Welcome!
To the Mayor’s Violence Prevention Planning Committee Meeting

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Mayor’s Office
Violence Prevention Planning Committee Meeting

June 29th, 2021
Agenda

1. Welcome
2. Data and measuring impact
3. Progress updates
4. Budget discussion
5. Next steps
Welcome!
Data and measuring impact
Measuring success – our annual review

The three primary outcome metrics are:

**Serious victimizations:** Homicides and non-fatal shootings (Data YTD through 6/26)

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**Safety Gap:** Disparities between community areas

The highest 15 vs lowest 15: Rate of Fatal and Non-fatal shootings is **42.3x higher** in the most violent CAs compared to the least violent.

**Community perceptions of safety:** From Elucd, Consent Decree Survey, or other sources

Our annual report will include updated analysis on key indicators:

- Priority indicators for each pillar
- Review of the scope and scale of violence to inform future priorities
- Supported by local researchers
Dashboard Demo

Chicago.gov/VRDashboard
Progress updates
Crisis Assistance Response and Engagement (CARE) Program

Starting summer 2021, the City will use a public health framework to begin rolling out an alternate crisis response pilot in communities with a high-volume of 911 calls with a behavioral health component.

Pre-response (Oct 2021)
- For the first time in the City’s history, mental health professionals will be staffed in the City’s 911 Call Center.
- Respond to mental health service calls that can be resolved over the phone rather than dispatching team of first responders.
- Provide support and mental health consultation to callers, call takers, dispatchers, and response teams.

Alternate Response (July 2021)
- For the first time in the City’s history, mental health professionals will be dispatched from the 911 Call Center to respond to behavioral health crisis calls that require an in-person response.

Post-Response (Oct 2021)
- Residents linked to appropriate community-based services to address the underlying needs that contributed to the development of the crisis in the first place.
- Piloting use of geographically distributed alternate drop-off sites for persons experiencing a behavioral health crisis as alternatives to emergency rooms to provide more comprehensive care.
Reimagining youth deflection and diversion

The Mayor’s Office, CPD, DFSS are working to develop a new model of youth diversion that is community-based, services-oriented, and limits the role of law enforcement, starting in 2022.

Youth and stakeholder feedback led to the development of guiding principles to inform the new model.

The model will include a deflection component, which does not currently exist in CPD policy.
Neighborhood Activation

A community-driven, whole-of-government approach to violence, combining investments in programs, social services, and changes to the built environment at a hyperlocal block level.

Activations include:

- Construction of community plaza with roller rink, opening late July
- Planting of trees and greening of vacant lots
- Pedestrian improvements
- Lighting improvements
- Increased opportunities for youth programs
- Banners and signs in neighborhood
- Monthly produce market at Legler Library with GCFD
Funding opportunity: services for those who cause harm in domestic violence situations

Expanding services for people who cause harm in order to help mitigate future violence and harm against individuals, families, and communities.

- **Amount:** $500,000
- **Timeline:** RFP to be released in next month, up to two 1-year extensions

**Funding goals:**

- Support integration of services for people who cause harm into the overall domestic violence ecosystem
- Expand the accessibility of services that are culturally, linguistically, and contextually responsive to the unique needs of the communities served
- Support dissemination of evidence-based and evidence-informed services for people who cause harm in communities of high need
Victim Services Provider Advisory Council

Bringing together victim services organizations across the City to improve collaboration and lead to improved outcomes for victims and their families.

**Four working groups:**

- Establishing Practice and Training Standards
- Gun Violence Survivors Advisory Council
- Hospital Coordination
- Serving Special Populations

**Goal outcomes:**

- Improved relationships among providers
- Better system of communication with hospitals, and in the community
- Improve awareness of victim advocate and street outreach work
- Opportunities for problem solving
Funding opportunity: capacity building

Empowering small, local organizations to support their communities and to build their organizational capabilities.

1. City funds two lead orgs to serve smaller VP orgs on south and west sides
2. Lead orgs work with smaller VP orgs to provide capacity building supports and small grants
3. Small orgs build organizational capacity and implement violence prevention activities
4. Smaller orgs are better prepared to implement activities and apply for new funding opportunities

Improved coordination among VP orgs and improved VP outcomes
Creating a strategy to support returning residents

There are **large proportions** of Chicago’s population with **arrest and conviction histories** who face significant challenges re-integrating into society, such as access to housing, healthcare and living wage jobs.

**GOALS**

1. Establish the City's role in the reentry space
2. Improve coordination internally and externally
3. Advance an outcomes-driven agenda for programs and policy

Focus areas:
1. Housing
2. Healthcare
3. Economic mobility

Key recommendations have emerged, including:

- Fund reentry coordination and "one stop shop" reentry resource centers
- Revisit "blanket ban" policies; situations should be evaluated on a case-by-case basis
- Create opportunities for housing through flexible housing pool and engaging with landlords
- Advocate for policy reform, including on Medicaid, parole and probation, and more
Summer Safety Strategy

An all-hands-on-deck, a data driven approach which focuses attention, city and nonprofit resources, and targeted employment opportunities to the fifteen historically most violent beats over the past three summers.

We plan to have a significant impact by:

• Streamlining internally and moving forward with a strong all-city response to address community safety in each designated area
• Engaging community partners to co-create approaches to address violence
• Breaking down incidents at the beat level to analyze violence trends and to coordinate collective responses
• Identifying any gaps and needs that are necessary to support this work
• Maintaining a weekly cadence for meetings
• Sustaining this work with high intensity throughout the entire summer
Project Q&A
Budget discussion
Investing in violence prevention

• Chicago received $1.9 billion from the American Rescue Plan and we are also working to balance the 2022 budget
• We aim to commit a significant amount of funding toward community violence prevention efforts
• We are looking for your input to help us determine how best to invest these dollars
# Potential violence prevention priorities

## Support for vulnerable populations
- Expand street outreach
- Expand victim services
- Youth violence prevention
- Support for survivors of gender-based violence and human trafficking
- Trauma recovery center
- Reentry navigation

## Diversion and deflection opportunities
- Youth diversion and deflection
- Mobile crisis intervention
- Sobering center

## Place based programs
- Neighborhood activation
- Housing first violence prevention

**Prioritization activity**
Next steps

1. Post recorded meeting and slide deck
2. Share feedback from budget discussion with the Office of Budget and Management
3. One-year OCOS update report to tentatively be published in October
4. Next committee meeting in December, where we will provide updates on funding and plans for 2022
5. Stay involved and engaged:
   - Sign up for the public safety newsletter
   - Explore the Violence Reduction dashboard: [Chicago.gov/VRDashboard](Chicago.gov/VRDashboard)