



THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO REPORT TO THE CITY COUNCIL

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ATTENTION: Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee
Agenda of March 5, 2008

SUBJECT: Informational Report from the Commission on Gang Prevention
and Intervention

SUMMARY

THIS IS AN INFORMATIONAL REPORT. NO ACTION IS REQUIRED ON THE PART OF THE COMMITTEE OR THE CITY COUNCIL.

BACKGROUND

The Commission on Gang Prevention and Intervention Strategic Action plan is the Commission's map for the City of San Diego to impact the gang issue now. Unlike other plans, it focuses on prevention and intervention at the neighborhood level and empowers the City to work together with communities in this endeavor over the next year.

At this Public Safety and Neighborhood Services meeting, the Commission on Gang Prevention and Intervention will focus on Goal #2 of the plan:

#2 Develop joint partnerships to help address the gang issues within the City of San Diego

Related Recommendations

1. The Commission recommends that the Mayor and City Council strongly support the Commission's effort to set up coordinated efforts in specific communities to address the gang situation.

Strategic Actions

- 2.1** Institutionalize within the City that every City department will include practices, partnerships and/or technology that will protect our youth and children.
- 2.2** Establish formal agreements with government and community organizations (inclusive of Faith Based groups) that support the City's effort to effectively impact gang activity.

DISCUSSION

The Commission through its current grant awards has begun work on 2.2 of establishing formal agreements with the County and community based organizations in its efforts to implement this recommendation. See Attachment 1.

Here are the goals and outcomes for this effort:

Implementation Recommendations for Strategic Actions 2.1 & 2.2

1. Establish cross-departmental communication procedures with City Departments to address local gang issues.
2. Request City departments to work with community organizations to enhance their grant applications.
3. Regularly generate regional task force reports for the City's Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee regarding regional actions and plans by such organizations as Project Safe Neighborhood (PSN) or the Juvenile Justice Task Force.

Outcome Goals and Timeline for Strategic Actions 2.1 & 2.2

1. Quarterly Grant Reports to Public Safety & Neighborhood Services starting January 2008
2. Report on joint partnerships to PS&NS starting January 2008

FOLLOW UP

The Commission will continue its work with the Library, Police Department, and the DART team to implement the work on 2.1.

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