



MEMORANDUM

TO: The Citizens of Little Rock

FROM: Jim Dailey, Mayor

DATE: August 16, 2004

SUBJECT: Future Little Rock 10-Year Celebration

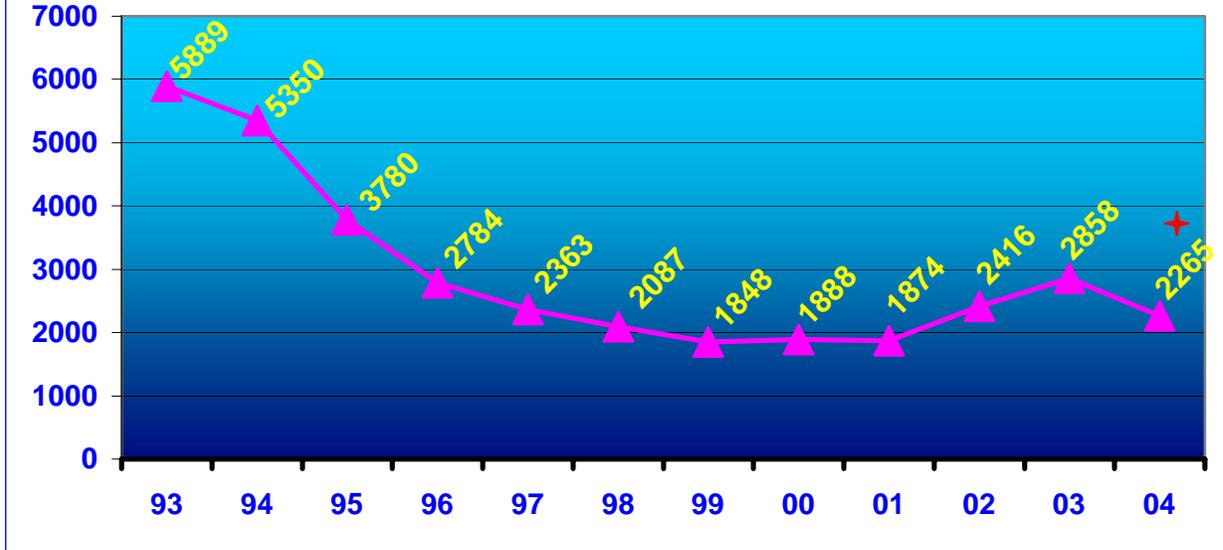
The year 1993 found Little Rock in a time of crisis. The prevalence of drugs and the spread of youth violence were major contributors to the rise in reported violent crime. In that one year, 76 people were murdered in Little Rock. The City of Little Rock responded by creating a partnership with the community in an effort to combat violent crime. The citizens of Little Rock realized that while enhanced law enforcement capabilities were critical to making the city safe, there was a need for long-term intervention and treatment programs if a real solution was to be found. Thus, the FUTURE-Little Rock Initiative was created. This process would eventually result in approximately \$3 million a year being funneled into Prevention, Intervention, and Treatment (PIT) programs that would address youth issues, benefit public safety, and curb youth violence.

Ten years later, we invite you to join us in a celebration of the tremendous success of the FUTURE-Little Rock Initiative. The violent crime rate has been reduced by more than 50% from 1993. Today, between 45 and 60 different contracts per year for PIT Programs are funded by the City of Little Rock - having invested more that \$30 million for the benefit of a wide variety of citizens needing these services over the past ten years. The commitment to the citizens to provide these programs is well established and has proven itself a wise investment.

This packet contains valuable information about the wealth of programs available to the citizens of Little Rock. The included graphs will show the reduction in reported crime and juvenile arrests during the past ten years.

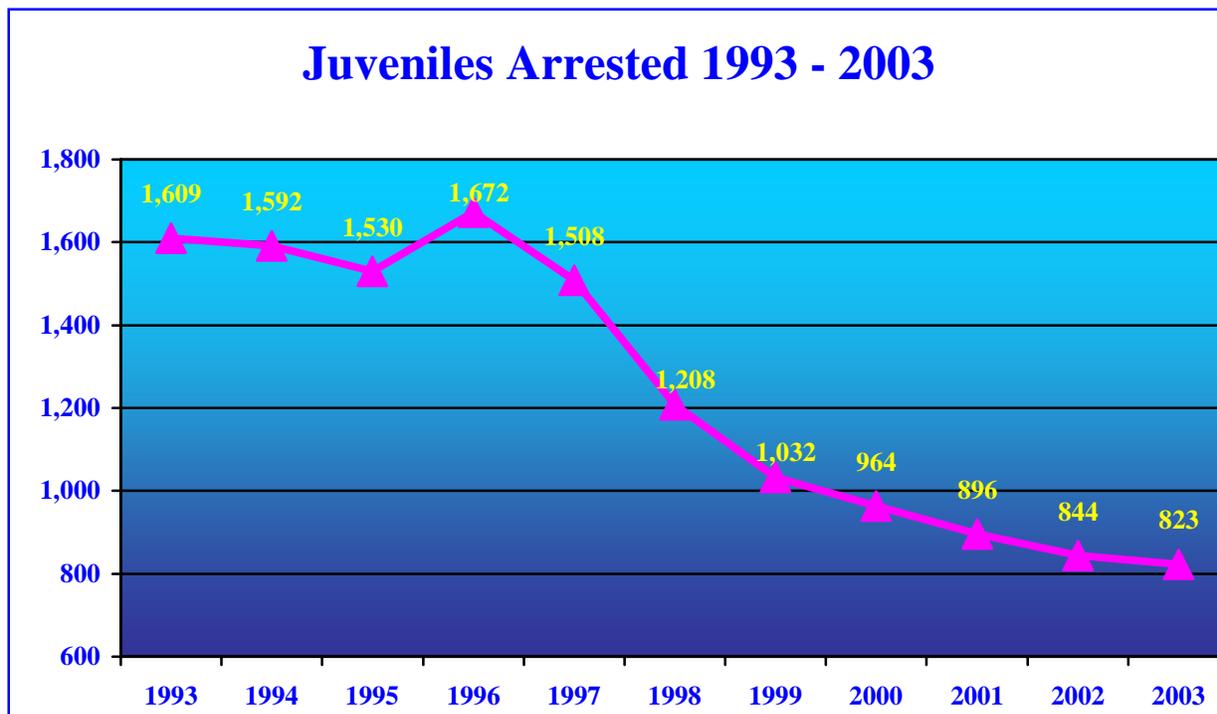
VIOLENT CRIME 1993 - 2003

✦ 2004 totals are a projection



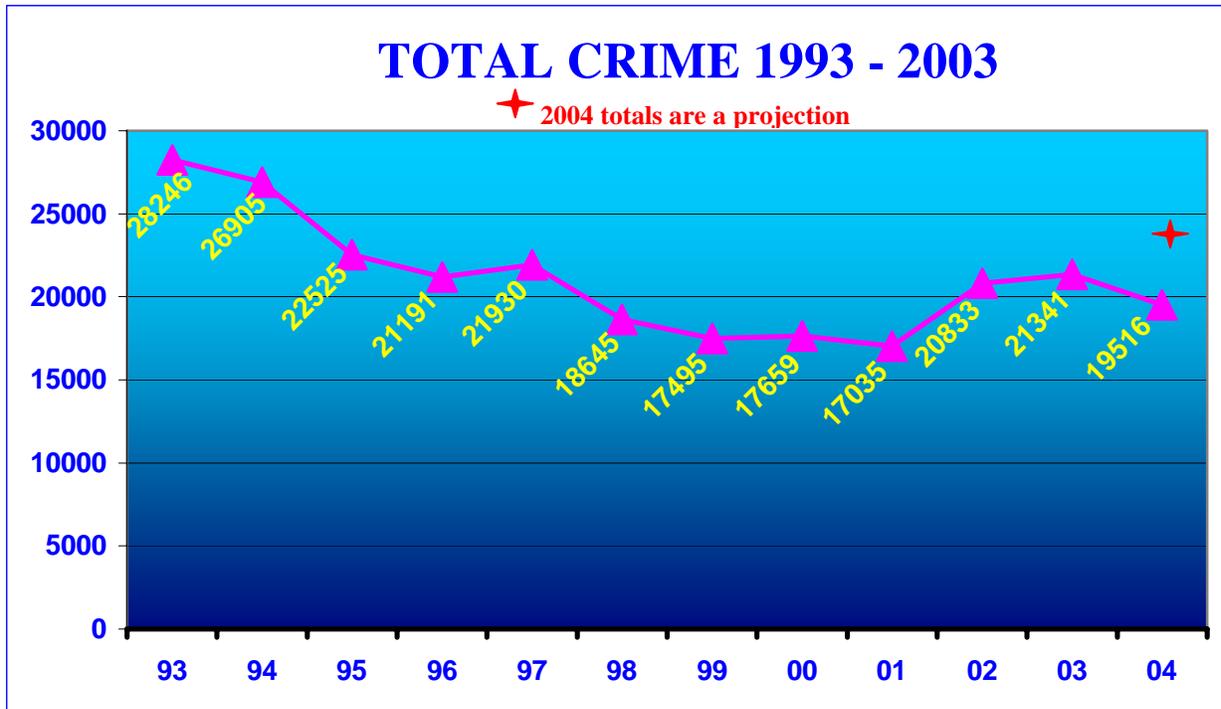
The purpose of this chart is to show violent crime trends from data compiled by the Little Rock Police Department for the Uniformed Crime Report (UCR). The number of reported violent crimes has decreased significantly since 1993.

Violent crimes include: Murder, Rape, Robbery, and Aggravated Assault.



This chart represents the number of juveniles arrested during the period from 1993 to 2003. There is a positive correlation between increased police presence and youth programs, and a drop in juvenile crime.

Some of these programs were funded by foundations and grants, such as the Annie E. Casey Foundation Grant (\$10 million, 1988) that spawned the beginnings of youth development-oriented programs with New Futures for Little Rock Youth, Inc., which is now widely known in the community as simply “New Futures.” Another such contribution is the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Grant (\$5 million, 1991), which financially supported the community in creating the “Little Rock Fighting Back” project and the programs under it, such as Insure the Children at Arkansas Childrens’ Hospital, Neighborhood Support Centers, COPP Alert Centers, the Arkansas CARES program, and most recently a faith-based initiative to address youth substance abuse issues. The Kellog Foundation Grant (\$1 million, 1996) is yet another positive contribution. It paid for “Our Clubs,” which provide safe environments and positive role models for youth. FUTURE-Little Rock, a community-driven initiative started in the city in 1993, generates approximately \$3 million every year for Prevention, Intervention and Treatment (PIT) programs which curb youth violence and enhance public safety. This initiative has resulted in a significant decrease in violence and gangs over a ten-year tracking period from 1993-2003. The PIT Programs under FUTURE-Little Rock have evolved from a multi-branched governing and advising structure into the prominent Little Rock Commission on Children, Youth and Families. The Commission focuses on finding the best practices and highest quality programs covering the issues of education, domestic violence, youth prevention, intervention and treatment.



The purpose of this chart is to depict crime from data compiled by the Little Rock Police Department for the Uniformed Crime Report (UCR). The number of reported crimes has declined significantly since 1993. UCR includes violent crimes, as well as burglary, larceny, and auto theft.

The City of Little Rock has proactively committed its monetary, personnel, and community resources to address the issues of youth violence, neighborhood crime, drug abuse and drug-related crime. A permanent and comprehensive infrastructure has been established that will allow the City of Little Rock to continue to respond to these issues as they arise.

In line with the services and programs already established, City staff have made plans to highlight this 10th Anniversary celebration with even more opportunities for the public to participate in forums, workshops, and special events. In the coming months, please watch for those announcements, and join myself and the great staff of employees of the City of Little Rock as we celebrate ten years of accomplishments through FUTURE-Little Rock.

Police and Community Programs

Alert Centers (1990-Current)	The Alert Centers were created in 1990 as a base of operations for a joint relationship between City government and the neighborhoods.	2220 S. Arch St. - 372-1555 3001 W. Markham St. - 663-9451 1108 S. Park - 376-7610 2601 E. 6 th - 374-4166 5621 Valley Dr. - 562-0042 5323 W. 65 th St. - 565-7119 1813 Wright Ave. - 374-4552 4200 Barrow Rd. - 565-4807 3623 Baseline Rd. - 565-4669 1100 W. 33 rd St. - 370-9537 606 E. 21 st St. - 376-3406 9209 Mann Rd. - 565-1499 3805 W. 12 th St. - 379-1511 2106 S. Tyler - 666-0916
Black Community Developers' Neighborhood Support Center	NSC provides pre- and post-substance treatment for Little Rock adult residents who are addicted to alcohol and other drugs.	Deborah Bell, Director 4000 W. 13 th St. 379-1538 FAX 379-1577
Black Community Developers Midtown Female YIP Program	Offers varieties of programs for females 13-19 years old who live in the midtown community.	Carlena Jones, YIP Coordinator 4000 W. 13 th St. 379-1538 FAX 379-1577
Black Community Developers Midtown Male YIP Program	Offers varieties of programs for at-risk males 13-19 years old who live in the midtown community.	Rev. William Robinson, Exec. Dir. 4000 W. 13 th St. 379-1538 FAX 379-1577
Black Community Developers Midtown Male YIP Program #2	Offers varieties of programs for at-risk males 13-19 years old who live in the midtown community.	Rev. William Robinson, Exec. Dir. 4000 W. 13 th St. 379-1538 FAX 379-1577
Black on Black Crime Coalition (2002-Current)	This Congressionally recognized program was started in 2002 in an effort to reverse the epidemic of Black on Black Crime.	Ms. Joyce Raynor, Program Coordinator Center for Healing Hearts and Spirits 952-7169 / 372-3900

Adult Drug and Alcohol Abuse Treatment System with Bureau of Alcohol & Drug Abuse Prevention	Division of Behavioral Health Services. Through a contract with the City of Little Rock, provides adult residential alcohol and drug treatment services.	Garland Ferguson, Director 5800 W. 10 th St., Suite 907 686-9866 FAX 686-9035 Recovery Centers of Arkansas - 372-4611 Hoover Center - 663-4774 Serenity Park - 663-7627 Arkansas Cares - 661-7979
CIT Program (2002-Current)	Crisis Intervention Team. Police Officers who receive this training are equipped to deal with mentally-handicapped individuals.	Capt. D. Ebinger 918-3903
CPA (Mid 1990s-Current)	Created the successful Citizen Police Academy.	Sgt. O. Fuller, LRPD 10,901 Arch St./LRPD Training Facility 918-4305
Crime Prevention (1960s-Current)	It is the goal of the LRPD Crime Prevention Unit to review statistical data and provide current crime prevention information that will give the citizens of Little Rock the knowledge to anticipate, recognize, and appraise criminal risk in order for them to initiate action to remove or reduce criminal opportunity.	Downtown (Off. T. Vaughn) 379-1525 Southwest (Off. B. Grigsby) 918-3906 Northwest (Off. J. Thompson) 918-3510 Sgt. T. Hastings – 371-4626
Crime Stoppers (1979-Current)	Monitors a telephone hotline to receive anonymous tips about criminal activity. Tips received by Crime Stoppers are passed along to the appropriate law enforcement agency.	Off. C. Davis - 371-4636
CSI (2004-Current)	Community Safety Initiative. This program, founded in 2004, helps parolees adjust to life in the community in an effort to reduce recidivism.	Sgt. T. Hastings 371-4626
DEA Task Force (More than 25 years ago-Current)	This is a task force in which the Little Rock and North Little Rock Police Departments, the Pulaski County Sheriff's Office, the DEA, the FBI, and the Arkansas State Police participate in order to combat illegal drugs.	Capt. M. Sylvester Special Investigations Division 918-3800

Firearms Trafficking Task Force (1995-Current)	This is a task force in which the ATF and LRPD participate in order to curb firearms trafficking.	Capt. M. Sylvester Special Investigations Division 918-3800
Future Little Rock (1994-Current)	Sales Tax that generated 35-45 new officers each year for three years, for a total of 135. It added 6 Traffic Services Officers (TSOs), 4 Communications Operators, and several other PIT programs.	Paula Patterson City Hall - 371-4500
Greater Friendship, Inc. (East)	Program offers specialized tutoring and homework assistance for East Little Rock youth in grades 3-8.	Patricia Williams, Project Director 4640 Confederate Blvd. 374-4423 FAX 374-8892
Greater Friendship, Inc. (Southwest)	Greater Friendship, Inc., in partnership with David O. Dodd Elementary School, offers a program of academic and social enrichment activities for 100 at risk youth in grades K-5 residing in Southwest Little Rock.	Patricia Williams, Project Director 6423 Stagecoach Rd. 455-7430 FAX 374-8892
Greater Second Care Center SW Female YIP Program	Provides the GO Girl! YIP program, an exciting program of self-realization and determination for girls ages 13-17 who live in Southwest Little Rock.	Fred C. Harvey, Vice Chair 5615 Geyer Springs Rd. 569-9988 FAX 570-0000 / 570-7777
HEAT (1980-Current)	Help End Auto Theft, a program started to coordinate civilians and police agencies in quickly recovering stolen vehicles. Civilian participants agreed to have a sticker placed on their cars that told officers to pull them over if the vehicles were on the road between the hours of 1:00am and 5:00am. HEAT was in effect throughout the 90s.	Off. C. Davis – 371-4636 Crime Stoppers
Adolescent Drug and Alcohol Treatment System	A free substance abuse program for children kindergarten age through eighteen years old in effect since 1993.	Prevention Intervention & Treatment (PIT) 500 W. Markham St. Rm. 220W Community Programs - 399-3420
Little Rock Boys & Girls Club	Provides programs for at-risk youth between the ages of 6 and 18 who reside in Little Rock.	Jerry Lane, Chief Professional Officer Admin. Office: 8023 W. Cantrell 666-8816/FAX 666-3748 Luther Armstrong, Unit Director Thrasher Boys & Girls Clubs 3301 State St. 376-2988/FAX 376-2206

MetRock (1992-Current)	Metropolitan Violent Crime Task Force. It is a coalition of the Little Rock and North Little Rock Police Departments, as well as the FBI, the US Marshalls, and the Arkansas State Police, that comes together to fight Violent Crime. We have been participants for approximately 10 years.	Capt. M. Sylvester Special Investigations Division 918-3800
Neighborhood Watch	Identifies individual areas of crime to be addressed. Focuses citizens on crime prevention within their neighborhoods.	Dolores Scales, N. Watch Coordinator PH. 379-1526 FAX - 379-1534
New Futures for Youth, Inc. (1988-Current)	New Futures for Youth was established in 1988 as a collaborative of public and private, community and institutional representatives committed to improved outcomes for youth. Funding is provided through grants and contracts from sources interested in furthering this purpose.	Dr. Mark Perry, Executive Director 103 E. 7 th St., Suite 931 374-1011 FAX 374-9736 Ken Richardson, YIP Coordination
OCDETF (1982)	Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Force. It is an organization in which the Little Rock and North Little Rock Police Departments, the Pulaski County Sheriff's Office, the DEA, the FBI, and the Arkansas State Police participate. Its purpose is to combat the distribution of narcotics by organized crime groups.	Capt. M. Sylvester Special Investigations Division 918-3800
Patrol Divisions (SW 1995-Current) (NW 1997-Current) (DT 2003-Current)	These new precincts resulted in better police coverage for all parts of the city. The Southwest precinct is located at 6401 Baseline Rd. The Northwest precinct is located at 10,001 Kanis Rd. The Downtown precinct is located at 300 W. Roosevelt.	Downtown (Capt. H. Finks) 918-5130 Southwest (Capt. D. Ebinger) 918-3900 Northwest (Capt. A. Fulk) 918-3500 Headquarters/Administrative 371-4605
Police Youth Live-In Camp (1997-Current)	The camp targets at-risk youth ages 10-12 and utilizes both professional camp staff and police officers as counselors.	Lt. G. King 371-4887
Project Safe Neighborhoods (2001-Current)	This program was created by the ATF and LRPD to fight gun violence by seeking Federal, no-parole sentences for gun violators.	Capt. M. Sylvester Special Investigations Division 918-3800
Promiseland Ministries (Universidad de Promisa)	A year-round intensive after-school youth development program for Hispanic children.	8923 Sunset Lane Rd. 570-0048 FAX 570-0090

Pulaski County Juvenile Detention Center		3001 W. Roosevelt Rd. 340-6697
Pulaski County Juvenile Services	Provides the highly-successful “Our Clubs” program.	Admin. Office 201 S. Broadway, #220 340-8250 FAX 340-8259
Pulaski County Regional Jail (1994-Current)	Closed the LRPD facility. This new jail opened Aug. 15, 1994, with a total of 879 beds, freeing LRPD officers for patrol duties.	3000 W. Roosevelt Rd. 340-7000
Quarterly Meetings of Police Patrol Division Commanders (2000-Current)	Every three months, the patrol division commanders meet together to coordinate their strategies for keeping the City of Little Rock safe.	Ms. Doris Scales 379-1526
Reorganization of the LRPD Detective Division (2002-Current)	A recent reorganization of the Detective Division increases specialization and decreases response time in many cases.	Capt. E. Higgins Detective Division 371-4665
School Resource Officers (1992-Current)	The School Resource Officers’ mission since 1992 had been to assist the Little Rock School District in providing a safe learning environment and to improve relationships between law enforcement and today’s youth.	Special Operations Division/LRPD 300 W. Roosevelt Sgt. T. Jordan - 379-1521
Step Up Support Center	The Step Up support center provides relapse prevention service for substance abuse clients ages 18 and older.	Ruth Nash, Exec. Director 9010 Hilaro Springs Road Little Rock, AR 72209 501-565-1333/501-565-1653
Step Up Center Hispanic YIP Male Program	This program is designed to prevent and intervene gang activity/involvement of twenty (20) Hispanic male youth.	Ruth Nash, Exec. Director 9010 Hilaro Springs Road Little Rock, AR 72209 501-565-1333/501-565-1653
Step Up Center Male YIP Program	Males 13-19 come together to participate in activities with Step Up staff after school and on days off.	Ruth Nash, Exec. Director 9010 Hilaro Springs Road Little Rock, AR 72209 501-565-1333/501-565-1653
Training Facility/LRPD (1998-Current)	This is a new, expanded training facility. Increased recruit school curriculum, improved the department’s firing range facility, initiated 40-hour in-service training for all officers, and established department-wide physical fitness program.	10,901 Arch St. Capt. W. Bewley 918-4300

Victim Services (1997-Current)	Implemented a victim services program at the Downtown police facility.	700 W. Markham LRPD 244-5481