

# City of Cincinnati



Interdepartmental  
Correspondence Sheet

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To: Colonel Thomas H. Streicher, Jr., Police Chief  
From: Captain Andrew G. Raabe, District Three Commander  
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Subject: Third QUARTER District Three PROBLEM SOLVING REPORT – Patrol BUREAU

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Category: CPOP Case Case #: SARA0600043 District: 3  
Neighborhood: West Price Hill

Coordinating Personnel: Sergeant John Murray

Description of Problem: Numerous phone calls and Emails have been received about drug activity in the front of the apartment. Furniture and trash have been left outside on the front lawn. Numerous reports of subjects loitering around the front of that apartment building have been received. Complaints of parking violations and numerous calls for disorderly people coming or leaving the apartment complex location have been received.

Phase of SARA: Response

## **SARA Documentation**

Scanning (state problem): 1) What precisely is the problem?

An Apartemnt Building at 4003 West 8<sup>th</sup> St is the source of numerous complaints of drug dealing, loitering and disorderly person complaints. In addition, residents report parking violations, along with litter problems at this location as well. The residents of the neighborhood are worried about the crime and disorder at this location along with littering. The residents are afraid that violence could occur with the drug dealing and feel that that overall quality of life in the neighborhood is being deminished by this problem location. There is also an increased perception of fear of crime in this neighborhood due to the problems at this location.

2) Who is the Problem for?

This problem was brought to the attention of Officers attending the West Price Hill Community Meetings, along with Emails being forwarded to District Three from concerned residents of the West Price Hill Community.

3) Where is the Problem located?

District Three, at 4003 West 8<sup>th</sup> St. in the Community of West Price Hill.

4) How long has it been a problem?

Residents report this has been a problem since at least November of 2005

Analysis (identify factual support): 1) What is time frame being analyzed?

The time frame being analyzed is from November 2005 up until the current date.

2) What information is being analyzed?

Calls for service, complaints from citizens, arrests in the area, are being analyzed from November 2005 up until current date. There have been 25 calls for service from disorderly persons to drug dealing and fighting over this time period received to this address. There have also been 5 arrests made in this general area along with 4 offense reports, one for assault and 3 for criminal damaging at this location.

3) What conditions contribute to this problem?

An absentee Landlord, along with many unknown individuals visting this location.

Response (define action taken): 1) Who is available to assist in the CPOP/Problem Solving?

Shift Officers from District Three along with Police Visibility Overtime Patrols, along with Vice Unit and District Three Violent Crimes Officers. The Price Hill Citizen on Patrol groups and residents who live close in the area are also excellent resources for documenting license plate numbers and car descriptions. The City Buildings and Inspection Unit could also be another asset to use to force compliance on some property issues at this location along with Litter Control.

What are your goals or what are you hoping to accomplish with your response?

We would like to identify which apartment and which person is behind the drug dealing at this location and make an arrest. With an arrest we would like to then have the person evicted. This would stop others from having a reason to hang out at this location. We would also like to identify the Landlord and have our Vice Unit Officer sit down with this person on how to establish better lease agreements to screen out bad tenants. If the Apartment building is in bad shape we plan to have the City Buildings and Inspections Unit inspect the building and grounds for compliance to City Code.

We also plan to have directed Uniform patrols and Police Visibility Overtime patrols in the area to discourage loitering or hanging out at this location along with enforcement action for observed violations. We would like to stop the criminal activity and restore the faith of West Price Hill residents in their Community and reduce their overall perception of fear of crime in the area. Identified parking violations and junk autos have already been tagged and or towed from this location when located.

3) What precisely is your response or responses?

Undercover drug operations for identifying the drug dealer in the building along with directed patrols for enforcement of criminal violations and for increased Police Presence. An inspection of the Property for Code violations to turn over to Building and Inspections for follow-up. Identify the Landlord and set up a meeting with our Vice Unit. Enforcement of littering violations of people in the area by police and enforcement of littering on the property by Litter Control.

Assessment (document measurement):

**Police Participation**

Specific Feedback:

**City Department Participation**

Specific Feedback

Buildings and Inspections

Community Development & Planning

Fire Department

- Health
- Metropolitan Sewer District
- Parks
- Public Services
- Recreation
- Transportation & Engineering
- Water Works