

**Horizon City Police Department**  
**Monthly Report**  
**Chief of Police, Michael G. McConnell, Ph.D.**



April, 2012

Description	Number	
Traffic Citations	586	
Traffic Warnings	79	
Parking Tickets	19	
Investigations – Cases assigned	26	
Investigations – Cases cleared	23	
Investigations – Cases remaining open	3	
Arrests	51	
Total Schools Calls	29	
Calls For Service	538	Year to date – 2,192
Traffic accidents	15	

Items of Interest

Chief McConnell:

- Made a presentation to the Rio Grande Council of Government regarding a competitive criminal justice grant. I have since been notified that we were approved for a \$55,000 grant for equipment. (See the attached scoring sheet)
- Attended a Joint Terrorist Task Force meeting.

Communications

During the month of April, communications created call signs for the Horizon City code enforcement officers. They also received radio training so that they could call out their follow ups and any other traffic on the police channel.

Communications is also making sure that the officers who have to retest for NCIC/TCIC access are doing so. It is our goal to have all officers re-certified and up to date in their TLETS training.

Warrants Division

Warrants officers assisted the Horizon Municipal court by serving Ninety-Five summonses. Warrants officers made approximately one hundred and twenty five contacts either executing warrants or leaving red tags advising people that they had outstanding traffic warrants with the Horizon Municipal court. During the month of April warrants officers arrested twenty people, some of them were arrested during court proceedings. Warrants officers will be having a warrants drive on May 5, 2012. Warrants will coordinate a driver's license check during Stone Garden operations this month.

### Crime Prevention

The Crime Prevention Officer participated in the Ricardo Estrada Junior High career day for the 8th grade class. We spoke to students concerning future careers in law enforcement and the importance of staying in school to accomplish their goals.

Club Amistad personnel notified the police department concerning some senior citizens not wearing their safety belts during field trips. We spoke to about 100 senior citizens at Club Amistad on the importance of seatbelt usage. We explained the Texas state law to the senior citizens and the consequences they face if they do not wear their seatbelts.

The Crime Prevention Officer participated in the Horizon High School career day events along with local law enforcement agencies with an emphasis on seniors who were interested in a career in law enforcement. We assisted the Drug Enforcement Administration on the National Take back Program. The program allows residents of Horizon City to dispose of their unwanted, unused and expired prescription medication to prevent accidental poisoning, overdose and abuse. Residents were allowed to drop off unwanted medication at the Horizon Vista grocery store. The DEA received the medication and destroyed the medication according to DEA guidelines.

### Criminal Investigations Division (CID)

Angie Gomez, who has been recorded as stating that she had cancer and was raising money for a foundation was indicted by a grand jury. Shortly thereafter, she was arrested after a yearlong exhaustive investigation into this theft. Gomez was given a \$50,000 bond, and was turned over to the El Paso County Jail.

Detectives were called in by Patrol Officers due to narcotics being found. Officers recovered 4.4 grams of what tested positive as cocaine, and 1.42 ounces of what tested positive as marijuana. The suspect was located and admitted to the above illicit drugs belonging to him. The suspect also admitted to dealing narcotics in the Horizon City area. The narcotics dealer was then arrested, processed, interviewed, and booked into the El Paso County Jail.

Detectives were contacted by a local clinic reference an infant with a suspicious serious burn. Detectives investigated the case teaming up with specialized medical professionals and during the investigation found that the burn was consistent with an accidental occurrence, and not child abuse or neglect.

Training this Month

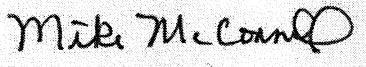
The following training occurred in April.

Mental Health Peace Officer (40 hours): This course is to further inform and educate peace officers of mental health and issues pertaining to serving as a mental health officer.

- A. Arvizu
- G. Rosas

All officers were qualified with their duty/off duty weapons at the El Paso Border Patrol range.

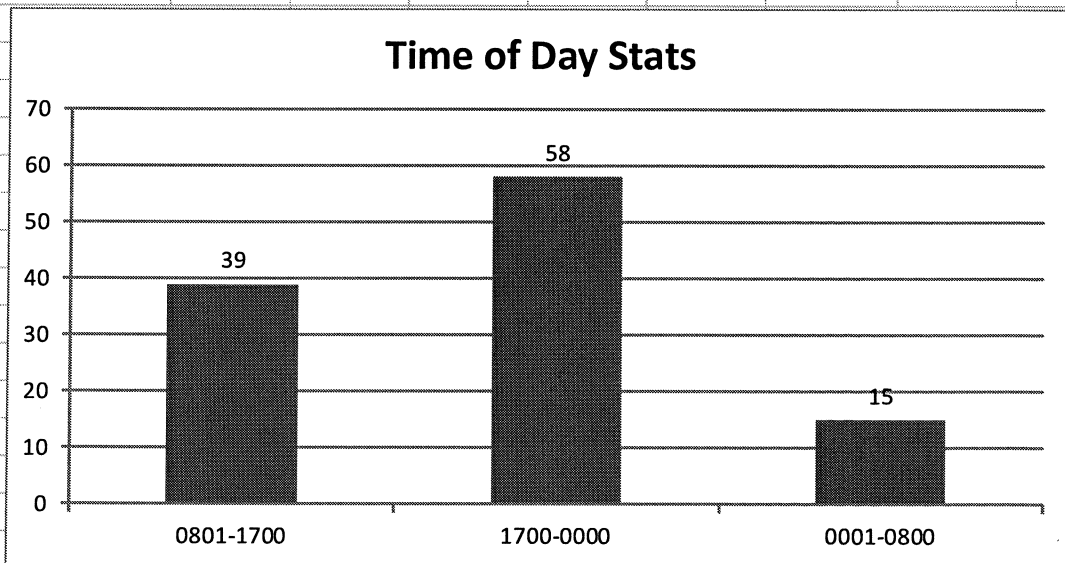
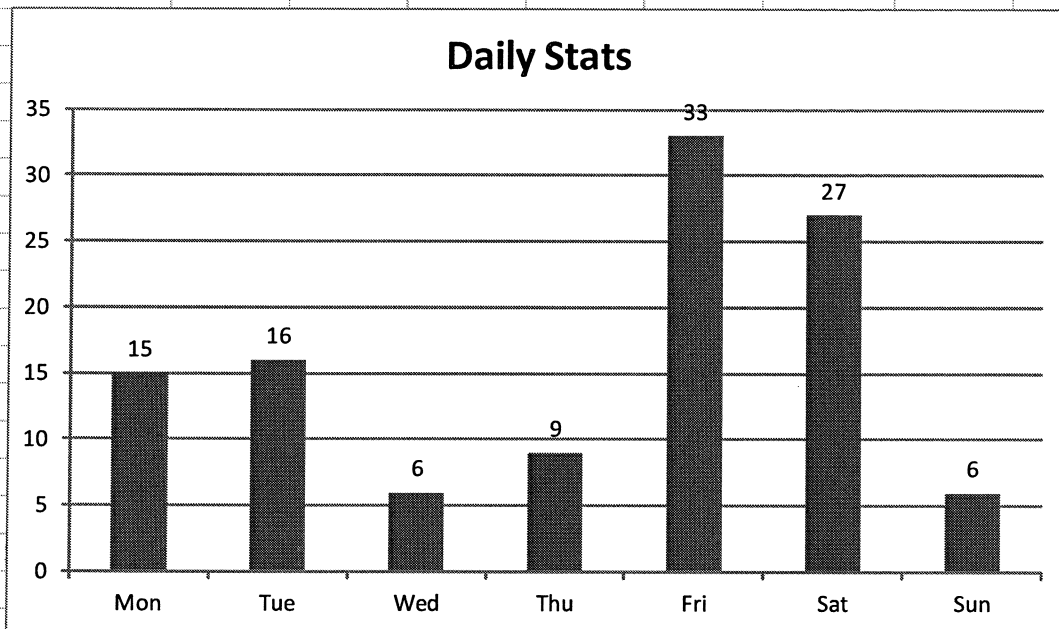
Respectfully Submitted,

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Mike McConnell  
Chief of Police

**April Monthly Statistics Residents Coming to Front Door After 5pm**

Daily Stats	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	
0801-1700	0	0	0	0	15	22	2	39
1700-0000	12	12	4	8	15	4	3	58
0001-0800	3	4	2	1	3	1	1	15
<b>Total Contacts</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>112</b>





## Citation Offense Count By Stop Type

<b>Number of TRAFFIC Offenses (for *ALL*)</b>	<b>665</b>
<b>Number of CitationS</b>	<b>586</b>
No Drivers License	74
Speeding (11-20 Miles Over)	71
Fail to Maintian Financial Responsibility	67
Expired Motor Vehicle Inspection	50
Speeding (1-10 MILES OVER)	47
Speeding	43
Expired Registration/Plates	27
Driving While License Invalid Under Provisions of DL Laws	20
Ran Stop Sign - Operator has view of approaching traffic.	18
Ran Stop Sign - At a clearly marked stop line.	13
Fail to Display Drivers License	12
Defective Head Lamps	11
Speeding School Zone (11 - 16)	10
D.O.C. Fighting with Another	10
Passing In a School Zone	9
Speeding School Zone (1 -10 Miles Over)	6
D.O. C. Disruption Classroom	6
Defective Stop Lamp(s)	6
Fail to Maintain Financial Resp.	6
Curfew	5
Unrestrained Child 8 YOA or Younger	5
Speeding (21-25 Miles Over)	4
Possession of Drug Paraphernalia	4
Ran Red Light	3
Fail TO Report Change of Address/Name	3
Open Container	3



## Citation Offense Count By Stop Type

Operate Motor Vehicle Without License Plate or with One License Plate	3
No License Plate Light	3
Criminal Mischief/Class C	3
Defective Tail Lamp(s)	3
Disruptive Behavior in Class	3
Drive on a Non Truck Route	2
D.O.C. Obscene Language	2
Animal Nuisance/Animal Which Causes Frequent/Continued Noise	2
Failed to Yield R.O.W. at Stop intersection	2
Expired Drivers License	2
No Seat Belt- Passenger	2
Possession of Alcohol By Minor	2
Speeding School Zone 17 + Miles	2
Use of Wireless Communication Device	1
Theft Under \$50.00	1
Speeding (26 + Miles Over)	1
Reckless Driving	1
Reckless or Careless Operation Prohibited	1
Ran Stop Sign - Before entering the crosswalk on or near intersection.	1
Parent/Guardian Permitted Unlicensed Minor to Drive	1
Failed to Yield Right of Way	1
Minor In Possession of Tobacco Products	1
No Motor Cycle Endorsement	1
No Seat Belt - Driver	1
D.O.C. Indcent Exposure	1
Assault	1
Consumption of Alcohol By Minor	1
Animal Not Confined	1
D.O.C. Unreasonable Noise	1



## Citation Offense Count By Stop Type

Display Fictitious License Plate	1
Fail to Yield Row Changing Lanes	1
Failed to Pass to Right Safely/Improper Passing	1
Failed to Stip for School Bus (Or Remain Stopped)	1
Fail to Control Speed	1
Equipment/Missing or None	1
<b>Number of WARNINGS</b>	<b>79</b>
Fail to Maintian Financial Responsibility	15
Speeding (1-10 MILES OVER)	11
Speeding (11-20 Miles Over)	7
Speeding	6
Defective Head Lamps	6
Fail TO Report Change of Address/Name	5
Ran Stop Sign - Operator has view of approaching traffic.	3
No Drivers License	3
Expired Registration/Plates	2
Fail to Maintain Financial Resp.	2
Fail to Display Drivers License	2
Defective Stop Lamp(s)	2
D.O.C. Fighting with Another	2
Unrestrained Child 8 YOA or Younger	2
Ran Stop Sign - Before entering the crosswalk on or near intersection.	2
Speeding School Zone (1 -10 Miles Over)	1
Passing In a School Zone	1
Restrictions on Windows \$36.90	1
Ran Stop Sign - At a clearly marked stop line.	1
No License Plate Light	1
No Seat Belt - Driver	1
Defective Tail Lamp(s)	1



## Citation Offense Count By Stop Type

Failed to Stop at Designated Point (Stop Sign)	1
Expired Motor Vehicle Inspection	1

<b>Number of PARKING Offenses (for *ALL*)</b>	<b>19</b>
<b>Number of CITATIONS</b>	<b>18</b>
Parking on a Landscaped Area - \$20.00 Not a moving Violation	6
Storing of Motor Vehicle - Inoperative \$139.00	4
Storing of Motor Vehicle - Unlicensed/Unregistered \$139.00	4
Parked In a Handicapped Zone/Parking - \$112.00	2
Parked Facing Traffic - \$20.00	1
Illegal Parking of Large Trucks/Tractor/Trailer \$20.00	1
<b>Number of WARNINGS</b>	<b>1</b>
Parking on a Landscaped Area - \$20.00 Not a moving Violation	1





April 24, 2012

Honorable Walter Miller  
Mayor, Horizon City, Town of  
14999 Darrington Road  
Horizon City, Texas 79928-7441

RE: DJ-Criminal Justice Programs

Dear Mayor Miller:

Pursuant to the provisions of the Texas Administrative Code, after the Criminal Justice Advisory Committee (CJAC) reviews and prioritizes the grant applications and the Rio Grande Council of Governments' (RGCOG) governing body approves the priority listings, the RGCOG submits electronically the priority listing to the Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Division (CJD) via the e-Grants process. Based upon the RGCOG's priority listing, CJD will verify applicant eligibility, the reasonableness and cost-effectiveness of the proposed project, and the availability of funding, and will render final funding decisions on these grant applications. The RGCOG will notify grantees of any changes in the funding recommendations.

Below is the aggregated score and ranking based on the review and presentation of the application:

Aggregated score: 94.58

Priority: #1

Should you have any questions, please contact Ms. Marisa Quintanilla, Regional Services Director.

Sincerely,

Annette Gutierrez  
Executive Director

Cc: Chief Michael McConnell  
Horizon Police Department