MWCOG Police Chiefs Committee Briefing to HSPSPC - 2/20/15

2014 Crime Report

* The Crime Rate for 2013 was 23.65 per 1,000 residents
* Total Part I crime decreased 2.6% from 2012to 2013
* Multi-year {2009-2013} Part I crime continues to trend downwards, 12% since 2009
* All departments utilizing long range strategies for safer communities via partnerships with:
	+ Other law enforcement agencies,
	+ various jurisdictional agencies,
	+ community groups,
	+ private organizations.

Interagency Collaboration Increased In 2014

* Approved Voice Communications Strategic Plan and developed Radio Cache Strategic Plan
	+ Joint Police &Fire/EMS effort on behalf of all Public Safety Partners
	+ Provides guidance to ensure radio interoperability maintained
	+ Next step is Implementation of ISSI, Regional Encryption Plan and Data Sharing Strategic Plan
* Strong interagency coordination via subcommittees & working groups
	+ Chaplains, Communications, Crisis Negotiations, CSU, Intelligence, Investigations, K9, Policy & Planning, SWAT, Technology, Training
	+ All pursuing collaborative efforts across region
* Convened new MWCOG Police Investigator Working Group
	+ Implementing coordinated investigative model for region wide Investigations
	+ Agencies sharing best practices and lessons learned
	+ Many cases solved through regional collaboration facilitated through relationships built in the working group
	+ Should become full subcommittee in 2015
* K9 and Crisis Negotiators became full subcommittees
	+ Increased capabilities with full subcommittee standing
		- Increased access to Police Chiefs Committee, other subcommittees and grant funding
* SWAT Training Fund – A model for others to follow
	+ Bringing essential training to NCR through pooled finds
	+ Many agencies pay into fund for training otherwise too costly for any one agency

2014 Collaborative Successes

* Further rollout of key systems - AFIS, LPR, Video Sharing & LinX
* Resiliency Working Group surveys member agencies
	+ To improve NCR LEOs management of long term exposure to high stress activities
* Identified federal partners for free or low cost resources
	+ DHS Office of Bomb Prevention has tools & training for Intel, EOD, SWAT & K9
	+ DoJ National Law Enforcement & Corrections Technology Center provides access to technology, technology testing results and surplus Federal equipment
	+ Partnered with FLETC {Federal Law Enforcement Training Center} Cheltenham, MD for April 2014 Crisis Negotiators Exercise and May Bomb Squad Demonstration Day
* Public Safety maintained during major events
	+ Including, but not limited summer/fall protests and July 4
	+ Through collaboration & coordination across all NCR Law Enforcement agencies, as well as effective use of community policing strategies
* Public Safety Chaplains' November Conference - "Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Training” How Chaplains May Aid in Preparing Their Communities for a Disaster and What Must a Chaplain Be Prepared To Do In The Event of a Major Disaster In His or Her Community “

2014 Goals

* Increase interagency coordination via subcommittees and working groups
	+ Chaplains, Communications, Crisis Negotiations, CSU, Intelligence, Investigations, K9, Policy & Planning, SWAT, Technology, Training, Search Operations
* Implement Voice Communications Strategic Plan, and develop Data Sharing Strategic Plans, via Joint Police/Fire Communications Subcommittee
* Resiliency Working Group to ID products to increase agency resiliency
	+ Trainings
	+ Smartphone apps for NCR LEOs to help ID symptoms, remedies & resources
	+ Posters, Brochures and related media
* Increased training and exercises across MWCOG member agencies
* Documenting NCR LE Agency Roles in preventing and responding to Cyber Cirmes.

Preparations for 2015 World Police & Fire Games

* Fairfax County to host
* 12,000 Athletes from 70 countries coming to NCR
	+ June 26, 2015 - Opening Ceremonies @ RFK
	+ July 5, 2015 - Closing at Wolf Trap
* Will utilize venues around NCR
	+ 5 hockey venues for 2000 players
* All NCR partners cooperating on Planning, Logistics and Security

2015 Crime Report

* Data collection forms to be sent to member agencies in April
* Police Planners Committee will again compile data re: Service Calls involving:
	+ Emotionally disturbed people
	+ Suicides
	+ Domestic violence.
	+ Firearm arrests

Note: ability to capture these statistics will vary by agency. Legal definitions, procedures and data collected may vary by jurisdiction and agency.