

Baltimore Police Department | 5-Year Strategic Vision Commissioner Michael S. Harrison | June 2019

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OVERVIEW

Message from the Police Commissioner



Before coming to Baltimore, I served in the New Orleans Police Department for nearly twenty-eight years, with the last four and a half heading up the department as its Chief. I consider myself extremely fortunate to have been given the incredible opportunity to lead BPD as I continue my calling in law enforcement. I hope to bring many of the lessons I learned in New Orleans to Baltimore, not just to satisfy the mandates of the consent decree, but to change the culture here at BPD in a positive way. I will work tirelessly to transform BPD into the finest police department in the country.

My philosophy is that officers should be tough on crime, but soft on people. Good policing is all about three things: building relationships that were never built; improving good relationships; and repairing bad ones. Good police work is all about developing positive relationships with members of the community -- no matter who they are, where they live or what they do for a living. These relationships will make our officers better at what they do and make Baltimore a stronger and safer city.

As Commissioner, I will be a passionate advocate for the members of this Department, making sure they have the resources they need to be successful. When the BPD succeeds, our city succeeds and, as a city resident now, I want nothing more.

With that in mind, we will be working closely with all stakeholders to leverage relationships with philanthropies, community groups, private individuals and corporations who want to help BPD and the city. We will ensure our officers get the training they need, which will, among other things, enable BPD to implement the initiatives needed to ease workload and improve performance. We will deploy our officers and our resources in the most effective way possible, using the best technology and the most scientific analysis available that will tell us where we need to be, when we need to be there, and on whom we should be focused. I want to cultivate, motivate, and coach the members of our department to be the best police officers that they can possibly be, and then see them move up the ranks. I believe that a big part of being a good leader is developing the next generation of leaders, and I intend to do that here at BPD. It's my goal to make our Department the gold-standard for world class, 21st century policing. I look forward to working with the people of Baltimore to make that happen.

BPD Mission Statement

The Baltimore Police Department is dedicated to upholding the Constitution and enforcing laws in a fair, impartial, and ethical manner. We commit to creating and maintaining a culture of service that builds trust and legitimacy in all communities, values the sanctity of human life, and provides for the safety and well-being of all.

Departmental Vision

The Commissioner's vision for the Department is built around seven core focus areas:





Reducing and preventing crime in the City of Baltimore is a core mission for our department, but it cannot be done by the BPD alone. By working collaboratively with our City's residents, businesses, advocacy groups, non-profit organizations, faith leaders, elected officials, as well as with other city, state, and federal agencies, we can provide a multilayer approach to solving underlying issues that lead to crime. BPD will develop effective deployment strategies that focus on those responsible for committing violent and property crimes and work with residents to address disorder problems that affect the quality of life in their neighborhood.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT & POLICING



While BPD is responsible for policing our community, it is also an integral part of it. We will only be successful in our crime reduction efforts by effectively engaging and listening to the needs of the people who live in the neighborhoods we protect. Working with and learning from our residents, our officers must focus toward fully understanding issues that impact our communities. We work collaboratively with residents to create problem-solving strategies tailored to the challenges faced by specific neighborhoods and communities in our city.

COMPLIANCE WITH THE CONSENT DECREE



BPD will improve policies and training, overhaul antiquated technology, and create accountability systems to provide better services to the community. Through these reforms, BPD will dramatically change its practices to ensure proper uses of force; constitutional stops, searches, and arrests; fair and impartial policing practices; and true community policing operations. BPD must embrace these reforms because the residents of the city deserve a world-class police force that inspires trust, ensures safety, and protects the constitutional rights of the people we serve

CREATING A CULTURE OF



With the reform efforts underway to improve how BPD operates, we must also instill a renewed sense of civic duty, honor, integrity, and a culture of accountability in our department. BPD will implement new performance management practices, better systems of tracking and measuring work performance, as well as new COMSTAT processes that actively challenge its Command Staff to provide strategies and solutions that are responsive to

CONNECTIVITY

CAPACITY BUILDING



BPD will adopt and embrace new technologies and new partnerships within and outside our agency. BPD must become more transparent and more connected, so that we break down information silos and focus our efforts in a coordinated and better organized manner.



Leadership development within BPD is the key to our department's long term success. We will invest in better training, adopt improved systems of accountability, and hire civilian professionals with professional skills sets so that we can improve our administrative processes. We will also improve our recruitment, hiring, and retention efforts to ensure that we can increase our ranks to be able to fully implement 21st century policing practices.

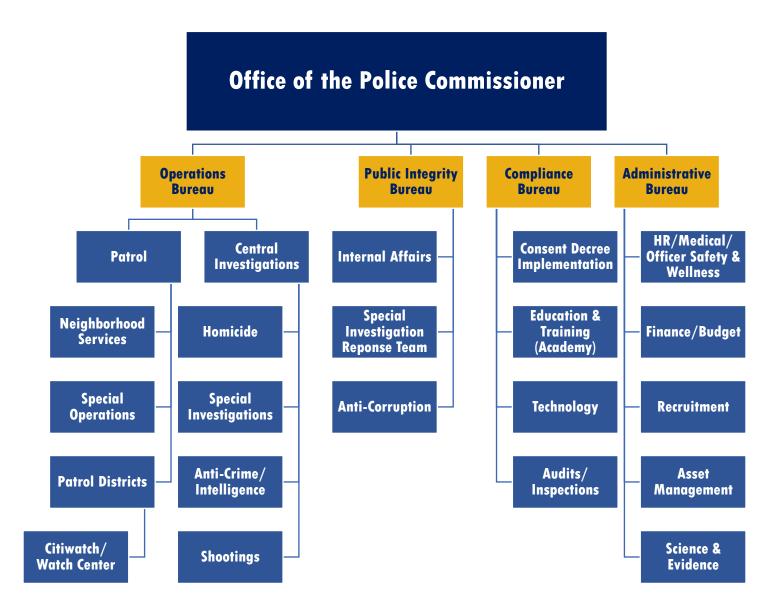
COMMUNICATION



Effective communication has to be at the heart of everything we do in the Baltimore Police Department and we must effectively engage and work collaboratively with our residents to be successful. We will strive to improve and maintain effective lines of communication so that we can strengthen our relationships, build new relationships where there are none, and repair the relationships that were broken in the past.

Organizational Structure Improvements

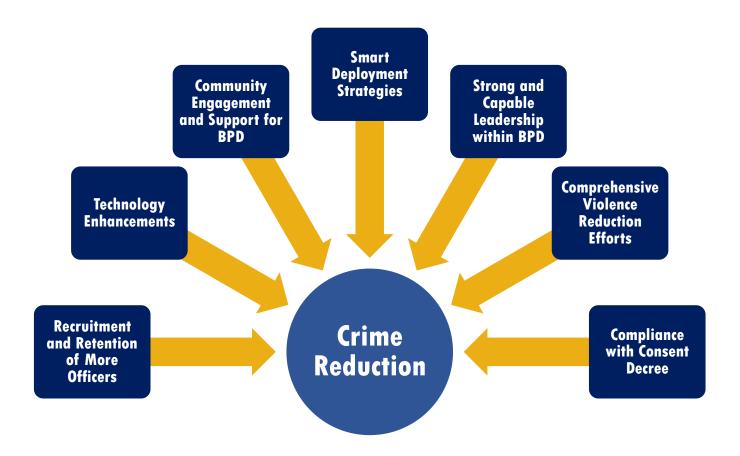
Upon being sworn into his position, Police Commissioner Harrison immediately began a full review of BPD's organizational structure and identified multiple opportunities where BPD could streamline its chain of command, improve the lines of communication, and create an appropriate span of control for those of command rank. As a result of that initial review, within 60 days of his tenure, Commissioner Harrison ordered the restructuring of the Department to create better systems of accountability and less duplication of effort. BPD is now organized into four Bureaus: Operations, Public Integrity, Compliance, and Administration, each with a Deputy Commissioner reporting directly to Police Commissioner.



REDUCING CRIME WITH A COMPREHENSIVE APPROACH

The Department reform initiatives proposed in this plan go hand in hand with our future crime reduction and prevention strategies for the city. The BPD's strategic vision for reform lends itself to creating more resources and better directing BPD's efforts in reducing, preventing, and solving crimes in our city. Each component of BPD's overall strategy is designed with the goal of achieving one or more of the following:

- ✓ Improve Response Times
- ✓ Improve Solve Rate for Open Cases
- ✓ Maximize Available Police Resources
- ✓ Deter or Prevent Criminal Activity
- ✓ Encourage Witness Participation
- ✓ Leverage Community Support
- ✓ Reduce Officer Burden
- ✓ Improve Officer Morale



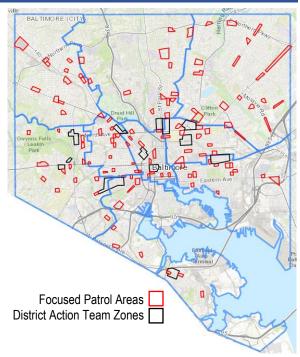
Each of these efforts working together will not only improve the quality of service that BPD provides to the public, but also create a better and safer environment for our residents, our visitors, and our BPD officers.

Data-Driven Crime Suppression Strategies

Using crime history on all gun-related incidents (homicides, aggravated assaults, robberies, and non-fatal shootings) for the past five years, the BPD has established new focused patrol areas and district action team activity zones where the level of crime is highest. These micro-targeted areas and zones represent where 33% of all gun related incidents have occurred since 2015.

BPD has begun to shift its deployment and patrol strategy to focus on these areas and zones so that we can provide greater visibility and better response times for emergencies with the goal of deterring, preventing, and suppressing violent crime. As crime is reduced in these specific areas and zones, BPD will re-assess the state of crime in the city and establish updated zones at regular intervals so that we can stay ahead of any displacement of crime into other areas in the city.

In addition to this data-driven district patrol strategy, our Criminal Investigative Division's Anti-Crime Section has identified the Top 25 most violent drug trafficking organizations in the city using a series of objective metrics. The main objective of the Anti-Crime Section is to

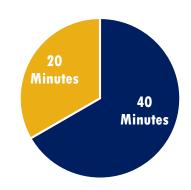


disrupt and eliminate the operations of violent street gangs, open-air drug markets, and more sophisticated criminal organizations responsible for violence in our city. BPD has already begun to work in close partnership with the U.S. Attorney's Office, FBI, ATF, and DEA to share intelligence and maximize enforcement efforts that focus on this Top 25 list. BPD is also using the analytical resources of the Watch Center and district intelligence units to identify the members of these organizations as they may change or need updating.

Establishing Performance Goals for Patrol Officers

BPD must properly allocate sworn officers to achieve success. For example, BPD must assign patrol officers' time between proactive policing efforts and responding to calls for service. This "uncommitted time" is vital for our officers to gain more familiarity with the communities they are policing and to effectively execute community policing strategies. BPD has set a new performance goal of a 10 minute response time for responding to emergency calls for service, while still providing for some "uncommitted" time for proactive efforts and community engagement activity. This goal is for the highest priority calls where life or property is in immediate danger. We will continuously evaluate this metric over the next year to ensure that it is in line with national best practices and remains an attainable goal for Baltimore given its density, geography, and our personnel staffing. BPD will conduct a workload-based analysis to determine the required additional staffing for patrol to consistently meet these two objectives, while also maintaining public safety coverage for the special events and secondary detail requests that are made of our department on a regular basis.

Total Patrol Time Allocation Goals (Per Hour)



- Committed Time for Calls for Service
- Uncommitted Time for Proactive Efforts

<u>Performance Goal:</u>

10 Minutes or Less for Response Time
For Emergency Calls for Service (Highest Priority Incidents)

Returning Detective Units to the District-Level



At the end of June 2019, BPD decentralized the management of detective units who investigate armed robberies, burglaries, and non-fatal shootings. Having the detectives report to the District-level Commanders allows for much better coordination in the effort to solve cases and share information on related cases.

When patrol officers and district detectives share on-the-ground intelligence directly and in real-time, BPD can work much more quickly to identify suspects and deliver that information back to District Action Teams (DATs) who handle enforcement actions in the districts.

With this change in management structure, BPD has now strengthened its command and control with clearer lines of accountability.

Detectives that work in the districts are bringing a more responsive level of service to the city. This change also allows detectives to develop better relationships and build trust with the residents they serve so that they can more effectively identify crime patterns, trends, and connections. Bringing detectives to the communities they serve is also in line with the community-oriented policing and problem-oriented policing models that BPD is embracing as part of our overall reforms.

Civilianization and Professionalization of Administrative Tasks

Through a preliminary review in 2018, BPD identified over 60 administrative roles which civilians could perform but are currently staffed by commissioned officers. As a result, we have already sought and gained approval for creation of civilian positions who can provide the correct skill set for these duties while freeing up scarce sworn officer resources. A more comprehensive review of all positions in the Department is also underway, as BPD leadership, in coordination with the Consent Decree Monitoring Team, has engaged a team of experts to begin a staffing plan analysis.

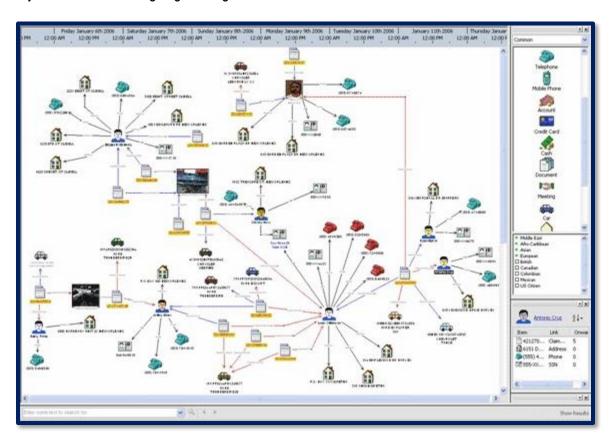
By the end of 2019, BPD will use the completed plan to appropriately assign all sworn personnel throughout the Department. BPD's updated staffing plan will maximize the use of professional, civilian staff whenever possible. Among the possible areas for civilianization include the following roles:

- Crime Scene Technicians
- Executive Secretaries
- Social Workers
- Fleet Support
- Human Resources
- Academy Instructors

- Civilian Investigators
- IT Specialists and Support
- Fiscal Services
- Background Investigators
- Crime Analytics
- Public Relations

Expanding and Enhancing Crime Analytics

BPD has already deployed enhanced crime analytics with our embedded Strategic Decision Support Centers (SDSC) in the Western and Eastern Police Districts. BPD is exploring how to expand its current data analytics capability by embedding additional crime analysts at all district stations. These analysts provide field detectives and patrol officers with intelligence data to make proactive policing efforts more effective throughout the city. Our crime analytics team is working to provide data retrieval tools that can leverage connections, networks, and link-analyses to identify how perpetrators, victims, guns, and witnesses may be connected to ongoing investigations and cases.



Redesigning COMSTAT to Improve Accountability

Baltimore was among the first major cities to introduce the COMSTAT model as an accountability tool for the management of police efforts on crime reduction. Commissioner Harrison has ordered a full redesign of BPD's COMSTAT process to include new, more effective accountability metrics. Over time, BPD will include all the following metrics into COMSTAT:

- Calls for Service (by District & City-wide)
- Crime Trends over Time (by District & City-wide)
- Clearance Rates (by District & Special Division)
- Case Acceptance Rates by State's Attorney
- Personnel Roster Data (by Platoon & District)
- Citizen Complaint Data
- Overtime by District/Division
- Sick/Annual Time Usage
- Limited Duty/Medical Duty Status

- Vehicle Risks and Crash Data
- Consent Decree Audit and Compliance Data
- Call Response Times (by District & City-wide)
- Community Policing Project Data
- Use of Force Data
- Rank-Initiated Compliant Data
- Performance Review Completion
- Fleet Resources
- Accident Review Results

STRENGTHENING LOCAL, STATE, & FEDERAL PARTNERSHIPS

BPD has already begun to strengthen its coordination and collaboration with local, state, and federal law enforcement partners to share intelligence, expand public safety coverage during major events, and maximize the impact of BPD-led initiatives in Baltimore. BPD will continue to broaden its cooperation with these agencies and find innovative ways to maximize the effectiveness of these partnerships.

















Baltimore City Crime Prevention Initiative

The Baltimore City Crime Prevention Initiative, introduced by Governor Hogan and supported by the Maryland General Assembly, adds more than \$10 million in funding to strengthen a multi-agency and multi-jurisdictional approach that will address crime through increased enforcement efforts and more effective collaboration. It includes the following components:

- ✓ <u>Joint Operations Center (\$3.6 million):</u> This center, located in Baltimore City, serves as the operations headquarters for local, state, and federal law enforcement, prosecutors and analysts. The mission of the center is to dismantle the gangs and criminal organizations responsible for much of the violence in the city.
- ✓ <u>Additional Special Assistant United States Attorneys (\$1 million):</u> 5 new prosecutors are being dedicated to prosecuting "Project Exile" cases that focus on repeat violent gun offenders.
- ✓ <u>Victim and Witness Relocation Fund (\$2 million):</u> Dedicated to ensuring the safety and security of victims and witnesses of violent crimes in our city who are preparing to participate in upcoming court proceedings.
- ✓ <u>Critical Community Services (\$900,000):</u> The Boys and Girls Clubs, the Police Athletic League Centers, the Baltimore Child Abuse Center, and the UMBC Choice Program are all recipients of these grants.
- ✓ <u>Police Officer Recruitment and Retention (\$3 million):</u> The Baltimore Police Department will leverage these funds, which are available to law enforcement agencies across the state, to greatly improve our recruitment efforts.

National Public Safety Partnership





The National Public Safety Partnership (PSP) provides a framework for the Department of Justice to enhance its support of state and local law enforcement in the investigation, prosecution, and deterrence of violent crime, especially crimes related to gun violence, gangs, and drug trafficking. The City of Baltimore had tried for multiple years to be included in this program, but after Police Commissioner Harrison was installed, he met with Deputy Attorney General Rod Rosenstein to discuss the importance of Baltimore's entry into the PSP. As a result, in June 2019, DOJ announced that Baltimore would become a PSP Site and now has access to federal resources that provide BPD with technical assistance to diagnose where crime is highest, determine the reasons for violent crime, and provide assistance in BPD's efforts to locate, arrest, and prosecute

violent criminals. Several participating cities in the PSP have already seen dramatic reductions in violent crime over the past few years. BPD is looking forward to strengthening our relationship with our federal partners through this successful program.

Enhancing the Quality of Criminal Cases

BPD, in partnership with the Baltimore City State's Attorney's Office (SAO), can improve the quality of criminal cases submitted for prosecution by expanding the types of charges reviewed on a weekly basis to include not only homicides, but non-fatal

shootings and armed robberies as well. These weekly reviews are an important venue where BPD supervisors, detectives, and SAO prosecutors can go through these violent crime cases. The reviews also provide a stronger foundation for building and accepting better cases. ensuring that the correct defendants are the ones being prosecuted and convicted.

Weekly Case Reviews:

- √ Homicides
- ✓ Non-Fatal Shootings
- ✓ Armed Robberies

In addition, the SAO is providing more in-depth reviews and constructive feedback to BPD on their decisions not

to prosecute cases where individuals are arrested for violent offenses. In partnership with the City and the BPD, a data analyst is being added to the SAO staff to gather this information and provide it back to BPD so that we can provide constructive direction to detectives on how they build cases for prosecution. BPD's overall goal is to improve the acceptance rate of future cases with the State's Attorney's office by providing sufficient and complete case work to justify prosecution.



Re-engaging through Group Interventions - Call-Ins

Through our Anti-Crime Section and our Re-Entry Team from, BPD will re-institute "call-ins." After a significant enforcement operation occurs, BPD determines which individuals from the organization or surrounding organizations are on parole or probation but are still active and on the street. After identifying a list of individuals, the Department of Parole and Probation requires them to report to a designated location for the call-in. At the call-in, the United States Attorney, the Baltimore City State's Attorney, the Police Commissioner, and the Mayor all give presentations that emphasize the message of "putting the guns down" so they can avoid being remanded to prison on a parole or probation violation. The USAO will use other notable takedowns from the past to illustrate the consequences of continuing to participate in future violence. BPD has brought together the following partners who are participants in the call-ins:

- **Baltimore Police Department (CCD, Patrol, ACS)**
- **Baltimore City States Attorney's Office**
- **United States Attorney's Office**
- Federal Partners (DEA, FBI, ATF, & HSI)
- **Department of Parole and Probation**
- **Mayor's Office of Criminal Justice**
- **Mayor's Office of Employment Development**
- **Additional Employment Services**

In addition to the USAO, other members from the team involved in the call-in speak and relay messages to the group, encouraging them to end gun violence. Once the message has been delivered, the law enforcement faction of the call-in departs and leaves the attendees with the re-entry team and with the service providers whose role is to offer job opportunities, job training, and other assistance to get these individuals on the right path to ending the cycle of violence.

Comprehensive Multi-Disciplinary Violence Reduction Strategy

The Baltimore Police Department fully recognizes that the path to successfully reducing violence involves more than law enforcement alone. While BPD's role is a critical pillar in a comprehensive violence reduction plan, the City's role in connecting individuals to effective programs to prevent and respond to violence is paramount in breaking the cycle of violence. BPD's comprehensive violence reduction strategy is strengthened by its close partnership with the Mayor's Office of Criminal Justice and focuses on five key areas: Prevention, Intervention, Enforcement, Rehabilitation, and Re-Entry.





Investing in Prevention: Among the best practices that we are leveraging in Baltimore is an investment in connecting individuals to violence prevention programs. By convening with community leaders and a diverse array of stakeholders from the criminal justice system, faith-based organizations, schools, and neighborhood groups, we can develop a network of resources to effectively engage our youth and those caught up in the groups involved with violence.

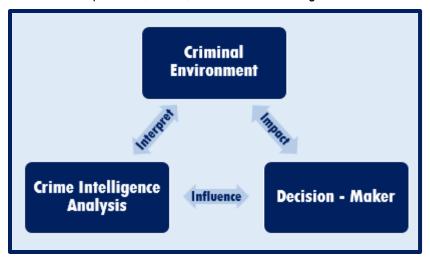
Opportunities for Intervention and Diversion: There are many different programs in Baltimore that are working on strategies to reduce the impact of risk factors for violence in our communities, all with the goal

of intervening at the first signs of risk or responding effectively when acts of violence do occur. BPD is working in coordination with the Safe Streets program, Roca, and other program providers to interrupt the cycle of violence through targeted streetlevel outreach and provide hospital responses after shootings. Our strategy is to create a "hub" to connect the various faith communities, neighborhood organizations, and non-profit service providers to ensure that all organizations in the city are able to actively and effectively contribute to our violence reduction efforts.



Intelligence-Led Enforcement Strategies: Effective policing combined with assistance from the community can prevent violent crime throughout the neighborhoods in our city. Our goal is to quickly hold those who commit violent crimes accountable, so that we strengthen the community's trust in our department, which, in turn allows us to gain effective leads

to solve and prevent future violent crimes. BPD is using on-the-ground intelligence to direct our efforts through a focused deterrence model that identifies the individuals or groups responsible for committing multiple violent acts in specific areas of the city. By focusing on known, chronic, violent offenders, we can direct more enforcement and/or positive intervention resources to these individuals with a genuine offer of help. BPD has begun to assemble law enforcement, city agencies, service providers, and community members to deliver swift and directed enforcement for those who continue to commit violence, while also dramatically improving access to social services.



Focus on Rehabilitation, Mental Health, and Addiction Services: BPD's goal is to implement strategies with the Mayor's Office of Criminal Justice that prevent the reoccurrence of violence. Rehabilitation, mental health, and addiction services that are designed to repair and restore our youth, families, and communities that have been affected by violence will become a core part of our plan. BPD is working with community partners to strengthen the Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion (LEAD) program which allows our officers to redirect low-level offenders engaged in drug or prostitution activity to community-based services instead of jail and prosecution. By diverting them to services, we provide for public safety and public order while



reducing the criminal behavior of people that participate in the program. LEAD programs have been successful in other parts of the country in reducing recidivism and represents just one way that BPD is assisting in connecting resources to highrisk individuals in our community.

Connecting to Successful Re-Entry Programs: BPD and the Mayor's Office of Criminal Justice have set the goal of developing a pipeline for ex-offenders and juvenile offenders to gain access to stable educational and economic opportunities. This strategy is designed to reduce recidivism by helping individuals re-enter schools to complete their education and enter the workforce to become productive members of our community. There are many such programs that already exist in our city that provide these valuable services. The City will serve as a connecting resource to provide a network of these programs so that individuals seeking re-entry services can have the maximum access to all services available.



The success of our efforts relies on the implementation of evaluation tools to measure how these various violence reduction programs across the city are working. The City and BPD will also maintain a comprehensive database of those affected by murders, nonfatal shootings, and near-fatal domestic violence incidents to deliver services to these at-risk individuals. Equally important is investing in capacity-building so that those delivering these services can become more effective.

TRANSFORMING BPD THROUGH THE CONSENT DECREE

In April 2017, the City, the BPD, and the Department of Justice entered into a Consent Decree that mandates sweeping organizational changes to address systemic issues identified by the DOJ's investigation of BPD practices. This agreement represents a historic opportunity to transform BPD into the department the community and officers have long deserved. BPD is in the beginning stages of overhauling all policies, trainings, technologies, and accountability systems to ensure effective, constitutional, and professional law enforcement services for all in our community.

While this transformation will not occur overnight, BPD has developed aggressive implementation plans in coordination with the Department of Justice



and the Consent Decree Monitoring Team to reform the department efficiently and effectively while incorporating input from the communities we serve. These implementation plans focus on delivering substantive, sustainable reforms that will improve how our department operates, which in turn will allow BPD to dedicate more resources to the crime fight.

BPD has begun to implement comprehensive reforms to not only comply with the Consent Decree but also substantially improve operations beyond the requirements of the Consent Decree. The Consent Decree provides a blueprint for reform in the following 18 areas:

- Community Oversight Task Force
- Community policing and engagement
- Stops, searches, arrests and interactions
- Fair and impartial policing
- Crisis intervention
- Appropriate uses of force
- Improving interactions with youth
- Safe transportation of persons in custody
- Officer assistance & support

- First amendment protected activities
- Handling of reports of sexual assault
- Technology improvements
- Close and effective supervision
- Misconduct investigations and discipline
- Coordination with Baltimore City School Police Force
- Recruitment, hiring, and retention
- Staffing, performance evaluations, and promotions
- Enforcement of consent decree reforms

Burden Reduction Initiatives and Process Improvements

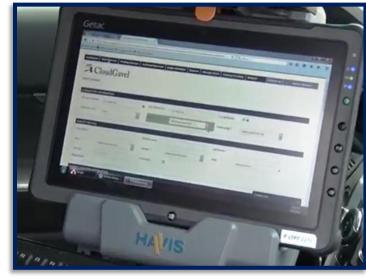


In order to improve response times, increase proactive efforts, and strengthen community engagement strategies, BPD must add and retain more officers; however, we also must use our existing resources as efficiently as possible. By implementing new policies and technologies that work as force multipliers, we can reduce the workload per officer, lessen administrative burdens on officers, eliminate unnecessary calls for service, modernize antiquated processes, and maximize our capacity. In the next few years, BPD plans to launch several process and technology initiatives to improve officers' working conditions and reduce unnecessary burden on their daily activities:

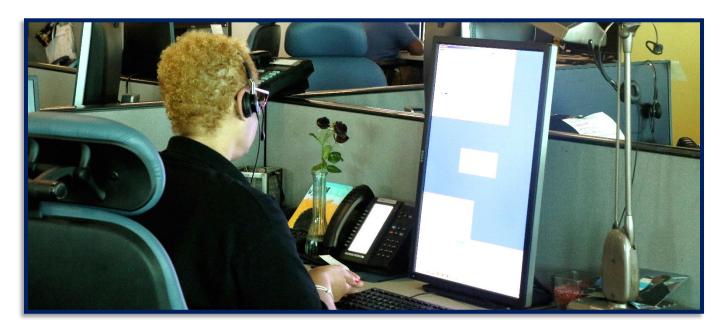
Electronic Police Reporting System: Our officers spend thousands of hours each year completing, reviewing, and submitting paper-based police reports that must be hand-keyed into a central database by additional staff. These reports are often completed at the end of their shifts, back at the district station computers. By moving to an electronic police reporting system, we can deploy the ability to write reports using the computers in patrol vehicles. By not having to drive back to the station, we free up additional time for handling calls for service, while creating a more efficient method for our officers to submit and approve police reports.

Electronic Warrants System: Our officers also spend many hours completing, reviewing, and traveling across the city to obtain approval for search and arrest warrants. BPD will explore implementation of an electronic portal to submit warrant information remotely, which streamlines the approval and review process and can save thousands of working hours each year. The system also keeps a clear record for these warrants that detectives can use as an investigative tool as well.

False Alarm Reduction Program: BPD responded to over 7,000 false alarm calls in Baltimore last year that occurred due to improper use or faulty installation of burglar alarm systems. In each case there was no actual



emergency or any evidence of break-in for these calls for service. With each call taking between 15-30 minutes to respond, there has been over 2,000 patrol hours spent that could be freed up if we are able to change alarm user and alarm company behavior. BPD plans to work in partnership with the City Council to explore how we can improve false alarm ordinances and work with alarm company vendors to ensure that call response from BPD for burglar alarms are only for actual emergencies.



Electronic Citations & Ticketing: Baltimore is the only jurisdiction in the state without full deployment of "Electronic Traffic Information Exchange" or "E-TIX" (currently only our traffic division utilizes it). This system was developed by the Maryland State Police and allows officers to scan licenses and automatically populate citations, print onsite, and send directly to the courts. BPD is implementing this system which will minimize human error in writing tickets, create a better and more efficient process for submitting tickets to the court, and reduce the workload of our officers who issue citations.

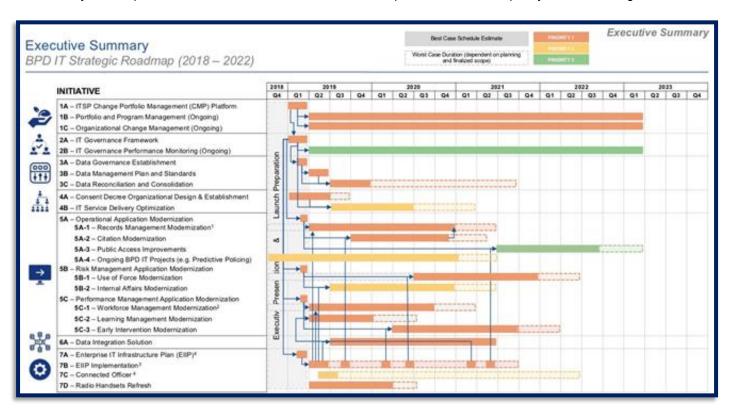
Alternative Police Response & Online Reports (Non-Emergency Crime): Each year, the BPD receives thousands of calls to the 911 center for issues that do not require an in-person response from an officer. The Telephone Reporting Unit (TRU) has the ability to handle calls for service for low level, non-emergencies where it is more efficient to respond to these incidents remotely. In conjunction with this unit, BPD launched its online report system in January 2017, which can also take many of the same non-emergency calls for service that are handled over the phone by TRU, but on an interactive, online

File a Police Report Online for Non-Emergencies: www.baltimorepolice.org

platform. Citizens can order a copy of their police reports digitally, without having to travel to a district station or headquarters. This effort represents yet another measure where technology has freed up patrol time for handling emergency calls. BPD is planning to launch more public information campaigns in the coming year to encourage citizens to use these alternative reporting tools for non-emergency calls. BPD is also expanding our capabilities by increasing staffing for the TRU to ensure better follow-up and closing of these non-emergency incidents, as well as evaluating additional categories of calls for service that could be handled through these alternative systems.

Strategic Technology Initiatives to Improve Accountability

As part of the Federal Consent Decree, BPD is moving forward on a number of required technology upgrades that allow the Department to track and analyze audit data to demonstrate compliance with the decree. These upgrades are not only a tool to show compliance, but present us with an opportunity to bring our department into the digital age so that we can operate as a modern 21st century police force. We are utilizing new technology to lessen administrative burdens, better manage our deployment, more quickly identify problems, enhance data sharing with other law enforcement agencies, and increase our capacity and connectivity overall. Reforming and modernizing foundational processes in our department make us more efficient to responding to crime and addressing the needs of the communities we serve. Through a needs-assessment study conducted by an independent consultant, BPD now has a road map to increase our capacity in the following areas:



Administration: A new **Records Management System** enhances BPD's incident reporting, including all police interactions such as stops, searches, and arrests. A new Workforce Management System allows BPD to better track attendance, control overtime, comply with complex contract restrictions, and manage rotation patterns and coverage requirements. Our training academy is also implementing Learning Management Modernization, which enhances our e-learning capabilities while maintaining proper documentation of training certifications. To tie these and every other system together, BPD will implement a Data Integration Solution that allows all of BPD's systems (which currently work in silos) to transfer data and speak to one another seamlessly.



Operations: In addition to the administrative benefits, a new **Records Management System** will enhance our operational capacity and assist our officers in their case management duties. Furthermore, through Citation Modernization, BPD is equipping all of our vehicles with "Electronic Traffic Information Exchange (E-TIX)" that allows our officers to scan licenses, which in turn allows us to automatically populate citations, print onsite, and send the data directly to the courts. Lastly, our Connected Officer Program provides our officers with electronic devices for accessing and processing necessary information and data including: the location's call history, outstanding warrants, and restraining order information, among other capabilities.

Accountability: BPD is also moving forward on Internal Affairs Modernization and building an Early Intervention System to provide more effective tracking for all allegations of misconduct. These systems will also track potentially concerning officer behavior and generate alerts to supervisors when possible issues with officers or units arise. Through our Use of Force Modernization effort, BPD will connect several stand-alone systems to create a combined system that can store camera footage. configure and aggregate checklists, provide audit capability, and allow commanders to view the status of investigations. Lastly, Public Data Access Improvements will make it easier for



the public to view this data and other relevant information and provide a platform to file complaints and track their status.

We have already begun initial phases of these upgrades with funding appropriated by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore. Additional funds were secured by the City's General Assembly delegation, and we are currently working with the Governor's Office for approval of those funds. We are also developing funding requests and proposals for our federal partners and Congressional delegation, as well as the philanthropic community. This is yet another example of our multi-jurisdictional and multi-disciplinary approach towards our reform efforts.

Micro Community Policing Plans – Targeted Problem Solving Strategies



BPD will be seeking active feedback from communities across the city to create micro-community policing plans that are tailored to their needs. Each police district will develop collaborative problem-solving strategies specifically designed to address the community's priorities and guide officers on how to foster positive interactions between BPD and the residents of the district. BPD will work diligently to develop better, consistent, and more thorough tracking mechanisms for documenting community policing activities. Improving the collection of community engagement and policing data, reporting on it both internally and externally, and utilizing that information effectively are critical goals for BPD as we strive to improve our partnerships with the communities we serve. BPD will make all micro-community policing plans available on our website at www.baltimorepolice.org.

Community Policing Supported with Department-Wide Training

Core in-service training for BPD personnel will include a specific course on community and problem-oriented policing. This instruction will focus on building trust and public confidence while strengthening crime fighting partnerships with the community. Officers participate in scenario-based training to apply methods to develop partnerships and engage in community problem solving and collaboration.



Every Officer is a Neighborhood Engagement Officer



Fundamental to the concept of problem-oriented policing is that every patrol officer should be able to provide service to communities that need his/her assistance. In the past, BPD would designate specific officers as the "Neighborhood Engagement" officer in a district, effectively allowing regular patrol officers to pass the responsibility over to someone else. The better approach is making all officers responsible for identifying and addressing quality of life and neighborhood-specific issues.

BPD can more effectively engage the communities we serve by adopting this philosophy, and it presents yet another way we can be part of solution. Specific officers are continuing to serve as community liaisons; however, they are responsible for following up with other City agencies on any requests made by our residents to any patrol officer in the district. This ensures that the various City agencies responsible for managing the issue (whether it be blight, pests, illegal dumping, poor lighting, etc.) are on track to providing service to the resident in a responsive manner, and it expands our community engagement efforts at the same time.

Commitment to De-Escalation and Fair & Impartial Policing

BPD recognizes that policing fairly and safely in all communities is central to building community partnerships and delivering effective, constitutional policing. The department is currently overhauling all policies, reviewing all training curriculum, and implementing new accountability mechanisms to ensure all BPD personnel across the department are following the new procedures. BPD will conduct audits of body



worn camera footage and police reports to give feedback to officers and their supervisors on the quality of their interactions with the community. BPD's goal is to ensure that all personnel are operating with procedural justice, exercising de-escalation techniques, and reducing the frequency of uses of force.

BPD is also committed to Crisis Intervention Training for its patrol officers so they can effectively respond to and de-escalate incidents that pose an imminent threat to community safety while diverting individuals in need of behavioral health care services to the appropriate community resources. By ensuring that the members of the BPD have this training, officers can de-escalate and promote peaceful resolutions to incidents, while minimizing uses of force.

Core Principles for Crisis Intervention

- **Community & Officer Safety**
- **Community Planning and Implementation**
- **Civil Rights**
- **De-Escalation**

RENEWED FOCUS ON RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION



Recruitment and retention of police officers are not just a local challenge but a national challenge as well. Growing the size of a police force is not only about hiring more recruits; equally important is retaining our qualified staff who are committed to making the Baltimore Police Department a great place to work.

RecruitSTAT: Enhancing and Modernizing the Recruitment Process

RecruitSTAT represents a focused look on every stage of the recruitment process for new officers. From application, to testing, to background investigations, the multiple stages of the hiring process are designed to ensure the best quality applicants become members of our police force; however, these stages must be carefully managed with clear performance expectations. BPD will improve and create efficiencies in every stage of its recruitment practices, in large part to come into compliance with consent decree requirements. Applicants who make it to the Academy have passed extensive background investigations, agility testing, panel interviews, psychological & medical screening, as well as a written exam administered by the National Testing Network. Some of the major enhancements and improvements include:

- ✓ Adding New Civilian Background Investigators to increase the throughput on clearing applicants who are ready to enroll into the Academy.
- ✓ A new Civilian Recruitment Manager with experience managing recruitment and hiring processes has been hired to actively manage the operation in a professional and efficient manner.
- ✓ Software has been deployed to manage background investigation files electronically and to interact with applicants virtually so that materials can be collected and processed faster.
- ✓ The Recruit Exam was updated in 2018 and is now available on a national platform which ensures we have the highest standards for our new officers and a maximum reach to hire applicants from across the country
- ✓ BPD is now proactively using **resident ride-alongs** as a way to support recruitment by engaging and following up with local residents who have indicated an interest in learning more about a BPD career.

Maintaining a Continuous Cycle of Academy Classes

In order to replace the officers who are expected to retire in the coming years while continuing to fill the large number of officer vacancies, BPD must maintain a continuous cycle of Academy classes each year to replenish the force. BPD's Training Academy is undergoing a number of reforms and will have the most robust curriculum in the state of Maryland. BPD officers are expected to not only pass the basic Maryland Police & Correctional Training Commission (MPCTC) standards mandated by state law, but also demonstrate competency in all BPD policies and procedures that have been adopted as a result of Consent Decree reforms. Our recruits receive more than 1,400 hours of training at the Academy, as compared to the approximately 1,100 hours required by other law enforcement agencies in Maryland. To support this enhanced instruction, BPD has already increased Police Academy staffing to a total of 63 full-time commissioned personnel, including adding civilian positions such as Academy Director, curriculum developers, and various civilian instructors.



Each Police Recruit receives 1,400+ hours of training at the BPD Training Academy

BPD expects to relocate and expand its Academy facilities by the end of 2019. The facility can house 4 full Academy classes (between 40-50 recruits each) at any given time. Once the Master Training Plan for the Police Academy is completed, all curriculum and testing for an Academy class will take no more than 30 weeks, after which the recruits graduate and are paired with experienced field training officers to begin a 10-12 week program of active-duty field training. Given these requirements, BPD in its current posture can accommodate up to 6 Academy Classes each calendar year, with the expectation that it can begin instruction of between 250-300 new recruits annually.

Recruit Class	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	0ct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug
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Class 2			Academy Training							Fiel	d Trair	ning								
Class 3							Academy Training					Fiel	d Traiı	ning						
Class 4								Academy Training						Field Training						
Class 5									Academy Training							Fiel	ield Training			
Class 6									Academy Training Field Training							ning				

Enhanced Recruitment Campaign and Outreach Efforts

In early July 2019, BPD launched a major digital recruitment marketing campaign developed in partnership with a professional advertising agency. The aim is to attract large numbers of qualified applicants to become sworn officers at our department while rebranding the image of the department overall. We will complement this recruitment effort with several other new, cutting-edge initiatives, including a customized BPD recruitment game developed by the Maryland Institute College of Art (MICA) that allows us to engage with potential applicants at job fairs, college career fairs, and special events. The new pilot program also encourages Baltimore residents to refer qualified applicants who live in the city to apply to join the department.









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Expansion of the Cadet Program

In 2017, BPD re-instituted its Cadet Program, which recruits young adults ages 18-20 years old who are interested in pursuing a career in law enforcement. BPD's minimum age requirement to serve as a sworn officer is 21 years of age upon graduating the Police Academy. By engaging these potential recruits in the time between high school and eligible employment with BPD, it not only gives the cadets an "inside look" into our department, but also makes them aware of the various requirements needed to become an officer. Continuous engagement with the cadets also serves as a way to keep these young adults out

of trouble so that when they do apply to become officers, they will be able to pass a background check successfully and enroll in the Academy. BPD has been fortunate to earn philanthropic support for this program, and the long-term plan is to expand its footprint to partner with local high schools and colleges in the area, which will provide even more young adults with exposure to the career opportunities available within BPD.



Improving the Working Conditions of Current Personnel



BPD district stations are in critical need of repair, renovation, and in some cases full replacement. While BPD is continuing to work hard to bring in qualified individuals to become police officers, we must give consideration for the environment that they are expected to work in on a daily basis. BPD is currently working with the Department of General Services and the Finance Department to identify which capital projects can take priority so that BPD can have a finalized plan by the end of 2019 that includes the following projects that will span several years:

- ✓ Renovation/Repair/Replacement Plan for All 9 District Stations
- ✓ Relocation Plan for the Training Academy
- ✓ Purchase of New Computer Workstations for All District Stations
- ✓ Purchase of New Fleet Resources on a Continuous Basis with a Proactive Fleet Replacement Program

Increasing Capacity of Officer Safety & Wellness

Police officers face unique stresses that have a direct impact on their safety, well-being, and overall job performance. We know that in the face of these challenges, maintaining the health of our officers is vital. A healthy officer will be better equipped to deal with the challenges of the profession today and in turn provide better quality service to the people of Baltimore. BPD is investing in officer wellness through physical, social, and mental health initiatives that support the long-term career success and satisfaction of officers working for the Baltimore Police Department.



Leadership Development is Key to Long Term Success



The current command structure of the BPD consists of a diverse and energetic group of men and women. Leveraging their dedication and building upon their foundation of knowledge and expertise will allow the BPD to make significant strides in the overall reform efforts that are underway. It is equally important, however, to train new leaders for the Department and to foster an environment that encourages a strong spirit of public service and ethical policing. BPD will create a leadership development program that establishes a foundation of professional and

ethical management practices within the

Department.

BPD is fortunate to have the philanthropic support of those who value the importance of ensuring we have a well-trained and wellmanaged police department. Though public-private partnerships, BPD is providing several career development and leadership training opportunities for the future leaders of our department. BPD has already identified some members of its Command Staff to participate in nationally recognized programs for law enforcement management development and training, including Northwestern School of Police Staff and Command, the FBI





Northwestern

SCHOOL OF POLICE STAFF AND COMMAND

National Academy, and the Police Executive Research Forum's Senior Management Institute for Police.

Ethical Policing is Courageous (EPIC) Program

In 2016, the New Orleans Police Department launched the EPIC program, which stands for Ethical Policing is Courageous. This initiative is the most comprehensive and forward-leaning police peer intervention program in the country. EPIC has received national recognition providing training that enables officers to intervene when they see that their colleagues, or even their supervisors, are going down



ETHICAL POLICING IS COURAGEOUS



the wrong path. This program is designed to prevent the need for disciplinary action before it ever starts. This scenario-based training is wellreceived by officers and demonstrates the value and importance of helping their co-workers before an incident that requires disciplinary action takes place. BPD will adopt this signature program and make it a part of our recruit training and in-service curriculum so that we can prevent disciplinary issues or improper interactions with residents before they ever occur.

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Baltimore Police Department Crime Reduction Strategy



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OVERVIEW

Introduction

This crime reduction strategy outlines the mission, guiding principles, performance goals, and plans Baltimore Police Department (BPD) will use to effectuate sustainable reductions in violent crime in Baltimore. This preliminary strategy represents the first step in a continuous process that will enhance how the BPD leverages data-driven and evidence-based approaches to prevent, disrupt, and deter violent crime. To execute this strategy effectively, BPD will provide ongoing training to officers and supervisors, monitor implementation through COMSTAT and other mechanisms, and continuously evaluate strategic outcomes to direct and redirect operational resources. This crime reduction strategy focuses on immediate operational tactics and deployment. BPD's overall crime reduction and department transformation plan provides comprehensive, long-term, and sustainable approaches to reducing crime in Baltimore through systematically improving how the police department operates and coordinates with other agencies and organizations.

Overall Strategy & Approach of the BPD Crime Reduction Strategy

BPD is using a <u>place-based</u> strategy that focuses on <u>community and problem-oriented policing</u> approaches at <u>micro-levels</u> to decrease violent crime.

Guiding Principles

Accountability is the bedrock of BPD's updated crime reduction strategy. Only with strong systems of accountability in place can we as a Police Department make clear determinations of what strategies are working and what needs revision. BPD officers must document all proactive measures that are outlined in this crime strategy so that we can determine if our efforts are having the desired impact on violent crime. Moving forward, every BPD employee will be able to demonstrate how his or her efforts are helping to reduce, prevent, or deter crime in our city.

The principles that guide this plan are be based upon research, empirical evidence, best-practices, and a data-driven decision making process. BPD's approach to its deployment strategy for all areas of the city will incorporate the following principles:

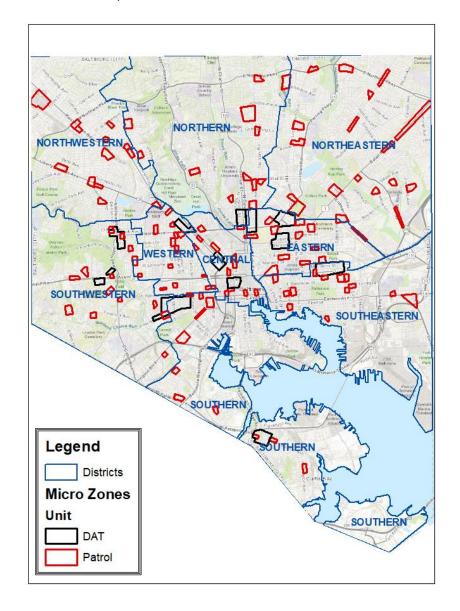
- ✓ **Community-oriented policing approach** that emphasizes a collaborative effort to work alongside the communities we serve to reduce violent crime and fear of victimization.
- ✓ **Problem-oriented policing approach** that directs our officers to focus on ways to prevent, disrupt, and deter crime with more than just enforcement actions.
- ✓ **Intelligence-led policing** that focuses on leveraging intelligence and research analysis to drive operational and deployment decisions.
- ✓ Enhanced guardianship that focuses on more visible police presence and positive community interactions that are designed to mitigate opportunities for crime to occur. This includes more foot patrols in micro-geographies, business checks at locations prone to victimization, and regular attendance at community events.
- ✓ Continuous improvement and reassessment will occur to determine the state of crime and the impact of proactive efforts. BPD leadership will continually monitor and assess targeted enforcement activity on a frequent basis. BPD will also analyze both its successes and deficiencies of these efforts to maximize the impact of our strategy and to incorporate lessons learned throughout the department.

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES AND ROLES

For the BPD to efficiently and effectively achieve sustainable reductions in violent crime, we are leveraging research and data to develop a comprehensive and evolving strategy at discrete micro-geographies. Our goal is to create tailored solutions for each zone that respond to the needs of that specific target area.

Using crime history on all gun-related incidents (homicides, aggravated assaults, robberies, and non-fatal shootings) for the past five years, BPD has established new focused patrol areas and district action team (DAT) activity zones where the levels of these crimes have been highest.

BPD has assigned each sector patrol officer to cover specific deployment zones that cover no more than a four-square block area. In addition, there will be larger areas designated for DATs assigned to each police district. Overall, these zones comprise roughly 5% of the city's geography but account for approximately 33% of the all the city's gun violence in the past five years. A narrow and more structured focus by the DATs along with directed patrol enables BPD to be more agile, targeted, and efficient in our ability to reduce, deter, and prevent crime.



Accountability Requirements for the Strategy

In order for our strategy to be effective, all personnel must adhere to the new work-flows, accountability metrics, and standard operating procedures that have now been implemented. District commanders, assistant commanders, shift managers, and squad supervisors must all do their part to ensure patrol officers and DAT members actively and diligently complete their assigned tasks. In addition, officers must document all proactive measures in the computer-aided dispatch (CAD) system so leadership can measure outcomes and determine overall effectiveness of the strategy.

BPD must fully utilize its administrative and analytical functions to maximize our operational efforts. The Watch Center, Citi-Watch, our Information Technology Section, and Central Records Section will work closely with the District administrative staffs to coordinate training on how to better leverage data, information, and technology in a meaningful way. As new systems and technologies come online, BPD will deploy training resources to ensure these systems create greater efficiencies and act as force multipliers for our department.

Role of Patrol Officers and District Action Teams

The primary goal of our patrol officers is to prevent, deter, and disrupt the opportunity for criminal behavior. BPD must engage in the following activities inside the specific patrol micro-zones:

- Conduct foot patrols
- Conduct business checks
- Conduct knock-and-talks with known gun offenders on active parole or probation
- > Coordinate with the execution of priority warrants

In addition, patrol officers must properly document all field interviews and vehicle stops that they conduct, with district administrative personnel uploading all data collected into our records system.

For each proactive measure, patrol officers must notify CAD operators of the following:

- ➤ The specific **type of proactive measure** being taken
- > The specific **location address** of the proactive effort
- > The **duration** of the proactive effort

When officers identify environmental issues, they must submit a 3-1-1 request through the Baltimore City's 3-1-1 phone app. The officer will be required to enter his/her unique sequence number into the comments section in the submission to allow for follow-up.

Patrol officers must travel to their assigned hotspots and take proactive measures at least three times per shift for 10-15 minutes each time. These efforts must be spread out over the course of their shift and occur between answering 9-1-1 emergency calls-for-service.

District Action Teams will focus on their assigned larger zones taking the same proactive measures as patrol (foot patrols, business checks, knock-and-talks, executing warrants). In addition to these activities, DAT members will also focus on making strategic arrests of key individuals that are perpetuating violent crime in their geographies. Upon making an arrest, DAT units will interview the arrestee to gather additional intel and then share that information with the rest of the department through our case notes system.

Role of District Detectives

At the end of June 2019, BPD decentralized the management of detective units that investigate robberies, burglaries, and non-fatal shootings. Having the detectives report to the District-level Commanders allows for much better coordination in the effort to solve cases and share information on related cases.

When patrol officers and district detectives share on-the-ground intelligence directly and in real-time, BPD can work much more quickly to identify suspects and deliver that information back to District Action Teams who handle enforcement actions in the districts. With this change in management structure, BPD has now strengthened its command and control with clearer lines of accountability.

Detectives that work in the districts are bringing a more responsive level of service to the city. This change also allows detectives to develop better relationships and build trust with the residents they serve so that they can more effectively identify crime patterns, trends, and connections. Bringing detectives to the communities they serve is also in line with the community-oriented and problem-oriented policing models that BPD is embracing as part of our overall reforms.

Role of Anti-Crime Section

The overall mission of the Anti-Crime Section is to extract key offenders and disrupt and dismantle the most violent drug trafficking organizations in Baltimore City. The Anti-Crime Section will work to:

- 1. Eliminate the most violent drug trafficking organizations
- 2. Combat firearms-related and drug related crime in Baltimore
- 3. Disrupt and eradicate violent street gangs and drug trafficking organizations in Baltimore
- 4. Identify criminal organizations and individuals responsible for violence
- 5. Share intelligence with investigative units to bring cases to closure
- 6. Apprehend and arrest violent offenders in a timely manner

Members from all federal task forces (HIDTA/DEA, ATF, FBI), the Major Case Unit, HSI, and the Undercover Unit will aggressively investigate cases involving the most violent drug organizations. The Task Force groups will be supplied with all of the organizational chart members as well as a list of the "At Risk Individuals" (ARIs) who are associated with each organization. The Task Force groups will continue to build and enhance strong, prosecutable cases in an effort to subtract violent offenders who are associated with these violent groups. The goal is to impact these high crime areas and to disrupt, dismantle, and eradicate the areas of illegal drug activity and associated violence.

To measure the success of this strategy, we will monitor several factors to include:

- Number of ARIs subtracted from these organizations
- Number of firearms seized from these organizations
- Number of federal indictments associated with individuals connected to these organizations
- Number of search and seizure warrants associated with individuals connected to these organizations
- Number of organizational chart members remaining
- Number of violent crime cases closed that are connected to these organizations

BPD is also using the analytical resources of the Watch Center and district intelligence units to identify the members of these organizations as they may change or need updating.

Role of Warrant Apprehension Task Force and SWAT

The Warrant Apprehension Task Force (WATF) uses the combined resources of all member agencies in a comprehensive, coordinated approach to warrant service. Through mutual cooperation with federal and state partners, all agencies contribute to the overall reduction in regional crime. WATF will rapidly seek to locate and apprehend violent offenders with a focus on:

- 1. Homicide, shooting, robbery, and burglary open warrants
- 2. Illegal handgun possession recidivists with open warrants
- 3. Drug shop members with open warrants
- 4. Gun Offenders with open warrants
- 5. At-Risk Individuals with open warrants
- 6. Persons of Interest with open warrants

For high-risk warrants, our Special Operations Section and SWAT personnel will partner with WATF and the District Action Teams to provide additional assistance to ensure the safety of officers and the public during such operations.

Role of Mobile Metro Unit and Admin Flex Units

The Mobile Metro Unit, which provides additional visibility and coverage across all districts in the city, will also be actively deployed to the hotspot areas that have now been identified. Their mission will be to conduct directed traffic enforcement and to provide additional visibility and stability in the target areas after critical incidents occur (homicides, shootings, armed robberies). In addition, BPD will continue to redeploy administrative officers to the downtown area to provide additional flex coverage, visibility, and security as needed. These officers will have the same responsibilities as patrol officers and will be conducting foot patrols and business checks. For each proactive measure, patrol officers must notify CAD operators of the following:

- > The specific type of proactive measure being taken
- > The specific **location address** of the proactive effort
- > The **duration** of the proactive effort

Leveraging Technology to Support Operations

Department wide, BPD will continue to use the following technologies to support all operational units in a more coordinated and integrated fashion:

- License Plate Readers
- ShotSpotter Gunshot Detection
- ArcGIS Enterprise
- National Integrated Ballistic Info Network (NIBIN) to
- Citi-Watch Cameras (CCTV)

BPD will use these and other technologies to deter and reduce crime, provide additional intelligence to proactive units and district detectives, and supply evidence to strengthen criminal cases for prosecution.

MONITORING – AWARENESS – ASSESSMENT – REASSESSMENT

Operations Dashboard

In order for commanders to understand the distribution of crime, the environmental factors around new offenses, and where their deployment zones are located, a web application will be created that members can access within a district's workstation. on a tablet, on a smartphone, and through a patrol officer's mobile data terminal (See the graphic below).

By leveraging our new GIS and mobile mapping capabilities, the BPD is now in position to push and receive real-time data like never before. This will greatly enhance our intelligence-sharing capabilities internally within the department and provide commanders with the actionable information necessary to be more responsive on a daily basis.

The command dashboard will enable officers, from officers on the street to the Commissioner, to view all of the part-1 offenses that have occurred by post, by shift, by the day of the week, and by date. Further, maps displayed in the graphic above will allow for additional layers of information to be toggled on and off.



New Technology will allow Commanders to view:

- > **Priority Warrants**
- Registered Gun Offenders
- Registered Sex Offenders
- Validated Gang Members
- Individuals on Active Parole and Probation
- Known Drug Market Areas

BPD's dashboard functions will continue to evolve over time and include more monitoring tools and the ability to filter information by each respective hotspot zone. As more sophisticated tools are added to the operations dashboards. Commanders will gain а comprehensive understanding of the types of crimes occurring in the district hotspot locations and the impact of BPD's proactive measures.

Outcomes over Outputs

The ultimate goal of our crime reduction strategy is to reduce the victimization and fear of victimization of violent crime in Baltimore City. BPD will accomplish this goal by fostering a community-oriented policing philosophy leveraged through problem-oriented policing strategies. Each district commander will be responsible for determining what underlying issues are perpetuating the violent crime in their districts utilizing research, data analysis, and most of all, community partnerships.

While business and hotspot checks, enhanced foot patrol, directed traffic enforcement, and field interviews cannot be discounted, those outputs are not the measurement of our success. There will be an adaptive strategy as to what tasks need to occur, when they need to occur, and by whom that can best achieve the outcome of crime reduction.

As this new approach is implemented, BPD will conduct a qualitative assessment for each specific geography and determine what needs to occur based on street-level input from our officers. This information is vital towards understanding if there is a gap that needs to be addressed, a program that needs to be developed, or if quality of life services beyond BPD are needed.

COMSTAT Accountability

BPD's reevaluation of target zones is only the first step in a continuous process in re-focusing our deployment strategy for the crime fight. Our weekly COMSTAT meetings will ensure oversight, accountability, and process improvement for the strategy overall. This will include looking at the average amount of time officers are spending within the new hotspot zones, the level of activities done during time in the zones, and what was achieved during those times.

BPD will analyze response times to priority 1 calls to determine if we are meeting our new performance goals, review how commanders are managing staffing shortages, and assess the distribution of calls that require supervisor response and how those incidents are being managed.

Community Feedback

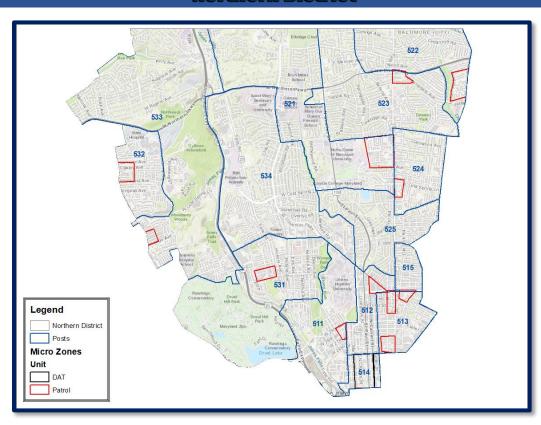
For all of the above strategies to see a positive impact, BPD must engage the community effectively. The community needs to play a central role for the city of Baltimore to achieve sustainable reductions in crime and reduce fear and perceptions of crime. As our strategy moves forward, BPD will enhance its community collaboration and community engagement efforts to foster true collaboration between the police and community partners. District commanders will work with the Neighborhood Coordination Unit (NCU) to formulate a comprehensive plan to foster social cohesion in their districts and ensure that the communities we service have a voice in the crime fight and the problem solving strategies that we develop.

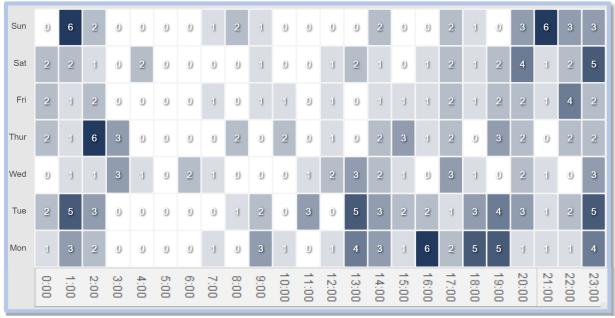
Crime Walks

Another key strategy that BPD will continue is the weekly crime walks in targeted neighborhoods throughout the City. These walks are an essential component of BPD's community engagement and problem oriented policing focus. The walks provide direct access to BPD's Command staff to our partners in the community and allows the City to track the environmental and infrastructure issues that are impacting the Police Department's ability to reduce, deter, and prevent crime.

DISTRICT LEVEL MAPS

Northern District

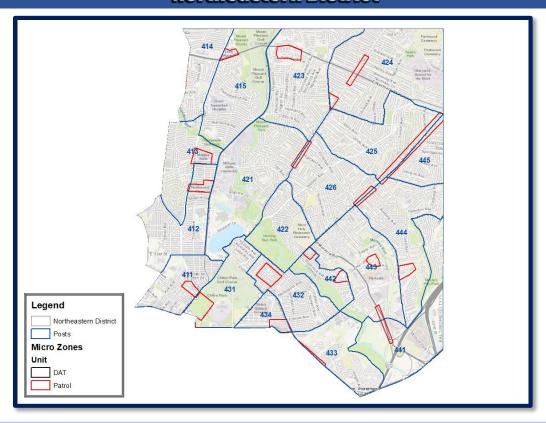


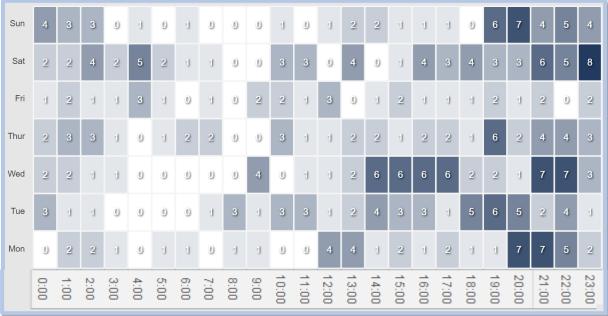


The chart above represents the total number of homicides, non-fatal shootings, and robberies that have occurred in the Northern District from January 1, 2019 through mid-June 2019, on what days of the week, and the hour of the day. Darker boxes indicate more instances that have occurred during that day & hours, while lighter boxes indicate fewer incidents.

BPD Command Staff in the Northern District will ensure that Patrol and DAT proactive efforts in the identified zones are focused more during the above days and times.

Northeastern District

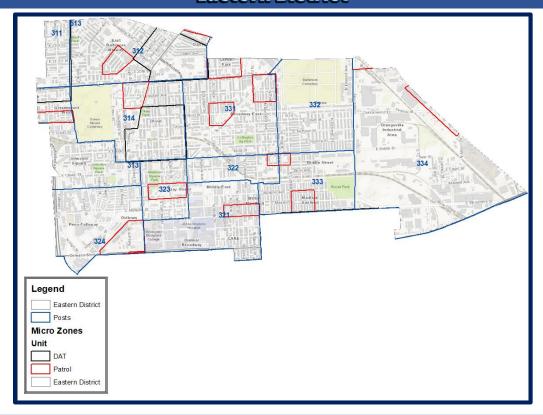


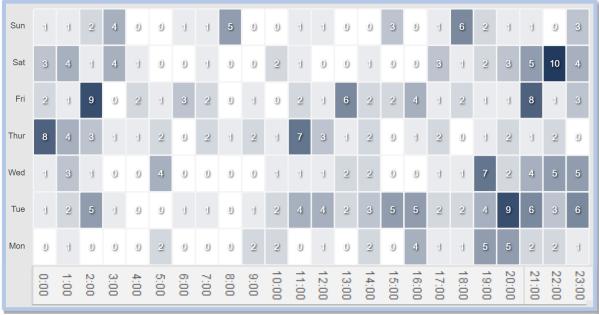


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Eastern District

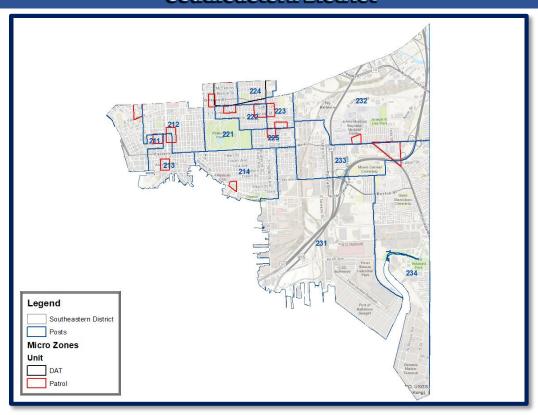


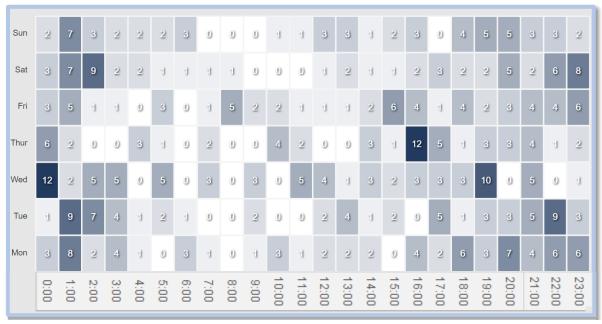


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Southeastern District

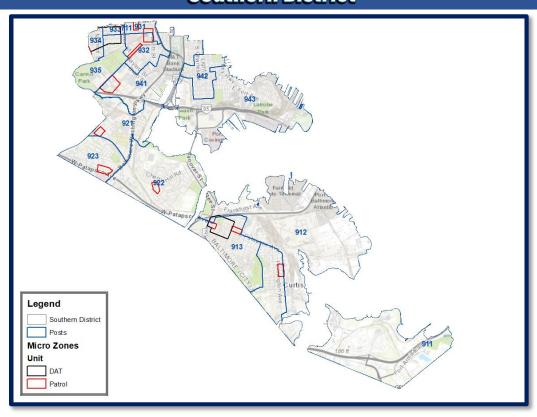


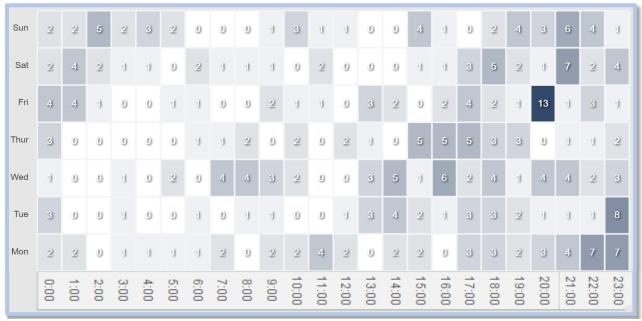


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Southern District

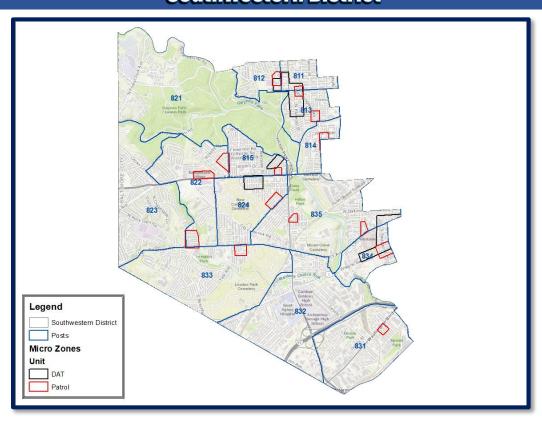


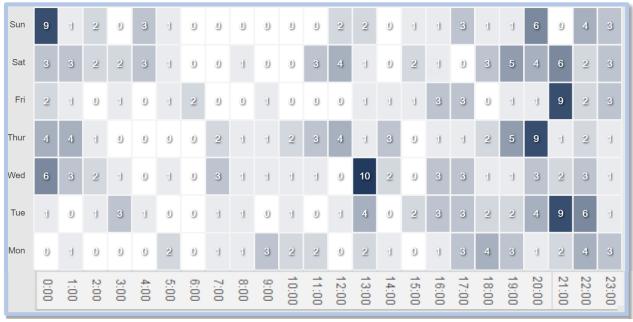


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Southwestern District

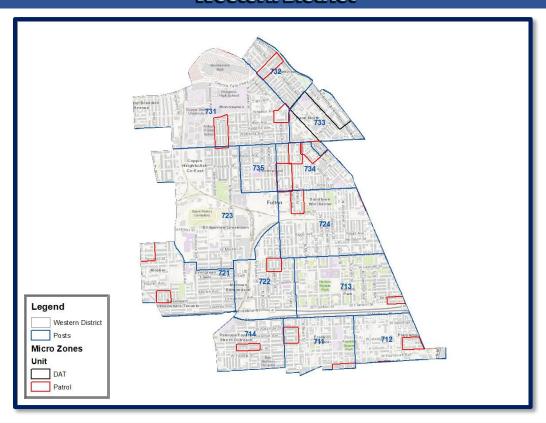


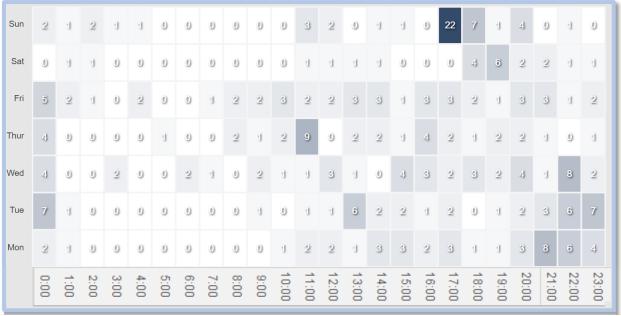


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Western District

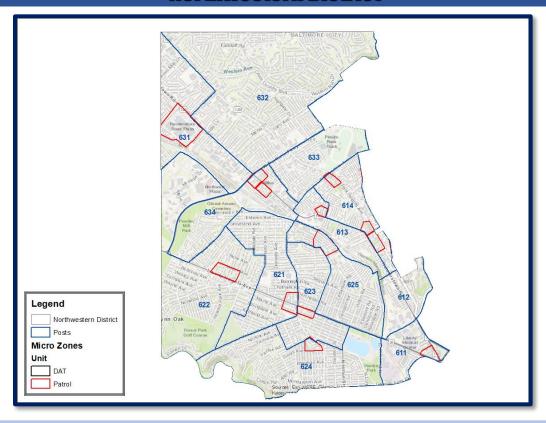


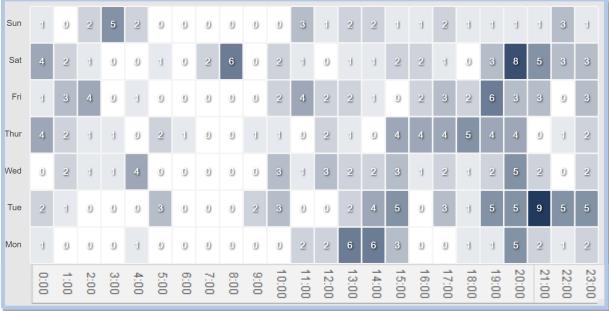


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Northwestern District

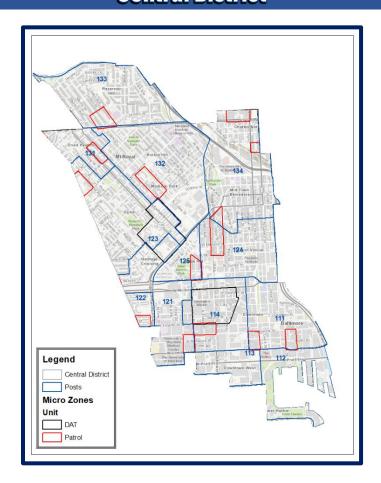


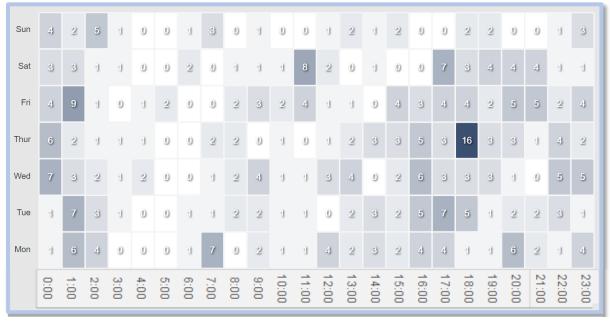


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Central District





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