SEATTLE POLICE DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM

TO: Chief Carmen Best   DATE: May 4, 2020
                  Chief of Police- via Chain of Command

FROM: Detective Elizabeth Wareing
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SUBJECT: Bias Crime and Bias Incidents Synopsis - (2nd Half 2019 dates 07/01/19-12/31/19)

Overview

During the second half of 2019, **256** criminal and non-criminal bias-based incidents were reported to the Seattle Police Department. This compares to 278 bias-based incidents reported in the second half of 2018. This reflects an 8% decrease of bias-based incidents city wide for the same reporting period last year.

During the second half of 2019, **Malicious harassment cases increased by 15** from the first half of the year, but are **down by 5** from the second half of 2018. The category of **crimes with bias elements increased by 20** from the first half of 2019, and **are up by 9** cases from the second half of 2019. **Non-criminal bias incidents decreased by 8** from the first half of 2019, and are down 26 cases from same reporting period in 2018.

Reported **anti-LGBTQ** malicious harassment cases numbered 26 during the second half of 2018 and **decreased to 21 during the second half of 2019**. Anti-LGBTQ crimes with bias elements numbered 40 in 2019, **up from 31** in 2018. Non-criminal bias incidents **fell from 27 in 2018 to 14 in 2019**.

Reported **anti-Black** malicious harassment cases numbered 15 during the second half of 2018 and decreased to 13 the second half of 2019. Reported anti-Black crimes with bias elements increased from 31 reported incidents during the second half of 2018 to 44 during the second half of 2019. There were 32 anti-Black non-criminal bias incidents in the second half of 2019, compared with 31 in 2018 during the same period.

Most reported incidents occurred during **second watch and third watch (91 each watch), followed by first watch (47)**.

West Precinct had the most incidents at **34%** (85), followed by **East Precinct** at **26%** (67) incidents, **North Precinct** at **23%** (60). **South Precinct** reported **11%** (29) of incidents, followed by **Southwest Precinct** at **6%** (15).

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<u>Incidents</u>

- ✓ 64 were determined to be Malicious Harassment

- ✓ 122 of the incidents were determined to be crimes with bias elements

- ✓ 70 of the incidents were determined to be non-criminal bias incidents

<u>Arrests</u>

64 malicious harassment cases resulted in 21 arrests:

- o 13 were arrested and/or charged with a felony crime

- o 8 were arrested and/or charged with a misdemeanor offense

- o 43 cases were inactivated or administratively cleared due to solvability or other factors

122 crimes with bias elements cases resulted in 46 arrests:

- o 11 were arrested and/or charged with a felony crime

- o 35 were arrested and/or charged with a misdemeanor offense

- o 76 cases were inactivated or administratively cleared due to solvability or other factors

Bias Categories

Perpetrators in bias-based events targeted 19 total groups with the two most frequently reporting groups, anti-black and anti-gay/lesbian, accounting for 60**%** of the total number of bias-based incidents.

Bias category	Malicious Harassment	Crimes with Bias Elements	Non-Criminal Bias Incidents
Black	13	44	31
Gay/Lesbian/Bisexual	15	39	11
Jewish	6	9	5
White	2	10	8
Race/Ethnicity/Ancestry	2	7	5
Asian/Pacific Islander	4	7	2
Hispanic/Latino	4	5	4
Transgender	5	1	3
Homeless	4	2	0
Multiple Racial Group	1	3	2
Female	0	4	1
Islamic	4	0	1
Arab	0	2	1
Age	1	1	0
Gender Non-Conforming	1	0	0
Physical Disability	0	0	1
Mental Disability	1	0	0
Catholic	1	0	0
Christian	0	1	0
Totals	64	135	75

*13 incidents included bias elements in more than one category. These numbers reference the number of incidents for each category represented. The total number of discrete incidents was 256. Categories in which no incidents were reported were not included in this table.

- o The category of Anti-Black represents **35%** of the total reported incidents

- o The aggregated categories of Anti-Gay, Lesbian, Bi-Sexual, Transgender and Gender Non-Conforming represents **26%** percent of the incidents.

- ➤ **20%** of the criminal and non-criminal bias incidents occurred during 1st watch hours (0300-1159)

- ➤ **40%** of the criminal and non-criminal bias incidents occurred during 2nd watch hours (1200-1959)

> ➢ **40%** of the criminal and non-criminal bias incidents occurred during 3rd watch hours (2000-0259)

West Precinct

Sector	Beat	Malicious Harassment	Crime w/Bias Elements	Bias Incident
David	D1	2	3	0
	D2	2	1	0
	D3	1	1	1
King	K1	5	9	0
	K2	0	8	2
	K3	1	11	3
Mary	M1	2	5	1
	M2	3	5	2
	M3	1	3	1
Queen	Q1	1	2	0
	Q2	0	2	3
	Q3	0	1	2
Totals		19	51	16

David Sector represents **14%** of the total crimes and **6%** of the non-criminal bias incidents in the West Precinct.

King Sector **49%** of the total crimes and **31%** of the non-criminal bias incidents in the West Precinct.

Mary Sector represents **27%** of the total crimes and **31%** of the non-criminal bias incidents in the West Precinct.

Queen Sector represents **6%** of the total crimes and **31%** of the non-criminal bias incidents in the West Precinct.

South Precinct

Sector	Beat	Malicious Harassment	Crime w/Bias Elements	Bias Incident
Robert	**R1**	**2**	**2**	**0**
	R2	**3**	**1**	**3**
	R3	**1**	**1**	**2**
Sam	**S1**	**0**	**0**	**2**
	S2	**0**	**1**	**0**
	S3	**1**	**2**	**0**
Ocean	**O1**	**1**	**1**	**3**
	O2	**1**	**0**	**0**
	O3	**0**	**1**	**1**
Totals		**9**	**9**	**11**

Robert Sector represents **56%** of the total crimes and **46%** non-criminal bias incidents in the South Precinct.

Sam Sector represents **22%** of the crimes and **18%** of the non-criminal bias incidents in the South Precinct.

Ocean Sector represents **22%** of the total crimes and **36%** of the non-criminal bias incidents in the South Precinct.

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East Precinct

Sector	Beat	Malicious Harassment	Crime w/Bias Elements	Bias Incident
Edward	**E1**	**2**	**4**	**1**
	E2	**3**	**9**	**4**
	E3	**6**	**5**	**1**
Charlie	**C1**	**1**	**4**	**1**
	C2	**1**	**3**	**3**
	C3	**0**	**1**	**4**
George	**G1**	**2**	**2**	**2**
	G2	**1**	**0**	**3**
	G3	**1**	**2**	**1**
Totals		**17**	**30**	**20**

Edward Sector represents **62%** of the total crimes and **30%** of the non-criminal bias incidents in the East Precinct.

Charlie Sector represents **21%** of the total crimes and **40%** of the non-criminal bias incidents in the East Precinct.

George Sector represents **17%** of the total crimes and **30%** of the non-criminal bias incidents in the East Precinct.

North Precinct

Sector	Beat	Malicious Harassment	Crime w/Bias Elements	Bias Incident
Nora	N1	1	0	1
	N2	1	2	0
	N3	1	4	0
Boy	B1	1	1	0
	B2	4	1	1
	B3	2	2	1
Lincoln	L1	1	2	0
	L2	1	3	4
	L3	0	1	1
Union	U1	1	1	1
	U2	3	2	2
	U3	0	1	2
John	J1	0	2	0
	J2	0	1	0
	J3	1	4	3
Totals		17	27	16

Nora Sector represents **21%** of the total crimes and **6%** of the non-criminal bias incidents in the North Precinct.

Boy Sector represents **25%** of the total crimes and **13%** of the non-criminal bias incidents in the North Precinct.

Lincoln Sector represents **18%** of the total crimes and **31%** of the non-criminal bias incidents in the North Precinct.

Union Sector represents **18%** of the total crimes and **19%** of the non-criminal bias incidents in the North Precinct.

John Sector represents 1**8%** of the total crimes and **19%** of the non-criminal bias incidents in the North Precinct.

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Southwest Precinct

Sector	Beat	Malicious Harassment	Crime w/Bias Elements	Bias Incident
Frank	**F1**	**0**	**1**	**3**
	F2	**0**	**0**	**2**
	F3	**0**	**0**	**0**
William	**W1**	**1**	**2**	**0**
	W2	**1**	**2**	**3**
	W3	**0**	**0**	**0**
Totals		**2**	**5**	**8**

Frank Sector represents **14%** of the total crimes and **63%** of the bias incidents in the Southwest Precinct.

William Sector **86%** of the total crimes and **37%** of the bias incidents in the Southwest Precinct.