

# KM Police get \$9,101 grant to replace bulletproof vests

Kings Mountain Police Department has received a \$9,101 grant from the U.S. Justice Department's Bulletproof Vest Partnership Program.

Chief Melvin Proctor said the grant will pay one-half of the cost of replacing all 38 of the KMPD vests over the next four fiscal years.

Senator John Edwards announced \$624,611 in grants to 136 law enforcement agencies in North Carolina. The agencies included are in 96 communi-

ties in 39 counties.

"Our police officers put their lives in danger and protect us every day," Senator Edwards said. "These grants are an opportunity for us to make their jobs safer."

Depending on the weight and sophistication of the materials used, bulletproof vests can cost anywhere from \$500 to \$2,000 each.

Chief Proctor said the vests have a life expectancy of about four to five

years, and many of Kings Mountain's are in need of replacement.

"They would have had to be replaced regardless," he said. "So this grant will save the city \$9,101 of our uniform cost over the next four years."

Every Kings Mountain police officer has a vest, he said.

Cleveland County received \$3,820.42 from the grant program, and Shelby received \$4,672.50.



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Wayne Easley works with a jackhammer to break gravel at the railroad in Grover.

## KM POLICE REPORT

### ARRESTS

Pamela Thompson, 29, 333 Bridges Circle, resist, obstruct, delay, \$300 secured bond.

Martha Short, 51, 820 2nd St., second degree trespassing, \$500 unsecured bond.

Renee Kiser, 39, Cherryville, driving while license revoked, \$500 secured bond.

Robert Caldwell, 48, Hudson, driving while license revoked, fictitious plates, failure to register, no insurance, \$600 secured bond.

William Williams, 32, 1531 Lewis Farm Rd., resist, obstruct, delay, \$400 secured bond.

Earl Hunt, 32, North Benton, OH, driving while license revoked, \$500 secured bond.

Curtis Whetstine, 19, 208 Phifer Rd., assault on government officer, trespassing, obstruct, resist and delay, disorderly conduct, \$500 bond.

Abel Smith, 54, 823 Cleveland Ave., DWI, driving while license revoked, \$500 secured bond.

Brandy Robinson, 23, Gastonia, DWI, driving while license revoked, seat belt violation, \$500 secured bond.

Tee Jay Redmond/35, 614 Canterbury Rd., simple assault, \$500 unsecured bond.

Cordell Yates, 19, Shelby, driving while license revoked, seat belt violation, \$600 secured bond.

Josetha Thompson, 33, Gastonia, stated wanted/probation, fictitious information to officer, resist, obstruct, delay, \$6,000 secured bond.

Robert Fredell, 33, 624 Guy Heffner Rd., disorderly conduct, \$500 bond.

Marty Fredell, 32, Vale, carrying concealed weapon, \$500 unsecured bond.

Kenneth McLaughlin, 48, 100 Ada St., simple assault, breaking and entering, trespassing, \$2,000 unsecured bond.

William Hunt, 211 Orr Terrace, disorderly conduct, intoxicated and disruptive, \$1,000 secured bond.

### INCIDENTS

Texaco, 511 Linwood Rd.,

reported larceny of two cases of beer valued at \$30.

Ruben Cruz, 612 Charles St. #83, reported that someone damaged his automobile by jumping on it, breaking a windshield and letting the air out of a tire.

Bobby King, 609 Temple St., reported a break-in and damage to property at the home of Maven Blackwell, 301 Walker St. Damage to a window air conditioner was \$150.

Family Dollar, 108 E. King St., reported larceny of two shirts and a pair of sunglasses, total value \$20.

Family Dollar, 110 E. King St., reported larceny of items valued at \$35.

Karen Roy, 202 Fulton Dr., reported larceny of yard ornaments valued at \$150.

Kathy Clemmer, 301 Oakland St., reported larceny of two bicycles valued at \$390.

Tony Walker, 913 Church St., reported being assaulted.

Harry Howell, 316 Fulton St., reported that someone painted a word on the side of his RV. Damage was not known.

Rick's Ole Country Store, 1557 N. Piedmont, reported larceny of gasoline.

Coleman Hunt, 101 Country Creek Dr., reported larceny of personal checks and currency.

Naoki Nishiyama, 303 Scotland Dr., reported that someone broke into his residence and stole a necklace and currency, and did \$200 damage to a window and frame.

### CITATIONS

Mary Stevenson, 202 Compact School Rd., no inspection sticker.

Mary Stevenson, 202 Compact School Rd., fictitious registration number, no insurance.

Marty Stevenson, 202 Compact School Rd., driving while license revoked, expired registration plate.

Marty Stevenson, 202 Compact School Rd., child restraint system violation; seat belt violation.

Stephen Heath, 304 Waco Rd., speeding, seat belt violation.

Shunda Witherspoon, 200 Spruce St. Apt. 2E, larceny.

Nicholas Jones, 110 Dutchess Dr., expired inspection sticker, seat belt violation.

William Gamble, 230 Branchwood Circle, no insurance, fictitious registra-

tion plate.

William Moss, 214 Jim Patterson Rd., expired registration plate.

Billie Jo Dawson, 612 Charles St. Apt. 95, speeding 52 in 35 zone.

Tonya Price, 200 Spruce St. 2D, no operator's license.

Adrian Anthony, 203 Lackey St., expired inspection sticker.

Charles Russell Jr., 108 Wells St., driving while license revoked, fictitious registration number.

Charles Russell Jr., 108 Wells St., seat belt violation, failure to register vehicle, no insurance.

Leonard Smith Jr., 909 Sharon Dr., expired registration.

Gail Lovelace, 1422 N. Piedmont, expired inspection sticker.

Samuel Collins Jr., 102 Cenco Dr., driving while license revoked.

Mario Mathews, 22, 407 E. Parker St., driving while license revoked, seat belt violation.

Micheal Bankhead, 111 Beta Rd., driving too fast for conditions.

Cathy Noell, 240 Putnam Lake Rd., expired registration plate.

Kevin Allen, 106 churchill Dr., seat belt violation, no inspection sticker.

Berlinda Adams, Grover, expired registration plate.

Wanda Lewis, 210 Thornburg Dr., failing to stop at stop sign.

Tammie Smith, 610 Phenix St., no driver's license; child restraint violation.

### WRECKS

Vehicles driven by Rebecca Camp of Kings Mountain and Steve Robinson of Gastonia struck in the parking lot of Caromont Medical Center on NC 161. Damage to the Camp vehicle was \$1,500 and damage to the Robinson vehicle was \$200.

A vehicle driven by Jack Waten III of Bessemer City swerved to miss a vehicle that was driving on the wrong side of the road on U.S. 74 Business, and hit a utility pole. Damage to the vehicle was \$2,000.

Vehicles driven by Eugene Borders of Shelby and Jenny Bullington of Kings Mountain struck in the parking lot at 902 S. Battleground Ave. Damage to the Bullington vehicle was \$1,000.

## RADAR WATCH

Kings Mountain Police will be running radar at the following locations. Radar is run every day on I-85 and Highway 74.

Thurs., May 30 - Cansler St.

Fri., May 31 - Waco Rd. at Nebo Hill.

Mon., June 3 - Sims St.

Tues., June 4 - Cleveland Ave.

Wed., June 5 - S. Battleground.

Thurs., June 6 - N. Piedmont.

Fri., June 7 - E. Gold St.

## BUILDING PERMITS

The Kings Mountain Building Codes and Zoning Enforc. The Kings Mountain Building Codes and Zoning Enforcement Office issued the following permits for the period of May 16-24.

5/16 - 201 Benfield Drive, Lewis Dellinger, single family dwelling, \$35,000.

5/16 - 115 Benfield Drive, Credit Home Builders, single family dwelling.

5/21 - 112 Tack Court, Cynthia Falls, porch addition, \$1,000.

5/21 - 125 Lake Montonia Road, Joseph Ray Adams, installing patio, \$3,000.

5/22 - 1425 Bethlehem Road, BDF Construction Co., single family dwelling, \$90,000.

5/22 - 308 York Road, Eastside Baptist Church, additions to dining hall, \$67,110.

## KM FIRE REPORT

The Kings Mountain Fire Department responded to the following calls for the week of May 20-26.

5/20 - 132 W. Gold St., smoke investigation.

5/20 - I-85 at mile marker six, grass fire.

5/21 - 100 N. Gaston St., rescue.

5/21 - 206 Fulton St., service call.

5/21 - I-85 and U.S. 74, service call.

5/22 - 811 W. Gold St., lot 14, smoke investigation.

5/22 - 314 Brice Street, service call.

5/23 - KM Senior Center, false fire alarm.

5/24 - 1016 Shelby Rd., false fire alarm.



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Doris McSwain, and son Brandon sing during the Relay for Life Survivors Dinner as Mike Neely, left and Joyce Roark watch.

**HOMECOMING**  
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