

BLANCO POLICE DEPARTMENT 2022 ANNUAL REPORT



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MESSAGE FROM CHIEF RUBIN



Mayor, City Council, and the Citizens of Blanco, on behalf of the Officers and Staff of your Police Department I am pleased to present you with the Blanco Police Department 2022 Annual Report.

We take pride in giving the community members of Blanco a sense of safety, a feeling of belonging, and a voice that is heard. We continued our mission of building community trust and transparency. As your police department, we are committed to continually assessing the needs of those we serve by evaluating policies, procedures, to better serve our community.

In 2022, BPD continued to work collaboratively with other law enforcement agencies, business, and community groups to address not only traditional law enforcement issues but also to helping individuals in mental health crisis get the resources they need.

Thank you for taking time to review BPD's 2022 Annual Report. Inside you will find a review of reported crime, calls for service, traffic data and numbers and types of arrests, as well as our various department programs. We can provide these valuable services to our community because of our city leadership's ongoing support and resources.

On behalf of the Blanco Police Department, it is truly our honor every day to help make Blanco the safest place to live, work and visit.

Very Respectfully,

Scott Rubin
Chief of Police

A handwritten signature of Scott Rubin in black ink on a white background.



The background of the slide is a close-up, slightly blurred image of the American flag, showing the stars and stripes in a draped, wavy pattern. The colors are muted, with a dark blue field for the stars and red and white stripes.

MISSION STATEMENT

THE MISSION OF THE BLANCO POLICE DEPARTMENT IS TO BE RESPONSIBLE TO OUR COMMUNITY, THROUGH THE PROACTIVE ENFORCEMENT OF LAWS, THE PROTECTION OF LIFE, PROPERTY AND THE MAINTAINING OF ORDER WHILE AFFORDING DIGNITY AND RESPECT TO THOSE WE SERVE. WE WILL STRIVE TO MEET THE PRESENT AND FUTURE NEEDS OF THE PUBLIC THROUGH COMMUNITY, PARTNERSHIP AND INNOVATION.

VISION STATEMENT

TO BE THE SAFEST CITY TO LIVE, WORK AND VISIT.



A Recognized Law Enforcement Agency

The Blanco Police Department is a Recognized Law Enforcement Agency – a designation awarded by the Texas Police Chiefs Association Foundation as part of its Law Enforcement Recognition Program – which signifies the department’s adherence to the 170 Texas Law Enforcement Best Practices.

Becoming a Recognized Law Enforcement Agency

The Law Enforcement Recognition Program is a voluntary process in which police agencies in Texas prove their compliance with Texas Law Enforcement Best Practices.

The Blanco Police Department received its recognition on June 1, 2021.

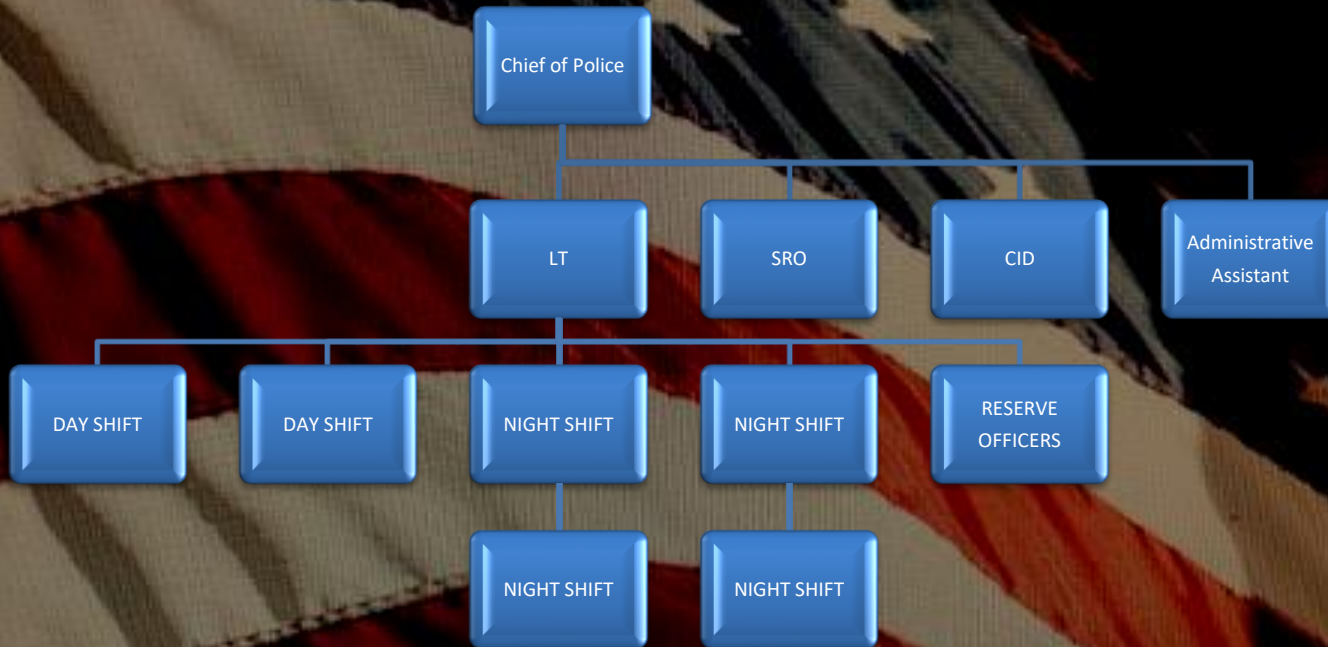
The Law Enforcement Recognition Program evaluates a police department’s compliance with the 170 Texas Law Enforcement Best Practices as noted by the TPCAF. These best practices were carefully developed by Texas law enforcement professionals to assist agencies in the efficient and effective delivery of service and the protection of individual rights.

These best practices cover all aspects of law enforcement operations including use of force, protection of citizen rights, vehicle pursuits, property and evidence management, and patrol and investigative operations.

This voluntary process required the Blanco Police Department to conduct a critical self-review of the agency’s policies, procedures, facilities, and operations. In addition, the executive order on police reform from the President of the United States has been included in the department’s policies.

Currently, approximately 180 out of 2,200 policies agencies are recognized in Texas. The Blanco Police Department’s hope is this process of an independent review of operations will assure citizens that their Police Department is conforming to the current best practices in law enforcement.

TABLE OF ORGANIZATION



STAFF

The Blanco Police Department is currently authorized 10 Full Time Commissioned Police Officers, 2 Non-Paid Commissioned Police Officers and 1 Civilian Staff. The Department is comprised of 4 sections: Administration, Patrol, Investigations and School Resource Officer.

ADMINISTRATION

Administration is comprised of the Chief of Police, The Lieutenant, and the Department's Administrative Assistant. Administrative Staff is responsible for every function of the Department including; scheduling, payroll, training, records, complaints, budgeting, and implementing policies to create an efficient and professional Police Department.



Chief Scott Rubin
26.6 Years of Service
Master Peace Officer
Masters of Public
Administration



**Lieutenant Jerry
Thornhill**
22.9 Years of Service
Master Peace Officer



**Robin Nies - Administrative
Assistant – 5 Years of Service**
BBA in Marketing Texas Tech

PATROL

The Patrol Division is the largest division in the Department with 5 officers. It is made up of 4 sections with day and night patrol. In every police department across the United States this division is considered the “backbone” of the agency. The patrol officers are the most visible police entity within our community, answering the initial call for service when the citizen needs assistance. The types of calls an officer will answer vary in nature and may consist of: crimes in progress, traffic violations including vehicle accidents, public assistance, suspicious persons, and anything else out of the ordinary. Patrol is intended to prevent crime and reduce the fear of the community through their presence.



Marcus Gonzales
7.3 Years of Service
Master Peace Officer



Ysidro Rodriguez
7 .6 years Service
Intermediate Peace
Officer



Jazmine Salazar
Full Time Peace
Officer
2 years

PATROL



Brynn Warrick
Full Time Peace
Officer
2 years



Daniel DeLaRosa
Full Time Peace
Officer
5 years

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION

Criminal Investigations is comprised of 1 Detective that handles numerous functions including investigating criminal offenses, collecting and securing of evidence, court preparation, and much more.



Victoria McMMain
CID
7.6 Years of Service
Intermediate Peace Officer

SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER

The SRO program consists of 1 Officer. The School Resource Officer program that we have in the City of Blanco has time and again proven its effectiveness and success. The SRO provides an extra safety net in schools by conducting security assessments of school buildings and surrounding areas, teach school lock down procedures and provide critical incident training in school communities. The SRO provides a positive role model for students; especially those without positive role models in their lives.

Austin Smith – 4.10 years of service
Intermediate Peace Officer



RESERVE POLICE OFFICER

Officers for the Reserve Officer Program 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 and training that govern regular sworn personnel.



Donnie Nance
Reserve Peace Officer
29.11 Years



Zach Rice
Reserve Peace
Officer
1 year

IN-SERVICE TRAINING

In 2022, Blanco Officers completed over 900 hours of in-service training through the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement. Training is both mandated and essential for Officers to remain up to date with the most recent knowledge and tactics. Officers must also complete specific courses to advance their Peace Officers Licenses. Currently, the Department's licensing is as follows:

- * 4 Master Peace Officers
- * 2 Intermediate Peace Officers
- * 4 Licensed Peace Officers

Continual training helps to provide Officers with the knowledge and experience needed to efficiently and professionally serve the residents of Blanco.

FORMAL EDUCATION

The Police Department continually encourages Officers to enroll and continue their education through institutions of higher learning. The Department supports Officer's efforts to attend Universities, whether in person or online, and provides incentives for Officers to do so.

The Blanco Police Department Officers currently has 1 Master's Degree, 2 Bachelor's Degrees, 2 Associate's Degrees and 4 Officers currently enrolled and seeking Bachelor's Degrees while continuing to work full time for the residents of Blanco.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Annual Toy Drive

In 2022 the Blanco Police Department conducted a Toy Drive during the Christmas Holiday. The Police Department collected and dropped off hundreds of gifts donated by the residents of Blanco. The toys were donated to the Highland Lakes Family Crisis Center. The Blanco Police Department would like to thank the Lowes Grocery Store and Ace Hardware, Old 300 BBQ, Tractor Supply, Security State Bank and Trust, The Ranch Smokehouse Deli, The Dollar General and many neighbors for your generous donations to our Christmas toy drive.



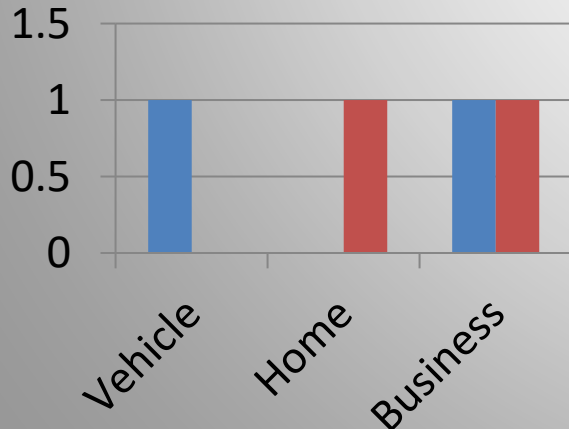
CRIME STATISTICS

INCIDENTS/OFFENSES

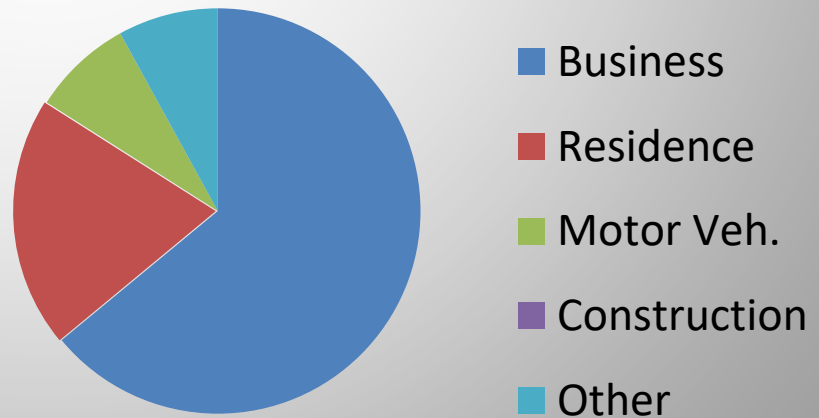
	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>+/-</u>	
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	4	6	50%	▲
SEXUAL OFFENSES	3	4	33%	▲
ASSAULTS	13	11	15%	▼
DECEASED PERSONS	5	4	20%	▼
MISSING PERSONS	5	9	80%	▲
RUN-A-WAYS	5	4	20%	▼
BURGLARY	12	4	66%	▼
LARCENY/THEFT	28	30	7%	▲
ARRESTS	126	78	38%	▼

BURGLARY BY TYPE & FORCE USED

■ FORCE ■ NO FORCE



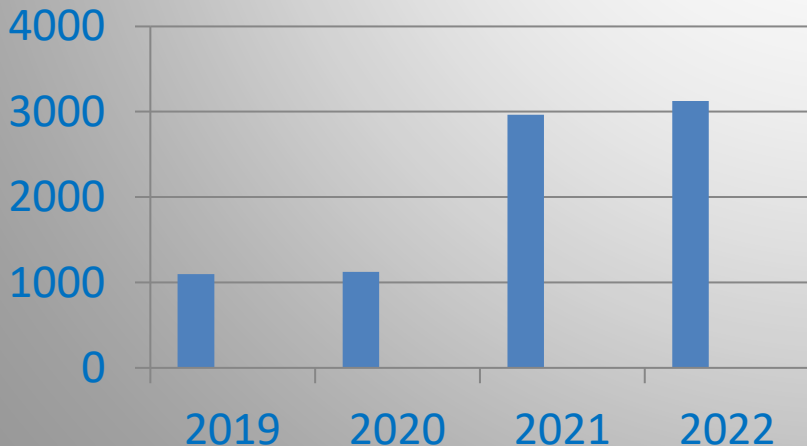
LARCENY/THEFT BY TYPE



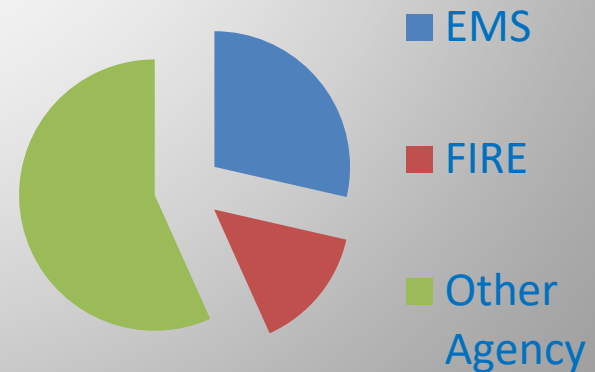
CALLS FOR SERVICE

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>+/-</u>
CALLS FOR SERVICE	2965	3124	▲ 5.36%
ASSIST OTHER AGENCY	199	262	▲ 32%
ASSIST EMS	80	132	▲ 65%
ASSIST BLANCO FIRE	25	68	▲ 172%
ACCIDENTS	80	99	▲ 24%
DISTURBANCES	51	61	▲ 20%
ALARMS	178	83	▼ 53%
SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY	262	230	▼ 12%
ASSIST PUBLIC	107	96	▼ 10%

TOTAL CALLS FOR SERVICE

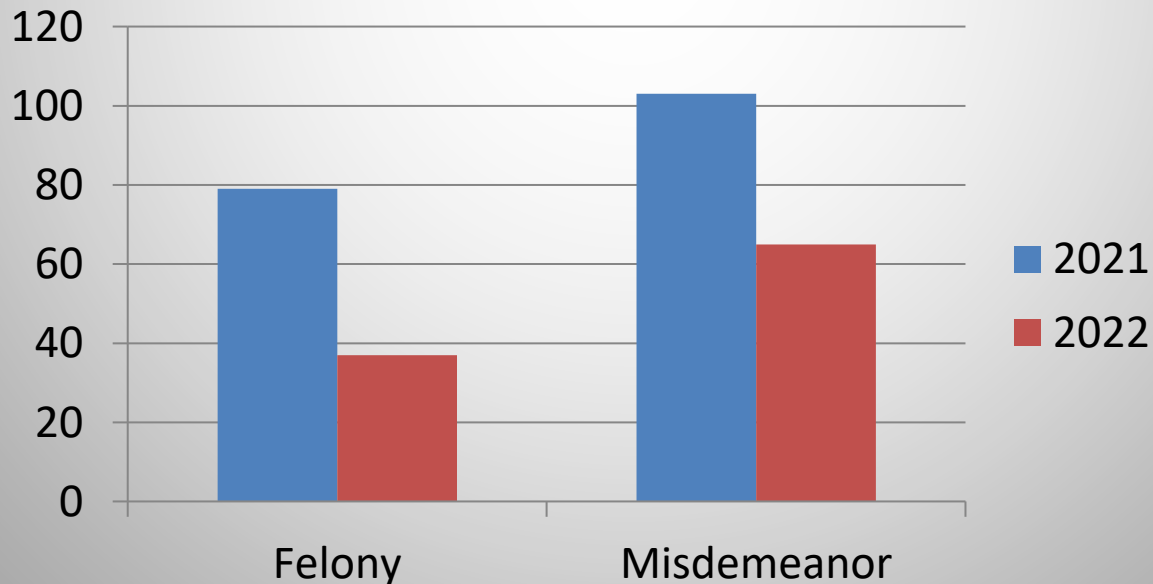


ASSISTANCE CALLS 2022



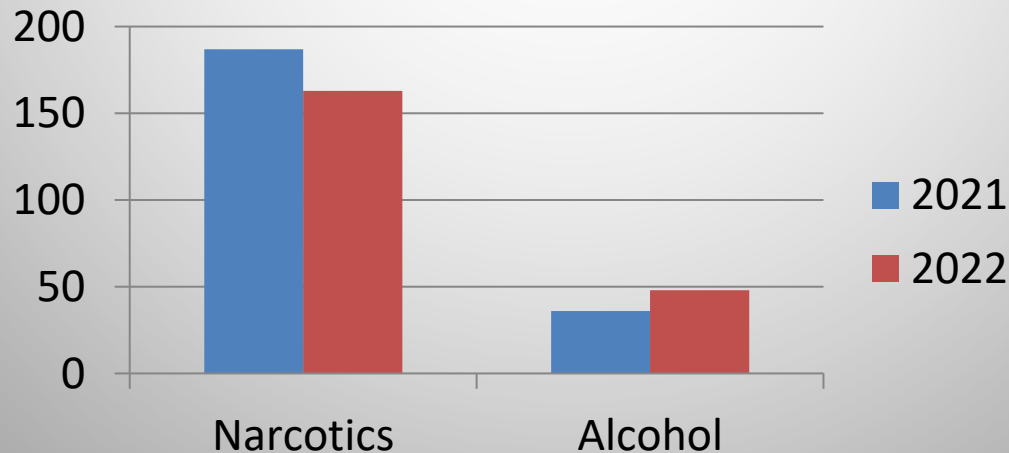
ARRESTS AND OFFENSES

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>+/-</u>
INDIVIDUALS	126	78	▼ 38%
OFFENSES	182	102	▼ 44 %
Resident	18	11	▼ 38%
Non Resident	108	67	▼ 38%
Felony	79	37	▼ 53%
Misdemeanor	103	65	▼ 37%



ALCOHOL & NARCOTICS

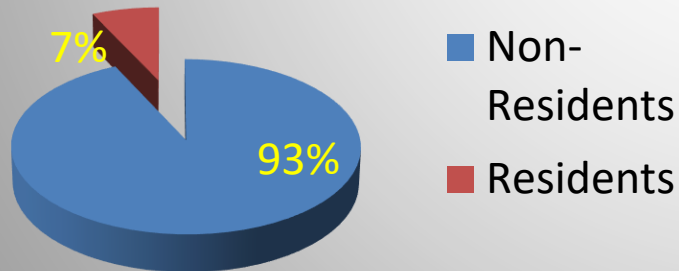
<u>ALCOHOL VIOLATIONS</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>+/-</u>	
DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED	12	15	▲	25%
PUBLIC INTOXICATION	9	7	▼	22%
OPEN CONTAINER	12	14	▲	16%
MINOR IN POSS.	3	12	▲	300%
 <u>NARCOTICS VIOLATIONS</u>				
HEROIN/OPIATES	1	2	▲	100%
COCAINE	4	3	▼	25%
METHAMPHETAMINE	16	19	▲	19%
RX/DANGEROUS DRUGS	20	10	▼	50%
MARIJUANA/THC/HASH	56	60	▲	7%
OTHER	0	0	---	
PARAPHERNALIA	90	69	▼	23%



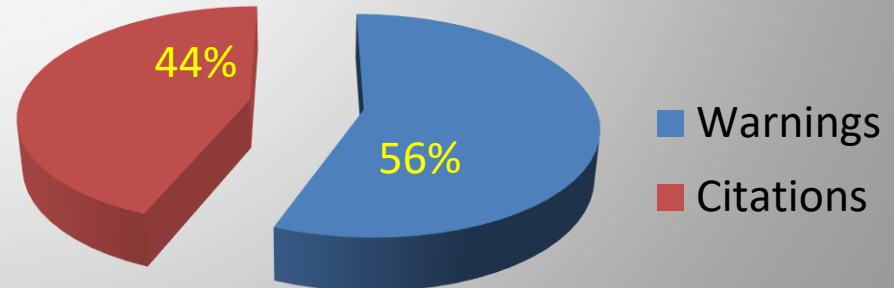
TRAFFIC STATISTICS

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	+/-
INDIVIDUALS STOPPED	2842	1834	35% ▼
CITATIONS	901	557	38% ▼
WARNINGS	1928	1269	34% ▼
CITATIONS – RESIDENTS	42	38	9% ▼
CITATIONS – NON RESIDENTS	720	546	24% ▼

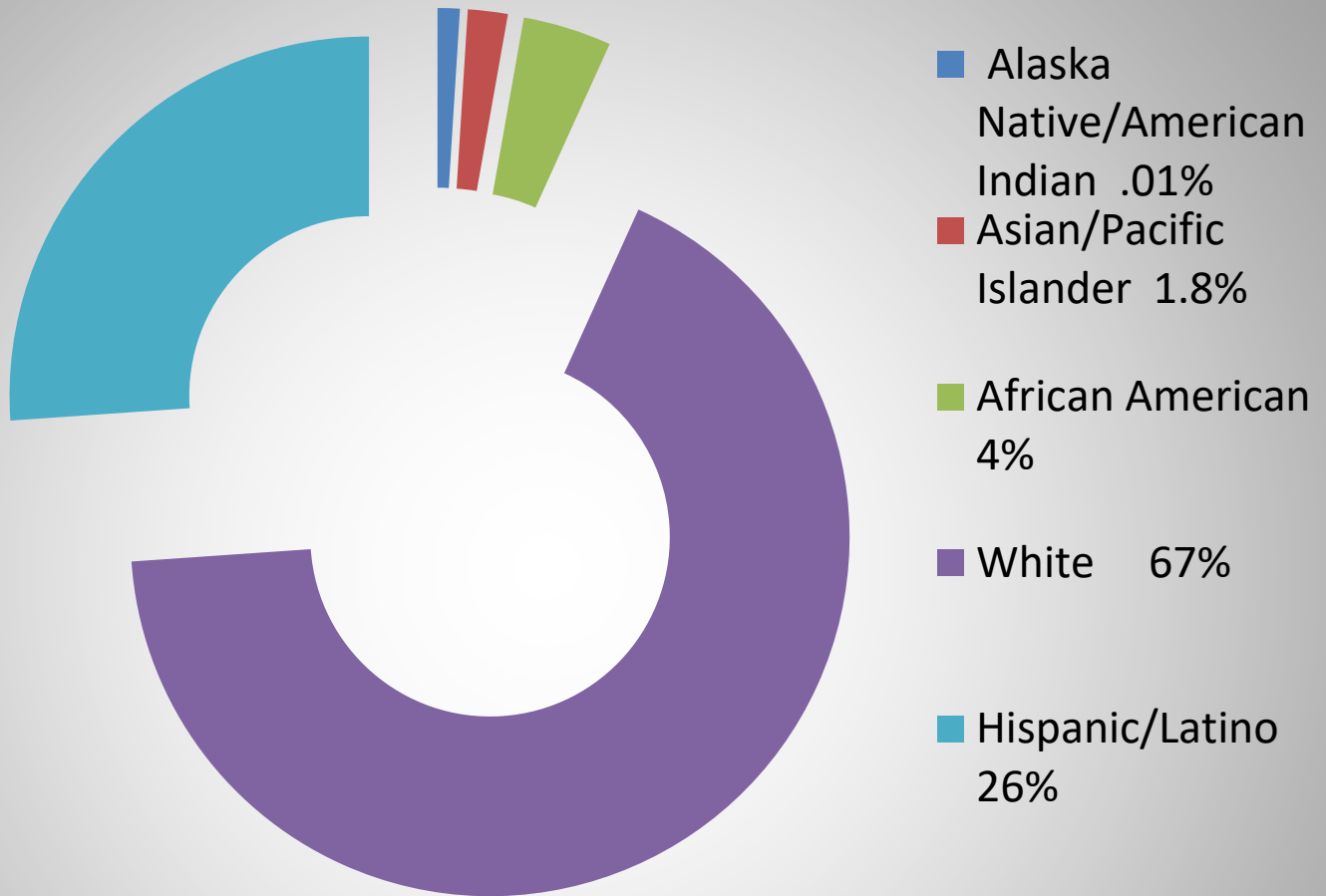
% RECEIVING CITATIONS



RATIO OF WARNINGS TO CITATIONS



RACIAL PROFILING DATA



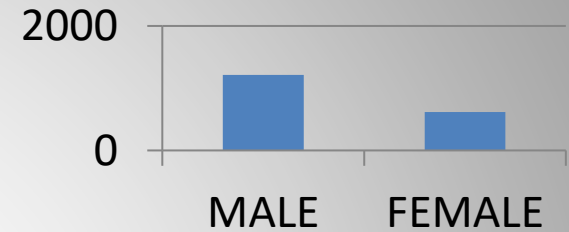
TOTAL BREAKDOWN FOR ALL INDIVIDUALS STOPPED

White	1237	67.4%
Hispanic	481	26.2%
African American	81	4.4%
Alaska Native/American Indian	2	.1%
Asian/Pacific Islander	33	1.8%

TOTAL BY GENDER

	<u>CONTACTS</u>
FEMALE	619
MALE	1215

CONTACTS 2021



RACE/ETHNICITY KNOWN PRIOR TO STOP

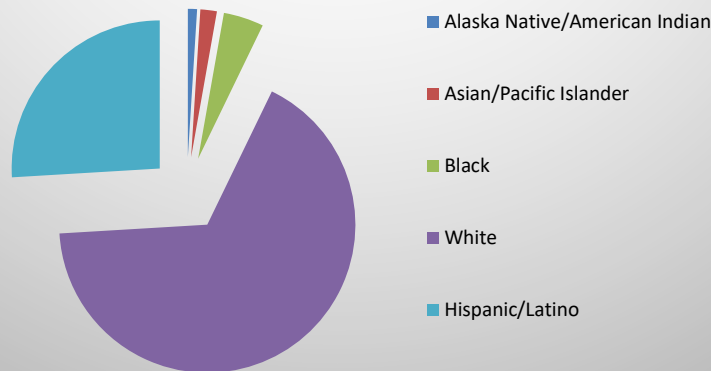
<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
112	1722

CITATIONS ISSUED BY RACE

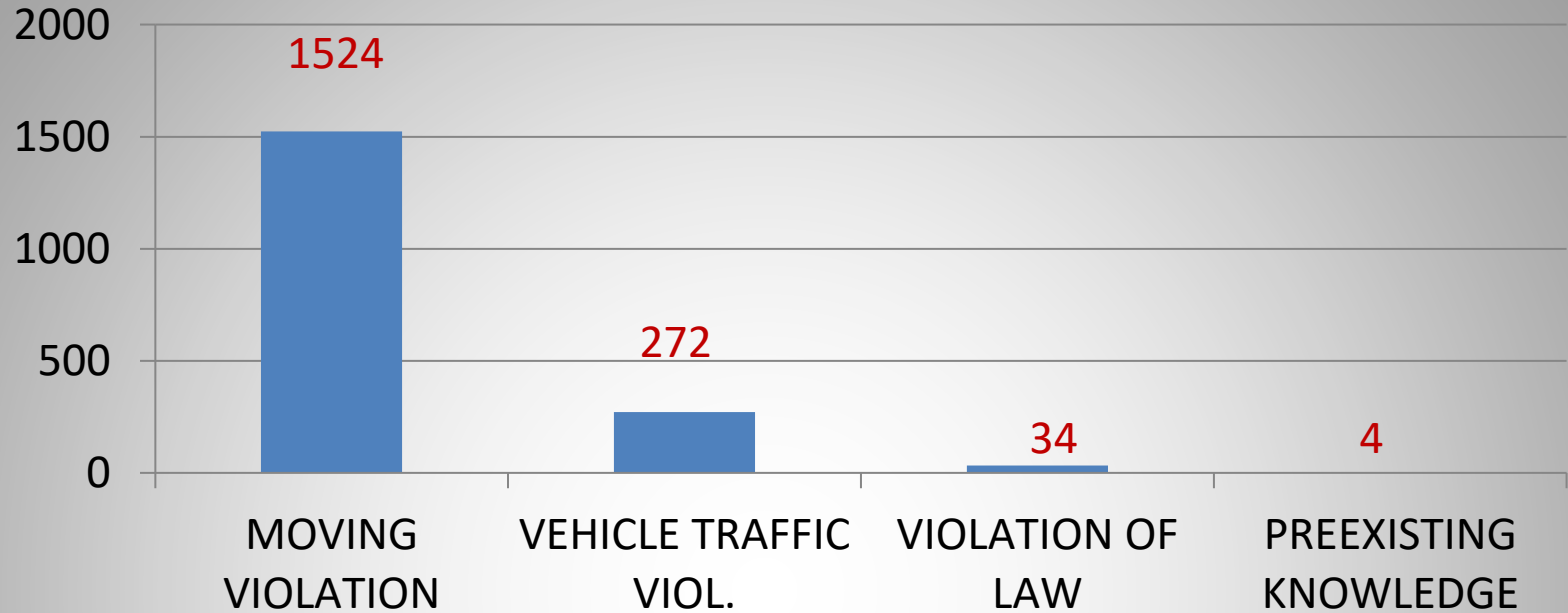
	<u>CITATION</u>	<u>WARNING</u>
WHITE	347	884
HISPANIC	176	303
AFRICAN AMERICAN	20	61
AK NATIVE/AMER. INDIAN	2	0
ASIAN/PACIFIC IS.	12	21

RACIAL PROFILE DATA PROVIDED BY KOLOGIK COPS SYNC MOBILE	% OF STOPS
MALE	66%
FEMALE	34%
ALASKA NATIVE/AMERICAN INDIAN	1%
ASIAN/PACIFIC ISLANDER	1.8%
BLACK	4.4%
WHITE	67%
HISPANIC/LATINO	26%

**Racial Profile Data Provided by Kologik
COPsync Mobile**



REASON FOR STOP/CONTACT



TYPES OF VIOLATIONS WRITTEN

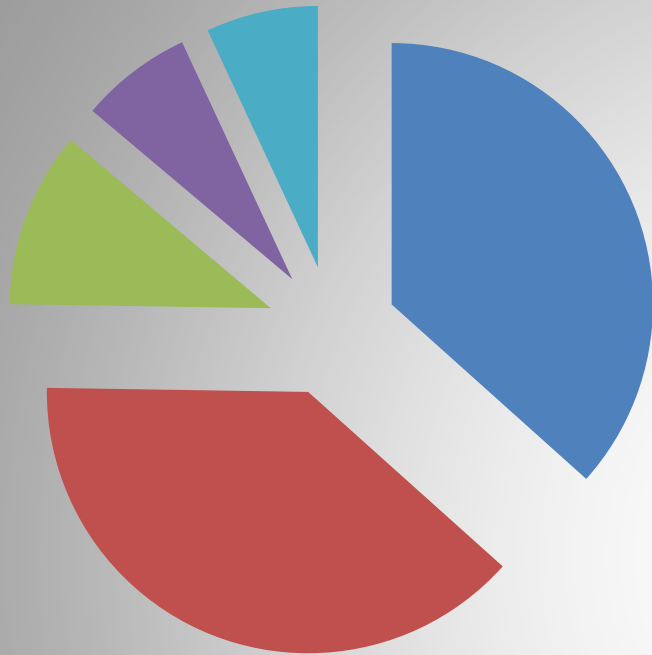
CITATIONS

SPEEDING	269
DRIVER'S LICENSE VIOL.	100
VEHICLE REGISTRATION	95
NO INSURANCE	51
DISREGARD STOP LIGHT/SIGN	25
EQUIPMENT VIOLATIONS	13

TOTAL SEARCHES FROM TRAFFIC STOPS

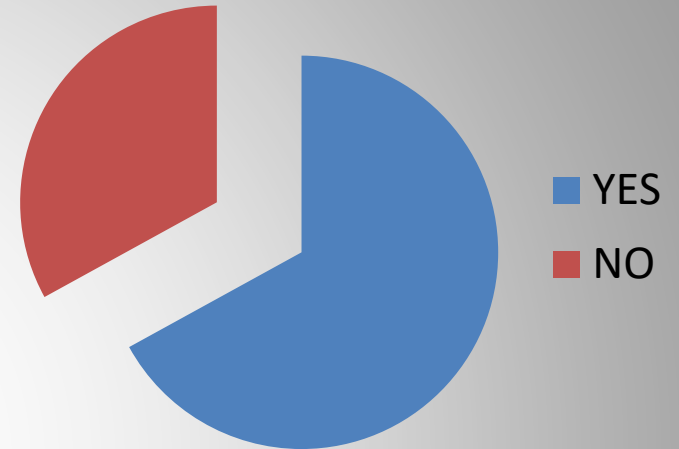
<u>TYPE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
CONSENT	48
INCIDENT TO ARREST	13
INVENTORY	8
PROBABLE CAUSE	46
NO SEARCH	1711
CONTRABAND	8

SEARCHES CONDUCTED



- PROBABLE CAUSE - 37%
- CONSENT - 39%
- INCIDENT TO ARREST - 11%
- CONTRABAND - 7%
- INVENTORY - 7%

WAS CONTRABAND FOUND



- YES
- NO

TYPE OF CONTRABAND FOUND DURING SEARCHES



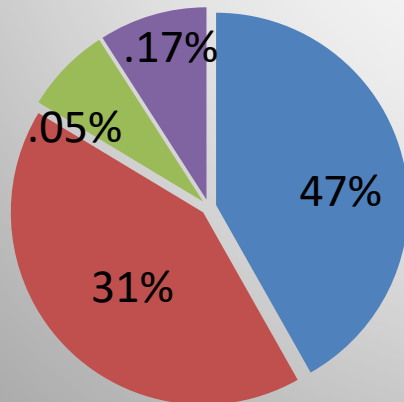
- DRUGS - 43%
- CURRENCY - 0%
- WEAPONS - 2%
- ALCOHOL - 36%
- OTHER - 19%

MISC. CALLS FOR SERVICE

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>+/-</u>
ACCIDENTS	80	90	▲ 12.5%
ALARMS	178	83	▼ 53%
CITY ORD. VIOLATION	22	23	▲ 4.5%
ANIMAL CALLS	38	76	▲ 100%
HOME WATCHES	1342	1107	▼ 17.5%

MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENTS

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	
One Vehicle	8	18	▲ 125%
Two Vehicles	40	61	▲ 52.5%
Three Vehicles	7	2	▼ 71.4%
Truck Tractor	2	3	▲ 50%
Vehicle Vs. Animal	7	6	▼ 14%



ACCIDENTS BY AREA 2022

- NORTH OF BLANCO RIVER
- SOUTH OF BLANCO RIVER
- EAST OF 281
- WEST OF 281

<u>ALARM CALLS</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>
911 HANG UP	61	85
ALARM	178	83
FIRE ALARM	5	4
MEDICAL ALARM	8	1

<u>CITY ORDINANCE VIOL.</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>
SIGNS	11	4
FIREWORKS	3	1
SOLICITORS	0	1
JUNK VEHICLE	0	1
ANIMAL AT LARGE	3	2
OTHER	5	19

<u>ANIMAL CALLS</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>
DEER CALLS	6	27
ALL OTHER	32	49

