



# Public Safety Committee Burleson Police Department

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Take Home Vehicle Program 4-8-2026

Chief Billy J. Cordell

# Objective

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Expand the Police Department's fleet of marked patrol vehicles to support the implementation of a take-home vehicle program for patrol officers.

Benefits:

1. Operational Readiness and Response
2. Retention of Officers
3. Recruitment of Officers
4. Increased Efficiency of Fleet



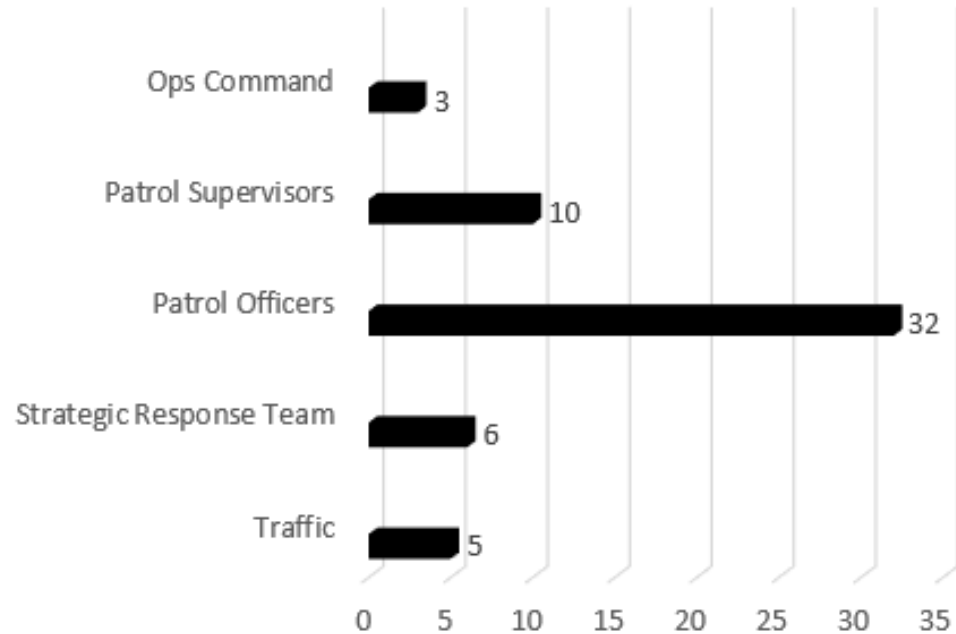
# Burleson Police Department Fleet Status

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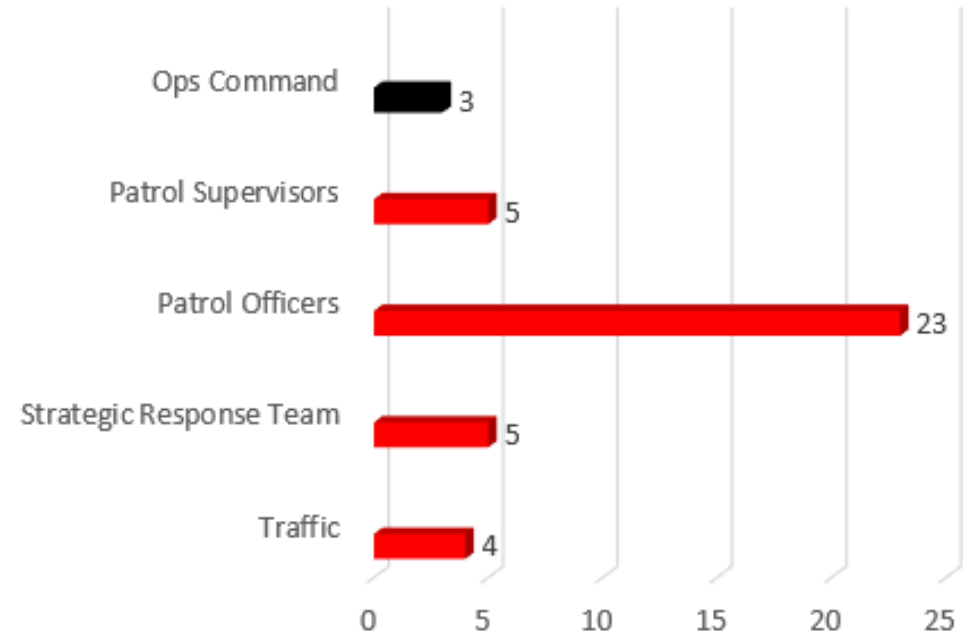
- **58 marked police vehicles** for use by 92 SWORN officers over 6 divisions
  - In addition to patrol usage, used for special events, critical incidents, off-duty employment as available
  - Includes three Marshal vehicles- 2 of 3 of their vehicles are take home
  - Includes 10 loaners
- **Operations Bureau- take home or assigned vehicles**
  - Command, Traffic, SRT
  - Patrol Supervisors temporarily had take-home cars, recalled due to vehicle shortages.
  - Patrol officers do not have take-home vehicles
- **Support Bureau**
  - Detectives- assigned vehicles- can temporarily take home due to construction
  - SRO's have assigned vehicles- can temporarily take home due to construction
  - CRO's have assigned vehicles- can temporarily take home due to construction
  - The Investigations lieutenant receives a stipend

# Operations- Vehicle to Officer Ratio

OPERATIONS BUREAU PERSONNEL

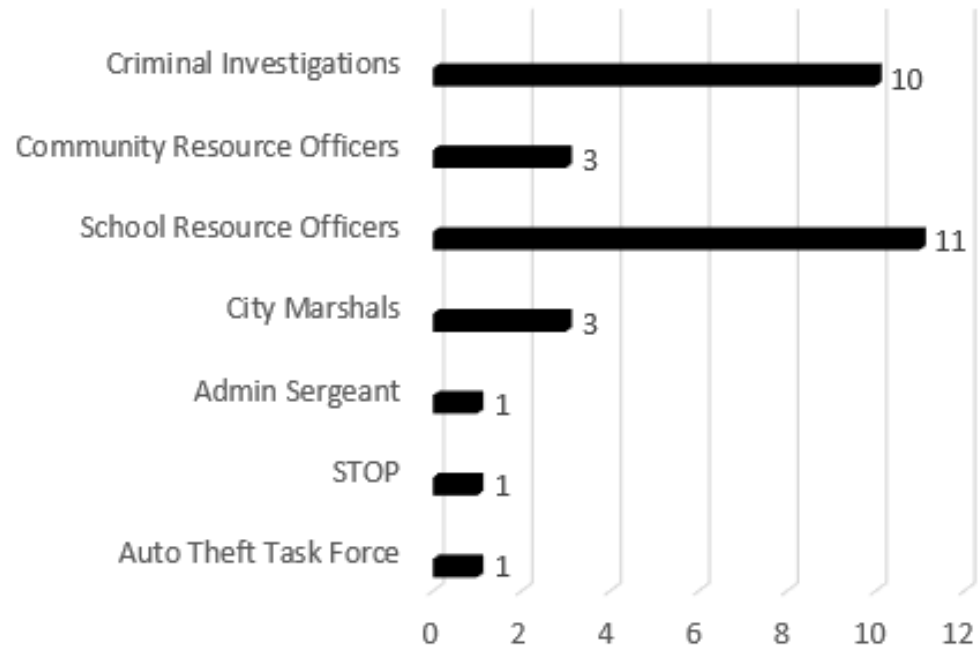


OPERATIONS BUREAU FLEET

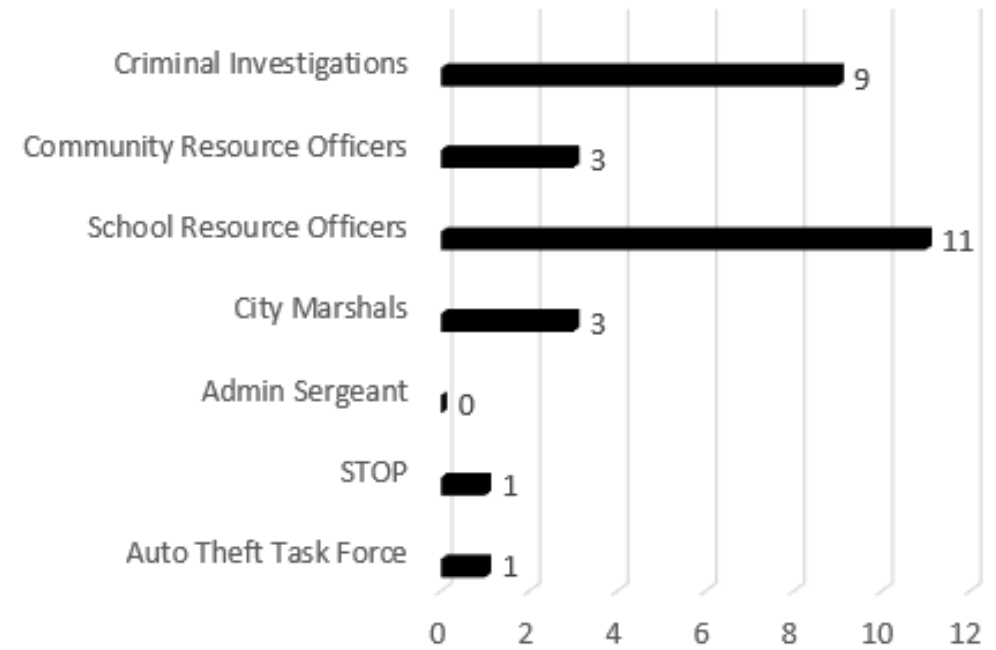


# Support- Vehicle to Officer Ratio

## SUPPORT BUREAU PERSONNEL



## SUPPORT BUREAU FLEET



# Current Operational Deficiencies

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Unit	Personnel	Current Vehicles	Needed
Supervisors	10	5	+5
Patrol Officers	32	23	+9
Traffic	5	4	+1
SRT	6	5	+1
Fleet Reserve/ Maintenance			+8

**Total Additional Vehicles Required: 24 Marked Units**

# Financial Impact

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Category	Quantity	Cost per Unit	Total
Marked Units	24	\$91,500	\$2,196,000

**Includes:**

Vehicle Purchase

Emergency Equipment Upfitting

Vehicle Graphics

# Financial Impact

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With reduced mileage, and wear and tear on the vehicles, the Equipment Replacement Plan of 5 years could increase to 7 years.

Expected inflation of 2.46% (number fleet uses) would put a vehicle purchased at \$91,500.00 after 7-years life expectancy at \$107,139.08.

2025 fuel consumption was 26,000 gallons for the Police Department.

Expected increase of 5,000 – 7,500 gallons a year to account for a maximum of 60 miles a shift / 14 shifts a month with officers driving their assigned vehicle home.

ERF Yearly Contributions of 24 vehicles at \$91,500 for 7 years would amount to an added \$313,371.43 to the Police Department's annual budget.

AXON- Additional 24 AXON in-car cameras will add an annual cost of \$72,000 to the contract.

# Operational Readiness & Downtime Needs

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Police vehicles routinely experience:

- Maintenance downtime
- Collision repairs
- Equipment installation delays
- High mileage and operational wear

To maintain **continuous operational capability**, fleet management best practices recommend maintaining **reserve vehicles**.

## Recommended Reserve Vehicles

**8 Additional Units** (fleet reserve)

# Maintenance

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Current data has shown that our vehicles assigned as take-homes with a single officer using the vehicle have had significantly less downtime, better overall care, and lower mileage.

<b>Vehicle Assignment</b>	<b>Average Mileage (Yearly)</b>
<b>School Resource Officers (Single Assigned)</b>	3,498
<b>Strategic Response Team (Single -Take Home)</b>	11,893
<b>Patrol (Multiple Assigned)</b>	18,058

# Comparable Cities Vehicle Programs

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Arlington PD – Has take homes for specialized units.

Cedar Hill PD – Has take homes for specialized units.

Cleburne PD – Has take homes for specialized units.

Coppell PD – Has take homes for specialized units.

Fort Worth PD – Has take homes for specialized units.

**Grand Prairie PD – Has a Patrol Take Home Program**

**Mansfield PD – Has a Patrol Take Home Program**

North Richland Hills PD – Take Homes available for some positions.

# Implementation

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## Acquisition of 24 marked patrol vehicles

- Spreading the purchase over three years reduces the risk of purchasing a batch of vehicles that may all have the same maintenance issues or manufacture defects.

Fiscal Year	Vehicles	Cost
Year 1 - FY2027	8	\$732,000
Year 2 - FY2028	8	\$732,000
Year 3 - FY2029	8	\$732,000



# Questions

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