

Crime & Safety Task Force
Monday, August 15, 2016
6pm
Whittier Alliance

Attendees: Paul Shanafelt, Chelsea Adams, Ricardo McCurley, Inspector Kathy Waite, Sgt. Mike Frye, Jamie Kieffer, Lindsay Wallace, Brian Foster, Lisa Dubbels

● **Jamie Kieffer, L3 Coordinator/Case Investigator**

● Lisa Dubbels invited Jamie due to questions of L3 offenders clustered in one specific area near 27th and Pillsbury. Lisa indicated many parents are concerned with the proximity to L3 offender housing the Whittier School/Park and nearby school bus stops.

● Three L3 offenders live in Whittier. L3 offenders realize community and MPD know who they are, and probation officers are in constant contact. Sometimes part of their probation conditions include crossing the street to avoid women/children and limited internet access. Others have zero restrictions; very situational.

● Determination as L1, L2, or L3 offender is based on many factors, including offense, psychological evaluation, criminal history, upbringing, etc. Juveniles do not get assigned a level.

● How do offenders get geographically placed? They find housing wherever they can. Most landlords do not house convicted sex offenders. Many offenders end up moving in with family.

● Schools and daycares receive notifications of L2 and L3 offenders in the area.

● There is a large concern of kids being lured by predators online. 5th Pct, Whittier Alliance will look into a possible student/parent education for schools in the n'hood.

● **Sgt. Mike Frye, MPD 5th Pct. - Whittier Bike Patrol Update**

● Conducting many alley sweeps and issuing several mock tags to combat preventable crime such as theft/burglary.

● When we encounter youth, our hope is to educate...whether that's about crossing the street properly to working on their basketball jump shot.

● New MPD rule where officers have to work in pairs is not enforced for contracted bike patrol, but it's encouraged.

● **Chelsea Adams, Crime Prevention Specialist, Minneapolis Police Department – 5th Precinct**

● Crime is down overall over the past month. Robberies and assaults occurring in locations that beat officers are already highly familiar with.

● Nearly all burglaries were preventable OR victims/suspects knew each other.

● 4/5 motor vehicle thefts occurred because keys were left in vehicle. All victims were non-Whittier residents.

● **Announcements**

● Introduction of new 5th Pct. Inspector Kathy Waite

● Next meeting TBD

Meeting adjourned at 7:48pm

Minutes respectfully submitted by Paul Shanafelt

