BROWNSVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT



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Executive Summary

The 2018 Annual Crime Report reflects an analytical design of crimes reported by the Brownsville Police Department to the Federal Bureau of Investigations.

In 2018 the Brownsville Police Department adopted and converted into NIBRS reporting. This shift in reporting from UCR to NIBRs was certified in March 2018. The transition of methods has therefore yielded a hybrid result for the Crime Report Index.

A quick snapshot of reported crime indicates that there were significant increases to certain categories of crime. The increments are not indicative of an increase of actual offenses, but rather a result of the varied method of reporting.

NIBRS is a victim based reporting system where as UCR is incident based. The method of reporting will therefore show increased numbers.

I would like to thank the members of the Brownsville Police Department. The compilation of the reporting document and continued decrease in crime are a direct reflection of their efforts and continued dedication.

Our most sincere appreciation for the continued support from our community is well deserved. It is our continued collaboration and team effort that continue to make our community a safe one to live in.

Sincerely,

Felix Sauceda Chief of Police

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BROWNSVILLE CRIME INDEX COMPARISON

2018 - 2017

In 2018, the City of Brownsville Police Department successfully transitioned 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 2018, there were a total of 4365 index crimes in the City of Brownsville as compared to 5,653 in 2017. The crime index decreased 22.78 % when compared to 2017.

OFFENSE	2018	2017	+/-	%
Murder	2	6	-4	-66.67
Rape	59	79	-20	-25.32
Robbery	143	133	+10	7.52
Aggravated Assault	459	259	+200	77.22
Burglary	557	661	-104	-15.73
Theft	3,009	4,374	-1,365	-31.21
Motor Vehicle Theft	136	141	-5	-3.55
TOTALS	4,365	5,653	-1,258	-22.78 %

CRIME CLOCK STATISTICS



2018

This display represents the annual ratio of crime to affixed time intervals. It is designed to reflect the annual reported index crime figures by showing the relative frequency of occurrence.

One INDEX CRIME OFFENSE every 2 hour and 1 minutes

One
PERSON CRIME
every 13 hours and 13 minutes

One PROPERTY CRIME every 2 hour and 22 minutes One MURDER every 182.50 days

One BURGLARY every 15 hours and 44 minutes One RAPE every 6.19 days

One THEFT every 2 hours and 55 minutes

One ROBBERY every 2.55 days

One MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT every 2.68 days One AGGRAVATED ASSAULT Every 0.80 days

- **Crime Trends** -- Crime trends are analyzed using two separate methods, crime volume and crime rates.
 - o **Crime Volume** -- Crime volume is the sum of the seven index crimes. Trends can be evaluated when comparing the volume of index crimes from year to year.
 - o **Crime Rate** Crime rates are compiled to compensate for the changes in population and reflect the number of people affected by crime in a given population.

TEN YEAR COMPARISON

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Murder	4	7	2	3	1	6	3	4	6	2
Rape	26	31	37	38	61	103	53	50	79	59
Robbery	152	165	109	125	136	138	154	130	133	143
Aggravated Assault	272	360	353	307	275	312	292	264	259	459
Burglary	1,576	1,286	1,009	1,145	1,140	1,068	1,015	917	661	557
Theft	7,865	7,784	7,015	6,986	6,441	6,258	6,498	4,960	4,374	3,009
M.V. Theft	337	246	163	206	257	179	143	151	141	136
Totals	10,232	9,879	8,688	8,810	8,311	8,064	8,158	6,476	5,653	4,365
+/-	-540	-353	-1,191	+122	- 499	-247	+94	-1,682	-823	-1,288
% change	-5.01	-3.45	-12.06	+1.40	-5.66	-2.97	+1.17	-20.62	-12.71	-22.78

CRIME RATE 2018 - 2017 COMPARISON

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

As of July 2017, the estimated population for Brownsville in 2018 was 183,299*. During calendar year 2018, Brownsville's crime rate was 2,381.36 crimes per 100,000 persons. The crime rate decreased by 693.88 offenses per 100,000 in population which translates into a 22.56% decrease when compared to 2017.

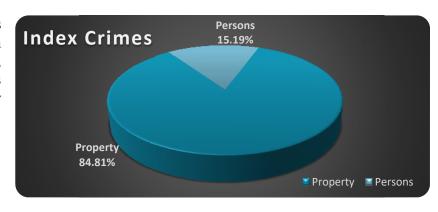
	OFFENSE	2018	2017
Crimes Against	MURDER	1.09	3.26
Persons	RAPE	32.19	42.98
Per 100,000 in	ROBBERY	78.01	72.35
population	AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	250.41	140.90
	TOTAL	361.70	259.49

	OFFENSE	2018	2017
	BURGLARY	303.88	359.59
Property Crimes	THEFT	1,641.58	2,379.46
Per 100,000 in	M.V. THEFT	74.20	76.70
population	TOTAL	2,019.65	2,815.75
	INDEX CRIME TOTALS	2,381.36	3,075.24

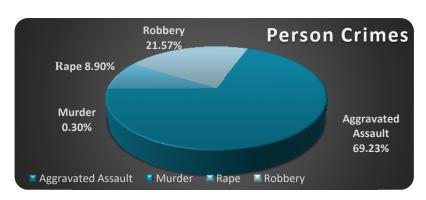
^{*} Source: U.S Census Bureau

TYPES OF CRIMES

Crimes against persons and property crimes are the two categories in which the seven index crimes are classified into. In 2018, 15.19% of the crimes reported were crimes against persons and 84.81% 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.

A total of 663 person crimes occurred during 2018, a 38.99% increase to the 477 in 2017. The 2018 crime rate was 361.70 person crimes per 100,000 persons. Aggravated assault accounted for 69.23% of all person crimes. Robbery accounted for 21.57%, rape accounted for 8.90%, and murder accounted for 0.30%.

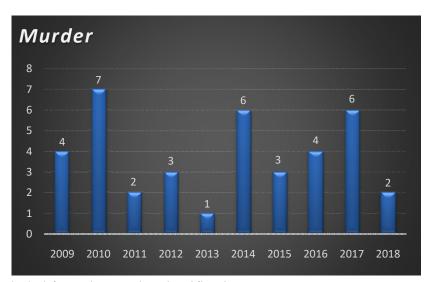
PROPERTY CRIMES

The number of property crimes reported for 2018 was 3,702 as compared to 5,176 in 2017. Property crimes decreased 28.48% in 2018 compared to 2017. The 2018 crime rate was 2019.65 property crimes per 100,000 citizens as compared to 2,815.75 for 2017. Theft accounted for 81.28% of all property crimes. Burglary accounted for 15.05% and auto theft accounted for 3.67%.



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.

Rate

The murder rate in Brownsville for 2018 decreased by four, a 66.67% decrease. The rate of murders per capita (every 100,000 persons) for 2018 was 1.09.

Clearance

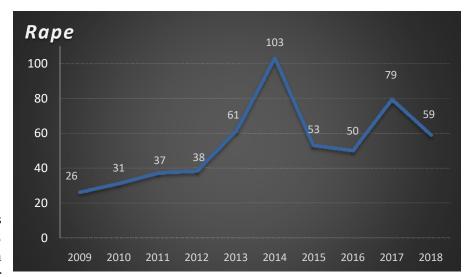
The two murders reported in 2018 were cleared thus resulting in 100 % clearance rate

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.



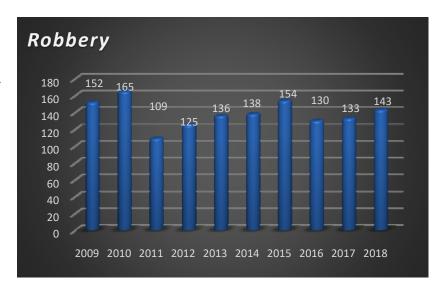
The number of rape incidents decreased to fifty nine in 2018 as compared to seventy nine in 2017. The rate of rapes per



capita (every 100,000 persons) for 2018 was 32.19.

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.



Rate

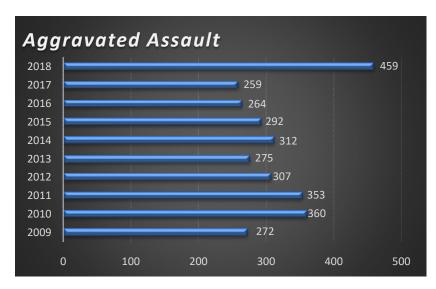
The Robbery rate in Brownsville for 2018 increased by 7.52% as compared to 2017. The rate of robbery per capita (every 100,000 persons) for 2018 was 78.01.

Clearance

A total of 46 cases were cleared for such crime which resulted in a 32.17% clearance rate.

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.

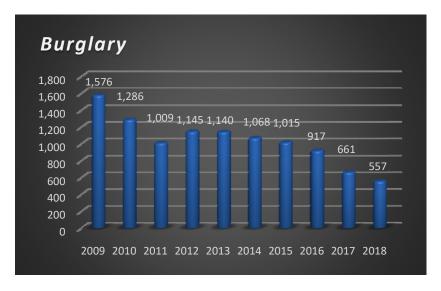


Rate

The aggravated assault rate in Brownsville for 2018 increased 77.22% when compared to 2017. The rate of aggravated assault per capita (every 100,000 persons) for 2018 was 250.41.

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.



Rate

The burglary rate in

Brownsville for 2018 decreased by 15.73% when compared to 2017. The per capita rate (every 100,000 persons) for 2018 was 303.88.

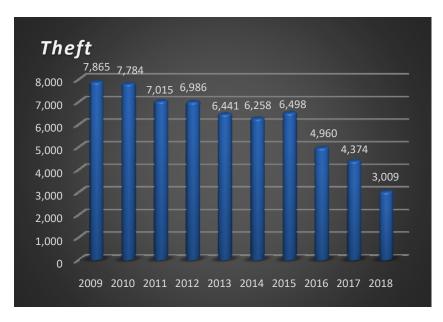
Clearance

A total of 116 cases were cleared with 188 arrests. This is a 20.83% clearance which is above the national rate of 13.5%. Burglary arrests decreased by 27.13% when compared to 2017. The estimated value of property reported stolen from burglaries was \$634,033.00.

	BURGLARY VALUES				
	STOLEN		REC	OVERE	D
January	\$	59,749	January	\$	5,517
February	\$	37,965	February	\$	2,385
March	\$	15,375	March	\$	0
April	\$	34,316	April	\$	3,140
May	\$	63,301	May	\$	6,695
June	\$	56,395	June	\$	2,288
July	\$	84,507	July	\$	2,290
August	\$	51,781	August	\$	13,200
September	\$	46,250	September	\$	2,540
October	\$	91,306	October	\$	9,379
November	\$	39,585	November	\$	6,777
December	\$	53,503	December	\$	3,360
Total	\$	634,033	Total	\$	57,571

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.



Rate

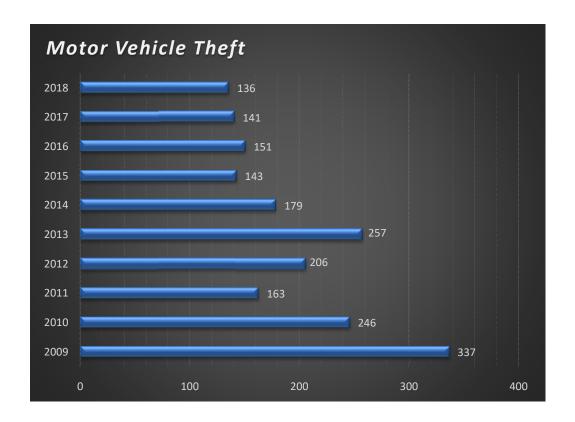
The theft rate in Brownsville for 2018 decreased by 31.21% when compared to 2017. The per capita (every 100,000 persons) for 2018 was 1,641.58. Estimated losses for all thefts were valued at \$1,890,676.

THEFT VALUES

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January	\$	1,904	January	\$ 14,165	January	\$ 136,698	Less than \$50
February	\$	1,169	February	\$ 9,364	February	\$ 108,940	\$ 19,593
March	\$	1,567	March	\$ 9,865	March	\$ 177,069	
April	\$	2,250	April	\$ 13,073	April	\$ 141,048	\$ 50 - \$ 200
May	\$	1,594	May	\$ 12,905	May	\$ 177,777	\$ 130,883
June	\$	1,769	June	\$ 12,639	June	\$ 149,930	
July	\$	1,728	July	\$ 10,264	July	\$ 169,845	\$ 200 – OVER
August	\$	1,403	August	\$ 9,294	August	\$ 121,318	\$ 1,740,200
September	\$	1,389	September	\$ 9,945	September	\$ 119,187	
October	\$	1,711	October	\$ 9,723	October	\$ 159,431	TOTAL
November	\$	1,656	November	\$ 8,576	November	\$ 113,071	\$ 1,890,676
December	\$	1,453	December	\$ 11,070	December	\$ 165,886	
Total	\$	19,593	TOTAL	\$ 130,883	TOTAL	\$ 1,740,200	

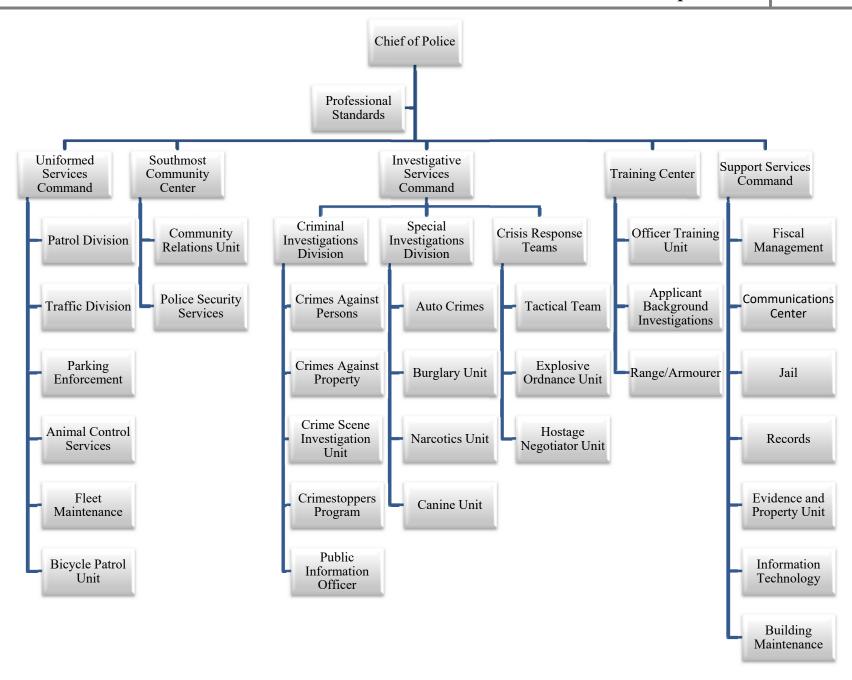
Motor Vehicle Theft

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 motor boats, construction equipment, airplanes, and farming equipment.



Rate

The motor vehicle theft rate in Brownsville decreased by 3.55% in 2018 when compared to 2017. The per capita rate (every 100,000 persons) was 74.20. Estimated value of all motor vehicle thefts is approximately \$ 1,149,424.



Uniform Services Command

Rotating Patrol Shifts and Traffic Enforcement

Activity

	2018	2017
Calls for Service	164,572	155,943
Crashes	4,285	4,291
Alcohol Related Accidents	208	164
Speed Related Accidents	1,329	1,423
Accident Fatalities	13	10
Traffic Citations	23,130	24,260
Intersection Traffic Control	849	751
Public Events	177	129

Animal Control and Parking Enforcement

Activity

	2018	2017
Animal Control Calls for Service	12,394	12,678
Animal Bites	433	463
Loose Animal	4,193	4,327
Animal Disturbances	936	889
Citations Issued	3,769	3,671
Parking Enforcement Citations	16,235	19,221

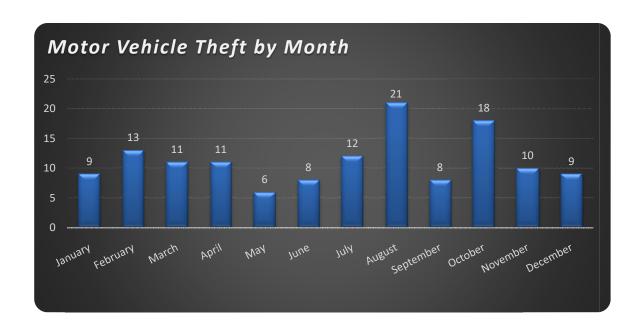
Investigative Services Command

South Texas Auto Theft Enforcement Task Force

MOTOR VEHICLE THEFTS	
Residential Areas	59
Business / Shopping Centers	7
Apartment Complexes	67
Motel / Hotel	3

Volume

The number of motor vehicle thefts committed in Brownsville in 2018 was 136. The Volume of motor vehicle theft decreased 3.55 from 2017.



Value of Stolen Vehicles

In 2018, motor vehicle theft victims suffered losses totaling \$1,149,424.00.

This total value loss represents a decrease of 5.85% when compared to 2017 where total motor vehicle theft losses were of \$1,220,800.

The average dollar loss per motor vehicle theft was \$8,451.65 a decrease from \$8,658.16 in 2017.



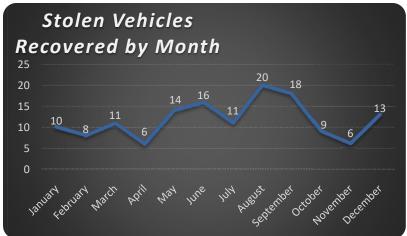
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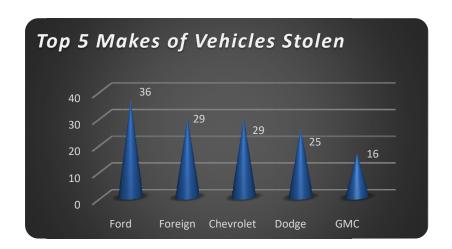
In 2018, 142 stolen vehicles were recovered in comparison to 2017 when 180 vehicles

were recovered.

This resulted in a 21.11% decrease in 2018.

The total value for the vehicles recovered in 2018 is \$1,234,370 with an average of \$8,692.75 per vehicle.





Motor Vehicle Theft Arrests

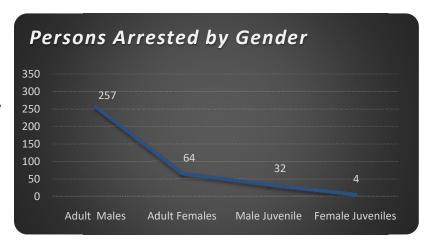
In 2018, Brownsville Police arrested 357 persons for motor vehicle theft or related offenses; when compared to 398 for 2017, this represents a 10.30% decrease.



Persons Arrested

Adult males arrested represented 72% of all Auto Theft related offenses, while adult female represented 18%.

Male Juvenile represented 9%, while female juveniles represented 1%.





Narcotics and Controlled Substance Enforcement Unit

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."

NARCOTIC	SEIZURES	OTHER SEIZURES			
Marijuana	545.44 lbs.	Weapons	7		
Cocaine	55,305.48 gr.	Vehicles	6		
Methamphetamine	4,908.36 gr.	Currency	\$ 364,580.51		
Xanax	325 units				
Synthetic Marijuana	17.60 gr.				
Clonazepam	4 units				
Hydrocodone	4 units				



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.

Hazardous Devices Unit Volume				
Found Explosives	1			
Suspect Packages / Insert Devices	6			
Bomb Threats	5			
EOD K-9 / Dignitary Sweeps	13			
Presentations	6			
Total Calls	31			

Criminal Investigations Division

Offense	Number	% Cleared
Murder	2	100
Rape	59	37.29
Robbery	143	32.17
Aggravated Assault	459	52.29
Burglary	557	20.83

The Domestic Violence Unit investigated 354 family violence cases.

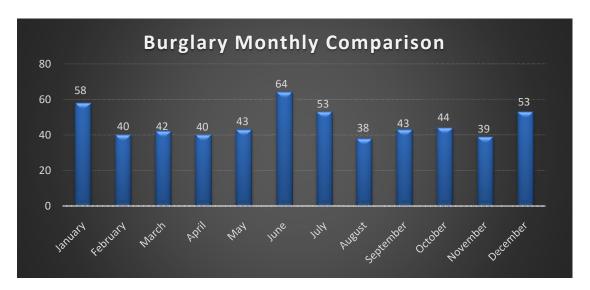
943 juvenile cases were investigated.

Crime Scene Technicians processed 452 scenes.

808 cases were investigated by Property Crime Investigators.

Case Preparations processed the submission of 1,948 misdemeanors and 775 felony cases to the Cameron County District Attorney's Office.

The Fugitive Apprehension Unit made 295 arrests.



Burglary Investigators investigated 557 cases in 2018, compared to 661 cases in 2017. These 557 cases consist of 340 habitation and 217 building/business reports. The number of burglaries in 2018 represented a 15.73% overall decrease. The clearance rate of 20.83% is above the national average of 13.5%. The burglary arrest rate for 2018 was 188 as compared to 258 arrests in 2017. This represents a 27.13% decrease in the number of arrests. The value of recovered stolen property from burglary cases is estimated at \$57,571.

Crime Stoppers Program

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.

2018			
Tips Received	582		
Arrests	45		
Cases Cleared	53		
Property Recovered	\$ 500		
Narcotics Recovered	\$ 37,262		
Rewards Approved	18		
Amount of Rewards	\$ 7,100		

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)

Support Services Command

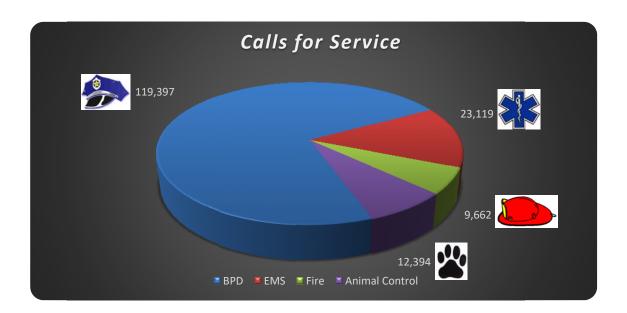
Emergency Communications Center

The Brownsville Police Department Emergency Communications Center received 164,572 calls for service. The total number of calls includes calls for all public safety services and reflects an increase of 4.96% when compared to 156,790 calls for service in 2017.



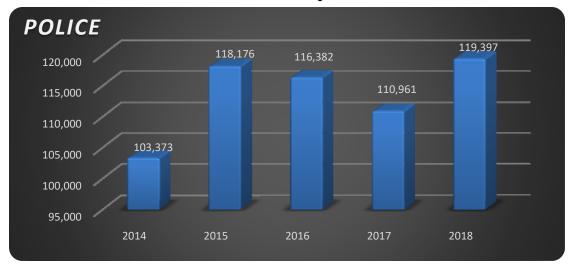
In 2018 the Emergency Communications Center received an average of 450 calls for service per 24 hour period. This represents a 4.65% increase in the number of calls per day when compared to calendar year 2017 which averaged 430 total calls per 24-hour period.

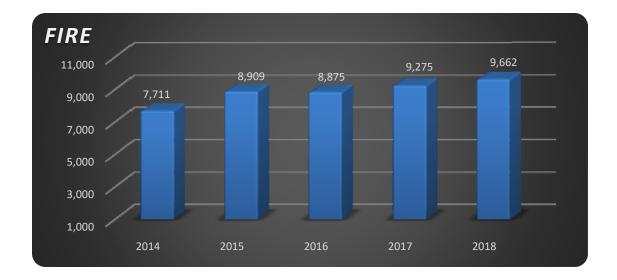
These call totals do not reflect non-emergency business related calls, including customer service support for medical providers for non-emergency patient transfers and general questions concerning non-police related City services. These calls are not tracked and may represent upwards of an additional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

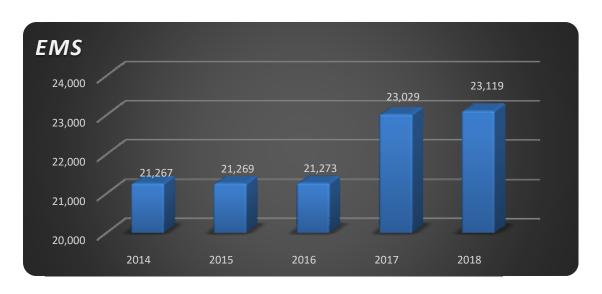


Total Calls for Service 164,572

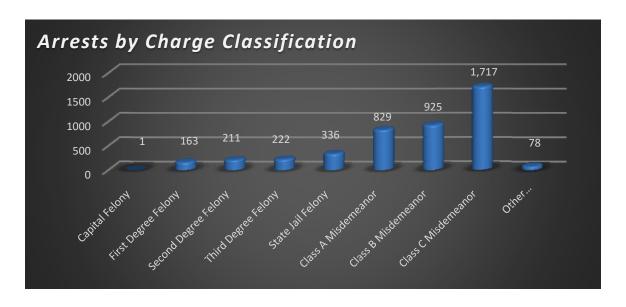
Calls for Service Five Year Comparison

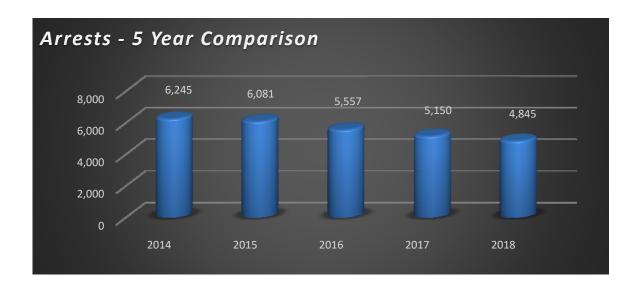






2018 JAIL BOOKINGS





OTHER AGENCIES							
BISD	BP/ICE	CUSTOMS	DEA	DPS	U.S. MARSHAL	UTRGV	ATF/FBI
61	66	1	29	180	1	19	5
	MISDEMEANOR FELONY		NY	TOTALS			
	3,47	1	1,011		1	4,482	
ARRESTS BY GENDER							
	MA	LES	3,802				

Southmost Community Center

The Southmost Community Network Center established to provide a proactive police response and to build a positive relationship with the community. The goal is to identify potential areas that may lead to criminal activity, and to help build a network between the citizens, city departments and ourselves in order to provide solutions to problems that can be addressed by other than police presence or intervention.



YEAR ROUND ACTIVITIES		
Presentations	147	
Social Events	107	
People at Presentations	22,251	
Citizens Using Center	720	
Patrol By's	22,311	

- ➤ Citizen's Police Academy The police department offers the ten week course, free to citizens 18 years of age and older. Those enrolled will meet every Thursday to learn about police procedures, criminal prosecution, self defense and use of firearms. This is one more way of interacting with the community and teaching them about police practices.
- ➤ Brownsville Police National Night Out is designed to: (1) Heighten crime and drug prevention awareness; (2) Generate support for, and participation in, local anticrime programs, (3) Strengthen neighborhood spirit and police community partnerships, (4) Send a message to criminals letting them know that neighborhoods are organized and fighting back. Approximately 2,500 persons in attendance.
- ➤ Halloween Festival as an alternative to door-to-door trick or treating the department annually provides treats to 4,000 children; this is a combined effort from both Westside and Southmost Centers.
- ➤ **Bike Rodeo** is Cyclist Safety for young cyclists, ages 6-14 years of age. It's important that our children understand bicycle safety. This is an opportunity for area youth to learn important skills and in the process get to know some of our police officers.

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Training Center

Police Training Unit

The Training Center focuses on the training aspect of our officers with internal and external mandated courses.

	Class Hours	Students	Hours
Core Courses	14	318	1,189
Specialized Training	3,360.5	2,724	28,897.5
TOTALS	<u>3,374.5</u>	3,042	30,086.5

The center is responsible for assisting with the Police Entrance Exams and following through with the hiring process. The center is a satellite site for the City of Brownsville Municipal Court and the Cameron County Tax Assessor Office.

A variety of presentations and special events are hosted to the public and attended by center personnel.



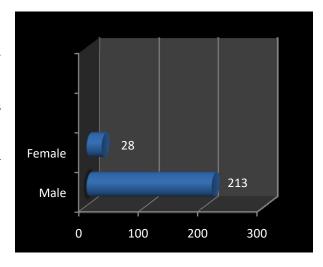
POLICE DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL

COMMISSIONED PERSONNEL

The Brownsville Police Department employed an average of 241 full-time sworn officers.

Average number of officers per 1,000 citizens for Brownsville is 1.31.

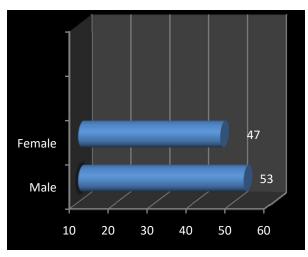
The Brownsville Police Department is currently authorized 247 sworn officers.



CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES

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



2018 Summary of Facts

- The City of Brownsville is approximately 146.3 square miles.
- Estimated population 183,299.
- 241 average number of sworn personnel on staff.
- 100 civilian personnel.
- 164,572 calls for service were handled by police personnel.
- 4365 Part I Crime Index offenses were reported.
- Crime Index decreased by 22.78% in 2018 compared to 2017.
- The crime rate for the City of Brownsville was 2,381.36 index offenses per 100,000 population.
- Crimes against persons increased 38.99%.
- Property crimes decreased by 28.48%.
- Residential burglaries accounted for 61.04% of all burglaries reported.
- 20.83% of all burglaries were cleared.
- 136 actual motor vehicle thefts, a 3.55 decrease from 2017.
- The estimated value for stolen vehicles was \$1,149,424.
- The three most popular make of vehicles stolen were Ford, Foreign, and Chevrolet.
- 142 stolen vehicles were recovered, a 21.11% decrease from 2017.
- The estimated value for recovered stolen vehicles was \$1,234,370.
- 4,845 persons were booked into City Jail.
- 3,802 of all persons booked were male, which represent 78.47% of all bookings.

Downtown Security Cameras

In August of 2017, the idea of creating a security camera grid for a portion of downtown Brownsville was raised. The objective is to create a framework of security cameras strategically placed in downtown Brownsville. The objective's resolution is to improve the quality of life and safety of our community.

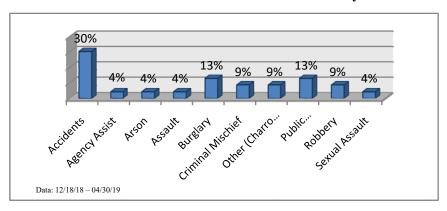
A committee was formed with representatives from City of Brownsville Finance, MIS, and the Police Department to investigate the viability and costs of such an installation. Over a twelve month period the committee studied various camera systems, met with vendors, and conducted on site evaluations. On August 21, 2018, the committee brought the best of these systems to the City of Brownsville and the Brownsville City Commission for approval.

The commission approved the purchase resulting in a grid of 40 Axis cameras being placed. The cameras provide a four way, 360 degree view with continuing footage from one camera to another. In addition, each of these 40 cameras has a PTZ camera that allows a zoom function when necessary.

Milestones to Date

- October 17, 2018 Notice to proceed issued.
- November 16, 2018 Installation of cameras begin.
- December 18, 2018 First cameras go live.
- April 27, 2019 camera system is fully functional with ongoing system updates.
- Numerous arrests and identification(s) have resulted due to the cameras.

Security Camera Data



E. 11th st	

Accidents	7	30%
Agency Assist	1	4%
Arson	1	4%
Assault	1	4%
Burglary	3	13%
Criminal Mischief	2	9%
Other (Charro Days, Illegal Dumping)	2	9%
Public Intoxication / Disorderly Conduct	3	13%
Robbery	2	9%
Sexual Assault	1	4%
TOTAL	23	

Data: 12/18/18 - 04/30/19



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