



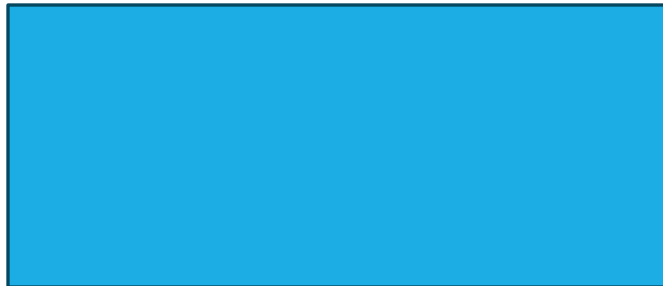
OFFICE OF VIOLENCE PREVENTION COLUMBIA, MISSOURI

Building Safer Communities
Through Collaboration and
Innovation

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Trauma Informed – Community
Oriented System of Care (TI-COSC)

Collaborative, synergistic approach
to community engagement,
intervention, and enrichment



MISSION + VISION + PURPOSE

Mission: To address the root causes of violence and to support long-term community health and wellbeing, by focusing on coordinating the development, implementation and evaluation of prevention, intervention, and community enrichment and the continued development of programs to sustain coordinated initiatives. Achieved by collaborating with law enforcement, community-based organizations (CBOs), government agencies and other key community stakeholders.

Vision: Columbia is the best place for everyone to live, work, learn, and play.

Purpose: To convene likeminded partnerships that wholistically address the root causes of violence, specifically community enrichment, education, financial stability, and health, both mental and physical to disrupt communal and familial cyclical patterns that may perpetuate violence and hinder flourishing.

Community Engagement: Foster trust and collaboration with residents.

Violence Disruption: Implement and expand programs to disrupt cycles of violence.

Youth Engagement: Evaluate, strengthen, and develop initiatives positively engaging youth.

Policy Advocacy: Advocate for policies that address root causes of violence.

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES

CORE FUNCTIONS

Community Coordination: Collaborate with neighborhood leaders, non-profit, service providers, and public agencies to coordinate effective violence prevention strategies that reflect the needs of the community.

Data-Informed Strategies: Being guided by data by collecting and analyzing information to better understand trends, identify risk factors, and shape programs that make measurable impact.

Program Development & Evaluation: Assist in design and management of programs that aim to address root causes of violence by monitoring efforts closely to ensure they're effective and that they impact the problems they identify.

Supported Sustainability & Capacity: Coordinate with community stakeholders to expand resources for efforts that disrupt root causes to violence as well as assist CBOs with grant writing and funding support.

OVP STRATEGIC PLAN OUTLOOK & TIMELINE



Phase 1: Assessment & Alignment (Days 1-80)



Phase 2: Strategy & Stakeholder Mobilization (Days 81-130)



Phase 3: Initial Implementation & Communication (Days 131-240)

PHASE 1: ASSESSMENT & ALIGNMENT

Objectives:

- Understand current operations and data
- Establish internal and external trust
- Identify immediate violence trends and hotspots



Key Actions:

- Internal Briefings & Staff One-on-Ones
- Data Collection & Review
- Community & Stakeholder Engagement
- Map Existing Resources

PHASE 2: STRATEGY & STAKEHOLDER MOBILIZATION

Objectives:

- Coordinate a short-term tactical response plan
- Build strategic partnerships
- Align stakeholders around common goals



Key Actions:

- Form a Violence Prevention Advisory Committee
- Create a Rapid Response Protocol
- Engage Youth & Community Leaders
- Identify Strategic Focus Areas

PHASE 3: INITIAL IMPLEMENTATION & COMMUNICATION

Objectives:

- Launch pilot efforts and develop community wins
- Begin to shift the communal narrative and build public trust
- Plan for succession and sustainability for effective longevity



Key Actions:

- Pilot Disruptive Initiatives for High-Impact Areas
- Launch a Public Awareness Campaign
- Develop a Long-Term Strategic Planning Framework

EVIDENCE-BASED INTERVENTION STRATEGIES

Cognitive Intervention (CBT)

Focused Deterrence

Group Violence Intervention (GVI)

Neighborhood based outreach and investment

OVP EVIDENCE-BASED INITIATIVES

Cognitive Intervention (CBT)

- Community Mental Health for Practical Community Application Trainings

Focused Deterrence

- Community Navigation Liaisons

Neighborhood based outreach and investment

- Neighborhood Opportunity & Community Accountability Proconsul (NOCAP)

MEASURING SUCCESS



Key Performance Indicators (KPIs):

Reduction in violent crime rates

Increased community engagement and trust

Coordination of intervention, prevention, and enrichment programs



Evaluation Methods:

Regular data analysis and reporting

Advisory and neighborhood committee oversight

Public feedback sessions and continued input

REFERENCES

Offices of Violence Prevention Toolkit (NICJR + National OVP Network)

KC Blueprint for violence prevention and a safe and healthy community (City of KC health department + Violence Free KC + Mid-America Regional Council [MARC] + Health Commission)

Group Violence Intervention [GVI] Implementation Guide (National Network for Safe Communities, US Department of Justice + Office of Community Oriented Policing Services [COPS])

Urban Gun Violence Reduction (Department of City & Regional Planning & School of Public Health, Center for Global Healthy Cities, University of California, Berkeley + Advance Peace Program)



THANK YOU!

When “I” is replaced with “we”, even illness becomes wellness. — Malcolm X