

MEMORANDUM

Colorado City Police Department

Date: 02/11/2011

To: Esteemed City Council Members and Mayor

From: Chief John Bivins

Subject: 2010 Racial Profiling Report

I am happy to present to you the Colorado City Police Department 2010 Racial Profiling report. This report is required by law, and reflects all traffic-related stops made by police officers, where an arrest is made or a citation is issued.

Racial Profiling is defined as law enforcement initiated contact based on an individual's race, ethnicity, or national origin rather than on the individual's behavior or on information identifying the individual as having engaged in criminal activity. Racial profiling is strictly prohibited by members of the Colorado City Police Department and we have a policy which prohibits such acts. In addition, we are placing information regarding racial profiling on our City website and will provide a form for citizens to file a written complaint, if they feel that racial profiling has occurred. All vehicles that are regularly used for traffic enforcement have video cameras installed. All traffic stop videos are saved for 90 days, and a sample of traffic stops are reviewed for concerns by a supervisor.

I am pleased to announce that the data that we collected and analyzed suggests that we are inline with current demographics in Mitchell County, TX. The number of traffic citations and arrests for the various races or ethnic groups are similar to the actual racial makeup of Mitchell County. Please see the attached pages for a graphical representation of the traffic related contacts for 2010.

Respectfully,

Chief John Bivins