
Crime Prevention Ottawa

Partners for a Safer Community



Agenda

- **Introducing Crime Prevention Ottawa**
- **Key Recommendations**
 - Improve Coordination
 - Poverty
 - Employment and Immigration
 - Targeted Investments
 - Education
 - Holistic approach

Vision

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

Mission

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



Our Role

- Build community capacity
- Foster community action
- Nurture partnerships
- Engage in policy dialogue.

Our Priorities

- Violence Against Women
- Youth Issues
- Crime Affected Neighbourhoods

Key Recommendations

Improve Coordination

- Create a permanent responsibility centre to coordinate crime prevention efforts across the Provincial government and support similar sustainable coordination at a municipal level.
- Recommendation endorsed by the U of O Institute for the Prevention of Crime, CACP and FCM

Poverty

- Identify sustained strategic investments to mitigate the effects on children and youth of the growing gap between rich and poor.
- Key areas: supports to school attendance and recreation

Employment and Immigration

- Harness new investments in Employment Services and Immigrant Settlement to address issues of youth.
- Address key issues of service coordination and eligibility criteria

Targeted Investments

- Make targeted investments:
 - in community development initiatives in high risk neighbourhoods,
 - in programs to support high risk families and
 - in alternative programs in youth justice
- A Youth Challenge Fund for Ottawa

Education

- Review the education funding formula to get schools boards out of “cuts and crisis” mode.
 - Support school communities
 - Support alternative suspension programs
 - Support evidence-based curriculum such as “The Fourth R”
 - Investigate ways to improve early interventions

Holistic Approach

A holistic approach would include both:

- Big institutions and Small local programs
- Prevention and Treatment
- Neighbourhoods and Individuals
- Systems and Coordination
- Toronto and the rest of the province

Thank you.

Questions?
