

AGENDA ITEM 13

Acknowledge receipt of Statistical Report on Traffic and Pedestrian stops - Racial Profiling, in compliance with Article(s) 2.133 and 20134 Texas CCP.

Moved: **Judge Doerfler**

Seconded: **Commissioner Heiligenstein**

Motion: To acknowledge receipt of Statistical Report on Traffic and Pedestrian stops - Racial Profiling, in compliance with Article(s) 2.133 and 20134 Texas CCP.

Vote: 5 - 0

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**Williamson County
Constable Precinct 3**

Memo

To: Williamson County Commissioner's Court
From: Bobby Gutierrez, Constable Pct.3
Date: 1/29/03
Re: Racial Profiling Report

In compliance with Texas Code of Criminal Procedures Article(s) 2.133 and 2.134, attached please find a statistical report for Traffic and Pedestrian Stops – Racial Profiling, submitted to the Williamson County Commissioner's Court reflecting the period of January 1, 2002 to December 31, 2002. This report is submitted to you due to the absence of video and audio tape recordings of traffic and pedestrian stops during the reporting period.

The Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Standards and Education (TCLEOSE) designed the master-reporting format, and analyzes the data in a secure spreadsheet. The Williamson County Precinct 3 Constable's Office submitted all of our required data to produce the results in the attached statistical report by TCLEOSE. The data collected is our required documentation of all contacts with the public either by traffic stop or pedestrian stop, whereby individual(s) were detained by probable cause for any alleged offense(s). It further reports whether any search was conducted, contraband located, warning issued, citation issued or arrest. The data is analyzed by the person's gender, race or ethnicity.

As you may know, the Precinct 3 Constable's Office does not devote a lot of man-hours on traffic enforcement or criminal enforcement. Simply fulfilling our normal statutory duties and responsibilities keep us quite busy. However, during the course of our law enforcement duties and responsibilities, we often times have to intercede with traffic violations and other criminal offenses in our presence or view. This report is an analysis of such activity.

Please note that the 283 total detentions in 2002 based on race are a reasonable proportionate to the known populous of this region. For example, 66.1% were White, 22.6% were Hispanic, 8.5% were Black, 2.8% were Asian and 0% were Native American. No searches were conducted on any ethnic group. This activity reflects that 57.6% received warnings, and 42% received citations, and only 1 person (0.4%) was arrested.

In short, I am pleased with the Racial Profiling Analysis on the Precinct 3 Constable Office. I welcome any feedback from your review of the attached data.

Respectfully Submitted,


Bobby Gutierrez, Constable Pct.3

noted 2-4-03
John C. Doerfler

ATTACHMENT