

Youth Violence Prevention Annual Report 2014/2015

Presented to Minneapolis City Council HECE Committee

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Minneapolis Youth Violence Prevention (YVP) work overview

The Minneapolis Blueprint for Action to Prevent Youth Violence was commissioned by the City Council in 2008. The Health Department leads and coordinates citywide efforts to implement the Blueprint.

Activities focus on

- planning and service coordination with jurisdictional partners;
- technical assistance to community-based agencies;
- data analysis and new program development to address service gaps

The Blueprint for Action to Prevent Youth Violence

Vision:

A unified city where all youth can be safe and thrive

Mission:

To prevent youth violence through comprehensive approaches that support the development and success of youth and families in their communities, encourage strong partnerships among organizations, and are culturally-grounded and asset-based

The Blueprint for Action to Prevent Youth Violence

The Blueprint for Action to Prevent Youth Violence Operates with 5 goal areas:

- Foster violence-free social environments
- Promote positive opportunities and connections to trusted adults for all youth
- Intervene with youth and families at the first sign of risk
- Restore youth who have gone down the wrong path
- Protect children and youth from violence in the community

YVP Governance

Youth Violence Prevention Coordinator

Executive Committee
17 member advisory group
appointed by the Mayor and
approved by City Council

**Minneapolis Health
Department Core Team**

Multijurisdictional Team

Mayor's Office
Health Research and Youth Development
Minneapolis Police Department
Minneapolis Community Planning and Economic
Development
Minneapolis Public Schools
Youth Coordinating Board
Hennepin County

National Recognition

- Minneapolis has been identified as a national leader on the issue of youth violence prevention.
- Numerous articles have been written about the success of the Blueprint's coordinated, public health approach.
- In 2012, Minneapolis was selected as the 10th city to be designated a National Forum on Youth Violence Prevention site.

National Forum on Youth Violence Prevention

The National Forum on Youth Violence Prevention is a network of communities and federal agencies that work together, share information and build local capacity to prevent and reduce youth violence.

- 2010 - Established by President Obama
- 2012 - Minneapolis invited to join 9 other cities in the Forum
- 2013 – Minneapolis refreshed the existing Blueprint for Action

National Forum Cities

- Boston, Massachusetts
- Camden, New Jersey
- Chicago, Illinois
- Detroit, Michigan
- Memphis, Tennessee
- New Orleans, Louisiana
- Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
- Salinas, California
- San Jose, California

Annual Updates

- January

New Youth Violence Prevention Coordinator is hired

- April

Recognition of National Youth Violence Prevention week April 6-12, 2014

Annual Updates

- April

Minneapolis is selected as one of 2 cities to be highlighted during the Month of March for Youth Violence Prevention Week



Annual Update

- April
- The 2nd Annual PeaceMaker Award hosted by the City of Minneapolis, Minneapolis Public Schools and PeaceMaker Foundation. Focused on honoring students and educator committed to building peace in Minneapolis Schools.



PeaceMaker Minnesota

Give Schools Tools To Stop Violence

Annual Updates

- June- August
Pop Up Parks



Annual Updates

June-July

Minneapolis Police and Youth Dialogues



INSTRUCTIONS:
1. Read your quote to yourself.
2. Think: What does this mean to you? Agree? Disagree? Why?
3. Share with others.



Annual Update

July-October

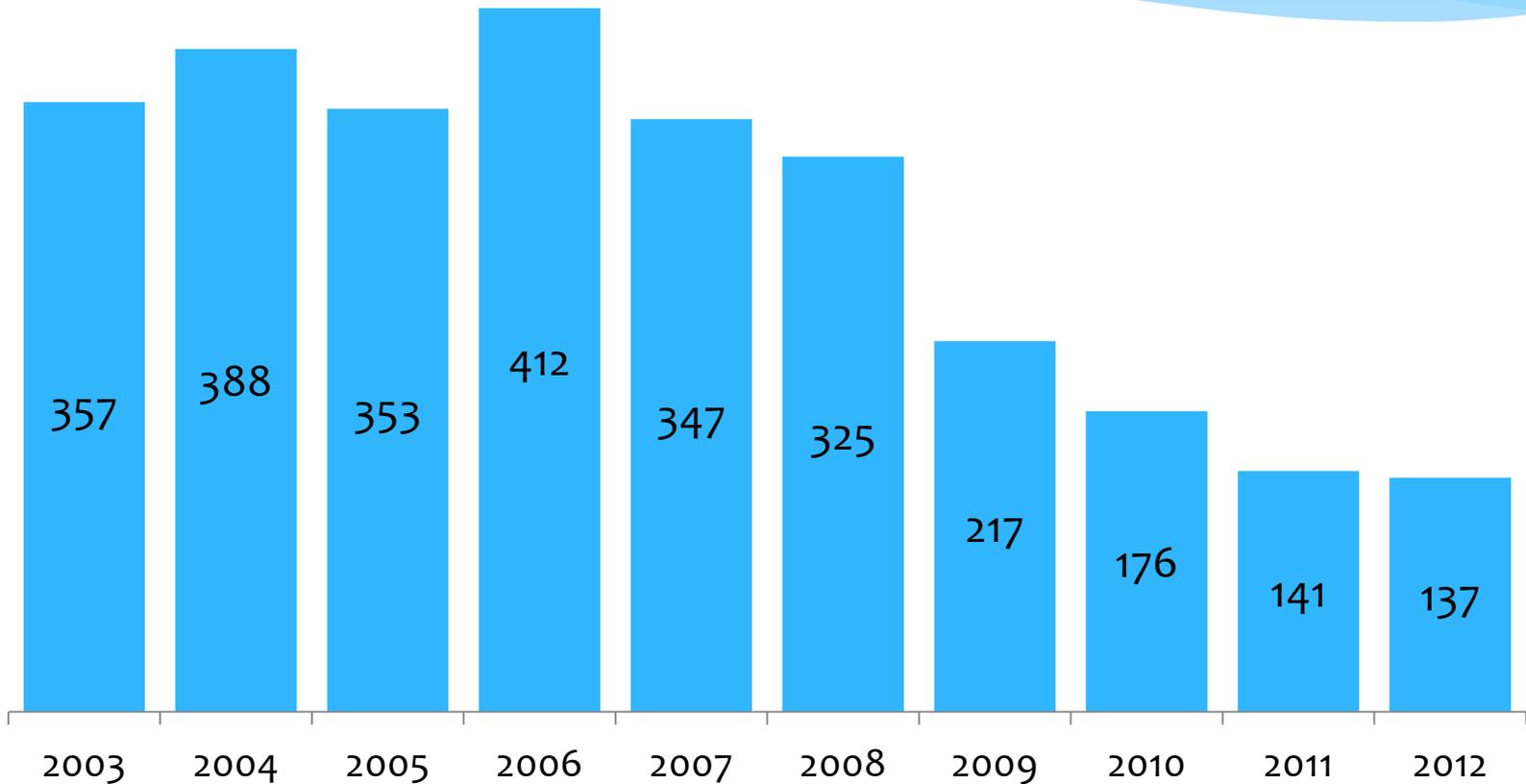
Blueprint Approved Micro-Grant Activities



Programs implemented through MHD

- Oversight and Management of Juvenile Supervision Center
- Youth Victimization Data Analysis
- Inspiring Youth case management/support
- Parenting Education
- Minneapolis BUILD training

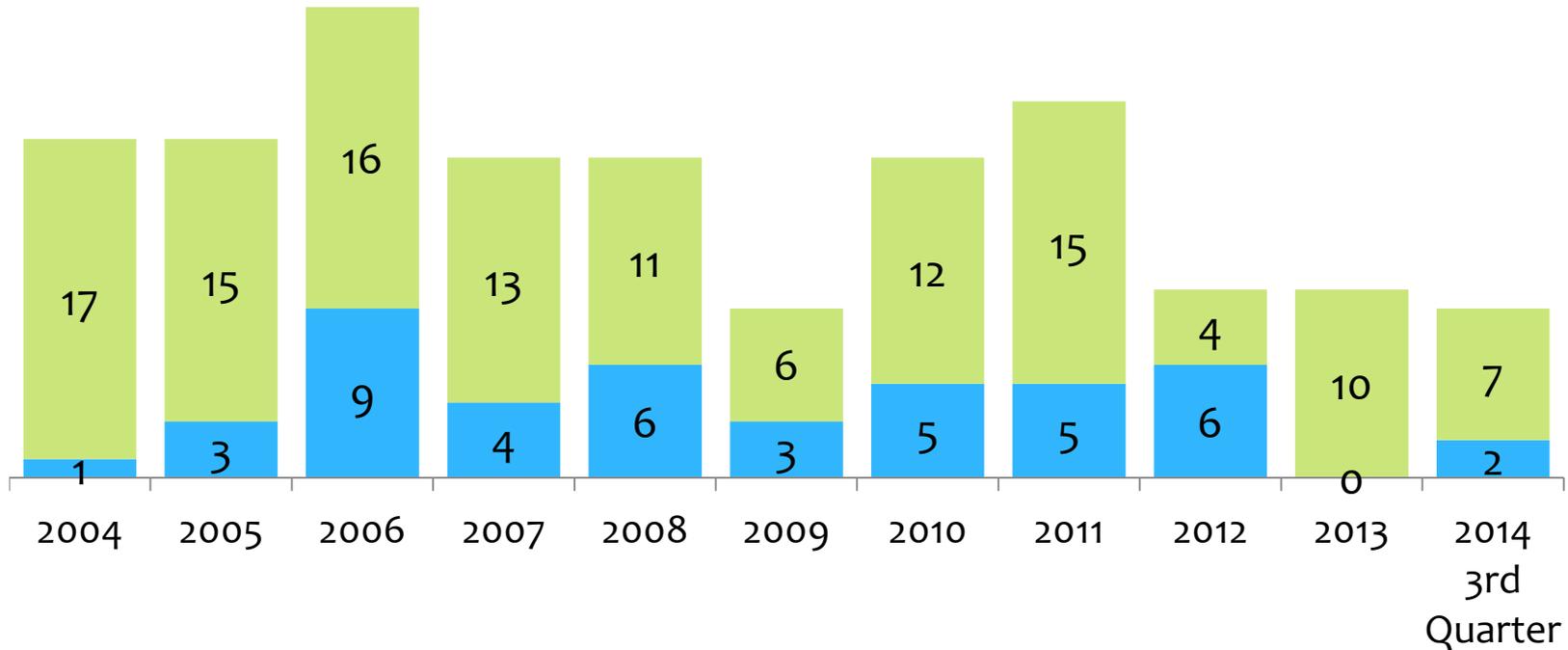
Decreasing incidents involving guns and juveniles as victims, suspects or arrestees



Source: Minneapolis Police Department

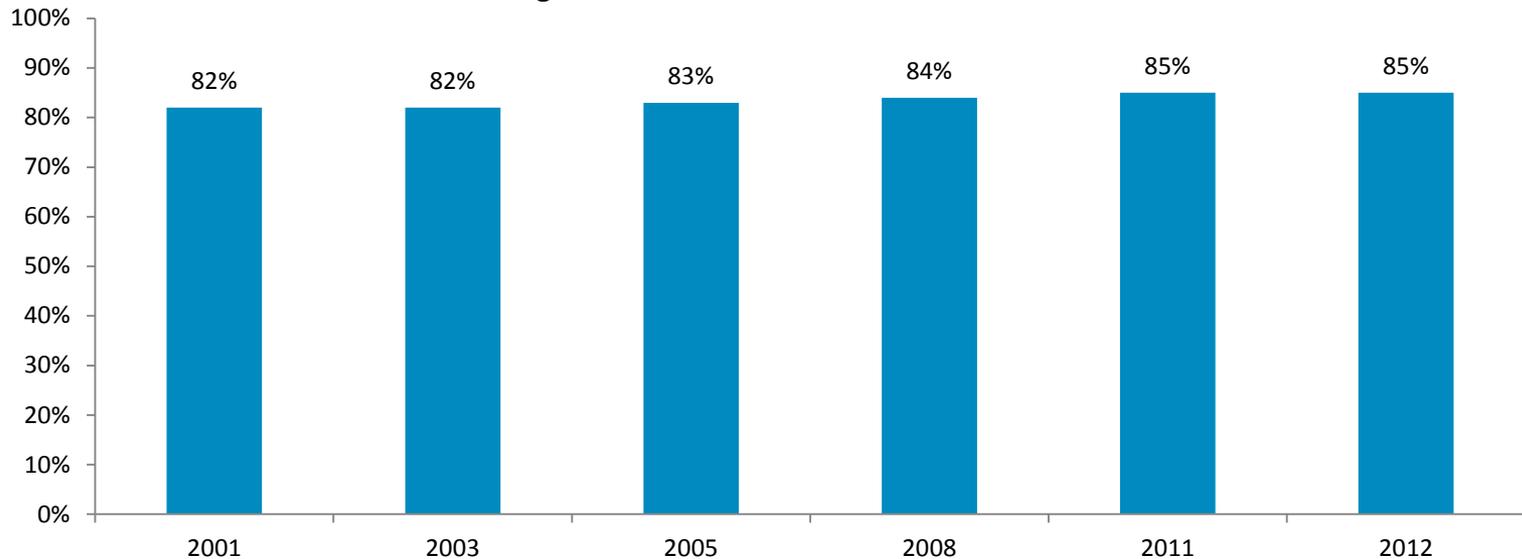
Decreasing homicides occurring within the City among youth and young adults

■ Victims under age 18 ■ Victims 18-24 years of age



Public Perception About Youth Violence in Minneapolis

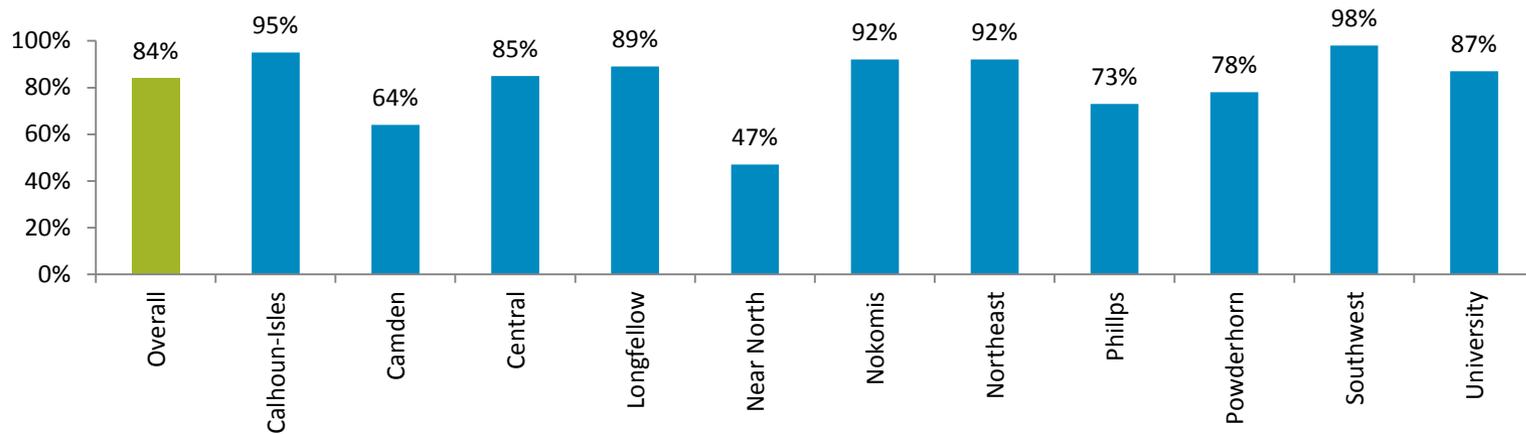
Percent of Residents who "Agree" or "Strongly Agree" with the statement "My Neighborhood Is a Safe Place to Live"



Source: 2012 Minneapolis Resident Survey

Public Perception About Youth Violence in Minneapolis

Perceptions of Safety, by Community Planning District, 2012



Notes:

1. Percentage of residents who "agree" or "strongly agree" with the statement, "My neighborhood is a safe place to live."
2. Based on sample size, the margin of error for community planning districts is between ± 7 and ± 10 percent for community planning districts.

Source: 2012 Minneapolis Resident Survey

2015 Budget

- * Total approved budget - \$991,084
- * Sources:
 - General Fund – 21%
 - State – 7%
 - CDBG – 31%
 - Federal/Forum support – 22%
 - Other – 19%

Youth Violence Prevention Plans for 2015

In 2015 the youth violence prevention efforts will include:

- A capacity building institute for small youth serving agencies
- Taskforce focused on early childhood exposure to violence
- Community Engagement
- Addendums developed to enhance the current Blueprint document

Questions

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