

## MCALLEN / PHARR / EDINBURG AREA INFORMATION – 2005 DATA

The following 2 tables provide information for 8 law enforcement agencies, taken from data self-reported by each agency. The tables are divided into 3 sections:

- The first section has 2 questions that address each agency's required compliance with the racial profiling law. *The answers to these questions should be **yes**.*
- The second section (in orange) has 2 questions that address each agency's non-required implementation of smarter policing practices. *Ideally, the answers to these questions would be **yes**.*
- The third section has 4 questions that address each agency's consent search practices. *Ideally, the answers to these questions would be **no**.*

If an agency's "answers" are not what we advise they be, it may be due to difficulties complying with the data collection and reporting provisions of the law. For suggestions that may help to address these problems, please read our report recommendations.

### *The following law enforcement agencies are included in this fact sheet:*

Brownsville Police Department  
Donna Police Department  
Edinburg Police Department  
Harlingen Police Department  
McAllen Police Department  
Palmview Police Department  
Pharr Police Department  
San Juan Police Department

### *Major Findings:*

- **1 of 8 agencies did not report all Tier 1 data elements**
- **1 of 8 agencies did not break out all Tier 1 data elements by race**
- **7 of 8 agencies provided additional, non-required data elements information**
- **No agencies included specific language about consent searches in their racial profiling policy**
- **2 of 8 agencies had a greater likelihood of consent searching Blacks than Anglos in 2005**  
*We were unable to calculate this information for 1 agency due to problems with data reporting*
- **1 of 8 agencies had a greater likelihood of consent searching Latinos than Anglos in 2005**  
*We were unable to calculate this information for 1 agency due to problems with data reporting*
- **2 of 8 agencies conducted more than 2 consent searches per 100 stops (the state average)**  
*We were unable to calculate this information for 1 agency due to problems with data reporting*
- **4 of 8 agencies had consent searches make up more than 33% of all searches (the state average)**  
*We were unable to calculate this information for 1 agency due to problems with data reporting*

	McAllen Police Department	Pharr Police Department	Edinburg Police Department	Donna Police Department
<i>Did the law enforcement agency...</i>				
Report all Tier 1 data elements?	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Break out all Tier 1 data elements by race?	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Provide additional, non-required data elements?	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Include specific language about consent searches in their racial profiling policy?	No	No	No	No
Have a greater likelihood of consent searching Blacks than Anglos in 2005?	Yes – Agency was 1050% more likely to consent search Blacks than Anglos	Agency conducted no consent searches of Blacks or Anglos	Yes – Agency was 70% more likely to consent search Blacks than Anglos	Agency conducted no consent searches of Blacks
Have a greater likelihood of consent searching Latinos than Anglos in 2005?	Yes – Agency was 310% more likely to consent search Latinos than Anglos	Agency conducted no consent searches of Anglos (for comparison)	No – Agency was 20% less likely to consent search Latinos than Anglos	No – Agency was 30% less likely to consent search Latinos than Anglos
Conduct more than 2 consent searches per 100 stops (the state average)?	No – Agency conducted 0.7 consent searches per 100 stops	No – Agency conducted 0.3 consent searches per 100 stops	Yes – Agency conducted 4.1 consent searches per 100 stops ( <i>this is more than 2 times the state average</i> )	No – Agency conducted 0.7 consent searches per 100 stops
Have consent searches make up more than 33% of all searches (the state average)?	No – 1.8% of searches were consent searches	Yes – 45.5% of searches were consent searches	Yes – 84.8% of searches were consent searches ( <i>this means the agency did not have a legal basis for the search during the vast majority of searches</i> )	No – 0.5% of searches were consent searches

	Palmview Police Department	San Juan Police Department	Harlingen Police Department	Brownsville Police Department
<i>Did the law enforcement agency...</i>				
Report all Tier 1 data elements?	Yes	No – Agency did not report arrests, total number of searches, or consent searches	Yes	Yes
Break out all Tier 1 data elements by race?	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
Provide additional, non-required data elements?	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Include specific language about consent searches in their racial profiling policy?	No	No	No	No
Have a greater likelihood of consent searching Blacks than Anglos in 2005?	Agency conducted no consent searches of Blacks	<b>Unable to calculate:</b> Agency did not provide consent search numbers	Agency conducted no consent searches of Blacks	Agency conducted no consent searches of Blacks
Have a greater likelihood of consent searching Latinos than Anglos in 2005?	No – Agency was 90% less likely to consent search Latinos than Anglos	<b>Unable to calculate:</b> Agency did not provide consent search numbers	No – Agency was 20% more likely to consent search Latinos than Anglos	No – Agency was 90% less likely to consent search Latinos than Anglos
Conduct more than 2 consent searches per 100 stops (the state average)?	Yes – Agency conducted 2.3 consent searches per 100 stops	<b>Unable to calculate:</b> Agency did not provide consent search numbers	No – Agency conducted 0.3 consent searches per 100 stops	No – Agency conducted 0.2 consent searches per 100 stops
Have consent searches make up more than 33% of all searches (the state average)?	Yes – 100% of searches were consent searches <i>(this means the agency did not have a legal basis for the search during any searches)</i>	<b>Unable to calculate:</b> Agency did not provide consent search or total search numbers	No – 15.8% of searches were consent searches	Yes – 84.6% of searches were consent searches <i>(this means the agency did not have a legal basis for the search during the vast majority of searches)</i>