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Fellow Floridians:

Hate crimes have no place in our state. These criminal acts are driven through hatred and bias toward individuals or groups based on race, religion, national origin, sexual orientation or other personal characteristics.

This year's annual Hate Crime Report shows that Florida's law enforcement agencies reported 148 of these crimes statewide from Jan. 1, 2021, through Dec. 31, 2021. Florida is a law-and-order state, and we will show absolutely no tolerance for hate crimes.

As Attorney General, I encourage anyone who might suspect a hate crime, or any crime, to report the incident to law enforcement immediately. By working together to eliminate hate crimes and ensuring a safer environment for us all, we will build a Stronger, Safer Florida.

Sincerely,



Ashley Moody  
Attorney General

**NOTE**

The responsiveness of law enforcement and the success of community initiatives to identify hate crime incidents cannot be measured solely through statistics. Attempts to rank or categorize any agency, county or region based on the number of reported hate crime incidents would be misleading. Such a ranking or comparison would unfairly penalize those agencies that have vigorous reporting policies by making it appear their jurisdictions are more prone to incidents of hate crimes when, in fact, they are providing a more accurate report of qualifying incidents.

## Introduction

In 1989, the Florida Legislature passed laws designed to address the issue of hate crimes. Section 775.085, Florida Statutes, was created to increase penalties for convictions of crimes where there was evidence of certain prejudice. Additionally, the Hate Crimes Reporting Act, Section 877.19, Florida Statutes, was passed to require law enforcement agencies to report hate crimes to the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) and required the Attorney General's Office to publish an annual summary of data collected by FDLE.

Through its Hate Crime Program, Florida collects data on hate-related offenses for each incident reported. Crimes against persons may have more than one victim, these multiple victims are reflected in Florida's hate crime offense totals. For example, if two individuals are victims of a single hate crime, Florida will count two offenses for that particular incident. For crimes against property, it is counted as one incident per location. The National Hate Crime Program does not reflect multiple victims in its offense count; therefore, Florida's hate crime offense totals may differ from figures included in reports on the national level.

This 2021 Hate Crimes in Florida Report covers the period from January 1, 2021, through December 31, 2021. The information was collected from local law enforcement agencies by FDLE's Division of Criminal Information Systems, Special Services Bureau. The data was tabulated by FDLE and provided to the Attorney General's Office for summary and distribution.

Included with this report are excerpts from FDLE's Hate Crime Report Manual and sources of information regarding hate crimes (see Appendices). The information is provided as a reference with respect to what constitutes various criminal offenses and when those offenses are deemed to be motivated by hate.

## Executive Summary

The 2021 Hate Crimes in Florida Report contains data reported by individual local law enforcement agencies throughout Florida. These agencies reported the occurrence of hate crime incidents in 2021 under the Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) information system. In 2021, 210 agencies participated in reporting Hate Crime data in the UCR system, and this report is based solely on the information provided to FDLE by the reporting agencies.

Of the 210 participating agencies, 33 agencies reported hate crimes in 2021, compared to 59 agencies that reported hate crimes the previous year. This year's total represents 15.7 percent of the agencies that participate in the UCR reporting system.

The report shows the number of hate crimes committed and the nature of the alleged motivation behind the offenses. During 2021, there were 148 reported hate crimes in Florida. Hate crimes motivated by the victim's race/color represented 48 percent of all reported hate crimes; followed by sexual orientation at 24.5 percent; religion at 13.5 percent; ethnicity/national origin at 7.4 percent; homeless status at 2.0 percent and mental disability at 0.7 percent. No hate crimes were reported under the categories of physical disability or advanced age.

There are two categories of hate crime offenses: crimes against persons and crimes against property. Crimes against persons accounted for 70.9 percent of all incidents reported in 2021. Crimes against property accounted for the remaining 29.1 percent.

As variations may exist among law enforcement agencies in how hate crime data is gathered and reported, it is important to note that this report does not include unreported crimes or crimes that may be hate-related but are not classified as such by the local reporting agencies.

## 2021 Florida Hate Crimes Statutes

**775.085 Evidencing prejudice while committing offense; reclassification.—**

(1)(a) The penalty for any felony or misdemeanor shall be reclassified as provided in this subsection if the commission of such felony or misdemeanor evidences prejudice based on the race, color, ancestry, ethnicity, religion, sexual orientation, national origin, homeless status, or advanced age of the victim:

1. A misdemeanor of the second degree is reclassified to a misdemeanor of the first degree.
2. A misdemeanor of the first degree is reclassified to a felony of the third degree.
3. A felony of the third degree is reclassified to a felony of the second degree.
4. A felony of the second degree is reclassified to a felony of the first degree.
5. A felony of the first degree is reclassified to a life felony.

(b) As used in paragraph (a), the term:

1. “Advanced age” means that the victim is older than 65 years of age.
2. “Homeless status” means that the victim:
  - a. Lacks a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence; or
  - b. Has a primary nighttime residence that is:
    - (I) A supervised publicly or privately operated shelter designed to provide temporary living accommodations; or
    - (II) A public or private place not designed for, or ordinarily used as, a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings.

(2) A person or organization that establishes by clear and convincing evidence that it has been coerced, intimidated, or threatened in violation of this section has a civil cause of action for treble damages, an injunction, or any other appropriate relief in law or in equity. Upon prevailing in such civil action, the plaintiff may recover reasonable attorney’s fees and costs.

(3) It is an essential element of this section that the record reflect that the defendant perceived, knew, or had reasonable grounds to know or perceive that the victim was within the class delineated in this section. History.—s. 1, ch. 89-133; s. 1, ch. 91-83; s. 1, ch. 98-83; s. 1, ch. 99-172; s. 1, ch. 2010-46; s.2, ch. 2016-81.

**775.0861 Offenses against persons on the grounds of religious institutions; reclassification.—**

(1) For purposes of this section, the term:

(a) “Religious institution” is as defined in s. 496.404.

(b) “Religious service” is a religious ceremony, prayer, or other activity according to a form and order prescribed for worship, including a service related to a particular occasion.

(2) The felony or misdemeanor degree of any violation of:

- (a) Section 784.011, relating to assault;
- (b) Section 784.021, relating to aggravated assault;
- (c) Section 784.03, relating to battery;
- (d) Section 784.041, relating to felony battery;
- (e) A statute defining any offense listed in s. 775.084(1)(b)1.; or

(f) Any other statute defining an offense that involves the use or threat of physical force or violence against any individual shall be reclassified as provided in this section if the offense is committed on the property of a religious institution while the victim is on the property for the purpose of participating in or attending a religious service.

(3)(a) In the case of a misdemeanor of the second degree, the offense is reclassified to a misdemeanor of the first degree.

(b) In the case of a misdemeanor of the first degree, the offense is reclassified to a felony of the third degree. For purposes of sentencing under chapter 921, such offense is ranked in level 2 of the offense severity ranking chart.

(c) In the case of a felony of the third degree, the offense is reclassified to a felony of the second degree.

(d) In the case of a felony of the second degree, the offense is reclassified to a felony of the first degree.

(e) In the case of a felony of the first degree, the offense is reclassified to a life felony.

For purposes of sentencing under chapter 921 and determining incentive gain-time eligibility under chapter 944, a felony offense that is reclassified under this subsection is ranked one level above the ranking under s. 921.0022 or s. 921.0023 of the offense committed.

History.—s. 2, ch. 2005-77.

**775.0863 Evidencing prejudice while committing offense against person with mental or physical disability; reclassification.—**

(1)(a) The penalty for any felony or misdemeanor shall be reclassified as provided in this subsection if the commission of such felony or misdemeanor

evidences prejudice based on a mental or physical disability of the victim:

1. A misdemeanor of the second degree is reclassified to a misdemeanor of the first degree.
2. A misdemeanor of the first degree is reclassified to a felony of the third degree.
3. A felony of the third degree is reclassified to a felony of the second degree.
4. A felony of the second degree is reclassified to a felony of the first degree.
5. A felony of the first degree is reclassified to a life felony.

(b) As used in paragraph (a), the term “mental or physical disability” means a condition of mental or physical incapacitation due to a developmental disability, organic brain damage, or mental illness, and one or more mental or physical limitations that restrict a person’s ability to perform the normal activities of daily living.

(2) A person or organization that establishes by clear and convincing evidence that it has been coerced, intimidated, or threatened in violation of this section has a civil cause of action for treble damages, an injunction, or any other appropriate relief in law or in equity. Upon prevailing in such civil action, the plaintiff may recover reasonable attorney fees and costs.

(3) It is an essential element of this section that the record reflect that the defendant perceived, knew, or had reasonable grounds to know or perceive that the victim was within the class delineated in this section. History.—s. 3, ch. 2016-81.

**877.19 Hate Crimes Reporting Act.—**

(1) **SHORT TITLE.**—This section may be cited as the “Hate Crimes Reporting Act.”

(2) **ACQUISITION AND PUBLICATION OF DATA.**—The Governor, through the Florida Department of Law Enforcement, shall collect and disseminate data on incidents of criminal acts that evidence prejudice based on race, religion, ethnicity, color, ancestry, sexual orientation, or national origin. All law enforcement agencies shall report monthly to the Florida Department of Law Enforcement concerning such offenses in such form and in such manner as prescribed by rules adopted by the department. Such information shall be compiled by the department and disseminated upon request to any local law

enforcement agency, unit of local government, or state agency.

(3) **LIMITATION ON USE AND CONTENT OF DATA.**—Such information is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1). Data required pursuant to this section shall be used only for research or statistical purposes and shall not include any information that may reveal the identity of an individual victim of a crime.

(4) **ANNUAL SUMMARY.**—The Attorney General shall publish an annual summary of the data required pursuant to this section.

History.—s. 1, ch. 89-132; s. 2, ch. 91-83; s. 1, ch. 94-125; s. 432, ch. 96-406.

## What is a Hate Crime?

A hate crime is an act committed or attempted by one person or group against another - or that person's property - that in any way constitutes an expression of hatred toward the victim based on his or her personal characteristics. It is a crime in which the perpetrator intentionally selects the victim based on one of the following characteristics: race, color, religion, ethnicity, ancestry, national origin, sexual orientation, homeless status, advanced age or mental/physical disability.

The Florida Department of Law Enforcement notes in its Hate Crime Training Manual, that the motivation behind the act is the key element in determining whether an incident is hate-related. Ultimately, it is up to the judgment of individual law enforcement officers and agencies to determine whether a particular incident constitutes a hate crime and is therefore reported as such to the state.

**Table 1. Hate Crimes Reported by Year  
2002-2021**

Year	Total Reported Hate Crimes	Change from Previous Year
2002	306	-8.7%
2003	275	-10.1%
2004	334	+21.5%
2005	260	-22.2%
2006	259	-0.3%
2007	193	-25.5%
2008	182	-5.7%
2009	148	-18.7%
2010	149	+7%
2011	139	-6.7%
2012	170	+22.3%
2013	124	-27.1%
2014	73	-41.1%
2015	102	+39.7%
2016	124	+21.6%
2017	169	+36.3%
2018	168	-0.6%
2019	134	-20.2%
2020	127	-5.2%
2021	148	+16.5%

**Types of Offenses**

Reported hate crime offenses in 2021 included simple and aggravated assault, burglary, counterfeiting, intimidation, larceny, murder, robbery, shoplifting, and vandalism.

**Table 2. Offense Totals by Motivation Type  
January 1, 2021 – December 31, 2021**

Offenses	Ethnicity/ National Origin	Homeless	Mental Disability	Race/ Color	Religion	Sexual Orientation	Totals
Aggravated Assault	2	1	-	19	1	15	38
Burglary	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
Counterfeiting/Forgery	-	-	-	1	-	-	1
Destruction/Damage/ Vandalism of Property	3	-	-	19	12	4	38
Intimidation	1	-	-	10	4	4	19
Larceny-Theft	-	-	-	2	-	-	2
Murder	-	2	-	-	-	-	2
Robbery	-	-	1	-	-	2	3
Shoplifting	-	-	-	1	-	-	1
Simple Assault	5	-	-	19	3	16	43
Totals	11	3	1	71	20	42	148

## ***Crimes Against Persons vs. Crimes Against Property***

Hate crimes are classified as crimes against persons or crimes against property. In 2021, there were 105 reported hate crimes committed against persons. These offenses against persons included simple assault, aggravated assault, intimidation, robbery, and murder.

The remaining 43 offenses were committed against property, including counterfeiting, larceny-theft, shoplifting, vandalism, and burglary.

**Table 3. Crimes Against Persons vs. Crimes Against Property  
2002-2021**

<b>Year</b>	<b>Total Crimes Against Persons</b>	<b>Percent of Total</b>	<b>Total Crimes Against Property</b>	<b>Percent of Total</b>
2002	220	72%	86	28%
2003	186	68%	89	32%
2004	254	76%	80	24%
2005	185	71%	75	29%
2006	171	66%	88	34%
2007	129	66.8%	64	33.2%
2008	120	65.9%	62	34.1%
2009	106	71.6%	42	28.4%
2010	99	66.4%	50	33.6%
2011	94	67.6%	45	32.4%
2012	117	68.8%	53	31.2%
2013	78	62.9%	46	37.1%
2014	48	65.8%	25	34.2%
2015	68	66.7%	34	33.3%
2016	86	69.4%	38	30.6%
2017	96	56.8%	73	43.2%
2018	124	73.8%	44	26.2%
2019	90	67.2%	44	32.8%
2020	98	77.2%	29	22.8%
2021	105	70.9%	43	29.1%

Out of the 148 hate crimes committed in 2021 in Florida, 81 were in the form of assaults (aggravated or simple assault).

**Table 4. Assaults as Share of All Hate Crimes  
2002-2021**

Report Year	Total Offenses	Number of Assaults	Percent of Total
2002	306	156	51.0%
2003	275	134	48.7%
2004	334	177	53.0%
2005	260	106	40.8%
2006	259	115	44.4%
2007	193	96	49.7%
2008	182	82	45.1%
2009	148	65	43.9%
2010	149	58	38.9%
2011	139	72	51.8%
2012	170	88	51.8%
2013	124	47	37.9%
2014	73	40	54.8%
2015	102	41	40.2%
2016	124	60	48.4%
2017	169	74	43.8%
2018	168	93	55.4%
2019	134	69	51.5%
2020	127	74	58.3%
2021	148	81	54.7%

## ***Motivation***

In 2021, race accounted for 48.0 percent of all reported hate crimes. Sexual orientation accounted for 28.4 percent of all reported hate crimes. Religion accounted for 13.5 percent of all reported hate crimes. The victim's ethnicity/national origin accounted for 7.4 percent of all reported hate crimes. The victim's homeless status accounted for 2.0 percent of all reported hate crimes. The victim's mental disability accounted for 0.7 percent of all reported hate crimes.

Table 5 provides a year-by-year breakdown of reported hate crimes by the six most common motivating factors.

**Table 5. Hate Crimes Comparison by Motivation (2002–2021)**

YEAR	ETHNICITY/NAT'L ORIGIN		HOMELESS		MENTAL DISABILITY		RACE/COLOR		RELIGION		SEXUAL ORIENTATION	
	Number of Offenses	Percent of Total	Number of Offenses	Percent of Total	Number of Offenses	Percent of Total	Number of Offenses	Percent of Total	Number of Offenses	Percent of Total	Number of Offenses	Percent of Total
2002	44	14.4%	-	-	-	-	161	52.6%	41	13.4%	56	18.3%
2003	51	18.6%	-	-	-	-	135	49.1%	34	12.4%	55	20.0%
2004	51	15.3%	-	-	-	-	190	56.9%	41	12.3%	52	15.65
2005	58	22.3%	-	-	-	-	130	50.0%	36	13.8%	34	13.1%
2006	29	11.2%	-	-	-	-	143	55.2%	35	13.5%	52	20.1%
2007	33	17.1%	-	-	-	-	104	53.9%	28	14.5%	28	14.5%
2008	22	12.1%	-	-	1	.05%	86	47.3%	38	20.9%	35	19.2%
2009	14	9.5%	-	-	-	-	80	54.0%	21	14.2%	33	22.3%
2010	19	12.7%	-	-	-	-	69	46.3%	29	19.5%	32	21.5%
2011	21	15.1%	-	-	1	0.7%	60	43.2%	29	20.9%	28	20.1%
2012	11	6.5%	-	-	1	0.6%	92	54.1%	17	10%	49	28.8%
2013	9	7.3%	-	-	-	-	69	55.6%	14	11.3%	32	25.8%
2014	7	9.6%	-	-	2	2.7%	36	49.3%	13	17.8%	15	20.6%
2015	6	5.9%	-	-	-	-	57	55.9%	18	17.6%	21	20.6%
2016	2	1.6%	-	-	1	0.8%	50	40.3%	26	21.0%	45	36.3%
2017	6	3.5%	-	-	-	-	77	45.6%	46	27.2%	40	23.7%
2018	13	7.7%	1	0.6%	1	0.6%	73	43.5%	31	18.4%	49	29.2%
2019	16	11.9%	-	-	-	-	45	33.6%	45	33.6%	28	20.9%
2020	8	6.3%	2	1.6%	-	-	64	50.4%	26	20.5%	27	21.2%
2021	11	7.4%	3	2.0%	1	0.7%	71	48.0%	20	13.5%	42	28.4%

**Hate Crime Offenses by County and Agency**

In this report, basic information regarding the reported occurrences of hate crimes is provided in two separate tables: Offenses by County and Agency (Table 6) and, for each reporting county and agency, Hate Crimes by Offenses and Motivation Type (Table 7).

Hate crimes were reported in 17 Florida counties in 2021, compared to 29 in 2020. 2 counties reported hate crimes in 2021 after reporting none the previous year. Additionally, 14 counties reported hate crimes in 2020, but did not report any in 2021.

Miami-Dade County, Hillsborough County, and Lee County submitted the largest number of hate crime reports.

Reporting agencies in 2021 included county sheriffs' offices, police departments, and a department of public safety. This report does not determine whether these statistics reflect an absence of hate crimes in certain counties or whether the differing figures are the result of how and whether such crimes are reported by victims to law enforcement agencies.

**Table 6. Offense Totals by County and Agency  
January 1, 2021 – December 31, 2021**

County	Reporting Agency	Totals
ALACHUA	Gainesville Police Department	7
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>7</b>
BAY	Bay County Sheriff's Office	3
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3</b>
BREVARD	Brevard County Sheriff's Office	1
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1</b>
BROWARD	Coral Springs Police Department	1
	Hallandale Beach Police Department	6
	Hollywood Police Department	1
	Tamarac Police Department	1
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>9</b>
DUVAL	Jacksonville Sheriff's Office	11
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>11</b>
ESCAMBIA	Pensacola Police Department	2
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2</b>
HENDRY	Hendry County Sheriff's Office	1
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1</b>

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County	Reporting Agency	Totals
HILLSBOROUGH	Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office	8
	Tampa Police Department	6
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>14</b>
LEE	Fort Myers Police Department	3
	Lee County Sheriff's Office	11
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>14</b>
MARION	Ocala Police Department	3
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3</b>
MIAMI-DADE	Homestead Police Department	3
	Miami Beach Police Department	11
	Miami-Dade Police Department	8
	Miami Gardens Police Department	2
	Miami Police Department	15
	North Miami Beach Police Department	1
	North Miami Police Department	1
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>41</b>
ORANGE	Orange County Sheriff's Office	2
	Orlando Police Department	10
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>12</b>
PASCO	Pasco County Sheriff's Office	3
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3</b>
PINELLAS	St. Petersburg Police Department	7
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>7</b>
SARASOTA	Sarasota County Sheriff's Office	6
	Sarasota Police Department	2
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>8</b>
ST. LUCIE	Port St. Lucie Police Department	2
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2</b>
VOLUSIA	Daytona Beach Police Department	4
	Daytona Beach Shores Department of Public Safety	1
	New Smyrna Beach Police Department	1
	Volusia County Sheriff's Office	4
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>		<b>148</b>

## ***Hate Crimes by Offense and Motivation Type***

Table 7 provides a breakdown of the offenses and the motivation type for each offense, for all agencies that reported hate crimes for 2021. Based on the information provided to the Attorney General's Office, the figures provide the most complete picture of reported hate crimes in individual communities, as well as entire counties.

Any attempt to rank or categorize an agency, county or region based solely on this information may be misleading, as it may unfairly penalize those jurisdictions that have a more vigorous policy of identifying and reporting such incidents. These jurisdictions may not actually experience a greater number of hate crime incidents but may do a more thorough job of reporting them. As with other crime data, this report does not include unreported crimes or crimes that may be hate-related but are not classified as hate crimes or that are not reported by victims.

**Table 7. Hate Crimes by Offense and Motivation Type  
January 1, 2021 – December 31, 2021**

County	Agency	Offenses	Ethnicity/Nat'l Origin	Homeless	Mental Disability	Race/Color	Religion	Sexual Orientation	Total
ALACHUA	Gainesville Police Department	Aggravated Assault	-	-	-	1	-	1	2
		Destruction/Damage/Vandalism	-	-	-	1	-	-	1
		Simple Assault	-	-	-	4	-	-	4
	<b>County Total</b>		-	-	-	<b>6</b>	-	<b>1</b>	<b>7</b>
BAY	Bay County Sheriff's Office	Aggravated Assault	-	-	-	3	-	-	3
	<b>County Total</b>		-	-	-	<b>3</b>	-	-	<b>3</b>
BREVARD	Brevard County Sheriff's Office	Aggravated Assault	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
	<b>County Total</b>		-	-	-	-	-	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
BROWARD	Coral Springs Police Department	Destruction/Damage/Vandalism	-	-	-	1	-	-	1
	Hallandale Beach Police Department	Aggravated Assault	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
		Destruction/Damage/Vandalism	-	-	-	-	2	-	2
		Intimidation	-	-	-	1	2	-	3
	Hollywood Police Department	Destruction/Damage/Vandalism	-	-	-	1	-	-	1
	Tamarac Police Department	Destruction/Damage/Vandalism	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
<b>County Total</b>		<b>1</b>	-	-	<b>3</b>	<b>5</b>	-	<b>9</b>	
DUVAL	Jacksonville Sheriff's Office	Aggravated Assault	-	-	-	-	-	2	2
		Destruction/Damage/Vandalism	-	-	-	1	-	-	1
		Intimidation	1	-	-	6	-	-	7
		Larceny-Theft	-	-	-	1	-	-	1
	<b>County Total</b>		<b>1</b>	-	-	<b>8</b>	-	<b>2</b>	<b>11</b>
ESCAMBIA	Pensacola Police Department	Aggravated Assault	-	-	-	-	-	2	2
	<b>County Total</b>		-	-	-	-	-	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>
HENDRY	Hendry County Sheriff's Office	Simple Assault	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
	<b>County Total</b>		-	-	-	-	-	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>

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County	Agency	Offenses	Ethnicity/Nat'l Origin	Homeless	Mental Disability	Race/Color	Religion	Sexual Orientation	Total
HILLSBOROUGH	Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office	Aggravated Assault	-	-	-	1	-	-	1
		Burglary	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
		Destruction/Damage/Vandalism	1	-	-	2	-	-	3
		Intimidation	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
		Simple Assault	1	-	-	1	-	-	2
	Tampa Police Department	Aggravated Assault	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
		Destruction/Damage/Vandalism	-	-	-	-	1	1	2
		Simple Assault	1	-	-	2	-	-	3
	<b>County Total</b>			<b>3</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>4</b>
LEE	Fort Myers Police Department	Aggravated Assault	-	-	-	1	-	1	2
		Robbery	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
	Lee County Sheriff's Office	Aggravated Assault	-	-	-	1	-	-	1
		Destruction/Damage/Vandalism	-	-	-	1	-	-	1
		Intimidation	-	-	-	1	-	-	1
		Simple Assault	2	-	-	4	-	2	8
<b>County Total</b>			<b>2</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>14</b>
MARION	Ocala Police Department	Aggravated Assault	-	-	-	1	-	-	1
		Destruction/Damage/Vandalism	-	-	-	2	-	-	2
	<b>County Total</b>			<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>

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County	Agency	Offenses	Ethnicity/Nat'l Origin	Homeless	Mental Disability	Race/Color	Religion	Sexual Orientation	Total
MIAMI-DADE	Homestead Police Department	Aggravated Assault	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
		Destruction/Damage/Vandalism	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
		Intimidation	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
	Miami Beach Police Department	Aggravated Assault	-	-	-	1	-	1	2
		Destruction/Damage/Vandalism	-	-	-	-	3	-	3
		Robbery	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
		Simple Assault	-	-	-	1	-	4	5
	Miami-Dade Police Department	Counterfeiting/Forgery	-	-	-	1	-	-	1
		Destruction/Damage/Vandalism	-	-	-	2	-	-	2
		Intimidation	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
		Simple Assault	-	-	-	-	2	1	3
		Shoplifting	-	-	-	1	-	-	1
	Miami Police Department	Aggravated Assault	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
		Destruction/Damage/Vandalism	1	-	-	1	2	-	4
		Larceny-Theft	-	-	-	1	-	-	1
		Murder	-	2	-	-	-	-	2
		Simple Assault	-	-	-	-	1	6	7
Miami Gardens Police Department	Aggravated Assault	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	
	Simple Assault	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	
North Miami Police Department	Simple Assault	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	
North Miami Beach Police Department	Intimidation	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	
<b>County Total</b>			<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>41</b>
ORANGE	Orange County Sheriff's Office	Aggravated Assault	-	-	-	1	-	-	1
		Destruction/Damage/Vandalism	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
	Orlando Police Department	Aggravated Assault	-	-	-	2	-	1	3
		Destruction/Damage/Vandalism	-	-	-	5	2	-	7
<b>County Total</b>			<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>12</b>
PASCO	Pasco County Sheriff's Office	Destruction/Damage/Vandalism	-	-	-	1	-	-	1
		Intimidation	-	-	-	1	-	-	1
		Robbery	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
<b>County Total</b>			<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3</b>
PINELLAS	St. Petersburg Police Department	Aggravated Assault	-	-	-	3	-	-	3
		Destruction/Damage/Vandalism	-	-	-	1	1	1	3
		Simple Assault	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
<b>County Total</b>			<b>1</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>7</b>

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County	Agency	Offenses	Ethnicity/Nat'l Origin	Homeless	Mental Disability	Race/Color	Religion	Sexual Orientation	Total
SARASOTA	Sarasota County Sheriff's Office	Aggravated Assault	-	-	-	1	-	1	2
		Destruction/Damage/Vandalism	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
		Simple Assault	-	-	-	3	-	-	3
	Sarasota Police Department	Intimidation	-	-	-	-	-	2	2
	<b>County Total</b>					<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>8</b>
ST. LUCIE	Port St. Lucie Police Department	Aggravated Assault	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
		Intimidation	-	-	-	1	-	-	1
	<b>County Total</b>		<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>
VOLUSIA	Daytona Beach Police Department	Aggravated Assault	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
		Simple Assault	-	-	-	3	-	-	3
	Daytona Beach Shores Department of Public Safety	Simple Assault	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
	New Smyrna Beach Police Department	Aggravated Assault	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
	Volusia County Sheriff's Office	Aggravated Assault	-	-	-	3	-	1	4
	<b>County Total</b>		<b>1</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>			<b>11</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>148</b>

**Hate Crimes by Victim Type and Offense**

Table 8 provides a detailed breakdown of the ethnicity/national origin, homeless status, mental disability, race/color, religion, or sexual orientation of the targeted victims and the offense.

**Table 8. Hate Crimes by Victim Type and Offense  
January 1, 2021 – December 31, 2021**

	Persons	Aggravated Assault	Burglary	Counterfeiting/ Forgery	Destruction/ Damage/Vandalism	Intimidation	Larceny-Theft	Murder	Robbery	Shoplifting	Simple Assault	Total
ETHNICITY/ NATIONAL ORIGIN	Anti-Hispanic/Latino	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	6
	Anti-Arab	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	1	3
	Anti-Other Race/Ethnicity/ Ancestry	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
	National Origin	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
	<b>Total</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>11</b>
HOMELESS		1	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	3
	<b>Total</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>
MENTAL DISABILITY		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1
	<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>
RACE/COLOR	Anti-Black/African American	17	-	-	15	9	1	-	-	-	12	54
	Anti-Asian	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	2
	Anti-Hawaiian/other Pacific Islander	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
	Anti-Multiple Races Group	-	-	-	2	-	1	-	-	-	-	3
	Anti-White	2	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	7	11
	<b>Total</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>71</b>
RELIGION	Anti-Catholic	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
	Anti-Islamic/Muslim	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
	Anti-Jewish	1	-	-	9	4	-	-	-	-	3	17
	<b>Total</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>20</b>
SEXUAL ORIENTATION	Anti-Gay (Male)	12	1	-	1	-	-	-	2	-	14	30
	Anti-Lesbian	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	3
	Anti-Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender (Mixed Group)	-	-	-	2	4	-	-	-	-	1	7
	Anti-Transgender	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
	<b>Total</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>42</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>		<b>38</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>148</b>

**Hate Crimes by Motivation Type, Place of Occurrence and Offense**

Hate crimes can occur at any location. Table 9 provides a detailed breakdown of the motivation type, the place of occurrence and the hate crime offense.

**Hate Crimes Against Person Summary**

**Table 9. Hate Crimes by Motivation Type, Place of Occurrence and Offense  
January 1, 2021 – December 31, 2021**

		Offenses										
	Location	Aggravated Assault	Burglary	Counterfeiting/Forgery	Destruction/Damage/Vandalism	Intimidation	Larceny-Theft	Murder	Robbery	Shoplifting	Simple Assault	Total
ETHNICITY/NATIONAL ORIGIN	Bank/Savings and Loan	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
	Commercial/Office Bldg.	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
	Parking Lot/Garage	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2
	Residence/Home	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	2	4
	Restaurant	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	2
	Service/Gas Station	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
	<b>Total</b>		<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5</b>
HOMELESS	Highway/Road/Alley/Street	1	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	3
	<b>Total</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>
MENTAL DISABILITY	Other/Unknown	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1
	<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>

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		Offenses										
	Location	Aggravated Assault	Burglary	Counterfeiting/Forgery	Destruction/Damage/Vandalism	Intimidation	Larceny-Theft	Murder	Robbery	Shoplifting	Simple Assault	Total
RACE/COLOR	Air/Bus/Train Terminal	1	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	1	4
	Bank/Savings and Loan	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
	Bar/Night Club	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
	Commercial/Office Bldg.	-	-	-	2	-	1	-	-	-	1	4
	Convenience Store	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2
	Department/Discount Store	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
	Drug Store/Dr's Office/Hospital	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
	Government/Public Bldg.	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
	Highway/Road/Alley/Street	9	-	-	1	2	-	-	-	-	3	15
	Highway/Road/Alley/Street/Sidewalk	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	2
	Hotel/Motel	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
	Jail/Prison/Penitentiary/Corrections Facilities	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	3
	Other/Unknown	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
	Park/Playground	3	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	5
	Parking Lot/Garage	1	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	2	5
	Parking/Drop Lot/Garage	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
	Residence/Home	2	-	1	5	3	1	-	-	-	2	14
	Restaurant	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	3
	Service/Gas Station	1	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	1	5
	<b>Total</b>		<b>19</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>19</b>
RELIGION	Church/Synagogue/Temple	-	-	-	4	3	-	-	-	-	-	7
	Commercial/Office Bldg.	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
	Drug Store/Dr's Office/Hospital	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
	Government/Public Bldg.	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
	Highway/Road/Alley/Street	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2
	Other	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
	Other/Unknown	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
	Park/Playground	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
	Parking Lot/Garage	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
	Restaurant	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
	Service/Gas Station	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
	<b>Total</b>		<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>

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		Offenses										
	Location	Aggravated Assault	Burglary	Counterfeiting/Forgery	Destruction/Damage/Vandalism	Intimidation	Larceny-Theft	Murder	Robbery	Shoplifting	Simple Assault	Total
SEXUAL ORIENTATION	Bar/Night Club	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	2
	Commercial/Office Bldg.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
	Convenience Store	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
	Department/Discount Store	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
	Field/Woods	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
	Highway/Road/Alley/Street	5	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	3	10
	Hotel/Motel	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	4
	Jail/Prison/Penitentiary/Corrections Facilities	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2
	Other/Unknown	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
	Parking Lot/Garage	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
	Residence/Home	3	1	-	3	3	-	-	-	-	6	16
	School - Elementary/Secondary	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
	<b>Total</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>42</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>		<b>38</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>148</b>

## Appendices

## ***Appendix 1 - Hate Crimes Reporting***

The Florida Department of Law Enforcement's Hate Crime Report Manual defines "hate crime" as, "A committed or attempted act by any person or group of persons against a person or the property of another person or group, which in any way constitutes an expression of hatred toward the victim because of his/her personal characteristics. Personal characteristics include race/color, religion, ethnicity/ancestry/national origin, sexual orientation, advanced age, mental/physical disability, or homeless status."

The motivation behind the act is the key element in determining whether an incident is hate-related.

The mention of a prejudiced remark does not necessarily make a criminal incident hate-motivated any more than the absence of such a remark makes the criminal incident a non-hate one. Law enforcement officers must rely on their investigative judgment, as well as the use of probable cause standards, to assist them in determining whether a specific incident constitutes a hate-motivated crime. Statements of victims and witnesses, as well as physical evidence, may be used to make this determination.

The thorough and immediate reporting of hate crimes is essential. Law enforcement officials will be in a better position to process hate-related crimes more effectively only when a realistic assessment of the problem is known. There is much to gain by increasing the amount and detail of information gathered and shared about hate crimes. Law enforcement officials will be able to detect patterns and anticipate increases in tensions by compiling data and charting the geographic distribution of these crimes. Enhanced information about victims, offenders, and types of incidents will assist law enforcement and community service agencies in targeting hate crime prevention programs. Policy makers will have the basic information necessary for making decisions as to the allocation of resources for education, hate crime prevention and enforcement, and prosecutorial efforts related to hate-motivated crimes.

The Hate Crime Report Manual provides the following definition of offenses which are most frequently associated with hate crime incidents:

1. Homicide Offenses

Homicide offenses include murder, non-negligent manslaughter, and negligent manslaughter.

- A. Murder and Non-Negligent Manslaughter

Definition: The killing of one human being by another.

General Rule: Any death due to a fight, argument, quarrel, assault, commission of a crime, or by premeditated design.

**B. Negligent Manslaughter**

**Definition:** The killing of another person through negligence.

**General Rule:** Any death of an individual resulting from a negligent act of another individual. Negligent acts resulting in the death of the individual committing those acts and not the death of another will be considered accidental and will not be reported to the Hate Crime Data Base.

**2. Sex Offenses, Forcible**

**Definition:** Any sexual act directed against another person, forcibly and/or against that person's will, or not forcibly or against the person's will, where the victim is incapable of giving consent.

Forcible sex offenses include forcible rape, forcible sodomy, and forcible fondling/indecent liberties/child molesting.

**General Rule:** The element of force or threat of force is necessary before a sexual offense is reported in this category. Any sexual act or attempt accomplished by force is classified as a forcible sex offense regardless of the age of the victim or the relationship of the victim to the offender. Statutory rape is not counted in the forcible sex offense category as no force is used.

**A. Forcible Rape**

**Definition:** The carnal knowledge of a female by a male, forcibly and against her will or where the victim is incapable of giving consent because of her youth or because of her temporary or permanent mental incapacity.

**B. Forcible Sodomy**

**Definition:** Oral or any sexual intercourse with another person, forcibly and/or against the person's will, or where the victim is incapable of giving consent because of his /her youth or because of his/her temporary or permanent mental incapacity.

**C. Forcible Fondling/Indecent Liberties/Child Molesting**

**Definition:** The touching of the private body parts of another person for the purpose of sexual gratification, forcibly and/or against that person's will; or not forcibly or against the person's will where the victim is incapable of giving consent because of his/her temporary or permanent mental incapacity.

3. Robbery

**Definition:** The taking, or attempting to take, anything of value under confrontational circumstances from the control, custody, or care of another person by force or threat of force or violence, and/or putting the property custodian in fear.

**General Rule:** Robbery differs from larceny in that it is aggravated by the element of force or threat of force to the custodian of the property. The custodian, who may be the owner or person having custody of the property, is directly confronted by the perpetrator and is threatened with force or fears that force will be used.

4. Aggravated Assault

**Definition:** An unlawful attack by one person upon another where either the offender displays a weapon or the victim suffers obvious severe or aggravated bodily injury involving apparent broken bones, loss of teeth, possible internal injury, severe laceration, or loss of consciousness.

**General Rule:** All felonies and aggravated assaults are classified in this category. Not included are assaults with intent to rob or rape. Attempts to commit these crimes are reported in the categories of robbery or rape.

An assault, or threat of an assault, with any weapon or item used as a weapon other than hands, fists, and feet, is classified as an aggravated assault. It is not necessary that injury be inflicted.

When personal weapons (hands, fists, feet, etc.) are used, the victim must be seriously injured by these personal weapons. Usually this involves a broken bone or injury so severe that the victim should be admitted to a hospital beyond mere emergency room treatment.

5. Burglary/Breaking and Entering

**Definition:** The unlawful entry into a building or other structure with the intent to commit a felony or theft.

**General Rule:** Report as one offense any unlawful entry or attempted forcible entry of any dwelling, house, attached structure, public building, shop, office, factory, storehouse, apartment, house trailer, warehouse, mill, barn, other building, ship, or railroad car. If there is apparent unlawful entry and the offender has not completed an act or the actions or intent of the offender are unknown, it is reported as a burglary.

Any time force of a physical nature has been used in order to gain entrance to some premises, the attempted burglary is reported.

Any time there is an uncertainty as to why entry was made to a structure, it is reported as a burglary.

Any time force of a physical nature has been used in order to gain entrance to some premises, the attempted burglary is reported.

Breaking into a vehicle is not reported as burglary, but as a larceny.

## 6. Larceny-Theft Offenses

**Definition:** The unlawful taking, carrying, leading, or riding away of property from the possession, or constructive possession, of another person.

Larceny/theft offenses include pocket picking, purse-snatching, shoplifting, theft from a building, theft from a motor vehicle (including motor vehicle parts/accessories), theft of bicycles, and all other types of larcenies.

**General Rule:** Embezzlement; fraudulent conversion of entrusted property; conversion of goods lawfully possessed by bailees, lodgers, or finders of lost property; obtaining money or property by false pretenses; larceny by check; larceny after trust; and larceny by bailee, are all classified as either fraud or embezzlement.

Thefts from rented property or from property that has been rented are not classified as larceny. This type of incident is considered a fraud, i.e., defrauding an innkeeper, failure to return rented property, etc.

## 7. Motor Vehicle Theft

**Definition:** Theft of a motor vehicle.

**General Rule:** Any theft of a motor vehicle is reported in this category.

Joy riding should be classified as a motor vehicle theft with the vehicle being shown as stolen and recovered.

## 8. Kidnapping/Abduction

**Definition:** The unlawful seizure, transportation, and/or detention of a person against his/her will, or of a minor without the consent of his/her custodial parent(s) or legal guardian.

**General Rule:** The kidnapping offense should be recorded regardless of the length of time the victim was detained/held. Kidnapping or false imprisonment is a by-product of many crimes, such as rape or robbery, and as such would not normally be counted as a separate offense.

## 9. Arson

**Definition:** To unlawfully and intentionally damage, or attempt to damage, any real or personal property by fire or incendiary device.

**Special Instructions:** Suspicious fires associated with hate-motivated incidents

should be classified as arson. If the investigation later proves that arson has not occurred, the Offense Code can be modified.

10. Simple Assault

Definition: An unlawful physical attack by one person upon another where neither the offender displays a weapon, nor the victim suffers obvious severe or aggravated bodily injury.

General Rule: All physical assaults not classified in the aggravated assault category are reported as simple assault. This would include those assaults where no weapons, other than personal, were used and which resulted in only minor injuries.

11. Bribery

Definition: The offering, giving, receiving, or soliciting of anything of value (i.e., a bribe, gratuity, or kickback) to sway the judgment or action of a person in a position of trust and/or influence.

Special Instructions: The person offering or receiving a bribe will be considered the offender in these incidents. The victim will be the individual or business most affected by the bribe, or if the entity cannot be defined, the crime will be classified as a crime against society.

For example, a bank official is bribed not to qualify a Hispanic family for a home loan for a particular neighborhood.

12. Embezzlement

Definition: The unlawful misappropriation by an offender for his/her own or purpose, money, property, or some other thing of value entrusted to his/her care, custody, or control.

General Rule: Any time a person entrusted with anything of value during the normal course of operations and the function assigned, misappropriates such item, it is classified in this category.

13. Fraud Offenses

Definition: The intentional perversion of the truth for the purpose of inducing another person or entity, in reliance upon it, to part with something of value or to surrender a legal right.

Fraud offenses include false pretenses/swindle, impersonation, wire fraud, theft of rental cars (i.e., not returned or obtained by fraud), and other types of fraud

General Rule: Fraudulent conversion of entrusted property; conversion of goods

lawfully possessed by bailees, lodgers, or finders of lost property; obtaining money or property by false pretenses; larceny after trust; and larceny by bailee, are all reported in this category.

When a fraud is committed in which a counterfeit item is used or a forgery is committed in carrying out the fraud, the counterfeit or forgery is considered an integral part of fraud.

14. Counterfeiting/Forgery

Definition: The altering, copying, or imitation of something without authority or right, with the intent to deceive or defraud by passing the copy or thing altered or imitated as that which is original or genuine; or the selling, buying, or possession of an altered, copied, or imitated thing with the intent to deceive or defraud.

15. Extortion/Blackmail

Definition: Obtaining money, property, or any other thing of value, either tangible or intangible, from another person through the use or threat of force, misuse of authority, threat of criminal prosecution, or the destruction of the victim's reputation or social standing, or through other coercive measures.

16. Intimidation

Definition: To unlawfully place another person in fear of bodily harm through verbal threats without displaying a weapon or subjecting the victim to actual physical attack.

Intimidation includes, but is not limited to, the following offenses:

- Breach of peace/disorderly conduct.
- Applying unlawful standards, procedures, or intimidating a qualified voter.
- Corruptly influencing voting by bribery, menace, threat, or corruption.

17. Sex Offenses, Non-Forcible (Except Prostitution/Commercialized Sex)

Definition: Unlawful sexual intercourse, sexual contact, or other unlawful behavior or conduct intended to result in sexual gratification without force or threat of force and where the victim is capable of giving consent. This category may conclude obscenity offenses.

A. Sex Offenses Indecent Exposure

Definition: Exposure by the offender of his/her private body parts to the sight of another person in a lewd or indecent manner in a public place.

**B. Obscenity Offenses**

Definition: Conduct which, by community standards, is deemed to corrupt public morals by its indecency and/or lewdness. This may include:

**C. Obscene Communication/Telephone Call**

Definition: To make or transmit a lewd, indecent, or lascivious telephone call or other communication.

**D. Obscene Material/Pornography**

Definition: To unlawfully manufacture, publish, sell, buy, or possess material (e.g., literature, photographs, statuettes, etc.) which, by community standards, is deemed capable of corrupting public morals.

Special Instructions: The persons willfully participating in these activities will be considered the offenders in these incidents. The victim will be the individual or business suffering the greatest embarrassment, harassment, or financial loss due to the offense.

**18. Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property**

Definition: The willful and/or malicious destruction, damage, or defacement of public or private property, real or personal, without the consent of the owner or the person having care, custody or control of the property.

**19. Weapons Violations**

Definition: The violation of laws or ordinances prohibiting the manufacture, sale, purchase, transportation, possession, or use of firearms, cutting instruments, explosives, incendiary devices, or other deadly weapons.

**20. Trespassing**

Definition: To enter unlawfully upon the real property of another person. To enter or remain in any property, structure, or conveyance without being authorized, licensed, or invited.

***Appendix 2 - Florida Attorney General's Office of Civil Rights  
Hate Crimes Training Program***

The Florida Attorney General's Office of Civil Rights has developed a hate crimes training program specifically designed to train law enforcement officers, detectives/ investigators, supervisory personnel and command staff in the detection, investigation, processing and reporting of hate crimes. This training is available upon request without charge to any Florida law enforcement agency.

For more information, contact:

The Florida Attorney General's Office  
Office of Civil Rights  
107 West Gaines Street  
Tallahassee, Florida 32301  
(850) 414 -3300

### ***Appendix 3 - Sources of Additional Information on Hate Crimes***

Anti-Defamation League  
Florida Regional Office  
5295 Town Center Road  
Suite 300  
Boca Raton, Florida 33486 (561) 988-2900  
E-mail: [florida@adl.org](mailto:florida@adl.org)  
[www.adl.org](http://www.adl.org)

Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Uniform Crime Reporting Program  
100 Custer Hollow Road  
Clarksburg, WV 26306  
(304) 625-2000  
(304) 625-4995  
[www.fbi.gov](http://www.fbi.gov)

Japanese American Citizens League  
1629 K Street N.W.  
Suite 400  
Washington, D.C. 20006  
(202) 223-1240  
[www.jacl.org](http://www.jacl.org)

League of United Latin American Citizens  
1133 19th St. N.W.  
Suite 1000  
Washington, DC 20036  
(202) 833-6130  
[www.lulac.org](http://www.lulac.org)

NAACP, National Headquarters  
4805 Mt. Hope Drive  
Baltimore, Maryland 21215  
(410) 580-5777  
[www.naacp.org](http://www.naacp.org)

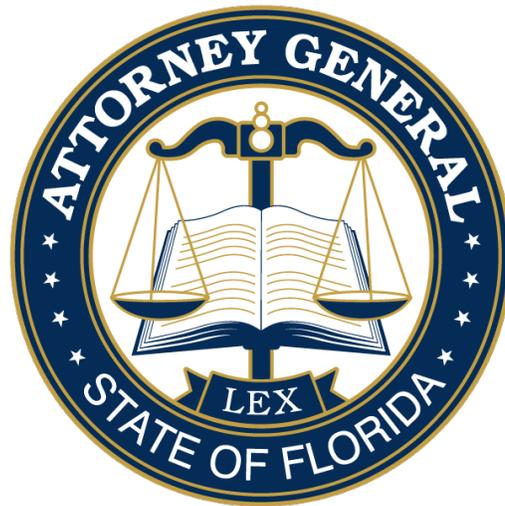
National Gay and Lesbian Task Force  
1050 Connecticut Ave., N.W.  
Suite 600  
Washington, D.C. 20035  
(202) 393-5177  
or  
801 Arthur Godfrey Road Suite 402  
Miami Beach, FL 33140 (305) 571-1924  
[www.thetaskforce.org](http://www.thetaskforce.org)

Organization of Chinese Americans, Inc.  
1322 18th Street, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20036  
(202) 223-5500  
[www.ocanational.org](http://www.ocanational.org)

Southern Poverty Law Center  
403 Washington Avenue  
Montgomery, Alabama 36104  
(334) 956-8200  
(888) 414-7752 Toll Free  
[www.splcenter.org](http://www.splcenter.org)

U.S. Department of Justice  
Community Relations Services  
145 N. Street, N.E.  
Suite 5E.300  
Washington, D.C. 20530  
(202) 514-2000  
(202) 305-2935  
[www.usdoj.gov/crs/](http://www.usdoj.gov/crs/)

or  
51 First Avenue, S.W.  
Suite 624  
Miami, Florida 33130  
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