

CIRV – Community Initiative to Reduce Violence

CIRV Goal

- The goal of the Community Initiative to Reduce Violence (CIRV) is to unite community members, service providers, and law enforcement in a coordinated partnership to keep young men from shooting each other.

CIRV Projected Results

- A reversal of the upward trend in homicides and firearm injuries.
- Fewer homicides and gun shot injuries than in 2005 and a declining trend promising even lower levels.

CIRV Implementation Steps

- Know the Players
 - Identify positive influences in the community
 - Identify violent groups in the community
- Organize
 - Organize the community around the message “stop the shooting or else”
- Communicate
 - Community interacts with the violent groups
 - Communicates the core message
- Reinforce the Message
 - React swiftly to illegal acts with enforcement
 - Intervene quickly with support for positive behavior
- Show Results
 - Data driven analysis to keep the initiative focused on the desired results

CIRV Partners

- Mayor Mark Mallory
- Cincinnati City Council
 - Councilman Cecil Thomas, Chair, Law and Public Safety Committee
- Commission President Todd Portune and the Hamilton Commission
- Cincinnati Children’s Hospital, Dr. Victor Garcia
- University of Cincinnati, Dr. Robin Engel and Dr. John Eck
- Professor David Kennedy
- Community & Services Outreach Group
 - Community Police Partnering Center
 - Service Agencies
 - Religious Leaders
- Law Enforcement Action Group
 - Police
 - Probation
 - Parole
 - Sheriff