

UTAH DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

FACIAL RECOGNITION PROGRAM



Key Points

- Beginning in 2011, the Statewide Information Analysis Center (SIAC) and Driver License Division (DLD) have utilized Facial Recognition.
- All images collected are associated with an application for a Driver License, Driver Privilege Card, or Identification card, and are retained in one database. Photos are not identified as belonging to a specific type of identification.
- Use of the program is for law enforcement and fraud detection purposes only. No outside agencies have access to the database.
- Law enforcement agencies must provide information indicating investigation is ongoing, such as a case number.
- Results of the request are for law enforcement purposes only; confirmation of identity is the sole responsibility of the requestor.
- Georgetown University GRAMA request identified;
 - 1,907 law enforcement requests for Facial Recognition assistance (10/2015 - 11/2017).
 - 816 Federal Requests (231 Department of Homeland Security, 50 ICE specific and 585 additional Federal requests, 430 FBI specific).
- Federal requests have a higher probability of failure due to subject not likely to have applied with the DLD.
- Conviction rates are not reported back to the Department of Public Safety from the investigating agency.
- From 2011 - present, DLD has identified 1055 cases of fraud using Facial Recognition Technology.
- SIAC began tracking match successes in December 2015, producing the following results;

Requesting Agency	Match		Non - Match	
Federal	184	5.60%	3100	94.40%
Out of State	15	4.20%	342	95.80%
Local	50	19.00%	213	81%
Total	249	6.40%	3655	93.60%

SIAC Facial Recognition System Analysis Success Stories

- [West Valley City Police Department](#)
 Driver License Fraud Case—Photo of female processed and returned 95.3% match. Photo returned revealed female wearing the same coat in both photos.
 Bank Robbery—Photos from robbery suspect’s phone analyzed and returned match furthering WVCPD’s investigation.
- [United States—Department of State](#)
 Passport Fraud—Subject of Federal investigation query returned two Utah Identifications on passport applications with differing names.
- [SBI Alcohol Enforcement Unit](#)
 Illegal Club—Investigators submitted photos of person suspected of running an illegal club. Photos returned matches and suspect positively identified.
- [Unified Police Department](#)
 Sex Assault Investigation—Photo provided following investigation analyzed, and SIAC analyst able to identify male in photo.