

# NOTICE OF WORK SESSION AGENDA LANCASTER CITY COUNCIL JAMES R. WILLIAMS PUMP STATION TRAINING ROOM, 1999 JEFFERSON, LANCASTER, TEXAS



Monday, March 18, 2019 - 7:00 PM

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

- 1. Discuss and receive a presentation from Dallas County regarding joint infrastructure projects and opportunities.
- 2. Receive a presentation and discuss the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for the Fiscal Year ended September 30, 2018, as prepared by BKD LLP, CPAs and Advisors; the City of Lancaster's independent auditors.
- 3. Discuss and receive a presentation on the 2020 Census and the Census Complete Count Committee.
- 4. Receive a presentation regarding the 2018 Racial Profiling Analysis Annual Report.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

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**City Council Work Session** 

1.

**Meeting Date:** 03/18/2019

Policy Statement: This request supports the City Council 2018-2019 Policy Agenda

**Goal(s):** Sound Infrastructure

**Submitted by:** Opal Mauldin-Jones, City Manager

# **Agenda Caption:**

Discuss and receive a presentation from Dallas County regarding joint infrastructure projects and opportunities.

# **Background:**

City Council will receive a presentation from Dallas County Commissioner John Wiley Price, Precinct No. 3 and the Road and Bridge District and Public Works Department regarding various infrastructure and transportation projects within the City of Lancaster.

**City Council Work Session** 

2.

Meeting Date: 03/18/2019

Policy Statement: This request supports the City Council 2018-2019 Policy Agenda

**Goal(s):** Financially Sound City Government

**Submitted by:** Baron Sauls, Finance Director

### **Agenda Caption:**

Receive a presentation and discuss the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for the Fiscal Year ended September 30, 2018, as prepared by BKD LLP, CPAs and Advisors; the City of Lancaster's independent auditors.

### **Background:**

The City of Lancaster, Texas engaged the independent certified public accounting firm BKD LLP, CPAs and Advisors to perform the annual audit of the City of Lancaster, Texas and its component units. This is the sixth year that BKD LLP, CPAs and Advisors has conducted the City's audit. The audit field work began in January and concluded in February, 2019. The City staff and BKD worked closely to ensure all requests and deadlines were met to accomplish this goal.

The purpose of this agenda item is for Council to receive and discuss the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2018. The report is distributed to numerous financial institutions, bond rating agencies, the City's financial advisors, and grantors to comply with financial disclosure requirements. This report is designed to provide readers with an understanding of the financial status of the City and its results of operations.

Council will receive a presentation from BKD LLP, CPAs and Advisors.

# **City Council Work Session**

3.

Meeting Date: 03/18/2019

Policy Statement: This request supports the City Council 2018-2019 Policy Agenda

Goal(s): Healthy, Safe & Engaged Community

**Submitted by:** Jasmine Carr, Community Programs Coordinator and Opal Mauldin-Jones, City

Manager

### **Agenda Caption:**

Discuss and receive a presentation on the 2020 Census and the Census Complete Count Committee.

# **Background:**

Every decade since 1790, the U.S Census Bureau has conducted a constitutionally mandated census to determine the number of people living within the United States and U.S. territories. This data is used to make vital decisions on behalf of all citizens, including reapportionment and redistricting. Census data also affect how federal funds are distributed to tribal, state, and local governments each year.

The Complete Count Committee is a major vehicle for planning and implementing local, targeted efforts that will uniquely address the special characteristics of each community. The role of the Complete Count Committee will be to plan and implement local outreach efforts to publicize the importance of the 2020 Census.

City Council will receive a presentation regarding the United States Census 2020 "Shape your future."

**City Council Work Session** 

4.

Meeting Date: 03/18/2019

Policy Statement: This request supports the City Council 2018-2019 Policy Agenda

Goal(s): Healthy, Safe & Engaged Community

**Submitted by:** Sam Urbanski, Police Chief

# **Agenda Caption:**

Receive a presentation regarding the 2018 Racial Profiling Analysis Annual Report.

#### **Background:**

Effective September 1, 2001, the Texas Legislature enacted the Texas Racial Profiling Law (S.B. No. 1074). The Texas Code of Criminal Procedure requires that law enforcement agencies collect information relating to traffic stops in which a citation is issued and arrests resulting from those traffic stops. The Texas Code of Criminal Procedure further requires that law enforcement agencies compile and analyze this information and submit a report containing the information compiled during the previous calendar year to the governing body of each county or municipality served by the agency.

Attached is the 2018 Lancaster Police Department Racial Profiling Analysis as prepared by representative experts from the University of North Texas. A printed copy will also be available at the work session. The Police Department had no sustained racial profiling complaints in 2018.

Beginning January 2011, the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Standards and Education (TCOLE) posts a copy of each police department's racial profiling report on its website.

To further ensure transparency, the annual report will also be available on the city website.

### **Operational Considerations:**

The Lancaster Police Department has adopted a detailed, written policy on racial profiling and currently collects the required information on racial profiling as required by State Law. The Lancaster Police Department contracted with the University of North Texas for the examination of contact data.

# **Legal Considerations:**

The Texas Code of Criminal Procedure requires that the Lancaster Police Department 2018 Racial Profiling Analysis Report be submitted to the City of Lancaster governing body.

### **Attachments**

Racial Profiling Report 2018

# LANCASTER POLICE DEPARTMENT

# 2018

# RACIAL PROFILING ANALYSIS



# **PREPARED BY:**

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# **Executive Summary**

Article 2.132-2.134 of the Texas Code of Criminal Procedure (CCP) requires the annual reporting to the local governing body of data collected on motor vehicle stops in which a ticket, citation, or warning was issued and to arrests made as a result of those stops, in addition to data collection and reporting requirements. Article 2.134 of the CCP directs that "a comparative analysis of the information compiled under 2.133" be conducted, with specific attention to the below areas:

- 1. evaluate and compare the number of motor vehicle stops, within the applicable jurisdiction, of persons who are recognized as racial or ethnic minorities and persons who are not recognized as racial or ethnic minorities;
- 2. examine the disposition of motor vehicle stops made by officers employed by the agency, categorized according to the race or ethnicity of affected persons, as appropriate, including any searches resulting from stops within the applicable jurisdiction;
- 3. evaluate and compare the number of searches resulting from motor vehicle stops within the applicable jurisdiction and whether contraband or other evidence was discovered in the course of those searches; and
- 4. information relating to each complaint filed with the agency alleging that a peace officer employed by the agency has engaged in racial profiling.

The analysis of material and data from the Lancaster Police Department revealed the following:

- A COMPREHENSIVE REVIEW OF THE LANCASTER POLICE DEPARTMENT'S BIASED BASED POLICING AND RACIAL PROFILING POLICY SHOWS THAT THE LANCASTER POLICE DEPARTMENT IS FULLY IN COMPLIANCE WITH ARTICLE 2.132 OF THE TEXAS CODE OF CRIMINAL PROCEDURE.
- A REVIEW OF THE INFORMATION PRESENTED AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION REVEALS THAT THE LANCASTER POLICE DEPARTMENT IS FULLY IN COMPLIANCE WITH TEXAS LAW ON TRAINING AND EDUCATION REGARDING RACIAL PROFILING.
- A REVIEW OF THE DOCUMENTATION PRODUCED BY THE DEPARTMENT IN BOTH PRINT AND ELECTRONIC FORM REVEALS THAT THE DEPARTMENT IS FULLY IN COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE TEXAS LAW ON THE RACIAL PROFILING COMPLAINT PROCESS AND PUBLIC EDUCATION ABOUT THE COMPLAINT PROCESS.
- ANALYSIS OF THE DATA REVEALS THAT THE DEPARTMENT IS FULLY IN COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE TEXAS LAW ON THE COLLECTION OF RACIAL PROFILING DATA.
- THE LANCASTER POLICE DEPARTMENT IS FULLY IN COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE TEXAS LAW CONCERNING THE REPORTING OF INFORMATION TO TCOLE.
- THE LANCASTER POLICE DEPARTMENT IS FULLY IN COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE TEXAS LAW REGARDING CCP ARTICLES 2.132-2.134.

### Introduction

This report details an analysis of the Lancaster Police Department's policies, training, and statistical information on racial profiling for the year 2018. This report has been prepared to specifically comply with Article 2.132, 2.133, and 2.134 of the Texas Code of Criminal Procedure (CCP) regarding the compilation and analysis of traffic stop data. Specifically, the analysis will address Articles 2.131 – 2.134 of the CCP and make a determination of the level of compliance with those articles by the Lancaster Police Department in 2018. The full copies of the applicable laws pertaining to this report are contained in Appendix A.

This report is divided into six sections: (1) Lancaster Police Department's policy on racial profiling; (2) Lancaster Police Department's training and education on racial profiling; (3) Lancaster Police Department's complaint process and public education on racial profiling; (4) analysis of Lancaster Police Department's traffic stop data; (5) additional traffic stop data to be reported to TCOLE; and (6) Lancaster Police Department's compliance with applicable laws on racial profiling.

For the purposes of this report and analysis, the following definition of racial profiling is used: racial profiling means a law enforcement-initiated action based on an individual's race, ethnicity, or national origin rather than on the individual's behavior or on information identifying the individual as having engaged in criminal activity (Texas CCP Article 3.05).

# **Lancaster Police Department Policy on Racial Profiling**

A review of Lancaster Police Department's "Biased Based Policing and Racial Profiling" policy 2.01.1 revealed that the department has adopted policies in compliance with Article 2.132 of the Texas CCP. There are seven specific requirements mandated by Article 2.132 that a law enforcement agency must address. All seven are clearly covered in Lancaster's racial profiling policy. Lancaster Police Department policies provide clear direction that any form of racial profiling is prohibited and that officers found engaging in inappropriate profiling may be disciplined up to and including termination. The policies also provide a very clear statement of the agency's philosophy regarding equal treatment of all persons regardless of race, ethnicity, or national origin. Appendix C lists the applicable statute and corresponding Lancaster Police Department regulation.

A COMPREHENSIVE REVIEW OF LANCASTER POLICE DEPARTMENT'S BIASED BASED POLICING AND RACIAL PROFILING POLICY SHOWS THAT THE LANCASTER POLICE DEPARTMENT IS FULLY IN COMPLIANCE WITH ARTICLE 2.132 OF THE TEXAS CODE OF CRIMINAL PROCEDURE.

# Lancaster Police Department Training and Education on Racial Profiling

Texas Occupation Code § 1701.253 and § 1701.402 require that curriculum be established and training certificates issued on racial profiling for all Texas peace officers. Information provided by Lancaster Police Department reveals that racial profiling training and certification is current for all officers. Moreover, additional racial profiling training has been assigned through the Texas Municipal League and sent to all officers to complete. Racial profiling training is specifically covered in Lancaster's Biased Based Profiling policy Section 4F.

A REVIEW OF THE INFORMATION PRESENTED AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION REVEALS THAT THE LANCASTER POLICE DEPARTMENT IS FULLY IN COMPLIANCE WITH TEXAS LAW ON TRAINING AND EDUCATION REGARDING RACIAL PROFILING.

# **Lancaster Police Department Complaint Process and Public Education on Racial Profiling**

Article 2.132 §(b)3-4 of the Texas Code of Criminal Procedure requires that law enforcement agencies implement a complaint process on racial profiling and that the agency provide public education on the complaint process. Lancaster Police Department's Biased Based Profiling policy Section 4D covers this requirement. Additionally, the Lancaster Police Department has a website for citizen complaints (<a href="http://lancaster-tx.com/813/Compliment-or-Complaint">http://lancaster-tx.com/813/Compliment-or-Complaint</a>) which includes an email contact that goes directly to Internal Affairs. Moreover, information on how to file a complaint is printed directly on each ticket.

A REVIEW OF THE DOCUMENTATION PRODUCED BY THE DEPARTMENT REVEALS THAT THE DEPARTMENT IS FULLY IN COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE TEXAS LAW ON THE RACIAL PROFILING COMPLAINT PROCESS AND PUBLIC EDUCATION ABOUT THE COMPLAINT PROCESS.

# **Lancaster Police Department Statistical Data on Racial Profiling**

Article 2.132(b) 6 and Article 2.133 requires that law enforcement agencies collect statistical information on motor vehicle stops in which a ticket, citation, or warning was issued and to arrests made as a result of those stops, in addition to other information noted previously. Lancaster Police Department submitted statistical information on all motor vehicle stops in 2018 and accompanying information on the race/ethnicity of the person stopped. Accompanying this data was the relevant information required to be collected and reported by law.

Analysis of the data reveals that the department is fully in compliance with applicable Texas law on the collection of racial profiling data.

# **Analysis of the Data**

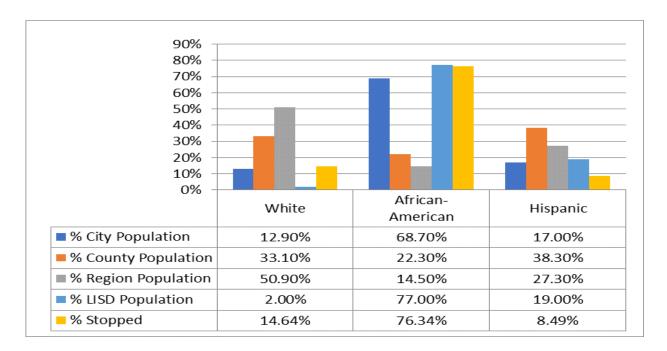
### Comparative Analysis #1:

Evaluate and compare the number of motor vehicle stops, within the applicable jurisdiction, of persons who are recognized as racial or ethnic minorities and persons who are not recognized as racial or ethnic minorities. Texas Code of Criminal Procedure Article 2.134(c)(1)(A)

The first chart depicts the percentages of people stopped by race/ethnicity among the total 12,687 motor vehicle stops in which a ticket, citation, or warning was issued, including arrests made, in 2018.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>City, County, and Regional population figures are derived from the 2010 Census of the U.S. Census Bureau.

<sup>&</sup>quot;Regional" population figures are defined as the 16 county North Central Texas Council of Governments Region



White drivers constituted 14.64 percent of all drivers stopped, whereas Whites constitute 12.90 percent of the city population, 33.10 percent of the county population, 50.90 percent of the region population, and 2.00 percent of the Lancaster Independent School District (LISD) population.<sup>2</sup>

African-American drivers constituted 76.34 percent of all drivers stopped, whereas African-Americans constitute 68.70 percent of the city population, 22.30 percent of the county population, 14.50 percent of the region population, and 77.00 percent of the LISD population.

*Hispanic drivers* constituted 8.49 percent of all drivers stopped, whereas Hispanics constitute 17.00 percent of the city population, 38.30 percent of the county population, 27.30 percent of the region population, and 19.00 percent of the LISD population.<sup>3</sup>

The chart shows that White drivers are stopped at rates lower than the percentage of Whites found in the county and regional populations, but higher than the percentage of Whites in the city and LISD populations. African-Americans are stopped at rates higher than the percentage of African-Americans found in the city, county, and regional populations, but slightly lower than the percentage of African-Americans in the LISD population. Hispanics are stopped at rates lower than the percentage of Hispanics found in the city, county, regional, and LISD populations.

and is comprised of the following counties: Collin, Dallas, Denton, Ellis, Erath, Hood, Hunt, Johnson, Kaufman, Navarro, Palo Pinto, Parker, Rockwall, Somervell, Tarrant, and Wise.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Data on the racial make-up of LISD were obtained from the Lancaster ISD report "District Improvement Plan, 2016-2017." This report can be found at:

http://www.lancasterisd.org/pdf/district/Improvement Plans/2016 2018 District Improvement Plan.pdf.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> There were a total of 65 stops of drivers of Asian/Pacific Islander descent and 2 stops of drivers of Alaska Native/American Indian descent. These stops were not charted due to the small number of stops relative to the population.

### Methodological Issues

Upon examination of the data, it is important to note that differences in overall stop rates of a particular racial or ethnic group, compared to that racial or ethnic group's proportion of the population, cannot be used to make determinations that officers have or have not racially profiled any given individual motorist. Claims asserting racial profiling of an individual motorist from the aggregate data utilized in this report are erroneous.

For example, concluding that a particular driver of a specific race/ethnicity was racially profiled simply because members of that particular racial/ethnic group as a whole were stopped at a higher rate than their proportion of the population—are as erroneous as claims that a particular driver of a specific race/ethnicity could NOT have been racially profiled simply because the percentage of stops among members of a particular racial/ethnic group as a whole were stopped at a lower frequency than that group's proportion of the particular population base (e.g., city or county population). In short, aggregate data as required by law and presented in this report cannot be used to prove or disprove that a member of a particular racial/ethnic group was racially profiled. Next, we discuss the reasons why using aggregate data—as currently required by the state racial profiling law—are inappropriate to use in making claims that any individual motorist was racially profiled.

### <u>Issue #1: Using Group-Level Data to Explain Individual Officer Decisions</u>

The law dictates that police agencies compile aggregate-level data regarding the *rates* at which agencies *collectively* stop motorists in terms of their race/ethnicity. These aggregated data are to be subsequently analyzed in order to determine whether or not *individual* officers are "racially profiling" motorists. This methodological error, commonly referred to as the "ecological fallacy," defines the dangers involved in making assertions about individual officer decisions based on the examination of aggregate stop data. **In short, one cannot** *prove* **that an** *individual* **officer has racially profiled any** *individual* **motorist based on the rate at which a department stops any given** *group* **<b>of motorists.** In sum, aggregate level data cannot be used to assess individual officer decisions, but the state racial profiling law requires this assessment.

# <u>Issue #2: Problems Associated with Population Base-Rates</u>

There has been considerable debate as to what the most appropriate population "base-rate" is in determining whether or not racial/ethnic disparities exist. The base-rate serves as the benchmark for comparison purposes. The outcome of analyses designed to determine whether or not disparities exist is dependent on which base-rate is used. While this report utilized the most recent 2010 Census as a population base-rate, this population measure can become quickly outdated and may not keep pace with changes experienced in city and county and regional population measures.

In addition, the validity of the benchmark base-rate becomes even more problematic if analyses fail to distinguish between residents and non-residents who are stopped. This is because the existence of significant proportions of non-resident stops will lead to invalid conclusions if racial/ethnic comparisons are made exclusively to resident population figures. In sum, a valid measure of the driving population does not exist. As a proxy, census data is used which is

**problematic as an indicator of the driving population.** In addition, stopped motorists who are not residents of the city, county, or region where the motor vehicle stop occurred are not included in the benchmark base-rate.

In short, the methodological problems outlined above point to the limited utility of using aggregate level comparisons of the rates at which different racial/ethnic groups are stopped in order to determine whether or not racial profiling exists within a given jurisdiction.

Table 1 reports the summaries for the total number of motor vehicle stops in which a ticket, citation, or warning was issued, and to arrests made as a result of those stops, by the Lancaster Police Department in 2018. Table 1 and associated analyses are utilized to satisfy the comparative analyses as required by Texas law, and in specific, Article 2.134 of the CCP.

# Comparative Analysis #2:

Examine the disposition of motor vehicle stops made by officers employed by the agency, categorized according to the race or ethnicity of affected persons, as appropriate, including any searches resulting from stops within the applicable jurisdiction. Texas Code of Criminal Procedure Article 2.134(c)(1)(B)

Table 1: Traffic Stops and Outcomes by Race/Ethnicity

Stop Outcomes by Race/Ethnicity	White	African- American	Hispanic /Latino	Asian /Pacific Islander	Alaska Native /American Indian	Total
Number of Stops	1858	9685	1077	65	2	12687
Result of Stop						
Verbal Warning	1151	1317	630	43	2	3143
Written Warning	30	189	21	2	0	242
Citation	557	7579	343	20	0	8499
Written Warning and Arrest	0	2	0	0	0	2
Citation and Arrest	11	73	9	0	0	93
Arrest	109	525	74	0	0	708
Search Conducted						
Yes	135	902	92	2	0	1131
No	1723	8783	985	63	2	11556

As shown in Table 1, there were a total of 12,687 motor vehicle stops in 2018 in which a ticket, citation, or warning was issued. The table also shows arrests made as a result of those stops. Roughly 25 percent of stops resulted in a verbal warning and roughly 67 percent resulted in a citation. These two actions accounted for roughly 92 percent of all result of stops actions and will be of focus in the discussion below.

Relative to the result of the stop within each racial/ethnic group, written warning and arrest and citation and arrest were rare among all racial/ethnic groups, comprising less than 1 percent of all stop outcomes across each racial/ethnic group.

Specific to **verbal warnings**, White motorists received a verbal warning in roughly 62 percent of stops involving White motorists (1151/1858), African-American motorists received a verbal warning in roughly 14 percent of stops of African-American motorists, and Hispanic motorists received a verbal warning in roughly 58 percent of stops of Hispanic motorists.

White motorists received a **citation** in roughly 30 percent of stops involving White motorists (557/1858), African-American motorists received a citation in roughly 78 percent of stops of African-American motorists, and Hispanic motorists received a citation in roughly 32 percent of stops of Hispanic motorists.

Finally, relative to sole **arrests**, White motorists were arrested in roughly 6 percent of stops involving White motorists (109/1858), African-American motorists were arrested in roughly 5 percent of stops involving African-American motorists, and Hispanic motorists were arrested in roughly 7 percent of stops involving Hispanic motorists. Overall, sole arrests accounted for roughly 6 percent of all stop outcomes (708/12687).

### Comparative Analysis #3:

Evaluate and compare the number of searches resulting from motor vehicle stops within the applicable jurisdiction and whether contraband or other evidence was discovered in the course of those searches. Texas Code of Criminal Procedure Article 2.134(c)(1)(C)

In 2018, a total of 1,131 **searches** of motorists were conducted, or roughly 9 percent of all stops resulted in a search. Among searches within each racial/ethnic group, White motorists were searched in roughly 7 percent of all stops of White motorists (135/12687), African-American motorists were searched in roughly 9 percent of all stops of African-American motorists, and Hispanic motorists were searched in roughly 9 percent of all stops of Hispanic motorists.

Regarding searches, it should be further noted that only 91 out of 1,131 searches (see Table 3), or roughly 8 percent of all searches, were based on consent, which are regarded as discretionary as opposed to non-discretionary searches. Relative to the total number of stops (12,687), discretionary consent searches occurred in 0.7 percent of stops.

Of the searches that occurred in 2018, and as shown in Table 3, contraband was discovered in 347 or roughly 31 percent of all searches (347/1131 total searches). Among the searches in which contraband was discovered (347), roughly 69 percent of the time the contraband discovered was drugs.<sup>4</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> In 2018, the race of the motorist was reported as "known" prior to the stop in 526 or roughly 4 percent of all stops.

# Comparative Analysis #4:

Information relating to each complaint filed with the agency alleging that a peace officer employed by the agency has engaged in racial profiling. Texas Code of Criminal Procedure Article 2.134(c)(2)

In 2018, internal records indicate that the Lancaster Police Department received one complaint alleging that a peace officer employed by the agency engaged in racial profiling. Upon internal investigation, the complaint was unfounded.

# Additional Information Required to be Reported to TCOLE

Tables 2-4 provide additional information relative to motor vehicle stops in 2018 by the Lancaster Police Department. These data are required to be collected by the Lancaster Police Department under the Texas Code of Criminal Procedure Article 2.133.

**Table 2: Data on Traffic Stops and Arrests** 

Stop Table	Frequency
Number of Stops	12687
Reason for Stop	
Violation of Law	332
Preexisting Knowledge	309
Moving Traffic Violation	6116
Vehicle Traffic Violation	5930
Result of Stop	
Verbal Warning	3143
Written Warning	242
Citation	8499
Written Warning and Arrest	2
Citation and Arrest	93
Arrest	708
Arrest Based On	
Violation of Penal Code	56
Violation of Traffic Law	35
Violation of City Ordinance	4
Outstanding Warrant	708

**Table 3: Data on Searches Pursuant to Traffic Stops** 

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Search Table	Frequency
Search Conducted	
Yes	1131
No	11556
Reason for Search	
Consent	91
Contraband in Plain View	45
Probable Cause	413
Inventory	103
Incident to Arrest	479
Was Contraband Discovered	
Yes	347
No	784
Description of Contraband	
Drugs	238
Currency	11
Weapons	47
Alcohol	24
Stolen Property	6
Other	21

**Table 4: Additional Data on Traffic Stops** 

Table 4: Additional Data on Traffic Stops		
Additional Information		
	Frequency	
Gender		
Male	7293	
Female	5394	
Race/Ethnicity Known Prior to Stop		
Yes	526	
No	12161	
Was Physical Force Resulting in Bodily Injury Used During Stop		
Yes	13	
No	12674	
Approximate Location of Stop		
City Street	11814	
US Highway	318	
County Road	0	
State Highway	549	
Private Property/Other	6	

# **Analysis of Racial Profiling Compliance by Lancaster Police Department**

The foregoing analysis shows that the Lancaster Police Department is fully in compliance with all relevant Texas laws concerning racial profiling, including the existence of a formal policy prohibiting racial profiling by its officers, officer training and educational programs, a formalized complaint process, and the collection of data in compliance with the law.

In addition to providing summary reports and analysis of the data collected by the Lancaster Police Department in 2018, this report also included an extensive presentation of some of the limitations involved in the level of data collection currently required by law and the methodological problems associated with analyzing such data for the Lancaster Police Department as well as police agencies across Texas.

# **LPD TCOLE Reporting Forms**

# **Racial Profiling Report**

Agency Name: Lancaster Police Department

Reporting Date: 01/22/2019

TCOLE Agency Number: TX0571700

Chief Administrator: Samuel J. Urbanski

Agency Contact Information: Phone: 972-218-2700

Email: surbanski@lancaster-tx.com

Mailing Address: 100 Craig Shaw Memorial Pkwy Lancaster TX 75134

By submitting, the chief administrator affirms that the agency has a policy in place in accordance with Texas Code of Criminal Procedure §2.132, and that the policy:

- (1) clearly defines acts constituting racial profiling;
- (2) strictly prohibits peace officers employed by the agency from engaging in racial profiling;
- (3) implements a process by which an individual may file a complaint with the agency if the individual believes that a peace officer employed by the agency has engaged in racial profiling with respect to the individual;
- (4) provides public education relating to the agency's compliment and complaint process, including providing the telephone number, mailing address, and email address to make a compliment or complaint with respect to each ticket, citation, or warning issued by a peace officer;
- (5) requires appropriate corrective action to be taken against a peace officer employed by the agency who, after an investigation, is shown to have engaged in racial profiling in violation of the agency's policy adopted under this article;
- (6) requires collection of information relating to motor vehicle stops in which a ticket, citation, or warning is issued and to arrests made as a result of those stops, including information relating to:
  - (A) the race or ethnicity of the individual detained;
  - (B) whether a search was conducted and, if so, whether the individual detained consented to the search;
  - (C) whether the peace officer knew the race or ethnicity of the individual detained before detaining that individual; and
  - (D) whether the peace officer used physical force that resulted in bodily injury, as that term is defined by Section 1.07, Penal Code, during the stop;
    - (E) the location of the stop; and
    - (F) the reason for the stop; and

- (7) requires the chief administrator of the agency, regardless of whether the administrator is elected, employed, or appointed, to submit an annual report of the information collected under Subdivision (6) to:
  - (A) the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement; and
  - (B) the governing body of each county or municipality served by the agency, if the agency is an agency of a county, municipality, or other political subdivision of the state.

Executed by:		
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# **Agency Racial Profiling Information**

Total stops: 12687

# 1. Gender

CCP 2.133(b)(1)(a)

1.1 Female: 53941.2 Male: 7293

# 2. Race or ethnicity

CCP 2.132(a)(3), 2.132(b)(6)(A), 2.133(b)(1)(B)

2.1 Black: 9,685

2.2 Asian/Pacific Islander: 65

2.3 White: 1,858

2.4 Hispanic/Latino: 1,077

2.5 Alaska Native/American Indian: 2

# 3. Was race or ethnicity known prior to stop?

CCP 2.132(b)(6)(C)

3.1 Yes: 526 3.2 No: 12,161

# 4. Reason for stop?

CCP 2.132(b)(6)(F), 2.133(b)(2)

4.1 Violation of law: 332

4.2 Preexisting knowledge:3094.3 Moving traffic violation:61164.4 Vehicle traffic violation: 5930

# 5. Street address or approximate location of the stop

CCP 2.132(b)(6)(E), 2.133(b)(7)

5.1 City street: 118145.2 US highway: 3185.3 County road: 05.4 State highway: 549

5.5 Private property or other: 6

# 6. Was a search conducted?

CCP 2.132(b)(6)(B), 2.133(b)(3)

6.1 Yes: 1131 6.2 No: 11,556

# 7. Reason for Search?

**7.1 Consent: 91** CCP 2.132(b)(6)(B), 2.133(b)(3)

 7.2 Contraband in plain view: 45
 CCP 2.133(b)(5)(A)

 7.3 Probable cause: 413
 CCP 2.133(b)(5)(B)

 7.4 Inventory: 103
 CCP 2.133(b)(5)(C)

 7.5 Incident to arrest: 479
 CCP 2.133(b)(5)(C)

# 8. Was Contraband discovered?

CCP 2.133(b)(4)

8.1 Yes: 347 8.2 No: 784

# 9. Description of contraband

CCP 2.133(b)(4)

9.1 Drugs: 2389.2 Currency: 119.3 Weapons: 479.4 Alcohol: 24

9.5 Stolen property: 6

9.6 Other: 21

# 10. Result of the stop

10.1 Verbal warning: 3,143CCP 2.133(b)(8)10.2 Written warning: 242CCP 2.133(b)(8)10.3 Citation: 8499CCP 2.133(b)(8)

10.4 Written warning and arrest: 2

10.5 Citation and arrest: 93

**10.6 Arrest: 708** CCP 2.133(b)(6)

# Arrest Total = 803

# 11. Arrest based on

CCP 2.133(b)(6)

11.1 Violation of Penal Code: 5611.2 Violation of Traffic Law: 3511.3 Violation of City Ordinance: 411.4 Outstanding Warrant: 708

# 12. Was physical force resulting in bodily injury used during stop?

CCP 2.132(b)(6)(D), 2.133(b)(9)

12.1 Yes: 13 12.2 No: 12,674

# Appendix A Racial Profiling Statutes and Laws

# Texas Racial Profling Statutes

# Art. 3.05. RACIAL PROFILING.

In this code, "racial profiling" means a law enforcement-initiated action based on an individual's race, ethnicity, or national origin rather than on the individual's behavior or on information identifying the individual as having engaged in criminal activity.

Added by Acts 2001, 77th Leg., ch. 947, Sec. 2, eff. Sept. 1, 2001.

# Art. 2.131. RACIAL PROFILING PROHIBITED.

A peace officer may not engage in racial profiling.

Added by Acts 2001, 77th Leg., ch. 947, Sec. 1, eff. Sept. 1, 2001.

# Art. 2.132. LAW ENFORCEMENT POLICY ON RACIAL PROFILING.

- (a) In this article:
  - (1) "Law enforcement agency" means an agency of the state, or of a county, municipality, or other political subdivision of the state, that employs peace officers who make motor vehicle stops in the routine performance of the officers' official duties.
  - (2) "Motor vehicle stop" means an occasion in which a peace officer stops a motor vehicle for an alleged violation of a law or ordinance.
  - (3) "Race or ethnicity" means the following categories:
    - (A) Alaska native or American Indian;
    - (B) Asian or Pacific Islander:
    - (C) black;
    - (D) white; and
    - (E) Hispanic or Latino.
- (b) Each law enforcement agency in this state shall adopt a detailed written policy on racial profiling. The policy must:
  - (1) clearly define acts constituting racial profiling;
  - (2) strictly prohibit peace officers employed by the agency from engaging in racial profiling;

- (3) implement a process by which an individual may file a complaint with the agency if the individual believes that a peace officer employed by the agency has engaged in racial profiling with respect to the individual;
- (4) provide public education relating to the agency's compliment and complaint process, including providing the telephone number, mailing address, and e-mail address to make a compliment or complaint with respect to each ticket, citation, or warning issued by a peace officer;
- (5) require appropriate corrective action to be taken against a peace officer employed by the agency who, after an investigation, is shown to have engaged in racial profiling in violation of the agency's policy adopted under this article;
- (6) require collection of information relating to motor vehicle stops in which a ticket, citation, or warning is issued and to arrests made as a result of those stops, including information relating to:
  - (A) the race or ethnicity of the individual detained;
  - (B) whether a search was conducted and, if so, whether the individual detained consented to the search;
  - (C) whether the peace officer knew the race or ethnicity of the individual detained before detaining that individual;
  - (D) whether the peace officer used physical force that resulted in bodily injury, as that term is defined by Section 1.07, Penal Code, during the stop;
  - (E) the location of the stop; and
  - (F) the reason for the stop; and
- (7) require the chief administrator of the agency, regardless of whether the administrator is elected, employed, or appointed, to submit an annual report of the information collected under Subdivision (6) to:
  - (A) the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement; and
  - (B) the governing body of each county or municipality served by the agency, if the agency is an agency of a county, municipality, or other political subdivision of the state.
- (c) The data collected as a result of the reporting requirements of this article shall not constitute prima facie evidence of racial profiling.

- (d) On adoption of a policy under Subsection (b), a law enforcement agency shall examine the feasibility of installing video camera and transmitter-activated equipment in each agency law enforcement motor vehicle regularly used to make motor vehicle stops and transmitter-activated equipment in each agency law enforcement motorcycle regularly used to make motor vehicle stops. The agency also shall examine the feasibility of equipping each peace officer who regularly detains or stops motor vehicles with a body worn camera, as that term is defined by Section 1701.651, Occupations Code. If a law enforcement agency installs video or audio equipment or equips peace officers with body worn cameras as provided by this subsection, the policy adopted by the agency under Subsection (b) must include standards for reviewing video and audio documentation.
- (e) A report required under Subsection (b)(7) may not include identifying information about a peace officer who makes a motor vehicle stop or about an individual who is stopped or arrested by a peace officer. This subsection does not affect the collection of information as required by a policy under Subsection (b)(6).
- (f) On the commencement of an investigation by a law enforcement agency of a complaint described by Subsection (b)(3) in which a video or audio recording of the occurrence on which the complaint is based was made, the agency shall promptly provide a copy of the recording to the peace officer who is the subject of the complaint on written request by the officer.
- (g) On a finding by the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement that the chief administrator of a law enforcement agency intentionally failed to submit a report required under Subsection (b)(7), the commission shall begin disciplinary procedures against the chief administrator.
- (h) A law enforcement agency shall review the data collected under Subsection (b)(6) to identify any improvements the agency could make in its practices and policies regarding motor vehicle stops.

#### Amended by:

Acts 2009, 81st Leg., R.S., Ch. 1172 (H.B. 3389), Sec. 25, eff. September 1, 2009.

Acts 2013, 83rd Leg., R.S., Ch. 93 (S.B.  $\underline{686}$ ), Sec. 2.05, eff. May 18, 2013.

Acts 2017, 85th Leg., R.S., Ch. 173 (H.B.  $\underline{3051}$ ), Sec. 1, eff. September 1, 2017. Acts 2017, 85th Leg., R.S., Ch. 950 (S.B.  $\underline{1849}$ ), Sec. 5.01, eff. September 1, 2017.

# Art. 2.133. REPORTS REQUIRED FOR MOTOR VEHICLE STOPS.

- (a) In this article, "race or ethnicity" has the meaning assigned by Article 2.132(a).
- (b) A peace officer who stops a motor vehicle for an alleged violation of a law or ordinance shall report to the law enforcement agency that employs the officer information relating to the stop, including:
  - (1) a physical description of any person operating the motor vehicle who is detained as a result of the stop, including:
    - (A) the person's gender; and
    - (B) the person's race or ethnicity, as stated by the person or, if the person does not state the person's race or ethnicity, as determined by the officer to the best of the officer's ability;
  - (2) the initial reason for the stop;
  - (3) whether the officer conducted a search as a result of the stop and, if so, whether the person detained consented to the search;
  - (4) whether any contraband or other evidence was discovered in the course of the search and a description of the contraband or evidence;
  - (5) the reason for the search, including whether:
    - (A) any contraband or other evidence was in plain view;
    - (B) any probable cause or reasonable suspicion existed to perform the search; or
    - (C) the search was performed as a result of the towing of the motor vehicle or the arrest of any person in the motor vehicle;
  - (6) whether the officer made an arrest as a result of the stop or the search, including a statement of whether the arrest was based on a violation of the Penal Code, a violation of a traffic law or ordinance, or an outstanding warrant and a statement of the offense charged;
  - (7) the street address or approximate location of the stop;
  - (8) whether the officer issued a verbal or written warning or a ticket or citation as a result of the stop; and

- (9) whether the officer used physical force that resulted in bodily injury, as that term is defined by Section 1.07, Penal Code, during the stop.
- (c) The chief administrator of a law enforcement agency, regardless of whether the administrator is elected, employed, or appointed, is responsible for auditing reports under Subsection (b) to ensure that the race or ethnicity of the person operating the motor vehicle is being reported.

### Amended by:

Acts 2009, 81st Leg., R.S., Ch. 1172 (H.B. 3389), Sec. 26, eff. September 1, 2009.

Acts 2017, 85th Leg., R.S., Ch. 950 (S.B.  $\underline{1849}$ ), Sec. 5.02, eff. September 1, 2017.

# Art. 2.134. COMPILATION AND ANALYSIS OF INFORMATION COLLECTED.

- (a) In this article:
  - (1) "Motor vehicle stop" has the meaning assigned by Article 2.132(a).
  - (2) "Race or ethnicity" has the meaning assigned by Article 2.132(a).
- (b) A law enforcement agency shall compile and analyze the information contained in each report received by the agency under Article 2.133. Not later than March 1 of each year, each law enforcement agency shall submit a report containing the incident-based data compiled during the previous calendar year to the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement and, if the law enforcement agency is a local law enforcement agency, to the governing body of each county or municipality served by the agency.
- (c) A report required under Subsection (b) must be submitted by the chief administrator of the law enforcement agency, regardless of whether the administrator is elected, employed, or appointed, and must include:
  - (1) a comparative analysis of the information compiled under Article 2.133 to:
    - (A) evaluate and compare the number of motor vehicle stops, within the applicable jurisdiction, of persons who are recognized as racial or ethnic minorities and persons who are not recognized as racial or ethnic minorities; (B) examine the disposition of motor vehicle stops made by officers employed by the agency,

- categorized according to the race or ethnicity of the affected persons, as appropriate, including any searches resulting from stops within the applicable jurisdiction; and
- (C) evaluate and compare the number of searches resulting from motor vehicle stops within the applicable jurisdiction and whether contraband or other evidence was discovered in the course of those searches; and
- (2) information relating to each complaint filed with the agency alleging that a peace officer employed by the agency has engaged in racial profiling.
- (d) A report required under Subsection (b) may not include identifying information about a peace officer who makes a motor vehicle stop or about an individual who is stopped or arrested by a peace officer. This subsection does not affect the reporting of information required under Article 2.133 (b) (1).
- (e) The Texas Commission on Law Enforcement, in accordance with Section  $\underline{1701.162}$ , Occupations Code, shall develop guidelines for compiling and reporting information as required by this article.
- (f) The data collected as a result of the reporting requirements of this article shall not constitute prima facie evidence of racial profiling.
- (g) On a finding by the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement that the chief administrator of a law enforcement agency intentionally failed to submit a report required under Subsection (b), the commission shall begin disciplinary procedures against the chief administrator.

### Amended by:

Acts 2009, 81st Leg., R.S., Ch. 1172 (H.B. 3389), Sec. 27, eff. September 1, 2009.

Acts 2013, 83rd Leg., R.S., Ch. 93 (S.B.  $\underline{686}$ ), Sec. 2.06, eff. May 18, 2013.

Acts 2017, 85th Leg., R.S., Ch. 950 (S.B.  $\underline{1849}$ ), Sec. 5.03, eff. September 1, 2017.

# Art. 2.136. LIABILITY.

A peace officer is not liable for damages arising from an act relating to the collection or reporting of information as required by Article 2.133 or under a policy adopted under Article 2.132.

# Art. 2.137. PROVISION OF FUNDING OR EQUIPMENT.

- (a) The Department of Public Safety shall adopt rules for providing funds or video and audio equipment to law enforcement agencies for the purpose of installing video and audio equipment in law enforcement motor vehicles and motorcycles or equipping peace officers with body worn cameras, including specifying criteria to prioritize funding or equipment provided to law enforcement agencies. The criteria may include consideration of tax effort, financial hardship, available revenue, and budget surpluses. The criteria must give priority to:
  - (1) law enforcement agencies that employ peace officers whose primary duty is traffic enforcement;
  - (2) smaller jurisdictions; and
  - (3) municipal and county law enforcement agencies.
- (b) The Department of Public Safety shall collaborate with an institution of higher education to identify law enforcement agencies that need funds or video and audio equipment for the purpose of installing video and audio equipment in law enforcement motor vehicles and motorcycles or equipping peace officers with body worn cameras. The collaboration may include the use of a survey to assist in developing criteria to prioritize funding or equipment provided to law enforcement agencies.
- (c) To receive funds or video and audio equipment from the state for the purpose of installing video and audio equipment in law enforcement motor vehicles and motorcycles or equipping peace officers with body worn cameras, the governing body of a county or municipality, in conjunction with the law enforcement agency serving the county or municipality, shall certify to the Department of Public Safety that the law enforcement agency needs funds or video and audio equipment for that purpose.
- (d) On receipt of funds or video and audio equipment from the state for the purpose of installing video and audio equipment in law enforcement motor vehicles and motorcycles or equipping peace officers with body worn cameras, the governing body of a county or municipality, in conjunction with the law enforcement agency serving the county or municipality, shall certify to the Department of Public Safety that the law enforcement agency has taken the necessary actions to use and is using video and audio equipment and body worn cameras for those purposes.

Amended by:

Acts 2017, 85th Leg., R.S., Ch. 950 (S.B.  $\underline{1849}$ ), Sec. 5.04, eff. September 1, 2017.

# Art. 2.138. RULES.

The Department of Public Safety may adopt rules to implement Articles 2.131-2.137.

Added by Acts 2001, 77th Leg., ch. 947, Sec. 1, eff. Sept. 1, 2001.

#### Art. 2.1385. CIVIL PENALTY.

- (a) If the chief administrator of a local law enforcement agency intentionally fails to submit the incident-based data as required by Article 2.134, the agency is liable to the state for a civil penalty in an amount not to exceed \$5,000 for each violation. The attorney general may sue to collect a civil penalty under this subsection.
- (b) From money appropriated to the agency for the administration of the agency, the executive director of a state law enforcement agency that intentionally fails to submit the incident-based data as required by Article  $\underline{2.134}$  shall remit to the comptroller the amount of \$1,000 for each violation.
- (c) Money collected under this article shall be deposited in the state treasury to the credit of the general revenue fund.

Added by Acts 2009, 81st Leg., R.S., Ch. 1172 (H.B.  $\underline{3389}$ ), Sec. 29, eff. September 1, 2009. Amended by:

Acts 2017, 85th Leg., R.S., Ch. 950 (S.B.  $\underline{1849}$ ), Sec. 5.05, eff. September 1, 2017.

# **Appendix B**

# **Agency Policy**

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This Operations Directive is for internal use only and does not enhance an officer's civil or criminal liability in any way. It should not be construed as a creation of a higher standard of safety or care in an evidentiary sense, with respect to third party claims. Violations of this Operations Directive, if proven, may only form the basis for a complaint by this Department, and only in a non-judicial administrative setting.

#### SECTION 1 PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to reaffirm the Lancaster Police Department's commitment to unbiased policing in all of its encounters between officers and any person; to reinforce procedurally just ways that serve to ensure public confidence and mutual trust through the provision of services in a fair and equitable fashion; and to protect our officers from unwarranted accusations of misconduct when they act within the dictate of departmental policy and the law.

#### SECTION 2 POLICY

- A. It is the policy of the department to protect the constitutional rights of all persons. Allegations of racial profiling or discriminatory practices, real or perceived, are detrimental to the relationship between police and the communities they protect and serve because they strike at the basic foundation of public trust. This trust is essential to effective community-based policing. Racial profiling is considered misuse of valuable police resources; such improper methods violate the civil rights of members of the public and may lead to increased exposure to liability for the officer and the department. The department does not endorse, train, teach, support, or condone any type of bias, stereotyping, or racial profiling by its officers. While recognizing that most officers perform their duties in a professional, ethical, and impartial manner, the department is committed to identifying and eliminating any instances of racial profiling.
- B. It is the policy of the department to:
  - 1. provide all people within the community fair and impartial police services consistent with procedural justice, constitutional and statutory mandates;
  - 2. assure the highest standard of integrity and ethics among all our members;
  - 3. respect the diversity and the lawful cultural practices of all people;
  - take positive steps to identify, prevent, and eliminate any instances of racial profiling by our members; and

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- continue our commitment to community based policing and problem solving, including vigorous, lawful and nondiscriminatory traffic enforcement that promotes public safety and strengthens public trust, confidence, and awareness
- C. It is the policy of the department to police in a proactive manner and to aggressively investigate suspected violations of law. Officers shall actively enforce local, state and federal laws in a responsible and professional manner without regard to race, gender, ethnicity, or national origin. Officers are strictly prohibited from engaging in racial profiling as defined in this policy. This policy shall be applicable to all persons, whether drivers, passengers, or pedestrians.
- D. Officers, when dealing with the community shall conduct themselves in procedurally just ways, procedurally just behavior is based on four central principles: (1) treating people with dignity and respect, (2) giving individuals "voices" during encounters, (3) being neutral and transparent in decision making and (4) conveying trustworthy motives. These principles lead to relationships in which the community trusts that officers are honest, unbiased, benevolent, and lawful. The community therefore feels obligated to follow the law and the dictates of legal authorities and is more willing to cooperate with and engage those authorities because it believes that it shares a common set of interest and values with the community.

#### **SECTION 3 DEFINITIONS**

- A. <u>Bias:</u> prejudice or partiality based on preconceived ideas, a person's upbringing, culture, experience, or education.
- B. <u>Biased Policing:</u> stopping, detaining, searching, or attempting to search, or using force against a person based upon his or her race, ethnic background, gender, sexual orientation, religion, economic status, age, cultural group, or any other identifiable group.
- C. <u>Ethnicity:</u> a cluster of characteristics that may include race but also cultural characteristics or traits that are shared by a group with a common experience or history.
- D. <u>Frisk:</u> a limited search or patting down of a suspect's outer clothing for the purpose of officer safety. A frisk must be based on reasonable suspicion that the suspect is armed with a deadly weapon, and that if he is not searched and disarmed, harm will come to the officer or another person. A limited search or frisk of an automobile after a valid stop is permissible if the officer has reasonable suspicion the suspect is dangerous and might gain immediate control of a weapon. The search is limited to the areas in which a weapon may be placed or hidden.
- E. Gender: unlike sex, a psychological classification based on cultural characteristics or traits.
- F. Gender Profiling: is defined as a law enforcement-initiated action based on an individual's gender rather than on the individual's behavior or involvement in criminal activity.
- G. <u>Procedural Justice:</u> the way officers and other legal authorities interact with the public and how the characteristics of those interactions shape the public's trust of the police
- H. <u>Probable Cause:</u> is defined as more than bare suspicion; it exists when the facts and circumstances within the officer's knowledge and of which they have reasonably trustworthy information are sufficient

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in themselves to warrant a person of reasonable caution to believe that an offense has been or is being committed.

- Race: a category of people of a particular decent, including Caucasian, African, Hispanic, Asian, Middle Eastern, or Native American descent. As distinct from ethnicity, race refers only to physical characteristics sufficiently distinctive to group people under a classification.
- J. <u>Racial Profiling:</u> a law enforcement-initiated action based on an individual's race, ethnicity or national origin rather than on the individual's behavior or on information identifying the individual as having engaged in criminal activity. The term is not relevant as it pertains to witnesses, complainants, persons needing assistance, or other citizen contacts.
  - 1. Examples of racial profiling include, but are not limited to, the following:
    - a. Citing a driver because of the cited driver's race, ethnicity, or national origin; or
    - detaining the driver of a vehicle based on the determination that a person of that race, ethnicity, or national origin is unlikely to own or possesses that specific make or model of vehicle; or
    - c. detaining an individual based upon the determination that a person of that race, ethnicity, or national origin does not belong in a specific part of town or a specific place
- K. <u>Reasonable Suspicion</u> is defined as specific, articulable facts leading a reasonable police officer to believe that a person has committed, is committing, or may be about to commit a crime. Reasonable suspicion is less than probable cause, but more than a mere hunch. Reasonable grounds for suspicion depend on the circumstances in each case. There must be an objective basis for that suspicion based on facts, information, and/or intelligence.
- L. Sex: a biological classification, male or female, based on physical and genetic characteristics.
- M. <u>Search:</u> an examination or exploration of an individual's house, premises, vehicle or person to discover stolen property, contraband or other items that may be evidence of a crime.
- N. <u>Search incident to arrest:</u> a full search of an arrested person and of the vicinity around him or her. The search is conducted for officer safety and to prevent the destruction of evidence.
- O. <u>Consent search:</u> a search permitted by a person with apparent authority to allow the search. To be valid, consent must be voluntary and intelligent, based on a totality of circumstances. Voluntary means that the consent was not forced or coerced. Intelligent means the person giving consent must know what he or she is doing.
- P. <u>Inventory:</u> an administrative process by which items of property in an impounded vehicle are listed and secured. An inventory is not a search and should not be used as a substitute for a search. The specific objectives of an inventory are to protect the property of the defendant, to protect the police against any claim of lost property, and to protect police personnel and others from any dangerous instruments.

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- Q. <u>Pedestrian Stop:</u> an interaction between a peace officer and an individual traveling on foot who is being detained for the purpose of a criminal investigation in which the individual is not under arrest.
- R. <u>Traffic Stop:</u> vehicle stops whereas a peace officer stops a motor vehicle for an alleged violation of law or ordinance regulating traffic.

#### SECTION 4 PROCEDURES

#### A. GENERAL RESPONSIBILITIES

- 1. Officers are prohibited from engaging in racial or bias-based profiling or stopping, detaining, searching, arresting, or taking any enforcement action including seizure or forfeiture activities, against any person based solely on the person's race, ethnic background, gender, sexual orientation, religion, economic status, age, cultural group, or any other identifiable group. These characteristics, however, may form part of reasonable suspicion or probable cause when officers are seeking a suspect with one or more of these attributes.
- 2. Investigative detentions, traffic stops, arrests, searches, and property seizures by officers will be based on a standard of reasonable suspicion or probably cause in accordance with the Fourth Amendment of the U.S. Constitution. Officers must be able to articulate specific facts and circumstances that support reasonable suspicion or probable cause for investigative detentions, traffic stops, pedestrian stops, arrests, nonconsensual searches, and property seizures. Except as provided in number three (3) below, officers shall not consider race/ethnicity in establishing either reasonable suspicion or probably cause. Similarly, except as provided below, officers shall not consider race/ethnicity in deciding to initiate even those nonconsensual encounters that do not amount to legal detentions or to request consent to search.
- 3. Officers may take into account the reported race or ethnicity of a specific suspect or suspects based on trustworthy, locally relevant information that links a person or persons of a specific race/ethnicity to a particular unlawful incident(s). Race/ethnicity can never be used as the sole basis for probable cause or reasonable suspicion. Reasonable suspicion or probable cause shall form the basis for any enforcement actions or decisions. Individuals shall be subjected to stops, seizures, or detentions only upon reasonable suspicion that they have committed, are committing, or are about to commit an offense. Officers shall document the elements of reasonable suspicion and probable cause in appropriate reports.
- 4. Officers shall observe all constitutional safeguards and shall respect the constitutional rights of all persons.
  - a. As traffic stops furnish a primary source of bias-related complaints, officers shall have a firm understanding of the warrantless searches allowed by law, particularly the use of consent. How the officer disengages from a traffic stop may be crucial to a person's perception of fairness or discrimination.
  - b. Officers shall not use the refusal or lack of cooperation to justify a search of the person or vehicle or a prolonged detention once reasonable suspicion has been dispelled.

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- 5. All personnel shall treat everyone with the same courtesy and respect that they would have others observe to department personnel. To this end, personnel are reminded that the exercise of courtesy and respect engenders a future willingness to cooperate with law enforcement.
  - a. Personnel shall facilitate an individual's access to other governmental services whenever possible, and shall actively provide referrals to other appropriate agencies.
  - b. All personnel shall courteously accept, document, and forward to the Chief of Police any complaints made by an individual against the department. Further, officers shall provide information on the complaint's process and shall give copies of "How to Make a Complaint" when appropriate.
- 6. When feasible, personnel shall offer explanations of the reasons for enforcement actions or other decisions that bear on the individual's well-being unless the explanation would undermine an investigation or jeopardize an officer's safety.
- 7. When concluding an encounter, personnel shall thank him or her for cooperating.
- 8. When feasible, all personnel shall identify themselves by name. When a person requests the information, personnel shall give their departmental identification number, name of the immediate supervisor, or any other reasonable information.
- 9. All personnel are accountable for their actions. Personnel shall justify their actions when required.

### **B. SUPERVISORY RESPONSIBILITIES**

- Supervisors shall be held accountable for the observance of constitutional safeguards during the
  performance of their duties. Supervisors shall identify and correct instances of bias in the work of
  their subordinates.
- 2. Supervisors shall use the disciplinary mechanisms of the department to ensure compliance with this order and the constitutional requirements of law enforcement.
- Supervisors shall be mindful that in accounting for the actions and performance of subordinates, supervisors are key to maintaining community trust in law enforcement. Supervisors shall continually reinforce the ethic of impartial enforcement of the laws, and shall ensure that personnel, by their actions, maintain the community's trust in law enforcement.
- Supervisors are reminded that biased enforcement of the laws engenders not only mistrust of law enforcement, but increases safety risks to personnel. Lack of control over bias also exposes the department to liability consequences.
- Supervisors shall be held accountable for repeated instances of biased enforcement of their subordinates.
- 6. Supervisors shall ensure that all enforcement actions are duly documented per departmental policy. Supervisors shall ensure that all reports show adequate documentation of reasonable suspicion and probable cause, if applicable.

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7. Supervisors shall facilitate the filing of any complaints about law- enforcement service.

#### C. DISCIPLINARY CONSEQUENCES

- 1. Failure to report any observed or known violations of this policy by any police department employee shall result in corrective action being taken against the employee.
- Officers found in violation of this policy or who have a sustained racial profiling complaint shall be subject to corrective action which may include, diversity, sensitivity, or other appropriate training, counseling, a written reprimand, suspension from duty with or without pay, indefinite suspension, or other appropriate action as determined by the Chief of Police.

#### D. COMPLAINTS

- Any person may file a complaint with the department if they believe they have been stopped or searched on the basis of their race, ethnicity, national origin, sexual orientation, religion, economic status, age cultural group, gender or any other identifiable group. No person shall be discouraged, intimidated, or coerced from filing such a complaint, or discriminated against because they have filed such a complaint.
- 2. A complaint from a citizen regarding racial profiling may be made to any police department supervisor or, if available, to the Office of Professional Responsibility. A complaint from a citizen can be made by writing a letter, calling the police department and requesting a police supervisor to their location (inside the city limits) or by coming to the police station. If, after discussing the complaint with a supervisor the citizen wishes to file a formal complaint they must complete and sign a formal written complaint. All complaints received shall be forwarded in writing through the chain of command to the Chief of Police.
- 3. In addition to the formal written complaint, the supervisor receiving the complaint shall complete a Complainant Initial Contact (CIC) form and obtain the digital video from the officer's vehicle. The supervisor shall label the digital video, indicating the unit number and date and time the video was pulled from the unit. The video will be forwarded with the written formal complaint and the Complainant Initial Contact form through the chain of command to the Chief of Police by the end of the supervisor's tour of duty. All videos of incidents alleging racial or gender profiling shall be retained with the investigative file.
- 4. The Chief of Police will then assign the complaint to an appropriate department supervisor or the Office of Professional Responsibility to investigate the complaint.
- 5. The department shall provide education to the public concerning the complaint process. Written information regarding how a citizen may file a complaint or issue a commendation for an officer shall be made available to the public at a variety of locations, including public meetings, in the lobby of the public safety building and City Hall. This information shall also be available on the department's website (www.lancaster-tx.com).

### E. CITATION, DATA COLLECTION AND REPORTING

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- 1. Each officer shall be required to collect information relating to all traffic or pedestrian stops by documenting the required information on a traffic citation or a written warning. All self-initiated traffic and pedestrian stops made whether or not a citation or written warning is issued, the officer shall complete a racial profiling incident report in the Racial Profiling Module. The racial profiling incident report can be completed through the use of the in car computer program Visual MCT, a computer at the Lancaster Police station with the computer program MOBLAN or RMS or at the jail through Visual MCT, MOBLAND or RMS.
- 2. The officer will document the following information in the Racial Profiling Module:
  - a. the date and time of the stop;
  - b. the duration of the stop;
  - c. whether the stop was video recorded;
  - d. the location of the stop;
  - e. the stopped subject's gender;
  - f. the stopped subject's race or ethnicity;
  - g. if the stopped subject's race or ethnicity was known prior to the stop;
  - h. the residency status of the stopped subject;
  - i. the type of stop;
  - i. the reason for the stop;
  - k. if a search was conducted, if so on who;
  - the authority of the search;
  - m. if any type of illegal contraband was located during the search;
  - n. the result of the stop; and
  - o. any charges filed
- 3. Once an officer has completed the racial profiling incident report it should be submitted into the Records Management System. Officers should complete and submit all required racial profiling incident report(s) by the end of their duty shift unless the officer receive permission to turn the report(s) in the following day from their direct supervisor. If permission is granted by the officer's direct supervisor, the officer should complete and submit the report(s) by the end of their next duty shift.

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- 4. By March of each year, the department shall submit a written report to the City Council that includes the information gathered from the traffic stops in the preceding calendar year. The report will include:
  - a. a breakdown of traffic stops by race and ethnicity;
  - b. the number of traffic stops that resulted in a search and the basis for the searches;
  - c. the number of searches that resulted in contraband being discovered and, if so, the type of contraband; and
  - d. the number of traffic stops that resulted in custodial arrests
- 5. The Operations Division Assistant Chief of Police shall be responsible for providing a report to the Chief of Police that contains this information.

#### F. RACIAL PROFILING TRAINING

- 1. Officers are responsible to adhere to all Texas Commission on Law Enforcement training and the Law Enforcement Management Institute of Texas (LEMIT) requirements as mandated by law.
- 2. All officers shall complete Texas Commission on Law Enforcement training and education program on racial profiling not later than the second anniversary of the date the officer is licensed under Chapter 1701, Texas Occupation Code, or the date the officer applies for an intermediate proficiency certificate, whichever date is earlier. At the discretion of the Chief of Police, additional diversity and sensitivity training may be required for officers with sustained racial profiling or other discrimination complaints filed against them.
- The Chief of Police, as part of the initial training and continued education for such appointment, will be required to attend the Law Enforcement Management Institute of Texas program on racial profiling.
- Supervisors shall conduct periodic roll call training regarding racial profiling issues, including implementation and enforcement of this policy.

#### G. SCOPE OF RESPONSIBILITY

- 1. All members of the department shall know and comply with all aspects of this directive.
- 2. All Division Commanders and supervisory personnel are responsible for ensuring compliance with the provisions and intent of this directive.

# **Appendix C**

# Racial Profiling Laws and Corresponding Department Policies

Texas CCP Article	LANCASTER POLICE
	DEPARTMENT Racial Profiling Policy
2.132(b)1	Section 3
2.132(b)2	Section 1-2
2.132(b)3	Section 4D
2.132(b)4	Section 4D
2.132(b)5	Section 4C
2.132(b)6	Section 4E
2.132(b)7	Section 4E