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The Office of Community Relations promotes new initiatives and services, to bring the community closer to government. For the last four years, we've worked together to serve and bring government services closer to residents. Together, we have adapted to change in the world, while remaining committed and dedicated to our community.

The COVID-19 pandemic has had unparalleled impacts on the lives of our children, seniors, and families. Factors such as social isolation, loss of employment, illness, financial hardships, and food security, have caused long-lasting effects on our community. The job intermediation pandemic opened an opportunity to address challenges comprehensively and intentionally.

The Hope in Action project was created to bring our partners and community leaders together to build and implement a holistic approach to combat violence in our community. For the past two years, we have engaged with our diverse stakeholders to implement trauma-informed care designed to break the cycle of violence. Services include job intermediation, entrepreneurship programs, new workforce-oriented training, mental health access, afterschool programming, and food distributions.

As a collective, we have a shared responsibility to our community once expressed by Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., "We are caught in an inescapable network of mutuality, tied in a single garment of destiny. Whatever affects one directly, affects all indirectly." Let us continue our work together to ensure our children, families, and generations to come have access to the tools and knowledge needed to succeed and thrive.

In Service,

*Euniesha Davis*

Euniesha Davis

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Office of Community Relations



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Dear Friends, Partners, and Esteemed Community Members,

I hope this message finds you well. It is with immense gratitude and a sense of collective achievement that I introduce to you this booklet outlining the milestones and accomplishments of our Hope In Action gun violence prevention program. Hope In Action serves as a beacon of hope. Our mission is simple, yet transformative: to reduce gun violence and create safer communities through education, advocacy, and actionable initiatives.

Since its inception, Hope In Action has been grounded in evidence-based strategies to reduce gun violence in our communities. We have been steadfast in our mission to create a safe, nurturing environment for all, especially for those most affected by the scourge of gun violence. This has only been possible through the dedication and tireless efforts of our team, community volunteers, and the steadfast support of our partners and stakeholders.

But this is just the beginning. While we celebrate our successes, we acknowledge the long journey ahead. The pages that follow provide not just a snapshot of what we have achieved, but also a roadmap for the future. As you leaf through these pages, I hope you are as inspired as I am to push forward, to reach new heights, and to keep the flame of hope alive for future generations.

Thank you for your continued support and belief in our mission. Together, we are making a difference. Together, we are Hope In Action.

In service and gratitude,

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Hope In Action Gun Violence Prevention Program



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Dear Friends and Supporters,

As the President of the Dreams Work the fiscal agent of the Hope In Action Project, I am filled with hope and a deep sense of purpose as I reflect on the impact we have made and the path we are forging in the fight against gun violence in Prince George's County.

Our commitment to this vital cause has never wavered, and the Hope In Action Project has emerged as a beacon of hope, unity, and change in our community. Through tireless dedication and collaboration, we are making strides toward a safer and more secure future for our neighbors, families, and friends.

The impact we've achieved thus far is a testament to the dedication and resilience of our team and the unwavering support of our community. However, our work is far from complete, and together, we will continue to make a difference.

I am humbled by the privilege of serving as President of Dreams Work and working alongside such passionate individuals who share a common vision. Together, we are shaping a brighter, more secure future, one that is free from the shadows of gun violence.

Thank you for your unwavering commitment to the Hope In Action Project. Let us keep moving forward with determination and hope, knowing that we have the power to effect lasting change in Prince George's County.

With gratitude and hope,

*Costello Wilson*

Costello Wilson  
President,  
Dreams Work



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# HOPE IN ACTION

The Hope In Action Anti-Gun Violence Project implements interventions that focus on targeted, trauma-informed care designed to interrupt cycles of violence that can produce life-saving and cost-efficient results without contributing to the school-to-prison population and mass incarceration. This effort has identified individuals (youth and adults) at the highest risk of gun violence to coordinate individualized wrap-around resources.

The Hope In Action Anti-Gun Violence Project's intervention plan consists of four steps:

- **Violence Interrupters**
- **Diversion and Reentry**
- **Wraparound**
- **Violence Prevention Task Force**



**STEP 01**



**V I O L E N C E   I N T E R R U P T E R S**

Connect individuals at high risk of gun violence to “credible messengers” and case managers who offer firsthand support. Violence Interrupters mobilize communities to present and reinforce social norms that help resolve conflicts nonviolently. Community partners facilitate mediation sessions that aid youth and young adults peacefully resolve disputes before gun violence occurs. To diffuse tensions and prevent retaliation immediate response and support are provided to victims willing to change their behaviors. Additionally, Violence Interrupters work with community partners to insert violence reduction programming into existing curricula and training.



**STEP 02**

**D I V E R S I O N   +   R E E N T R Y**

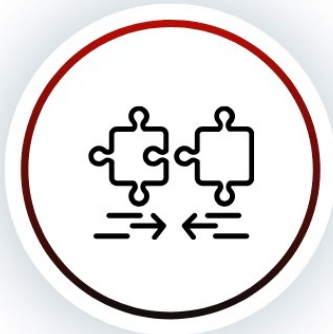
Youth outreach and engagement services are available to non-adjudicated, first-time, or reoccurring offenders. Programs include the 90-day Urban Youth Pretrial Diversion Academy and The Urban Youth Comprehensive. Diversion and reentry services for young individuals also include 3 days a week, comprehensive life coach support, that’s guided by careful case planning and driven by the willing participant, working towards relationship building and community reintegration.

**STEP 03**



**W R A P A R O U N D**

Wraparound services are provided by the Hope Collective, a group of 23 nonprofit organizations funded by HIA which provide intensive care and basic needs services to the community in the areas of mental health, youth enrichment, and after-school programming along with career and job readiness services, and re-entry programming. These community nonprofits work to ensure that services are provided to the most vulnerable populations with the intent of reducing the crime levels in the County.



**STEP 04**

**V I O L E N C E P R E V E N T I O N T A S K F O R C E**

A 21-person work group consisting of County government officials, police personnel, faith-based leaders, community advocates, business leaders, and community residents assemble to assess current County program offerings for youth and young adults and overall support services for those most affected by violence in the County. The Task Force engages in regular communication among partners and meets with key stakeholders to foster collective accountability. The Task Force produces an annual report that highlights national best practices that the County can implement to proactively address and reduce violent behavior.

# I M P A C T R E P O R T

Through ARPA funding, Hope In Action has received **2M** dollars, which has been used to support vulnerable communities in the following ways:

**55,000+**

County Residents Served via HIA Programing

**23**

Nonprofits funded through the Hope Collective

**\$1M+**

Grant funding dispersed to nonprofits

These nonprofits provide: afterschool support services, mental health services, wraparound services (eviction and foreclosure services, grief counseling, basic needs services, and supply giveaways).

## COMMUNITY BENEFITS & STATISTICS

### AFTERSCHOOL SUPPORT

**11**

Nonprofits funded

**1,500+**

Youth supported via academic enrichment and homework assistance; one-on-one mentoring peer support activities and extracurricular activities.

### MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

**7**

Nonprofits funded

**206**

Individuals received mental health services to include, including counseling services, workshops, and case management including sessions with accredited mental health clinicians and referrals to appropriate services and resources.

### WRAPAROUND SERVICES

**5**

Nonprofits funded

**26,737 +**

Individuals have received basic need items through supply giveaways, credit counseling, and eviction and foreclosure prevention workshops and intervention services.

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## **W O R K F O R C E   D E V E L O P M E N T**

**7**

Nonprofits funded

**1,663**

Individuals served who received workforce development instruction and training certification in customer service, commercial driver's license training; OSHA inspection and basic computer skills.

## **V I O L E N C E   I N T E R R U P T E R S**

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Violence Interrupters serving our most vulnerable communities; Suitland, District Heights, & Capitol Heights.

**15**

Anti-violence Task Force County resident members assist with developing a plan of action around community resource building.

The VI program has been able to establish youth programming at Suitland High School and has developed a "Safe Passage Home" program to assist students who may experience challenges with gangs or other violent acts as a way to make it home safely after school. The Violence Interrupters are working in the community to build trust with residents and are working with residents to identify needed resources to help improve the quality of life and reduce the violence that is happening in the community.

# V I O L E N C E I N T E R R U P T E R S

This impact report provides a comprehensive overview of the efforts and outcomes achieved by HIA Violence Interrupters in the Forest Creek, Suitland, and Marlow Heights communities. Violence interrupters are vital community-based organizations dedicated to preventing and mitigating violence, promoting peace, and fostering positive change in these areas. The data and insights presented in this report are based on statistics and observations gathered over the last two years.

The communities of Forest Creek, Suitland, and Marlow Heights located in Prince George's County, MD, have faced long-standing challenges related to violence, crime, and community safety. These areas have been identified by the Prince George's County Police Department as high-risk zones where violence interrupters have been actively engaged in their mission to reduce violence and promote social cohesion.



# IMPACT REPORT

## VIOLENCE INTERRUPTERS' ACTIVITIES & FOCUS AREAS

The violence interrupters operating in Forest Creek, Suitland, and Marlow Heights have implemented a wide range of strategies and initiatives to address violence and its root causes. The initiatives include hospital referrals. The activities have primarily focused on:

### CASE MANAGEMENT AND CONFLICT RESOLUTION

HIA Violence interrupters working one on one with individuals supporting job search/interview/ placement/ support/ training, planned educational & and life goals, and worked on soft skills i.e. hygiene as well as helping them find non-violent solutions to disputes and grievances.

### COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

They have actively engaged with community members to build trust and relationships, allowing them to better understand local issues and concerns.

## **YOUTH OUTREACH**

Special programs have been designed to target at-risk youth, providing mentorship, education, and alternatives to violence.

## **RESOURCE REFERRALS**

HIA Violence interrupters have connected community members with various social services, such as mental health support, housing assistance, and job training.

# **VIOLENCE INTERRUPTERS' ACTIVITIES & FOCUS AREAS**

### **ONE-ON-ONE**

**50**

Families

### **WORKSHOPS**

**20**

Participants

### **COMMUNITY CANVASSING**

**300**

Families

### **COMMUNITY EVENTS**

**45**

Events

### **VIGILS**

**12**

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## **7500**

Total number of families impacted by community canvassing, vigils, community events.

The Hope In Action Violence interrupters in Forest Creek, Suitland, and Marlow Heights have made substantial strides in reducing violence, mediating conflicts, and fostering positive community change. The statistics presented in this report demonstrate the tangible impact of their work. However, there is an ongoing need for continued support and investment in these critical initiatives to further enhance community safety, reduce violence, and create lasting positive change in these communities

# **S A F E P A S S A G E**

We are thrilled to introduce a newly developed project of the Hope In Action program—the "Safe Passage" initiative targeting Suitland High School. Created in close collaboration with the area's faith community, staff, and our seasoned team of Violence Interrupters, this forward-thinking initiative is designed to provide a secure and peaceful path for our students as they commute to and from school.

## **T H E P O W E R O F P A R T N E R S H I P**

The Safe Passage Initiative is a shining example of what can be achieved when a community comes together for a common cause. Alongside our dedicated staff, we have forged vital partnerships with local faith organizations. These collaborative efforts are further strengthened by our Violence Interrupters, who bring specialized skills and intimate knowledge of the community to preemptively address potentially violent situations.

## **O U R E V I D E N C E - B A S E D A P P R O A C H**

Safe Passage integrates a multi-faceted, data-driven strategy that includes:

### **A C T I V E M O N I T O R I N G**

Our staff and Violence Interrupters are deployed along identified hotspots and high-risk routes, offering a visible presence that deters violent activity.

### **C O M M U N I T Y A N D S T U D E N T E D U C A T I O N**

We regularly offer workshops, informational sessions, and awareness-raising activities to equip students, parents, and community members with the tools they need to contribute to a safer environment.

## **C O N T I N U O U S   E V A L U A T I O N**

By keeping a close eye on incident data and community feedback, we fine-tune our strategies in real-time to ensure maximum effectiveness.

The Safe Passage initiative is not a one-off effort; it is an ongoing commitment to the safety and well-being of our young people. We look forward to scaling and adapting the program based on evolving needs and evidence. The Safe Passage initiative is not just about deterring violence—it's about laying the groundwork for a safer, more secure future for our children.



# HOPE COLLECTIVE

A key component of The Hope In Action Project is the Hope Collective, a group of non-profits that have received funding to provide community and school-based wraparound services in areas where violent crime is an issue. Programming includes services such as diversion and re-entry, youth mentoring, after-school enrichment programs, and employment assistance. The Violence Prevention Task Force works in tandem to identify areas of need in the County and create a plan to aid in resource sharing between non-profits and stakeholders, while also developing short and long-term strategies to prevent violence.



## CENTRO DE APOYO FAMILIAR (CAF)

### MISSION

CAF's mission is to bolster its housing and collaboration efforts with the surrounding Faith-Based networks, integrating its Community Transformation Model which seeks to empower families and communities with resources such as food distribution, health and wellness, jobs, housing opportunities, and other key resources.

### PROGRAMS/SERVICES

- Financial Literacy Workshops
- Food Distribution
- Credit Rebuilding Counseling
- Foreclosure Prevention Counseling

### ACCOMPLISHMENTS

**15120**

Individuals Reached

**2, 3, 5**

Districts Reached



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# COMMUNITY ADVOCATES FOR FAMILY AND YOUTH (CAFY)

## MISSION

CAFY Aids individuals impacted or harmed by crime and/or violence by educating and empowering them through their journey toward justice and healing.

## PROGRAMS/SERVICES

- Court Education
- Strengthening Families Program (SFP)
- Victim Advocate Training
- Counseling

## ACCOMPLISHMENTS

**2780**

Individuals Reached

**COUNTYWIDE**

Districts Reached



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# COMMUNITY MINISTRY OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY (CMPGC)

## MISSION

CMPGC develops and shares evidence-based researched information to reach and engage youth and conducts community gardening, training, mentoring, and other activities to offer youth, young adults, and adults positive alternatives to and engagement in and exposure to violent behaviors.

## PROGRAMS/SERVICES

- Health & Education Support
- We Do Care Outreach Program
- Stem Education Activities
- Answer Center

## ACCOMPLISHMENTS

# 12788

Individuals Reached

# COUNTYWIDE

Districts Reached



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## DANCEMAKERS

### MISSION

Dance Makers' mission is to save and strengthen youth by promoting their mental and physical well-being while encouraging creativity through the study of dance and other performing arts. The purpose of the program is to develop our youth in performing arts as well as academics.

### PROGRAMS/SERVICES

- STEAM-based instruction
- Tutoring and Homework Support
- Homework Completion Assistance
- 1hr Creative Dance Movement

### ACCOMPLISHMENTS

**571**

Individuals Reached

**1, 3, 4, 5**

Districts Reached



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## THE DENNEY HOUSE (TDH)

### MISSION

The Denney House seeks to empower vulnerable populations to discover their unique purpose in life and equip them with the tools to unlock their full potential.

### PROGRAMS/SERVICES

- Workforce Development
- Essential Soft and Social skills training
- Trade certifications
- Job Placement
- Financial Literacy Training

### ACCOMPLISHMENTS

**\*21**

Individuals Reached

**6, 7, 8**

Districts Reached



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## DESTINY, POWER AND PURPOSE (DPP)

### MISSION

DPP's mission is to help individuals break the vicious cycle of repeated substance abuse and incarceration through empowerment.

### PROGRAMS/SERVICES

- Transitional Housing Assistance
- Recovery Support Services
- Case Management

### ACCOMPLISHMENTS

**\* 8**

Individuals Reached

**6, 7, 8**

Districts Reached



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## **DISTRICT HEIGHTS - YOUTH DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION (DHYDF)**

### **MISSION**

District Heights Youth Development Foundation's mission is to perpetuate, improve, and preserve the delivery of positive youth development services for children, youth, and families in the City of District Heights and surrounding areas.

### **PROGRAMS/SERVICES**

- Mental/Behavioral Health Counseling
- Family Engagement Activities
- College & Career Support
- Creative Arts Activities

### **ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

**132**

Individuals Reached

**6**

Districts Reached



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## **D X T T H E R A P E U T I C M I S S I O N**

The mission of DXT Therapeutic Foundation is to create a quality mental health service ecosystem for individuals and families in disadvantaged communities to aid them in accomplishing the goal of leading healthy, productive lives.

## **P R O G R A M S / S E R V I C E S**

- Counseling Services
- Group Enrichment workshops and activities
- Substance Abuse Assessment and Early Intervention

## **A C C O M P L I S H M E N T S**

**\* 237**

Individuals Reached

**6, 7**

Districts Reached



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## END TIME HARVEST MINISTRIES (ETHM)

### MISSION

ETHM's mission is to engage and prepare youth in PGC for Academic, Career, and Life Success. ETHM provides outstanding cutting-edge programs that service youth and families primarily in the Port Towns of Bladensburg, Colmar Manor, Cottage City, and Edmonston.

### PROGRAMS/SERVICES

- Pathways to Career Success Program
- Wellness Ambassadors Program and Peer Meditation Training
- Jobs for Youth Summer Employment Program
- Port Towns Youth Council

### ACCOMPLISHMENTS

**1375**

Individuals Reached

**2, 5**

Districts Reached



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## E . V . O . L . V . E .

### MISSION

E.V.O.L.V.E.'s mission is to create empowerment and growth in our youth, particularly in underprivileged communities. E.V.O.L.V.E. charity efforts are guided by its core values and principles of Accountability, Character, and Service to the Community

### PROGRAMS/SERVICES

- Health & Nutrition Programs
- Wellness Programs
- Scholastic Achievement
- Workforce Development

### ACCOMPLISHMENTS

**1178**

Individuals Reached

**3, 7, 8, 9**

Districts Reached



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# HOPE AND ENCOURAGEMENT FOUNDATION

## MISSION

The mission of the Hope and Encouragement Foundation is to establish and nurture partnerships with mental health professionals, local and federal government agencies, and academic communities to offer holistic mental health awareness programs that cultivate, enhance, and sustain improved living conditions.

## PROGRAMS/SERVICES

- Mental Health Counseling Referrals
- Community Enrichment Seminars and Workshops
- Teen and Young Adult Services Focus

## ACCOMPLISHMENTS

**\* 9**

Individuals Reached

**COUNTYWIDE**

Districts Reached



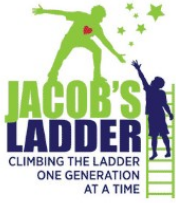
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## JACOB'S LADDER

### MISSION

Jacob's Ladder Youth Foundation faithfully serves the community through educational programming and training. The mission is to educate and reduce the number of juveniles entering and returning to the juvenile justice system. All programs help teens develop a plan for their future and reduce crime, poverty, and chronic underemployment in our communities.

### PROGRAMS/SERVICES

- Juvenile Reentry & Diversion
- Academic Enrichment
- Trade Career Academy
- Junior Workforce Academy

### ACCOMPLISHMENTS

**793**

Individuals Reached

**5, 6, 7, 8, 9**

Districts Reached



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## L A T I N   A M E R I C A N   Y O U T H C E N T E R   ( L A Y C )

### MISSION

LAYC's mission is to empower a diverse population of youth to achieve a successful transition to adulthood through multicultural, comprehensive, and innovative programs that address youths' social, academic, and career needs.

### PROGRAMS / SERVICES

- Academic Enrichment Activities
- Mentorship Support
- Gang Prevention Program
- Summer Camp

### ACCOMPLISHMENTS

**1249**

Individuals Reached

**2, 3, 5**

Districts Reached



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## LEAD4LIFE (L4L)

### MISSION

Lead4life, Inc.'s mission is to empower participants in our program to find their purpose, achieve their goals, and become poised, productive members of their community. L4L programs are developed utilizing restorative justice, strength-based models, trauma-informed approaches, client-centered practices, and community service initiatives.

### PROGRAMS/SERVICES

- Community Based Peer Support Groups
- Weekly Mentoring Program
- Workforce Development Services
- Case Management

### ACCOMPLISHMENTS

**45**

Individuals Reached

**1, 2, 3, 4**

Districts Reached



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# MAPLE SPRINGS COMMUNITY SERVICES CORPORATION (MSCSC)

## MISSION

MSCSC's mission is to produce and promote charitable, social, and educational programming related to youth empowerment, senior empowerment, job readiness, academic enrichment, restorative justice, outreach to returning citizens, and health and wellness education.

## PROGRAMS / SERVICES

- Commercial Driver Licensing (CDL)
- Soft Skills and Financial Literacy programs
- MSCSC Enrichment Program - Summer Session
- Leadership Academy
- Tutoring Program

## ACCOMPLISHMENTS

**9721**

Individuals Reached

**COUNTYWIDE**

Districts Reached



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## MISSION OF LOVE CHARITIES (MOLC)

### MISSION

Love Charities is an independent, nonpartisan, nonprofit human services organization whose mission is to empower, educate, and advocate for homeless and low-income individuals and families to diminish poverty in our community.

### PROGRAMS/SERVICES

- Food Donation
- Financial Assistance for Housing
- Job Training
- Health Care Referrals
- Free Clothing & Furniture

### ACCOMPLISHMENTS

**835**

Individuals Reached

**5, 6, 7, 8, 9**

Districts Reached



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# THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF THE ADVANCEMENT OF RETURNING CITIZENS (NAARC)

## MISSION

NAARC's mission is to improve the quality of life for returning citizens, their families, and communities, through strategic management, programming, safety initiatives, and advocacy.

## PROGRAMS/SERVICES

- Support Groups for Returning Citizens
- "One Stop" Resource Fair for returning citizens
- Development of comprehensive toolkit of reentry resources

## ACCOMPLISHMENTS

**\*17**

Individuals Reached

**5, 6, 7**

Districts Reached



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# ONE LOVE LIFE CENTER (OLLC)

## MISSION

OLLC seeks to create a world where ALL people have access to ALL resources and opportunities needed to create and maintain a sustainable livelihood. OLLC believes that individuals can function at their highest capacity when their communities work TOGETHER to contribute to their overall wellness and success.

## PROGRAMS / SERVICES

- Mental Health Counseling
- Arts Therapy/Mindfulness Therapy
- Substance Abuse Therapy
- College/Career Readiness
- Domestic Violence Interventions
- Financial Literacy

## ACCOMPLISHMENTS

**121**

Individuals Reached

**6, 7, 8, 9**

Districts Reached



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# PEOPLE FOR CHANGE COALITION

## MISSION

The People for Change Coalition is one of the fastest growing nonprofit membership organizations in Prince George's County. Their mission is to develop the nonprofit and minority business sector by providing assessment, support and expansion services. They aim to improve the quality of life in our communities via the work of nonprofits and minority businesses.

## PROGRAMS / SERVICES

- Art Education Workshops
- Food Distribution
- Voter Registrations
- Vaccine Clinic

## ACCOMPLISHMENTS

**112**

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Districts Reached



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## THE TRAINING GROUNDS (TTG)

### MISSION

For nearly eighteen years, The Training Grounds (TTG) has worked to positively impact communities of Washington, DC, and Prince George's County through an arduous yet simplistic approach to community transformation- focusing on the personal and professional development of the individuals who make up the community.

### PROGRAMS / SERVICES

- Workforce Development
- Academic and Life-skills Enrichment Programs
- Youth Leadership and Sports Development Programs

### ACCOMPLISHMENTS

**127**

Individuals Reached

**5, 6, 7**

Districts Reached



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## THE TRAINING SOURCE

### MISSION

The mission of The Training Source is to provide education, training, and services that promote positive economic mobility. In offering comprehensive programs and services, they aim to develop people - not just skills.

### PROGRAMS/SERVICES

- Comprehensive Employment Training
- Wrap-Around Community Support Services
- Youth Leadership Program
- Youth Job Readiness Training

### ACCOMPLISHMENTS

**9591**

Individuals Reached

**COUNTYWIDE**

Districts Reached



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# UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND CAPITAL REGIONAL HEALTH (UMCAP)

## MISSION

The University of Maryland Prince George's Hospital Center now named University of Maryland Capital Region Medical Center (UMCAP) is a nonprofit, level II trauma center that serves Prince George's County and its surrounding areas. HIA has partnered with the hospital to support the maintenance and expansion of its Capital Region Violence Intervention Program (CAP-VIP).

## PROGRAMS/SERVICES

- Hospital based Violence Intervention
- Comprehensive Psychosocial Services and Case Management
- Conflict Resolution
- Post-Hospitalization Support of Clinical and Psychosocial needs

## ACCOMPLISHMENTS

**\* 88**

Individuals Reached

**COUNTYWIDE**

Districts Reached



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## WELLBEING

### MISSION

WellBeing is a non-profit organization focused on educating, empowering, and enlightening women through spiritual formation and mental health awareness. Wellbeing Inc. regularly hosts outreach activities such as days of enrichment, forums, and retreats to promote positive mental well-being and spirituality.

### PROGRAMS/SERVICES

- Anger Management
- Grief Management
- Conflict Resolution
- Stress Management

### ACCOMPLISHMENTS

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Individuals Reached

**COUNTYWIDE**

Districts Reached



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## **WORLD ARTS FOCUS / JOE'S MOVEMENT EMPORIUM - CREATIVE SUITLAND**

### **MISSION**

Joe's/CS mission is to inspire creativity through cultural experiences supporting arts education, job training, and a creative community. As a cultural arts hub that dually acts as a catalyst for economic opportunity, the organization aims to identify and respond to community needs and endeavors to support community wellness, academic and career success, antiracism, and the local economy.

### **PROGRAMS / SERVICES**

- Art Education Workshops
- Food Distribution
- Voter Registrations
- Vaccine Clinic

### **ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

**352**

Individuals Reached

**2, 3, 5, 6, 7**

Districts Reached



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# **P R E V E N T I O N   T A S K F O R C E**

Gun violence remains a pressing issue in Prince George's County. These recommendations aim to provide a framework for addressing the complexities of this issue through evidence-based solutions. It is crucial to note that there is no one-size-fits-all approach to reducing gun violence, and collaboration between stakeholders is vital for the successful implementation of these strategies. By taking decisive steps now, we can protect our community and secure a safer, more prosperous future for all residents.



# R E C O M M E N D A T I O N S

## **A D D R E S S   S O C I A L   A N D   E C O N O M I C I N E Q U A L I T Y**

- Advocate for state and federal support in addressing social determinants that contribute to gun violence.
- Invest in social programs aimed at poverty reduction, job creation, and education in neighborhoods with high rates of gun violence.

## **I M P R O V E   M E N T A L   H E A L T H   S E R V I C E S**

- Allocate funding for mental health programs targeting at-risk populations.
- Establish a screening mechanism within schools to identify early signs of emotional distress and potential for violence.

**STRENGTHEN COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS**

- Form collaborations between government agencies, schools, community organizations, and law enforcement to exchange information, insights, and strategies.
- Collaborate with local universities and colleges to establish research centers dedicated to studying the causes and consequences of gun violence in our region.

**BUILD COMMUNITY AND SCHOOL-BASED PROGRAMS**

- Collaborate with schools to establish trauma-informed support services for students who have witnessed or been affected by gun violence.
- Establish and strengthen after-school programs that offer recreational and educational opportunities as alternatives to violent behavior.

**SUPPORT VICTIMS AND THEIR FAMILIES**

- Establish specialized trauma-informed victim support services for those affected by gun violence, including survivors and their families.
- Create a fund to provide financial assistance to victims and their families for medical expenses, funeral costs, and other related financial burdens.

## **INVEST IN EVIDENCE-BASED INTERVENTIONS**

- Support evidence-based interventions and focused deterrence strategies.
- Create a central repository of research findings and best practices to facilitate knowledge sharing among stakeholders.
- Collaborate with national and international organizations to exchange insights on successful evidence-based programs.

## **DEVELOP A FUNDING STRATEGY**

- Pursue sources of possible funding opportunities through grants, federal programs, public-private partnerships, and corporate sponsorship.
- Engage local policymakers and show the benefits of gun violence prevention and advocate for a portion of the county budget to be allocated to such programs, using data and case studies to support the request.

## **INCREASE PUBLIC EDUCATION AND AWARENESS**

- Develop a youth-informed and led public information campaign focused on the causes and consequences of gun violence.
- Use social media, community events, and schools as platforms for spreading awareness.

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"We must accept finite disappointment, but never lose infinite hope."

-Martin Luther King, Jr.

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