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## Bias Response Hotline Updates

### Hate Crimes and Bias Incidents Response Hotline

- Reports are up again in 2022; [CJC data dashboard publicly available](#)
  - **2,887 total reports** (up 72% from 2021, which had 1,683 reports)
    - **903 bias crimes** reported to the hotline (up 92% from 2021, which had 471 crimes)
      - 504 misdemeanors
      - 399 felonies
      - 31% of all reports to Hotline were criminal in 2022
      - 7% of all criminal reports had a crime charged (67 cases; not necessarily bias crime charged, but a crime)
    - **1,672 bias incidents** reported to the hotline (up 67% from 2021, which had 1,003 incidents)
      - 58% of all reports to hotline were incidents in 2022
    - **Most reports are race-based bias** (45% of all reports to the hotline), and within race, **overwhelmingly reports are anti-Black/African American bias** (21% of all reports to the hotline, 47% of race-based reports)
      - **Anti-Black/African American bias reporting is up 23%** from 2021 (500 reports in 2021 vs. 617 in 2022)
      - **Anti-Hispanic/Latinx bias reporting is up 189%** from 2021 (131 reports in 2021 vs. 379 reports in 2022)
      - **Anti-Asian bias reporting is down 21%** from 2021 (189 reports in 2021 vs. 149 reports in 2022)
    - **120% increase in anti-LGBTQ+ bias (targeting both sexual orientation and gender identity)** in 2022, especially in May, June, July: pre-, during, and post-Pride
      - 900 reports in 2022 vs. 410 reports in 2021
        - 102% increase in reporting of anti-Sexual Orientation bias (259 reports in 2021 vs. 522 reports in 2022)
        - 150% increase in reporting of anti-Gender identity bias (151 reports in 2021 vs. 378 reports in 2022)

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- **94% increase in anti-Jewish bias**  
(97 reports in 2021 vs. 188 reports in 2022)  
Huge surge (197% increase) in **school-based bias**,  
accounting for 16% of all reports to the hotline
  - (159 reports in 2021 vs. 472 reports in 2022)
- Extremist activity reported throughout Western Oregon
  - [Goyim Defense League](#) activity (broad anti-Semitic papering campaigns) reported in 9 cities in 2022, 13 cities since 2/2022: Lake Oswego, Forest Grove, Gladstone, Fairview, Troutdale, Tillamook, Portland, Eugene, Oregon City, Springfield, Thurston
  - [Aryan Freedom Network](#) activity (also papering campaigns) reported in Oregon City
  - [Proud Boys](#) activity in Oregon City, Gladstone, Portland, Salem, Milwaukie, Gresham, Klamath Falls, Eugene, Sweet Home
  - Rose City Nationalist activity reported in Newberg, Portland

## Opened Bias Response Emergency Monies Fund April 1

- 76 victims/families have received payments
  - 34 bias incidents
  - 41 bias crimes (27 felonies, 14 misdemeanors; only 1 charged)
- \$89,644.93 expended
- Costs covered have included security cameras; emergency relocation; rent, food, and utility assistance; and property repair

## Crime Victims' Compensation Program expanded to accept bias incidents

- **New counseling only option for victims of bias incidents started April 1, 2022** (minimum of 30 counseling sessions available for bias incident victims who report to Hotline)
- Program allows **loss of earnings benefit based on psychological harm** (previously just physical harm qualified a victim)

## Hosted first statewide law enforcement, prosecutor and victim advocate training summit on June 23, 2022

- Trainers from ODOJ Civil Rights, FBI, US Attorney's Office, Albany PD, former Multnomah Co DDA, Coalition Against Hate Crimes
- ~200 attendees

## Updated and re-issued [Law Enforcement Bias Response Toolkit](#)

- New info on Intimidation by Display of a Noose (ORS 163.191)
- Summary of federal hate crime laws
- Updated victim referral and LE info cards in multiple languages
- Anti-Defamation League's Center on Extremism, Hate Symbols Database, Glossary of Extremism
- All training materials from 6/23/22 LE training

## CJC issued its [3rd annual report on July 1, 2022 for 2021 data](#)

### Community outreach and presentations

- Hundreds of connections with community partners, attendance at community meetings, tabling at community events, and trainings/presentations provided in 2022
  - 10,462 people trained
  - 184 events
  - 400 hours of outreach