



City of Seattle

Seattle Police Department

October 2, 2014

The Honorable Bruce Harrell
Seattle City Council
Seattle City Hall, 2nd Floor
Seattle, Washington 98104

Dear Council President Harrell:

Accompanying this letter is the Bias Crimes and Bias Incident Synopsis for January 1, 2014 – June 30, 2014.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kathleen M. O'Toole".

Kathleen M. O'Toole
Chief of Police

Cc: Deputy Chief Carmen Best
Assistant Chief Robin Clark, Criminal Investigations Bureau

SEATTLE POLICE DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM

TO: Chief Kathleen O'Toole
Chief of Police- via Chain of Command

DATE: 08-15-2014

FROM: Lt. Michael T. Kebba *MTK*
Homicide / Crime Scene Investigations

SUBJECT: Bias Crimes and Bias Incidents Synopsis - (1st Half 2014 dates 01/01/14-06/30/14)

Overview

During the first half of 2014, **60** bias incidents were reported to the Seattle Police Department. This is consistent with past reports. **25** cases were inactivated or administratively cleared due to solvability or other factors.

Incidents

- ✓ **20** were determined to be Malicious Harassment
- ✓ **30** of the incidents were determined to be crimes with bias elements
- ✓ **10** of the incidents were determined to be non-criminal bias incidents

Arrests

- ✓ **9** total people were arrested in **20** Malicious Harassment related crimes
 - **1** was arrested and charged with a federal crime
 - **6** were arrested and charged with a felony crime
 - **2** were arrested and charged with a misdemeanor offense
 - **3** additional cases were forwarded to the Law Department for charges.
 - **8** cases were inactivated or administratively cleared due to solvability or other factors
- ✓ **8** total people were arrested out of **30** crimes with bias elements
 - **3** were arrested and charged with a felony crime
 - **5** were arrested and charged with a misdemeanor offense

- 5 additional cases were forwarded to the Law Department for charges.
- 17 cases were inactivated or administratively cleared due to solvability or other factors

Two significant events are:

1. Arson incident- The suspect was prosecuted federally for setting fire to a stairwell of a crowded Neighbour's nightclub on Capitol Hill gathered for New Years; sentenced in federal court to 10 years.
2. Double Homicide- The suspect entered the victim's vehicle at 619 E. Pine St. They drove to 29th Ave S. and S. King St where the two victims were fatally shot. KCPO has charged two counts of Aggravated Murder.

Bias Categories

The bias events targeted **11** total groups with the **3** most frequent groups accounting for **67%** of the total bias incidents.

Bias category	Crimes	Non-Criminal Bias Incidents
Gay & Lesbian	18	3
Transgender	3	1
Bi-Sexual	0	0
Black	9	2
Homeless	1	0
Jewish	1	0
Asian/Pacific Islander	1	1
Other Ethnicity (India, Saudi, East Indian)	2	1
Other Religion	0	0
Physical Disability	0	0
Islamic	1	0
Political	3	0
White	6	2
Hispanic	4	1
Catholic	0	0
Totals	49	11

- The category of Anti-Gay and Lesbian represents 35% percent of the incidents.
- ~~The category of Anti-Black represents 18% of the total reported incidents.~~
- The category of Anti-White represents 13% percent of the incidents.
- 42% of the criminal and non-criminal bias incidents occurred during 1st watch hours (0400-1200)
- 38% of the criminal and non-criminal bias incidents occurred during 2nd watch hours (1200-2000)
- 20 % of the criminal and non-criminal bias incidents occurred during 3rd watch hours (2000-0400)

West Precinct

Sector	Beat	Malicious Harassment	Crime w/Bias	Bias Incident
David	D1			
	D2		2	
	D3		1	
King	K1			1
	K2	1	4	1
	K3			
Mary	M1	1		1
	M2	1	1	
	M3		1	1
Queen	Q1			1
	Q2	1		
Totals		4	9	5

- David Sector represents **23%** of the total crimes and **0%** of the non-criminal bias incidents in the West Pct.
 - There was 1 Anti-Homosexual **crimes with bias elements.**
 - There was 1 Anti-Asian/Pacific Islander **crime with bias elements.**
 - There was 1 Anti-White **crimes with bias elements.**
- King Sector represents **30%** of the total crimes and **40 %** of the non-criminal bias incidents in the West Pct.
 - There was 1 Anti-Other Ethnicity **crimes with bias elements.**

- There was 1 Transgender **crimes with bias.**
 - There was 1 Anti-Homosexual **malicious harassment crime.**
 - There was 1 Anti-Homosexual **bias incident (non-criminal).**
 - There was 1 Anti-Black incident **bias incident (non-criminal).**
- Mary Sector represents **31%** of the total crimes and **40%** of the non-criminal bias incidents in the West Pct.
 - There were 2 Anti-Homosexual **crimes with bias elements.**
 - There was 1 Anti-Homosexual **bias incident (non-criminal).**
 - There were 1 Anti-Black **malicious harassment crime.**
 - There was 1 Transgender **malicious harassment crime.**
 - There was 1 Anti-Asian/Pac. Islander **bias incident (non-criminal).**
 - Queen Sector represents of the **7%** of the total crimes and **20%** of the non-criminal bias incidents in the West Pct.
 - There was 1 Anti-Hispanic **bias incident (non-criminal)**
 - There was 1 Anti-White **malicious harassment.**

South Precinct

Sector	Beat	Malicious Harassment	Crime w/Bias	Bias Incident
Robert	R1		3	
	R2		1	
	R3			
Sam	S2	1		
	S3	3		
Ocean				
Totals		4	4	0

- Robert Sector represents **50%** of the total crimes and **0%** non-criminal bias incidents in the South Pct.
 - There were 2 Anti-Homosexual **crime with bias elements.**
 - There were 2 Anti-Black **crimes with bias elements.**
- Ocean Sector represents **0 %** of the total crimes and **0%** of the non-criminal bias incidents in the South Pct.
- Sam Sector represents **50%** of the crimes and **0%** of the non-criminal bias incidents in the South Pct.
 - There was 1 Anti-Homosexual **malicious harassment crime.**

- There were 2 Anti-Political **malicious harassment crimes.**
- There was 1 Anti-Political **crime with bias elements.**

East Precinct

Sector	Beat	Malicious Harassment	Crime w/Bias	Bias Incident
Edward	E1	2	2	
	E2	3	2	1
	E3	1	1	1
Charlie	C1			
	C2	1	1	2
George	G1	1	2	
	G2		1	
	G3		1	
	G4	1		
Totals		9	10	4

- Edward Sector represents **58%** of the total crimes and **50%** of the non-criminal bias incidents in the East Pct.
 - There was 4 Anti-Homosexual **malicious harassment crimes.** .
 - There was 3 Anti-Homosexual **crimes with bias elements.**
 - There was 1 Anti-Black **malicious harassment crime.**
 - There was 1 Anti-Black **crime with bias elements.**
 - There was 1 Anti-Hispanic **bias incident (non-criminal).**
 - There was 1 Anti-White **malicious harassment crime.**
 - There was 1 Anti-White **bias incident (non-criminal).**
- Charlie Sector represents **11%** of the total crimes and **50%** of the non-criminal bias incidents in the East Pct.
 - There was 1 Anti-White **malicious harassment.**
 - There was 1 Anti-Other Ethnicity-Saudi **bias incident.**
 - There was 1 Anti-Homosexual **crimes with bias elements**
 - There was 1 Anti-Homosexual **bias incident (non-criminal).**
- George Sector represents **32%** of the total crimes and **0%** of the non-criminal bias incidents in the East Pct.
 - There was 1 Anti-Homosexual **malicious harassment.**
 - There was 1 Anti-Black **crime with bias elements.**
 - There was 1 Anti-Black **malicious harassment.**
 - There was 1 Anti-White **crime with bias elements.**
 - There were 2 Anti-Hispanic **crimes with bias elements.**

North Precinct

Sector	Beat	Malicious Harassment	Crime w/Bias	Bias Incident
Nora	N1	1	1	
	N2			
	N3			
Boy	B1			
	B2			
	B3			
Lincoln	L1			
	L2		1	
	L3			
Union	U1		1	
	U2			
	U3	1		
John	J1		1	
	J2		1	
	J3	1		
Totals	()	3	5	0

- Nora Sector represents **25%** of the total crimes and **0%** of the non-criminal bias incidents in the North Pct.
 - There was 1 Anti-Hispanic **malicious harassment.**
 - There was 1 Anti-White **crime with bias elements.**

- Boy Sector represents **0%** of the total crimes and **0%** of the non-criminal bias incidents in the North Pct.

- Lincoln Sector represents **13%** of the total crimes and **0%** of the non-criminal bias incidents in the North Pct.
 - There was 1 Anti-Homosexual **crime with bias elements.**

- Union Sector represents **25%** of the total crimes and **0%** of the non-criminal bias incidents in the North Pct.
 - There was 1 Anti-Jewish **crime with bias elements.**
 - There was 1 Anti-Black **malicious harassment.**

- John Sector represents **38%** of the total crimes and **0%** of the non-criminal bias incidents in the North Pct.
 - There was 1 Anti-Homeless **malicious harassment**.
 - There were 2 Anti-Black **crimes with bias**.

Southwest Precinct

Sector	Beat	Malicious Harassment	Crime w/Bias	Bias Incident
Frank	F1			1
	F2	1		1
	F3			
William	W3		2	
Totals		1	2	2

- Frank Sector represents **33%** of the total crimes and **100%** of the bias incidents in the Southwest Pct.
 - There was 1 Anti-Islamic **malicious harassment**.
 - There was 1 Anti-Black & White **bias incident (non-criminal)**.
 - There was 1 Anti-Transgender **bias incident (non-criminal)**.

- William Sector represents **67%** of the total crimes and **0%** of the bias incidents in the Southwest Pct.
 - There was 1 anti-black **crime with bias**.
 - There was 1 Other Ethnicity **crime with bias element**.