

BALTIMORE'S COMPREHENSIVE VIOLENCE PREVENTION PLAN



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Mayor Scott released Baltimore's first-ever **Comprehensive Violence Prevention Plan (CVPP)** on June 25, 2021. This five-year plan began the work of building a foundation for long-term public safety, with an ultimate goal of sustained and coordinated reductions in violence through the implementation of an all-hands-on-deck approach.

The CVPP originally hinged on three key pillars: a **Public Health Approach to Violence**, **Community Engagement and Interagency Collaboration**, and **Evaluation and Accountability**. This Biennial Update features a fourth pillar, solely dedicated to **Youth Justice**, focused on uplifting the safety of Baltimore's young people, investing in their future, and paving the way for their – and our city's – success.

Over the last three years, the City has engaged residents, partner agencies, neighborhood associations, businesses, and other stakeholders to implement this holistic violence prevention strategy, ensure accountability, and align public agencies and community partners—the whole weight of Baltimore—in the broader pursuit of more public safety with more justice and less harm.

MONSE TOPLINE FY '23 DATA



Cumulative 24% reduction (year-over-year) in homicides and nonfatal shootings in GVRs districts



76% of individuals identified by the Group Violence Reduction Strategy (GVRs) accepted services



2,031 Community Violence Intervention (CVI) mediations conducted



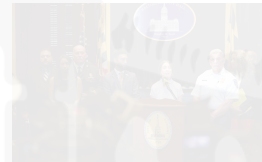
375 primary, secondary, and tertiary victims served by MONSE Victim Services



630 supervised visits and monitored exchanges conducted at the Baltimore City Visitation Center



1,572 people received anti-human trafficking, sexual assault response, and / or intimate partner violence prevention training



Scan the QR code below to read the full updated plan.



To produce this Biennial update, MONSE collaborated with the Mayor, City agencies, and community stakeholders to refresh and assess the original CVPP based on outputs, outcomes, and community feedback. The work to date and next steps toward building public safety in Baltimore are reflected in this Update.

This 5-year plan is guided by specific themes related to each fiscal year (FY) and designed to work toward full implementation of this comprehensive violence prevention strategy.

FISCAL YEAR MILESTONES



FOUNDATION (FY '22)

- Define the work
- Staff the work
- Begin building policies and practices to implement plan



FRAMING (FY '23)

- Build CBO capacity
- Expand initial policies
- Track key performance indicators



SECURING (FY '24)

- Expand CVI
- Strengthen CBO partnerships
- Evaluate programming



FINISHING (FY '25)

- Fully implement pilots
- Sustain programming
- Sustain staffing and investment



MAINTENANCE (FY '26)

- Assess interventions
- Use evaluations to fine tune programming
- Institutionalize work

GOALS

ACCOMPLISHMENTS
& PLANS

Piloted GVRs in the Western District

Laid groundwork for CVI Ecosystem

Established MONSE Victim Services Lane

Launched SideStep Youth Diversion

Launched 9-1-1 Behavioral Health Diversion Program

Reestablished Criminal Justice Coordinating Council (CJCC)

Expanded GVRs to Southwestern District

Consolidated Safe Streets Baltimore operators and instituted standard operations manual

Published SSB external evaluation

Launched Returning Citizens Behind the Wall (RCBTW)

Piloted Coordinated Neighborhood Stabilization Response (CNSR) protocol

Published Public Safety Accountability Dashboard (PSAD)

Held first ever Victim Services Symposium

Published external evaluation of first 18 months of GVRs implementation

Launched Urban Conflict Manager certification program

Selected 3rd Neighborhood Policing Plan (NPP) community

Expanded GVRs to the Central & Eastern Districts

Initiated case management for returning citizens

Activated victim services collaboration and case management

Fully activate RCBTW

Fully activate Safe Return planning for returning citizens prior to release

Expand SideStep citywide

Activate strategic coordination for Baltimore's CVI Ecosystem

Launch School-Based Violence Intervention pilot program in four high schools

Maintain systems, structures, and accountability mechanisms to ensure work remains effective

Activate NPPs across Baltimore with lessons learned from pilot

Expand GVRs citywide

Begin developing next 5-Year Comprehensive Violence Prevention Plan