



# 2021

## ANNUAL REPORT



# BROWNSVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT



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# CHIEF'S MESSAGE

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2021 proved to be yet another growing year for the Brownsville Police Department. Internally the agency continued its legacy system upgrade. Extramurally, our renewed culture, systems, practices, and relationships came to the test as our Brownsville community experienced historical weather events.

As our need for technological advancement and reliance remains a high priority, teams worked effortlessly, transferring loads of sanitized data onto our new records management system. The intense efforts of our team have aligned us with a hopeful early launch of our much-improved system. We remain committed to a full launch in 2022!

Brownsville experienced two historical weather events in 2021. The remanence of the events left our community with varied needs. We continued to serve our daily commitment to public safety and looked to fill gaps in the needs of our community. The historic freeze and flood events tested our prepositioned planning efforts, community relationships, and staff commitments.

We quickly pivoted and launched rescue teams, set up supply distribution events, and otherwise stepped up to our morphed police mandate. Our responses were made possible in significant part due to the assistance of our committed community partners and their support.

Our commitment to professional development continued in 21 as we launched our first-ever women's inclusion conference. The event's focus was to inspire our women in uniform to develop and seek leadership opportunities within our department and industry. The kickoff was very well received and accomplished with the support and participation of great female leaders within our community and state. Community partners were very supportive of the endeavor as well.

2021 was, without a doubt, a testing year. Weather events, growing mandates, and a need for continued professional growth placed our agency on evaluation mode. We proved capable of pivoting and flexing while maintaining our commitment to public safety as a priority. Our 2021 crime report will undoubtedly reflect our efforts as we experienced a 1% increase in overall crime from a historical 37% decrease in 2020.

Our men and women's unwavering commitment and efforts in service and tremendous community support are at the core of our overall efforts. Our crime report is a testament to our daily efforts through covid, challenges, and ever broadened police mandates.

A VERY GRATEFUL appreciation and thanks to our men and women for their service! We remain committed through 22 and beyond.

Yours, In Service I remain,

Felix Saucedo  
Chief of Police





# UNDERSTANDING CRIME REPORTING

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## NATIONAL PERSPECTIVE ON REPORTING CRIME

Transitioning from Uniform Crime Reporting to National Incident-Based Reporting System According to the National Incident-Based Reporting System, Volume 1: Data Collection Guidelines, by the U.S. Department of Justice,

“Since the establishment of the Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program in 1930, the volume, diversity, and complexity of crime steadily increased while the UCR Program remained virtually unchanged. Recognizing the need to address crime’s growing challenge, the law enforcement community in the late 1970s called for a thorough study of the UCR Program with the objective of revising the Program to meet law enforcement’s needs into the twenty-first century. The National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS) is the result of that study.”

In January 1989, the FBI began accepting NIBRS data from a handful of agencies. As more contributing law enforcement agencies learn about the rich data available through incident-based reporting (and as resources permit), more agencies are implementing the NIBRS. In 2016, the FBI Director agreed to transition the UCR Program to NIBRS-only data collection by January 1, 2021. Modernizing crime data reporting is no longer optional.

## UNDERSTANDING NIBRS FIGURES

NIBRS compiles detailed reports on two types of offenses: Group “A” offenses and Group “B” offenses. The two groupings are based on the amount of reporting required for each. Both incidents and arrests are reported for Group “A” offenses, while only arrests are reported for Group “B” offenses. The following criteria is used to determine whether a crime should be designated as a Group “A” offense:

1. The seriousness or significance of the offense.
2. The frequency or volume of its occurrence.
3. The prevalence of the offense nationwide.
4. The probability of the offense being brought to law enforcement’s attention.
5. The likelihood that law enforcement is the best channel for collecting data regarding the offense.
6. The burden placed on law enforcement in collecting data on the offense.
7. The national statistical validity and usefulness of the collected data.
8. The national UCR Program’s responsibility to make crime data available not only to law enforcement but to others having a legitimate interest in it.





# UNDERSTANDING CRIME REPORTING

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**Group “A” offenses are categorized into one of the three following categories:**

- |                            |   |   |
|----------------------------|---|---|
| 1) Crimes Against Persons  | = | Counts one offense for each victim  |
| 2) Crimes Against Property | = | Counts one offense for each distinct operation<br>(except motor vehicle theft / one offense is<br>counted per stolen vehicle) |
| 3) Crime Against Society   | = | Counts one offense for each violation   |

**NIBRS Group A includes the following Offenses:**

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Homicide Offenses</li><li>• Sex Offenses, Forcible</li><li>• Sex Offenses, Non-forcible</li><li>• Robbery</li><li>• Assault Offenses</li><li>• Burglary / Breaking and Entering</li><li>• Larceny / Theft Offenses</li><li>• Motor Vehicle Theft</li><li>• Arson</li><li>• Bribery</li><li>• Counterfeiting / Forgery</li><li>• Human Trafficking</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Destruction / Damage / Vandalism of Property</li><li>• Drug / Narcotic Offenses</li><li>• Embezzlement</li><li>• Extortion / Blackmail</li><li>• Fraud Offenses</li><li>• Gambling Offenses</li><li>• Kidnapping / Abduction</li><li>• Pornography / Obscene Material</li><li>• Prostitution Offenses</li><li>• Stolen Property Offenses</li><li>• Weapon Law Violations</li><li>• Animal Cruelty</li></ul> |
|---|---|

**NIBRS Group B includes the following Offenses:**

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Bad Checks</li><li>• Curfew/Loitering/Vagrancy Violations</li><li>• Disorderly Conduct</li><li>• Driving Under the Influence</li><li>• Drunkenness</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Family Offenses, Nonviolent</li><li>• Liquor Law Violations</li><li>• Peeping Tom</li><li>• Runaway</li><li>• Trespass of Real Property</li></ul> |
|--|---|

**All Other Offenses - 902** Crimes Against Persons, Property and Society

Definition - All crimes that are not Group A offenses and not included in one of the specifically named Group B crime categories list above.



**This report provides a snapshot of the Brownsville Police Department's National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS) data that was queried from the Records Management System (RMS) on January 4, 2022. The document will remain LIVE as the RMS system is updated regularly due to ongoing investigations. Data queried on or after January 4, 2022, could change or vary from other reports.**



# BROWNSVILLE CRIME INDEX COMPARISON 2021-2020

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In 2020, the City of Brownsville Police Department completely transitioned from the Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program to National Incident Based Reporting System (NIBRS). NIBRS was Implemented to improve the overall quality of crime data collected by law enforcement, NIBRS captures details on each single crime incident—as well as on separate offenses within the same incident—including information on victims, known offenders, relationships between victims and offenders, arrestees, and property involved in crimes. Unlike data reported through the UCR Program’s traditional Summary Reporting System (SRS)—an aggregate monthly tally of crimes—NIBRS goes much deeper because of its ability to provide circumstances and context for crimes like location, time of day, and whether the incident was cleared. The UCR utilized the reporting of seven index crimes, thus making it possible for measurement and analysis of the crime index. The seven index crimes are categorized as either crimes against persons or property crimes. Crimes against persons include murder, rape, robbery, and aggravated assault. Property crimes include burglary, larceny-theft, and motor vehicle theft. There are a number of differences between the UCR and the NIBRS yet the most important difference is that UCR is a summary based reporting system while NIBRS reports criminal offenses at the incident level. Unlike data reported through the UCR Program’s traditional Summary Reporting System (SRS)—an aggregate monthly tally of crimes—NIBRS goes much deeper because of its ability to provide circumstances and context for crimes like location, time of day, and whether the incident was cleared.



# 2021 - 2020 STATISTICS

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In calendar year 2021, there were a total of **3,319** index crimes in the City of Brownsville as compared to **3,289** in 2020. The crime index **increased by 0.91%** when compared to 2020.

OFFENSE	2021	2020	+/-	%
Murder	2	7	-5	-71.43%
Rape	72	50	22	44.00%
Robbery	132	152	-20	-13.16%
Aggravated Assault	432	383	49	12.79%
Burglary	358	397	-39	-9.82%
Burglary with Intent to commit assault*	56*	11**	45	
Theft	2,191	2,179	12	.55%
Motor Vehicle Theft	132	121	11	9.09%
TOTALS	3,319	3,289	30	0.91%

\* Figure was included with burglary count above, this is a new category that is being tracked separately. There were 302 burglaries in 2021 and 56 Burglaries with intent to commit assault in 2021, the total calculated value to compare with previous years is 358

\*\* Figure was included with burglary count above, this is a new category that is being tracked separately. There were 386 burglaries in 2020 and 11 Burglaries with intent to commit assault in 2020, the total calculated value to compare with previous years is 397





# 2021 HOURLY STATISTICS

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2021 HOURLY STATISTICS	
Index Crime Offense	One <b>INDEX CRIME</b> every <b>2</b> hours and <b>38</b> minutes
Property Crime	One <b>PROPERTY CRIME</b> every <b>3</b> hours and <b>16</b> minutes
Burglary	One <b>BURGLARY</b> every <b>24</b> hours and <b>28</b> minutes
Theft	One <b>THEFT</b> every <b>4</b> hours
Motor Vehicle Theft	One <b>MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT</b> every <b>2.8</b> days
Person Crime	One <b>PERSON CRIME</b> every <b>13</b> hours and <b>44</b> minutes
Murder	One <b>MURDER</b> every <b>182.5</b> Days
Rape	One <b>RAPE</b> every <b>5.1</b> days
Robbery	One <b>ROBBERY</b> every <b>2.8</b> days
Aggravated Assault	One <b>AGGRAVATED ASSAULT</b> every <b>20</b> hours and <b>16</b> minutes



# 10-YEAR COMPARISON

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	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Murder	3	1	6	3	4	6	2	0	7	2
Rape	38	61	103	53	50	79	59	64	50	72
Robbery	125	136	138	154	130	133	134	144	152	132
Aggravated Assault	307	275	312	292	264	259	474	460	383	432
Burglary	1,145	1,140	1,068	1,015	917	661	557	631	397	358
Theft	6,986	6,441	6,258	6,498	4,960	4,374	4,116	3,800	2,179	2,191
M.V. Theft	206	257	179	143	151	141	136	122	121	132
<b>Total</b>	<b>8,810</b>	<b>8,311</b>	<b>8,064</b>	<b>8,158</b>	<b>6,476</b>	<b>5,653</b>	<b>5,478</b>	<b>5,221</b>	<b>3,289</b>	<b>3,319</b>
+ / -	122	-499	-247	94	-1,682	-823	-175	-257	-1,932	30
<b>% change</b>	<b>1.40%</b>	<b>-5.66%</b>	<b>-2.97%</b>	<b>1.17%</b>	<b>-20.62%</b>	<b>-12.71%</b>	<b>-3.10%</b>	<b>-4.69%</b>	<b>-37.00%</b>	<b>0.91%</b>



# 2021 – 2020 CRIME RATE COMPARISON

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Crime rates are compiled to compensate for the changes in population and reflect the number of people affected by crime in a given population and are expressed as the number of crimes per 100,000 residents.

As of April 1, 2020, the estimated population for Brownsville was 186,738\*, an increase of 3,957 from July 1, 2019's estimated population of 182,781. The Census Site does not show a population estimate for 2021 at the time this report was produced.

During calendar year 2021, Brownsville's crime rate was 1,777.4 index crimes per 100,000 persons. The crime rate decreased by 21.9 index crimes per 100,000 in population which translates into a 1.2% decrease when compared to 2020's crime rate and population.

Crimes Against Persons	OFFENSE	2021	2020
Per 100,000 in Population	MURDER	1.1	3.8
	RAPE	38.6	27.4
	ROBBERY	70.7	83.2
	AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	231.3	209.5
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>341.7</b>	<b>323.9</b>

Crimes Against Property	OFFENSE	2021	2020
Per 100,000 in Population	BURGLARY	191.7	217.2
	THEFT	1,173	1,192.0
	M.V. THEFT	70.7	66.2
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,435.7</b>	<b>1,475.4</b>
		<b>1,777.4</b>	<b>1,799.3</b>

\* U.S. CENSUS BUREAU: <https://www.census.gov/quickfacts/brownsvillecitytexas>



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Crimes against persons and property crimes are the two categories in which the seven index crimes are classified into. In 2021, **19.22%** of the crimes reported were crimes against persons and **80.78%** were property crimes

## PERSON CRIMES

Crimes against persons are the personal confrontation between the perpetrator (suspect) and the victim. Due to this nature, crimes against persons are considered to be more serious than property crimes.

PERSON CRIMES	2021	%
Murder	2	0.31%
Rape	72	11.29%
Robbery	132	20.69%
Aggravated Assault	432	67.71%
TOTAL	638	100%

A total of **638** person crimes occurred during 2021, a **7.77%** increase from the **592** reported in 2020. The 2021 crime rate was **341.7** person crimes per 100,000 persons. Aggravated assault accounted for **67.1%** of all person crimes. Robbery accounted for **20.69%**, rape accounted for **11.29%**, and murder accounted for **0.31%**.





# 2021 – 2020

## CRIME RATE COMPARISON

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### PROPERTY CRIMES

Crimes against property include the offenses of burglary, theft and motor vehicle theft. The object of the theft-type offenses is the taking of money or property, but there is no force or threat of force against the victims.

PROPERTY CRIMES	2021	%
Burglary	358	13.35%
Theft	2,191	81.72%
Motor Vehicle Theft	132	4.92%
TOTAL	2,681	100%

A total of **2,681** property crimes occurred in 2021 as compared to **2,697** in 2020. Property crimes decreased **0.52%** in 2021 compared to 2020. The 2021 crime rate was **1,435.7** property crimes per 100,000 citizens as compared to **1,475.4** for 2020. Theft accounted for **81.72%** of all property crimes. Burglary accounted for **13.35%** and auto theft accounted for **4.92%**.



# 2021 – 2020 CRIME RATE COMPARISON

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## MURDER

Murder and non-negligent manslaughter as defined in NIBRS is the willful (non-negligent ) killing of one human being by another. This offense category includes any death due to a fight, argument, quarrel, assault or commission of a crime. Attempted murder and assaults with the intent to kill are not counted as murder, but are included in NIBRS as aggravated assault. Suicides, accidental deaths, and justifiable homicides are also excluded from the murder classification.

	2021	2020	+/-	%
Murder	2	7	-5	-71.43%
TOTAL	2	7	-5	-71.43%

The murder rate in Brownsville for 2021 decreased by five, a **71.43%** decrease. The rate of murders per capita (every 100,000 persons) for 2021 was **1.1**.



# 2021 – 2020 CRIME RATE COMPARISON

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## RAPE

In January 2014, Texas Law enforcement agencies began reporting Rape information using the FBI's revised Rape definition. This new definition marked a significant change to the way Rape data is collected.

	2021	2020	+/-	%
Rape	72	50	22	44%
TOTAL	72	50	22	44%

The number of rape incidents increased to **72** in 2021 as compared to **50** in 2020. The rate of rapes per capita (every 100,000 persons) for 2021 was **38.6**.



# 2021 – 2020

## CRIME RATE COMPARISON

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### ROBBERY

Robbery, in NIBRS is defined as the taking or attempting to take anything of value from the care, custody, or control of a person or persons by force, threat of force or violence, or by putting the victim in fear. It is a violent crime that frequently results in injury to the victim. Included in this category are assaults to commit robbery and attempted robberies.

	2020	2020	+/-	%
Robbery	132	152	-20	-13.16%
TOTAL	132	152	-20	-13.16%

The Robbery rate in Brownsville for 2021 decreased by **13.16%** as compared to 2020. The rate of robbery per capita (every 100,000 persons) for 2021 was **70.7**.





# 2021 – 2020 CRIME RATE COMPARISON

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## AGGRAVATED ASSAULT

Aggravated Assault is defined in NIBRS as an unlawful attack by one person upon another for the purpose of inflicting severe or aggravated bodily injury. This type of assault is usually accompanied by the use of a weapon or by means likely to produce death or great bodily harm. Statistics for aggravated assault include attempts to commit aggravated assault.

	2021	2020	+/-	%
Aggravated Assault	432	383	49	12.79%
TOTAL	432	383	49	12.79%

The aggravated assault rate in Brownsville for 2021 increased by **12.79%** when compared to 2020. The rate of aggravated assault per capita (every 100,000 persons) for 2021 was **231.3**.



# 2021 – 2020

## CRIME RATE COMPARISON

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### BURGLARY

Burglary, for NIBRS purposes is the unlawful entry of a structure with the intent to commit a felony or a theft. While the use of force to gain entry is not required to classify an offense as burglary, attempted forcible entries to commit burglary are counted in this crime's statistics.

	2021	2020	+/-	%
Burglary	358	397	-39	-9.82%
TOTAL	358	397	-39	-9.82%

The burglary rate in Brownsville for 2021 decreased by **9.82%** when compared to 2020. The per capita rate (every 100,000 persons) for 2021 was **191.7**

### Clearance

A total of **83** cases were cleared with **97** arrests compared to **183** in 2020. This is a **20.7%** clearance which is above the national rate of **13.5%**. Burglary arrests **decreased** by **40.3%** when compared to 2020. The estimated value of property reported stolen from burglaries was **\$161,454.00**.

MONTH	STOLEN	RECOVERED
January	\$24,326	\$10,320
February	\$25,787	\$5,245
March	\$14,444	\$12,550
April	\$87,642	\$34,329
May	\$48,681	\$2,850
June	\$16,258	\$300
July	\$28,406	\$3,760
August	\$108,372	\$9,350
September	\$58,563	\$31,000
October	\$34,753	\$1,875
November	\$20,203	\$875
December	\$17,740	\$49,000
TOTAL	\$485,175	\$161,454.00



# 2021 – 2020

## CRIME RATE COMPARISON

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### THEFT

Larceny/Theft in NIBRS is the unlawful taking, carrying, leading, or riding away of property from the possession or constructive possession of another. Larceny/Theft includes crimes such as shoplifting, pocket-picking, purse snatching, thefts from motor vehicles, theft of motor vehicle parts and accessories, bicycle thefts, and other things of value in which no use of force, violence, or fraud occurs. In the NIBRS program, this crime does not include embezzlement, “con” games, forgery, and the passing of worthless checks. Motor vehicle theft is not included in this category as it is a separate index crime offense.

	2021	2020	+/-	%
Theft	2,191	2,179	12	0.55%
TOTAL	2,191	2,179	12	0.55%

The theft rate in Brownsville for 2021 increased by **.55%** when compared to 2020. The per capita (every 100,000 persons) for 2021 was **1,173**. Estimated losses for all thefts were valued at **\$ 1,888,240.00**

### Values

MONTH	LESS THAN \$50	\$50 - \$200	\$200 - OVER
January	\$937	\$7,217	\$133,291
February	\$724	\$6,467	\$155,660
March	\$889	\$5,699	\$154,350
April	\$1,035	\$7,018	\$143,321
May	\$968	\$7,251	\$147,409
June	\$742	\$4,781	\$88,959
July	\$1,041	\$6,919	\$143,421
August	\$681	\$4,591	\$170,084
September	\$777	\$5,856	\$104,219
October	\$717	\$5,535	\$238,272
November	\$902	\$4,443	\$158,455
December	\$735	\$8,166	\$250,799
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>10,148</b>	<b>73,943</b>	<b>1,888,240</b>



# 2021 – 2020

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### MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT

Motor Vehicle Theft, for NIBRS purposes, is the theft or attempted theft of a motor vehicle. A motor vehicle is defined as a self-propelled vehicle that travels on the surface but not on rails. Specifically excluded from this category are motorboats, construction equipment, airplanes, and farming equipment.

	2021	2020	+/-	%
Motor Vehicle Theft	132	121	11	9.09%
TOTAL	132	121	11	9.09%

TOP VEHICLE MAKES STOLEN	2021
Foreign	42
Chevrolet	25
Dodge	22
GMC	17
Ford	21
TOTAL	127*

The motor vehicle theft rate in Brownsville increased by **9.09%** in 2021 when compared to 2020. The per capita rate (every 100,000 persons) was **70.7**. Estimated value of all motor vehicle thefts is approximately **\$1,562,340.00**.

The Auto Burglary and Theft Task Force is a grant funded resource provided by the Auto Burglary Theft Prevention Authority (ABTPA). The Brownsville Police Department is awarded this grant and serves as the project manager in the program area, which is comprised of elements from Brownsville PD, Edinburg Police Department, Pharr Police Department and McAllen Police Department. The total grant amount for this year is **\$1,020,922.00**; this covers **70%** of salaries and provides a budget for equipment and materials.

The goal of the Auto Burglary and Theft Task Force is to reduce the number of incidents of auto theft and auto burglary. The Task Force plan includes intelligence sharing, public awareness campaigns along with an aggressive strategy to locate, arrest and prosecute suspects that commit burglary of motor vehicle and auto theft crimes.

\* Top 5 vehicle makes stolen do not include motorcycles or commercial vehicles.





# 2021 – 2020 CRIME RATE COMPARISON

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## Volume

A total of **132** auto thefts were reported during 2021.

A total of **645** burglary of motor vehicle reports were reported this year.

## Value of Stolen Vehicles

In 2021, motor vehicle theft victims suffered losses totaling **\$1,544,497.00**.

This total value loss represents an **increase** of **19%** when compared to 2020 where total motor vehicle theft losses were of **\$1,297,560.00**.

The average dollar loss per motor vehicle theft was **\$11,700.73** an **increase** from **\$10,723.63** in 2021.

## Recoveries

In 2021, **180** stolen vehicles were recovered.

The total value for the vehicles recovered in 2021 is **\$2,191,404.00** with an average of **\$12,174.46** per vehicle.

## Motor Vehicle Theft Arrests

In 2021, Brownsville Police arrested **165** persons for motor vehicle theft or related offenses; when compared to **223** for 2020, this represents a **26% decrease**.

## Persons Arrested

Adult males arrested represented **78%** of all Auto Theft related offenses, while adult female represented **16%**. Male juvenile represented **6%**, while female juveniles represented **0%**.

## M.V. THEFTS BY LOCATION TYPE

Residential	67
Business/Shopping Centers	43
Apartment Complexes	13
Motel/Hotel	8
Other (Robbery Burglary)	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>132</b>

MONTH	VEHICLES RECOVERED
January	19
February	14
March	17
April	12
May	15
June	21
July	14
August	15
September	10
October	14
November	16
December	13
<b>Total</b>	<b>180</b>



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## ROTATING PATROL SHIFTS AND TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT

	2021	2020
Calls for Service	108,421	117,365
Crashes	3,919	3,194
Alcohol Related Accidents	412	117
Speed Related Accidents	1,135	1,024
Accident Fatalities	10	4
Traffic Citations	16,095	17,624
Intersection Traffic Control	881	663

## ANIMAL CONTROL AND PARKING ENFORCEMENT

Activity	2021	2020	+/-	%
Calls for Service	12,684	11,932	752	6.30%
Animal Bites	455	422	33	7.82%
Loose Animal	4,669	3,316	1,353	40.80%
Animal Disturbances	979	1,248	-269	-21.55%
Citations Issued	16,095	17,624	-1,529	-8.68%
Parking Enforcement Citations	2,920	336	2,584	769.05%
Total Calls for Service	37,802	34,878	2,924	8.38%



# NARCOTICS AND CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE ENFORCEMENT UNIT

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The Narcotics and controlled Substance Enforcement Unit operates investigations of “street level narcotics” and its participants.

NARCOTIC	QUANTITY		OTHER	QUANTITY
Cocaine	84,493.26 gm		Xanax/Alprazolam	1,209 units / 302 gm
Marijuana	406.52 lbs		Clonazepam	4 units / .60 gm
Heroin	1,313.90 gm		Oxycodine	8.54 gm
Methamphetamine	44,999.60 gm		THC	287.80 gm
Synthetic Marijuana	7.05 gm		Weapons	10
THC Concentrate	43.45 gm		Vehicles	6
Ecstasy	59.20 gm			
			CURRENCY	\$ 371,592.00 USD

*Drug seizure information is presented in compliance with article 4476-15 5.14 VACS and its requirement that, "All law enforcement agencies in this state shall file monthly with the (DPS) Director a report of all arrests for drug offenses made and quantities of controlled substances seized by them during the preceding month."*



# HAZARDOUS DEVICES UNIT

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## HAZARDOUS DEVICES UNIT

The Hazardous Devices Unit has the responsibility to not only keep up minimum training levels to maintain our certification, but to also recognize our national role as the front line against terrorist plots that involve explosive devices.

As a nationally accredited Bomb Squad, it is incumbent upon the unit to remain vigilant to new threats and participate in programs that develop new policies, techniques, and equipment.



EVENTS 2021	VOLUME
Found Explosives	3
Suspect Packages / Insert Devices	4
Bomb Threats	1
EOD K-9 / Dignitary Sweeps	2
Presentations	1
<b>Total Calls</b>	<b>11</b>



# STATISTICAL FACTS

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The **Domestic Violence Unit** investigated following number of family violence cases:

**229**

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The **Youth Services Unit** investigated the following number of juvenile cases:

**230**

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Cases investigated by **Property Crime Investigators**:

**804**

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Scenes processed by **Crime Scene Technicians**:

**560**

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**Case Preparations** processed the submission of the following cases to the  
Cameron County District Attorney's Office:

**1,714 misdemeanors / 619 felonies**

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The **Fugitive Apprehension Unit** made these many arrests:

**83**

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**Burglary Investigators** investigated these number of cases in 2021:

**306**

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In 2020, the number of cases investigated by **Burglary Investigators** was:

**386**

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The 386 cases consist of the following types of reports:

**177 habitation / 125 building/business**

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The number of burglaries in 2021 represent this overall change when compared to 2020.

**9.82 % decrease**

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The national clearance rate average is 13.5% -- Our Burglary Investigators' clearance rate is:

**20.7%**

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Burglary arrests rates in 2020 were 183 as compared to the following in 2021:

**97**

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This is a representation of the following change in arrests:

**46.99 % decrease**

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The value of recovered stolen property from burglary cases is estimated at:

**\$161,454.00**





# EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS CENTER

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The Brownsville Police Department Emergency Communications Center received **151,006** calls for service. The total number of calls includes calls for all public safety services and reflects a decrease of **6.76%** when compared to **161,960** calls for service in 2020.

In 2021 the Emergency Communications Center received an average of **413.72** calls for service per 24-hour period. This represents a **8.81%** decrease in the number of calls per day when compared to calendar year 2020 which averaged **453.69** total calls per 24-hour period.

These call totals do not reflect non-emergency business related calls, including customer service support for medical providers for non-emergency patient transfers and general questions concerning non-police related city services. These calls are not tracked and may represent upwards of an additional 80-100 calls per day. The activity listed above represents only primary calls for service in which an event or incident number was generated.





# CALLS FOR SERVICE

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## 2021-2020 COMPARISON

DEPARTMENT	2021	2020	+/-	%
Police	108,421	117,365	-8,944	-7.62%
Fire/EMS	29,890	32,572	-2,682	-8.23%
Animal Control	12,695	12,023	672	5.59%
Total Calls for Service	151,006	161,960	-10,954	-6.76%

## 5-YEAR EMERGENCY SERVICES COMPARISON

DEPARTMENT	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
Police	108,421	117,365	118,850	119,937	110,961
Fire/EMS	29,890	32,572	34,016	32,781	32,304
Total Calls for Service	138,311	149,937	152,866	152,718	143,265





# ARRESTS

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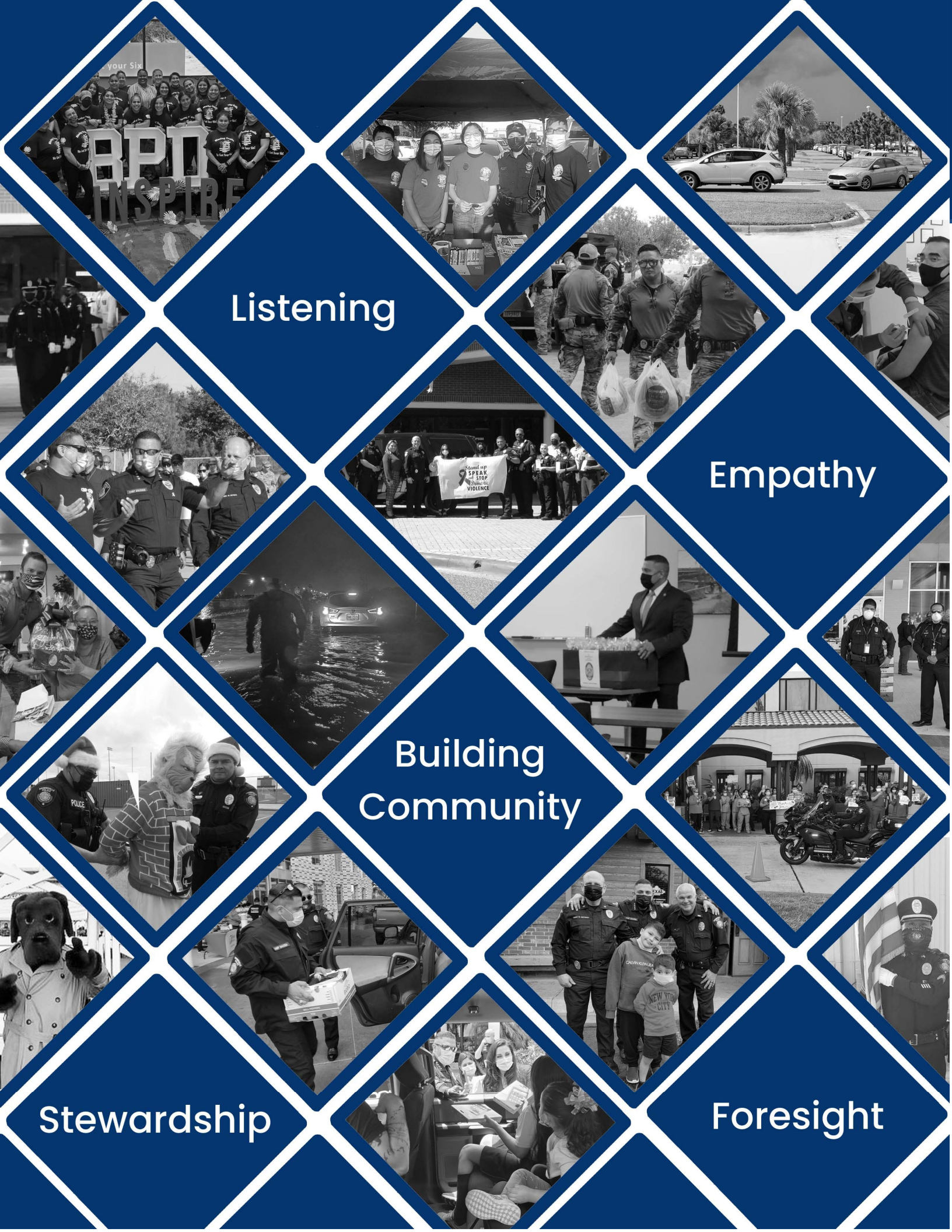
CHARGE DESCRIPTION	TOTAL
Capital Felony	0
First Degree Felony	227
Second Degree Felony	298
Third Degree Felony	369
State Jail Felony	706
Class A Misdemeanor	1,226
Class B Misdemeanor	1,228
Class C Misdemeanor	1,701
Child in need of supervision	1
Felony*	149
Misdemeanor*	29
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,934</b>

SEX	TOTAL
MALE	2,986
FEMALE	798
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,784</b>

AGENCY	TOTAL
RANCHO VIEJO	23
ICE	10
BISD POLICE	56
DEA	11
FBI	12
UTRGV POLICE	2
OTHER AGENCY	2
DPS	67
BROWNSVILLE PD	3,599
ATF	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,784</b>







Listening

Empathy

Building  
Community

Stewardship

Foresight



# Servant Leadership

Healing

Awareness

Commitment  
to the Growth  
of People

Persuasion

Conceptualisation





# Building







# Partnerships



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<b>Jeffrey Glover</b> Chief of Police, City of Tempe, AZ	<b>Luiz Casanova</b> Chief of Police, Connecticut Capitol Police
<b>Doreen Jokerst</b> Chief of Police, University of Colorado Boulder	<b>Francisco Ramirez</b> Managing Solution Architect - Channel, N.A. Public Sector, Red Hat
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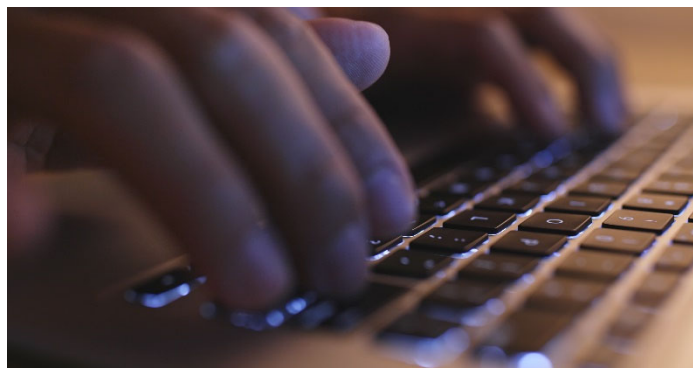


# ONLINE REPORTING

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The Brownsville Police Department is committed to providing proactive, professional, and effective public safety. As today's world remains ever-changing, police agencies are expected to evolve, innovate, and perform with similar expectations. We are left to employ new and cost-effective tools to enhance our policing efforts. Web-based online reporting allows citizens to report a crime or other non-emergency situations simply by visiting our website. Police supervisors review all online reports and follow up with a phone call to obtain any additional details or clarification. The department then proceeds with standard protocols to resolve the issue.

MONTH	2021	2020	2019	2018
January	395	232	244	75
February	312	194	164	86
March	379	329	186	126
April	365	313	212	130
May	341	358	172	111
June	298	355	185	133
July	310	476	161	92
August	362	456	191	87
September	271	413	231	92
October	299	413	205	110
November	311	358	184	103
December	299	526	177	178
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3,942</b>	<b>4,423</b>	<b>2,312</b>	<b>1,323</b>







# POLICE TRAINING UNIT

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The training center administers the police entrance exam and conducts all backgrounds on future applicants. The training center also provides several courses throughout the year to our officers and other agencies needing these courses to keep their Peace Officer License. These hours are also entered into TCOLE by the training center. The training Center prepares all documentation and paperwork for out of town trainings. A variety of presentations and special events are hosted to the public and attended by center personnel.

	CLASS HOURS	STUDENTS	HOURS
Core Courses	25	35	136
Virtual Academy	38	159	615
Specialized Training	936	983	10,910
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,009</b>	<b>1,177</b>	<b>11,661</b>





# CRIME STOPPERS PROGRAM

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The Brownsville Crime Stoppers Program began in 1982 from the efforts of our Chamber of Commerce and the Brownsville Police Department. Our Program now operates as an independent organization. The concept has developed into a combination of efforts by local media, businesses, civic and social clubs, law enforcement agencies, and the public.

Brownsville Crime Stoppers is an anonymous reward program that involves the citizens, the media, and local area law enforcement in an effective crime control program. The program is designed to assist law enforcement agencies in the identification, apprehension, and prosecution of persons suspected of having committed a criminal act.

Crime Stoppers is based on the principle that "someone other than the criminal has information that can solve a crime" and was created to combat the three major problems faced by law enforcement in generating that information: fear of reprisal, an attitude of apathy, or reluctance to get involved.



**REPORT CRIMES YOU SEE!**

***We want your tips not your name.***

**546-TIPS (8477)**



## OUR DEPARTMENT

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### COMMISSIONED PERSONNEL

The average number of full-time sworn police officers employed in 2021 by the Brownsville Police Department:

**232**

Average number of sworn police officers per 1,000 citizens for the City of Brownsville:

**1.26**

Current authorized sworn police officers for the Brownsville Police Department:

**247**



# OUR DEPARTMENT

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## CIVILIAN PERSONNEL

The Brownsville Police Department employs 78 civilian employees and is authorized 134. Of the 78 civilian employees, 37 are female and 41 are male.

Accountant III	1	Public Safety Info. Systems Manager	2
Administrative Specialist	7	Maintenance Worker I	4
Administrative Supervisor	1	Parking Enforcement Officer	3
Animal Control Officer	6	Payroll Technician	1
Community Service Officer	0	Police Records Technician	4
Customer Service Specialist	1	Property & Evidence Clerk	1
Detention Officer	10	Security Guard Full Time	10
Emergency Communications Operator F/T	15	Security Guard Part Time	1
Emergency Communications Operator P/T	1	Security Supervisor	1
Emergency Communications Supervisor	3	Traffic Control Warden Part Time	3
Fleet Maintenance Specialist	1	Payroll Specialist	1
Management Assistant NIBRS Crime Reporting Clerk	1		





# 2021 SUMMARY OF FACTS

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- The City of Brownsville is approximately **146.3** square miles.
- Estimated population is **186,738**.
- **232** average number of sworn personnel on staff.
- **78** civilian personnel.
- **108,421** calls for service were handled by police personnel.
- **3,319** Part I Crime Index offenses were reported.
- Crime Index **increased** by **.91%** in 2021 compared to 2020.
- The crime rate for the City of Brownsville was **1,777.4** index offenses per 100,000 population.
- Crimes against persons **increased by 7.77%**
- Property crimes **decreased by .52%**
- Residential burglaries accounted for **58.61%** of all burglaries reported.
- **20.7%** of all burglaries were cleared.
- **132** actual motor vehicle thefts, a **9.09%** increase from 2020.
- The estimated value for stolen vehicles was **\$1,544,497.00**.
- The three most popular make of vehicles stolen were **Foreign, Chevrolet and Dodge**.
- **180** stolen vehicles were recovered in 2021, compared to **134** in 2020, a **34.33% increase**.
- The estimated value for recovered stolen vehicles was **\$ 2,191,404.00**.
- **3,784** persons were booked into City Jail.
- **2,986** of all persons booked were male, which represent **78.91%** of all bookings.



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To Our Community  
&  
Staff

Yours In Service I Remain,  
Chief Saucedo

