

Southeast Seattle Crime Prevention Council - Southeast Weed & Seed Meeting Notes from Wed., October 4, 2006

Call to order: 7:00pm by Neale Frothingham with 58 in attendance

City of Seattle Department of Corrections (DOC) – Jim Thorburn

15-30 work-crews get sent out a day. The work is important to the crew members. DOC has partnerships with Seattle Municipal, WA State Department of Ecology King County, and WA State King County DAJD. SPU & KC DAJD have the biggest partnerships. DAJD was sponsored by Dwight Pelz as a part of his discretionary funds. Before Pelz left he swung his discretionary funds into general funds. Dave wants to know what is KC work crew doing in city.

& King County Department of Adult and Juvenile Detention (DAJD) – David Winger

DAJD has partnered for 10 years with DOC. Larry Gossett is getting calls, because of rumors that DAJD was pulling out of Rainier Valley. After getting numbers of calls, it was clear the impact of work-crew on Valley.

Larry Gossett had already dedicated his discretionary funds so he couldn't allocate them to DAJD. But money is still in general funds. There is no current plan to change what is going on in the Valley. DAJD is still invested and supported.

Since 1995 we've watched the work-crew grow out of doing nothing to something keeping streets cleaner. The work-crews are as important to the Valley as the Police Department. Please take back to Larry.

DOC runs 4-6 crews a day. DAJD runs three times that.

One notices Paulette can't get to everything she used to [not that it doesn't get done]. Where is her time going?

Underground work. Where the street begins SDOT owns it area. It's just taking time.

Dave will continue to be apart of this forum.

We appreciate the work-crews very much - why doesn't DAJD get a contract with city. – Politics. All stuff with Mapes Creek grants and funding, we'd like to see Seattle follow up on that responsibility. King County through DNR has invested in Mapes Creek.

#7 and #9 are KC things that have a big impact on Rainier corridor. King County's highest crime in count happens in Seattle. Is there some investment of having kids that that create crimes out here do service out here? There are lots of contracts – city pays for intergovernmental, King County pays for other things so no contract need to be in place.

Community Court – Stephanie Tschida, City Attorney's office

Engage misdemeanor, low-level, non-violent offenders in doing service instead of jail time. A Community Advisory Board works with partners to identify to community service opportunities. City Advisory Board meets quarterly no representative from Rainier Beach will meet monthly.

Through Bureau of Justice Admin (BJR) we are 26th State in Country to do community service justice

Opening up citywide. Start with East Precinct because Stephanie familiar with East. Getting ready to start with SE.

Looking seriously at Mapes Creek. Community Court like drug court is for low-level offenders (for people who would serve ~5 days or less get out and re-offend.) If South doesn't get involved Offenders from this area will get into this program, but won't do service in south.

Action: identify places in S. that would be willing to participate sit on board.

Eligibility for low-level offenders:

1st Level Diversion – charge with crime get letter make contact with Parole Officers and get sent in pass pay \$75 and not offend for period of time

2nd Level – 2nd time offender appears in court and need social services (may need, drug, alcohol, employment training, housing)

Adults average age 38y.

What is low-level offense? – criminal trespass addicts – that find and sleep in building. (Offender spends 2 days in jail, then goes back to that spot.) Community Building – gets connected to Transit Housing upfront. Help people who get arrested get services that they need small possession, prostitution(not traffic), shop lifting.

King County has big community component, engage them. Initially sent community servers to a non-profit like United Way. All people doing community service are living in community.

I can't watch workers all day – can I leave them? Yes, but job won't be done when you get back. There will be an intern, but won't be enough to supervise. Associates are available, but can't supervise every project.

Most of our problems are youth based. Do you have any thing that will address that problem? Can look into that.

Clean Dreams – Save Our Streets (SOS)

Daryl – Case Manager, Jose Wilcox – Outreach – frontline workers, Kelly Jefferson – frontline workers

Partnered with RBEC and SPD. Tailor made for Rainier Beach Hustlers.

- Outreach focuses on young adults 18-24 (26 or 27y if needed) trying to change.
 - o Integration of youth with involve in police system
 - o Monitor youth with mental health, drug and alcohol treatment
 - o Creating overall reduction of fear of crime.
- Target goal 20 young adults who have previous drug/prostitution convicts hangout on Rainier & Henderson.
- Police Department if arrested referred to this program.
- Recidivism rate for those 70% if get education. Drops to 33% with 2yr degree and to 0% with 4 year degree.

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- A lot of young adults get caught up in lifestyle. Clean Dreams builds a relationship with them. Talks to them and hang out, ask what they're interested in. If interested in school, they take them to sign up. Only program where more money goes to services than staffing.

Who funds Clean Dreams? How long has it been in existence? How long will last? How many people? City of Seattle, KC, Council Members fund the project. It has been in existence for 3 months, been talked about for a year. It's a pilot project. 10 people on Roster so far, funding runs out at end of year.

How do you tract crimes not committed? How do you know? One requirement for the youth is to meet once a week and set goals. Clean Dreams follows up on their goals. At end of program, researchers will follow up and see if they've been in jail.

How do you partner with education? Find out what they want to do, (like vocational school, HS GED or College), then help them (take them) through that college process.

Do you have connection with Goodwill? Most connections with Strive Project.

What is the typical profile of people you are dealing with? Socio-Economics – full of family structure issues, on the street raising themselves. Most don't have a GED. Have dropped out of school. Hang out in front of house.

Action: Hang flyer about program on kiosk.

If make \$1000 on the street why would you want to chance? Because not what want - a must. Helping families. We want to let them know there is another way.

The success of these 20 youth are an example – will lead their friends by example. November 11th community forum. New location. 9400 Rainier Ave S. above dental office.

SPD Reports

How many officers on each shift? 3rd watch (7pm-4am) = 12 on good day, strive for 10. 2nd watch (3am – Noon) = 12 on good day, strive for 10. 1st watch (11am-8pm) = 6-8.

SE has had an unscathed summer, but a crazy Last 3 Weeks

Date	Incident
9/21	Homicide in front of JN square
9/23	Domestic Violence – ended up dead as result of fight
9/23	Kidnapping of 1year old child. Parent went into house with car running and kid inside “for a minute”.
9/25	3500 person stabbed to death
9/26	Shot 5 times
9/29	7400 block officer window shot out
9/29	(after midnight) serious crash – people survived
10/1	Serious crash (same place) – no survivors

Where were there serious crashes? 10400 block 300-400 yards city limits beyond ball fields after straightening out.

What was so difficult about the last car accident was that it took so long to clear out. Car was going so fast that it virtually exploded about a block and a half. Debris covered 3 blocks.

- Best arrests come out of traffic stops. SPD will continue to make stops for the slightest incident.
 - o August 30th 38 traffic tickets; September 6th 58 traffic tickets; September 28th 51 traffic tickets
- 3 Specific Steps in Rainier Avenue S.
 - o spread radar trailers (has effect on city) (2 weeks) deployment around city limits
 - o traffic enforcement
 - o radar trained officers & CPT officers going out in that area and writing tickets.
- 33 serious or fatal injuries. 90% fatal. Most of fatal injuries were in the SE. All have to do with driver.
- \$30,000 of marijuana in one vehicle will turn into.
- There is a strong SPD emphasis on Lake Washington Apartments.
- Grow Farm – Enterprise - 3 Narks search warrant 1 RB, one SW Precinct, one Snoqualmie. All connected.
- There are 22 schools in S. Precinct – SPD is telling principals to be very vigilant about who's coming on to property. But they want volunteers. The more community members in school, the less likely chance of something happening in that school.
- Action:** Volunteer time.
- More police – **Action:** flood city council with 4-5000 emails, 50 citywide down payment.

If some going 60 mph on Rainier how effective calling? Low priority. But officer has information and can pull over even after the fact.

Action: If you see something – always call. A lot of staffing comes from call volume.

Cameras on Orcas? Will we see more of those? The camera on Rainier & Orcas is a pilot – SE will have 3 locations out of five – in whole city.

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- Next Clean-up October 21st.

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- Rainier & Othello – Fontelle 7325, Boyd Properties work with SPD and Parking enforcement & SDOT about car abandonment for short and long term.
- To increase coordination with partners in community, all CPT interagency community departments meet monthly to take a look at all the problems in SE jurisdiction, so those who are suppose to look into it follow up.
- RBMA Raised fuss about blight with City on Mapes Creek. They had a planning meeting. City had agreed to increase maintenance commitment. Also they made a commitment to Seward by involving youth and taking care of walkway.
- Federal Government is pulling away from community funding. Halfway through Weed and Seed funding.
- W& S funds go to Social Services program Agencies ask to submit proposals . 9 have applied from SE.
- RB Library and RBCC have started to work with schools about youth and violence in RB. Meeting 3rd Tues at RB CC from 10-11am
- Othello Park concert series has ended.

Adjournment: 8:40pm