

RACIAL
PROFILING
& BIASED-BASED
POLICING



State of Texas, Code of Criminal Procedure (CCP) Articles 2.131 thru 2.137 address mandatory requirements Texas law enforcement agencies and officers must comply with.

The Texas Commission on Law Enforcement (TCOLE) mandates certain training in Racial Profiling be completed by all Texas Peace Officers.

### **DEFINITIONS: (CCP Art. 3.05)**

**Racial Profiling:** 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.

Bias Based Policing: Port of Corpus Christi Authority Police Department (Port PD) policy defines bias based policing as the targeting of an individual for enforcement action, detention, or interdiction based solely on a trait common to a group of people. This includes but is not limited to: race, ethnic background, gender, sexual orientation, religion, economic status, age, cultural group or any other identifiable group. For purpose of Port PD policy, racial profiling is a part of biased based policing, which is prohibited.

Any person who feels they have been targeted by a Port of Corpus Christi Authority Police Officer in violation of department policy can file a complaint by mail, telephone, or in person. The complaint will be thoroughly investigated and reviewed by the Chief of Police. The person filing the complaint will be notified of the outcome of the investigation. Investigations will be completed in a timely manner.

## Mail complaints to:

Chief Tom Mylett
Port Corpus Christi Police Dept.
1002 E. Port Avenue
Corpus Christi, Texas 78401

Complaints by phone may be made to (361) 885-6238 or (361) 885-6195.

Individuals with a complaint are welcome to meet with the Chief or the Executive Officer, Capt. Eric Giannamore in person at the Police Department.

# Racial Profiling / Bias Based Policing

# PROHIBITED

It is the policy of the Port of Corpus Christi Authority Police Department that employees will not engage in any activities that are discriminatory or indicative of the practice of bias based policing or racial profiling. Port Police Officers will focus on the behavior of an individual and/or specific suspect information in taking police/enforcement action. Individuals will not be targeted for enforcement actions, detention, field contacts, asset forfeiture, or interdiction solely on the basis of race, ethnic background, gender, sexual orientation, religion, economic status, age, cultural group, or any other identifiable groups.

Chief Mylett
Port of Corpus Christi Authority PD



#### PORTS DELIVER PROSPERITY

For centuries, seaports have served as a vital economic lifeline by bringing goods and services to people around the world. Today, approximately 99% of all overseas goods come into the United States by ships, and seaports continue to be the critical access to the global marketplace. Seaports generate trillions of dollars of economic activities throughout the Western Hemisphere, support employment for millions of people, and import and export more than 4.5 billion tons of different kinds of cargo. To meet the future demands of growth, the American Association of Port Authorities and its members are committed to keeping seaports navigable, secure and sustainable.

Port Corpus Christi is committed to the conservation of our environment and the development of responsible, effective global transportation.









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