



CITY COUNCIL REPORT CITY OF FAIR OAKS RANCH, TEXAS

AGENDA TOPIC: 2023 Annual Crime Statistics and Racial Profiling
DATE: February 15, 2024
DEPARTMENT: Police Department
PRESENTED BY: Tim Moring, Chief of Police

INTRODUCTION/BACKGROUND:

The 2023 Fair Oaks Ranch Police Department Annual Report is prepared by Command Staff, Investigations, and Administrative Assistants. The data within our annual report is collected throughout the year from all Officer-initiated activities, calls for service, reported crimes, racial profiling data, and some administrative services. Crime and calls for service data is collected from the Department's report writing platform, Tyler RMS. Along with crime statistics, the report includes a summary of community programs and services provided by the Department.

As required under Texas statutes. SB 1187, the Department is required to collect racial profiling data from all traffic stops conducted and submit a report to the State by March 1st of each year. The statute also requires the Department to report their racial profiling statistics to their governing body. The annual racial profiling report is generated from data compiled by the Department's ticket writing platform, Brazos Technologies. The data collected shows a statistical analysis of all traffic stops conducted by the Department, including, but not limited to, race/ethnicity, gender, reason for stop, searches conducted, and contraband found. Failure to submit the required report within the designated reporting period may result in license action against the chief administrator and/or civil penalties against the agency.

The Police Department's annual report can be found on the City's Police webpage under "Statistics." Additionally, a link to the webpage will be shared on all social media platforms currently used by the City.

On average, the City of Fair Oaks Ranch has seen increases between 2% and 6% in calls for service, traffic stops, and overall crime reports. In 2023, the data compiled in the annual reports follows this pattern. Year to year comparisons show minor increases across the report specifically related to criminal activity and calls for service for 2023. There were significant increases in Officer-initiated activity (traffic stops), home watches, and mental health related calls.

POLICY ANALYSIS/BENEFIT(S) TO CITIZENS:

The purpose of compiling this annual report is to provide the citizens of Fair Oaks Ranch an accurate and complete analysis of the yearly activity and calls received by the Police Department. Additionally, this report meets the statutory requirements under State law for reporting racial profiling statistics to our governing body.

LONGTERM FINANCIAL & BUDGETARY IMPACT:

Budgetary impacts are limited to staff time and supplies in compiling the data for the report.