

# City of Blanco Police Department Chief's Monthly Report February 2025

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### **Department News**

As we progressed through February, the Blanco Police Department remained committed to proactive policing and community engagement while adapting to shifts in service demands. While the total number of calls for service saw a slight decrease from the previous month, there was a notable increase in out-of-city responses, reflecting our ongoing efforts to support neighboring agencies and maintain regional safety. Traffic enforcement activities saw a significant uptick, with a 35% increase in total vehicle stops and a substantial rise in citations issued, emphasizing our commitment to roadway safety and compliance.

On the administrative front, our department continued to focus on key initiatives, including infrastructure security and technology improvements to enhance operational efficiency. Additionally, our Criminal Investigations Division remained active, addressing both felony and misdemeanor cases, with felony offense filings seeing a notable increase. While arrests were lower compared to the previous month, our officers remained diligent in addressing incidents and ensuring public safety. The following report provides a detailed breakdown of department activities, statistics, and ongoing efforts to serve the Blanco community effectively.

## **Community Events & Involvement**

Although there were not many special events in the month of February, we continued our proactive approach to community involvement by engaging in community support building and strengthening relationships with the residents of Blanco. Our officers remained committed to fostering trust and open communication by maintaining a visible and approachable presence throughout the community.

Through routine patrols, business checks, and informal interactions with citizens, we reinforced our dedication to public safety and service.

## **Staffing**

During the month of February, the Blanco Police Department proudly welcomed two newly sworn officers, Romeo Tamez and Angel Vallejo, to our team. Both officers recently completed their law enforcement training at the Alamo Area Regional Law Enforcement Academy, demonstrating their commitment to public service and professional development. Their addition to the department strengthens our mission to provide dedicated and effective policing to the Blanco community.

On February 24, Officers Tamez and Vallejo began their Field Training Officer (FTO) program, where they will receive hands-on training under the guidance of experienced officers. This program is designed to equip them with the practical skills and knowledge necessary for a successful transition into active duty. We look forward to their growth and contributions to the department as they continue their journey in law enforcement.



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## **Department Statistics**

## **Patrol Operations**

<b>Total Calls for Service</b>	February 2025	+/- Previous Month
-In city	196	20% Decrease
-Out of city	53	43% Increase
Agency Assist	10	9% Decrease

Traffic Stops	February 2025	+/- Previous Month
-Total Vehicles Stopped	73	▲ 35% Increase
-Resulting Citations	23	1050% Increase
-Resulting Warnings	50	<b>21%</b> Increase
Arrests	February 2025	+/- Previous Month
-On view	1	50% Decrease
-Warrants	0	No Increase / Decrease
<b>Motor Vehicle Collisions</b>	6	No Increase / Decrease

Detailed statistics to follow further into the report.

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

## **Administrative Operations**

### Chief Activities

Throughout February, Chief Thornhill continued his active engaged in enhancing safety and security, particularly concerning the critical infrastructure of Internet Technologies and IT Services providers.

#### Records Requests

The Police Department received and fulfilled a total of 3 records requests in February 2025.

## Fleet Updates

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



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## **Criminal Investigations Division**

Number of Reports Taken	Total	+/- previous month
-resulting in offense report	9	43% Decrease
-resulting in informational/other report	17	240% Increase
Offenses Filed		
-felony	2	200% Increase
-misdemeanor	1	50% Decrease

## **Detailed Statistics**

**Total Traffic Stops: 54** 

<b>Traffic Violations by Type</b>	Resulting in Citation	Resulting in Warning
Moving Violation	7	36
Non-Traffic Violation	0	1
School Zone Violation	0	19

<sup>\*</sup>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										
Juvenile	0	0										
Total	2	1										

## **Calls for Service by Month**

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

## **Offenses by Month**

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

## **Motor Vehicle Collisions by Month**

Month	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec



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Total	6	6										
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## **Miles Patrolled by Month**

Month	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
<b>Total</b>	2079	2326										

## **Monthly Report of Incident by Incident Type**

Call Type	<b>Number of Calls</b>
911 Accidental Dial	1
911 Hang Up	1
911 Open Line	1
Abdominal Pain/Problems	1
Administrative	1
Alarm - Business	7
Alarm - Residential	2
Animal Complaint	2
ASSAULT	1
Assist Public	6
Burglary	1
Business Check	5
Cardiac Problems	1
Chest Pain	1
Civil	4
СР	67
Disturbance - Verbal	1
Emotion Dist Person	1
Follow Up	4
Found Property	1
Fraud	2
Funeral Escort	3
Informational	4
Lost Property	1
Motorist Assist	2
MVA - Injury	2
MVA - Non Injury	3
MVA - Unknown Injury	2
Panic Alarm - Business	1
Reckless Driver	21
Runaway	1
Special Assignment	1
Stroke	1
Suspicious Circumstance	3





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Suspicious Person	1
Suspicious Vehicle	4
Theft	3
Traffic Hazard	3
Traffic Stop	75
Training Incident	1
Trespass	1
Welfare Check	4
Wires Down	1
Totals	249

<sup>\*</sup>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**

In February 2025, the Blanco Police Department remained steadfast in its commitment to proactive policing, community engagement, and public safety. While calls for service experienced a slight decline, the department responded to an increased number of out-of-city incidents, highlighting our ongoing support for regional law enforcement efforts. Traffic enforcement saw a significant rise, with more stops and citations issued. Additionally, the department welcomed two newly sworn officers, Romeo Tamez and Angel Vallejo, who have begun their Field Training Officer (FTO) program to prepare for active service.

Administratively, we continued efforts to enhance infrastructure security and operational efficiency, ensuring our department remains well-equipped to serve the community effectively. The Criminal Investigations Division remained active, addressing felony and misdemeanor offenses, while fleet operations and records management continued smoothly. As we move forward, the Blanco Police Department remains committed to professional excellence, community collaboration, and ensuring the safety and well-being of our residents.

#### **Disclosure**

Many data collection sources were utilized to compile the presented information to include Record Management System reporting and administrative logs. In our continued effort to report accurate and transparent numbers, the department discloses that the RMS system is continuously updated and reports run at various times, sometimes producing different results. Care should be taken when comparing this monthly report to other data reports as different data collection methods and data sources may be used. The data provided is for informational use only.