Develop a Community-Based Approach to Reduce Gang Violence

The 2004 National Summit on Eliminating Gang Violence

Suppress, Intervene and Prevent Gang Activity within Your Community

Wyndham Miami Beach Resort • December 13-15, 2004 • Miami, FL

Assess the Role of Gang Activity in Your Community
Identify the problems of unchecked violence and its hidden ramifications on community harmony

Implementing Successful Anti-Gang Initiatives
Learn how to reduce gang violence with breakthrough intervention and prevention programs

Increase Collaboration and Integration of Law Enforcement
Apply successful strategies to combat gang activity and integrate violence prevention programs into existing community efforts

Build Effective Community Support through Partnerships and Coalitions
Enhance existing relationships and programs to combat against the increased level of gang activity

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Gang Identification Training and Expert Witness

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Plus: Interactive Workshop on Gang Tracking Systems for Law Enforcement

Don't Miss This One-of-a-Kind Opportunity to TAKE BACK YOUR COMMUNITY!!!

Identify Funding to Support Your Gang Initiatives!

Comprehensive Coverage of:

- The History and Key Attributes of Gangs and Gang Activity
- Best-Practice Programs for Eliminating and Preventing Gang Violence
- The Role of Law Enforcement in Community Gang Efforts
- Statewide Initiatives and Partnerships to Combat Gang Activity

Who Should Attend?

- Law Enforcement Officials
- School Administrators and Counselors
- Community Organizations
- Social Services Administrators
- Faith-Based Organizations
- State and Local Legislators

…and anyone else involved in community gang intervention!

Dear Anti-Gang Advocate,

Gang violence is on the rise and probably already present in your community. Gang-related homicides in the United States are up 50 percent from 1999. While the problem of gangs once only occupied major metropolitan areas, today gang violence makes no distinction along socio-economic lines. Gangs have increasingly spread throughout communities nationwide, drawing members from all walks of life.

I strongly encourage you to attend the *2004 National Summit on Eliminating Gangs* on December 13-15, 2004, at the Wyndham Miami Beach Resort in Miami, FL. This summit will provide you with valuable information to effectively implement a strategic anti-gang plan to intervene and prevent gang violence in your community.

Assess the Role of Gang Activity in Your Community

Intrinsic to developing a preventative plan to eliminate gangs is to first assess the major issues and barriers to reducing gang violence in your community. Hear from leading experts about the latest trends of gang activity, as well as problems your community may face when targeting gangs.

Develop a Comprehensive Community-Based Approach to Reduce Gang Violence

To effectively deter gang violence, everyone must be involved. Create and implement a community-wide program aimed at eliminating gangs through the collaborative efforts of local law enforcement, schools and community outreach program managers.

Through best practices, case studies and expert presentations covering gang suppression and prevention strategies, you will emerge from this summit equipped with a practical framework for developing a comprehensive anti-gang agenda for your community.

Build Effective Support through Partnerships and Coalitions

Partnerships and coalitions can not only provide your community with increased support and input, but additional resources, options for funding and the ability to leverage existing relationships. Learn how other communities successfully forged partnerships between law enforcement, school officials, and community outreach practitioners to further their gang prevention initiatives.

This summit will provide valuable lessons, strategies and applications for gang suppression and intervention as well as a tangible peer-to-peer exchange of ideas for gang prevention programs. Proven strategies and best practices from the nation's leading gang elimination programs are waiting for your review. **Register today by calling 703-894-0481 or visiting us at www.performanceweb.org.**

I look forward to seeing you in December!

Best Regards,



Amy Shioji
Associate Director

Promote Job Placement for Reformed Gang Members!

PROGRAM AGENDA

PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOP DECEMBER 13, 2004

8:30 Workshop Registration & Continental Breakfast

9:00 WORKSHOP: Gang Tracking Systems for Law Enforcement

Law enforcement agencies continually face an increasing multitude of tasks in the field of community policing. With gang activity on the rise, law enforcement agencies must equip themselves with the necessary tools to tackle their gang problems. The use of Global Information Systems (GIS) has enabled law enforcement to track gang activity as well as develop tactical planning methods to suppress gangs in their community.

- Learn how the implementation of GIS will allow your agency to track gang activity and better align officers to high gang crime areas
- Identify the prospects of gang information sharing with other agencies using GIS technology

Dr. Mark Leipnik, Professor, Sam Houston State University

12:15 Networking Luncheon

DAY ONE, DECEMBER 13, 2004

1:15 Keynote Address: The Importance of Gang Prevention

Having devoted his career to working with gang members and at-risk youth, Father Boyle sees the importance of gang prevention everyday. While suppression and intervention are key factors in deterring gang violence, prevention is an essential element in the gang elimination process. Hear him discuss the importance of gang prevention and what steps your community can take to create effective prevention strategies to reduce gang violence in your area.

Father Gregory Boyle, Jobs for a Future/Homeboy Industries

2:15 Break & Refreshments

2:30 Addressing the Emerging Gang Crisis Part I- Gang Identification

As gang violence increases nationwide, it is clear that the ongoing problem of gang participation must be addressed. In order to target gang violence, it is crucial to obtain an overview of gangs and their activity. Determining the causes of gangs and key factors that increase the likelihood of gang membership will provide insight into the gang mentality. This knowledge of gangs and how to identify them is the first step to combating the gang problem within any community.

- Examine the history of gangs and how they have spread throughout the U.S.
- Identify key attributes of gangs and gang activity and explore the appeal of joining a gang

Robert Walker, Gangs OR Us

4:30 Adjourn

DAY TWO, DECEMBER 14, 2004

8:30 Continental Breakfast

9:00 Addressing the Emerging Gang Crisis Part II- Gang Violence and the Role of Gang Activity in Your Community

After successfully establishing a general foundation of gang characteristics and trends, the next step is to examine the impact of gang activity and violence as it applies to all communities. Identify some of the more notorious gangs in the U.S. that plague communities nationwide and determine the role your agency plays in reducing gang violence.

- Recognize the violence associated with gangs and its ramifications on community cohesion
- Learn what parents, teachers, law enforcement and the community can do to stop the spreading of gang "cancer"

Robert Walker, Gangs OR Us

"Since law enforcement agencies began partnering with citizens through community policing, we've seen significant drops in crime rates."

-U.S. Attorney General John Ashcroft
July 15, 2002 Washington, DC

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10:00 Establishing an Effective Strategic Plan for Eliminating Gang Violence

In order to develop a gang prevention program, you must first apply the appropriate tools to effectively understand and manage your agency's goals and strategies.

- Use the "Logic Model" to focus on intermediate and end outcomes of programs and agencies
- Construct a strategic plan for your agency through this integrated system of intermediate outcomes, end outcomes, and strategies

Carl DeMaio, The Performance Institute*

11:00 Break & Refreshments

11:15 Promoting Statewide Initiatives and Developing Partnerships to Combat Gang Activity

Over the past year, the Commonwealth of Virginia has experienced an increase in the appearance of gangs and associated violence. In response, Virginia is effectively addressing the gang problem and combating gangs through coordinated initiatives.

- Learn how Virginia is allocating resources to support its anti-gang initiatives
- Examine the impact of Virginia's new federally funded Anti-Gang Task Force on gang activity in the area

Marla Decker, VA Office of the Attorney General*

12:15 Networking Luncheon

1:30 Best Practices: Replicating Effective Response Programs

In an effort to alleviate the ongoing problem of gangs in Miami, FL, the Miami-Dade County Police have developed a Multi-Agency Gang Task Force (MAGTF), compiled of law enforcement specializing in gang activity. Since the implementation of MAGTF, Miami-Dade has seen a sharp decline in gang related activity.

- Learn what steps and funds are necessary to create a MAGTF
- Discover how a MAGTF can be an effective tool in your community

Hector Alfonso, Criminal Analyst, Miami-Dade Police Department



2:30 Best Practices: Increasing Integration of Law Enforcement in Schools

As a result of the Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement Act of 1994, the federal government has taken prolific steps to address the national gang problem. In support of law enforcement officials to improve community policing and school safety, the federal government has developed numerous funding sources for local officials to take back their communities.

- Identify proven school-based and youth activities that combat gang activity
- Learn about possible funding sources to support your anti-gang initiatives

3:30 Adjourn

DAY THREE: DECEMBER 15, 2004

8:30 Continental Breakfast

9:00 Case Study: Creating a Second Chance for Gang Members

Jobs for a Future is turning lives around with its job placement and training opportunities for reformed gang members. In an effort to provide positive alternatives to gang participation, this organization provides job training and placement, counseling, tattoo removal, and other essential resources for gang members in order to avoid potential job pitfalls. This session will help you learn successful strategies for reintegrating reformed gang members back into your community.

Father Gregory Boyle, Jobs for a Future

10:00 Case Study: School Gang Violence Prevention Planning

Gang Resistance Education and Training (GREAT) is a life-skills competency program designed to provide students with the skills they need to avoid gang pressure and youth violence. The program teaches multiple lessons on the ramifications of gang violence on the community and how

"This is clearly a growing problem, and one that has spread from urban areas into more rural areas and smaller cities where you would not normally expect gang activity to surface."

- Attorney General Jerry Kilgore

to assess and prevent at-risk behavior within schools. Learn about what Orange County, FL is doing to deter gang activity in their neighborhood through the implementation of the GREAT program in school curriculum.

Lt. Brett Meade, Orange Co. Sheriff's Department/GREAT program

11:15 Developing a Comprehensive Community Based Approach to Reducing Gang Violence

In order to implement an effective program aimed at eliminating gang violence, it is imperative that all agencies within a community work together to develop a strategic anti-gang plan.

- Hear how Pierce County, Washington's creation of a Safe Streets Campaign has engaged community participation and reduced gang violence
- Learn the methods to create a successful community-wide collaboration effort against gang activity in your community.

Priscilla Lisicich, Safe Streets

12:30 Adjourn

** Denotes Invited*

5 Reasons to Attend this Summit:

- **Assess** the Impact of Unchecked Gang Violence in Your Community
- **Develop** Alternatives to Gang Participation
- **Learn** how Leading Communities Eliminated Gang Violence and Reclaimed their Neighborhoods
- **Discover** Potential Funding Opportunities to Support Your Gang Initiatives
- **Enhance** Community Partnerships to Increase the Success of your Programs

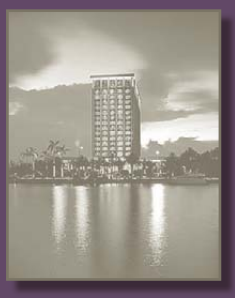
How do I Register?

Call the Performance Institute at 703-894-0481 or visit us online at www.performanceweb.org. Be sure to reference priority code L158 when you register.

Venue & Hotel:

The ***2004 National Summit on Eliminating Gangs*** will be held at Wyndham Miami Beach Resort in Miami, FL. A limited number of rooms have been reserved at a discounted rate of $107 when reservations are made by November 21, 2004. Please contact the hotel directly at 305-532-3600 to make your reservation, and be sure to ask for the Performance Institute conference rate.

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Tuition Rates:

Tuition rates for the ***2004 National Summit on Eliminating Gangs*** are:

Summit	$1095
Summit and Workshop:	$1295

Group Discounts:

Group discounts are available.
Contact Shawn Keeley at 703-894-0481 or Keeley@performanceweb.org regarding group rates to the ***2004 National Summit on Eliminating Gangs***.

Administrative Note:

A 10 percent cancellation fee will be charged for cancellations received less than three weeks from the date of the conference. As speakers are confirmed six months before the event some speaker changes or topic changes may occur in the program. The Performance Institute is not responsible for speaker changes, but will work to ensure a comparable speaker is located to participate in the program.



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