



City of San Diego

Commission on Gang Prevention and Intervention Update

***Public Safety & Neighborhood Services
Committee Meeting
January 25, 2012***





Commission Purpose

- **Develop** strategic collaborative efforts among various agencies who work with gang related issues.
- **Recommend** policy to the Mayor and City Council on issues of gang prevention, intervention, diversion and suppression methods.
- **Identify** local, state and federal funding sources, and best practice efforts
- **Advocate**, formulate, and recommend for adoption proactive gang policies, ordinances and guidelines





BACKGROUND

- **Commission Appointed 2006**
 - 18 gang related homicides
- **Subsequent Years**
 - 28 (2007); 21 (2008); 9 (2009);
 - 4 (2010); 7 (2011)
- **Collaborative work of Commission members impacts the level of violence in our community.**



2011-2012

Four Primary Focus Areas:

Jobs (training as well as placement)

Supporting integration of services

Facilitating Youth Activities

Early intervention strategies





Jobs (Training & Placement)



Computer Programming



IT Database Management

- Learning program aimed at career preparation and readiness.
- Target audience: youth aged 16-21
- A bridge into technical careers/college
- Training students from the ground up in electronics with a hands-on project methodology.
- Introduction to solar and other clean energy technologies.



Graphic Design and Production



Electronics & Solar energy





Supporting integration of services

The Commission was on the planning committee for the County's Trauma informed care conference entitled "Impact of Violence and Trauma in our Community" in August 2011.

The County of San Diego, Mental Health Services in partnership with Southern California counties identified the need to increase awareness of the impact of violence and trauma in communities.

"Students ages
12 to 18
were victims of
1.5 million crimes
including
684,000
violent offenses
while at school."
— U.S. Department of
Education, 2010

The graphic features a background image of a hand holding a pen, with the statistics overlaid in white and yellow text.



Facilitating Youth Activities

- Received \$375,000 from the California Gang Reduction Intervention Program (CALGRIP) for extending Park and Recreation hours at four sites in Mid city and Southeastern for Summer 2011 and Summer 2012. These sites were
 - Southcrest
 - Encanto
 - Memorial
 - Mid City





Early Intervention Strategies

- **Safe Passage Initiatives:**
 - Bell Middle School
 - Montgomery Middle School
 - Horace Mann Middle School
- **Canyon Cleanups**
 - Bell Middle School , Urban Corps, S.D. Canyonlands, Institute for Public Strategies, Navy volunteers, TKF and community/parents,





*******SAVE THE DATE*******

APRIL 25, 2012

(Biennial) Youth Resilience and Gang Prevention Summit
Building Community Connections
Learn, Share, Connect

A **working conference** for highlighting and building on San Diego County initiatives that prevent youth violence and offer pathways to their empowerment and sustainable future

8:00 am-4:00pm
University of San Diego, School of Peace Studies

Hosted by
School of Peace Studies at the University of San Diego
San Diego County Office of Education
San Diego Commission on Gang Prevention and Intervention
San Diego County District Attorney's Office
San Diego County Health and Human Services

Details and more information will be distributed in February!