Racial Profiling

Racial Profiling occurs when law enforcement officers, in their official capacity, considers a person's race, ethnicity, or skin color as a basis for enforcement. The 'Texas Code of Criminal Procedures Art. 3.05 Racial Profiling' defines racial profiling as:

"In this code, racial profiling means a law enforcement-initiated action based on an individual's race, ethnicity or national origin rather than on the individual's behavior or on information identifying the individual as having engaged in criminal activity."

Art. 2.131 of the Texas Criminal Code of Procedures states that "A peace officer may not engage in racial profiling."

Georgetown Police Departments' View of Racial Profiling

The mission statement of the Georgetown Police Department is "To protect and serve the community of Georgetown's quest for a peaceful and safe existence, free from fear, with democratic values applied equally to all with a commitment to excellence by providing the highest level of integrity, professionalism, and customer service to enhance the quality of life of our community."

Based on our values, the Georgetown Police Department does not condone Racial Profiling or any type of Racially Biased Policing. If you feel you have been a victim of Racial Profiling or Racially Biased Policing, contact our Professional Standards Division at (512) 930-2588.