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## **THE LESBIAN, GAY, BISEXUAL, TRANSGENDER, AND QUEER (LGBTQ+) COMMUNITY**

### **102.9 - 1 PURPOSE**

The purpose of this directive is to establish guidelines and procedures for the Detroit Police Department (DPD) and Department members' interaction with lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, intersex, gender nonconforming and queer individuals, commonly referred to as the LGBTQ+ Community, and members of the DPD. The Department will also regularly monitor and review legislation, ordinances, and case law to ensure that training material and implementation is accurate and up to date.

### **102.9 - 2 POLICY**

1. The DPD is committed to establishing, providing, and maintaining a direct channel of communication to address and resolve matters pertaining to the LGBTQ+ Community and to LGBTQ+ members. The Employee Assistance Program (EAP) Coordinator shall provide an internal source of support to employees on LGBTQ+ matters.
2. The Office of the Chief of Police shall promote cooperation between the DPD and the community, while taking a leading role in building a vital link between the police and the LGBTQ+ Community. To make this possible, the Office of the Chief of Police shall collaborate with community leaders, residents, and businesses within the city of Detroit to design and implement public safety projects and programs.
3. Department members shall not exercise differential treatment of individuals in rendering police services based on a person's appearance, manner of dress, sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression. Department members shall not base reasonable suspicion for an investigative detention, probable cause for an arrest, or any other police action based on a person's appearance, manner of dress, sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression. Department members may take into account the reported appearance, manner of dress, sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression for the purpose of identifying a described individual.

**102.9 The Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer (LGBTQ) Community****102.9 - 3 Definitions****102.9 - 3.1 Bias and Hate Crime**

Criminal offenses motivated in part or singularly by a personal prejudice against another because of appearance, ethnicity, immigration status, manner of dress, national origin, physical characteristics, race, religious beliefs, sexual orientation, gender identity, expression, economic status, political affiliation, or disability.

**102.9 - 3.2 Bisexual**

An individual who is attracted to *their own gender and the opposite gender*.

**102.9 - 3.3 Gay**

*Of, relating to, or exhibiting sexual desire or behavior directed towards people of one's own sex or gender.*

**102.9 - 3.4 Gender Identity or Expression**

A gender-related identity, appearance, expression, or behavior of an individual, regardless of the designation of gender on one's birth certificate.

**102.9 - 3.5 Lesbian**

*A woman who is primarily attracted to other women.*

**102.9 - 3.6 LGBTQ+**

A term used to refer collectively to those who identify as Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer.

**102.9 - 3.7 Sexual Orientation**

The type of sexual, romantic, and/or physical attraction someone feels toward others. Common labels are straight, lesbian, gay, bisexual, queer, etc.

**102.9 - 3.8 Transgender**

*A person whose gender identity does not correspond to that person's sex assigned at birth.* The term *also* includes gender nonconforming individuals (not everyone whose appearance or behavior is gender nonconforming will identify as transgender).

**102.9 - 3.9 Queer**

The process of exploring one's own gender identity, gender expression, and/or sexual orientation. Some people may also use this term to name their identity within the LGBTQ+ Community. *Refers to people who do not fit within the traditional two (2) gender roles of male and female.*

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A term meaning that an individual's gender expression is different from the stereotyped expectations of how the individual should look or act based upon the individual's sex assigned at birth.

**102.9 - 3.11 Intersex**

A general term used to describe a variety of conditions in which a person is born with a variation in sex characteristics, including chromosomes, reproductive anatomy, and/or genitals, and therefore, cannot be distinctly identified as male or female. Being intersex is different from being transgender. The term "intersex" is not synonymous with the term "transgender."

**102.9 - 4 Responsibilities****102.9 - 4.1 Office of the Chief of Police**

The Office of the Chief of Police is responsible for the following actions in relation to the LGBTQ+ Community:

- a. Monitor the implementation of this directive;
- b. Monitor significant incidents and events pertaining to the LGBTQ+ Community;
- c. Ensure that the DPD is responsive to the LGBTQ+ Community;
- d. Keep commanding officers informed of LGBTQ+ significant events and incidents occurring in the executive's area of responsibility;
- e. Request crime data from Crime Intelligence regarding incidents identified as bias and hate crimes against any person of the LGBTQ+ Community; and
- f. Ensure a productive working relationship between Department members and the LGBTQ+ Community within the scope of their law enforcement duties.

**102.9 - 4.2 Records**

It shall be the responsibility of Records to provide the Office of the Chief of Police with copies of all bias and hate crime reports and incidents against any person of the LGBTQ+ Community.

**102.9 - 4.3 Commanding Officers and Members of Precincts**

1. It shall be the responsibility of commanding officers to actively ensure that all incidents of bias and hate crime against any person of the LGBTQ+ Community are reported to the Department's LGBTQ+ Liaison of the Chief's Neighborhood Liaison Office at (313) 596-1023 within twenty-four (24) hours of the incident.
2. All members are responsible for ensuring that members of the LGBTQ+ Community (including Department members of the LGBTQ+ Community) are treated with professionalism and respect, while actively working to identify crimes affecting the LGBTQ+ Community's quality of life.

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Before conducting a search of the individual in the field or at the Detroit Detention Center, officers conducting the search will ask the individual to be searched their preference with respect to the gender of the officer conducting the search (i.e. a transgender woman may prefer to be searched by female members of the Department). This request shall be honored absent exigent circumstances. However, this provision does not apply to frisks conducted to ensure officer safety.

**102.9 - 4.5 Gender Classification of LGBTQ+ Individuals**

An arrestee's gender shall be classified as it appears on the individual's government issued identification card. Arrestees who are post-operative gender re-assigned and have not received their government issued identification card displaying their new identity may present other proper documentation (application for new identification card, medical documentation, etc.) along with a valid photo identification. Post-operative gender reassigned arrestee's with proper identification shall be processed as follows:

- a. Male to female shall be processed as a female; and
- b. Female to male shall be processed as a male.

**102.9 - 4.6 Courtesy**

1. Members will respectfully treat LGBTQ+ individuals in a manner appropriate to the individual's gender expression. If members are uncertain by which gender the individual wishes to be addressed, members will respectfully ask the individual for clarification.
2. Members will not use language that a reasonable person would consider demeaning or derogatory, in particular, language aimed at a person's actual or perceived gender identity, expression, or attractional orientation. Additionally, members will not disclose an individual's gender identity or attractional orientation to other arrestees, members of the public, or non-Department members, absent a proper law enforcement purpose.

**102.9 - 4.7 Members Responding to Bias or Hate Crimes against the LGBTQ+ Community**

1. Sworn members responding to a suspected bias or hate crime scene against any person of the LGBTQ+ Community shall notify the Department's LGBTQ+ Liaison of the Chief's Neighborhood Liaison Officer during business hours, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. at (313) 596-1023. After hours, on holidays, or weekends, members shall make notification of the incident to Communications Operations. In these instances, the Department's LGBTQ+ Liaison shall follow-up with the responding member on the scene, by telephone or in person.

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2. The responding member shall prepare and submit an incident report detailing the incident, which shall include any arrests.

**102.9 - 4.8 Special Events and Significant Incidents**

The Office of the Chief of Police shall make arrangements to attend LGBTQ+-related events. The Department's Detective Bureau shall monitor statistical and reporting data regarding bias, as well as hate crimes against the LGBTQ+ Community.

**102.9 - 4.9 Community Seminars and Employee Training**

1. The Detective Bureau shall identify, through crime data and patrol efforts, areas where bias and hate crimes against the LGBTQ+ Community have occurred and inform the LGBTQ+ Community through awareness seminars.
2. The Chief's Neighborhood Liaison shall conduct crime prevention and business safety seminars in the city of Detroit, particularly in neighborhoods where LGBTQ+ businesses and residents are concentrated. An agenda of these seminars shall be submitted to the Chief of Police for approval prior to the event.
3. The Office of the Chief of Police shall host meetings to allow business owners, residents, and community activists to meet with executives from their neighborhood precincts.
4. The Chief's Neighborhood Liaison shall provide training and educational material to all sworn members to educate them about working with the LGBTQ+ Community. This training shall be provided on an annual basis. The training material shall emphasize identifying elements of bias and hate crimes, and the prevention of these crimes through information attained during field contacts, traffic stops, interviews, search and seizures.

**102.9 - 4.10 Interaction with the Media**

The Office of the Chief of Police shall participate in requested media-sponsored forums. These forums may include, but are not limited to, radio talk shows, television interviews, print media interviews, town meetings, press conferences and briefings.

The Office of the Chief of Police shall notify Media Relations of any information that needs to be disseminated regarding crime prevention initiatives and proactive police activities related to the LGBTQ+ Community.

**102.9 - 5 Documentation and Report Requirements****102.9 - 5.1 Bias and Hate Crimes against the LGBTQ+ Community**

The Chief's Neighborhood Liaison shall keep a record of all bias and hate crimes against the LGBTQ+ Community brought to its attention. Upon completion, the affected commands will receive a copy of the report.

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**Related Policies**

- Bias-Based Policing Manual Directive 102.2
- Citizen Complaints Manual Directive 102.3
- Nondiscrimination Manual Directive 102.1
- Search and Seizure Manual Directive 202.2 (Stop and Frisk; Search Incident to an Arrest; and Strip Searches)