

Gun Crime Response

Metro Safe Streets Task Force



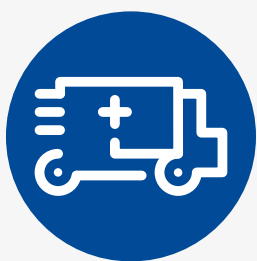
3 local law enforcement agencies: Portland Police, Multnomah County Sheriff, Gresham Police Department

2 federal law enforcement agencies: the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF)

The frequency of gun violence in Portland and greater Multnomah County demands an immediate response to quell the staggering statistics.

There have been nearly 300 non-suicide shootings in Portland in 2021.

Countywide, there have been more than 30 homicides, nearly half involving a firearm.



32%

Injury Shootings

Approximately 32% of the shootings from 2021 in Portland have resulted in an injury.



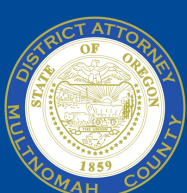
50%

Disparity

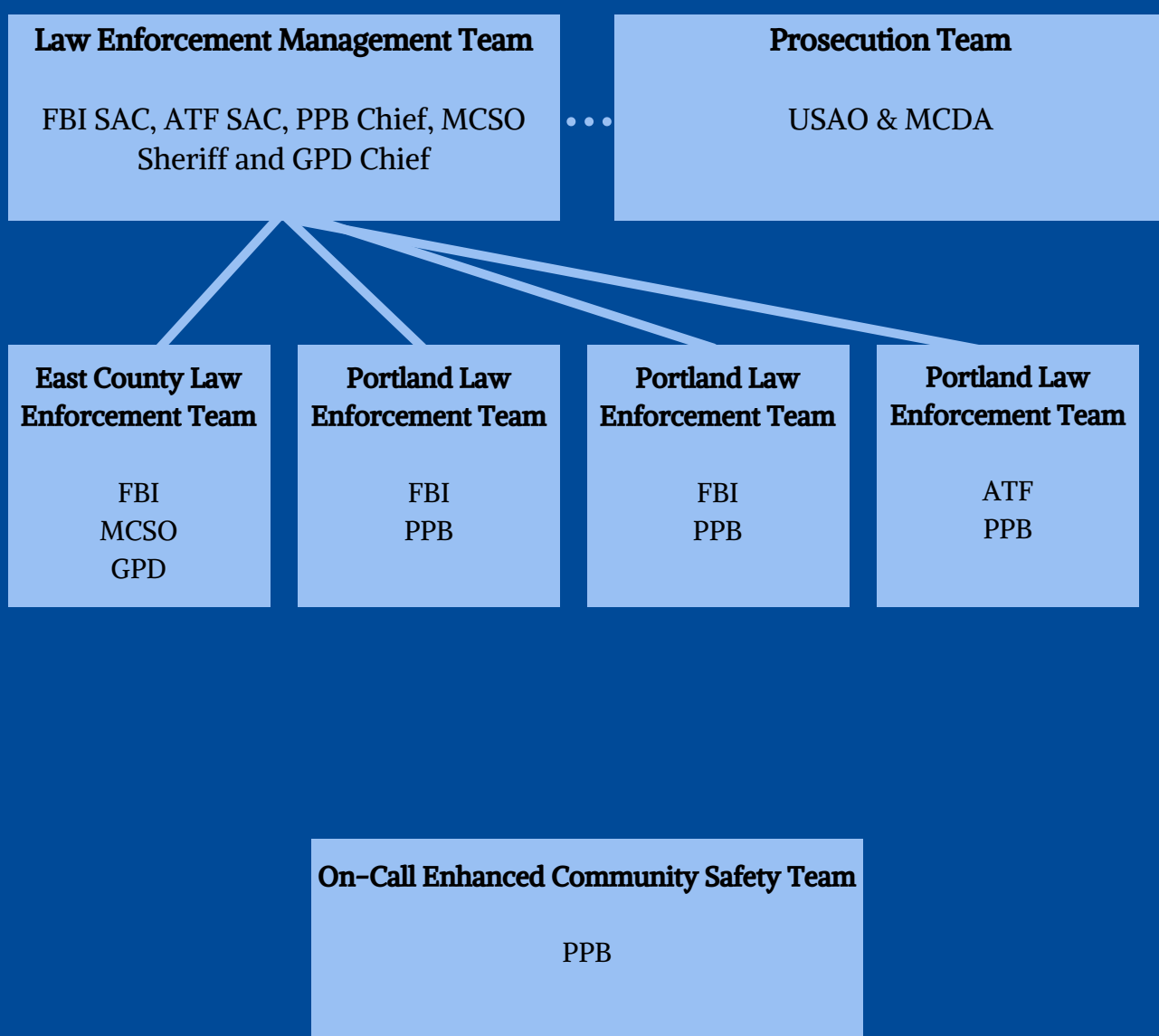
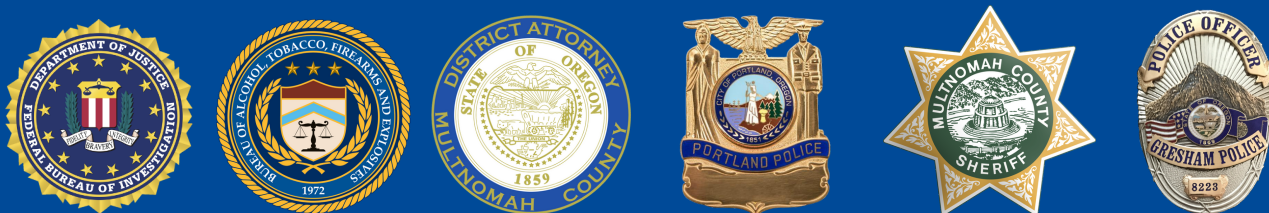
Roughly 50% of the victims of gun violence injuries in Portland are Black

The data around gun violence in Portland and greater Multnomah County is compelling and the number of people killed by gun violence so far in 2021 further amplifies the urgency to act now to bring about a unified investigative approach.

We all have a role in stopping gun violence.



Metro Safe Streets Task Force Organizational Chart



Key

- ATF – Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives
- FBI – Federal Bureau of Investigation
- GPD – Gresham Police Department
- MCSO – Multnomah County Sheriff’s Office
- PPB – Portland Police Bureau
- SAC- Special Agent in Charge
- SSA – Supervisory Special Agent

METRO SAFE STREETS TASK FORCE

Investigative Steps

Gun Crime Occurs

GUN VIOLENCE MAY BE UNDERREPORTED

Community members are reminded to call 9-1-1 to report any shooting, the sounds of gun fire or any gun crime so law enforcement, medical and crisis response teams can be notified.

Law Enforcement Response

SAFE STREET TASK FORCE MEMBERS TO BE NOTIFIED, RESPOND

Depending on the type of shooting, law enforcement will respond to the scene and members of the Safe Street Task Force will be notified. In Portland, the on-call Enhanced Community Safety Team will be available to respond to any shooting upon request.

Investigation Phase

SAFE STREET TASK FORCE PROVIDES INVESTIGATIVE RESOURCES

Members of the SSTF will have access to federal forensic testing and analysis, including the National Integrated Ballistic Information Network (NIBIN), which allows for the capture and comparison of ballistic evidence to aid in solving and preventing violent crimes involving firearms.

Prosecution Referral

COLLABORATIVE DISCUSSION ON PROSECUTION REFERRALS

A determination will be made on a case-by-case basis whether the prosecution of an SSTF case will be at the state or federal level. This determination will be based on the evidence obtained and in the interests of justice and community safety.

Criminal Prosecution

ONCE JURISDICTION IS SETTLED, ALL RESOURCES SUPPORT TRIAL TEAM

All law enforcement agencies will cooperate, communicate and collaborate to prosecute and slow the surging gun crimes in Multnomah County, Oregon.

Potential Staffing Levels for Metro Safe Streets Task Force



- 11 Portland Police Bureau officers assigned as Metro Safe Streets Task Force Officers



- 3 Portland Police Bureau supervisors assigned as Metro Safe Streets Task Force Officers



- 6 Portland Police Bureau detectives assigned as Metro Safe Streets Task Force Officers



- 1 supervisor from the Multnomah County Sheriff's Office**



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- 1 supervisor from the Gresham Police Department**



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- 1 Supervisory Special Agent from the FBI as a Metro Safe Streets Task Force member



- 4 Special Agents from the FBI as Metro Safe Streets Task Force members



- 1 Supervisory Special Agent from the ATF as a Metro Safe Streets Task Force member



- Up to 4 Special Agents from the ATF as Metro Safe Streets Task Force members



*The total number of Portland Police sworn members is not expected to reach over 20, but may be fewer

**These positions will not be designated as task force officers

A COMMUNITY-BASED RESPONSE

THE CURE TO CRIME START WITH COMMUNITY

National evidence shows local organizations formed to confront violent crime and build stronger communities have a direct and significant role in reducing crime

12%



For every 10 additional community nonprofits in a city with 100,000 residents leads to a 12% reduction in the homicide rate

"Tackling gun violence necessitates a much broader approach than any one system can provide. While dedicated investigative law enforcement and public safety resources will always be needed, without a holistic approach including health, education, community outreach and peace organizations - we will always be chasing the harm," DA Mike Schmidt



Public officials have the responsibility to work in partnership with the community to galvanize every possible resource to prevent, intervene, investigate, and suppress gun violence.



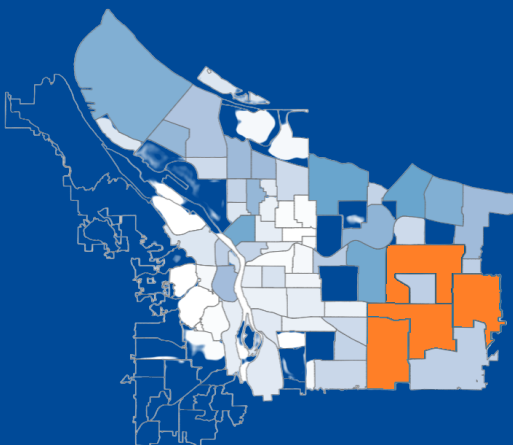
VIOLENCE INTERRUPTERS

Locally, we need to support violence interrupters who establish relationships with the most high-risk young people in the community, usually young men between the ages of 15 and 30.



ADDRESSING THE NEEDS

We need to address the social factors such as poverty; joblessness; weak ties to full time housing, education and employment; and the lack of access to basic resources to increase a person's prospects of not becoming criminally involved.



The cycle of this rampant gun violence is disproportionately impacting southeast Portland with the Hazelwood, Powellhurst-Gilbert, Centennial, and Lents neighborhoods caught in the crosshairs.

Number of shooting incidents reported in each neighborhood during CY 2020

