



MARIN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Small Unmanned Aerial Systems (sUAS) Team

Third Quarter Statistics, 2025

07/29/2025 – Assist San Rafael Police Department for the search of a 245 PC suspect.

Case: SO25-2109

Offense: 245 PC

The sUAS team was requested to assist the San Rafael Police Department with the search for a 245(a)(2) PC suspect who pointed a firearm at the victim. A search of the immediate area and open space did not locate the suspect. The sUAS team flew one flight lasting approximately thirty-one minutes. The suspect/s were not immediately located but were later found and arrested by officers.

08/01/2025 – Assist California Highway Patrol (CHP) in searching for fleeing suspect.

Case: SO25-2136

Offense: 2800.1 CVC

The sUAS team was requested to assist the California Highway Patrol (CHP) with a search for multiple subjects who fled from a vehicle following a vehicle pursuit. A search of the immediate area surrounding 12 Harbor Dr was conducted. The sUAS team flew one flight lasting approximately 22 minutes. The suspect/s were not located.

8/5/2025 – The Marin County Sheriff's Office requested assistance in searching for a 459 PC suspect.

Case: SO25-2174

Offense: 664/459 PC, 148(a)(1) PC and 1203.2 PC.

The sUAS team was requested to aid in the search for a burglary suspect. The sUAS team was requested, prior to sUAS response, the suspect was located and brought into custody following a brief foot pursuit.



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8/11/2025 - Assist San Rafael Police Department for suspicious subjects reportedly on the roof of a business.

Case: S025-2218

Offense: 664/459 PC

The MCSO sUAS team was requested to aid in the search of the rooftop of the business located at 809 Lincoln Ave (Goodwill). The sUAS team completed a search of the business roofline using the on-board FLIR. The sUAS team flew one flight lasting approximately 2 minutes. The suspect/s were not located, and it was ultimately determined there was no merit to the original call.

8/12/2025 - Assist NPS and SAR with a search for a missing juvenile.

Case: S025-2229

Offense: 1056 - 1055

The sUAS team was requested to aid in the search of a missing juvenile in the area of Kirby Beach. The sUAS team completed the search of the coastline that was difficult to reach by foot. The subject was ultimately located deceased in the water off the coastline where the sUAS team was searching in conjunction with other law enforcement agencies. The sUAS team flew multiple flights lasting approximately 71 minutes.

8/12/2025 - San Rafael Police Department requested MCSO sUAS Team for the search of a 245 PC suspect.

Case: S025-2235

Offense: 245 PC

The sUAS team was requested to aid in the search for a 245 PC suspect. The sUAS team completed the search of the wooded hillside and area of 33 San Pablo Ave in San Rafael. The sUAS team flew two flights lasting approximately 40 minutes. The suspect/s were not located.



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8/13/2025 – Novato Police Department requested the assistance of the MCSO sUAS Team to check the area of a rollover vehicle accident.

Case: S025-2240

Offense: 20001 CVC

The sUAS team was requested to aid in the search for subjects who were believed to have fled the scene of a vehicle accident. The sUAS team completed a search of the surrounding area with special attention to the wooded areas and nearby backyards. The sUAS team flew one flight lasting approximately 20 minutes. The suspect/s were not located.

8/14/2025 - The San Rafael Police Department requested the sUAS team for overwatch during a warrant attempt at a residence on Lagoon Road in Belvedere.

Case: S025-2252

Offense: High-Risk Arrest Warrant

The San Rafael Police Department was attempting to serve a high-risk arrest warrant for an outstanding suspect and requested the MCSO sUAS team to provide overwatch during the attempt to contact the suspect. An active cell phone ping on the suspect's cellphone was showing in the area and additional information provided to SRPD led parties to believe the suspect was at the listed address. San Rafael Police Department did not ultimately locate the suspect. The sUAS team flew two flights lasting approximately 30 minutes in total.

8/21/2025 - San Rafael Police Department and ATF Arson Investigations requested the MCSO sUAS Team to provide an aerial perspective of the interior and exterior of a housing complex that was destroyed in a fire.

Case: S025-2313

Offense: FIRE

The sUAS team provided fire personnel with critical information during the response to the fire with the search for "hot spots" and locations of possible victims inside the structure that were not accessible. Additionally, flights were conducted to document the scene. The sUAS team flew five flights lasting approximately 35 minutes in total.

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8/21/2025 - San Rafael Police Department and ATF Arson Investigations requested the MCSO sUAS Team to provide an aerial perspective of the interior and exterior of a housing complex located that was destroyed in a fire.

Case: SO25-2313-1

Offense: Fire

The sUAS team assisted the ATF in obtaining aerial photographs and video of the burned structure from specific angles and areas of interest to assist their investigation. These areas were inaccessible or presented too much of a danger for law enforcement and fire personnel to access on foot. The sUAS team flew five flights lasting approximately 75 minutes in total.

8/27/2025 - Assist the Sausalito Police Department in conjunction with Marin County Search and Rescue in regard to a missing person at risk.

Case: SO25-2390

Offense: Missing Person

The Sausalito Police Department requested the MCSO sUAS team help in the search for a missing person who was deemed at risk. Two locations were identified for the sUAS team to perform an aerial search that consisted of steep terrain and foliage which would have been hard to access on foot. The sUAS team flew two flights lasting approximately 46 minutes. The missing person was ultimately located in a different location by ground searchers.