• **Background**

  • Joint collaborative with the City of Oxnard and the County of Ventura.

  • Purpose of the Alliance is to prevent violence in Oxnard through prevention, intervention, and suppression strategies, and to better utilize and coordinate resources.

  • City of Oxnard joined California Cities Gang Prevention Network in January of 2007.

  • The SAFETY Blueprint (Strategic Action Framework for Empowered and Thriving Youth) was adopted by City Council on March 10, 2009.

  • Purpose of the SAFETY Blueprint is to describe range of elements needed to increase positive outcomes for young people, reduce violence, shift social norms, and promote safety for all.
## Prevention Continuum

**Prevention**
- Oxnard Alliance for Community Strength
- Schools
- Positive Parenting Classes
- First Five of Ventura County
- Recreation and Community Services

**Intervention**
- Office of Youth Safety
- Ventura County Behavioral Health
- Ventura County Human Services Agency
- Alternative Schools
- City Corp

**Suppression and Enforcement**
- Oxnard Police Department
- Ventura County Probation
- Ventura County Courts
The SAFETY Blueprint Action Plan

• The goals established for youth, families, schools, neighborhoods, and Citywide are:
  • Every young person in Oxnard can name a caring adult in his/her life.
  • Every parent/guardian in Oxnard has the skills to foster positive relationships and home environment.
  • All schools have coordinated support for at-risk youth (in or out of school).
  • Highly impacted neighborhoods in Oxnard are saturated with a coordinated strategy of public and private efforts across the continuum of prevention, intervention, and suppression/enforcement.
  • Every public and private agency and community member in Oxnard recognizes the importance and power of honoring and embracing cultural strengths and values in their homes, workplace and community to create safe and thriving environments.
Highlights for 2015

• Engage 50 partners in a dialogue about youth violence (focusing on how community violence impacts youth).

• Strengthen parenting skills by blanketing neighborhoods with Triple P parenting seminars. Train 30 parent leaders on parent leadership.

• Plan and promote (with schools and other Alliance partners) a Restorative Justice Summit for 50 local partners.

• Convene 20 facilitators of community healing circles to build a network of people to support community resiliency in the wake of violence.

• Obtain Memorandums of Understanding from 5 partners to use volunteers trained in critical incident response in the wake of a violent incident.

• Develop an Adverse Children Experiences Connection group for Ventura County.
OXNARD ALLIANCE FOR COMMUNITY STRENGTH

**ACTION PLAN INDICATORS**

The Oxnard ALLIANCE for Community Strength is a collaborative between the City of Oxnard and the County of Ventura to reduce youth violence in Oxnard. The ALLIANCE strives to reflect the voice of the community and aims to include representatives from all sectors of the community with the mission “to develop and provide coordinated resources to create a safe environment for our youth and families in their homes, schools and community.” The vision of the ALLIANCE is a thriving Oxnard in which all people feel safe and all young people have hope and opportunity supported by caring adults, strong families, and empowered communities.

**YOUTH & SCHOOLS**

Support academic success by fostering school and community connectedness

- **38,000** K-12 students served by involved Community Partners

**FAMILIES**

Strengthen the capacity of families to provide supportive home environments for young people

- **20** Number of parents who received training to develop leadership capacity and establish a parent leader network

- **176** Number of policymakers to be engaged in Alliance-sponsored activities

**NEIGHBORHOODS**

Foster socially connected neighborhood environments

- **12** Community Partner organizations engaged in planning

- **5** Organizations to sign an MOU

- **7,000** Number of persons to be engaged in community conversations and activities in La Colonia

- **500+** Number of persons to be engaged in community conversations and activities in La Colonia through Voices de la Comunidad

**GOAL:** Every parent and guardian in Oxnard can foster positive relationships and home environments

**GOAL:** All schools have coordinated support for at-risk youth and school connectedness

**GOAL:** Highly-impacted neighborhoods are saturated with a coordinated Neighborhood Response strategy
Partnerships:

- Aspiranet
- Behavioral Health
- Board of State and Community Corrections
- Boys & Girls Club of Oxnard
- Cabrillo Economic Development Corporation
- The California Endowment
- Casa Pacifica
- Child Development Resources
- City Impact
- Clergy Council
- Community Members
- County of Ventura Human Services Agency
- County of Ventura Probation Agency
- First 5 Ventura County
- Hueneme School District
- Mixteco Indigenous Community Organizing Project
- National League of Cities
- National League of Cities Institute for Youth, Education & Families
- National Council on Crime and Delinquency
- Ocean View School District
- Oxnard Elementary School District
- Oxnard Union High School District
- Pacific Clinics TAY Tunnel
- Parents
- Parents of Murdered Children
- Partnership for Safe Families & Communities
- Prevention Institute
- Rio School District
- Ventura County Office of Education
- Ventura County Medical Center
- Voces de la Comunidad
• **Recommendation**
  
  • Approve and authorize the Mayor to execute a Second Amendment to Agreement (5885-12-CM) with DH Green Consulting for the term of October 14, 2014, to September 30, 2015, in the amount of $100,000, bringing the total contract amount to $300,000 (with $150,000 reimbursed by the County of Ventura for the life of the contract).
QUESTIONS