



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

CAPITAL CITY SAFE STREETS COALITION

PREAMBLE

WHEREAS, the Capital City Safe Streets Coalition, (The Coalition), an unprecedented collaboration of Federal, State and Local public safety agencies, has been convened by the Honorable Michael E. Busch, Speaker for the Maryland House of Delegates, to develop and commit to a comprehensive, data driven, strategic plan for reducing crime within the City of Annapolis; and

WHEREAS, the initial focus of the agencies brought together was to discuss conditions in the City of Annapolis that were contributing to violent crime and recidivism; and

WHEREAS, the members have continued to meet, develop relationships and have identified specific actions that will improve public safety in the City of Annapolis; and

WHEREAS, these discussions have already begun to enhance communication and coordination among Federal, State and Local agencies committed to the public safety of the City of Annapolis; and

WHEREAS, the signatories below further commit to working together to implement strategies, continue constructive communication and problem solving, develop action plans, establish performance measures and evaluate success.

It is, by way of this Memorandum of Understanding,

HEREBY established the Capital City Safe Streets Coalition.

I. Purpose.

The function of the Capital City Safe Streets Coalition is to address issues affecting the public safety of the City of Annapolis.

II. Established. There is the Capital City Safe Streets Coalition.

III. Composition.

A. The Coalition shall consist of the following members or their designees:

1. The Mayor of the City of Annapolis
2. County Executive for Anne Arundel County
3. Chief, Annapolis Police Department
4. State's Attorney, Anne Arundel County
5. Chief, Anne Arundel County Police Department
6. Sheriff, Anne Arundel County Sheriff's Department
7. Executive Director, City of Annapolis Housing Authority
8. Health Officer, Anne Arundel County Department of Health
9. Resident of Annapolis as appointed by the State Legislative Delegation for District 30
10. Resident of Annapolis as appointed by the Mayor of the City of Annapolis
11. Resident of Annapolis as appointed by the City Council of Annapolis
12. United States Attorney for the District of Maryland

13. **The Executive Director of Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention**
14. **Secretary, Maryland Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services**
15. **Superintendent, Maryland State Police**
16. **Secretary, Maryland Department of Juvenile Services**
17. **Director, Maryland Division of Parole and Probation**
18. **Chief, Department of General Services Police Department, State of Maryland**

B. A member who holds membership by virtue of an election holds membership on the Council only during that member's term of office.

C. Terms of resident members of the Coalition are for one year however, they may be reappointed for an additional year term.

D. The Chair shall be selected by a majority vote of the Coalition and shall serve for a one year term as Chair.

E. The Coalition shall meet at least once a month.

F. The Meetings of the Coalition shall be open to the public.

G. Minutes of the meetings should be kept by the Chair and made available for public inspection.

IV. Duties. The Coalition shall:

A. Develop a strategy which deploys Local, State and Federal resources to identify repeat offenders who are engaged in gun and drug crime. This includes a commitment to sharing of information in accordance with Federal and State law and pooling of resources to prioritize workloads;

- B. Coordinate Local and Federal prosecution strategies so that they are focused on the most violent and repeat offenders, with an emphasis on reducing gun and drug-related violence;
 - C. Enhance information sharing, data analysis, and use of technology in accordance with Federal and State law to identify crime trends and to proactively address community conditions leading to crime;
 - D. Identify laws and regulations that can be utilized to support public safety efforts. Research legislative and regulatory changes on that may enhance the success of the Coalition;
 - E. Ensure social services and drug treatment programs are included throughout all facets of any efforts of the Coalition to reduce recidivism, support victims and to improve offenders' chances of successful re-entry to the community from the correctional system;
 - F. Include the community in all components of the work of the Coalition. Coupled with enforcement and social service deployment of resources, the Coalition shall seek to implement alternative dispute resolution, community-based crime prevention programs and diversion initiatives; and,
 - G. Commit to share data at the monthly meetings, in accordance with Federal and State law, and to evaluate progress among the State and Local public safety agencies working within the Coalition.
- V. Report and Action Plan.

The Coalition may adopt an Action Plan from time to time as the Council finds appropriate. The Coalition shall publish an annual report of its activities by January 15 of each year.

**Signatories to the Memorandum of Understanding for the Capital
City Safe Streets Coalition as of February 21, 2008:**

**The Honorable Martin O'Malley, Governor
State of Maryland**

**The Honorable Michael E. Busch, Speaker
Maryland House of Delegates**

**The Honorable Ellen Moyer, Mayor
City of Annapolis**

**The Honorable John Leopold, County Executive
Anne Arundel County**

**The Honorable Frank Weathersbee, State's Attorney
Anne Arundel County**

**Chief Joseph Johnson
Annapolis Police Department**

**Secretary Gary Maynard
Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services**

**Colonel Terrence Sheridan, Superintendent
Maryland State Police**

**Secretary Donald Devore
Department of Juvenile Services**

**Chief James Teare, Sr.
Anne Arundel County Police Department**

**Sheriff Ronald Bateman
Anne Arundel County Sheriff's Office**

**Chief Michael Pristoop
Department of General Services Police Department**

**Eric Brown, Director
Annapolis Housing Authority**

**Frances Phillips, Health Officer
Anne Arundel County Health Department**



