

CITY OF HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA
INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM
POLICE DEPARTMENT



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TO: CHRISTOPHER O'BRIEN
CHIEF OF POLICE
FROM: LIEUTENANT K. ZORSKY *K. Zorsky 2349*
INTERNAL AFFAIRS UNIT
SUBJECT: BIAS-BASED PROFILING REVIEW

ISSUE:

By October 15th of each year the Internal Affairs Unit will conduct an annual administrative review of Agency practices concerning Bias Based Policing, to include arrests, traffic contacts, field contacts, searches and seizures, and any asset seizure and forfeiture efforts which took place within the previous fiscal year.

EXPLANATION:

The review of bias-based profiling has been completed in accordance with Standard Operating Procedure. Statistics were compiled using agency records which contain the specified criteria, from October 1, 2017 to September 30, 2018.

In order to properly evaluate the enforcement actions taken by members of the department, below are the demographics of the citizens within the City of Hollywood as listed in the 2010 United States Census.

- White: (47.5%)
- Black: (16.7%)
- Hispanic: (32.6%)
- Asian: (02.4%)
- Other: (05.0%)

Below are the different types of contact as well as a breakdown of the race of the persons involved. Where the criteria allowed, ethnicity statistics are further broken down.

ARRESTS: Total arrests: 6476

- White: 3075 (47.48%)
- White-Hispanic: 1223 (18.86%)
- Black: 2060 (31.81%)
- Black-Hispanic: 63 (00.97%)
- Indian: 16 (00.25%)

- Indian-Hispanic: 4 (00.06%)
- Asian: 31 (00.48%)
- Asian-Hispanic: 1 (00.01%)
- Other: 2 (00.03%)
- Unknown: 1 (00.01%)

TRAFFIC CONTACTS: Total contacts: 19,918

- White: 12,878 (64.66%)
- Black: 5989 (30.07%)
- Indian: 60 (00.30%)
- Asian: 197 (00.99%)
- Unknown: 34 (00.17%)
- No Record: 760 (03.82%)

FIELD CONTACTS: Total contacts: 2860

- White: 1676 (58.60%)
- Black: 1121 (39.20%)
- Indian: 07 (00.24%)
- Asian: 11 (00.38%)
- Unknown: 26 (00.91%)
- Other: 19 (00.66%)

SEARCH WARRANTS:

There were a total of forty-four (44) search warrants executed on real property from October 1, 2017 through September 30, 2018. Suspects were identified and targeted in all of those said warrants. The race/ethnicity statistical data is broken down below. The information which led to the investigation resulting in these warrants came from a variety of sources. (i.e.; Citizen Complaints, Calls for Police Service, Patrol Assists.)

The search warrant breakdown per Unit is as follows:

- Street Crimes Units: 6 Search Warrants
 - White: 2 (33.33%)
 - Black: 4 (66.66%)
- Vice, Intelligence and Narcotics Unit: 9 Search Warrants (12 subjects were named in those warrants)
 - White: 3 (33.33%)
 - Black: 3 (33.33%)
 - Hispanic: 6 (66.66%)

- Criminal Investigations Division: 21 Search Warrants
 - White: 6 (28.57%)
 - Black: 9 (42.86%)
 - Hispanic: 6 (28.57%)

- Traffic Homicide Unit: 8 Search Warrants (Sixteen total search warrants were attained but twelve were for the same incident.)
 - White: 6 (75.00%)
 - Black: 2 (25.00%)

FORFEITURES:

There were a total of twenty (20) seizures made from October 1, 2017 through September 30, 2018, which stemmed from nineteen (19) arrests. Six (6) of the cases have co-defendants. Forfeiture actions have been filed on seven (7) of the twenty (20) seizures. Below is breakdown of the race of the persons involved. Where the criteria allowed, ethnicity statistics are further broken down.

- White: 7 (46.67%)
- White-Hispanic: 3 (20.00%)
- Black: 5 (33.33%)

Forfeiture actions were not filed, in the other cases, because there was a high balance owed on the vehicle, the vehicle was not recommended to keep, the case was settled or it was not cost effective to litigate. The Forfeiture actions were handled by City of Hollywood Police Legal Advisor Vanessa Maiorana.

Citizen Complaints:

During this time period, seven (7) allegations of Biased Based Profiling were filed with the department, and each complaint was investigated pursuant to agency policy. See below for each type of contact which led to the complaint and the complaint's investigative outcome:

- Calls for Service: 2
 - Exonerated
 - No further investigation warranted

- Traffic Crash: 2
 - (2) No further investigation warranted

- Traffic Stop: 2
 - (2) No further investigation warranted

- Beach Contact: 1
 - No further investigation warranted

Based upon the analysis of the 2018 Fiscal year data, it is reasonable to believe adherence to Department SOP #121 BIAS-BASED PROFILING is being achieved as a result of current Departmental practices.

RECOMMENDATION:

No corrective measures are recommended.

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by:

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Signature