

CRIMINAL STREET GANGS



Gang Community Response Team
Snohomish County Regional Gang
Work Group

What is a gang?

- **Criminal Street Gang** – is any ongoing organization, association, or group of three or more persons, whether formal or informal, having a common name or common identifying sign or symbol, having as one of its primary activities the commission of criminal acts, and whose members or associates individually or collectively engage in or have engaged in a pattern of criminal street gang activity.
- **RCW 9.94A.030 (15)**

What is a gang?

Three or more persons

+

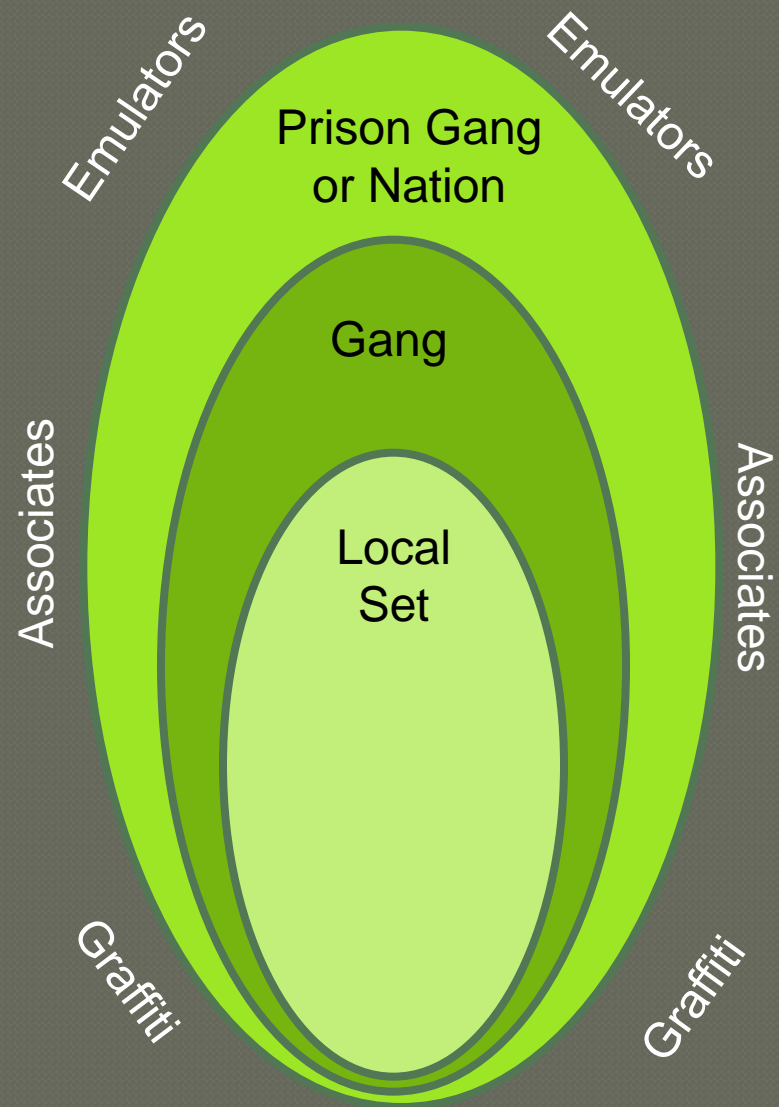
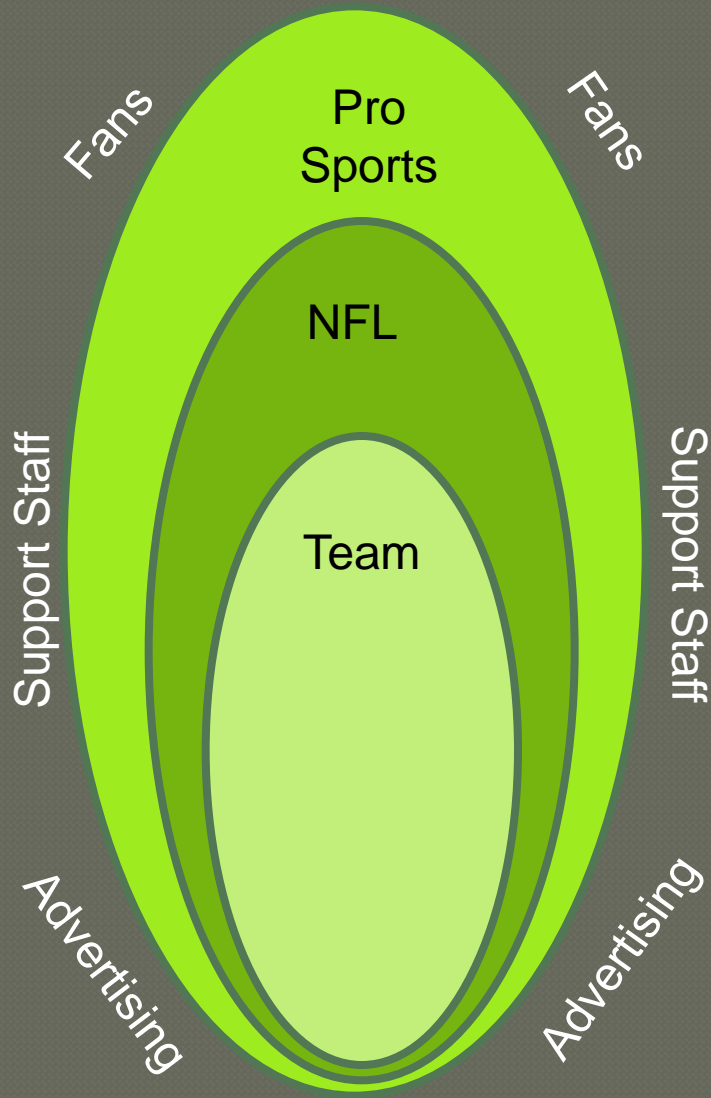
Name, signs, or symbols

+

Criminal activity

=

Criminal Street Gang





Folk Nation

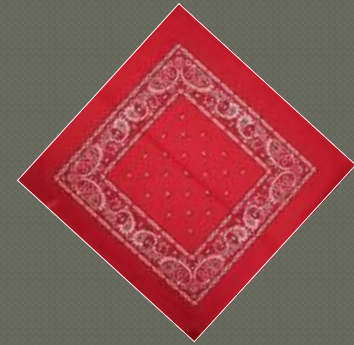
- Gangster Disciples, Maniac Latin Disciples, Black Gangster Disciples
- Area of Origin: 1960's - Chicago
- Colors: Black - Grey - White
- Numbers: 74 (GD), 274 (BGD)
- Right side orientated
- Rivals: *People Nation*





Peoples Nation

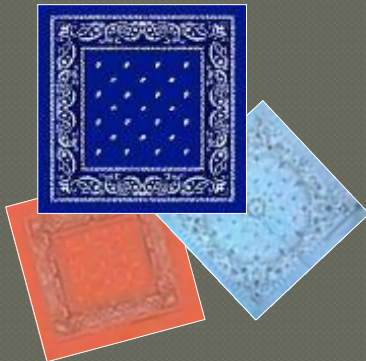
- Black P Stone Nation, Vice Lords, Latin King Nation
- Area of Origin: 1960's - Chicago
- Colors: Black - Red - Yellow
- Numbers: 5, 3
- Left side orientated
- Rivals: *Folk Nation*





Crips

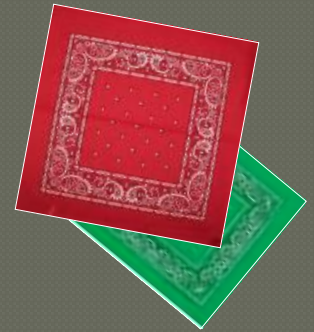
- **Crips**
- Area of Origin: 1960's - Los Angeles
- Colors: **Blue** - **Light Blue** - **Orange**
- May align with Folk Nation
- Rivals: **Bloods**





Bloods

- **Bloods**
- Area of Origin: 1960's - Los Angeles
- Colors: **Red** - **Green**
- May align with Peoples Nation
- Rivals: **Crips**





Surenos

- **Surenos:** Spanish for “Southerners”
- Area of Origin: 1960’s - South of Bakersfield, CA
 - La Eme (Mexican Mafia Prison Gang)
- Colors: **Blue** - Black - **Brown**
- Numbers: 13, X3, XIII
- Rivals: **Nortenos**





Nortenos

- **Nortenos:** Spanish for “Northerner”
- Area of Origin: 1960’s - North of Bakersfield, CA
 - Nuestra Familia (Our Family Prison Gang)

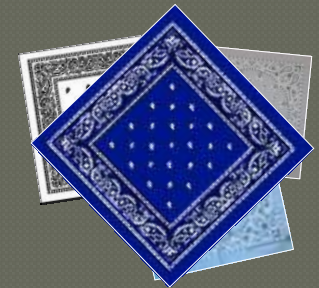
- Color: **Red**
- Number: 4
- Rival: *Surenos*





Mara Salvatrucha

- Mara Salvatrucha (MS):
“Beware the Salvadoran gang”
- Area of Origin: 1980’s - Los Angeles
- Colors: Blue - White - Grey - Light Blue
- Number: 13
- Rival: All other groups





Asian Street Gangs

- Tiny Raskal Gangstas, Asian Boyz Crips, Vietnamese Boyz, Wah Ching, Five-Deuce Oriental Bloods
- Area of Origin: 1980's - Los Angeles & San Francisco
- Colors: Depends on affiliation
- Rivals: Depends on affiliation





Insane Clown Posse

- **INSANE CLOWN POSSE (ICP)**
- Area of Origin: Detroit
 - Started as fans for the music group ICP
- Males: Juggalos
- Females: Juggaletts
- Gang? Gang -vs- Family
- Rivals: Depends on location





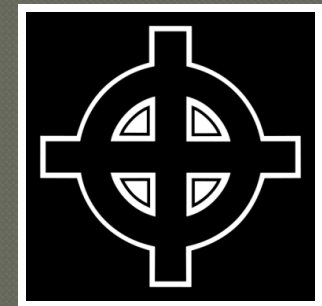
Extremist / Aryan



- **White supremacist**
- **Neo-Nazi**
- **Anti-gay**
- **Anti-immigrant**
- **Militaristic, anarchist**
- **Swastikas and Nazi symbols**



- **Skinheads**
- **Peckerwoods**
- **Hammerskins**



CRIMINAL STREET GANGS

What To Look For:

Clothing

Tattoos

Hand signs

Graffiti

Artwork

Recruiting

Clothing

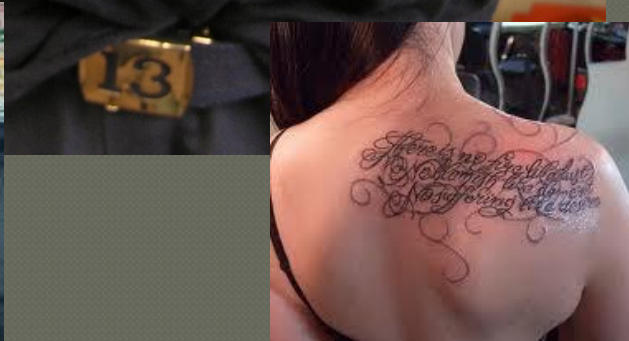
- Colors
- Jewelry
- Style
- Brands
- Belts
- Shoe Laces
- Hats
- Grooming
- Bandanas
- Socks
- Symbols
- Designs



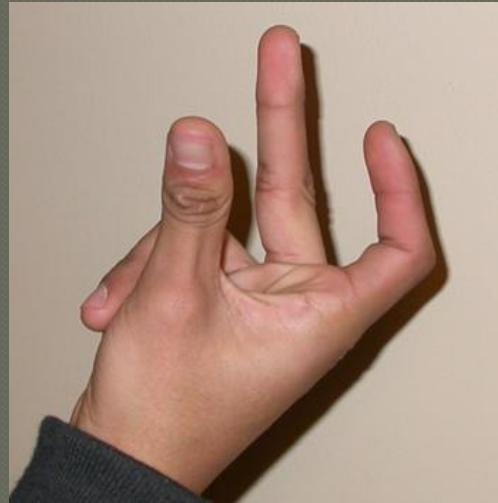
Clothing



Tattoos



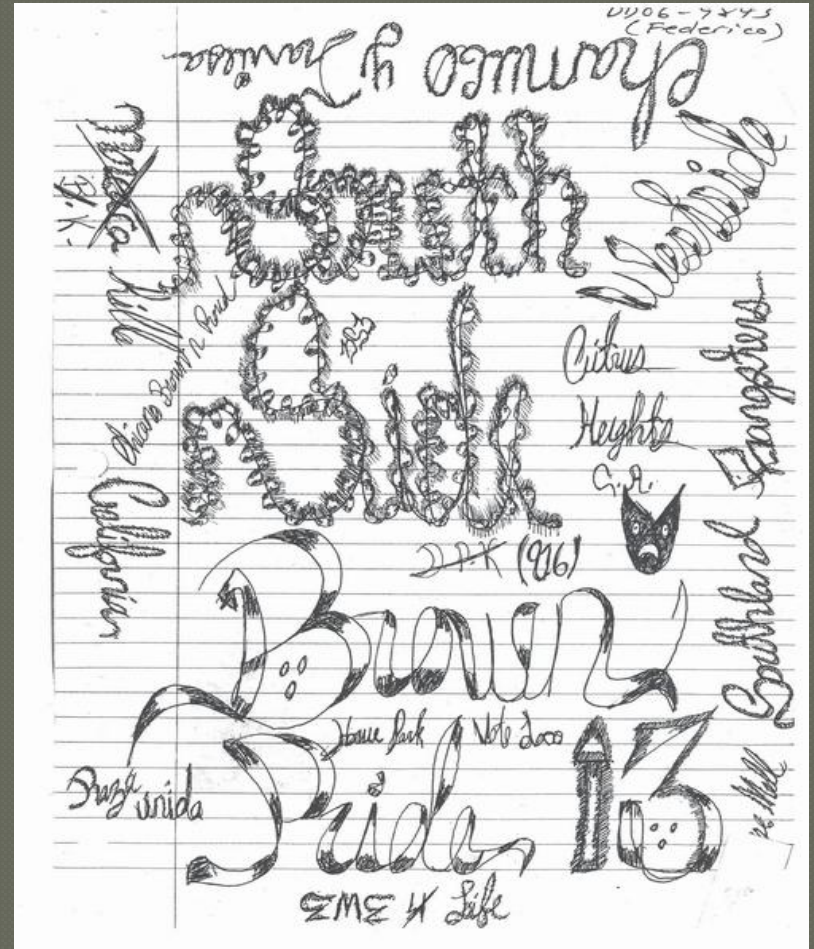
Hand Signs



Graffiti



“Artwork”



Recruiting

- School
 - Visits from non-students
- Myspace.com
- Facebook
- Boys & Girls Club
- YMCA
- Skate parks
- Libraries



Motivators to Join Street Gangs

- Protection
- Money & drugs
- Racial / cultural similarities
- Common enemies
- Respect
- “Perks”
- Peer acceptance
- Loyalty within the group
- Member pressure and/or intimidation
- Control of turf

“SENSE OF BELONGING”

Addressing Gangs in Snohomish Co.

○ INFORMATION SHARING

- **Snohomish County Regional Gang Meeting**

○ PREVENTION / INTERVENTION

- **Gang Community Response Team**

○ SURPRESSION

- **SCSO/Everett PD Summer Gang Enforcement**
- **Education of local law enforcement**

○ PUBLIC AWARENESS

- **Gang awareness training at neighborhood meetings and in schools**

○ BEST PRACTICES

- **Agencies and Organizations across State and Nation**