Early Education and Public Safety Initiative

Current Crime Statistics

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Current Murder Statistics

Crime in Indy is a result of generations of not addressing the root cause with long-term solutions.

Source: IMPD Crime Analysis Unit
* - through August 13, 2014
Current Murder Statistics

- **91% of murder suspects had prior adult criminal history**
  - 66% had previous crimes against another person arrest
  - 42% had previous drug arrest
  - 36% had previous weapons arrest
  - These suspects accounted for 198 adult felony arrests.

- **82% of murder victims had prior adult criminal history**
  - 64% had previous drug arrest
  - 61% had previous crimes against another person arrest
  - 43% had previous weapons arrest
  - These victims accounted for 273 adult felony arrests

- **78% of murder victims knew their attacker**

- **48% of criminal homicides have drugs / robbery as the motive**
- **33% murders were related to fights/revenge**
- **10% of murders were domestic**

*Those with criminal histories continue to commit crime*
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Expanding access to high-quality pre-school was one of the fundamental elements in our strategic plan.
Evidence is clear. High-quality early preschool makes our city safer and improves academic, socioeconomic, behavioral, and health outcomes for children living in poverty.
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- **$25M program expands scholarship/eligibility for pre-school**
  - Scholarships designed to make pre-school affordable for families in need
  - 1,300 children per year whose families qualify for free/reduced school lunch
  - Coordinated through United Way of Central Indiana
  - $1M per year to expand and replicate high-quality (level 3 & level 4) preschool programs
  - Seek a one to one match to expand access to the full need
  - Eli Lilly pledges $10M over three years if enacted

- **Preschool scholarship program funded by elimination of local homestead credit**
  - NOT $45,000 state-controlled homestead deduction
  - 46% of homeowners already at 1% cap – no impact
  - Average impact of $1.84 per month for homeowners not at caps already

**Scholarships could be available to children beginning in Fall of 2015**
Prevention

- **Help students who have been suspended, expelled, or dropout from school**
  - Nearly 1,800 students per year are expelled or dropout and 22,000 are suspended
  - Disproportionally impacts families in poverty and African-American children
  - Launch Francis Marion Academy to provide students detained in the Marion County Juvenile Detention Center, and others the opportunity to attain a quality education
  - Provide innovative schools such as The Excel Center and Christel House DORS

- **Mayor Ballard asks “Your Life Matters” Task Force to study issue**
  - Get better understanding of statistics and impacts
  - Make policy recommendations to reduce suspensions, expulsions, and dropouts to Indiana General Assembly

- **Change Indy Curfew Ordinance**
  - Current curfew permits 15-17 year olds out until 1:00am on weekends
  - Mayor proposes moving weekend curfew to 11:00pm
  - Exceptions for teens with parents, work or school/church events
  - Parents of curfew violators meet with police to pick up child
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- **Expand conflict resolution programs through Indy Parks**
  - 1/3 of expulsions for fights and other types of disagreements
  - 1/3 of homicides from fights/revenge
  - Peace Learning Center teaches non-violent conflict resolution from Eagle Creek Park
  - Expand program to other parks and include new family focused conflict resolution program

- **Ask Regional Council of Chief Elected Officials to Join a Heroin Awareness Initiative**
  - Use of Anti-Heroin overdose medication up 60%
  - Metro Drug Task Force on pace to seize three times amount of heroin from last year
  - Regional approach to a regional problem
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Mayor Ballard has proposed long-term funding for more IMPD officers for three years straight.

- **Increase Public Safety Income Tax to hire 280 new IMPD Officers**
  - Recommended by bipartisan IMPD Staffing Commission
  - Increase 0.15%
  - Average household (median HH income $42,603) = $5.32 per month
  - Sunset increase if General Assembly passes a commuter tax
  - If funding approved, City will also explore applying for COPS grants

### IMPD New Recruit Hiring

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Protection

- **IMPD is aggressively pursuing illegally possessed guns**
  - Detectives work with state and federal partners to trace guns used in crimes
  - IMPD has arrested 63 juveniles in 2014 for illegal gun possession.

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*Through June 30, 2014

- **Encourage people to call CrimeStoppers to report illegal gun possession**
  - Friends and family are afraid to confront a young person about a gun
  - 60% of victims of crimes against persons are not cooperating with police
  - CrimeStoppers will take an anonymous tips
  - If person is in illegal possession of a weapon, police will confiscate
  - Call 262-TIPS

- **IMPD Recently Created new Full-Time SWAT Team**
  - Old SWAT team pulled officers from units and away from districts as needed
  - New Full-Time SWAT Team has approximately a dozen officers
  - Use undercover and full tactical operations
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- **Ask State to enact 20-Year Mandatory Minimum Sentence for Gun Crimes**
  - 25% of Indianapolis homicides in 2014 would have been prevented with 10-year minimum sentence
    - Suspects or victims would still be in prison from previous crime
  - Work with DOC to ensure offenders are getting services from “First Day In” such as education opportunities, social and conflict resolution skills, job training, substance abuse and mental health treatment

- **Increase Funding for Sheriff, Prosecutors and Courts**
  - Enacting IMPD Staffing Commission Recommendations provides up to $10 million to Marion County criminal justice agencies
  - New funding could hire more prosecutors, benefit the courts and community corrections and help Sheriff add programs in Jail to prepare inmates for release
Thank you for your attendance!

For more information visit:
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