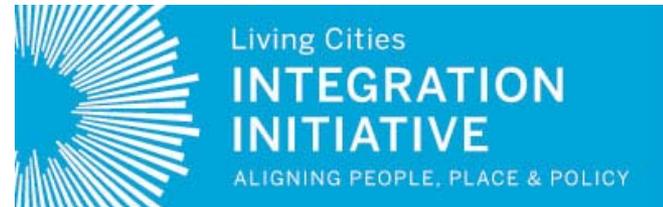


YOUTH VIOLENCE PREVENTION INITIATIVE

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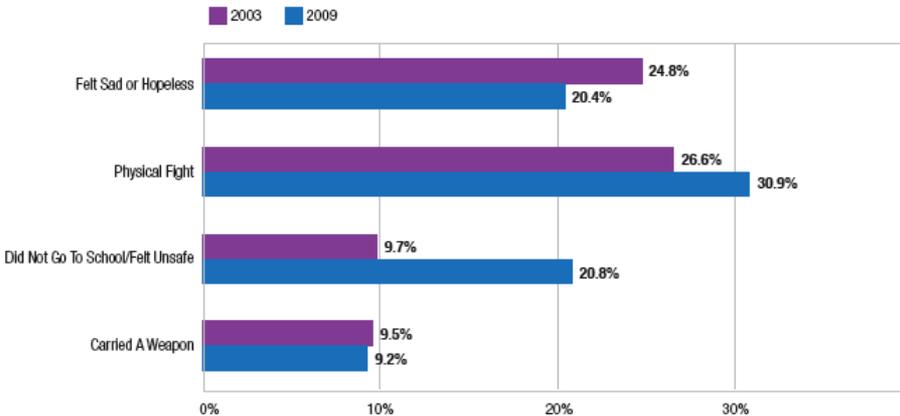
We are Rising



Want headline of homicides down

We still have major challenges

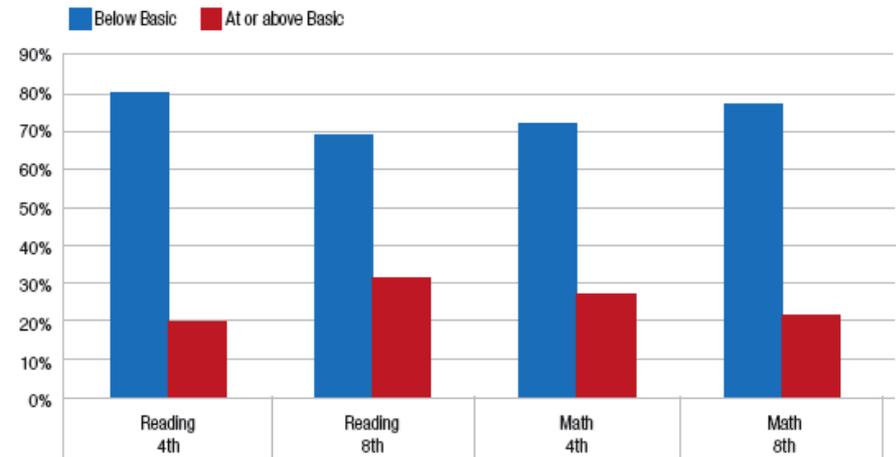
Percent of DPS high school students reporting selected safety risk factors, 2003-2009



The homicide rate among youth aged 15-24 years was 80.5 deaths per 100,000 youth, a rate more than five times the out-Wayne County rate.

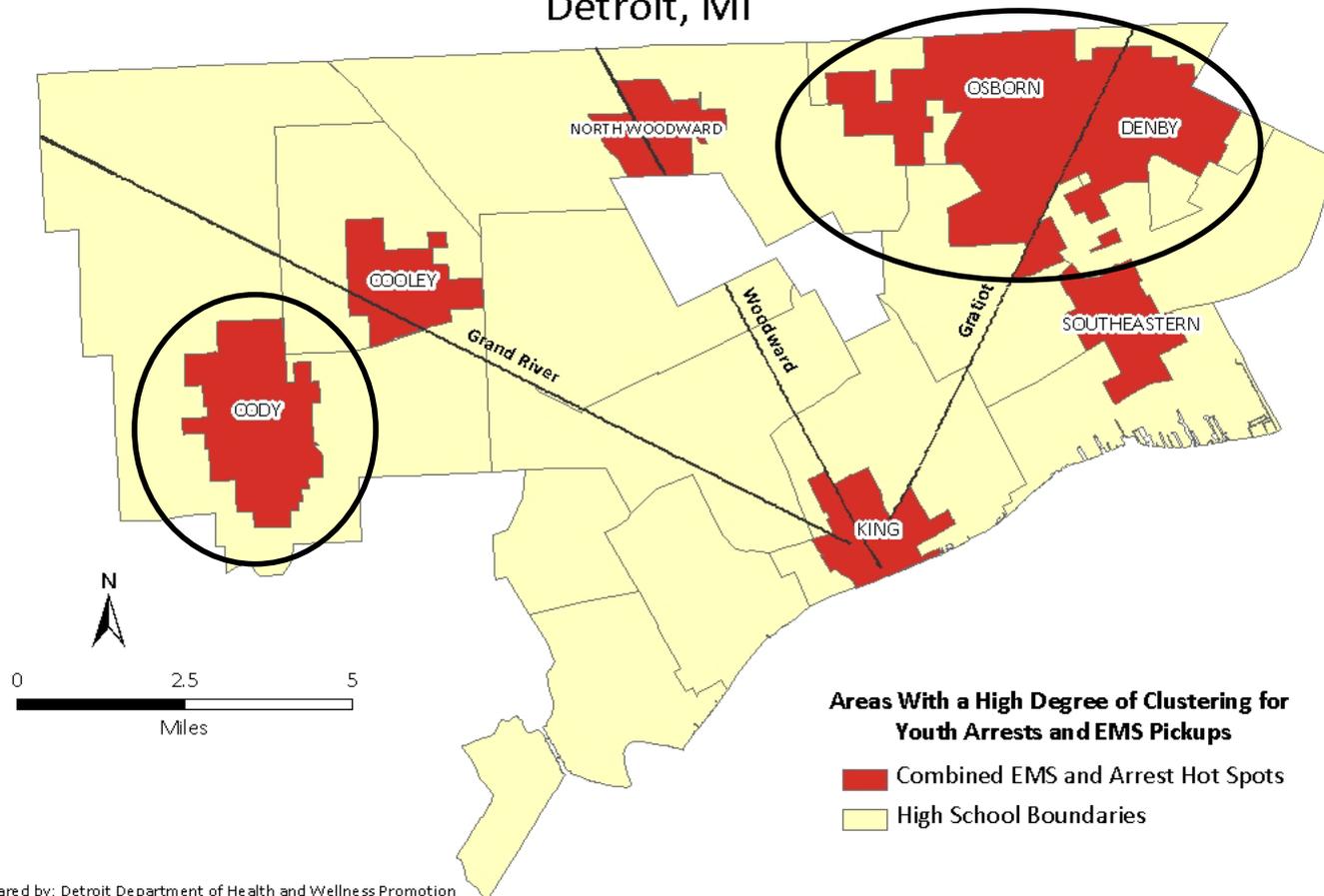
Budget pressures are profound. The Detroit Police Department has lost 1,374 sworn members over the last 10 years, a 33 percent force reduction

MEAP scores for African-American males in Detroit, 2009



Youth Violence is Concentrated

Combined Youth EMS and Arrests Hotspots
Detroit, MI

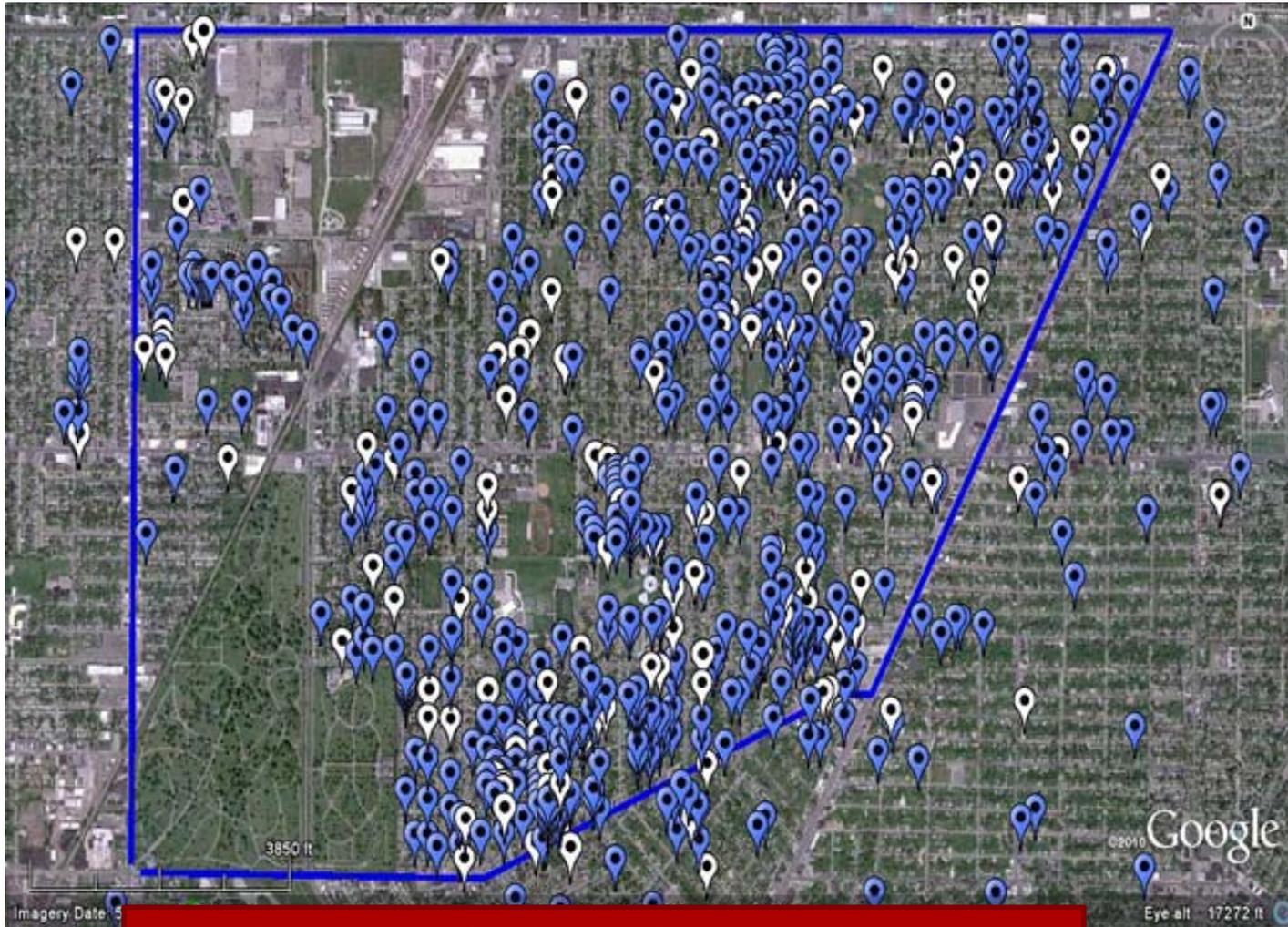


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Data Sources: Detroit Police Department; Emergency Medical Services

Strong Foundation

- Pilot areas are a part of Skillman Foundation's 10-year \$100 million Good Neighborhoods Initiative
 - Cody-Rouge Action Alliance, Osborn Neighborhood Alliance
 - Significant growth in programs for youth, community based diversion programs, and life skills training
- Promise Neighborhood in Osborn
- Osborn and Cody High Schools part of United Way Turnaround Initiative creating small high schools
- Comprehensive Violence Reduction Partnership
- Comprehensive Anti-Gang Initiative
- Wayne County community oriented juvenile justice reform

Residents Coming Together



Block Club organizing in the Osborn Neighborhood

Youth Coming Together



Youth Group Seeks Anti-Violence Plan for Detroit

November 9, 2010

Source: WDET News

Our Strategic Principles

- Changing culture to embrace non-violent conflict resolution.
- Really understand the realities youth face.
- Prevention strategies are always the first choice.
- Prevention strategies focused on helping youth carve career paths are a priority.
- Schools that work, students attending school.
- Community empowerment, empowered adults and youth working together to change the conditions of their neighborhoods
- Addressing the challenge of crews and gangs.

Assertive Pilot Area Strategy

- **Create Community Safety Teams for each pilot area.**
- Community safety teams that bring together neighborhood leaders, key city agencies including DPD, nonprofit organizations, and others to take responsibility for guiding work in each pilot area.

Assertive Strategy: Prevention

- **Foster Widespread Use of Restorative Practices**
 - Restorative practices put repairing harm done to relationships and people over and above the need for assigning blame and dispensing punishment. This approach to rebuilding relationships and community is taking hold in Detroit
- **Operation Safe Passages**
 - A new effort to create in-school alternatives to suspensions and expulsions. Operation Safe Passage will create a structured environment for in-school suspensions and expulsions that draws from best practices around the country. The program will include a tailored curricula, physical education, and counseling, psychological and social services.
- **Create more safe recreation opportunities**

Assertive Strategy: Intervention

- **Operation Cease Fire**
 - Engage interrupters to stop the vicious cycle of revenge, retribution, and feuds.
- **Use Offender Forums**
 - After adequate research and training, we plan to deploy several offender forums and evaluate their effectiveness as a tool for our city.
- **Restore the Community Prosecutor Program.**
 - The Wayne County community prosecutor's program was a widely recognized effort to place a prosecutor on site to work in a neighborhood. We seek to restore this program in our pilot areas.

Assertive Strategy: Enforcement and Reentry

- **Enforcement**
 - **Comprehensive Violence Reduction Program**
 - **Comprehensive Anti-Gang Initiative**
 - **Data-driven deployment for DPD**
- **Reentry**
 - **Michigan Prisoner Re-entry Initiative**

Assertive Strategy: Youth Opportunity and Systems Reform

- Opportunity: Link Youth to Jobs and Careers.
 - Linking prevention, intervention, and reentry strategies for youth with active linkages to the employment pipeline and opportunities to build their skills of entrepreneurship. The ultimate goal of this strategy is to reconstruct summer and year-round youth employment systems to ensure all youth have access to these opportunities.
- Systems Reform:
 - DPD Reform.
 - Put more officers on streets
 - Enhance data capacity – linking youth apprehensions to gang and crew affiliation – to drive deployment
 - Policy Agenda