Community Safety Intervention Team (CSIT)

# **QUARTER 1 REPORT**

January 1, 2023 — March 31, 2023

### What We Do

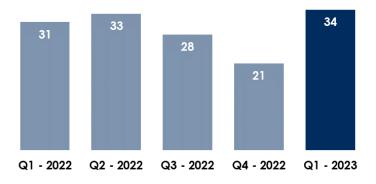
- We are a team of nine agencies with the shared goal of preventing violence.
- We meet monthly to share information about violent incidents, provide immediate support to victims and their families, prevent retaliation, and promote community healing.
- We track critical incidents that usually include patterns of violence or could lead to retaliation and ongoing violence, such as shots fired, homicides and gang-related issues.

### During this period...

34
INCIDENTS
DISCUSSED

- 7 required ongoing follow-up, case management, and discussion (see case studies on the next page for a few examples)
- **27** were discussed but only required individual agency follow-up, information sharing, or status updates

## We reviewed more incidents this quarter than in any prior quarter.



### **Our Members**

- Dane County District Attorney's Office of Crime Response
- Dane County Human Services Youth Justice Services
- Dane County Juvenile Reception Center
- Focused Interruption
- Madison Mayor's Office
- Madison Metropolitan School District
- Madison Police Department
- Public Health Madison & Dane County
- Wisconsin Department of Corrections, Juvenile Probation & Parole

### We've finalized our methodology

This quarter we finalized our team's guidelines, methods, and procedures. This helps us onboard new members consistently and serves as a quick reference when the group is dealing with a crisis. We also want to share these tools with other cities hoping to create their own safety teams.



# CASE STUDIES

Some incidents require ongoing discussion and follow-up. We call these ongoing incidents "cases". We monitor follow-up and case outcomes to strengthen violence intervention efforts. Below are a few examples from this quarter:

### **Attempted Homicide Involving Youth**

The Incident: In January, there was an incident that involved a youth altercation and near fatal stabbing.

#### The Outcome

- This situation called for youth justice partners at Dane County Human Services, Madison's Office of School Safety, and the DA's Crime Response Program to come together around safety planning. Dane County Human Services social workers worked with the suspect and her family on services, while MMSD has helped other youth caught up in the incident return to safe learning environments.
- Because of our CSIT partnership, Juvenile Corrections and Juvenile Reception Center staff gave updates about ongoing court dates and possible release dates for those involved. This helps the team keep track of any potential retaliation and possible safety concerns.

### **Violence Intervention and Community Building**

**The Incident:** Frequent police calls at one apartment complex related to youth violence and stolen cars brought to light some community needs and underlying issues leading to violence.

**The Outcome:** Together with MPD and the district Alder, CSIT members went to the complex to meet with management and residents. Following several meetings, we created a plan to bring youth services and a community building event to the area. With ongoing prevention work at the complex and improvements by staff, we want residents to feel safe again, be able to use area services, and participate in enrichment activities.

### **Homicide and Community Interventions**

**The Incident:** A different apartment complex had a homicide at the end of March and has required several intervention plans.

#### The Outcome

- The immediate need was safety planning and moving of some residents, which was accomplished by Focused Interruption, the Crime Response Program, and Public Health's Violence Intervention team.
- This case also led to more CSIT involvement with the apartment complex's staff and residents. This
  includes more engagement from service providers, as well as some larger staffing and property
  management issues. Public Health's Violence Intervention staff—with the support of CSIT partners—
  are working on allocating resources, as well as longer term plans for the complex and the
  organizations involved.