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2019 Kansas Civil Asset Forfeiture Report released

TOPEKA – The Kansas Bureau of Investigation (KBI) provided the [2019 Kansas Civil Asset Forfeiture Report](#) to the Kansas Legislature, and released it to the public at www.kasfr.kbi.ks.gov.

Civil asset forfeiture is a procedure that authorizes law enforcement agencies to seize and forfeit property and cash that was obtained with proceeds from, or used to facilitate, certain criminal activity. Once a forfeiture proceeding concludes, the forfeited property or funds may be used for permissible law enforcement operations, or to further public safety objectives.

The 2019 Civil Asset Forfeiture Report is the first annual report submitted as required by [K.S.A. 60-4127](#), which became effective July 1, 2019, after the Legislature amended the 1994 Kansas Standard Asset Seizure and Forfeiture Act.

The amended law requires that all Kansas law enforcement agencies submit asset forfeiture incident reports and an annual report to the KBI through the Kansas Asset Seizure and Forfeiture Repository (KASFR). The KBI collects and reconciles the submitted information and reports it to the Kansas Legislature, and the public, in an effort to improve transparency about the forfeiture process.

This report covers the period of July 1, 2019 to December 31, 2019. It includes approximately \$3.35 million in seized property, and approximately \$2.05 million in forfeited property.

The report shows a breakdown of seizure and forfeiture activity by agency, and provides information on forfeiture fund expenditures. Detailed information pertaining to reported seizures such as the location, the associated criminal offense, and the age, gender, race and ethnicity of the owner or possessor is included.

The annual report does not comprise all data submitted by Kansas law enforcement agencies. Refer to the [KASFR website](#) for a complete review of the data, and additional visualizations.

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