



CRIMINAL JUSTICE COORDINATING COUNCIL

Spring 2014 Public Safety Meeting – Summer Safety

Columbia Heights Educational Campus, 3101 16th Street NW, WDC 20010 on April 22, 2014

Panelists

Ms. Kerriann Peart, DC City Youth Trust Initiative (DCIYTC)
Ms. Carolyn Dungee Nicholas, Commissioner, DC Office on Aging
Mr. Clarence Buddy Moore, DC Office on Aging
Mr. Markus Batchelor, Mayor's Youth Leadership Institute (MYLI)
Ms. Cecilia Thompson, Mayor's Youth Leadership Institute (MYLI)
Mr. Julian Ransome, Mayor's Youth Leadership Institute (MYLI)
Mr. Del McFadden, Columbia Heights Shaw Family Services Collaborative (CHSFSC)
Mr. Jonathan Gibbs, Columbia Heights Shaw Family Services Collaborative (CHSFSC)
Ms. Yasenia Ortiz, Columbia Heights Shaw Family Services Collaborative (CHSFSC)
Isaac Fulwood, Chairman, United States Parole Commission
Michael Hughes, U.S. Marshal, District of Columbia Superior Court, United States Marshals Service
Nancy Ware, Director, Court Supervised Offender Services Agency, CSOSA
Paul Quander, Deputy Mayor. Public Safety and Justice
Cliff Keenan, Director, Pretrial Services Agency
Alfred Durham, Assistant Chief, MPPD, surrogate for Chief Cathy Lanier
Judge Hiram Puig-Lugo, surrogate for Chief Judge Satterfield, DC Superior Court
Vincent Cohen, Assistant Attorney General, surrogate for Ron Machen, U.S. Attorney General, DC

Video Introductions

Clifford Keenan, PSA, discussion of Pretrial Services Agency responsibilities
Brandon Stokes, DYRS, discussion of Department of Youth Rehabilitation Services
Paul Quander, Deputy Mayor, Public Safety and Justice, Co-chair, CJCC,
Andrew Fois, Deputy Attorney General, Office of Attorney General (OAG), DC
Terri Odom, District of Columbia Court, Division of Court Social Services
Nancy Ware, Director, Director, Court Supervised Offender Services Agency (CSOSA) Co-Chair, CJCC

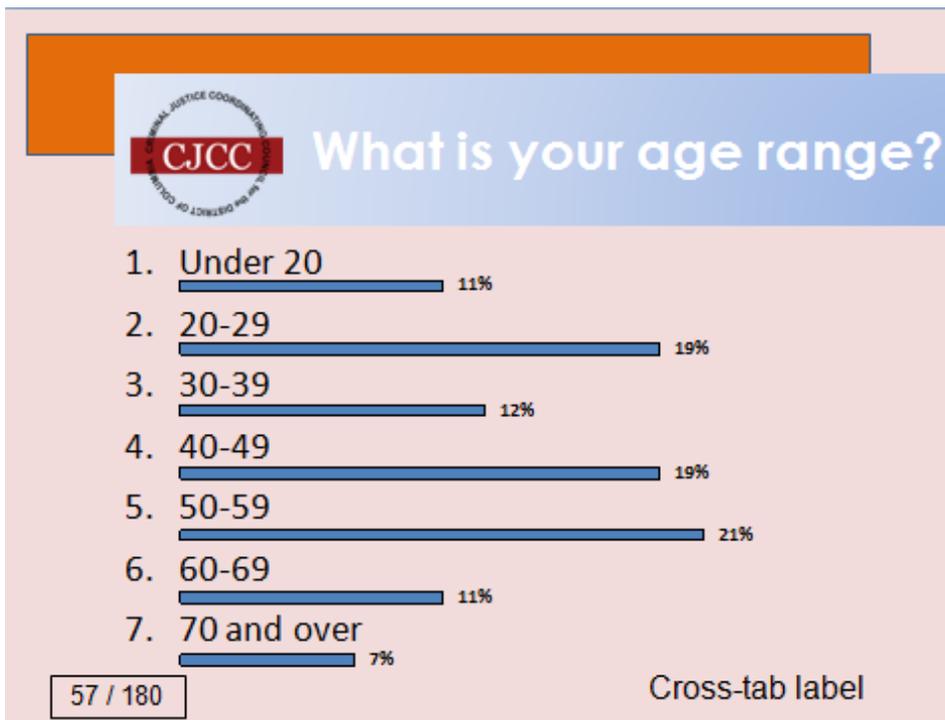
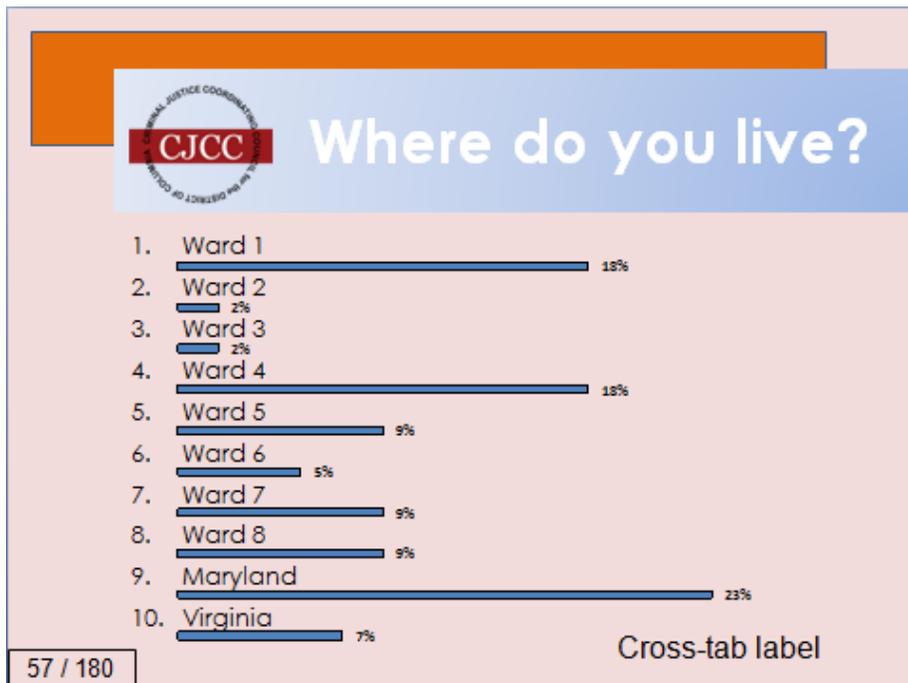
The public meeting opened with a video introduction outlining the duties and responsibilities of each office and the role they play in promoting public safety.

CJCC Executive Director Mannone Butler welcomed attendees to the public meeting and introduced CJCC Co-Chairs, Paul Quander, Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice, and

Nancy Ware, Director, Court Services and Offender Supervision Agency, each of whom provided opening remarks.

Audience Survey

A survey was conducted of audience opinions about summer safety issues and priorities, including demographics of attendees, and the aspects that contribute to summer safety for DC residents. The results from the survey were:





What brings you to this public meeting?

1. Information Gathering 35%
2. Voice my concerns and recommendations 12%
3. Hear about programs in the community 29%
4. Network 24%

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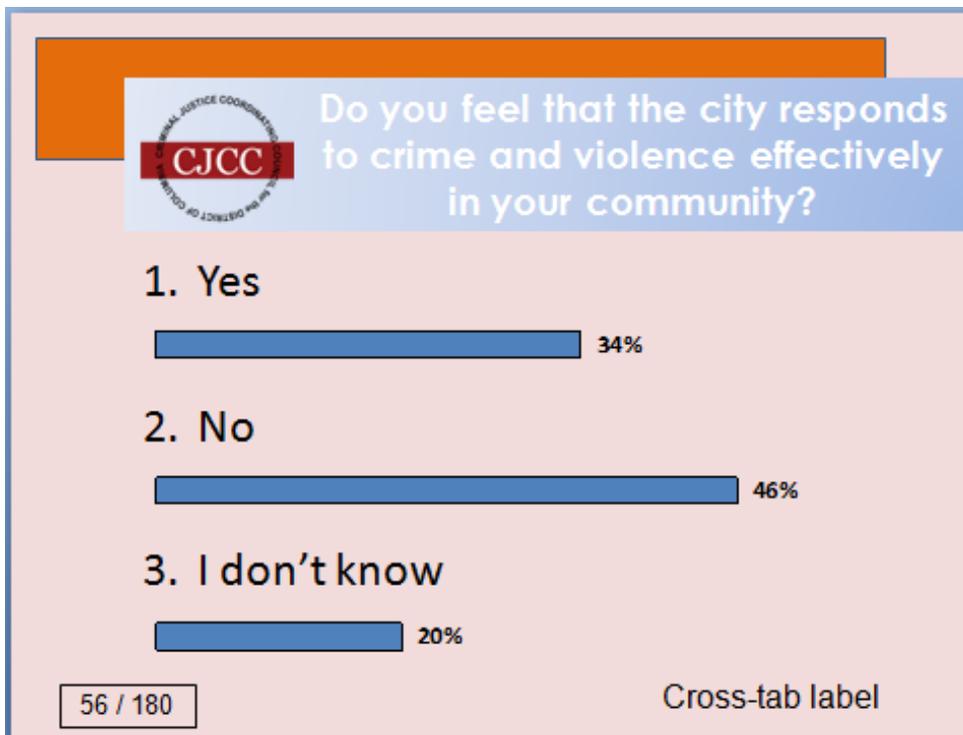
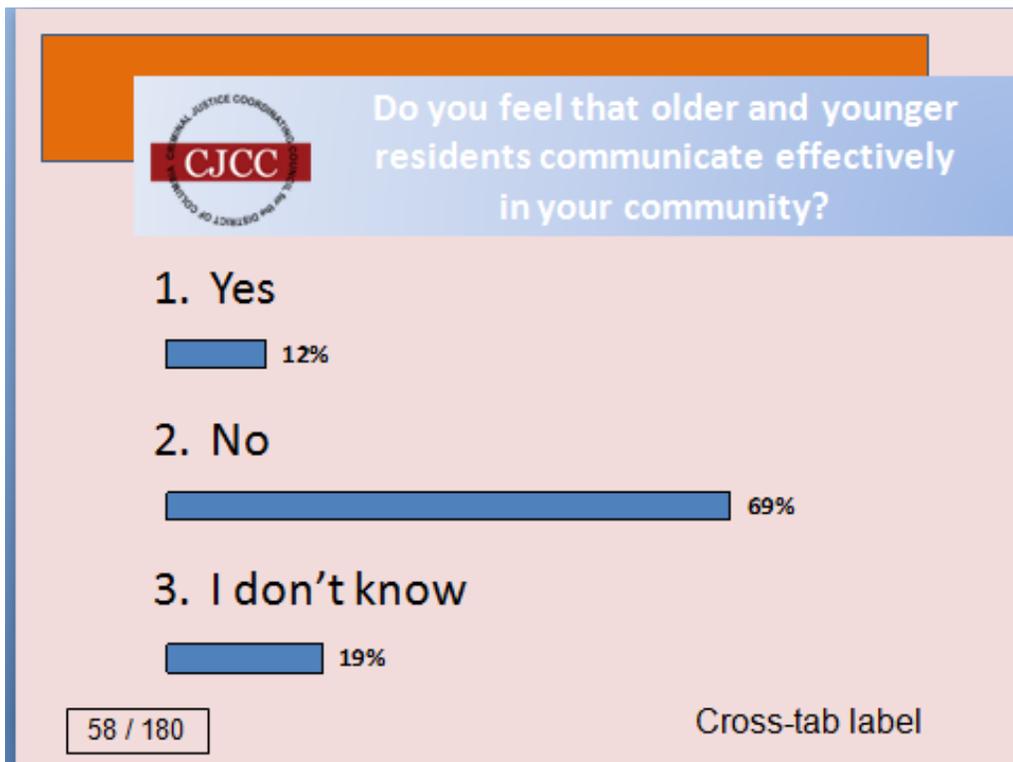


Do you think there are enough programs and activities to keep youth engaged this summer?

1. Yes 21%
2. No 57%
3. I don't know 22%

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The community panel discussion of young leaders, community elders and a community activist related to summer safety issues, initiatives and opportunities. Proposals that could support a safe summer included:

- Conduct city-wide basketball tournaments;
- Engage with community stakeholders;
- Create intergenerational activities;

- Bridge the disconnect between youth and elderly;
- Establish a mentoring agency for youth and elderly;
- Create intergenerational chess tournaments;
- Facilitate community gardens ;
- Increase police presence;
- Create programs to reach disconnected youth;
- Increase awareness for existing programs;
- Motivate the church to get involved; and
- Engage youth in their communities.

Potential City Responses

- Create jobs;
- Facilitate community and church involvement through targeted programs; and
- Continue to focus on efforts and opportunities that enhance confidence in law enforcement among youth.

Public Officials Panel Discussion

Officials discussed the merits of intergenerational pairing, and general parenting classes. Discussions revolved around preexisting programs, i.e. summer recreation, basketball leagues, and extended opening of recreation centers. MPD identified existing programs that can be implemented throughout the city. Considerable discussion focused on connecting to available programs that people may not know about.

The overall theme of the discussions from the panels revolved around identifying issues, strategies and opportunities to increase public safety during the summer. The goals are to:

- Connect existing programs with the targeted community;
- Facilitate engagement with the public on programs and sponsors;
- Promote public advocacy at the neighborhood level with parental involvement; and
- Continue public awareness campaigns through summer.

The panel consensus was that the following are needed:

- Neighborhood involvement with local police (“officer friendly”), and
- Intergenerational mentoring (youth and elders).

Participating Vendors

DC Parks and Recreation

Job Corps

Office of State Superintendent of Education (OSSE)

Strive DC

Unity Health Care

University of District of Columbia Community College, Workforce Development

The 2014 Spring Public Meeting can viewed at DC Cable 16 Public Meeting Video Link:

http://208.58.1.36:8080/DCN/April2014/04_22_14_CJCC.mp4