Memorandum



DATE: February 7, 2014

Honorable Members of the Public Safety Committee: Sheffie Kadane (Chair), Adam Medrano (Vice Chair), Dwaine Caraway, Jennifer S. Gates, Sandy Greyson, Scott Griggs

SUBJECT: Community Affairs Overview

Attached is the briefing material on the "Community Affairs Overview" to be presented to the Members of the Public Safety Committee on Monday, February 10, 2014.

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Attachment

cc: Honorable Mayor and Members of the Dallas City Council A.C. Gonzalez, City Manager
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Community Affairs Overview

Public Safety Committee February 10, 2014



Purpose

- Provide a summary of 2013 highlights
- Offer an overview of "Chief on the Beat" for 2014
- Introduce Coffee With Cops Initiative
- Detail the expansion of 10/70/20 Crime Reduction Program into Community Response Initiative

Goals

Reduce Crime Rate by:

- Increasing Community Engagement
- Connecting residents to needed resources
- Effective use of Social Media
- Allowing residents to interact with officers outside of traditional law enforcement settings



Background

- Office of Community Affairs established in 1987
- Utilizes collective community approach to policing
- Comprised of manager and ten employees
- Promotes opportunities for positive engagement between citizens and the police department

2013 Highlights

- "Chief on the Beat" Health and Safety Fair
 - Services, education, entertainment, and food provided to the public free of charge
 - Held at 14 locations, two events per patrol division
 - Vendors connected attendees to services and information
 - Total Attendance: 24,792
- 10-70-20 Program
 - Conducted crime surveys, gathered intelligence, offered education through community meetings
 - Held at 13 sites throughout Dallas
 - At least one in each patrol division







2013 Highlights

- Coffee With Cops
 - Initially launched in April
 - Expanded to seven locations in December
 - Social Media Reach: 3.4M impressions,
 775 mentions, 375 unique users (Source: McDonald's)
- Social Media
 - Increased Twitter followers since last June
 - Launched department's first Instagram account
 - Started a Twitter account for Bike Bot Anthony







Chief on the Beat 2014









Chief on the Beat 2014

- One Chief on the Beat per division, seven for 2014
- Locations: High Schools/City Recreation Centers
- Each Chief on the Beat will have a theme
 - Battle of the Bands
 - Armed Forces Day
 - Thanksgiving
- Continue to partner with local vendors
 - Healthcare Providers, Colleges, Businesses, Crime Watch Groups

Coffee With Cops 2014

- Selected locations offer relaxed, informal environment
- Allows for one-on-one interactions between residents and law enforcement
- Community Affairs/PIO engage the public through social media







Coffee With Cops 2014

- Simultaneously held in each Patrol Division
- Free Coffee Provided by McDonald's
- McDonald's has committed to sponsor quarterly Coffee With Cops throughout 2014



Community Response Initiative 2014









Community Response Initiative 2014

- Identification of Community Need
- Partner with Patrol Division
- Community Assessment Survey
- Response Initiatives and Engagement
- Follow-Up Community Assessment Survey
- Review Survey and Program Results

Example of Community Response Initiative

- Incident
- Community Affairs meets with Youth Division
- Visited apartment complex
- Hospital visit with Northeast Patrol
- Crime Watch meeting
- Block Party
- Crime Watch follow up



Partnerships

- Crime Watch Groups
- Neighborhood Associations
- Chambers of Commerce
- Healthcare Providers
- Young Professionals Organizations
- Dallas Parks and Recreation
- Faith Based Community

Summary

- Promote awareness of health, safety, and law enforcement in family friendly setting through Chief on the Beat
- Provide quarterly opportunity for officers to interact with community through Coffee With Cops
- Identify and respond to needs of community by promoting positive working relationships through the Community Response Initiative
- Communicate and connect with residents and share information across multiple platforms through social media

QUESTIONS