



Bars and Clubs

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Types of Crimes That Can Be Associated with Bars/Clubs

Excessive noise

Traffic and parking issues

Littering

Public Intoxication

DWIs

Burglary of Motor Vehicles

Urinating in Public

Assaults

Thefts

Four Areas Evaluated for Calls for Service

1. Washington Avenue
2. Midtown
3. Upper Kirby
4. Richmond

Analysis of Calls for service from June 1, 2019 to September 30, 2020 showed 2,709 calls for service from the top locations in each area for calls. Washington had the most calls of all areas. The prevalent call types from the public are loud noise, disturbances, BMV's, assaults, thefts, and parking complaints.

HPD Responses Differential Response Teams

- Validate the Issue and gather information – DRT Officers sent to scene, Sound Meter, CFS, HCAD, TABC, Health, Fire Marshal, Permits, Certificate of Occupancy.
- Meet with Business Owner, Conduct Inspections, Code Enforcement
- Problem Locations – re-inspect with TABC, Health Dept, Fire Marshal
- Chapter 125 – Notification of nuisance activity – Part 1 and Part 2 Crimes
- Educate community, bars and clubs on code enforcement

HPD Responses, Continued

- Traffic Enforcement Division – DWI Enforcement
- Vice Division – Code and State Law Enforcement
- Narcotics Division – State Law Enforcement
- Park Houston – Enforce Parking Violations

Harris County District Attorneys Office
ACE Initiative
Alcohol Compliance & Enforcement

- TxDot Grant awarded to the Harris County District Attorney's Office – Vehicular Crimes Division
- Sean Teare – Chief Assistant District Attorney, Vehicle Assault Team
- Chuck Cornelius – District Attorney Investigator

Objectives and Goals

- Reduce the number of alcohol impaired and driving under the influence of alcohol and other drug-related crashes, injuries and fatalities.
- Reduce DWI related crashes where the driver is under 21.
- Conduct proactive investigations into the retail activities involving alcohol and/or drugs with local law enforcement.
- Conduct training for local law enforcement and Fire Marshall's.
- Obtain compliance through education.
- Obtain compliance through enforcement.
- Obtain compliance through permitting and licensing requirements.
- Obtain compliance through civil and criminal remedies.