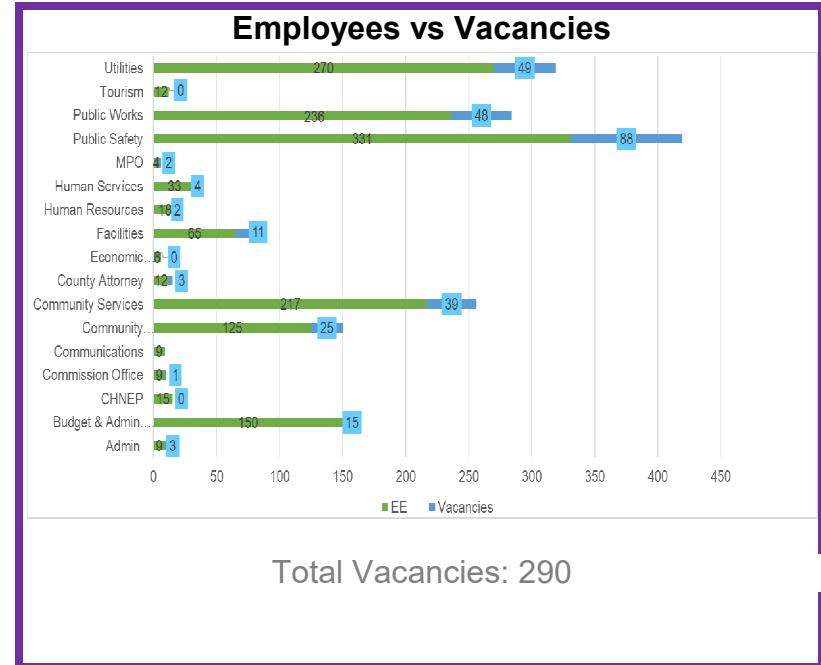
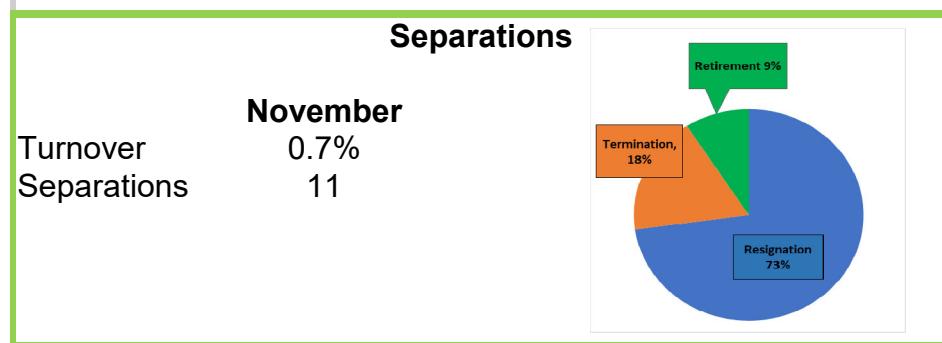
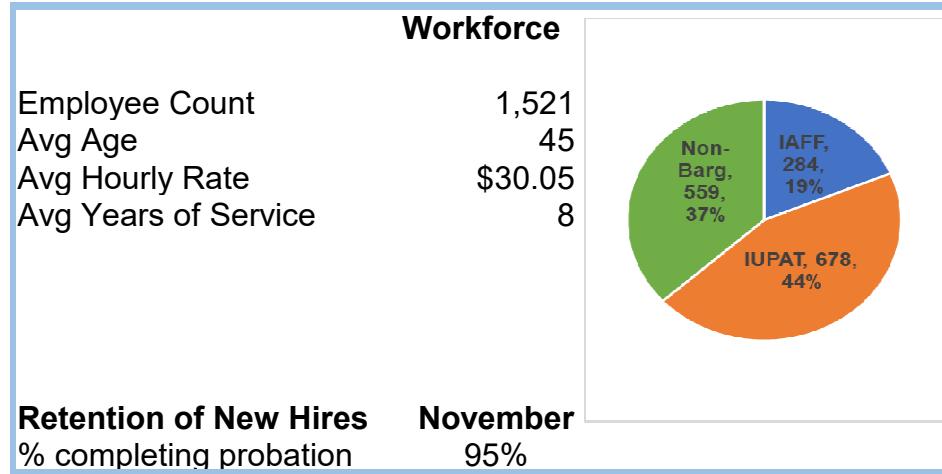
Human Services

November 2025

COAD & Disaster
Cases



People Operations





Serving Those Who Serve: Strengthening Readiness, Community, and Compassion

Emergency Management:

Charlotte County Emergency Management hosted the *Cold Chronicles* exercise to evaluate preparedness for a prolonged cold front event. The exercise focused on enhancing coordination with the National Weather Service and the State Emergency Operations Center, planning for EOC activation and resource allocation, and addressing potential impacts such as agricultural losses, staffing challenges, and community support needs. This collaborative effort strengthened interagency communication and reinforced our community's readiness to respond to unique weather-related emergencies.

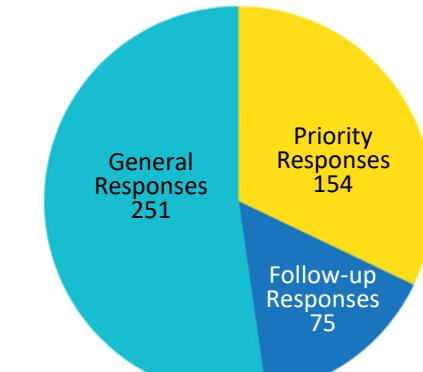
Fire & EMS:

Throughout November, Charlotte County Fire & EMS crews proudly went green in honor of Veterans Day and the heroes who serve our country and community. The department's annual Veterans shirt campaign not only showcased our gratitude but also gave back, as each shirt sold helped support a local charity. Together, our teams raised \$911.11 for the Charlotte County Veterans Council, continuing our commitment to supporting those who have selflessly served. Whether cooking in the station, training in the field, or responding to calls, our crews wore their shirts with pride and purpose.

Animal Control:

The Charlotte County Animal Care Trust Fund continues to provide second chances to abused and neglected animals in our community. This fund ensures that animals who suffered severe injuries due to neglect, receive the veterinary care and rehabilitation they need before finding their forever homes. Donations help provide essential medical treatment and support for animals in need, reinforcing our commitment to their well-being. 100% of contributions go directly toward caring for dogs, cats, horses, and other animals in Charlotte County. Find program details at on our [website](#).

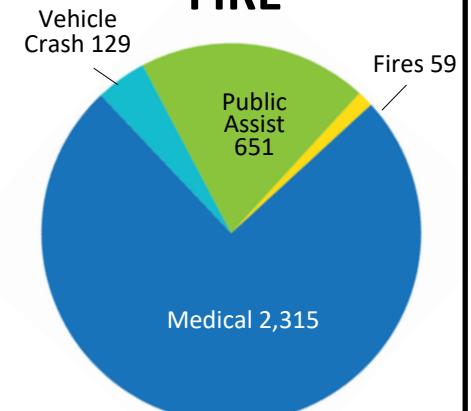
ANIMAL CONTROL



Total Calls: 480



FIRE



Total Calls: 3,194



MOSQUITO & AQUATIC WEED CONTROL

CDC Traps distributed

79

Phone Complaints Resolved

9

114

Total number of mosquitos identified to species



MAINTENANCE & OPERATIONS

1058

Work Orders Opened

785

Work Orders Closed

146

Service Requests Opened

ENGINEERING

Cochran Blvd running on schedule

The County and contractor are pleased to report the successful, on-schedule opening of Cochran Boulevard. This milestone demonstrates a strong commitment to planning, coordination, and responsible project delivery.



SOLID WASTE

Transfer Stations

● Mid County ● West County



Landfill in Tons



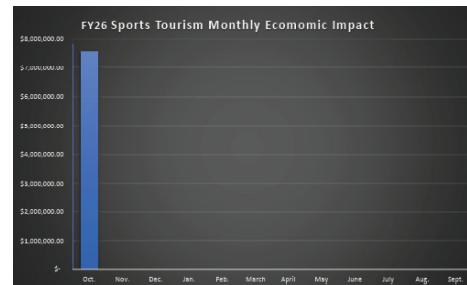
SPORTS

October 2025	
Events:	9
Sports:	Softball
	Baseball
	Basketball
	Pickleball
	Boat Races

Sales Update

**October 2025
Sports Tourism Economic Impact**

\$ 7,556,292.00



LEISURE

November 2025:

International Connections

*Shared our destination with 100 German travelers at a Discover Airlines event. *Partnered with Bike the Best to bring a Harley tour to our destination during Daytona Bike Week 2026. *Welcomed German Travel Trade professionals through a special trip with Discover Airlines.

Domestic Connections

*Introduced our area to 125 travelers at a AAA show in Providence, RI. *Reached 700 U.S. travel agents through a Florida Plus online event, with a prize destination trip giveaway.

Community Impact

***925 travelers learned about our destination (Germany + U.S.)** Built stronger ties with airlines and tour operators

*Secured exciting future events (Harley tour 2026)

MEETINGS

November 2025:

The Meeting Sales Team from the Punta Gorda/Englewood Beach Visitor & Convention Bureau attended Meetings Today Live 2025! Our team had the opportunity to connect with **80 meeting planners** from across the country. These planners are responsible for booking conferences, incentive trips, and corporate events, and Punta Gorda/Englewood made a big impression. The Meeting Sales Manager secured **30 one-on-one appointments** with hand-selected planners. These meetings allowed us to present tailored conversations regarding our destination and introduce planners to our valued partners.



PureFlorida.com

Website Traffic

Website Users: 87,327

Sessions: 99,576

Top Origin Markets:

FL, NY, IL, OH, GA, PA, MI, NJ, VI, TX

Key Performance Indicators

Tourist Development Tax Collections TDT

(Current Month)

Oct-24	\$343,320	 23.1%
Oct-25	\$422,625	

TDT YTD Collections (Pacing)

Oct-24	\$343,320	 23.1%
Oct-25	\$422,625	

Public Relations & Social Media

Punta Gorda Englewood Beach hosted influencer Sarah Phinney. Sarah Phinney is an influencer and creator of "SarahsOutdoorAdventuresFL". Sarah visited our destination to feature the Florida International Airshow.

You can view her post on her Instagram account here: [Instagram](#)



Tag your Charlotte County adventure photos with **#BestSideOutside** for a chance to be showcased on our website [PureFlorida.com](#).

Follow us



Visitors to Charlotte County in fiscal year 2024 saved local residents an average of **\$865** per household in taxes.

OPERATIONS

- **Calls Presented:** 5,764
- **Call Wait Time:** 28 seconds
- **Sewer Connections:** 50,326
(92 increase from October)
- **Water Connections:** 74,298
(62 increase from October)

Charlotte County, FL App Requests

- 7 Misc.— Utilities Department
- 4 Utilities Billing
- 14 Utilities Department Service
- 25 Total

Charlotte County Utilities Facebook

4,332 followers

2024 Water Quality Reports Now Available:

[Peace River Water Quality Report](#) 

[Burnt Store Water Quality Report](#) 

Remember, every drop counts!

Important Information:

The Customer Payment Center is located at the Murdock Administration Center, 18500 Murdock Circle, Room B-109, in Port Charlotte.

Open 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday to Friday.

In November, the Customer Payment Center assisted 869 individuals. 32,625 payments were processed using Paymentus.



CHARLOTTE COUNTY
Utilities

November Stories

The Utilities Department had an impactful month delivering exceptional service to customers. Hear staff share stories about the progress we're making to enrich our community's quality of life through safe, reliable water services.



Hillsborough Boulevard Water Main Project



You may notice slower moving traffic along Hillsborough Boulevard approaching Toledo Blade Boulevard. We're working with the Peace River Manasota Regional Water Supply Authority to upgrade infrastructure.



CCU University

We're happy to have new faces in the department! During CCU University, a utility-focused orientation for new employees, staff got a behind-the-scenes look at how different areas work together to serve the community.



Meter Services



Our meter services team maintains thousands of water meters to help ensure accurate billing, support water conservation and detect leaks early. Watch Meter Services Specialist Jason perform a change-out in Burnt Store.

UNDER CONSTRUCTION

Burnt Store Water Reclamation Facility Expansion

The Board of County Commissioners approved a consultant's recommended design to temporarily increase wastewater capacity for this service area. The Commission also supports a permanent expansion of the facility.

Ackerman Septic to Sewer Project:

Serving customers in mid-county, this project improves infrastructure reliability with a wastewater collection system to service approximately 1,300 properties with sewer service, new water service lines and a vacuum station that will provide sewer collection. [AckermanProject.com](#).

Hillsborough Boulevard Water Main Project:

This project is installing an eight inch water main along Hillsborough Boulevard from Yorkshire Street to US 41. Multiple lane shifts are in place at the intersection of U.S. 41 and Cranberry and Cornelius Boulevards for pipe installation.

East Port Water Reclamation Facility Expansion

This project will expand treatment capacity from six million to nine million gallons of wastewater per day. As part of the upgrade, advanced wastewater treatment technologies are being incorporated to enhance the removal of pollutants in wastewater. Construction is currently 73% complete.

To provide safe, reliable drinking water, reclaimed water and wastewater service for the enrichment of the community.