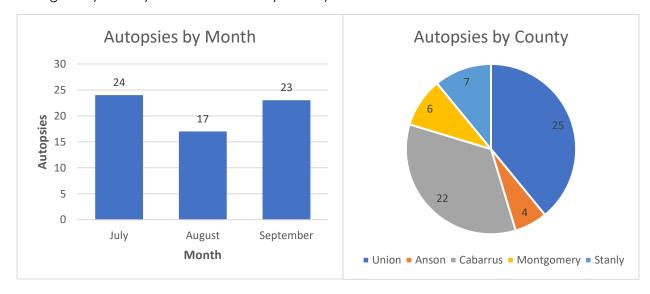


## South Piedmont Regional Autopsy Center

## October 2025 Quarterly Report July 2025-September 2025

The South Piedmont Regional Autopsy Center (SPRAC) continues to perform autopsies at its temporary facility located at Atrium Health Union. Service expanded to include a fifth county, Stanly County, on July 1, 2025.

Between July 1, 2025, and September 30, 2025, a total of 64 autopsies were performed. Of those, 25 involved deaths in Union County, four in Anson County, 22 in Cabarrus County, six in Montgomery County and seven in Stanly County.



From July through September, 11 cases were connected to criminal investigations, including one related to a death by distribution charge. This figure is not comprehensive. While the Medical Examiner's Office works collaboratively with law enforcement, it conducts independent investigations and is not always notified when a criminal investigation occurs.

Planning continues for the permanent facility. The programming phase has been completed, and the project has advanced to the conceptual design phase. The facility is projected for completion in mid-fiscal year 2028.

SPRAC will continue to track caseload data and law enforcement involvement to guide planning and resource allocation. As operations continue to expand, this information will help ensure consistent service delivery and support long-term planning for the new facility.