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EMS Recognition and Appreciation

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FOCUS AREA 1: COMMUNITY ADVANCEMENT

To invest in cultural capital and advancement strategies that promote participative governance that elevates a community to live, work and play – while also positioning Burke County as a community of choice.



FOCUS AREA 2: ECONOMIC GROWTH & SUSTAINMENT

Promotion of Burke County as a business and economic center in the region through recruitment of new industry, creating a healthy business climate for existing businesses.



FOCUS AREA 3: PUBLIC SAFETY& WELL BEING

To ensure the safety of our residents through efficient and effective public safety agencies.



FOCUS AREA 4: FISCAL STEWARDSHIP

Pursuit of the high-performing organization model that ensures high quality, transparent and efficient use of public resources.



FOCUS AREA 5: EMPLOYER OF CHOICE

To promote a professional value-based employee centric workplace that promotes innovation, performance, and integrity, and differentiation.

EMS Leadership Team

BC EMS operates on four (4) shifts.

Each shift works a 24/72 schedule and is led by:


Shift Captain


Shift Lieutenant


Training Sergeant


Two (2) Field Training Officers (FTOs) on each shift help work with new employees and students.



Saving Lives: Impact of Early CPR

https://www.sca-aware.org/about-sudden-cardiac-arrest/latest-statistics

Key Facts:

- ✅ **1,000** people suffer **sudden cardiac arrest** every day—across all ages.
- ✅ **10%** survive to hospital discharge after EMS treatment.
- ✅ Only **7%** have a **good functional recovery** post-event.
- ✅ Most cardiac arrests happen **outside the hospital (OHCA).**



🚨 **What Makes a Difference?**

- 🔹 Early **911 activation**
- 🔹 **Bystander CPR & First Responder CPR** = Higher Survival Rates

Every second counts—learning CPR saves lives!

Community Makes the Difference

Quick Actions and Early Activation

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Jincy Gibby

Seizure/Drowning at Morganton Aquatic Center, September 2, 2025

Burke County EMS dispatched for a male patient who had lost consciousness while in the deep end of the pool at the Morganton Aquatic Center. The lifeguard on duty, Ms. Jincy Gibby, recognized that the patient was in distress and going underwater. She jumped into action and was able to remove the patient from the water. He was placed in the recovery position and ensuring that his airway was open. Had it not been for the quick actions of Ms. Gibby, this patient would likely have drowned. This patient was able to make a complete and full recovery.

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Jahdiel Reyes

Drowning Child, September 19, 2025

Every parent's worst nightmare is to be working around the house and realize, in what feels like a split second, your toddler is missing. Family frantically searched the home and discovered that the child had found his way to the pool, where he had fallen in. The family activated the 911 system, and like a good neighbor, Mr. Reyes was there. He performed back blows and provided CPR for the patient until EMS arrival. The efforts to clear the child's airway and ensure circulation through CPR were critical in assisting with the positive outcome for the patient. This child has made a full recovery and is now home with their family.

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Kayson Snyder

Man Trapped Under Lawnmower, September 25, 2025

Kayson was riding in the back seat of the family car on the way home from school. Like most children, he was looking out the window at the world as they traveled down the road. Out of the blue, he spoke up and asked if they should help the man under a lawnmower. Due to Kayson's question, the family stopped, called 911, and assisted the man until Icard Fire and Rescue and Burke County EMS arrived. The patient was thankfully uninjured, but the outcome might not have been so positive had it not been for Kayson.

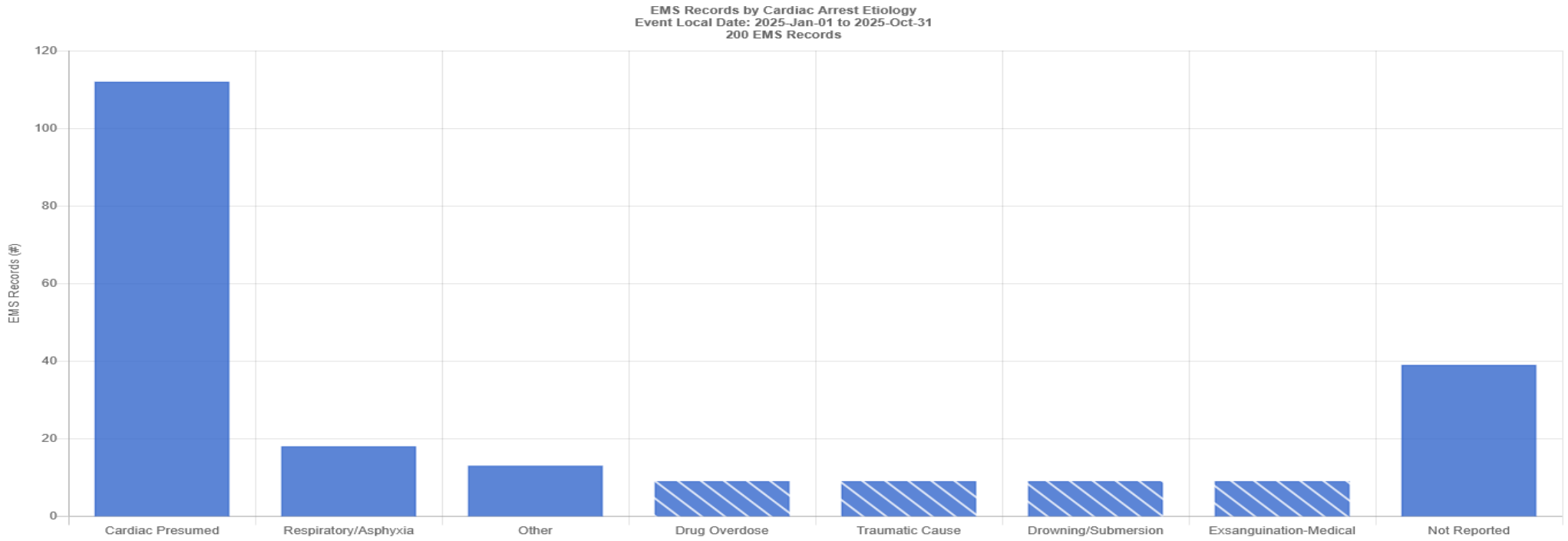
Burke County Statistics

Year-to-date Cardiac Arrest Statistics

200	137	38 / 137 (28%)	26 / 137 (19%)
2025 YTD: 200	**2025 YTD:** 137	**2025 YTD:** 38 / 137 (28%)	**2025 YTD:** 26 / 137 (19%)

Data Explorer 1

Data filtered based on **Access Levels**: Operational = **Full**. Low count suppression in effect.

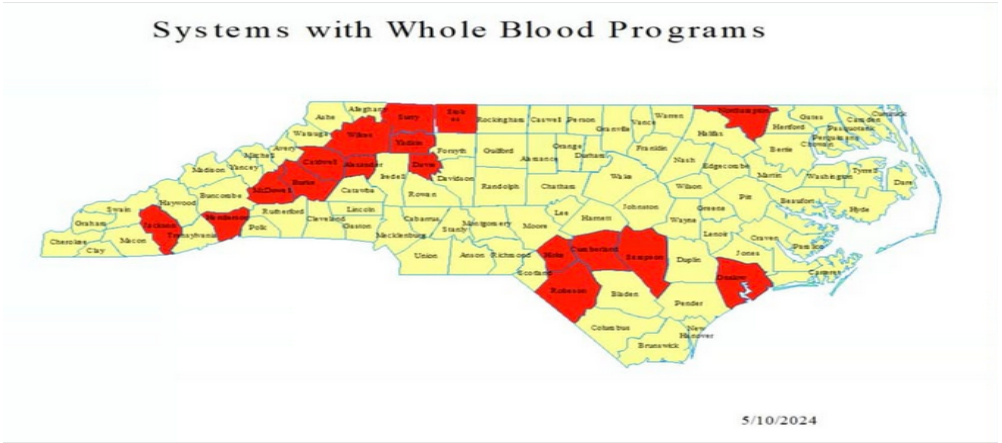


Training With Purpose

October 12, 2025, Swift Water Training

- Noah Pressler
  - (student in SWT Class from Cashiers FD)
- Ethan Winkler
- Thadeus Reid, Faith Anderson Crew 3
- Josh Angely QRV







Partnerships for Our Community

Dean Ava Youmouti

Through a partnership between Burke County EMS and Western Piedmont Community College, ongoing education is offered to medical responders across the community. The collaboration also supports the EMS Academy program, which helps individuals enter the emergency services field by providing both training and employment opportunities.

