



# Chattanooga Police Department

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Reference: Bias-Based Profiling Review, 2013

Chief Maffett,

As required in CPD Policy, ADM-15, this unit conducted an annual review of bias-based profiling issues for the 2013 calendar year.

Zone lieutenants, sector captains and the Office of Community Outreach were polled concerning input from citizens. There were no complaints received by any of those polled relating to bias based profiling in their areas.

In 2013 there were no internal affairs investigations relating to bias based profiling/harassment. This is a decrease over the previous year where there were 2 complaints/investigations.

During 2013 there were 29567 citations issued by CPD officers. When examined by race the numbers of citations issued match closely to the overall demographics of the city. Citations issued to African American drivers represent 39.6% of the total number, while African Americans represent 34.9% of the population in Chattanooga. Comparatively, citations issued to Caucasian drivers represent 54.8% of the total number, while Caucasians represent 58% of the population of the city.

In the same time period there were 5212 documented field interviews by members of the CPD. When examining by race: 49% were African American, 48% were Caucasian, 2% were Hispanic, and approximately 1% were other/unknown. When examining by gender: 21% were female and 79% were male. When compared to overall demographics of the city, African Americans are statistically over represented in field interviews.

There were 18 DUI cases that resulted in asset forfeiture. 67% involved Caucasian, 28% were African American, 5% were Hispanic.

Narcotics related forfeitures totaled 162. 78% involved African American males, 14% Caucasian males, 4% African American females, 2% Caucasian females, 1% Hispanic males,

and 0.6% Asian male. Narcotics related forfeitures continue to primarily occur due to enforcement activities of members of special investigations. Those officers primarily operate in areas that experience wide spread narcotics sales and historically have higher crime rates. This is the area of the city designated as sector two. Sector two demographics reflect a population comprising approximately 61% African American, 36% Caucasian, and 3% other. When examining overall drug arrests statistics, 65% involve African American males, 19% involve Caucasian male, 8% Caucasian female, and 8% African American female.

Arrest numbers in general indicate that African Americans represent 60.6%, Caucasians represent 39%, while all other races represent less than 1% of the total number of arrests for the year 2013.

During this annual evaluation it does not appear that there are patterns or practices by members of the Chattanooga Police Department that result in bias based profiling activities.