



Office of Neighborhood Safety

Presentation of 2024 Budget Proposal to City Council



Community First Public Safety (CFPS) Framework

The Office of Neighborhood Safety advances the Community First Public Safety (CFPS) framework that seeks to transcend crime response to build a compelling violence reduction strategy for Saint Paul which is informed by deep public engagement, research, tracking and analysis of real time data, and cross-sector collaboration of stakeholders.





Strategic Pillars

In 2023, ONS is guided by the following strategic pillars





Community First Public Safety Commission's Five Major Areas of Desired Impact

More appropriate responders for each situation who can best assist those in need

Decriminalize behavior & response, particularly for people & communities of color

More efficient deployment of law enforcement; Reserve & focus police resources for where they are most needed

Focus on prevention and community safety

Improve systems & increase accessibility



2023 Highlights

- Safe Summer Nights
- Library Outreach
- Parks and Rec
 - Jimmy Lee
 - Como Pools
 - Phalen Beach
 - MN State Fair
 - Eastside Festival
 - Cinco De Mayo
- What's Going On Night- Griggs Recreation Center
- SPPD Police Interviews (2 rounds)
- SPPL Safety & Incident Management Planning Team (monthly 4hour workshops)

10/4/2023



LOCAL

St. Paul officials tout impact, progress for gun violence initiatives

Officials say the efforts are showing positive results.

By Kyeland Jackson Star Tribune | APRIL 5, 2023 — 4:27PM



GLEN STUBBE, STAR TRIBUNE FILE

St. Paul officials say gun violence prevention efforts could become a model for



Project PEACE and Operation ASPIRE

158 Referrals to Project PEACE from ASPIRE

- 103 referrals requested from parent or family member for services
- 33 victims of gun violence
- 26 individuals involved in group violence
- 27 individuals involved in youth violence
- 14 individuals involved in other forms of behaviors

OUTCOMES

- 44 referrals remained with ONS to receive direct services
- 72 interventions completed by ASPIRE Officers
- 18 families relocated to new housing options
- 60 referrals to other City or County agencies
- 35 referrals to Community-based Organizations
- 119 guns seizures



ONS/SPPS Violence Intervention/Prevention Pilot

ONS partnered with Saint Paul Public Schools Office of Security and Emergency Management (OSEM) and Office of Family Engagement and Community Partnerships (OFECPP) to develop a Pilot School Violence Intervention and Prevention (VIP) Program to support violence reduction in SPPS high schools.

This program utilizes community-based violence intervention strategies on school campuses and is a strong collaboration between city government, SPPS, and community-based organizations to address youth violence.

OUTCOMES

- Responded and provided on-campus safety presence
- Partnership conversations and school safety collaboration
- Innovative Solutions, TRUCE Center 8518 and Healing Streets worked with affected family members
- Ongoing safety support and engagement
- Designing community support and adaptable liaison for schools



Neighborhood Safety Community Council (NSCC)

April 5, 2023- Neighborhood Safety Community Council welcomed 8 new members in addition to the Chair and Vice Chair.

As a collective NSCC plans to conduct /host six community conversation/year in order to hear the concerns for community safety. Establishing public safety goals, researching organizations, and partnering with community programs to address current and preventative public safety measures.

OUTCOMES

- NSCC has conducted 4 out of 6 conversations
 - Dec 6, Educational Professionals
 - Dec 13, Community Organizations
 - Dec 20, Public Safety Professionals
 - Jan 10, Business Professional
- The conversations have started regarding plans to host community conversations with additional educational professionals to discuss partnerships within district 45, and St. Paul's Alternative school district.



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ONS is housed in the City Attorney's Office

- ONS has 7.0 FTE
- 2.0 FTE are vacant with 1 current job posting.
- 1.0 FTE Community Engagement Specialist (Social Worker) through Opioid Settlement AU



Budget Summary

Accounting Unit - Name		10012200 - OFFICE OF NEIGHBORHOOD SAFETY	
Row Labels	Sum of FY 2022 Adopted Budget	Sum of FY 2023 Adopted Budget	Sum of FY 2024 Proposed Budget Total
EXPENDEXP - EXPENDEXP	1,405,760	1,774,830	2,020,328
EMPLOYEEEXP - EMPLOYEE EXPENSE	479,570	673,640	935,775
EEBENEFITS - EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	138,224	186,157	270,510
SALARYWAGE - SALARIES AND WAGES	341,346	487,483	665,265
PROGRAMEXP - PROGRAM EXPENSE	300,000	300,000	300,000
LOANGRANT - LOAN AND GRANT EXPENSE	300,000	300,000	300,000
73200 - GRANT EXPENSE	300,000	300,000	300,000
73220 - PMT TO SUBCONTRACTOR GRANT	300,000	300,000	300,000
SERVICEEXP - SERVICES	626,190	801,190	784,553
CONTRACTSVC - CONTRACTED SERVICES	626,190	801,190	784,553
63100 - PROFESSIONAL SERVICE	626,190	801,190	784,553
63140 - COUNSELING	-	25,000	25,000
63160 - GENERAL PROFESSIONAL SERVICE	626,190	776,190	759,553
Grand Total	1,405,760	1,774,830	2,020,328



2024 Proposed Details

General Fund	Amount	FTE	Frequency
ONS Personnel	\$935,775	7.0	Ongoing
Program Services (CBO contracts, Wraparound Services, Direct services)	1,084,553	--	Ongoing
Public Safety Aid/ ARPA	Amount	FTE	Frequency
Public Safety Aid	\$ 467,000	TBD	3 Years
ARPA (NSCC grants, Project Peace)	\$ 3,600,546	--	One Time
Total	\$4,067,546.00	--	
2024 Gen. Fund	\$69,008.00	-- (TBD)	



Investing in Skilled Outreach Workers to Interrupt Gun Violence

Objective: Onboard trained community outreach workers to build trust and address root causes of gun violence in high-risk areas.

Cultivating Trust:

- Outreach workers share similar life experiences with the communities they serve
- Focused on building relationships and addressing underlying issues.
- Coordinate support and resources specifically for those most impacted by gun violence.
- Act as key mediators between city departments, community stakeholders, and other professionals.

Outcome: Effective disruption of the cycle of gun-related violence through community engagement and resource coordination.

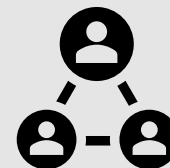
Value of Community Outreach



Trained Professionals



Cultivates Trust & Credibility



Connects Resources to High-Risk Individuals



Investing in Community-Based Organizations to Promote Community Stabilization

Objective: Utilize Community Based Organizations that have rooted relationships and Cultural Competency to lead community first public safety strategies

Cultivating CBO:

- Focused on building long-term sustainability, Organizational Capacity and Coordination
- Utilizing shared life experiences with participant populations providing connections to the neighborhoods where our participants live
- Community input into identification recommendation and prioritization of public safety initiatives, and leveraging respective projects/initiatives for the greatest collective impact
- **Outcome: Improved Community Connectivity and Supports: Residents who are financially stable and connected to community are less likely to commit a crime or be victimized by criminal activity.**

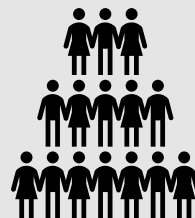
Value of Community Based Organizations



Community Growth and Stabilization



Cultivates Sustainability



Connects Community to needed Resources



QUESTIONS ??????????