

# Cedar Hill Police Department

2024



## Pursuit Analysis

## 2024 Vehicle Pursuit Analysis

This analysis is being submitted to comply with Cedar Hill Police Department General Order 530.00 as well as to meet the standards for the Texas Police Chief's Foundation Accreditation Program section 7.14, Annual Report of Agency Pursuits.

Cedar Hill Police Department General Order 530.00 requires the on-scene or controlling supervisor at the time of a vehicle pursuit to complete a Pursuit Report within forty-eight hours from the end of the pursuit. The report is required to contain a critique of the pursuit and is forwarded to the Field Operations Bureau Assistant Chief, through the chain of command, for review. All pursuit reports are maintained in Police Administration.

The analysis for this report was generated directly from the completed pursuit reports. There were 16 vehicle pursuits reported in 2024. There was no change in the number of pursuits from 2023. The total number of police personnel involved in pursuits in 2024 was 47.

### **Property Damage**

There were three (3) pursuits that resulted in property damage due to crashes or intentional acts by suspects. In one of the crashes, only the suspect's vehicle was damaged. In the other two pursuits the suspect and uninvolved civilian vehicles were damaged. The estimated total amount of damage done to vehicles involved in these incidents is estimated at \$65,000.

### **Pursuit Policy**

There were no changes made to GO 530.00 VEHICLE PURSUIT OPERATIONS during 2024. This policy was last reviewed on February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2022 and was last revised on March 23, 2013.

### **Policy Violations**

During the review of pursuit reports from 2024, there were six pursuits which were not initiated within policy guidelines. Additional policy violations included an officer who failed to turn on their siren, an officer who drove the wrong way during a pursuit, and failure to terminate pursuit.

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### Profile of Pursuits between January 1, 2024 and December 31, 2024

CASE #	CAD ID#	INITIATION	TERMINATION	PROPERTY DAMAGE	POLICY VIOLATION
Case Number	Date	Officer's reason for the stop.	1. How did the pursuit end 2. Reason for termination 3. Pursuit resulted in	1. Property damage 2. Property damage estimate	1. Policy violations 2. Policy violation type
CH240120009	01/20/24	Stolen Vehicle	1. Pursuit Terminated 2. Vehicle eluded officers 3. Termination	1. No 2. N/A	1. Yes 2. Pursuit Policy
CH2024018148	1/24/24	Other Agency Assist	1. Vehicle stopped 2. N/A 3. Driver arrested	1. No 2. N/A	1. No 2. N/A
CH240223004	02/23/24	Robbery In Progress	1. Vehicle crashed 2. N/A 3. Three suspects arrested	1. Yes 2. 20,000	1. No 2. N/A
CH240323014	03/23/24	DWI Hit and Run	1. Vehicle stopped 2. N/A 3. Driver arrested	1. No 2. N/A	1. No 2. N/A
CH240330001	03/30/24	Intoxicated Driver	1. Pursuit terminated 2. Driver drove wrong way 3. Driver eluded apprehension	1. No 2. N/A	1. Yes 2. Pursuit Policy
CH2404250014	04/25/24	Burglary intent to cause assault	1. Vehicle crashed 2. N/A 3. Driver and occupants arrested	1. Yes 2. \$30,000	1. No 2. N/A
CH240501001	5/1/24	Driving While Intoxicated	1. Vehicle Crashed 2. N/A 3. Driver Arrested	1. No 2. N/A	1. No 2. N/A
CH240626013	6/26/24	Felony Warrant Service	1. Driver Stopped 2. N/A 3. Driver Arrested	1. No 2. N/A	1. No 2. N/A
CH240729009	7/29/24	Traffic Violation	1. Pursuit Terminated 2. Vehicle eluded officers 3. Driver eluded apprehension	1. No 2. N/A	1. Yes 2. Pursuit Policy
CH240803003	8/3/24	Felony-Persons	1. Vehicle Crashed 2. N/A 3. Driver Arrested	1. Yes 2. \$15,000	1. No 2. N/A



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CH240910001	9/9/24	Felony - Persons	1. Pursuit Terminated 2. Vehicle eluded officers 3. Driver eluded apprehension	1. No 2. N/A	1. No 2. N/A
CH240918002	9/18/24	Traffic Violation	1. Vehicle stopped 2. N/A 3. Driver eluded apprehension on foot	1. No 2. N/A	1. Yes 2. Pursuit Policy
CH241007003	10/7/24	Driving While intoxicated	1. Pursuit Terminated 2. Vehicle eluded officers 3. Driver eluded apprehension	1. No 2. N/A	1. No 2. N/A
CH241027008	10/27/24	Suspicious Activity	1. Pursuit Terminated 2. Vehicle eluded officer 3. Driver eluded apprehension	1. No 2. N/A	1. Yes 2. Pursuit Policy
CH241230011	12/30/24	Felony Persons Offense	1. Pursuit Terminated 2. Vehicle eluded officers 3. Driver eluded apprehension	1. No 2. N/A	1. No 2. N/A
DE2412438	12/30/24	Other Agency Assist	1. Vehicle stopped 2. N/A 3. Suspect Arrested	1. No 2. N/A	1. Yes 2. Pursuit Policy

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### REASON INITIATED:

REASON	COUNT	PERCENT OF TOTAL
Felony-Person	10	62.5%
Felony-Property	1	6.25%
DWI	5	31.25%
Other	0	0%
	<b>16</b>	<b>100%</b>

### PURSUIT DISTANCE:

DISTANCE	COUNT	PERCENT OF TOTAL
< 1 mile	2	12.5%
1 to 2 miles	3	18.75%
2.1 to 5 miles	6	37.5%
5.1 to 10 miles	3	18.75%
>10 miles	2	12.5%
	<b>16</b>	<b>100%</b>

### TIME OF DAY:

TIME	COUNT	PERCENT OF TOTAL
0000-0600	6	37.5%
0600-1200	1	6.25%
1200-1800	2	12.5%
1800-0000	7	43.75%
	<b>16</b>	<b>100%</b>

### TYPE OF VEHICLE PURSUED:

TYPE	COUNT	PERCENT OF TOTAL
Automobile	14	87.5%
Truck/SUV	1	6.25%
Motorcycle	1	6.25%
Other	0	0%
	<b>16</b>	<b>100%</b>

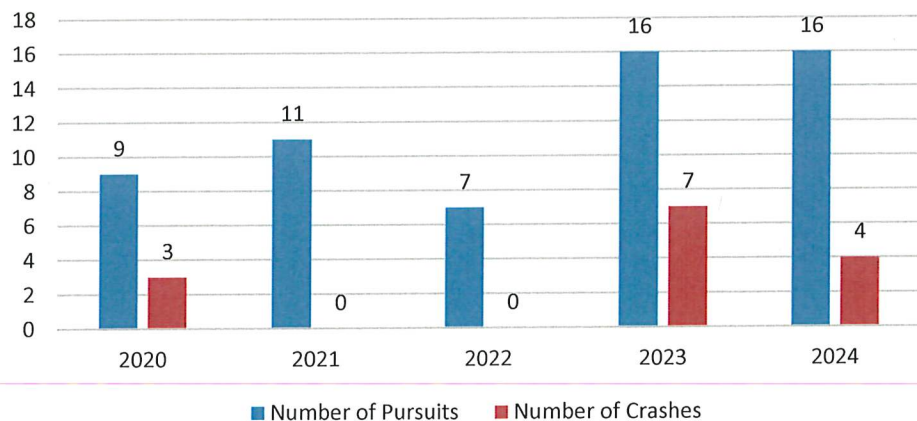
### PURSUIT ABORTED:

	COUNT	PERCENT OF TOTAL
YES	8	50%
NO	8	50%
	<b>16</b>	<b>100%</b>

### DID CRASH OCCUR:

	COUNT	PERCENT OF TOTAL
YES	4	25%
NO	12	75%
	<b>16</b>	<b>100%</b>

### Pursuits & Suspect Vehicle Crashes 2020-2024



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### Conclusion

Vehicle pursuits are low occurrence, high liability incidents which require careful and thorough examination to reduce future liability exposure. During 2024, Cedar Hill officers responded to 20,574 citizen-initiated calls for service and conducted 10,580 traffic stops. Of these 31,154 encounters, 16 resulted in vehicle pursuits. Four pursuits resulted in disciplinary action for reasons including unauthorized pursuits.

2024 saw the same number of pursuits as compared to 2023. Four pursuits resulted in vehicle crashes involving the suspect and uninvolved vehicles. These crashes further emphasize the dangers of engaging in these types of enforcement actions. For these reasons, supervisors need to scrutinize each pursuit to make certain that officers are adhering to the vehicle pursuit policy. Specifically, supervisors need to be consistent with identifying policy violations and how to address them whether in the pursuit reports themselves or through the formal complaint process. A further review of our training records identified 2013 as the last year department-wide emergency vehicle operation training was conducted. Additional driving instructors need to be identified and trained as soon as feasible so a course may be presented as soon as practicable. During 2024, the department began researching high speed pursuit alternatives. Based on that research, the department received grant funding in 2025 for the purchase of the Starchase Guardian VX vehicle mounted GPS launcher system. This new technology utilizes a GPS enabled device allowing officers to track a suspect vehicle which will help reduce speeds and improve safety for everyone involved.

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Captain C. Chenault #069

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