What we know

• August 5, 2021, DOJ Civil Rights Division Launched a formal Pattern and Practice investigation of the Phoenix Police Department.

• Listed 5 Focus Areas
FOCUS AREA 1
Whether the Phoenix Police Department uses excessive force in violation of the Fourth Amendment

FOCUS AREA 2
Whether the Phoenix Police Department engages in discriminatory policing practices that violate the Constitution and federal law

FOCUS AREA 3
Whether the Department violates the First Amendment by retaliating against individuals who are engaged in protected expressive activities

FOCUS AREA 4
Whether the City and its Police Department respond to people with disabilities in a manner that violates the ADA. This includes whether decisions to criminally detain individuals with behavioral health disabilities are proper.

FOCUS AREA 5
Whether the Phoenix Police Department violates the rights of individuals experiencing homelessness, by seizing and disposing of their belongings in a manner that violates the Constitution.

***MISCELLANEOUS FOCUS AREAS TBD***
TO OUR COMMUNITY

In an effort to keep you informed, we would like to let you know that the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) is conducting a Civil Pattern or Practice inquiry into the Phoenix Police Department. The department welcomes this inquiry to help us understand how we can better serve the community.

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To provide feedback, give input, or find out more about this process you can contact the DOJ directly.

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