

Manvel Police Department

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Dear Distinguished Council Members,

In recent years, the concept of racial profiling has received a great amount of attention throughout the United States. Three years ago, the Texas legislature, in an attempt to address the issue of racial profiling in policing, passed the Texas Racial Profiling Law (S.B. 1074). Since becoming effective, the Manvel Police Department, in accordance with S.B. 1074, has collected citation-based contact data for the purpose of identifying and addressing (if necessary) concerns regarding racial profiling practices among police officers.

I have reviewed all the information and found that there is no evidence that any of our officers have racially profiled. As you are aware, all personnel must video and audio record all traffic stops. I have also made it a requirement that all calls for service will be recorded as well. This policy alone has halted numerous false complaints against our officers (non-racially motivated)

Additionally, Capt. Bell and myself will periodically review these tapes to learn if this policy is being adhered to and to evaluate our officers in order to learn if they are complying with other policy & procedures that I have implemented. Furthermore, all videotapes are kept for a minimum of 90 days and usually as long as six months.

Please review the Tier 1 data and should you have any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to call me personally.

Sincerely,

Ralph L. Garcia
Chief of Police

MANVEL POLICE DEPARTMENT

Racial Profiling Statistics from January 1, 2008 through January 31, 2008

Chief Ralph Garcia

| Number of Traffic Stops | | |
|-------------------------|-----------|-------------|
| | Arrested | Total |
| African-American | 6 | 233 |
| Female | 3 | 87 |
| Searched - No | 1 | 85 |
| Searched - Yes | 2 | 2 |
| Consent - Yes | 2 | 2 |
| Male | 3 | 146 |
| Searched - No | | 139 |
| Searched - Yes | 3 | 7 |
| Consent - No | | 4 |
| Consent - Yes | 3 | 3 |
| Asian | 5 | 57 |
| Female | 3 | 18 |
| Searched - No | 3 | 18 |
| Male | 2 | 39 |
| Searched - No | 1 | 38 |
| Searched - Yes | 1 | 1 |
| Consent - Yes | 1 | 1 |
| Caucasian | 21 | 908 |
| Female | 3 | 333 |
| Searched - No | 1 | 329 |
| Searched - Yes | 2 | 4 |
| Consent - Yes | 2 | 4 |
| Male | 18 | 575 |
| Searched - No | 4 | 552 |
| Searched - Yes | 14 | 23 |
| Consent - No | 2 | 5 |
| Consent - Yes | 12 | 18 |
| Hispanic | 28 | 432 |
| Female | 1 | 108 |
| Searched - No | | 105 |
| Searched - Yes | 1 | 3 |
| Consent - No | | 1 |
| Consent - Yes | 1 | 2 |
| Male | 27 | 324 |
| Searched - No | 6 | 299 |
| Searched - Yes | 21 | 25 |
| Consent - No | 2 | 4 |
| Consent - Yes | 19 | 21 |
| Indian | | 1 |
| Male | | 1 |
| Searched - No | | 1 |
| Total | 60 | 1631 |