

ONE LEXINGTON

Strategic Plan

PURPOSE!

Mission: To coordinate, leverage and mobilize city government and community resources to reduce gun violence with youth and young adults ages 13 – 29 in the city of Lexington.

Vision: Making Lexington a safer city by reducing gun violence among youth and young adults. Using community-based intervention strategies to combat gun violence, while simultaneously addressing systemic disparities that lead to the root causes of gun violence.

Demographic: Youth and young adults, ages 13-29, who have been affected by gun violence.

While Lexington is one of the safest cities in the nation, we ourselves have seen a rise in violent crime; especially among our youth and young adults, creating a need for increased intervention and coordination to verify where gaps in our services may exist. ONE Lexington initiative was created in the summer of 2017 to coordinate all our activities addressing violent crime – inside city government, and outside, with our public and private partners.

“A special thank you to all organizations, community partners and individuals who have contributed to the advancement of our community, and the reduction of youth gun violence in our great city. You are the heart of our city and your contributions big and small are greatly appreciated.”

Using a public health approach to violence prevention, the ONE Lexington Neighborhood Engagement Team is using the P.I.E.R. strategy to guide our work.

Prevention: Preventing conditions that lead to crime.

Intervention: Identifying and supporting youth engaged in high-risk behavior.

Enforcement: Building and strengthening relationships and bridging the gap, between public safety and underserved communities.

Re-entry: Assisting incarcerated youth and young adults with successful transition to the community upon release.

Crisis Response

One Lexington collaborates with Community partners to address immediate needs of gun violence victims and their families and communities. One Lexington facilitates a weekly *Violence Intervention Team meeting*, that addresses recent gun violence incidents. This meeting allows One Lexington to ensure efficiency in providing proper services for victims, by connecting community partners with victims and families that can best serve the needs. One Lexington has implemented a *Community Outreach Team*, that makes timely contact with the families to gauge dire needs. The members of this team are persons that have established connections with the targeted community, this ensures comfortability with families involved.

Crisis Response Partners; Public Safety, Fayette County Public Schools, UK trauma center, Fayette County Attorney’s Office, Lexington Rescue Mission, and several other community partners.





“OVER 3,000 TOTAL INTERACTIONS WITH OVER 350 STUDENTS THROUGH OUR IT TAKES A VILLAGE IN-SCHOOL & SUMMER MENTORING PROGRAM.”

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