PHILADELPHIA'S STRATEGIC PLAN TO PREVENT YOUTH VIOLENCE





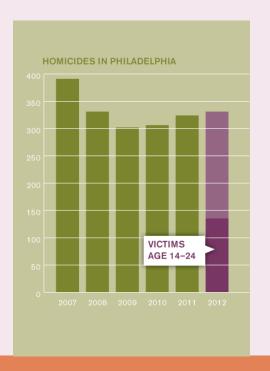
IF THERE WERE A BILL OF RIGHTS FOR PHILADELPHIA'S CHILDREN,
THE FIRST AND MOST IMPORTANT WOULD BE THE RIGHT TO BE SAFE:
AT HOME, AT SCHOOL, AND ON THE STREETS.

The Problem: The Urgency of Now



In 2012, 331 people were murdered in Philadelphia, and nearly 40% of those murder victims were youth aged 24 years old and younger.

75% of the 331 killed in 2012 were African American, as were 80% of the perpetrators





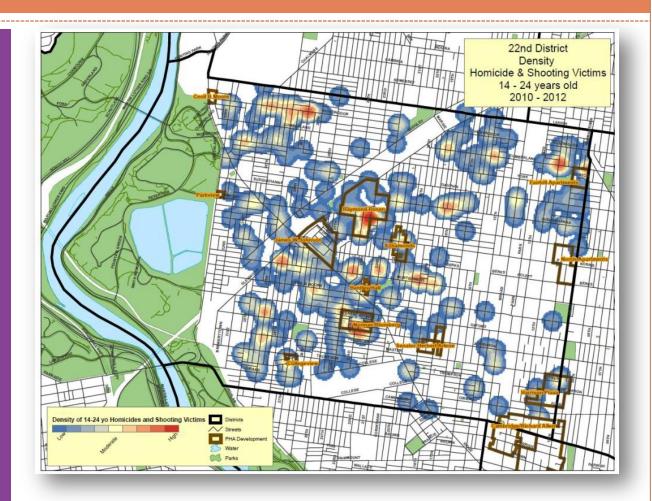


Highest incidence of shooting victims citywide between the ages of 14-24 years old, accounting for more than 13.7% of all youth shootings in the City

Area with less than two percent of the city's population that spans only 4.31 square miles

42.35% of its population living below poverty

City owns 50% of the property



The Landscape: 22nd Police District



To prevent youth violence in Philadelphia by creating a safe environment that supports the development of healthy, thriving, productive citizens through a citywide multidisciplinary approach to youth violence aligning prevention, intervention, enforcement, reentry, and data & evaluation efforts.



Vision for the 22nd Police District



This will be accomplished when youth violence prevention and reduction efforts are:

- Embedded in every city agencies' mission and reflected in their budgets, programs, outcomes, and accountability measures;
- Sustained in future administrations resulting in a city where youth, particularly at-risk and high-risk youth, feel and are safer at home, at school, and in their neighborhoods.



Mission of the Strategy

Violence Collaborative Structure







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Chief of Staff/Deputy Mayor for Public Safety Everett A. Gillison









Violence Prevention Collaborative
Led by Stoneleigh Fellow, Richard Greenwald
Co-Chaired by Charles Ramsey, Annie Ambrose, Kevin Dougherty

Prevention Sub-Committee

Intervention
Sub-Committee

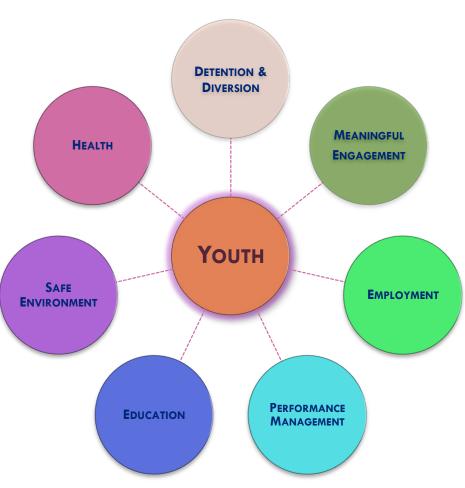
Enforcement Sub-Committee

Re-entry
Sub-Committee

Themes and Priorities

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Goal: Youth in high crime areas participate in positive afterschool and out-of-school activities

Initial Strategy: Work with the City's out of school time network to connect youth to available out-of-school programming and build opportunities for increased participation with a goal of every student in the 22nd district able to access an activity of their choice safely.

Signs of Success: Rising Sons, a mentoring organization run by young men 18-30, has launched their Rising Stars program in the ML King Recreation Center within the 22nd Police District. Rising Stars is an after-school and summer program for boys in grades seven through twelve that stimulates the mind and body in order to maintain a positive path in the present and plan well for the future.



Meaningful Engagement



Goal: Increase career training and job opportunities for Philadelphia youth living in high crime areas.

Initial Strategy: Engage the business sector in meaningful discussion regarding their needs, opportunities for youth, and pathways to full employment.

Signs of Success: Through Philadelphia Youth Network (PYN) 580 youth from 22nd district were employed this summer, in addition, there is year round program focusing on academic attainment programs (GED programs), services to help young people move into secondary education, workforce development skills, and occupational skills.



Training & Employment



Goal: Reduce the impact of trauma by increasing access to mental health services in the 22nd police district.

Initial Strategy: Increase trauma-training for School District of Philadelphia personnel.

Signs of Success: The
Department of Behavioral
Health and Intellectual
disAbility Services (DBHIDS)
provides free Mental Health
First Aid training. Areas of
expansion include PhillyRising
staff and recreation center
staff to be trained as trainers,
and representatives from the
schools in the 22nd police
district.



Physical and Behavioral Health



Every young person in Philadelphia has a fundamental right to live in a safe neighborhood, free of violence, and the opportunity to realize a fulfilling adult life.

How do we connect this strategy with other plans and initiatives locally and nationally?

Given the urgency of now, how do you prioritize a few short term goals and process them all at once?



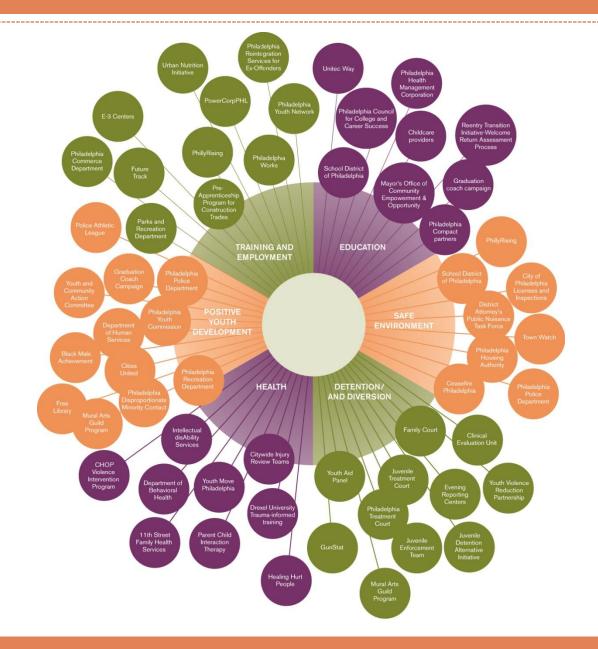
Areas of Opportunity



KEY DELIVERY PARTNERS

Preventing youth violence requires the participation of numerous organizations, city departments, and programs.

In addition to those listed below, successful implementation of this strategic plan will rely on current and new partnerships with faith-based organizations, youth organizations, nonprofit and philanthropic partners, academics and the business community.



Thank you.





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