

SOUTH SIDE REVITALIZATION PROJECT

GOAL: Develop and implement a cross-sector plan to reduce crime.

TARGET AREA:

Bounded by Hillman St., I-680, Shady Run Rd., and E. Midlothian Blvd. • highest concentration of crime in the city



STRATEGIES:

increased police presence • small grants to businesses for safety improvements • additional lighting and cameras • police-community problem solving • elimination of blighted properties • vacant lot improvements • improvement of parks, playgrounds, and infrastructure • youth sports leagues • after-school programs • resident-driven neighborhood improvement projects • targeting repeat offenders • removal of liquor licenses from problem businesses • code enforcement and rental registration enforcement of nuisance properties •

PROCESS:

data analysis
community engagement
cross-sector partnership
+ research-based strategies

CRIME REDUCTION

DATA ANALYSIS:

Identification of Crime Hotspots:

Market Street • South Avenue • Cottage Grove • Taft Neighborhood

Vacant property survey:

More than 1,500 vacant properties in target area

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT:

Input from: residents, stakeholders, institutions, business owners, city council members, police officers, block watches, churches, schools

Community concerns: crime, blighted properties

Community recommendations: more youth activities, more law enforcement, stronger relationships with police

PARTNERS:

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