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Asset/Solution Mapping

Focus Area	Assets	Challenges	Potential Responses
Physical Environment	• Sidewalks on most main streets • Accessible bus line	• Lighting is limited (Save-A-Lot parking lot and Bracken Woods) • No safe areas for recreation • Significant litter and blight • No cameras (CCTV)	• Litter patrols • Locate a place for creating a safe recreation area for children/teens. • Coordinate and "Staff" site each day with volunteers from local churches to play with kids (and publicize times). • Consult Save-A-Lot management for lighting solutions • Contact city departments about cameras
Housing	• Large amount of affordable housing	• Poorly-maintained apartments	• Involve CMHA • Involve landlords • Form community housing resident associations (to improve voice) • Faith-based adopt-a-unit • Consider landlord training with CPD
Healthy Food	• Save-A-Lot grocery store very accessible to community	• Store has significant theft/loss and could potentially be at-risk for leaving community (our concern, not theirs).	• Involve Safe-A-Lot management in meetings. • Involve CPD loss-prevention teams
Businesses & Economy	• Shell Station (helpful mgmt.) • Family Dollar Store • Save-A-Lot	• U.S. Market business a haven for crime and drugs • Shell Station (drunk, disorderly conduct, panhandling)	• Encourage businesses to employ temporary staff, local residents to beautify area, clean-up litter. • Consider Community policies for businesses • Pressure Civic Association to attract businesses to lower Westwood.
Services	• Fire Department (Station 35) • Police Department (District 3) • Schools • Mobile library van • Nursing Homes • Hospitals-Mercy Health • Health Center-Crossroad • Cinti. Human Relations-mentoring, hotline, etc. • GLAD House • Strengthening Families	• Fire Department-community perception of disengagement from surrounding community • Police Department-community perception of no follow-through or relationship with community/Limited PD presence. • Parenting challenges.	• CFD involvement, community events, community presence • Sponsor community kids basketball recreation • Request community health worker in community to link residents to positive events/activities. • Communicate Cinti. Human Relations services to local churches • Coordinate with GLAD House to provide services in community. • Partner with Strengthening Families to provide services in neighborhood. • Request increased police presence (foot patrol), coordinated engagement. • Faith-based employment training programs.

Community & Faith Groups	• Numerous involved churches
	  ○ Shepherd's Heart Christian Church (Youth work)
	  ○ Western Hills Brethren in Christ Church
	  ○ Cincinnati Urban Promise
	• Westwood Urban Redevelopment
	• Many civically-involved community members, long-standing community pride
	• Citizens on Patrol
		• Poor community communication of events, services, positive recreation
		• Lack of coordination and collaboration between churches
			• Unite faith groups in area for community events (Talent show, etc.), mapping assets
			• Utilize media contacts/personalities
			• Utilize connections with Time Warner Cable
			• Request increased patrols by Citizens on Patrol in neighborhood (coordinating existing patrols with data).
			• Consider community walking patrols.
			• Post "Citizens on Patrol" signage
			• Groups to involve Police/Citizen relationships

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a call to action

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Location, Population, Time Analysis and Summary

All interventions should target the locations, the population, the time/day where crime is occurring:

Data	Analysis & Interpretation
Where	
3091 McHenry (Coachwood)	Multiple low-income, multi-family apartments that are poorly maintained and have absent/delinquent landlords.
3080 McHenry (Henry Woods)	
2400 Harrison (Candlewood)	
Harrison/McHenry Square	
Who	
19-23 yr old black men (Felonious Assaults)	Unemployment at Harrison & McHenry is approximately 19%, where Harrison & Boudinot is 11.3%
49-64 yr old black men (Assaults)	
When	
4pm-10pm, Mondays, Fridays	After school/work, weekdays
What	
Approximately 20% calls for service, "Family Trouble"	These complaints seem to be starting in homes and living spaces, possibly indicating internal stress and unrest in families.
Significant number of assaults/felonious assaults	
Approximately 400% increase in violent crime when comparing Q1 2015 to Q1 2016 at Westwood/McHenry location	

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Recommendations and Plan

WUTSTV Task Force Interventions

- Schedule one joint community intervention for (at least) two Westwood churches to implement by June 30, 2016 (Adopt-a-recreation location, adopt-a-unit, have a litter pick-up, clean-up blighted yards, etc.).
- Visit local apartment complexes (Coachwood, Henry Woods, Candlewood) and find/establish one resident at each location to serve as a community representative by June 30, 2016.
- Compile local faith group list of community resources and ministries by June 30, 2016.

Community Interventions

- Request (in writing) CMHA to intervene in housing violence by July 31, 2016.
- Request (in writing) Cincinnati Police Department to:
    - Have an increased presence (preferably walking/bicycle patrol) at the Harrison/McHenry area (at minimum) between the hours of 4pm and 10pm on Mondays and Fridays by June 30, 2016.
    - Consider installing CCTV cameras in area of Harrison/Henry by June 30, 2016.
- Request (in writing) Cincinnati Citizens on Patrol to have an increased presence at the Harrison/McHenry area (at minimum) between the hours of 4pm and 10pm on Mondays and Fridays by June 30, 2016.
- Request (in writing) Cincinnati Human Relations Department to speak at all local congregations by July 31, 2016.

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