

Traffic Stop Annual Report #10 and Traffic Stop Quarterly Report 18: District Analysis MCSO Response

The Office has considered internal and external recommendations to address findings of disparity from the 18th Traffic Stop Quarterly Report (Q2 2025), which reported on the findings of the TSAR 10 analysis and the same analysis run at the district level. The IRG addressed the recommendations for both the TSAR 10 and TSQR 18 together because of the overlap in their analyses. It is often challenging to identify new operational measures designed to reduce disparities that may be impactful on top of the already significant efforts that MCSO has been implementing with its continual policy evaluation, training, inspections, and TSMR interventions.

Recommendation 1: Publish reports to website and brief District personnel through a series of ongoing Internal Town Halls to inform district command and personnel of results.

Action Item 1: TSAU sergeants and research staff conducted Town Halls across every district and shift to: 1) brief patrol on the findings of the TSQR 17, TSQR 18 and TSAR 10; 2) provide updates on *Melendres Order* activities; and 3) discuss ongoing “Hot Topics”, providing hands on, group and one-on-one mentorship across the office. (Completed)

Status Update 1: (Completed)

Recommendation 2: Continue to provide guidance to deputies on traffic enforcement priorities.

Action Item 1: Produce semi-annual traffic trends guide for line-level deputies and community members to refer to on our website. This guide will include a list of the most common ARS violations that are cited or warned in traffic stops, their appropriate use, and their associated citation and warning rates. This information can be viewed by deputies, including officers in training, as resource guide/tool post-academy that can support new deputies and inform their decision making to increase consistency and reduce outliers. (Ongoing, Completed)

Status Update 1: (Ongoing, Completed)

Recommendation 3: Continue to provide a real time traffic stop dashboard for patrol supervisors.

Action Item 1: Produce the Monthly Traffic stop dashboard for patrol sergeants, with deputy data aggregated by race, so sergeants can monitor patterns in traffic enforcement. (Ongoing since Q3 2024)

Status Update 1: (Ongoing, Completed)

Recommendation 4: Conduct a thorough review of traffic stop arrests.

Action Item 1: MCSO has proposed TSQR 20 to deep dive into arrest disparities to be published Q4 2025.

Status Update 1: (Completed)

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Recommendation 5: MCSO will conduct a review all statistically significant findings at the District level from TSQR 18, including examining any differences in stop length, citation rates, discretionary search rates and arrest rates. These include arrests rates in District 1, stop length and citation rates in District 3, stop length, arrest rates and discretionary search rates in District 5, arrest rates in District 6, and arrest rates in District 7.

Action Item 1: Publish a follow-up paper of findings from our examination into each districts findings.

Status Update 1: (Ongoing, Completed see [TRAFFIC STOP REPORTS | mcso-bio](#))

Recommendation 6: Improve data collection on the VSCF to include additional consent to search questions which specifically ask if consent was revoked prior to search being conducted after it was granted, or if consent was revoked after the search was started.

Action Item 1: Modify the VSCF to include those additional questions. (Completed 8/28/2025).

Status Update 1: (Completed)