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#### SUBJECT: ONE SECOND COLLABORATIVE UPDATE

The purpose of this informal report is to provide an update on the One Second Collaborative with United Way of Tarrant County.

On September 27, 2022, Mayor and Council approved an agreement with United Way of Tarrant County to implement One Second Collaborative Youth Gun Violence Project in an amount up to \$4,411,080.00. On December 1, 2022, contract 58522 was issued for a term from December 2022 until May 31, 2025. United Way submitted quarterly and semi-annual reports with a final comprehensive report submitted in June. This informal report will summarize the contract deliverables for activities under that agreement.

This contract had four primary objectives in order to achieve the goal of "reducing violent crime in targeted communities, improve capacity of community-based organizations, and suppress youth gun violence." These objectives are as follows:

- 1. Complete and approve One Second Implementation Plan.
- 2. Reduce teen shooting deaths by 5% annually as demonstrated by FWPD crime data.
- 3. Decrease violent crime in the City of Fort Worth by 10% in 12-months.
- 4. Sustain project successes beyond the project period.

The following sections will summarize the results of reports submitted by United Way of Tarrant County during the contract period.

# Objective 1: Implementation Plan

The Steering Committee represented community stakeholders including nine zip codes with high reported violent crime and representation from applicant community organizations. Criteria was established and applications were received from 20 agencies. Those chosen for representation were as follows:

- Zip Codes: 76134, 76106, 76112, 76119, 76116, 76104, 76105, 76036, 76133
- <u>Community Agencies</u>: Mothers of Murdered Angels, Lena Pope, One Safe Place, Center for Children's Health, Violence Intervention and Prevention (VIP), Community Frontline, Communities in Schools, and Strategies to Elevate People of Color.

The Steering Committee commenced with work on April 29, 2023 with subsequent meetings taking place monthly focusing on key areas:

<u>Deliverable:</u> The Implementation Plan was approved by the Committee and addressed 10 focus areas and 47 objectives. According to the final performance report, all objectives were completed (*Performance Report, pp. 4-6*). Additionally, the 2024 Community Needs Assessment was published.

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## Objective 2: Reduce teen shooting deaths by 5% annually.

The project's efforts to impact teen shooting deaths (Objective #2) and violent crime (Objective #3) were to identify partnering agencies through a 'request for application' process in the areas of intervention, outreach workers, prevention, suppression, and reentry. The programs had established metrics that were designed to evaluate their impact. Applications were received and reviewed by a 20-member review panel. Award selections were made to 18 applicant agencies resulting in \$2.1M in Phase 1 (July 2023). Phase 2 included both microgrants and continuation grants (September 2024). Microgrants were awarded in October 2024 to 12 agencies in the amount of \$89,500 consisting of "small-scale community awareness projects". Continuation grants were awarded to 15 agencies in the amount of \$800,000 in January 2025. Agency names are provided at the end of this document.

Outputs for grantee funding are as follows:

- 63 zip codes served
- 52 crime prevention programs
- 18,175 total participants
- 7,136 participants ages 13-24
- 285 community events
- 732 contacts made
- 118 identified gang members
- 1,686 youth receiving direct violence interruption
- 4,297 families receiving affordable housing assistance
- 1,137 improved behavior
- 683 improved school attendance

Participant outcomes for funding are as follows:

- 78% reported an improvement in their attitude
- 83% demonstrated positive life change
- 70% avoided behaviors that could lead to arrest

<u>Deliverable</u>: Data for the period indicates a 58% drop in teen shooting deaths during the time that programming was delivered in the community. Due to the nature of crime, these results cannot be directly linked to the implementation of these services.

#### Objective 3: Decrease violent crime by 10% in 12-months.

As described above, OSC programming activities were deployed at a time where violent crime was reduced. Overall, the City of Fort Worth has seen a significant decrease in violent crime. The results of overall crime, including violent crime, has placed Fort Worth in the national spotlight. As reported in the *Fort Worth Star-Telegram*, Fort Worth ranked third among 50 cities

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according to the September 2025 *SmartAsset* study. This recognition highlights the joint efforts to make Fort Worth safer.

<u>Deliverable</u>: Date for the period indicates a 13% reduction in violent crime during the period that programming was delivered in the community. Due to the nature of crime, these results cannot be directly linked to the implementation of these services.

#### Objective 4: Sustain project successes beyond the project period.

The final objective to sustain impact beyond the project period was conducted by the contracted third-party evaluator, *Steady State Impact Strategies*. Their role was to develop a program evaluation and sustainability plan. Agencies receiving funding met directly with the contractor, resulting in a strategic framework that outlines "pathways from program activities to desired outcomes" (*OSC Semi-Annual Outcomes Report*).

### Sustainability achievements:

Theory of Change including activities, outputs, and outcomes

Sustainability recommendations include the following:

- Shared Measures for grantees with clear definitions
- Balance output and outcome measures
- Review future reporting requirements
- Provide support to strengthen grantee agency operations
- Build trust and collaboration through cross grantee interaction and learning

Deliverable: One Second Collaborative Comprehensive Report (United Way)

#### Summary

The conclusion of the One Second Collaborative contract yielded impact in the form of changes to behavior, attitudes, and reported life changes. These outcomes are occurred at the same time the City had reductions in youth gun violence and violent crime.

Moving forward, OSC agencies are assessing CCPD Partners with a Shared Mission funding as an option for sustainability of programming. OSC funded programs align in several current priority funding areas including *Violent Crime, Victim Assistance, and Previously Adjudicated Persons*. With the recent updates to the United Way's strategic direction, City staff are reviewing the final report to inform current planning efforts, specifically in the areas of common measures and model programming.

Additional questions or information requests should be directed to Robert Alldredge, Executive Assistant Chief of Police at (817) 392-4131.

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## Referenced Documents:

- Performance Report and Implementation Plan (United Way)
- Community Needs Assessment (United Way)
- One Second Collaborative Comprehensive Report (Steady State Impact)

#### **Appendix**

Committee
Chief Robert Alldredge (FWPD)
Roderick Miles, Jr. (Tarrant County)
CM Carlos Flores (City of Fort Worth)
CM Jared Williams (City of Fort Worth)
Leah King (United Way)
Michael Heiskell (United Way)
Dr. Michael McFarland (Crowley ISD)
Dr. Angelica Ramsey (Fort Worth ISD)
73134 Representative
76106 Representative
76112 Representative
76119 Representative
76116 Representative
76104 Representative
76105 Representative
76010 Representative
76011 Representative
76036 Representative

OSC Funded Agencies	Total Funded
Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Tarrant County*	95,000
Building Pathways*	244,000
CHAMP	10,000
Communities in Schools*	60,000
Community Frontline	58,000
Crowley ISD*	8,000
EmpathyHQ	100,000
Empower EQ	7,000
Fort Worth Connect	140,000
Jewel's Comfort Keeper*	10,000
Journey4Ward*	91,752
Just a Queen	7,000
LVT Rise*	50,531
Mothers of Murdered Angels	95,000
N2C Youth and Community Services	8,000
Nex Metropolitan	5,500
One Safe Place*	50,000
Opening Door to Women in Need	8,000
Recovery Resource Council*	155,000
Seasons of Change Inc	170,000
Strategies to Elevate People of Color	95,000
Survive and Thrive Education	104,760
Tarrant County College Foundation	25,000
TFT Organization*	8,000
The Glory Impact Center	2,000
The Legacy Group of Como	8,000
VIP Fort Worth*	1,140,000
Volunteers of America Texas	20,000
YMCA of Greater Tarrant County	120,000
Youth Advocate Program	150,000

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