

Crime Prevention Ottawa 2013-2016 STRATEGIC PLAN

Our vision

Ottawa is a community in which individuals, families and neighbourhoods are safe and feel safe.

Our mission

To contribute to crime reduction and enhanced community safety in Ottawa through collaborative evidence-based crime prevention.

How we work

Crime Prevention Ottawa works in close collaboration with our partners to conduct research, develop evidence-informed solutions and address issues affecting the safety of residents in Ottawa. We believe in staying nimble in our approach to address emerging issues in our communities.

Violence Against Women

Leverage partnerships

- » Work with community agencies and other partners to take action on issues of violence against women.

Build capacity

- » Support and promote a culture of prevention.
- » Build leadership among key VAW players and grow champions in our communities.

Research and innovate

- » Improve the visibility of silent problems such as the abuse of people with disabilities.
- » Expand our engagement with newcomer communities.
- » Explore emerging issues including sexual violence and alcohol, sexual violence and social media, and human trafficking.

Educate and inform

- » Draw attention to key issues and trends.
- » Work with our partners to create public awareness and support active engagement.

Youth

Leverage partnerships

- » Collaborate with the Ottawa Police Service and our partners to devise and implement solutions to gang issues in our city.
- » Connect with youth initiatives, existing programs and universities to promote best practices, share knowledge and collaborate.

Build capacity

- » Emphasize learning and knowledge development to support youth-serving agencies and networks.
- » Invest in research, staff development and helping agencies evaluate their work.

Research and innovate

- » Explore emerging issues affecting and involving youth.
- » Expand the focus on high risk youth to include Aboriginal and Inuit youth, and youth with mental health issues.

Educate and inform

- » Raise awareness regarding key crime prevention issues involving youth.
- » Focus attention on evidence-informed efforts and solutions.

Crime-Affected Neighbourhoods

Leverage partnerships

- » Continue efforts to implement community-based solutions in Ottawa's many neighbourhoods.
- » Offer intensive support to at least one new neighbourhood-focused crime prevention initiative.

Build capacity

- » Extend efforts to build evidence-informed capacity in the city to address problems in all neighbourhoods.
- » Provide support to communities and groups with community safety initiatives.

Research and innovate

- » Continue research into neighbourhood-based crime prevention.
- » Leverage successful collaborative strategies.

Educate and inform

- » Share innovative, evidence-informed ideas and solutions.
- » Promote the Neighbourhood Toolkit, research results and community initiatives to ensure wider application and learning.

RESULTS

- » **Greater awareness and education regarding issues affecting community safety.**
- » **Enhanced strategic partnerships with groups and stakeholders.**
- » **Skills development and capacity-building among partner organizations and community groups.**
- » **Improved knowledge, research and information-sharing.**
- » **Increased city-wide capacity to reduce crimes.**
- » **Crime prevention programs and initiatives are better able to obtain desired results.**
- » **Evidence of reduction of crimes and enhanced community safety.**