# County of Bexar



### CONSTABLE DEPARTMENT

### PRECINCT NUMBER FOUR

### CONSTABLE ROBERT 'MIKE' BLOUNT

## Bexar County Constable Pct. 4 Body Worn Cameras

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Constable Robert Mike Blount Pct. 4 Constables Office has implemented the use of body cameras and has issued all Constable Pct. 4 deputies a Body Worn Camera. Since early September of 2014, deputies have successfully implemented the cameras into their day to day duties. The camera is downloaded onto a server at the end of each shift by a supervisor.

By utilizing narcotic seizure funds (no taxpayer expense), Constable Blount has purchased Body Worn Cameras for each deputy. The Body Worn Camera is a high definition video camera, which is approximately the size of a pager that records both audio and video. This camera also allows officers to take digital still images. The Bexar County Constables Office Pct. 4 is just one of many agencies to utilize the newest technology and one of the first in Bexar County to have their entire department furnished with Body Worn Cameras. Law enforcement across the country has implemented or has plans to implement body cameras which have clear advantages over using just an in-car camera system.

The Bexar County Constable Pct. 4 use of the Body Worn Camera technology will provide value in enhancing officer safety, reduction of liability, assist with prosecution and case resolution, and further promote professionalism and accountability. Having an impartial record of each encounter reduces he said-she said allegations of officer misconduct and suspects are more inclined to behave when they know they are being recorded.

By using body worn cameras, law enforcement is taking video evidence and its advantages to the next level.