

## **Racial Profiling**

### **Racial Profiling Information**

**It is the policy of the Llano County Sheriff's Office to condemn any citizen contacts based solely on race and address any violation of this policy with appropriate employees.**

#### **DEFINITIONS**

**RACIAL PROFILING:** Racial based profiling means 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.

**RACE OR ETHNICITY:** Race or ethnicity means a particular descent, including Caucasian, African, Hispanic, Asian, or Native American descent.

**PEDESTRIAN STOP:** Pedestrian Stop means an interaction between a peace officer and an individual who is being detained for the purpose of a criminal investigation in which the individual is not under arrest.

**ACTS OF RACIAL PROFILING:** Acts of racial profiling include traffic and pedestrian stops based on an individual's race or ethnicity rather than the individual's actions or based upon reasonable suspicion.

#### **PROHIBITION OF RACIAL PROFILING**

All peace officers employed by the Llano County Sheriff's Office are strictly prohibited from engaging in racial profiling.

#### **PROCESS FOR FILING COMPLAINT OF RACIAL PROFILING**

You may contact the Sheriff or Chief Deputy via email at [lcso@co.llano.tx.us](mailto:lcso@co.llano.tx.us) or by telephone at 325-247-5767.