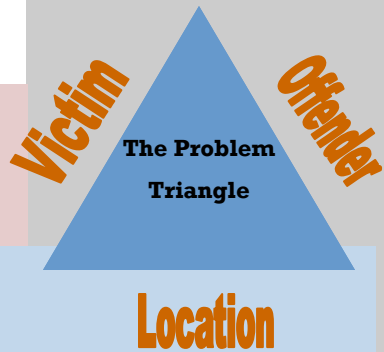


**The Problem Solving
Triangle & Crime
Prevention**



A crime cannot occur without a victim, an offender, and a location. Therefore, CPOP teams work to remove at least one branch of the triangle. For example, they might alter a location – making it difficult for illegal activity to take place there. Or they might educate potential “victims” on how to avoid behavior that puts them at risk.

Through the combined efforts of community members, Cincinnati Police Department personnel, and Community Police Partnering Center staff, CPOP Teams are improving safety and quality of life in Cincinnati’s neighborhoods

Please contact us for more information or if you would like to join your neighborhood’s CPOP team. We encourage AND welcome your participation!!!

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BTC was established to support a limited number of priority initiatives identified by Cincinnati CAN in the areas of police/community relations and criminal justice-including the implementation of Cincinnati’s landmark Collaborative Agreement-economic inclusion, and educational achievement.

For more information on CPOP and the SARA Problem Solving Process in YOUR neighborhood

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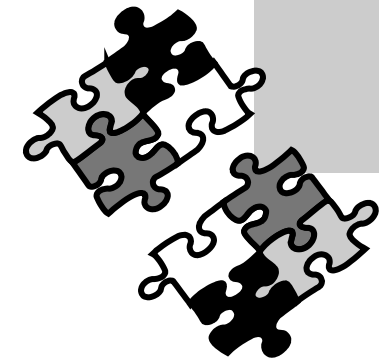
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Our Mission

Partnering with communities and the Cincinnati Police Department, the Community Police Partnering Center will develop and put in place effective strategies to reduce crime and disorder while facilitating positive interaction and increased trust between the police and neighborhoods.

WE ARE:

- An incorporated component of the Collaborative Agreement
- Privately funded
- Facilitators of community engagement in the Community Problem Oriented Policing (CPOP) process.

Partnering with communities and the Cincinnati Police Department, we are designed to achieve two goals of the Collaborative Agreement:

- 1.) To “build relationships of respect, cooperation and trust with and between police and communities”
- 2.) To create an environment wherein “police and community members will become proactive partners in community problem solving efforts.”

WHAT WE DO:

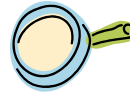
- The Community Police Partnering Center employs community outreach workers who:
- Engage community stakeholders through outreach efforts.
- In partnership with CPD personnel, train community stakeholders in CPOP, the SARA model, and community asset building.
- Support community stakeholders in applying the SARA Problem Solving Process.

The SARA Problem Solving Process

WHAT IS A PROBLEM?

According to the definition in the SARA process, a problem is two or more incidents of a similar nature that are capable of causing harm.

Scanning:	Problem Identification/Indicators
Analysis:	Review Data, Identify Causes, Develop Goal
Response:	Develop Solution & Take Action
Assessment:	Goal Accomplished/ Indicators Minimized



HOW TO SCAN:

- List neighborhood problems.
- Prioritize the problem that the team wishes to address.
- State the specific problem location and behavior.
- Where does the problem occur?
- When does the problem generally occur?

A problem in my neighborhood is....

- *Auto break ins, especially during the holiday season. This seems to take place between 7:00 PM and 10:00 PM, especially when areas are not lit properly.*
- *Illegal activity, including the sale of drugs, at the corner of A Street and B Street. This especially occurs from 8:00 AM – 10:00 AM and then from 3:00 PM – 10:00 PM.*



QUESTIONS TO ASK DURING ANALYSIS:

- Who is the offender, who or what is the target, and where does it take place?
- What conditions or events precede or accompany the problem?
- What are the problem’s consequences?
- How often does the problem occur?
- How long has this been a problem?



RESPONSE STEPS:



- Brainstorm possible interventions
- Consider feasibility & choose among alternatives
- Commit to a plan of action
- Identify and agree upon both short-term and long-term tasks
- Assign responsible person(s) by task
- Most teams have two community leaders who delegate tasks

ASSESSMENT STEPS:

- How do you know if the goal was achieved?
 - Less incidents
 - Less harm
 - Better handling of incidents
- What is likely to happen if the plan is removed?
- What is likely to happen if the plan stays in place?
- Document the action. (Brag about it!)

