**Safety and Crime Reduction**

**Administrator Report Summary**

**May 21, 2021**

**Safety and Crime Reduction Annual Report**

The Safety and Crime Reduction Annual Report was completed and submitted to the Honorable City Council President, Tommy Hazouri on Thursday, April 15, 2021. The City Council President responded via email by thanking the Safety and Crime Reduction Commission for all their hard work. The Annual Report includes the Commission’s short- and long-term goals, subcommittee assignments, commission meetings (January 2020 - December 2020), as well as theappointment and hiring of the Safety and Crime Reduction Administrator. The Annual Report can be found on the coj.net website on the City Council page.

**Safety and Crime Reduction Commission Webpage**

The Safety and Crime Reduction Commission webpage is currently housed under the City Council page. However, the new home for the webpage will be transferred to the Neighborhoods Department under the Neighborhoods Services Office. Subsequently, I am the new webmaster for the webpage. I recently completed training with Sherry McGuire (Project Manager - COJ Information Technologies Division) and her team to manage the webpage. Going forward, I am responsible for content, calendar events, maintenance, updates, and all commission postings including notifications, agenda, videos, and meeting minutes. I am in the process of updating the new webpage. I will keep the commission posted with its progress. All previous commission meetings, videos, meeting minutes etc. prior to April 2021, will be archived on the City Council webpage. Should this information change, I will notify the Commissioners immediately.

**Inventory of Programs**

I am continuously developing a comprehensive inventory of programs that help to reduce crime and increase safety in the community. The inventory of programs will be updated on an ongoing basis. Also, in today’s meeting, I will display the program inventory, as well as how you will be able to filter through categories.

**Subcommittee Meetings**

Over the past several weeks, I met with the below-mentioned subcommittees members to help develop efficacy measurements, metrics, and recommendations to City Council for funding via organizations that empower neighborhoods, create employment opportunities and training, mentoring and youth development, education, prevention re-entry, access to social services, family and community engagement, neighborhood assets and social capital, as well as organizations that address mental health and substance abuse.

**Each subcommittee met on the following day(s) and time(s):**

* **Education, Youth Development & Mentoring**
  + Friday, April 23, 2021 at 9:00am
  + Tuesday, May 11, 2021 at 11:00am
* **Family and Community Engagement**
  + Tuesday, April 27, 2021 at 10:00am
  + Tuesday, May 18, 2021 at 10:00am
* **KHA Funding** 
  + Wednesday, April 28, 2021 at 1:00pm
* **Workforce Training and Re-Entry**
  + Thursday, April 29, 2021 at 2:00pm
  + Thursday, May 6, 2021 at 2:00pm
* **Neighborhoods**
  + Friday, April 16, 2021 at 12:00pm
  + Friday, May 7, 2021 at 12:00pm
* **Mental Health, Substance Abuse and Juvenile Justice**
  + Friday, May 7, 2021 at 1:30pm

**Administrator Meetings/Trainings/Webinars Attended**

* Mayor’s Victim Assistance Advisory Council Meeting
* Jacksonville City Council Safer Together Community Workshop
* Community Collaborations and Strategic Initiatives: Empowering the Community to Make Positive Changes in their Lives Webinar (Neighborhoods USA Conference)
* Lasting Stability! One Neighborhood at a Time Webinar (Neighborhoods USA Conference)
* Neighborhood Improvement Strategy: A Comprehensive Community Initiative Webinar (Neighborhoods USA Conference)
* Navigating Equity Work at the Community Level Webinar (Neighborhoods USA Conference)
* Jacksonville Urban League meeting with Dr. Danford
* Meeting with Commission Tom Geismer
* Meeting with City Council VP – Samuel Newby

**Crime Statistics –** Jacksonville Sheriff’s OfficeShooting Related Incidents and Priority Violent Crime in zones 1 through 6, between 2011 and 2020 in Duval County. The following information was released from the Jacksonville Sheriff’s Office Public Records Portal.

Shooting related incidents resulting in Homicide (murder, justifiable, undetermined, accidental and manslaughter) in the following zones:

* Zone 1 - 131
* Zone 2 - 155
* Zone 3 - 108
* Zone 4 - 215
* Zone 5 - 373
* Zone 6 – 83

**Total** – **1,065**

The priority violent crimes include aggravated assault, robbery, and sex/rape battery in the following zones

* Zone 1 – 4,915
* Zone 2 - 304
* Zone 3 – 1,662
* Zone 4 – 4,993
* Zone 5 – 8,384
* Zone 6 – 84

**Total** – **20,342**

As of April 2021, there have been 39 murders in Jacksonville, FL as compared to 51 murders as of April 2020. Here are the comparisons broken down by month.

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| **Month** | **2021** | **2020** |
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| **January** | 10 | 9 |
| **February** | 14 | 11 |
| **March** | 6 | 15 |
| **April** | 9 | 16 |
| **May** |  | 9 |
| **June** |  | 12 |
| **July** |  | 14 |
| **August** |  | 9 |
| **September** |  | 13 |
| **October** |  | 13 |
| **November** |  | 13 |
| **December** |  | 7 |
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| **Total** | **39** | **141** |

**Mental Health Awareness Campaign**

I have worked with Angela Spears (*Angela Spears Communication*) to coordinate a mental health awareness campaign that will focus on communities most impacted by crime and its effects, community engagement and awareness, how the message will be shared, and campaign goals. Angela Spears will be presenting a slide presentation at today’s meeting.