Non-Public Safety Traffic Stops

In 2021, the Roseville Police Department conducted a complete review of all department policies and procedures. We recognized that traffic enforcement based solely on equipment violations disproportionately impacts communities of color and undermines law enforcement’s legitimacy. As a result, we released an updated traffic policy on August 1, 2021, better reflecting Roseville’s values and commitment to racial equity. In creating our new policy, we relied on input from our Multicultural Advisory Committee and other diverse voices of our community.

One of the top priorities of the Roseville Police Department is to ensure traffic enforcement serves public safety by focusing on driving conduct that contributes to motor vehicle collisions. As a result, since 2017, over 80% of traffic stops in Roseville have been for moving violations.

The Roseville Police Department supports the Ramsey County Attorney’s prosecution policy on non-public safety traffic stops. Absent other factors, the Roseville Police Department will not enforce equipment violations, expired registrations, or other non-moving violations that do not create a public safety concern or a dangerous condition.

The City of Roseville is dedicated to creating an inclusive community where the predictability of success is not based on race or ethnicity. To accomplish this goal, all city departments prioritize racial equity in their planning, delivery, and evaluation of programs, policies, and services. The City of Roseville is committed to taking tangible steps to normalize, organize, and implement racial equity principles and tools, with an eye toward impactful and sustainable outcomes that create a more equitable community. The Roseville Police Department believes that the changes made to the traffic enforcement policy support the Racial Equity and Inclusion goals of the City.


Additional information:
Roseville Police Department Policy Manual
Roseville Police Traffic Stop Data
Roseville’s Transparency & Data Sharing Initiative

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