# 2012

# Horizon City Police Department



Year End Report &
Racial Profiling Report
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Mike McConnell and Employees

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#### **Memo to Mayor**

TO: Mayor Walter Miller

CC: City Council Members

FROM: Police Chief, Mike McConnell

RE: 2012 Annual Police Report & Racial Profiling Report

The following is the annual report concerning the activities of the Horizon City Police Department for calendar year 2012. This information was compiled with the assistance of numerous police department employees. According to our Computer Aided Dispatch records, our department responded to 15,285 calls for service and initiated 1,434 written incident reports. Our Criminal Investigations Division investigated 271 criminal cases.

We secured funds in the form of grants and awards in the amount of \$283,106 in 2012. A summary of grant activity for 2012 includes:

- The E911 Communications Board funded the remodel of our dispatch center at a cost of \$11,500.
- The E911 Communications Board also funded an upgrade of our communications system. The award amount was \$109,866.
- We received a Texas Criminal Justice Division State grant administered through RIOCOG for the purchase of a crime scene response vehicle. This grant also included reimbursements to provide supplies and equipment to respond to crime scenes to investigate them more effectively. The amount of this award was \$55,753.
- We received \$56,987 through Operation Stone Garden in 2012. The purpose of this
  grant is to enhance border security. We bought a patrol car and equipment and
  received overtime funding for special projects.
- We received a Border Star grant to provide for overtime allowing us to take a
  proactive approach, to increase the amount and quality of field intelligence. We will
  focus on officer-to-officer information sharing in order to identify crime trends,

narcotics activities, reemerging suspects, and important crime areas in the Town of

Horizon City. The amount of this award was \$49,000.

The police department achieved some other major developments in 2012 which includes:

• The movies in the park program continues to be a great success. We have great

numbers of people turning out for the events.

The National Night Out program was well attended and much appreciated by

residents.

• We hired an additional two dispatchers bringing us to a 24 hours/5 days a week

including Saturday and Sundays dispatching function. We find this is working very

well.

We are a small department with limited resources and high expectations. By leveraging

funds from outside sources, we have been successful in upgrading our equipment and

level of service to help meet that goal without excessively taxing our General Fund. We

continue to work toward the goal of providing the highest level of service to our community

in the most efficient manner. We hope you enjoy reading some of the highlights contained

herein.

Respectfully submitted,

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Mike McConnell, Ph.D.

Chief of Police

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#### **Horizon City Police Department Employees**

There are two main functional areas within the Horizon City Police Department; Operations and Support. The Operations Division is responsible for carrying out the daily activities. These activities consist of Patrol and Investigations. The Support Division consists of all non-sworn staff such as clerical support and dispatching. The support division is also responsible for the clerical and recordkeeping functions.

#### **Uniform Division**

NAME	DUTY ASSIGNMENT As of 31 DEC 2012	YEARS/MONTHS OF EMPLOYMENT
Mike McConnell	Chief of Police	3.2
2. Manuel Rico	Assistant Chief of Police	16.0
<ol><li>Adrian Flores</li></ol>	Sergeant	12.6
4. Jesus Ortega	Warrants Sergeant	6.10
<ol><li>Jose Mitre</li></ol>	Sergeant	7.4
<ol><li>Patrick Mitro</li></ol>	Detective	5.0
7. Liliana Medina	Detective	4.2
8. Bruce Campbell	Sergeant	4.0
<ol><li>Marie Casillas</li></ol>	Crime Prevention	3.8
10. Abel Labrado	Warrants	3.3
11. Jose Perez	Patrol	3.3
12. Daniel Ramirez	Patrol	2.9
13. Anthony Arvizu	Patrol	2.6
14. Cameron Zeiger	Patrol	1.7
15. Guillermo Rosas	Patrol	1.7
<ol><li>Jose Rodriguez</li></ol>	Patrol	1.6
17. Gilbert Rodriguez	Patrol	0.7
18. Areli Williams	Patrol	0.8
19. John Rodriguez	Patrol	0.6
20. OPEN	Patrol	

### **Support Division**

NAME	DUTY ASSIGNMENT	YEARS OF EMPLOYMENT
Cynthia Luna	Administrative Assistant I	5.2
Juana Moncivaiz	Terminal Agency Coordinator - Telecommunicator	1.7
Angelica Corona	Telecommunicator	0.7
Elva Ramos	Telecommunicator	0.2
Natalie Castillo	Telecommunicator	0.2

#### Officer Training

In 2012, officers attended training in many topics. Some of the schools were attended by more than one officer totaling 2,423 hours of training received this year from officers attending the Sheriff's training academy, in-house training, and online distance training opportunities. The schools range greatly in variety, and are intended to address all of the needs of our community and our officers. At the present time we have four instructors in our department that are trained on the following topics:

- Firearms Instructor Asst. Chief Rico
- Oleoresin Capsicum (Pepper spray) Instructor Sergeant Ortega
- TCLEOSE Training Officers Asst. Chief Rico, Sergeant Ortega, and Communications Coordinator Moncivaiz.
- Radar Instructor Sergeant Ortega
- TASER Instructor Asst. Chief Rico
- NCIC/TCIC- Juana Moncivaiz
- CPR/First Aid Instructor Detective Mitro

Officers attend many mandated classes during the course of the year. These topics included: Crisis Intervention, Special Investigative Topics, Identity Theft, Asset Forfeiture, Leadership Training, FEMA Operations, Field Training Operations, Human Trafficking, Child Abuse Prevention and Investigations, SFST Updates, Crime Scene Processing, Racial Profiling Laws, and Cultural Diversity.

In addition to officers attending schools outside our agency, we have taught several classes in our building to include CPR and First Aid, Taser recertification, Radar Operation, NCIC/TCIC recertification, and recertification for firearms and impact weapons. Also taught using distance learning within our department were TCLEOSE mandated courses designed to augment our training in addition to physical classes to address individual officer needs. These in-house sessions are 1-5 hours, and are taught by our own officers that are certified instructors. The State of Texas requires that each officer receive a minimum of 40-

hours of training every two years and a state and federal law update class with most of our officers already being finished with this requirement, and the remaining officers scheduled to complete the required courses.

Other than mandated courses, our officers have attended the Evidence Custodian class, Tracking, Glock Armorer class, Special Traffic Investigations, Courtroom Security, Mental Health Issues, Criminal Investigations, Intoxilizer, Patrol Rifle Certification, Special Traffic Investigations, and Defensive Tactics Classes.

For the New Year, we are projecting to add several more TCLEOSE certified instructors for our growing department to give the officers in house training on varied topics with the needs of the department and city in mind. We are also planning on sending officers to other specialized training opportunities to better serve our community. These include tracking, impact weapons instructor, and forensics training for our newly created Crime Scene Unit.

#### **Firearms Program**

#### Duty Weapon, Off Duty Weapon and Shotgun

In April 2012, all regular and reserve officers qualified with their duty weapon and those carrying an off duty weapon also qualified with that weapon. Officers who wanted to continue to carry a Shotgun qualified with it.

The qualification course consisted of the following:

- 6 rounds from the 25 yard line (2 kneeling, 2 strong side barricade and 2 weak side barricade.)
- 12 rounds from the 15 yard line (6 kneeling and 6 standing)
- 3 failure drills from the 7 yard line with one mandatory reload
- 5 failure drills from the 5 yard line with one mandatory reload
- 3 strong hand 3 weak hand one handed shooting
- 2 shots to the head from the 3 yard line

A total of 50 shots were used to qualify the officers with their sidearm.

In 2012 the Horizon City Police Department implemented the officers having to qualify with their duty weapons twice a year. Due to the increase in cost of ammunition we weren't able to order ammunition until after October 2012. The ammunition was not received until December 2012. Officers will recertify in February 2013.

#### AR-15

In the year 2012, twelve officers were certified to carry an AR-15 while on duty. We hope to have 5 more officers certified to carry the AR-15 by the end of 2013. This will leave two full time officers to certify with the AR-15.

#### Taser

Eighteen of the 19 officers currently certified to carry the Taser were recertified. This year we implemented a course of fire for the Taser that would allow the officers to make quick decisions as to whether to deploy the Taser or draw their side arm depending on the situation. There were six stations the officers had to go through in order to pass the course of fire.

#### **Communications Division**

Communications has continued to grow and improve throughout 2012. In July, the police department hired another dispatcher to bring the staffing back up to two. This allowed us to keep the station open for the public until 10 pm on weekdays. When the new fiscal year came in October, we were able to hire two additional dispatchers. This brought the total number of communications personnel up to four. As it stands now, the station is open from 07:00 on Monday morning until 3 pm on Saturday afternoon. The station is also open on Sundays from 7 am to 3pm. The public is welcome to come in to make their reports during those hours. If a party would like to make a report during the times that the office is closed, they can call 546-2280 and a police officer will be dispatched to them at their location.

The communications section has continued to run and keep documentation for the Code Watch program. We accept requests both in person and on-line. We dispatched approximately 550 code watches for the citizens of Horizon City during 2012. Early this year, the fingerprint process was streamlined. A new form was created which requests only pertinent information from the party requesting to get printed. Fingerprints can be taken from Monday through Friday between the hours of 8 am and 5 pm. The cost is still only \$6 payable in cash or check.

Sgt. Ortega and Communications Coordinator J. Moncivaiz attended a TLETS certification class the week of March 19, 2012 at PHRC. It was a two day course that certified the users for TLETS and Omnixx operation. The material in the class has been found to be useful for police officers and dispatchers.

Both of the agency's TACs (Terminal Agency Coordinators) also attended TLETS training on Fort Bliss on June 5, 2012. This training was a review of recently implemented database files and current changes in policy and procedure to include audit, quality control, hit confirmation and other training issues. From August 19 through August 22, our Communications Coordinator attended the APCO conference in Minneapolis, MN along with the communications supervisor for the El Paso County Sheriff's Office and two of the

Sheriff's Office communications specialists. During the 4 day conference, training was provided for all levels of first responders. Everyone from dispatchers to call takers to managers were able to attend a variety of different lectures. The tuition and travel costs of this training was paid for by the El Paso County 911 District.

Our Communications Coordinator assisted the Presidio Police Department by providing NCIC/TCIC LTFA training for their chief and 5 of their officers in late October. This training certifies the officers in TLETS and gives them the ability to run and receive vital information on wanted and missing persons, stolen vehicles, guns and articles. This same training was also provided to the El Paso County Constables office in December. Six Constables from different Justices of the Peace attended the training and were also certified. These are excellent examples of our department demonstrating our willingness to assist other agencies.

#### **Warrants Division**

Warrants officers throughout the year looked at different methods in being more efficient in their collections of warrants. iPads were requested for the new fiscal year to provide quality of service and hopefully have a reduction on gas expenditure. Warrants officers received their iPads in October of 2012 and are being utilized for warrants collections, as well as having the judge do Facetime for indigent hearings. Warrants officers requested assistance from Sergeant Jose Mitre who assisted in advertising warrants round-ups through media that was played at movies at the park.

Because our communications was extended to a 24-hours a day five days out of the seven day work week, this assisted the police officers with their self initiated calls and in locating wanted subjects on traffic stops. Warrants officers had a total of 1,363 contacts either executing warrants or leaving red tags advising people they had outstanding traffic warrants with the Horizon City Municipal Court, 852 summonses were also served in 2012.

Warrants officers coordinated four warrants round ups during 2012. Total revenue collected during the round ups was \$35,787.73. The amount for persons that were not able to post bond was \$10,526.00. The total amount of warrants cleared during the round ups was \$60,932 in 2012.

Warrants officers coordinated a total of four driver's license check points that assisted in locating some wanted subjects as well as having the community be in compliance with having their vehicle with proper insurance.

Warrants officers teamed up with the Texas Department of Transportation and University Medical Center to provide car seat education. The Horizon Police department received 110 car seats that will be distributed during the car seat education classes that will be conducted during 2013. This will promote a positive image for the department and hopefully reduce the amount of children not being secured in a car seat while in a vehicle in the Horizon area.

# Funds Collected by the Horizon City Municipal Court 2012 Calendar Year

	Non-	Traffic	City	Penal	Non-	City	Juvenile	Total	S	cofflaw		C/E	S/C	P/T	JV	Arg	Total	To	otal Monthly	Monthly
	Park	Park	Ord	Code	Traffic	Ord	Minors	Citations	Co	llections	Trials	Trials	Trials	Trials	Trials	nmt	Hearing		Revenue	Transfer
January	516	11	1	61	9	68	34	700	\$	238.00	285	17	24	42	20	0	388	\$	41,583.40	\$ 41,500.00
February	566	7	0	73	19	39	28	732	\$	380.00	349	0	22	39	16	0	426	\$	74,478.10	\$ 74,400.00
March	587	11	0	93	23	28	41	783	\$	-	499	0	26	80	0	0	605	\$	72,740.63	\$ 72,700.00
April	468	2	2	85	13	19	36	625	\$	-	79	0	22	80	0	39	220	\$	38,872.20	\$ 38,800.00
May	738	14	4	79	24	55	33	947	\$	-	442	0	63	140	0	131	776	\$	56,475.07	\$ 55,700.00
June	384	8	0	87	7	49	13	548	\$	1,065.00	362	8	0	20	0	0	390	\$	45,765.93	\$ 46,300.00
July	260	8	0	58	10	50	15	401	\$	891.00	375	0	36	46	0	0	457	\$	42,255.20	\$ 42,200.00
August	188	9	1	20	5	130	13	223	\$	-	386	0	32	36	0	0	454	\$	53,663.17	\$ 53,600.00
September	431	37	2	33	13	168	12	696	\$	-	266	26	30	61	0	30	413	\$	26,482.85	\$ 26,400.00
October	407	20	1	78	18	52	27	603	\$	277.00	280	13	54	23	0	0	370	\$	44,705.00	\$ 39,000.00
November	395	15	1	52	7	41	8	519	\$	-	458	0	41	31	0	0	530	\$	41,478.49	\$ 38,000.00
December	307	9	1	49	17	44	18	445	\$	-	183	0	30	45	0	0	258	\$	28,591.80	\$ 32,000.00
YTD	5247	151	13	768	165	743	278	7222	\$.	2,851.00	3964	64	380	643	36	200	5287	\$	567,091.84	\$ 560,600.00

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>NOTE THAT THESE NUMBERS DO NOT REFLECT ACTUAL TOTALS AND IS BASED ONLY ON MANUAL CALCULATIONS\*\*\*

#### **Criminal Investigations Division (CID)**

During 2012, detectives received a total of 271 cases for further investigation an increase of 50 cases from last year. Patrol generated a total of 1,255 ILeads reports, an increase of 202 reports from last year. The cases forwarded to the criminal investigations division varied from assaults, burglaries, and crimes against persons, property crimes, and information reports.

The 271 cases referred included the following:

2012	2011	CASES
10	9	Assault
6	4	Aggravated Assault
16	13	Sex Crimes
10	6	Burg of Business/Burg of Building
34	30	Burglary of Habitation
31	24	Burglary of Vehicle
3	6	Death cases
6	10	Deceptive Business Practice
3	2	Harassment
6	2	Missing Person
2	1	Robbery
41	36	Theft
37	24	Criminal Mischief

For the year of 2012, Horizon City had a slight decrease in deceptive business practice cases.

Additionally, CID prepared a total of 287 cases for presentation to the El Paso County District Attorney's Office for prosecution.

#### Major cases in 2012 included:

- Detectives received information reference various vehicles being burglarized during late night to early morning hours. Equipment on loan was obtained from R.O.C.I.C. which aided in the surveillance of neighborhood areas believed to be targeted by the burglars. A combination of area surveillance, witness identification, witness statements, and other investigative tools yielded a total of five arrests for the Burglaries and other offenses.
- Detectives assisted in the apprehension of a Fugitive from Justice out of California for arson, attempted murder, and gang activity. The subject was residing in Horizon City. The subject was alerted by a family member and went on to find another location in an attempt to avoid apprehension. Upon further investigation a location to find the subject was revealed and the arrest was executed without further incident. The subject was extradited to California.
- A patrol officer was provided a driver's license that appeared to be altered. Detectives were provided the driver's license and requested verification of the driver's license from the Texas Department of Public Transportation. The driver's license in fact had been altered; detectives obtained a warrant for Tampering with Government Record. Patrol executed the warrant and the subject was booked into the El Paso County Detention Facility.
- A local pharmacy owner contacted the Horizon City Police Department regarding a suspicious individual attempting to fill a prescription. Further investigation revealed the prescription to be fraudulent. A warrant was obtained for the subject for Fraud and Intent to Obtain a Controlled Substance. The subject contacted the pharmacy and requested to know if the prescription had been filled. The subject stated the medication would be picked up later in the day. The subject was then taken into custody at his residence and booked into the El Paso County Detention Facility.

- Detectives worked in conjunction with The Texas Department of Public Safety agents in the gathering and sharing of intelligence about crimes being committed in the area of Horizon City and surrounding areas. The Department of Public Safety Agents and the Horizon City Police worked together to execute arrest warrants for three subjects. The warrants were obtained for various offenses to include organized criminal activity, aggravated robbery, and various narcotics offenses.
- Detectives assisted the Texas Tobacco and Alcoholic Beverage Commission on two operations. The operations gathered information needed by TABC to conclude their investigation.
- The Criminal Investigation Division acquired a reserve detective. The reserve
  detective is required to provide at least 24 service hours per month conducting
  follow-ups and other tasks for C.I.D. This new position enhances C.I.D. and
  provides additional support for the many tasks assigned to the Criminal
  Investigations Division.
- Detectives also conduct background checks for any new peace officer positions, and reserve peace officer positions. An extensive background check is carried out by meeting with neighbors, previous employers, references, and also verifying the information provided by the applicants. Once the background investigation is concluded the results are summarized and turned over to the Chief of Police for final review.
- Detectives were assigned the Crime Scene Unit to process crime scenes. The unit is fully equipped with photography crime scene evidence collection, fingerprint collection, DNA collection, Special Traffic Investigation equipment, approved containers for evidence collection, and tools. The Crime Scene Unit is set up to be operational during both the daytime and night time in order to process a crime scene thoroughly.

 Detectives have been tasked with being Evidence Custodians and attended a weeklong training for the purpose of handling, storing, and purging evidence in a lawful and effective manner.

#### El Paso Joint Operations Intelligence Center (JOIC)

Detectives attend weekly meetings with JOIC. The objective of these meetings is to make contact with other law enforcement agencies for the purpose of gathering intelligence in relation to special operations, gang activity, and ongoing criminal activity in the surrounding areas. A weekly report with updates on activity by Drug Trafficking Organizations is provided for the purpose of being well-informed if any threats are imminent to the border region. The report also provides information on gang arrests, gang activity, and any officer safety concerns.

The JOIC assisted the Horizon City Criminal Investigations Division by providing contact information for the proper agency qualified to identify drug manufacturing paraphernalia. This information was helpful in the proper handling of an ongoing investigation. The JOIC also assisted our detectives by supplying information about a subject involved in a web of organized criminal activity, the information was critical because a warrant had been issued for the subject and a more strategic approach was used in executing the warrant.

#### **Other Meetings**

Detectives attended the SART (Sexual Assault Response Team) meetings on a monthly basis. The team is assembled of victim advocates, District Attorney's Office, hospital directors, law enforcement agencies, and other liaisons to provide the best possible care for victims of Sexual Assault.

Detectives attended the Suicide Coalition meeting. This meeting consists of members dedicated to providing support to individuals who are at risk of committing suicide. The members offer options for care and support throughout the process of healing and treatment. The members also provide support to the relatives of individuals who have committed suicide.

Detectives maintain a stable communication with other law enforcement agencies such as the Department of Homeland Security, Department of Public Safety, El Paso County Sheriff's Strike Team, El Paso County Sheriff's Crime Scene Processing staff, El Paso County Sheriff's Criminal Investigations Division, El Paso Police Department Criminal Investigations Division, and El Paso Police Department Crime Lab staff.

#### ROCIC

R.O.C.I.C. (Regional Organized Crime Information Center) is an organization that the Horizon City Police Department is a member of that provides support in the form of

Information Sharing System centers, ROCIC has been funded since its inception in 1973 by an annual grant through the U.S. Dept. of Justice. The Grantee is the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation. ROCIC serves as a vehicle for the collection, evaluation, analysis, dissemination, and storage of information regarding the multi-jurisdictional activities of the wide spectrum of organized crime. Moreover, we are able to access their high-tech investigative services such as computer forensics, video evidence enhancing, and the ability to receive investigative equipment on

intelligence services, training, and equipment loans. One of six Regional

loan.

Member agencies, totaling more than 1,950, are represented throughout the 14 southeastern states, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands, and comprise all levels of government - municipal, county, parish, judicial district, state, and federal. We are pleased to be a member of this organization.

There have been several instances in 2012 where the police department has borrowed equipment to assist in solving cases. Also, having intelligence provided on the individuals involved in illicit activity within our community, has increased officer safety.

In the year 2012, R.O.C.I.C. has provided long range video equipment, covert surveillance equipment, and on several occasions they have loaned out night vision equipment for our use. The video equipment was used to survey a property that was believed to have participated in narcotics activity. The night vision was utilized for several different cases. The first case was for a home that was involved in narcotics activity. Another case was an organized burglary ring. Investigators used the equipment to keep over-night surveillance on the individuals. In the last case, the night vision was used for enhanced patrol, in an area of Horizon City that had been observed to have an increase in property crime. In all instances the equipment used had a definitive positive effect on the cases being handled by the C.I.D.

#### **Evidence Room Activities**

The property and evidence room of the Horizon City Police Department has been maintained well and there are no building, structure, or security deficiencies to report. The intake of new evidence has continued to be done via HCPD's main Records Management System which has allowed for evidence and property to be accurately tracked from one stage of the process to the next. The evidence room is equipped with all necessary narcotic, weapon and refrigerated storage areas and all evidence submissions are accounted for. The care and management of our property and evidence has been

changed from the patrol division to CID as they will be collecting evidence and conducting advanced crime scene investigations in the coming year.

#### **Police Explorer Program**

The Horizon City Police Explorer program continued to bring in Horizon City's finest young people. Besides providing these young minds valuable insight and knowledge for a possible future law-enforcement career, the program gives young men and women a place to be with a purpose and helps them keep out of trouble. The explorer post is made up of teens from the town of Horizon City, Town Of Clint and surrounding areas. The teens come from diverse backgrounds and families but are all career-minded young people who feel a need to make a positive effect in their community.

The program meets every Wednesday for two hours during which time members receive instruction regarding law-enforcement theories and principles, as well as hands-on application of these, through intense scenario training. Topics in which explorer cadets received training included how to respond to incidents of: Family Violence, Burglary in Progress, Crime Scene Investigation, Basics of Arrest Search and Seizure, Use of Force, Mechanics of Arrest, familiarization with the TASER and Firearm Safety. Cadets also received safe driver education through TX Teens In The Driver Seat, a statewide program designed to keep teens alive when they are behind the wheel.

Explorer posts and high school criminal justice clubs in the area organize several competitions where their knowledge and skills are put to the test in form of scenario based trials. The Horizon City Police Explorers participated in various competition skills events in the region and won 3rd Place in the First Annual Borderland Criminal Justice Event held on February 11, 2012 at Horizon High School. Along with the skills they use for competition, the explorers employ their knowledge in real life when they go on patrol with an HCPD officer and they are able to assist the officer with real tasks such as completing impound slips and other non hazardous tasks.

One main function of the HCPD explorer post is assisting HCPD officers with crowd and traffic control during Halloween, Horizon High School's Homecoming Parade and the Annual Christmas Parade. The explorer post also provides staffing for the Movies at the Park summer series in the form of actually setting up the necessary equipment as well as patrolling the park and assisting citizens with issues from dropped keys to lost children.

Enrollment of area students in the HCPD Explorer Program remained steady throughout 2012 and increased during the summer months mostly due to the movies at the park summer series. Recruiting attempts by HCPD Advisors were minimal this year as the explorer program members have been spreading word of the program, its features and missions to their school mates and the turnout of new members has shown that the program is growing in popularity.

The Horizon City Police Explorer program expanded in 2012 with the addition of the Junior Explorer Club. The addition of the Junior Explorer Club was something of notoriety as the Horizon City Police Department serves as a pilot program for the West Texas/ East New Mexico region. The age requirements for the explorer program were 14 years of age and 9th grade and on. The Junior Explorer Program allows younger career minded kids in the 6th-8th grades (no age requirements) to participate in the learning and skills training. It is quite extraordinary to observe the commitment that these middle school children have to their community, just like their older counterparts.

#### **Reserve Officer Program**

The Horizon City Police Department Reserve Program purpose is to maintain the highest standards of professional law enforcement services. Reserve Police Officers, who are

volunteers, must meet the same standards as other members of the organization. Reserve Police Officers should fulfill two primary functions. First, Reserve Officers serve as auxiliary manpower in situations as needed, and second, they provide an additional interactive link between the community and the Police Department.



Reserve Officers are subject to all the applicable rules & regulations that govern regular sworn police personnel. Applicants must meet all minimum requirements set forth by the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education (TCLEOSE).

The selection process for Reserve Officer Applicants is the same as regular officers. All Reserve Police Officers must provide a minimum of 24 hours of service per calendar month. Officers who are unable to meet this requirement must submit a written request through the chain of command to the Chief of Police for an approved leave of absence. Depending on the level of training and experience, Reserve Officers may perform the same duties as other full-time sworn personnel or be assigned to work with a regular officer. All Reserve Police Officers must successfully complete the Basic and Intermediate Reserve Officer Courses required by TCLEOSE to maintain their license as a Peace Officer. All active Reserve Police Officers must successfully complete the Police Training Officer Program under the supervision and evaluation of a departmentally approved Field Training Officer. Upon the successful completion of training, Reserve Officers will assume duties as designated by the Sergeant in charge of the reserves.

#### **Community Outreach Efforts**

#### **Neighborhood Watch Program**

Crime Prevention Officer (CPO) Casillas has continued the Neighborhood Watch program with interested residents of Horizon City. We held a Meet the Cop event for members of the Neighborhood Watch located at the Horizon Palms apartments. Residents were encouraged to attend the meeting and discuss ways to report and reduce crime in the area. After the event, the residents reported a decrease in crime in their area and are consistent in notifying police in case of emergency. We continue to conduct follow-ups on dispatched calls in which officers generate reports regarding burglaries, thefts, criminal mischief and family violence. We also issue Crime Victim Compensation and Victim's Right brochures to victims of harassment, assaults, home invasions (Burglary of Habitation), DUI's, DWI's and hit and runs.

CPO Casillas was certified as a National Child Passenger Safety Technician by the University Medical Center Hospital-Safe Kids USA. Motor vehicle crashes are the leading cause of death among children ages 3 to 14. According to Safe Kids USA in 2009, over 1,000 children under the age of 14 died and an estimated 179,000 were injured in motor vehicle crashes. Forty six percent of the kids under the age of 14 who died in these crashes were completely unrestrained. As a Child Passenger Safety Technician, she will use her training to work with parents and caregivers and teach them, hands-on, the proper use of child restraint systems and safety belts. To date, more than 22 million people have been exposed to Safe Kids Buckle Up events in the United States. The program has donated over 500,000 seats to families in need.

CPO Casillas was invited to attend several meetings at local schools to speak to parents and students on the laws pertaining Bullying and Sexting. HCPD Officers have responded to CISD schools reference calls involving bullying and harassment due to sexting. Several schools held meetings with students and parents where they discussed ways to prevent these incidents from happening in and out of school, the laws that can be enforced and the

consequences if these laws are broken. We will continue to attend these meeting throughout the 2012-2013 school year.

The CPO instructed classes on Teens in the Drivers' Seat. Teen's in the Driver's Seat consists of teaching junior high and high school students about the top driving dangers along with how to be a safe and alert passenger. Teens are shown videos of testimonials of family members and friends of teens who lost their lives in motor vehicle accidents due to intoxication and driver inattention. CPO Casillas also assisted Sgt. Mitre in the making of a movie for a "Teens in the Driver's Seat" competition. The Police Explorer's participated as actors in the making of the movie. They portrayed a teenager who was on a date, then was involved in a motor vehicle accident. The video also shows the teen driver texting prior to the fatal motor vehicle accident.

The CPO assisted students at Carroll T. Welch Elementary in starting the Safety Patrol in their school. CPO instructed students on anti-bullying-methods to be friends with kids who are bullied and how to prevent bullying; stranger danger-what to look for on the playground and while patrolling the school grounds; 911 emergencies-when to call 911 and not to abuse calling 911; and drug awareness, the different forms of drugs to include pills, marijuana, cocaine and needles and how to secure and report to an adult immediately. Safety patrol certificates from the Horizon City Police Department were awarded to students upon completion of the two day course along with their Safety Patrol belts. We will conduct monthly visits to the school encouraging students to continue the Safety Patrol in their school.

The CPO also attended Red Ribbon Week events at our local schools. Students were taught the concept of Red Ribbon week which began in 1985 after the kidnapping, torture and murder of DEA Agent Enrique "Kiki" Camarena and his pilot Alfredo Zavala-Avelar. Camarena's hometown of Calexico, California donned red ribbons in his honor. The red ribbon became their symbol for prevention in order to reduce the demand of illegal drugs. Students were encouraged to stay drug free and wear the red ribbons and stand together with all Law Enforcement who put their lives on the line enforcing our nation's drug laws.

For 2013 CPO will be involved in teaching "Teens in the Driver's Seat" once a month to the Defense Driving School located at 14010 Horizon to teens taking the course. The objective will be to prevent teen driver fatalities and motor vehicle accidents.

#### **National Night Out**

Crime Prevention Officer (CPO) Casillas organized the Horizon City Police Department 2012 National Night Out. The event took place on Tuesday October 2, 2012 at the Corky Cochran Park. National Night Out is America's Night Out against crime. National Night Out is a unique crime and drug prevention event sponsored by the National Association of Town Watch. Every year the Horizon City Police Department celebrates this event along with the state of Texas, which is held the first Tuesday of October. National Night Out is designed to heighten crime and drug awareness, generate support and participation in local anti-crime programs, strengthen neighborhood spirit and police-community partnerships. We sent a message to criminals letting them know that neighborhoods are organized and are fighting back. National Night out has been an effective, enjoyable and free program to promote neighborhood spirit and police-community partnerships in our fight for a safer city and nation.

This year's events involved citizens, law enforcement agencies, businesses and local officials from Horizon City. CPO raised \$2,150 in donations from local businesses and had an attendance of over 1,000 Horizon residents. Horizon Vista Market donated 1,000 hot dogs. The Horizon Police Association donated two bikes that were given away at the event. National Night Out consisted of a Battle of the Badges Sumo Wrestling Event in which the Horizon City Police and Horizon Fire Department suited up in Sumo suits and battled on a Sumo mat for three rounds.

We also had a Law Enforcement rock wall competition where members of the US Border Patrol, El Paso County Sheriff's Office, Horizon City PD and Horizon City FD participated. A velcro jump for kids to enjoy was also present. Horizon City Police Explorers ran the

concession stand and sold corn in a cup, sodas and popcorn raising money for the Police Explorer Program. Displays from the Drug Enforcement Agency, Federal Bureau of Investigation, SISD Police, El Paso County Sheriff's Search and Rescue, US Border Patrol and Helicopters from Texas DPS and Native Air. This event brought community awareness and sent a message to the city that law enforcement will always unite to prevent crime and make our city safer.

#### **Movies in the Park**

Since the creation of the Movies at the Park summer series, the word of this community outreach project has spread and the HCPD is seeing larger and larger crowds every weekend. During 2012 Crime Prevention Officer Casillas was able to secure sponsorship. Sponsors for the 2012 season included:

Vista Serena Homes GECU

Border Pallets Hawk Construction

1st National Bank El Paso Area Teacher's Federal Credit Union

Horizon City Police Officer's Association

In addition to the many family friendly films selected for 2012, live bands were brought in to perform before the movies at no charge to the public. While some bands reached out to HCPD via Facebook, other bands were invited during routine "loud noise disturbance" calls. Bands who played included:

Mal Tercio Lil' Loco 915 Fab4Cezz

Uncle Sugar Lux Flame of Uli

The main goal of 2012 was to make Movies at the Park a clean and smoothly run operation

so that families would feel that they were at an entertainment venue. The park was inspected before each show and Horizon Electric donated two powerful lamps and a heavy duty electrical power distribution system so that those in attendance could have safety lighting in the concession areas and so the power drain at the electrical hub would be evenly distributed to keep the show running fluidly.

In addition to the safety upgrades of 2012, a system of presentation was developed so that every performance started off the same with a proper introduction with quality motion graphics welcoming the audience, giving credit to the sponsor and giving safety tips for an optimal park experience. The announcements were voiced by Horizon City PD's very own Sgt. Bruce Campbell and all show sequences were created and rendered by Sgt. Mitre using advanced motion graphic software acquired by the city for this very purpose. Tremendous pre-season preparation was involved in making all this happen.

The Horizon City Police Explorers created a show work schedule for themselves, assigning crews to work the events on weekends from the start to the finish of the shows. The crews consisted of Equipment/ Electrical and Concessions/ Park Safety tasks. Working together throughout the season, the youth crews easily logged in approximately 1,300 volunteer hours (not including program advisors) averaging 80hours per explorer.

The site for movies at the park has been added to GOOGLE maps and will be useful in helping people find the event during the summer.

#### **Christmas Parade**

Crime Prevention Officer Casillas (CPO) assisted the Eastlake Lions Club in organizing the 2012 Horizon City Christmas parade. The parade was held on December 8, 2012, from 8am-12pm. CPO was in charge of notifying local law enforcement to participate in the parade. This year marked the first year a large number of law enforcement participated in the parade. Agents and Officer's from the United States Border Patrol, United States Customs and Border Protection, Texas Department of Public Safety, Socorro Police

Department and the El Paso County Constables office were in attendance. CPO distributed fliers to local business promoting the parade on their windows and digital marquis boards. We sent a news release inviting local news channels to attend. Channel 7 and KFOX 14 news crews both attended and broadcasted from the parade giving Horizon City notoriety of the event.

#### **September 11 Ceremony**

This year the September 11 ceremony was organized by the Horizon City Fire Department. Members from the Horizon City Police and Horizon City Fire Department gathered to remember the fallen of September 11. This year marked the 11<sup>th</sup> year since the nation lost hundreds of first responders and thousands of US citizens on this tragic date. The ceremony was held at 14151 Nunda at the Fire station. Councilman Armas offered words of encouragement stating the City of Horizon and the nation have not forgotten the fallen. Pastor Wes Phillips was invited to share an invocation of prayer for hope and healing. Police Officers and Fire Fighters bowed their heads in silence and saluted the US flag honoring those who lost their lives after jetliners crashed into the World Trade centers, the Pentagon and a Pennsylvania field.

CPO Casillas will organize the September 11<sup>th</sup> ceremony for 2013. The event is to be held at Horizon High School on September 11, 2013. Students, City Council Members and Military personnel will be invited to attend and remember the fallen.

#### **Citizen Complaints**

It is the Horizon City Police Departments responsibility to review all citizens' complaints that are filed with the police department. During 2012 citizens were given the opportunity to complain on any officer whom they felt they were mistreated. They were simply required to submit their complaint on a Horizon City Police Department Complaint form for it to be investigated by the Chiefs designee. This past year no citizen wished to put their Complaint on an Official Complaint Form but only wished the officer to be made aware of their concerns.

- Concern: An officer was rude during a traffic stop when he asked a driver when she got her driver's license. The complainant only wanted officer advised.
- Concern: An officer conducted a traffic stop and asked the subject what he was
  doing in Horizon City when he lives in Montana Vista area. The complainant only
  wanted officer to be advised.
- Concern: A subject received a citation from an officer for speeding and requested a copy of his radar certification and radar calibration. The information was provided.
- Concern: A Sheriff's Office Sergeant complained on an officer for not responding to a Subpoena for court. The case was investigated and the officer was issued a 1 day suspension.
- Concern: An officer wore sunglasses while on a traffic stop and driver felt the officer was not being professional by doing so. The complainant did not wish to put in writing and officer was verbally advised. The sunglasses were prescribed.
- Concern: An officer conducted a traffic stop and issued a citation and on the citation the officer put White for race and the violator was Hispanic. Violator was offended.

#### **Major Crimes Comparison by Year**

	2012	2011	2010
Homicide	0	2 <sup>1 2</sup>	1 <sup>3</sup>
Sexual Assault	9	12	11
Aggravated Assault	10	12	10
Robbery	3	4	0
Arson	6	1	2
Burglary	99	106	115
Theft	132	100	93
Motor Vehicle Theft	13	30	38

1 This Homicide involved the motor vehicle accident at Nunda & Darrington. A pregnant female and her fetus died at the hospital as a result of their injuries. Another female who was also impacted by the vehicle was transported with non life-threatening injuries. Detective's paper referred the case of Criminal Negligent Homicide to District Attorney who later declined the case.

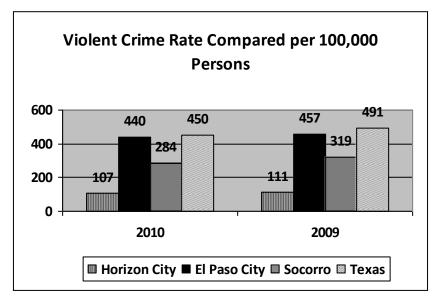
2 This Homicide involved a 68 year old elderly male who was under the care of a 28 year old caretaker. The caretaker went inside the residence to obtain a glass of water for the elderly male and upon her return she found him unresponsive in the swimming pool. The female caretaker was charged with Criminal Negligent Homicide and the case was referred non-arrest to the District Attorney's Office who later declined the case (reason: prosecutorial discretion).

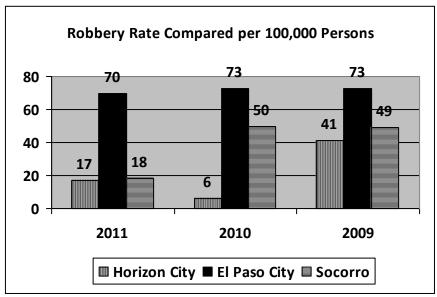
3 This Intoxication Manslaughter involved a motor vehicle accident in which two young men were traveling home from a party. The driver was intoxicated, lost control of the vehicle causing it to roll twice, and the passenger was ejected from his seat. Passenger later succumbed to his injuries and died at the hospital. Driver was charged with Intoxication Manslaughter.

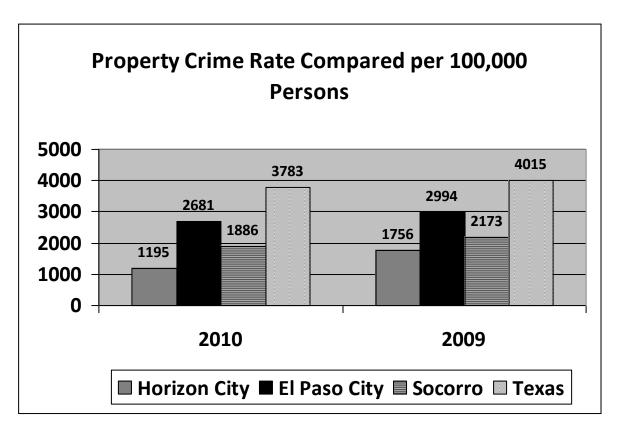
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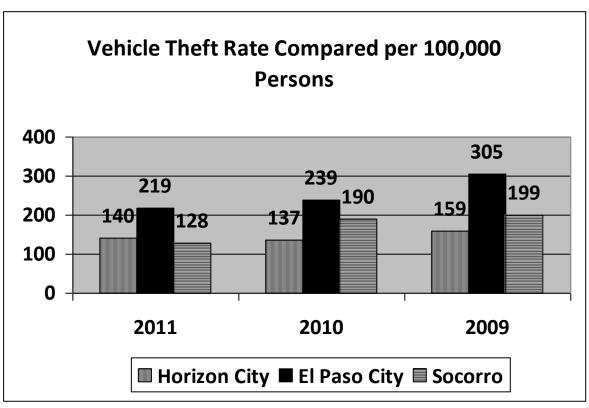
(Uniform Crime Reporting Statistics, 2012)

Crime rates are calculated by taking the number of reported crimes in a particular jurisdiction and dividing by the total population of that same jurisdiction. The result of that calculation is multiplied by 100,000. The result of this equation equals the rate of crime per 100,000 persons. This is a useful way to make comparisons between jurisdictions regardless of the population.







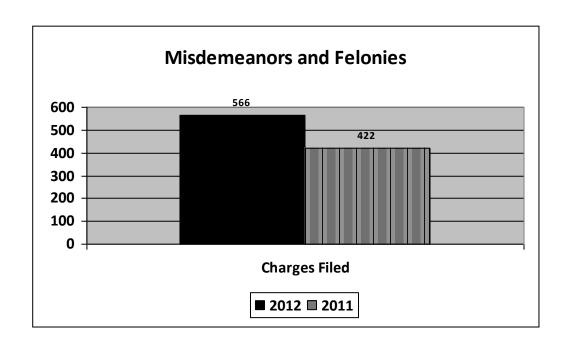


### **Local Arrest Statistics**

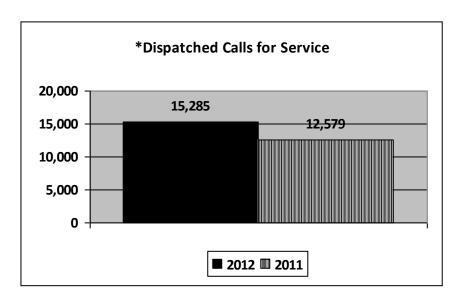
# Charges

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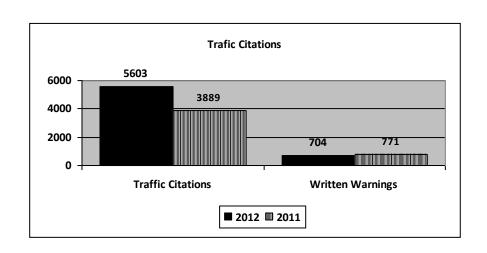
	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008
Aggravated Assault	7	8	7	6	1
Simple Assault	79	132	102	43	39
Burglary/Breaking and	1	3	9	4	4
Entering					
All Other Larceny	1	8	10	5	9
Drug/Narcotics Violation	39	36	32	16	23
Robbery	0	0	0	2	0
Offenses against family and	50	0	3	2	0
children					
Disorderly Conduct	61	135	112	20	26
Driving Under the Influence	43	42	45	45	61
Drunkenness	19	5	3	12	4
Liquor Law Violation	26	20	19	47	42
All Other Offenses	40	33	97	95	136
Total Charges Filed	366	422	439	297	346

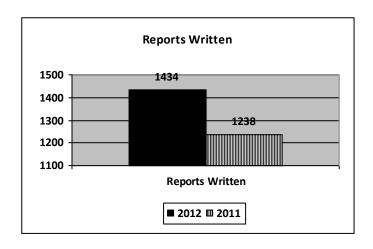


## **Dispatched Calls for Service**



\*In February of 2011, El Paso 911 District switched to a new Computer System which changes the way our numbers are calculated.





# **Police Department Motor Vehicle Inventory**

							Actual Miles			
Unit	Year	Model	License	VIN	Assigned to:	Jan 18, 2012	Jan 2013	2014	# of vehs	
637	2007	Crown Vic	100-0674	2FAFP71W97X155844	Patrol	76,485	96,456	126,485	1	
619	2009	Crown Vic	100-0723	2FAHP71V39X118761	Patrol	27,297	53,037	83,037	2	
629	2009	Crown Vic	106-6163	2FAHP71V19X118757	Patrol	16,340	58,300	88,300	3	
639	2009	Crown Vic	106-8161	2FAHP71VX9X129658	Patrol	16,005	44,826	74,826	4	
649	2009	Crown Vic	106-8164	2FAHP71V49X129655	Patrol	19,763	58,560	88,560	5	
659	2009	Crown Vic	106-8166	2FAHP71V39X118758	Patrol	11,523	52,055	82,055	6	
669	2009	Crown Vic	106-8162	2FAHP71V19X129659	Patrol	24,758	62,000	92,000	7	
679	2009	Crown Vic	106-8165	2FAHP71V29X129668	Patrol	17,045	53,585	83,585	8	
6110	2010	Ford F150	110-1505	1FTFW1EV9AFC53934	Patrol /Crime	5,807	29,449	55,500	9	
6211	2011	Ford Focus	CC5-V490	1FAHP3FN3BW102823	Detectives	3,045	33,800	48,800	10	
6111	2011	Ford Focus	CC5-V491	1FAHP3FN8BW134764	Detectives	2,480	24,624	39,624	11	
6113	2011	Crown Vic	110-7976	2FABP7BVXBX115687	Traffic Unit	2,050	22,050	42,050	12	
6112	6212	Ford F-250	111-7710	1FT7W2A68CEA45108	Crime Prevention	947	5,638	12,500	13	
6212	2012	Ford Fusion	DD9J406	3FAHP0GA5CR225778	Warrants/Ortega	1,900	14,427	29,427	14	
6312	2012	Ford Fusion	DD9J407	3FAHP0GA7CR225779	Warrants/Labrado	1,834	14,766	29,766	15	
A-01	2011	Polaris			ATV	813	1,478	2,500	16	
T-01	2009	Trailer	900-0936	1WL200L2X98014893	Command Trailer	N/A			17	

6412	2012	Crime Unit	114-0515	1FDWE3FL8CDA18883	CID Crime Scene	213	3,000	18
6512	2001	Seizure Unit	BLB-3478	1FAFP56231G245841	Admin Unit	208,519		19
6213	2013	Ford		1FAHP2M80DG188807	Stone Garden Grant	 10		20

# Horizon City Police Department Racial Profiling 2012 Annual Contact Report



#### **Letter to City Council**

January 16, 2012

Horizon City Council Horizon City, Texas 79928

Dear Distinguished Mayor and Members of the City Council,

The Texas legislature, in an attempt to address the issue of racial profiling in policing, passed in 2001 the Texas Racial Profiling Law (S.B. 1074). Since becoming effective, the Horizon City Police Department, in accordance with the law, has collected citation-based contact data for the purpose of identifying and addressing (if necessary) concerns regarding racial profiling practices by police officers. Last year, the Texas Racial Profiling Law was modified and new requirements are now in place.

In this report, you will find information on citation-based contact data along with documentation which aims at supporting the fact that the Horizon City Police Department has complied with The Texas Racial Profiling Law. You will have an opportunity to review documentation which demonstrates compliance of the Horizon City Police Department with the Texas Racial Profiling Law. Specifically, documents relevant to the implementation of an institutional policy banning racial profiling, the implementation of a racial profiling complaint process (including the manner in which it has been disclosed to the public) and the training administered to all law enforcement personnel, are included.

This report also contains statistical data relevant to motor vehicle contacts between January 1, 2012 to December 31, 2012. This information has been analyzed and compared to data derived from the U.S. Census Bureau in the form of the Fair Roads Standard and to the citation and arrest-based contact data collected in 2012. The final analysis and recommendations are also included.

The data and supporting documentation presented in this report support the notion that the Horizon City Police Department is committed to the identification and resolution (if necessary) of all issues relevant to racial profiling according to the state law.

Sincerely,
Mik McCornell

Michael McConnell

#### **Horizon City Policy on Racial Profiling**

#### 3-202. PATROL PROCEDURES.

**3-202.01 RACIAL AND BIAS BASED PROFILING.** Officers are strictly prohibited from engaging in racial and bias based profiling. The prohibition against racial and bias based profiling does not preclude the use of race, ethnicity, or national origin as factors in a detention decision by a peace officer. Race, ethnicity, or national origin may be legitimate factors in such a decision when used as a part of a description of a suspect or witness for whom a peace officer is searching.

#### A. Definitions.

- 1. Racial Profiling: a law enforcement-initiated action, such as a traffic stop, a detention, a search, issuance of a citation, or an arrest, 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. Racial profiling pertains to persons who are viewed as suspects or potential suspects of criminal behavior. The term is not relevant as it pertains to witnesses, complainants, persons needing assistance, or other citizen contacts.
- 2. Bias Based Profiling: the selection of individuals for enforcement action based solely on a trait common to a group. This includes, but is not limited to gender, sexual orientation, religion, economic status, age, cultural group, or any other identifiable group.
- **3. Race or Ethnicity:** of a particular descent, including Caucasian, African, Hispanic, Asian, or Native American descent.
- **4. Pedestrian Stop:** an interaction between a peace officer and an individual who is being detained for the purposes of a criminal investigation in which the individual is not under arrest.
- **5. Traffic Stop:** the stopping of a motor vehicle by a peace officer for an alleged violation of law or ordinance regulating traffic.
- **3-202.02 OFFICER INITIATED REPORTING DATA.** Officers, on or off-duty, who stop motor vehicles for an alleged violation of a law or ordinance regulating traffic or who stop a pedestrian for any suspected offense will comply with the following:
  - **A.** The following information is required to be reported in the format set out by the Department for each person cited or arrested as a result of a traffic/pedestrian stop. In the event that several people are present when making a pedestrian or

traffic stop, information will be captured only for those who are contacted, questioned or searched. Officers making arrests will fill out the required daily log to capture this information:

- 1. Arrest result of a traffic stop?
- 2. Was a citation issued?
- 3. Search conducted?
- 4. Consent search?
- 5. Race?

#### B. Training.

- 1. The Department will conduct annual training with sworn personnel on subjects that include, but are not limited to: profiling, cultural diversity, interaction with citizens, policy, ethics and related topics.
- **2.** Training may be conducted through in-service, special courses, or roll-call training.
- **3.** Participation in training will be documented and recorded in each officer's training record.
- 4. All officers will complete racial profiling training prior to the second anniversary of the date the officer is listed as a peace officer or the date the officer applies for an intermediate proficiency certificate, whichever date is earlier.

#### C. Reporting Requirements.

- 1. The information collected shall be compiled in an annual report covering the period January 1 through December 31 of each year, and shall be submitted to City Council no later than March 1 of the following year.
- **2.** The annual report shall not include identifying information about any individual stopped or arrested.
- **3.** The annual report will not include identifying information about any peace officer involved in a stop or arrest.

#### D. Investigating Complaints.

1. In investigating a complaint alleging racial profiling, the Chief of Police shall seek to determine if the officer who is the subject of the complaint has engaged in a pattern of racial profiling that includes multiple acts constituting racial profiling for which there is no reasonable, credible explanation based on established police and law enforcement practices. A single act constituting racial profiling may not be considered a pattern of racial profiling, and shall not be grounds for corrective action.

- 2. Citizens may file complaints against any Officer at any Department facility. All complaints of racial profiling lodged against an officer will be investigated fairly and objectively to determine the validity of such complaints. Disciplinary or corrective action will be established in a timely and consistent manner in accordance with state laws, local ordinances and the Town of Horizon City's Rules and Regulations.
- **3.** The Police Department will promptly provide a copy of any recording to a peace officer who is the subject of a complaint of racial profiling upon written request of the officer.

#### E. Public Education

1. The Department, through its philosophy of Community Policing, will provide information to the general public regarding racial profiling policies and procedures, to include the complaint process, by actively addressing the issue in regular community meetings, Citizen's Advisory board meetings, the mass media, and by routine officer/citizen contacts.

#### F. Video Policy.

All Officers will follow established procedures for the use of in-car video recording equipment. Supervisors, on a bimonthly basis, will review videotapes and recordings to assist in periodic assessment of the Officer's performance and to determine whether the equipment is being fully and properly used.

Supervisors will also ensure that repairs and replacement of damaged or nonfunctional video recording equipment is performed.

#### **How to File a Racial Profiling Complaint**

Informing the Public and Addressing Allegations of Racial Profiling Practices

Since January 1, 2002, the Horizon City Police Department, in accordance to The Texas Racial Profiling law, launched an educational campaign aimed at informing the public on issues relevant to the complaint process. The police department made available, in January 1, 2002, information relevant to filing a complaint on a racial profiling violation by a Horizon City police officer.

The Horizon City Police Department included language, in its current complaint process, pertaining to the manner in which citizens can file a complaint as a consequence of a racial profiling incident. It is believed that through these efforts, the community has been properly informed of the new policies and the complaint processes relevant to racial profiling.

## **Racial Profiling Training**

Since 2002, all Horizon City police officers were instructed, as specified in S.B. 1074, to adhere to all Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education (TCLEOSE) training and the Law Enforcement Management Institute of Texas (LEMIT) requirements. To date, all sworn officers of the Horizon City Police Department have completed the TCLEOSE basic training.

It is important to recognize that the Chief of the Horizon City Police Department has also met the training requirements, as specified by the Texas Racial Profiling Law, in the completion of the LEMIT program on racial profiling. The satisfactory completion of the racial profiling training by the sworn personnel of the Horizon City Police Department fulfills the training requirement as specified in the Education Code (96.641) of the Texas Racial Profiling Law.

## **Report on Racial Profiling Complaints**

The following table contains data regarding officers that have been the subject of a complaint, during the time period of January 1, 2012 to December 31, 2012, based on allegations related to possible violations of the Texas Racial Profiling Law. The final disposition of the case is also included.

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A check above indicates that the Horizon City Police Department has not received any complaints, as outlined in the law, on any members of its police force, for having violated the Texas Racial Profiling Law during the time period of January 1, 2012 to December 31, 2012.

Complaints Filed for Possible Violations of The Texas Racial Profiling Law.

Complaint No.	Alleged Viola	ion	Disposition of the Case

Additional Comments:		

Motor Vehicle-Related Contact Information (01/01/12—12/31/12)

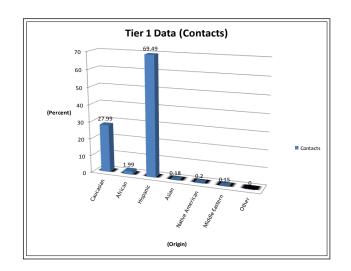
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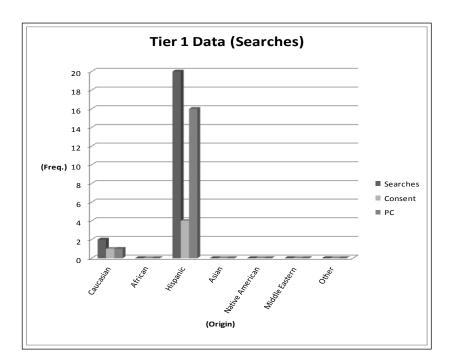
Race/Ethnicity*	Con	tacts	Sear	ches		ensual ches	PC Se	arches	Custody Arrests	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
Caucasian	1099	28.02	2	9.09	1	20.00	1	5.88	0	0.00
African	78	1.99	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
Hispanic	2725	69.48	20	90.91	4	80.00	16	94.12	15	100.00
Asian	6	0.15	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
Native										
American	8	0.20	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
Middle										
Eastern	6	0.15	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
Other	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
Total	3922	100.00	22	100.00	5	100.00	17	100.00	15	100.00

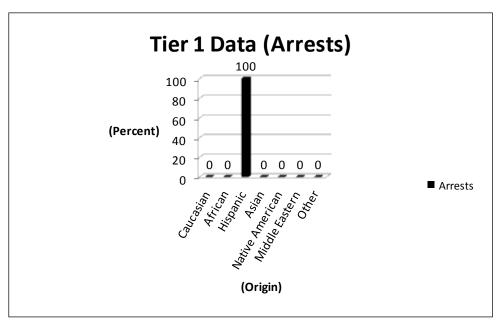
<sup>&</sup>quot;N" represents "number" of traffic-related contacts

<sup>\*</sup> Race/Ethnicity is defined by Senate Bill 1074 as being of a "particular descent, including Caucasian, African, Hispanic, Asian, Native American or Middle Eastern".

<sup>\*\*</sup>Figure has been rounded







# **Knowing/Not Knowing**

Total Number of Officers Knowing/not Knowing Race/Ethnicity of Individuals Before Being Detained (1/1/12-12/31/12)

Total Number of	Total Number of
Officers Who Knew	Officers Who <u>Did Not</u>
Race and Ethnicity of Individual Before Being	Know the Race and Ethnicity of Individual
3	
Detained	Before Being Detained
Detained	Before Being Detained

# **Tier 1 Baseline Comparison**

#### **Fair Roads Standard**

## **Motor Vehicle-Contacts and Fair Roads Standard Comparison**

Comparison of Motor Vehicle-related contacts with households in the City of Horizon that have vehicle access (in percentages). (1/1/12—12/31/12)

Race/Ethnicity*	Contacts (in percentages)	Households with vehicle access (in percentages)
Caucasian	27.99	
African	1.99	
Hispanic	69.49	
Asian	0.18	
Native American	0.20	
Middle Eastern	0.15	
Other	0.00	
Total	100	

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<sup>\*\*</sup>Represents rounded figure

# Tier 1 Data - Five Year Comparative Analysis (2008—2012)

# Comparison of Five-Year Traffic and Motor Vehicle-Related Contact Information (1/1/08-12/31/12)

Race/Ethnicity*	Traffic-Related Contacts				
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Caucasian	29.59	26.15	16.82	21.91	27.99
African	1.66	1.17	1.84	1.67	1.99
Hispanic	68.54	72.33	80.75	76.28	69.49
Asian	0.16	0.35	0.17	0.07	0.18
Native American	0	0	0.42	0.07	0.2
Middle Eastern	0	0	0	0	0.15
Other	0.05	0	0	0	0
Total	100	100	100	100	100

<sup>\*</sup> Race/Ethnicity is defined by Texas Senate Bill 1074 as being of a "particular descent, including Caucasian, African, Hispanic, Asian, or Native American".

<sup>\*\*</sup> Figure has been rounded.

# Comparison of Five-Year Traffic and Motor-Vehicle Related <u>Search</u> Information (1/1/08---12/31/12)

	Se	earch-R	Related	Contac	ets	
Race/Ethnicity*	(in percentages)					
	2008 2009 2010 2011 2012					
Caucasian	30	12.5	42.86	20	9.09	
African	0	0	0	0	0	
Hispanic	70	87.5	57.14	80	90.91	
Asian	0	0	0	0	0	
Native American						
	0	0	0	0	0	
Middle Eastern	0	0	0	0	0	
Other	0	0	0	0	0	
Total	100	100	100	100	100	

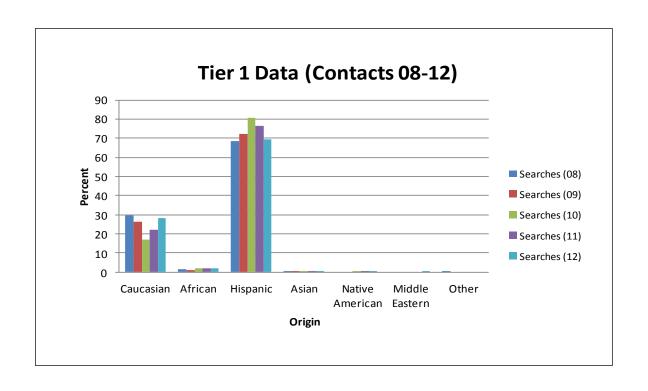
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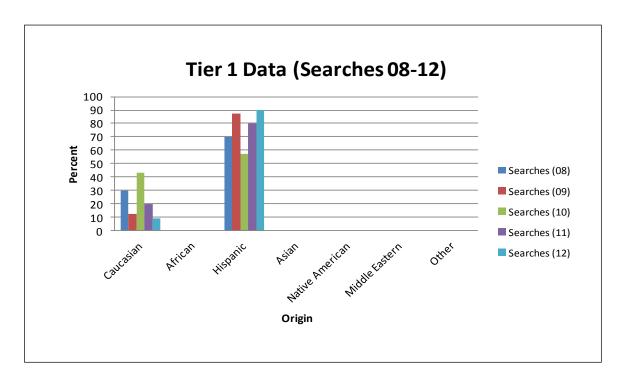
# Comparison of Five-Year Traffic and Motor Vehicle-Related <u>Arrest Information</u> (1/1/08---12/31/12)

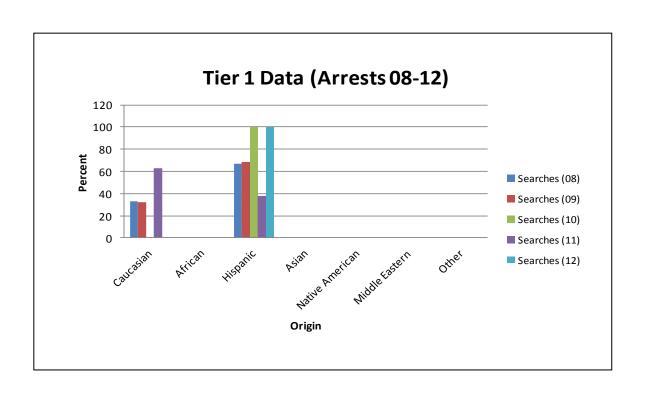
	A	Arrest-Related Contacts				
Race/Ethnicity*	(in percentages)					
	2008   2009   2010   2011   2012					
Caucasian	33.33	31.82	0	62.5	0	
African	0	0	0	0	0	
Hispanic	66.67	68.18	100	37.5	100	
Asian	0	0	0	0	0	
Native American						
	0	0	0	0	0	
Middle Eastern	0	0	0	0	0	
Other	0	0	0	0	0	
Total	100	100	100	100	100	

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#### **Analysis and Interpretation of Data**

According to the Texas Racial Profiling Law, all police departments in the state have been required to collect data when a traffic-related citation is issued or an arrest is made. Recently this was changed to all motor vehicle related contacts where a citation was issued or arrest made. In addition, the law requires that agencies report this information to their local governing authority and (recently) TCLEOSE, by March 1st of each year. The purpose in collecting and presenting this information is to determine if a particular police officer is engaging in the practice of profiling minority motorists. Despite the fact most agree that it is good practice for police departments to be accountable to their community, it is very difficult to determine, from the review of aggregate data, if police departments are engaging in racial profiling. That is, it is challenging to detect specific "individual" racist behavior from the study and analysis of aggregate-level "institutional" data on traffic-related contacts.

It should be noted that the Horizon City Police Department, in response to the requirements of The Texas Racial Profiling Law (S.B. 1074), reported and analyzed its 2012 motor vehicle-related contact data. Thus, three different types of analyses were conducted. The first of these involved a careful evaluation of the 2012 contact data. This particular analysis measured, as required by the Texas Racial Profiling Law, the number and percentage of Caucasians, African Americans, Hispanics, Asians, Native Americans, Middle Easterners, and individuals belonging to the "other" category, that came in contact with the police and were issued a motor vehicle-related citation or arrested in 2012. In addition, the analysis included information relevant to the number and percentage of searches while indicating the type of search (i.e., consensual or probable cause) conducted. Finally, the data analysis highlighted the number and percentage of individuals who, after they were issued a citation, were subsequently arrested. Further, it included the total number of officers that knew and did not the race or ethnicity of an individual prior to being detained.

The second type of analysis included in this report, related to the comparison of the 2012 motor vehicle contact data with an appropriate baseline. It should be noted that there is also a great deal of disagreement, in the academic literature, over the type/form of baseline to be used when analyzing traffic-related contact information. Of all the baseline measures available, the Horizon City Police Department decided to adopt, as a baseline measure, the Fair Roads Standard. This particular baseline is based on data obtained through the U.S. Census Bureau (2000) relevant to the number of households in a particular jurisdiction that have access to vehicles while controlling for race and ethnicity. It should be noted that census data presents challenges to any effort made at establishing a fair and accurate racial profiling analysis. In other words, census data contains information on all residents of a particular community, regardless of the fact they may or may not be among the driving population.

The Horizon City Police Department opted to use this form of comparison (i.e., census data relevant to households with vehicles) in an attempt to demonstrate its "transparency" before the community. The Fair Roads Standard data obtained is relevant to the Town of Horizon City.

Finally, a third type of analysis was conducted while using the 2008--2012 traffic and motor vehicle contact data. Specifically, all contacts made in 2012 were compared to similar figures reported from 2008 to 2011. When considering this analysis, it was determined that comparing five years of contact data may highlight possible areas of consistency with regards to overall police contacts. In other words, the five-year comparison has the potential of revealing indicators that a trend of police-initiated contacts with regards to members of a specific minority group, is in fact, developing. The overall analysis of data indicates that findings suggest that the Horizon City Police Department does not currently experience a problem regarding racial profiling practices. This is supported by the fact that it has not received any complaints from its citizens regarding officer misconduct associated with racial profiling practices.

#### Tier 1 (2012) Motor Vehicle-Related Contact Analysis

The Tier 1 data collected in 2012 showed that continuing effort to collect police contact data, along with the monitoring and evaluation of video recorded traffic stops by officers will assure an on-going evaluation of the Horizon City Police Department practices. This will allow for the citizens of the community to benefit from professional and courteous service from their police department.

#### Fair Roads Standard Analysis

When comparing traffic contacts to the census data relevant to the number of "households" in Town of Horizon City who indicated, in the 2000 census, that they had access to vehicles, the analysis produced the following findings:

The Horizon Police department is in compliance and has not received any complaints on Racial Profiling and the department will continue to strive with professionalism.

## **Summary**

#### Checklist

The following requirements <u>were</u> met by the Horizon City Police Department in accordance with Senate Bill 1074:

☐ Clearly defined act or actions that constitute racial profiling

documentation

Statement indicating prohibition of any peace officer employed by the Horizon City Police Department from
engaging in racial profiling
☐ Implement a process by which an individual may file a complaint regarding racial profiling violations
☑ Provide public education related to the complaint process
☑ Implement disciplinary guidelines for officer found in violation of the Texas Racial Profiling Law
Collect data (Tier 1) that includes information on
<ul> <li>a) Race and ethnicity of individual detained</li> <li>b) Whether a search was conducted</li> <li>c) If there was a search, whether it was a consent search or a probable cause search</li> <li>d) Whether a custody arrest took place</li> <li>\textstyle{\textstyle{\textstyle{1}}{\textstyle{1}}} \textstyle{1}{\textstyle{1}{\textstyle{1}}} \textstyle{1}{\textst</li></ul>
detained.
Produce an annual report on police contacts (Tier 1) and present this to local governing body and
TCLEOSE by March 1, 2012.
Adopt a policy, if video/audio equipment is installed, on standards for reviewing video and audio

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