



Monthly Public Safety Report

September 2025

I. Public Safety Department Activity

The Town of Kiawah Island is committed to promoting a safe and welcoming community. Each month, we will share an overview of public safety activities on the island, highlighting our ongoing efforts to protect residents and visitors.

Top Beach-Related Enforcement Issues

Dog Leash Violations (69).	57 Verbal Warnings 12 Citations
Dunes	22 Verbal Warnings
Glass	14 Verbal Warnings
Jellyfish	6 Sting Treatments
Stingrays	5 Sting Treatments

Top General Enforcement Issues

Short-Term Rental/Gear Storage Regulations	15 Written Warnings
Bike Path Ordinances	20 Verbal Warnings
Business Permit/License Verification	37 Written Warnings
Parking Violations	3 Citations 5 Written Warnings 4 Verbal Warnings

II. Public Safety Partner Updates

Charleston County Sheriff's Office	Traffic Stops-10 (4 Citations/6 Written Warnings) Disturbance - Trespass Notification Issued Vehicle collisions- 2
Saint John's Fire Department	Rescue and Emergency Medical Incidents-34 Fire/False Alarm Incidents-33
Charleston County EMS	Total Medical Service Response- 35 Total Medical Transports- 26 Average Response time- 14:28

Notable Incidents Report:

Reporting Period: September 8 – September 26, 2025

9/8 – Mutual Aid Agreement Signed

The Town of Kiawah Island officially entered into a Mutual Aid Agreement with the South Carolina Emergency Management Division (SCEMD). This agreement establishes a formal framework for sharing resources, coordinating response operations, and providing mutual emergency assistance during significant incidents or disasters.

9/10 – Reports of Shots Fired

Multiple calls were received reporting possible gunfire near the marsh adjacent to the golf courses. Upon investigation, it was determined that the activity was lawful duck hunting. Verification was confirmed through the South Carolina Department of Natural Resources (SCDNR) and the Charleston County Sheriff's Office (CCSO).

9/10 – Single-Vehicle Collision

First responders were dispatched to a single-vehicle collision near the V-Gate. The cause of the crash remains undetermined. The driver sustained injuries and received on-scene medical treatment.

9/13 – Disorderly Individual at the Sanctuary

Deputies from the Charleston County Sheriff's Office responded to the Sanctuary for a report of a disorderly individual. The subject was issued a trespass notice and escorted from the premises without further incident.

9/19 – Vehicle and Cyclist Collision

Emergency responders were dispatched to a vehicle versus cyclist collision near Green Dolphin and Kiawah Island Parkway. All parties received appropriate medical attention. The investigation determined the cyclist was at fault in the incident.

9/24-9/26- Tropical Disturbance (Invest L94)

The Town, in coordination with both internal departments and external partners, closely monitored the development of the Atlantic disturbance (Invest L94). In accordance with established protocols, the Town activated its pre-storm emergency operations plan to ensure readiness for potential impacts. Following several days of monitoring, forecast models indicated a shift in the storm's projected path, and it was ultimately determined that the system no longer posed a threat to the Town.