

LPSCC Youth & Gang Violence Steering Committee

Update on Multnomah County's Work on the OJJDP Comprehensive Gang Model

March 2016

Purpose

- Refresher on Gang Assessment and OJJDP process
- Update on Post-Assessment efforts
 - Strategies
 - Timeline
- Update on current efforts related to youth & gang violence prevention
- Request approval from LPSCC Executive Committee to Adopt Y&GVSC Strategies

Phase 1: Assessment

Completed June 2014

Phase 2: Implementation Planning

Currently Underway

- Step 1: Identify the Focus Community & Population
- Step 2: Prioritize Problems
- Step 3: Develop Goals & Objectives
- Step 4: Identify Activities & Services
- Step 5: Anticipate Barriers
- Step 6: Finalize the Plan

Phase 3: Implementation

Will begin at completion of planning phase

Focus Community & Population

- Gang Impacted
- Gang Affiliated
- Gang Involved

Geographic Composite of Indicators that Demonstrate Highest Risk of Marginalization

Composite Score

24 - 30	36 - 39	46 - 53
31 - 35	40 - 45	Neighborhood Boundaries

Data Sources:
 Multnomah Co. Health, DCJ, LPSCC
 Census Bureau, ACS
 February, 2016

Methodology:
 Categories were developed through a reclassification of factors into Low, Med and High Risk. Using the Natural Breaks Method, these risk levels were translated into numbers (1-3) in preparation for combining into one composite layer; thus giving way to a potential range of 21-63 in scoring. Areas are drawn to Census Tract geography. High=3 Med=2 Low=1

21 Indicators:

- 1) High Density of People of Color
- 2) Lowest Median Household Income
- 3) Low Voter Registration
- 4) Low Educational Attainment
- 5) Low Birth Weight Births
- 6) High Teen Births
- 7) Density of Reported Incidents: Part I Violent Crime in 2013
- 8) Density of Reported Incidents of Non-DV Assault in 2012-2013
- 9) Density of Domestic Violence Assault Cases in 2014
- 10) Density of Reported Incidents Flagged as Gang Activity Oct 1, 2013 - Oct 31, 2014
- 11) Counts of Foster Care, Oct. 2013-Sept. 2014
- 12) High % Unemployed
- 13) High % Renter Occupied Housing
- 14) % Below Poverty Level
- 15) Language: % Age 5 and over Not Using English at Home
- 16) Subsidy: % Receiving SNAP Benefits
- 17) % of DCJ Active Offenders for Population Ages 18 and Over
- 18) % of DCJ Juvenile Offenders for Population Ages 15-19
- 19) % Receiving Multnomah Co. Mental Health Services; fiscal year 2014
- 20) Receiving Medicaid and WIC; fiscal year 2014
- 21) % Single Parent Households







Map Labels:
 Unincorp. Multnomah Co - Sauvie Island
 Unincorp. Multnomah Co - Skyline Ridge Neighbors
 Vancouver Lake
 Columbia River
 Multnomah County Government Isle
 Unincorp. Multnomah Co - Troutdale
 Unincorp. Multnomah Co - Interlachen
 Unincorp. Multnomah Co - Northeast Common NEHCCA
 Unincorp. Multnomah Co - West Of The Sandy R.
 Unincorp. Multnomah Co - Gresham

Downtown Detail

County Overview

Scale: 0 0.5 1 2 Miles

Date: 20150507

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- A map of Multnomah County, Oregon, showing major highways and cities. The map is titled "County Overview" in the top right corner. Major highways shown include I-5, I-205, I-405, I-84, and US-30. Cities labeled on the map include Vancouver, Beaverton, Portland, Troutdale, Gresham, and Tigard. The map uses various shades of green and blue to represent different land use types and water bodies.

County Overview

A map of the Dallas area showing major highways and neighborhood names. The map includes labels for NW Industrial, Overlook, Eliot, Forest Park, Northwest, Pearl, Lloyd District, Hillside, Kerris, Sylvan Highlands, Southwest Hills, Buckman, Hosford, and Abernethy. Major highways shown are I-405, I-25, and I-75. Street names like NW Vaughn St, NW Lovelock St, W Burnside St, W Buckner St, NW Alameda St, and NW Harrison St are also visible.

GIS Map Indicators

- High Density of People of Color
- Lowest Median Household Income
- Low Voter Registration
- Low Educational Attainment
- Low Birth Weight Births
- High Teen Births
- DRI: Violent Crime
- DRI: Non-DV Assault
- DRI: DV Assaults
- DRI: Flagged as Gang Activity
- Counts of Foster Care
- High % Unemployed
- High % Renter Occupied Housing
- % Below Poverty Level
- % Age 5 and over not using English at Home
- % Receiving SNAP Benefits
- % DCJ Active Offenders (Adult & Juvenile)
- % Receiving MultCo Mental Health Services
- Receiving Medicaid and WIC
- % Single Parents

Assessment: Voices & Data

From Latino Network focus group: A desire for employment and youth summer jobs.

Approximately 50% of gang involved youth indicated “obtaining a job” as a reason for leaving a gang.

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One community leader said: *“Law enforcement, GET, are respected by the gang members and their families for the most part. Other law enforcement who do not know the gang members or who treat them disrespectfully cause many more problems in the community.”*

A gang-involved individual said: *“I think we as people need to have more things and jobs to keep them out of the streets or it’s never going to stop.”*

A gang-involved individual said: *“I have been blessed with positive influences and mentors that have helped guide me towards a new path.”*

One community leader said: *“Barriers to jobs, caused by background checks needs to be addressed”*

A Parent & Family Survey respondent said: *“Latino and black boys are targeted by gangs and also are underserved by schools.”*

A community leader said: *“Services need to be delivered by people who have lived it. Mentors who come from a gang affiliated life and build trust, respect and relationship with youth to build pro-social options and accountability.”*

5 Strategies of the OJJDP Model

1. Community Mobilization
2. Opportunities Provision
3. Social Intervention
4. Suppression
5. Organizational Change & Development

Y&GVSC Strategies

- Links Between Police, Youth and Community *1
- Connection to Schools *2
- Employment Opportunities *2
- Family Engagement *3
- Mentoring *4
- Coordinated Entry *5

Links Between Police, Youth & Community

Promote opportunities for police and communities to build positive relationships by committing to:

- Improve police legitimacy by utilizing best available evidence, culturally responsive approaches and effective models for education.
- Support collaborative efforts to build empathy by addressing mutual fear, trauma and misperceptions.
- Create safe spaces for positive interaction and meaningful dialogue between police and youth to increase understanding and build trust.

Connection to Schools

Coordinate and leverage the efforts of multiple stakeholders to achieve better outcomes for youth.

- Connect with efforts which reduce disparities in school exclusion. Promote the expansion of restorative justice programs in schools.
- Support and enhance recommendations-regarding current school reconnection strategies to improve outcomes for gang impacted, affiliated and involved young people and those vulnerable to risk factors for gang involvement.
- Engage in state level advocacy to require teaching certification programs to include content on trauma informed and culturally responsive classrooms.

Employment Opportunities

Advocate for year-round access to developmentally and culturally responsive job readiness and placement in employment/internship, including a pool of employers and/or a social enterprise model, wraparound supports, and mentorship for the following populations:

- Youth experiencing risk factors for gang involvement
- Gang-involved youth who are ready to make a change
- Young people re-entering communities from state facilities

Family Engagement

Enhance efforts to protect families against risk factors for gang involvement and identify resources for stability, advocacy and mobilization through expanding the community health worker model and opportunities for meaningful engagement in policy-making for the following populations:

- Focus communities
- Low-income, first-time parents
- Families of gang affiliated youth

Mentoring

Ensure access to developmentally appropriate and culturally responsive mentors for young people through coordination of recruitment, training and support.

These mentors will aid the following populations with re/connection with schools, higher education, training and employment opportunities:

- youth and families experiencing risk factors for gang involvement
- young people who are being influenced by gangs and gang-related activity
- young people re-entering communities from correctional facilities

Coordinated Entry

Coordinate entry from multiple systems of care and public safety using trauma-informed and data-driven decision making to:

- address root causes of violence in our community,
- intervene at the first sign of risk and respond effectively when violence does occur,
- repair, strengthen and restore our youth, families, and communities that have been affected by violence and
- reduce recidivism rates for our focus population.

Examples of Additional Gang-Focused Efforts Underway in Multnomah County

- City of Portland Office of Youth Violence Prevention
- Portland Police Bureau
- East-County Update
- Multnomah County Juvenile Services Division (JSD)
- Multnomah County Adult Services Division (ASD)

Next Steps

- ▶ Phase 2 of the Comprehensive Gang Model: Implementation Planning continued
 - Y&GVSC leading
 - Ensure a collaborative and inclusive process

“Make sure our voices are heard”

“We need sustained commitment to engage the voices of individuals & families who have been affected by gangs and gang activity”