



City of Blanco Police Department Chief's Monthly Report April 2025

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Department News

The Blanco Police Department continues its commitment to professional excellence and community engagement. The department is actively progressing through the Texas Police Chiefs Association Foundation (TPCAF) Re-Accreditation process, with recent efforts focused on aligning all departmental policies with 2024 TPCAF standards. Supervisors are undergoing advanced training in employee performance evaluations to ensure consistent and constructive feedback across all levels. Additionally, the department is preparing to implement a new digital system for tracking training, compliance, and policy updates, aimed at improving operational transparency and accountability. Community outreach efforts remain strong, with increased patrol visibility and continued support for local events and school programs.

Community Events & Involvement

The Blanco Police Department has remained actively engaged in a variety of local events, providing both security and community support. Officers maintained a strong visual presence during the Blanco Market Days and the Real Ale Brewing Company's anniversary celebration, helping to deter criminal activity and ensure a safe, family-friendly environment. The department also supported the Blanco High School Prom and the Middle School Formal with a proactive and visible presence, helping to prevent disruptions and ensure an enjoyable experience for all attendees. In addition, officers have participated in other community activities, strengthening relationships with residents and reinforcing the department's commitment to proactive, community-oriented policing.

Staffing

The Blanco Police Department is currently staffed with a total of ten personnel. Leadership consists of the Police Chief and the Operations Lieutenant, supported administratively by 1 administrative assistant. The patrol division includes two Corporals and five patrol officers. Among the patrol officers is the department's newest member, Officer Joseph Perkins, a long-term local resident and hometown addition whose community ties are expected to be an asset to the agency.

Administrative Operations

- **Chief Activities**

Chief Jerry Thornhill recently represented the department at the Texas Police Chiefs Association (TCPA) Annual Police Chiefs Conference, where he engaged with law enforcement leaders from across the state on topics such as accreditation, officer wellness, and emerging best practices.

- **Records Requests**

The Police Department received and fulfilled a total of 10 records requests in April 2025.

Department Statistics

Patrol Operations

Total Calls for Service	April 2025	+/- Previous Month
-In city	312	▲ 66.8% Increase
-Out of city	75	▲ 59.6% Increase
Agency Assist	15	▲ 275% Increase

It is important to note these statistics represent reported Calls for Service and not verified offenses or incidents

Traffic Stops	April 2025	+/- Previous Month
-Total Vehicles Stopped	181	▲ 17.5% Increase
-Resulting Citations	46	▲ 15.0% Increase
-Resulting Warnings	166	▲ 45% Increase
Arrests	April 2025	+/- Previous Month
-On view	2	▲ 100.0% Increase
-Warrants	5	▲ 500.0% Increase
Motor Vehicle Collisions	7	▲ 75.0% Increase

Fleet Updates

Fleet IN COMMISSION	6	
Fleet IN REPAIR	0	
Fleet OUT OF COMMISSION	3	Units 171, 181, 182

Criminal Investigations Division

Number of Reports Taken	Total	+/- Previous Month
-resulting in offense report	10	▲ 150.0% Increase
-resulting in informational/other report	20	▼ 23.1% Decrease
Offenses Filed		
-felony	8	▲ 300.0% Increase
-misdemeanor	2	▼ 60.0% Decrease

Detailed Statistics

Total Traffic Stops: 181

Total Violations: 212

Traffic Violations by Type	Resulting in Citation	Resulting in Warning
Moving Violation	31	166
Non-Traffic Violation	10	2
School Zone Violation	2	1



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**Some traffic stops resulted in multiple citations/warnings if the officer addressed more than one violation.*

Arrests Made by Month

Month	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
Adult	2	1	1	7								
Juvenile	0	0	0	0								
Total	2	1	1	7								

Calls for Service by Month

Month	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
Total	258	249	238	398								

Offenses by Month

Month	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
Total	4	4	7	14								

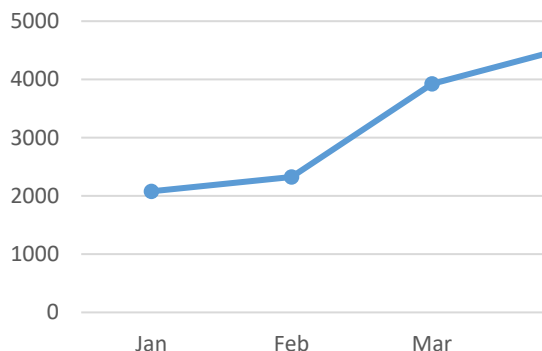
Motor Vehicle Collisions by Month

Month	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
Total	6	6	2	7								

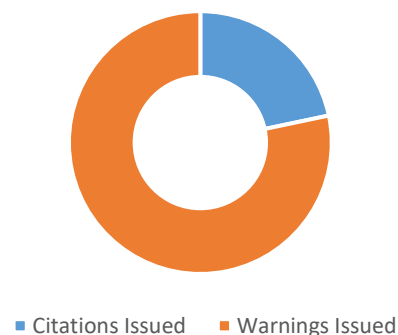
Miles Patrolled by Month

Month	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
Total	2079	2326	3925	4561								

Monthly Mileage Statistics



April 2025: Citations Vs. Warnings



Monthly Report of Incident by Incident Type

Call Type	Number of Calls
Not Classified	10
911 Accidental Dial	1
911 Hang Up	3
911 Open Line	2
Abandoned Vehicle	2
Administrative	1
Alarm - Business	7
Animal Complaint	3
ASSAULT	1
Assist Public	10
Back Pain	1
Business Check	9
Cardiac Problems	1
City Ordinance Violation	1
CP	61
Criminal Mischief	1
Disabled Vehicle	3
DISTRICT COURT	1
Disturbance - Physical	2
Disturbance - Verbal	3
Domestic Non-Violent	1
Drugs	1
Emotion Dist Person	1
Fall - Injury	1
Follow Up	1
ILLEGAL DUMPING	1
Informational	6
Loose Livestock	1
Missing Person	1
Motorist Assist	3
MVA - Non Injury	6
Noise Complaint	3
Public Works/Utilities	1
Reckless Driver	18
Shooting	1
Shots Fired	2
Special Assignment	3
Structure Fire - Other	1
Structure Fire - Residential	2
Suspicious Circumstance	2
Suspicious Person	10
Suspicious Vehicle	4
Terroristic Threat	1
Theft	1
Threats	1
Traffic Hazard	5



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Traffic Stop	181
Training Incident	2
TOTAL:	384

**Note, numbers reflect the incident type the call was dispatched as, not necessarily what the incident type and/or offense was determined to be. Additionally, some incidents required multiple incident codes and can be listed under many categories.*

Summary

The Blanco Police Department remains committed to professional excellence, transparency, and community partnership. In April, the department made significant progress in its ongoing Texas Police Chiefs Association Foundation (TPCAF) Re-Accreditation process, with a focus on aligning all departmental policies with 2024 standards. Supervisory personnel are engaged in performance evaluation training to improve employee development, and the agency is preparing to launch a new digital platform to enhance training, policy access, and compliance tracking.

Chief Jerry Thornhill recently represented the department at the Texas Police Chiefs Association Annual Conference, engaging with law enforcement leaders on key issues including officer wellness, accreditation, and leadership practices.

The department continued its strong community presence, supporting Blanco Market Days, the Real Ale Brewing anniversary event, and school functions including the Blanco High School Prom and Middle School Formal. Officers played a visible role in these events, promoting public safety and strengthening ties with residents.

Staffing remains steady with 10 total personnel, including the recent addition of Officer Joseph Perkins, a local resident whose community connections are expected to enhance departmental outreach and effectiveness.

Operationally, the department responded to 398 calls for service in April, marking a 66.8% increase in city calls and a 59.6% rise in out-of-city responses. Patrol made 181 traffic stops, resulting in 46 citations and 166 warnings. Arrests increased significantly to 7, including 5 warrant arrests and 2 on-view. The department also responded to 7 motor vehicle collisions and 10 felony offense reports—both representing sharp increases.

The Criminal Investigations Division reported 30 new cases, with 8 offenses filed as felonies. Additionally, the department fulfilled 10 public records requests.

Fleet operations remain stable with six vehicles in service and no units currently under repair. This month's data reflects the department's active enforcement posture, commitment to community safety, and continued progress toward operational excellence.