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Cincinnati Initiative to Reduce Violence Show Results 36% reduction in Group Related Homicides

Cincinnati – Mayor Mark Mallory today gave an update on the success of the Cincinnati Initiative to Reduce Violence (CIRV) after 2 years of operation. CIRV uses crime data to identify groups of violent individuals and targets them for increased outreach and enforcement. The Mayor was joined by Council Member Cecil Thomas; Cincinnati Police Chief Thomas Streicher; Director of the University of Cincinnati Policing Institute, Robin Engel, Stan Ross, Cincinnati Human Relations Commission; Doreen Cudnik, Community Police Partnering Center

“CIRV is showing incredible results in reducing homicides and gun violence in our community,” Mayor Mallory said. “Some have suggested that we consider cutting the program. However, other cities saw increases in violence when they backed off similar strategies. CIRV is making our streets safer and I am going to ensure that it has the funding necessary to continue to be successful.”

Results - Oct 05 – Sept 07 compared to Oct 07 – Sept 09

- 36.1% reduction in Group Member Involved homicides
- 16.3% reduction in all homicides
- 9.7% reduction in firearm shootings
- Members of 13 violent groups/gangs have been targeted by law enforcement team
- 203 violent group members have been arrested for various felony and misdemeanor charges

Employment Results:

- Since July 2007, over 430 individuals have contacted Street Advocates for assistance
 - 390 completed assessment process at Cincinnati Works
 - 173 completed job readiness training program
 - 115 obtained 1st job
 - 61 currently employed

CIRV Violence Interruption / Conflict Mediation

- From Jan 08 – July 09, CHRC Street Advocates reported successful mediation in 38 potentially violent incidents

CIRV Awards

- 2009 International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) / West *Excellence in Criminal Investigations Award*
- 2008 International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) / Motorola *Webber Seavey Excellence in Law Enforcement Award*
- 2008 National Criminal Justice Association *Outstanding Criminal Justice Program Award*

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