

# San Antonio Police Department

# Cite and Release Program

4<sup>TH</sup> QUARTER REPORT

(APRIL 1 TO JUNE 30, 2022)

FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2022



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# SAPD Class A/B Misdemeanor Cite & Release Program Report

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### OVERVIEW

This report outlines the enforcement activity related to the SAPD enhanced Cite and Release program, which began on July 1, 2019. The period covered by this report is April 1, 2022, through June 30, 2022. This program authorizes SAPD Officers to issue citations in lieu of custodial arrest in certain Class A or B misdemeanor offenses codified within Texas Code of Criminal Procedure Article 14.06 (c) and (d). The SAPD amended existing departmental policy and expanded officer discretion to support the enhanced cite and release opportunities. However, in consultation with the Bexar County District Attorney's Office, the Class A and B misdemeanor offense of Penal Code 28.08 Graffiti was excluded from the authority to cite and release. The offenses authorized for cite and release under the enhanced SAPD program is as follows:

1. Class B Possession of Marijuana (0-2 oz.)
2. Class A Possession of Marijuana (2-4 oz.)
3. Class B Possession of Substance in Penalty Group 2-A (0-2 oz.)  
*E.g. Synthetic cannabinoids*
4. Class A Possession of Substance in Penalty Group 2-A (2-4 oz.)  
*E.g. Synthetic cannabinoids*
5. Class B Criminal Mischief (\$100 or over and less than \$750)  
*E.g. damaged property, broken windows, flattened tires*
6. Class B Theft from businesses (\$100 or over and less than \$750)  
*E.g. shoplifting, retail theft*
7. Class B Theft of Service (\$100 or over and less than \$750)  
*E.g. non-payment of tab or check, rental fee*
8. Class B Contraband in a Correctional Facility  
*E.g. alcohol, controlled substance, deadly weapon, tobacco products*
9. Driving While License Invalid

To evaluate the effectiveness of the implementation of the enhanced Cite and Release Program and to provide the community with information on the program, the Department will produce a quarterly report providing information on the following:

1. Enforcement Activity
2. Race/Ethnicity
3. Age
4. Gender
5. Location
6. Offense Type
7. Arrest Reason
8. Officer Availability

This report will compare the results, on a quarterly basis, to the results of the second year of implementation of the program.

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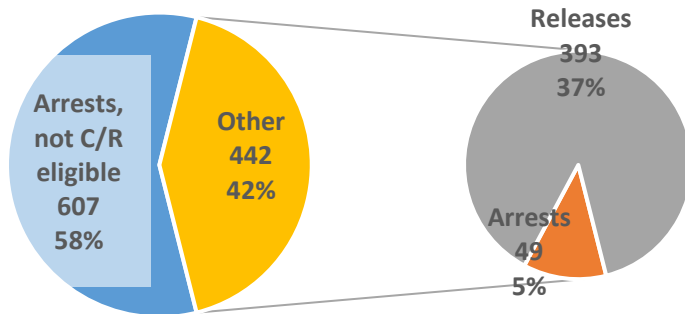
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### SUMMARY

During the period of April through June 2022, the SAPD encountered 1,049 individuals for eligible offenses, via either custodial arrest or issuing a misdemeanor citation. Of the 1,049 individuals encountered, 607 individuals (57.86%) had outstanding warrants and/or multiple arrests, making them ineligible for citation and release. 442 (42.14%) encounters were eligible for citation and release.

The table below provides a breakdown of these police encounters by race/ethnicity.

Race/ Ethnicity	Total Encounters	Arrests (not C/R eligible)	Other Arrests	Released
Hispanic	799	465	35	299
White	111	62	11	38
African American	122	73	2	47
Other Race	17	7	1	9
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,049</b>	<b>607</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>393</b>
<b>% of Total</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>57.86%</b>	<b>4.67%</b>	<b>37.46%</b>



Of the 442 individuals eligible for cite and release, 393 were released and 49 were arrested.

The table below provides detail on the 442 encounters which were eligible for cite and release, disaggregated by race and ethnicity. Release rates range from 95.95% for African Americans to 77.55% for Whites.

Race/ Ethnicity	C/R Eligible Encounters	Individuals Arrested	Individuals Released	Release Rate, eligible encounters
Hispanic	334	35	299	89.52%
White	49	11	38	77.55%
African American	49	2	47	95.95%
Other Race	10	1	9	90.00%
<b>Total</b>	<b>442</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>393</b>	

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### 1. OFFENSE TYPE

Table 6.1 identifies the enforcement activity by type of offense during the current program quarter and compares the enforcement activity with the same quarter of the prior year. Class B Theft and Possession of 0-2 ounces of marijuana make up a total of 87.89% of offenses. Possession of Marijuana 0-2 oz has a higher citation release rate of 54.71% during Year 3, Q4, as compared to the release rate of 40.46% for Class B Theft.

**Table 6.1 – Arrests by Offense type, current quarter compared to same quarter prior year**

Offense Type	Year 2, Q4 Apr to Jun 2021				Year 3, Q4 Apr to Jun 2022			
	Arrest	Release	Total	Rel. %	Arrest	Release	Total	Rel. %
Contraband in Correctional Facility	1	0	1	0%	0	0	0	NA
Criminal Mischief \$100 to <\$750	80	11	91	12.09%	73	7	80	8.75%
Driving While License Invalid	3	0	3	0%	5	2	7	28.57%
Class B Theft \$100 to <\$750	93	108	201	53.73%	138	159	297	53.54%
Class B Theft of Service \$100 to <\$750	1	0	1	0%	2	2	4	50.00%
Poss. Marijuana 0 to 2oz	427	181	608	29.77%	410	215	625	34.40%
Poss. Marijuana 2 to 4oz	25	6	31	19.35%	16	3	19	15.79%
Poss. Sch. 2A Ctrld Subst. < 2oz	27	12	39	30.77%	10	5	15	33.33%
Poss. Sch. 2A Ctrld Subst. 2 to < 4oz	0	1	1	100%	1	0	1	0%
Theft \$100 < \$750 (From Motor Vehicle)	0	0	0	NA	1	0	1	0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>657</b>	<b>319</b>	<b>976</b>		<b>656</b>	<b>393</b>	<b>1,049</b>	

**Table 6.2 – Arrests by Offense type, current year to date (YTD) compared to prior YTD**

Offense Type	Year 2, Q4 YTD Jul to Jun 2021				Year 3, Q4 YTD Jul to Jun 2022			
	Arrest	Release	Total	Rel. %	Arrest	Release	Total	Rel. %
Contraband In Correctional Facility	2	0	2	0%	0	0	0	NA
Criminal Mischief \$100 to <\$750	322	37	359	10.31%	271	28	299	9.36%
Driving While License Invalid	26	14	40	35.00%	22	7	29	24.14%
Class B Theft \$100 to <\$750	360	415	775	53.55%	457	534	991	53.88%
Class B Theft of Service \$100 to <\$750	6	4	10	40.00%	10	4	14	28.57%
Poss. Marijuana 0 to 2oz	1,915	975	2,890	33.74%	1,555	790	2,345	33.69%
Poss. Marijuana 2 to 4oz	103	32	135	23.70%	87	21	108	19.44%
Poss. Sch. 2A Ctrld Subst. < 2oz	198	56	254	22.05%	71	18	89	20.22%
Poss. Sch. 2A Ctrld Subst. 2 to < 4oz	3	2	5	40.00%	2	0	2	0%
Theft \$100 < \$750 (From Motor Vehicle)	0	0	0	NA	1	0	1	0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,935</b>	<b>1,535</b>	<b>4,470</b>		<b>2,476</b>	<b>1,402</b>	<b>3,878</b>	

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### 2. OFFICER AVAILABILITY

Cite and release saves officer time because issuing a citation takes less time than completing an arrest. Table 8.1 shows officer time saved according to the average amount of time an Officer spends on an arrest for a particular offense. During Year 3, Q4, the officer time saved by issuing citations was 721.03 hours. The full-time equivalent (FTE) for an officer's time is estimated at 410 hrs per quarter, so the citations issued in Year 3, Q4 resulted in a time saving of 1.76 FTEs.

**Table 8.1 – Reduced Officer Time On Call, current quarter compared to same quarter prior year**

Offense Type	Avg. minutes for arrest	Year 2, Q4 Apr to Jun 2021		Year 3, Q4 Apr to Jun 2022	
		Releases	Hrs saved	Releases	Hrs saved
Contraband In Correctional Facility	NA	0	NA	0	NA
Criminal Mischief \$100 to <\$750	0	11	0	7	0
Driving While License Invalid	70	0	0	2	2.33
Class B Theft \$100 to <\$750	117	108	210.60	159	310.05
Class B Theft of Service \$100 to <\$750	14	0	0	2	0.47
Poss. Marijuana 0 to 2oz	112	181	337.87	215	401.33
Poss. Marijuana 2 to 4oz	32	6	3.20	3	1.60
Poss. Sch. 2A Ctrlld Subst. < 2oz	63	12	12.60	5	5.25
Poss. Sch. 2A Ctrlld Subst. 2 to < 4oz	0	1	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>			<b>564.27</b>		<b>721.03</b>
<b>Officer FTE (hrs)</b>	<b>410</b>	<b>319</b>	<b>1.38 FTE</b>	<b>393</b>	<b>1.76 FTE</b>

**Table 8.2 – Reduced Officer Time On Call, current year to date (YTD) compared to prior YTD**

Offense Type	Avg. minutes for arrest	Year 2, Q4 YTD Jul to Jun 2021		Year 3, Q4 YTD Jul to Jun 2022	
		Releases	Hrs saved	Releases	Hrs saved
Contraband In Correctional Facility	NA	0	NA	0	NA
Criminal Mischief \$100 to <\$750	0	37	0	28	0
Driving While License Invalid	70	14	16.33	7	8.17
Class B Theft \$100 to <\$750	117	415	809.25	534	1,041.30
Class B Theft of Service \$100 to <\$750	14	4	0.93	4	0.93
Poss. Marijuana 0 to 2oz	112	975	1,820	790	1,474.67
Poss. Marijuana 2 to 4oz	32	45	24	21	11.20
Poss. Sch. 2A Ctrlld Subst. < 2oz	63	56	58.80	18	18.90
Poss. Sch. 2A Ctrlld Subst. 2 to < 4oz	0	2	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>			<b>2,729.31</b>		<b>2,555.17</b>
<b>Officer FTE (hrs)</b>	<b>1,640</b>	<b>1,548</b>	<b>1.66 FTE</b>	<b>1,402</b>	<b>1.56 FTE</b>

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# **APPENDIX**

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### CITATION BOOK

**SAN ANTONIO POLICE DEPARTMENT  
CITE AND RELEASE  
CITATION**

**INSTRUCTIONS:**

- 1) **ELIGIBLE OFFENSES:** ARE LISTED IN GENERAL MANUAL PROCEDURE 505.06.B.
  - a) An Officer who determines probable cause has been established for any of the eligible offenses can issue a citation if the offender does not have any of the restrictions listed in General Manual Procedure 505.05.A or .06.A.
- 2) **Report Responsibility:** When officers issue a Cite and Release Citation in lieu of custodial arrest, the officers shall:
  - a) Create an offense report;
  - b) Document the citation number in the report;
  - c) Submit the report for approval;
  - d) The report shall be submitted to the DA's Office per General Manual Procedure 505.03.B.
- 3) **The original citation** is submitted in an envelope through bin mail to: *DA's Office, Intake Division, Attn: Cite and Release.*
- 4) **Date of Appearance** should be set 10 days from the date the citation is issued.
- 5) **Return** empty ticket books to Records Unit for destruction.

**IF FOUND PLEASE RETURN**

**SAN ANTONIO POLICE DEPARTMENT  
CITE AND RELEASE CITATION**

**No. CR 0003175**

ROUTING OF REPORT  
**DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE**

DATE ISSUED			TIME ISSUED			DAY OF WEEK		
MONTH	DAY	YEAR						
(PRINT) LAST NAME			FIRST			MIDDLE		

RESIDENCE ADDRESS

CITY		ZIP CODE	PHONE	
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BUSINESS ADDRESS (OR SCHOOL ATTENDED)

CITY		ZIP CODE	BUSINESS PHONE	
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RACE	SEX	HAIR	EYES	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	DATE OF BIRTH
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DRIVER'S LICENSE	STATE	NUMBER	SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER

OTHER ID OR EMAIL ADDRESS:

**VIOLATION CHARGED**

BASED UPON THE INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN, A COMPLAINT WILL BE FILED AGAINST YOU FOR THE VIOLATION INDICATED BELOW

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OFFENSE(S) NOT COMMITTED IN MY PRESENCE  
 CERTIFIED ON INFORMATION AND BELIEF.

PLACE OF OFFENSE

BADGE NO.	DISTRICT OF ARREST	ASSIGNMENT NO.

SIGNATURE OF OFFICER

By signing below, I agree: 1) to report to the Bexar County District Attorney's Office at the ReEntry Center at 222 S. Comal for further instructions. I will report no sooner than the date written below and no later than 30 days after that date; and 2) to be contacted at the phone number or email address provided for purposes related to this citation, including notification of reporting.

**DATE OF APPEARANCE:**    /    /    (Date should be 10 days from issue)

**SIGNATURE:** \_\_\_\_\_

THIS IS NOT AN ADMISSION OF GUILT  
SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR MORE INSTRUCTIONS