

Dallas Police Association
10-Point Plan To Reform The Dallas Police Department

Strengthen Ethics

- From rookie officers to the Chief of Police, every member of the Police Department should strictly enforce and adhere to all official policies, guidelines, and procedures.

Increase Transparency

- Become more open and transparent in all facets of the Police Department to increase the trust of the citizens we are sworn to protect.

Clarify Use Of Force Policy

- Refine existing Use Of Force policies, including the Deadly Force policy, so officers have a clearer directive on what is expected when lives are threatened.
- Improve officer training and clarify the Police Department's definition of "reasonable fear" for an officer faced with a life-and-death situation.

Improve Chase Procedures

- Reform foot and car chase policies to better allow police officers to reasonably and safely perform their duties of protecting Dallas residents from violent and felony offenders.

Follow Transfer Policy

- Police management shall adopt and follow a transfer policy plan developed and supported by a majority of the four existing police associations.

Improve Internal Affairs Investigations

- Adopt comprehensive reforms that will improve transparency in IAD investigations, protect the rights of officers and citizens and, barring special circumstances, guarantee such investigations are completed within a reasonable period of 21 to 120 days.

Implement Fairer Promotion Schedule

- Mandate a set schedule for testing and promotions for Senior Corporals, Sergeants, and Lieutenants.

Institute Criteria For Rank Of Major & Chief

- Establish much-needed new policies on the education, capabilities, and ethics requirements for service in the ranks of Major or Chief of Police.

Improve Safety Of Police Vehicles

- Protect the lives and safety of officers and citizens by replacing police vehicles that have experienced 100,000 miles or more of hard, emergency driving.

Establish Flexible Scheduling

- Allow for more flexible scheduling of officers and detectives, including a return of a 10 hour/4 day a week schedule.