CITY OF HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA
INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM
POLICE DEPARTMENT

DATE: OCTOBER 8, 2015   **FILE:**

TO: **TOMAS SANCHEZ**
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                  INTERNAL AFFAIRS UNIT

SUBJECT: **BIAS-BASED PROFILING REVIEW**

ISSUE:

By October 15th of each year the Internal Affairs Unit will conduct an annual administrative review of Agency practices concerning Bias Based Policing, to include arrests, traffic contacts, field contacts, searches and seizures, and any asset seizure and forfeiture efforts .

EXPLANATION:

The administrative review of bias-based profiling has been completed in accordance with Commission for Florida Accreditation Standard 2.08. Agency records containing the required criteria, from October 1, 2014 to September 30, 2015, were reviewed.

In order to evaluate the enforcement actions reviewed in this report, below are included the residential demographics of the citizens within the City of Hollywood as of the 2010 United States Census.

- White: (47.5%)
- Black: (16.7%)
- Hispanic: (32.6%)
- Asian: (02.4%)
- Other: (05.0%)

Below are the different types of contact and the breakdown of the persons involved. Where the criteria allowed, ethnicity statistics are further broken down.

ARRESTS: Total arrests: 7169

- White: 3904   (54.45%)
- White-Hispanic: 591   (08.24%)
- Black: 1965   (27.45%)
- Black-Hispanic: 30   (00.41%)
- Indian: 26   (00.36%)
- Indian-Hispanic: 2   (00.02%)

- Asian: 27   (00.37%)
- Asian-Hispanic: 0   (N/A)
- Unknown: 1   (00.01%)
- Unknown-Hispanic: 623   (08.69%)

TRAFFIC CONTACTS: Total contacts: 29441

- White: 14622   (49.66%)
- White-Hispanic: 7598   (25.80%)
- Black: 6262   (21.28%)
- Black-Hispanic: 61   (00.2%)
- Indian: 96   (00.35%)
- Asian: 200   (00.67%)
- Unknown: 30   (00.10%)
- No Record: 572   (01.94%)

FIELD CONTACTS: Total contacts: 4963

- White: 3150   (63.46%)
- Black: 1712   (34.49%)
- Indian: 19   (00.38%)
- Asian: 32   (00.64%)
- Unknown: 3   (00.06%)
- No Record: 47   (00.94%)

SEARCH WARRANTS (Seizures):

There were a total of 75 search warrants (seizures) executed on real property or vehicles from October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2015. During that timeframe, suspects were identified and targeted in 63 of those said warrants. The race/ethnicity statistical data is broken down below. The information which led to the investigation resulting in these warrants came from a variety of sources. (i.e.; Citizen Complaints, Calls for Police Service, Patrol Assists.)

The search warrant (seizure) breakdown per Unit is as follows:

➢ Street Crimes Units: 12 Search Warrants
  - Race: Unknown

➢ Vice, Intelligence and Narcotics Unit: 11 Search Warrants
  - White: 9   (60.0%)
  - Black: 6   (40.0%)

➢ Criminal Investigations Division: 44 Search Warrants
  - White: 16   (37.0%)
  - Black: 26   (60.0%)
  - Indian: 1   (03.0%)

➢ Traffic Homicide Unit: 8 Search Warrants

- White: 7   (87.5%)
- Black: 1   (12.5%)

FORFEITURES:

There were a total of 40 forfeiture actions processed from October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2015. Fifty-Three (53) individuals were arrested and found to be in control of the seized property at the time of the arrest.

- White: 24   (45.28%)
- Black: 18   (33.96%)
- Indian: 1   (01.88%)
- Unknown: 10   (18.86%)

All forfeiture actions were handled by the City of Hollywood prosecutor A. Lanius. Each action was executed on its own merits as established by Florida Statute.

Citizen Complaints:

During this time, four (4) allegations of Biased Based Profiling were filed with the department, and each complaint was investigated pursuant to agency policy. See below for each type of contact which led to the complaint and the complaint's investigative outcome:

- Traffic Stop   (4) Not Sustained

No corrective measures needed to be taken in reference to the above incidents

Based upon the analysis of the data, adherence to Department SOP #121 BIAS-BASED PROFILING is being achieved as a result of current Departmental practices.

RECOMMENDATION:

For your review.

For action memoranda only

☑ Approved   ☐ Disapproved   by: _____
                                                                    Signature