

ORIGINAL REQUEST

Date: 7/16/2026

Name of Governmental Body: Starr County Sheriffs Office

Requestor Name: David Bier

Address: 1000 Mass Ave NW, Washington, DC 20001

Phone: 609-781-2062

Dear Officer for Public Information:

Request: Under the Texas Public Information Act, Chapter 552 of the Government Code, I request access to or copies of records, reports, and video or audio files relating to actions by Starr County Sheriff's Office relating to a December 11, 2025 incident on Midway Road in Rio Grande City in which Starr County officials or officers were on scene of a shooting involving a Border Patrol agent.

Fee waiver: As public interest nonprofit, which intends to use the records to inform the general public and not for personal or commercial benefit, I request a fee waiver. Texas Government Code §552.267 requires a governmental body to provide a copy of public information without charge or at a reduced charge if the governmental body determines that waiver or reduction is in the public interest because providing the copy primarily benefits the general public.

Disclosure of this information is in the public interest because providing a copy of the information primarily benefits the general public. I therefore request a waiver of all fees and charges pursuant to Section 552.267 of the act.

You can send these records to: dbier@cato.org.

Thank you!

David J. Bier

Director of Immigration Studies

The Selz Foundation Chair in Immigration Policy

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AGENCY RESPONSE(S) AND FOLLOW-UP CORRESPONDENCE

Date: 7/17/2026, 11:41 AM

From: Carlos Delgado

To: David Bier

Subject: Re: Public Information Request

Good morning David

The Starr County Sheriff's Office remains committed to transparency and providing public information as allowed by law.

Attached are the responsive reports pertaining to your request. Please note that under Texas Government Code §552.108 (Certain Law Enforcement, Corrections, and Prosecutorial Information), information held by a law enforcement agency or prosecutor that relates to the detection, investigation, or prosecution of a crime is exempt from disclosure if:

1. Release of the information would interfere with the detection, investigation, or prosecution of a crime.

In accordance with this statute, portions of the requested records have been withheld. However, we have included the CAD reports and the front page of the offense report for your records.

Major Carlos Delgado Starr County Sheriff's Office 102 E. 6th Street, Rio Grande City, Tx.
78582 Phone: 956-487-5571 / Fax: 956-487-0021

Date: 7/17/2026, 11:28 AM

From: David Bier

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Carlos, the records you sent indicate that body cams were running during the stop. How can I obtain the footage from those body cams?

Thank you.

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As mentioned, this case is under investigation and under the noted section of the Texas Attorney General code, no other information is releasable

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