

# 2019



## ANNUAL REPORT

**FELIX SAUCEDA**  
CHIEF OF POLICE

**BROWNSVILLE  
POLICE STATION**





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## A MESSAGE FROM CHIEF SAUCEDA

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As of April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019 the Brownsville Police Department has undertaken a holistic approach to organizational culture change, innovation, and modernization. The department has become a caring, loving, organization which promotes the principles and philosophy of Servant Leadership. Our staff is encouraged to engage in decision making, grow their self-awareness, and become strong team players. The empowerment, inclusion, and development of our staff will inevitably result in a higher level and quality of police service, not only expected but deserved by our community at large.



The department continues to innovate and modernize through the leveraging of technology and modern-day practices. The Brownsville Police Department has trained and launched drone teams, developed a peer support team, and launched a Police Chaplain program. The department continues to grow and implement data driven initiatives that will ensure the most effective, efficient deployment and use of present-day police staffing and resources.

The administration highly reveres its dedication and commitment to **COMMUNITY** value. It has launched a very aggressive community outreach and partnership initiative. The department has engaged and served its community at large but has placed special emphasis on those underserved classes. The department has teamed-up with very strong community partners and worked selflessly to continue its community-based initiatives.

As your Chief of Police, I stand deeply committed and dedicated to the safety of our community. Our men and women serve selflessly, with the highest levels of professionalism, courage, and valor. As an agency we will continue to ensure that our men and women are trained and equipped to meet the safety needs of our community and themselves. We will continue to leverage the collaboration of County, State, and Federal law enforcement partners in the safeguarding of our community.

The 2019 Annual Crime Report is reflective of a statistical analysis of crimes reported to the Federal Bureau of Investigations by the Brownsville Police Department. The analysis compilation is reflective of the combined efforts of our department and its varied partnerships. A very heartfelt Thank You to all involved in the production of this report.

Thankfully,

Felix Saucedo  
Chief of Police



# OUR MISSION STATEMENT



“The Brownsville Police Department with its servant leadership philosophy will serve and protect in partnership with the community.”

foresight conceptualization  
commitment  
leadership  
**Servant Leadership**  
listening healing awareness  
empathy stewardship building-community







# 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



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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 - 90Z** 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.



## LIVE DATA DISCLAIMER

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**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 7, 2020. The document will remain LIVE as the RMS system is updated regularly due to ongoing investigations. Data queried on or after January 7, 2020, could change or vary from other reports.**

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# BROWNSVILLE CRIME INDEX COMPARISON 2019-2018

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In 2019, the City of Brownsville Police Department continued its transition from the Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program to National Incident Based Reporting System (NIBRS). 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.

In calendar year 2019, there were a total of **5,221** index crimes in the City of Brownsville as compared to **5,478** in 2018. The crime index **decreased 4.69%** when compared to 2018.

Offense	2019	2018	+/-	%
Murder	0	2	-2	-100.00%
Rape	64	59	5	8.47%
Robbery	144	134	10	7.46%
Aggravated Assault	460	474	-14	-2.95%
Burglary	631	557	74	13.29%
Theft	3,800	4,116	-316	-7.68%
Motor Vehicle Theft	122	136	-14	-10.29%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>5,221</b>	<b>5,478</b>	<b>-257</b>	<b>-4.69%</b>





# HOURLY STATISTICS

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2019	
Index Crime Offense	One <b>INDEX CRIME</b> every 1 hour and 41 minutes
Property Crime	One <b>PROPERTY CRIME</b> every 1 hour and 55 minutes
Burglary	One <b>BURGLARY</b> every 13 hours and 53 minutes
Theft	One <b>THEFT</b> every 2 hours and 18 minutes
Motor Vehicle Theft	One <b>MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT</b> every 3 days
Person Crime	One <b>PERSON CRIME</b> every 13 hours and 7 minutes
Murder	<b>NONE</b>
Rape	One <b>RAPE</b> every 5.7 days
Robbery	One <b>ROBBERY</b> every 2.5 days
Aggravated Assault	One <b>AGGRAVATED ASSAULT</b> every 19 hours and 2 minutes



# 10-YEAR COMPARISON

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	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Murder	7	2	3	1	6	3	4	6	2	0
Rape	31	37	38	61	103	53	50	79	59	64
Robbery	165	109	125	136	138	154	130	133	134	144
Aggravated Assault	360	353	307	275	312	292	264	259	474	460
Burglary	1,286	1,009	1,145	1,140	1,068	1,015	917	661	557	631
Theft	7,784	7,015	6,986	6,441	6,258	6,498	4,960	4,374	4,116	3,800
M.V. Theft	246	163	206	257	179	143	151	141	136	122
<b>Total</b>	<b>9,879</b>	<b>8,688</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>+ / -</b>	<b>-353</b>	<b>-1,191</b>	<b>+122</b>	<b>-499</b>	<b>-247</b>	<b>+94</b>	<b>-1,682</b>	<b>-823</b>	<b>-175</b>	<b>-257</b>
<b>% change</b>	<b>-3.45</b>	<b>-12.06</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>



# 2019 – 2018

## 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 July 1, 2018, the estimated population for Brownsville in 2019 was **183,392\***. During calendar year 2019, Brownsville's crime rate was **2,846.91** crimes per 100,000 persons. The crime rate **decreased** by **141.65** offenses per 100,000 in population which translates into a **4.69% decrease** when compared to 2018.

Crimes Against Persons		2019	2018
Per 100,000 in population	Murder	0.00	1.09
	Rape	34.90	32.19
	Robbery	78.52	73.10
	Aggravated Assault	250.83	258.59
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>364.25</b>	<b>364.98</b>
Crimes Against Property		2019	2018
Per 100,000 in population	Burglary	344.07	303.88
	Theft	2,072.06	2,245.51
	Motor Vehicle Theft	66.52	74.20
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2,482.66</b>	<b>2,623.58</b>
<b>TOTAL ON ALL</b>		<b>2,846.91</b>	<b>2,988.56</b>

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





# 2019 – 2018 CRIME RATE COMPARISON

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Crimes against persons and property crimes are the two categories in which the seven index crimes are classified into. In 2019, **12.79%** of the crimes reported were crimes against persons and **87.21%** 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	2019	%
Murder	0	0
Rape	64	9.58%
Robbery	144	21.56%
Aggravated Assault	460	68.86%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>668</b>	<b>100%</b>

A total of 668 person crimes occurred during 2019, a 0.15% decrease to the 669 reported in 2018. The 2019 crime rate was 364.25 person crimes per 100,000 persons. Aggravated assault accounted for 68.86% of all person crimes. Robbery accounted for 21.56%, rape accounted for 9.58%, and murder accounted for 0%.



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## 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	2019	%
Burglary	631	13.86%
Theft	3,800	83.46%
Motor Vehicle Theft	122	2.68%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4,553</b>	<b>100%</b>

A total of 4,553 property crimes occurred in 2019 as compared to 4,809 in 2018. Property crimes decreased 5.32% in 2019 compared to 2018. The 2019 crime rate was 2,482.66 property crimes per 100,000 citizens as compared to 2,623.58 for 2018. Theft accounted for 83.46% of all property crimes. Burglary accounted for 13.86% and auto theft accounted for 2.68%.



# 2019 – 2018

## 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.

Person Crime	2019	2018	+/-	%
Murder	0	2	-2	-100%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>-2</b>	<b>-100%</b>

The murder rate in Brownsville for 2019 decreased by two, a 100% decrease. The rate of murders per capita (every 100,000 persons) for 2019 was 0.





# 2019 – 2018

## 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.

Person Crime	2019	2018	+/-	%
Rape	64	59	5	8.47%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>8.47%</b>

The number of rape incidents increased to 64 in 2019 as compared to 59 in 2018. The rate of rapes per capita (every 100,000 persons) for 2019 was 34.90.



## 2019 – 2018 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.

Person Crime	2019	2018	+/-	%
Robbery	144	134	10	7.46%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>144</b>	<b>134</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>7.46%</b>

The Robbery rate in Brownsville for 2019 increased by 7.46% as compared to 2018. The rate of robbery per capita (every 100,000 persons) for 2019 was 78.52.



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## 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.

Person Crime	2019	2018	+/-	%
Aggravated Assault	460	474	-14	-2.95%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>460</b>	<b>474</b>	<b>-14</b>	<b>-2.95%</b>

The aggravated assault rate in Brownsville for 2019 decreased by 2.95% when compared to 2018. The rate of aggravated assault per capita (every 100,000 persons) for 2019 was 250.83.





# 2019 – 2018

## 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.

Property Crime	2019	2018	+/-	%
Burglary	631	557	74	13.29%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>631</b>	<b>557</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>13.29%</b>

The burglary rate in Brownsville for 2019 increased by 13.29% when compared to 2018. The per capita rate (every 100,000 persons) for 2019 was 344.07.

### Clearance

A total of **152** cases were cleared with **274** arrests compared to **188** in 2018. This is a **24%** clearance which is above the national rate of **13.5%**. Burglary arrests **increased** by **45.74%** when compared to 2018. The estimated value of property reported stolen from burglaries was **\$814,838.00**.

Month	Stolen	Recovered
January	\$92,782	\$6,180
February	\$42,749	\$3,565
March	\$47,790	\$3,190
April	\$41,111	\$6,205
May	\$76,897	\$3,138
June	\$98,105	\$2,902
July	\$165,606	\$5,100
August	\$53,067	\$4,099
September	\$25,326	\$300
October	\$62,998	\$3,880
November	\$72,186	\$7,261
December	\$36,221	\$7,130
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$814,838</b>	<b>\$52,950</b>



# 2019 – 2018

## 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.

Property Crime	2019	2018	+/-	%
Theft	3,800	4,116	-316	-7.68%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3,800</b>	<b>4,116</b>	<b>-316</b>	<b>-7.68%</b>

The theft rate in Brownsville for 2019 decreased by 7.68% when compared to 2018. The per capita (every 100,000 persons) for 2019 was 2,072.06. Estimated losses for all thefts were valued at \$2,017,149.

### Values

Month	Less than \$50	\$50 - \$200	\$200 - Over
January	\$1,862	\$10,074	\$195,922
February	\$1,163	\$9,495	\$201,508
March	\$1,267	\$12,545	\$183,343
April	\$1,579	\$10,094	\$232,810
May	\$1,202	\$9,104	\$96,995
June	\$1,577	\$10,621	\$137,080
July	\$1,748	\$12,259	\$102,333
August	\$1,724	\$11,042	\$146,146
September	\$1,182	\$9,026	\$125,756
October	\$2,047	\$10,010	\$107,165
November	\$1,244	\$9,173	\$164,540
December	\$1,873	\$10,396	\$181,244
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$18,468</b>	<b>\$123,839</b>	<b>\$1,874,842</b>



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## CRIME RATE COMPARISON

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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.

Property Crime	2019	2018	+/-	%
Motor Vehicle Theft	122	136	-14	-10.29%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>122</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>-14</b>	<b>-10.29%</b>

The motor vehicle theft rate in Brownsville decreased by 10.29% in 2019 when compared to 2018. The per capita rate (every 100,000 persons) was 66.52. Estimated value of all motor vehicle thefts is approximately \$1,208,834.

Top Vehicle Makes Stolen	2019
Foreign	32
Chevrolet	31
Dodge	24
Ford	21
GMC	10
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>118*</b>

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 **\$924,350.00**, 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.

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





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## CRIME RATE COMPARISON

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### Volume

A total of **122** auto thefts were reported during 2019.

A total of **831** burglary of motor vehicle were reported this year.

### Value of Stolen Vehicles

In 2019, motor vehicle theft victims suffered losses totaling **\$1,208,834**.

This total value loss represents a **decrease** of **0.98%** when compared to 2018 where total motor vehicle theft losses were of **\$1,220,800**.

The average dollar loss per motor vehicle theft was **\$9,908.48** an **increase** from **\$8,976.47** in 2018.

### Recoveries

In 2019, **136** stolen vehicles were recovered.

The total value for the vehicles recovered in 2019 is **\$1,037,021** with an average of **\$7,625.15** per vehicle.

### Motor Vehicle Theft Arrests

In 2019, Brownsville Police arrested **206** persons for motor vehicle theft or related offenses; when compared to **357** for 2018, this represents a **42.29% decrease**.

### Persons Arrested

Adult males arrested represented **79%** of all Auto Theft related offenses, while adult female represented **10%**. Male juvenile represented **11%**, while female juveniles represented less than **1%**.

### Motor Vehicle Thefts by Location Type

Residential	52
Business/Shopping Centers	58
Apartment Complexes	12
Motel/Hotel	0
Other (Robbery Burglary)	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>122</b>

Month	Vehicles Recovered
January	11
February	13
March	13
April	6
May	8
June	12
July	14
August	13
September	8
October	13
November	11
December	14
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>136</b>



# 2019 – 2018 CRIME RATE COMPARISON

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## ROTATING PATROL SHIFTS & TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT

	2019	2018	+/-	%
Calls for Service	118,850	119,937	-1,087	-0.91
Crashes	3,929	4,285	-356	-8.31
Alcohol Related Accidents	172	208	-36	-17.31
Speed Related Accidents	1,278	1,329	-51	-3.84
Accident Fatalities	8	13	-5	-38.46
Traffic Citations	22,068	23,130	-1,062	-4.59
Intersection Traffic Control	798	849	-51	-6.01
Public Events	116	177	-61	-34.46

## ANIMAL CONTROL & PARKING ENFORCEMENT

	2019	2018	+/-	%
Calls for Service	12,733	12,394	339	2.74
Animal Bites	416	433	-17	-3.93
Loose Animal	4,246	4,193	53	1.26
Animal Disturbances	952	936	16	1.71
Parking Enforcement Citations Issued	15,345	16,235	-890	-5.48
<b>Total</b>	<b>33,692</b>	<b>34,191</b>	<b>-499</b>	<b>-1.46</b>



# NARCOTICS & 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	90,305.92 gm	Xanax/Alprazolam	434 units / 117.37 gm
Marijuana	406.52 lbs	Ritroval	10 units / 3.00 gm
Heroin	4.00 gm	Tramadol	5 units / 1.10 gm
Methamphetamine	7,289.44 gm	Codeine	1 unit / .50 gm
Synthetic Marijuana	164.69 gm	Weapons	20
Cannabis Concentrate	6.7 gm	Vehicles	13
		CURRENCY	\$573,799 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.



Event	Volume
Found Explosives	2
Suspect Packages / Insert Devices	2
Bomb Threats	4
EOD K-9 / Dignitary Sweeps	11
Presentations	5
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>24</b>





# STATISTICAL FACTS

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

**378**

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

**486**

Cases investigated by **Property Crime Investigators**:

**781**

Scenes processed by **Crime Scene Technicians**:

**658**

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

**2,094 misdemeanors / 762 felonies**

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

**85**

**Burglary Investigators** investigated these number of cases in 2019:

**632**

In 2018, the number of cases investigated by **Burglary Investigators** was:

**557**

The 632 **burglary cases** consist of the following types of reports:

**357 habitation / 275 building/business**

The number of burglaries in 2019 represent this **overall change** when compared to 2018.

**13.46% increase**

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

**24%**

Burglary **arrests** rates in 2018 were 188 as compared to the following in 2019:

**274**

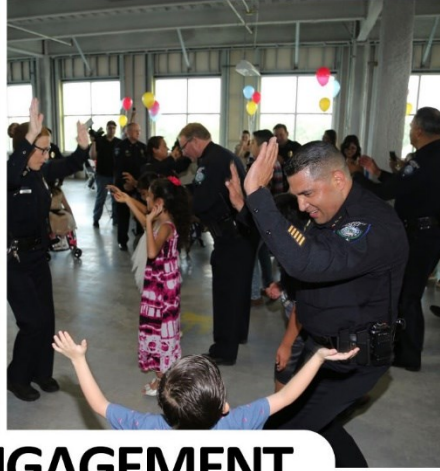
This is a representation of the following **change in arrests**:

**45.74% increase**

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

**\$52,950.19**





## COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT







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# EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS CENTER

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The Brownsville Police Department Emergency Communications Center received **165,599** calls for service. The total number of calls includes calls for all public safety services and reflects an **increase** of **0.29%** when compared to **165,112** calls for service in 2018.

In **2019** the Emergency Communications Center received an average of **453.69** calls for service per 24-hour period. This represents a **0.29% increase** in the number of calls per day when compared to calendar year **2018** which averaged **452.36** 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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## 2019-2018 COMPARISON

Department	2019	2018	+/-	%
Police	118,850	119,937	-1,087	-0.91
Fire	9,913	9,662	251	2.60
EMS	24,103	23,119	984	4.26
Animal Control	12,733	12,394	339	2.74
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>165,599</b>	<b>165,112</b>	<b>-487</b>	<b>0.29</b>

## 5-YEAR EMERGENCY SERVICES COMPARISON

Department	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Police	118,850	119,937	118,850	119,937	118,850
Fire	9,913	9,662	8,875	8,909	7,711
EMS	24,103	23,119	23,029	21,273	21,267
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>152,866</b>	<b>152,718</b>	<b>150,754</b>	<b>150,119</b>	<b>147,828</b>



# ARRESTS

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Description	Total
Capital Felony	4
First Degree Felony	286
Second Degree Felony	368
Third Degree Felony	383
State Jail Felony	710
Class A Misdemeanor	1,499
Class B Misdemeanor	1,498
Class C Misdemeanor	2,675
Child in Need of Supervision	2
Felony*	294
Misdemeanor*	38
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>7,757</b>

Sex	Total
MALE	4,048
FEMALE	1,160
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>5,208</b>

Agency	Total
BROWNSVILLE PD	4,859
TEXAS DPS	130
BISD POLICE	82
ICE	80
DEA	31
FBI	13
UTRGV POLICE	9
ATF	2
US BORDER PATROL	2
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>5,208</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. Municipal court and the Tax Assessor's office also provide services from the Training Center. A variety of presentations and special events are hosted to the public and attended by center personnel.

	Class Hours	Students	Hours
Core Courses	129	329	1,464
Specialized Training	901	1,181	17,592
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,030</b>	<b>1,510</b>	<b>19,056</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)**

2019	
Tips Received	505
Arrests	35
Cases Cleared	46
Property Recovered	\$4,700
Narcotics Recovered	\$12,295
Rewards Approved	28
Amount of Rewards	\$8,300





## OUR DEPARTMENT

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### COMMISSIONED PERSONNEL

The average number of full-time sworn police officers employed in 2019 by the Brownsville Police Department:

**235**

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

**1.28**

Current authorized sworn police officers for the Brownsville Police Department:

**247**



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## CIVILIAN PERSONNEL

The Brownsville Police Department employs 100 civilian employees and is authorized 139. Of the 100 civilian employees, 47 are female and 53 are male.

Accountant III	1	Public Safety Info. Systems Manager	2
Administrative Specialist	7	Maintenance Worker I	4
Administrative Supervisor	2	Parking Enforcement Officer	5
Animal Control Officer	7	Payroll Technician	1
Community Service Officer	1	Police Records Technician	7
Customer Service Specialist	2	Property & Evidence Clerk	1
Detention Officer	11	Security Guard Full Time	14
Emergency Communications Operator F/T	18	Security Guard Part Time	5
Emergency Communications Operator P/T	2	Security Supervisor	1
Emergency Communications Supervisor	3	Traffic Control Warden Part Time	5
Fleet Maintenance Specialist	1		





# 2019 SUMMARY OF FACTS

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- The City of Brownsville is approximately **146.3** square miles.
- Estimated population is **183,392**.
- **235** average number of sworn personnel on staff.
- **100** civilian personnel.
- **165,599** calls for service were handled by police personnel.
- **5,221** Part I Crime Index offenses were reported.
- Crime Index **decreased** by **4.69%** in 2019 compared to 2018.
- The crime rate for the City of Brownsville was **2,846.91** index offenses per 100,000 population.
- Crimes against persons **decreased 0.15%**.
- Property crimes **decreased** by **5.32%**.
- Residential burglaries accounted for **56.48%** of all burglaries reported.
- **24%** of all burglaries were cleared.
- **122** actual motor vehicle thefts, a **10.29%** decrease from 2018.
- The estimated value for stolen vehicles was **\$1,208,834**.
- The three most popular make of vehicles stolen were **Foreign, Chevrolet** and **Dodge**.
- **136** stolen vehicles were recovered in 2019, compared to **142** in 2018, a **4.22% decrease**.
- The estimated value for recovered stolen vehicles was **\$1,037,021**.
- **5,208** persons were booked into City Jail.
- **4,048** of all persons booked were male, which represent **77.72%** of all bookings.







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