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In accordance with MCSO's commitment to fair and equitable policing and transparency, the Office published the 11th Traffic Stop Annual Report (TSAR11) on June 30, 2026. This report examined MCSO's 2025 traffic stop activity to determine whether differences in enforcement actions existed across racial-ethnic groups along five benchmarks: stop length, citation rate, search rate, arrest rate, and seizure rate. The analysis found no differences in stop lengths or discretionary search rates among drivers of different racial-ethnic backgrounds. There were a few differences observed in the remaining benchmarks. Specifically, Hispanic drivers received citations at a rate 2.7% higher than White drivers. Traffic stops involving Hispanic, Black, and all racial-ethnic minority drivers resulted in approximately 3% higher rate of arrest than stops with White drivers. Additionally, seizure rates were lower for all racial-ethnic groups compared to White drivers on stops following a discretionary search. Although these differences were modest, MCSO is dedicated to evaluating and addressing disparities at any level and will conduct additional reviews through our Traffic Stop Quarterly Reports (TSQR) and continue our Traffic Stop Monthly Report (TSMR) processes to better understand the factors contributing to these outcomes. It is critical to note that the TSAR11 findings serve as a starting point for continued examination rather than a definitive conclusion, as the presence of statistical differences does not, by itself, establish bias. Over the last decade, MCSO has developed a solid understanding of what is driving the disparities that we have historically identified. These differences in outcomes have been driven by factors beyond any individual deputy's control, such as state laws, pre-existing warrants, or individual circumstances. After over 5 years of monthly reviews of every deputy's traffic stop outcomes, MCSO has not found any evidence of racial profiling or discriminatory policing as a result of the identified statistical differences. Nevertheless, MCSO recognizes that any observed disparity warrants careful examination and, when necessary, corrective action.

In addition to the TSARs, TSQRs, and TSMRs the Office has developed a robust data tracking system and early intervention protocols to detect disparities and address concerns early on. This data-driven approach, paired with MCSO's culture of accountability and community-centered policing proactively guards against biased practices. Furthermore, MCSO is collaborating with the Parties in the case to prepare and publish its Paragraph 70 Compliance Plan, within 60 days of the publication of this report. This plan will summarize all the work the Office has already done to ensure constitutional policing, including changes to policy, training, and processes implemented historically as well as any newly suggested actions after receiving input from the Parties in the case based on the results of this report. The Paragraph 70 Compliance Plan will be updated biannually and will be accessible here when published: [TRAFFIC STOP REPORTS | mcso-bio](#).

The Maricopa County Sheriff's Office remains committed to serving every member of our community. MCSO regularly engages with our Community Advisory Board, hosts community events throughout the year, and actively solicits feedback from residents and local leaders alike. Through continuous assessment and a willingness to acknowledge both strengths and areas for improvement, the Office remains dedicated to delivering public safety services in a manner that is honest, respectful, and upholds the dignity and trust of all members of Maricopa County.