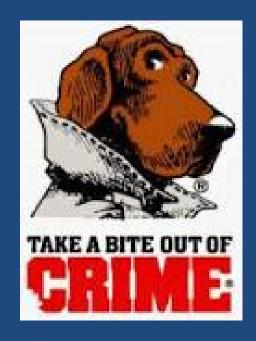
Crime Awareness & Prevention



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So what is an assistant district attorney?

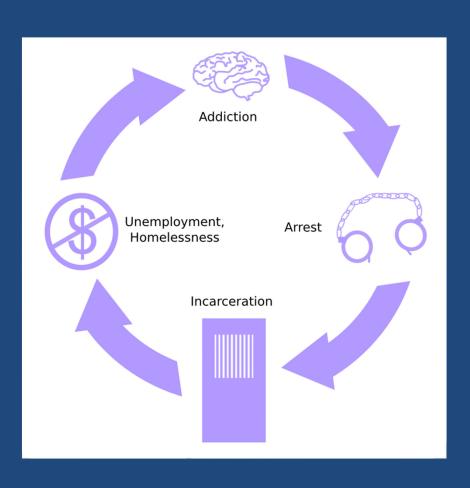


What are some common crimes?

- Drugs
- Firearms
- Robbery
- Breaking and entering
- Physical assaults



Why do some people commit crimes?



- Drugs
- Mental illness
- Gang involvement
- Desperation

Crime Awareness & Prevention Programs

- CompStat
- GLEAN
- Safety First
- Substance Abuse Court

CompStat

Comparative Statistics

- Program that began at the New York City police department
- System of identifying, mapping, responding, and monitoring crime
- Goal is to reduce crime by focusing and coordinating resources where they are needed most

CompStat Components

- Regular meetings to discuss recent crimes and trends
- Map generated depicting where crimes occurred
- Commanders discuss actions taken to address crime trends
- Information sharing among different groups within the police department

Crime Map

http://www.crimemapping.com/Map.aspx?aid= 757087ee-5d73-4726-9505-4e1ac44d2f0b

Crime Data Report

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http://www.crimemapping.com/DetailedReport.
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GLEAN

Greater Lowell Evaluation & Advocacy Network

- "High risk team" focused on intimate partner relationships that are at risk for violence
- Partnership between public agencies and private service providers
- Using danger assessment tools, the team identifies cases that pose the highest level of danger and develop safety plans to contain the offender and assist the victim

GLEAN continued

- Any team member can present a case for review
- Arrest/criminal charges are not a prerequisite for review
- Information is shared among partners so that the appropriate agency/provider can take action to contain the offender and/or assist the victim

The Goal of GLEAN

- Ask the right questions to identify those at the highest risk
- Important for law enforcement; important for victims
- http://www.myfoxtwincities.com/story/23642 465/domestic-violence-app-offers-20questions-to-assess-risk

Safety First

- Collaborative between law enforcement, other government agencies, and community groups
- Goal is to identify gang members and gang issues present in the community

Why is it important to track gangs/gang members?

- Gangs are organized crime groups that are often involved in drug, gun, and violent crime
- Rivalries between gangs can lead to public safety issues
- Gangs are always trying to recruit new members
- New gangs are always forming

Substance Abuse Court AKA Drug Court

- Collaboration between court officials, law enforcement, and service providers
- Program for non-violent offenders who are facing lengthy incarceration
- Treatment-based probation focused on maintaining sobriety and building life skills to avoid future crimes

Remember the cycle of crime we talked about?

