

Memorandum
City of Lawrence
Police Department

To: Tom Markus, City Manager
From: Sergeant David Hogue
Cc: Tarik Khatib, Chief of Police
Date: August 8, 2016
Ref: Annual Racial or Other Bias-Based Policing Report

The Lawrence Police Department has reported all instances of racial profiling or other bias-based policing since 2006 as per requirements of Substitute Senate Bill 77. Per Substitute Senate Bill 77, an annual report is compiled and sent to the office of the Attorney General for the State of Kansas. Additionally, the Citizen Advisory Board on Fair and Impartial Policing examines all complaints of racial profiling along with our department's response to each instance.

Requirements of KSA 22-4610 (d)(1) state that each agency shall submit their report on or before July 31, to the office of the Attorney General for review. Between July 1, 2015 and June 30, 2016, there were two reports of racial profiling and no reports of other bias-based policing incidents. Attached is the Lawrence Police Department's summaries for racial profiling reports for the aforementioned time period.

If you have any questions about this issue they can be directed to me.



Sergeant David J. Hogue
Office of Professional Accountability

Attachments

Racial Profiling and Other Bias-Based Policing Case Summaries July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016

Case 16-6 Disposition: Unfounded

An individual alleged an officer initiated a traffic stop on her daughter and accused the daughter of drinking and using drugs based on her race and ethnicity. The investigation showed the officer conducted the traffic stop based on traffic violations. Evidence showed that due to the time of the traffic stop, weather conditions and the location of the officer as the vehicle traveled in front of the officer, the officer was unable to determine the race, gender or ethnicity of the driver until contact was made at the driver's window. The officer asked if the driver had been drinking but did not make any accusations of alcohol/drug use nor investigated further beyond the initial questions.

Case 16-7 Disposition: Investigation Suspended

An individual alleged an officer initiated a traffic stop based on her race. An initial investigation was begun, but suspended when complainant filed a case with the Attorney General's Office. The Department is cooperating with the investigation.