

National Crime Prevention Council **2008** Annual Report

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Mission Statement

To be the nation's leader in helping people keep themselves, their families, and their communities safe from crime.

Message From the President and CEO and Board Chairman

According to the FBI's annual crime report, overall crime rates were down last year. The drop wasn't dramatic, but violent crime fell for the first time since 2005, and property crime rates declined for the fifth straight year. We at the National Crime Prevention Council are pleased to hear that news, but these numbers and statistics offer little comfort to the parent whose child is cyberbullied, the young woman who is raped, or the young man scarred for life in a gang fight.

And while those of us engaged in crime prevention can claim credit for this slight movement in the needle, there is still much to be done. We must stay focused and not let up on our mission to prevent crime. Last year, there were 1.4 million victims of violent crime. Crime remains a constant challenge to virtually every community across America.

Part of the economic crisis is the very real risk of an escalation in crime. While Wall Street grapples with its financial storm, Main Street America is dealing with a potential perfect storm of crime. Communities confronting the foreclosure crisis are seeing an increase in crime. Tight budgets for public safety services mean fewer resources to combat crime at the local level. Reduced services and a bleak economic future can make people resort to crime just to make ends meet.

The economic downturn, foreclosures, and major cuts to law enforcement and crime prevention budgets call for a commitment to a national agenda to renew crime prevention resources and support law enforcement across the country. The new President, Congress, and leadership at the Justice Department have an opportunity for the country to chart a new course. Policymakers can consider lessons learned from research and experience and act on a reasoned approach to effective, long-term crime prevention policy.

The costs of crime are borne not only by victims, but by families, employers, insurers, communities, and society as a whole. In 2005, crime victims incurred costs of more than \$17 billion. Federal, state, and local governments spent about \$204 billion for police protection, corrections, and judicial and legal activities associated with crime.

We must enact cost-effective prevention strategies and initiatives to help encourage Americans of all ages to do their part. We need funding, technical assistance, and support for innovations and initiatives. We need evaluation and development to identify and promote best practices. By stepping forth with a strong national policy, our country's leaders will set the stage for a ripple effect of changes in policy at all levels of government, lending in turn to widespread adoption of proven crime prevention strategies.

We must recommit and draw attention to crime prevention. Individuals and organizations across the country are working to educate the public about crime and the risk for victimization. In the process they are learning strategies to prevent crime. Most of these strategies depend on people and businesses keeping watch over their neighborhoods and working in tandem with local law enforcement agencies. Citizens must be mobilized, committed, and must continue to work closely with local law enforcement, serving as the eyes and ears of their communities.

The National Crime Prevention Council will continue to educate the public about the context of crime as it is reported in the media. We must educate people about the facts surrounding the likelihood of victimization. These are the mainstays of crime prevention as NCPC continues to train crime prevention professionals and concerned citizens in effective strategies to reduce crime. Informative publications, school curricula, community outreach, and a dynamic website all help Americans understand that preventing crime is everyone's business.

Above all, we need neighbors to help their neighbors. There are countless ways. Girl Scouts can help seniors with their grocery shopping. Teens at youth centers can paint out graffiti. A senior citizen can keeps his or her eyes on a neighbor's house while they are out of town. The officer on the beat knows the neighborhood and its residents. Law enforcement can continue to provide education and training to help individuals and groups serve their communities.

We have a rich heritage of watching out and helping out in this country. Back in colonial days town watchmen patrolled the street, calling out that "All is well" as they proceeded down each cobbled lane, ringing a bell as they went. When things were not well, there was plenty of support from the nearby citizenry.

We are grateful to our many partners, including the Bureau of Justice Assistance, the Office for Victims of Crime, the Office of Juvenile Justice Delinquency Prevention, and the Community Capacity Development Office, which are all part of the U.S. Department of Justice's Office of Justice Programs. We would also like to thank the many corporations, foundations, and individual donors who have given so generously to NCPC.

Committed crime prevention practitioners and agencies are facing an uphill battle right now. The economy is in trouble, people are losing their homes, and budget cuts everywhere mean fewer of us are doing more to fight the good fight. But, these are challenges we can overcome.



PRESIDENT AND CEO



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Chairman, Board of Directors

Introduction

Crime prevention matters. Whether it's the children and youth we are protecting or the government officials and law enforcement officers with whom we are partnering, whether we are promoting crime prevention and personal safety basics or responding to emerging crime trends—crime prevention matters. With violent crime poised to rise once again, the costs of crime escalating, and the belief by Americans that crime in this country is getting worse, it is time for this country's leaders—indeed all of us—to chart a new course for crime prevention.

The National Crime Prevention Council's expert staff is governed by a volunteer Board of Directors. Whether it's providing training and technical assistance in the community, publishing the latest crime prevention news, or working on the cutting edge via our two websites and through social marketing causes, NCPC works to help keep America safe. NCPC is aligned closely with crime prevention practitioners at the local, state, and national levels, and with the U.S. Department of Justice on a variety of endeavors. We are also home to McGruff the Crime Dog®, the Crime Prevention Coalition of America, and the National Crime Prevention Association.

This year's *Annual Report* offers a sample of our work with the context of our agency's strategic goals.



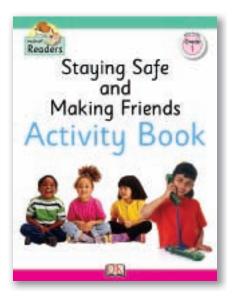
Protecting Children and Youth

McGruff Neighborhood

NCPC supported seven elementary schools and law enforcement agencies in five communities across the United States to undertake the McGruff Neighborhood Initiative. The schools use the McGruff Club program to teach children how to stay safe. In order to ensure that children can feel safe not only at school but in their neighborhoods, the schools and law enforcement agencies recruit neighbors to volunteer their homes as McGruff Houses. The McGruff Club and McGruff House programs, implemented in a coordinated way, create a community safety net for children. The seven sites were selected using a competitive application process. Representatives from the participating elementary schools and law enforcement agencies attended a two-day training in Nashville, TN, in early August 2008. Since the start of the school year, the sites have taught McGruff Club and have introduced McGruff House to many parents at community meetings.

McGruff Club and McGruff Readers

NCPC began to develop a new curriculum for the McGruff Club program. The new curriculum features four sets of lessons for children in grades 1-4. Lessons address safety at home, in the neighborhood, and online, and how to resolve conflicts, appreciate diversity, and manage bullying. The lessons build upon each other so children can develop more advanced communication, problem-solving, and critical thinking skills as they grow. The lessons are complemented by new McGruff Readers and activity books. The McGruff Readers educate children on the words to say and actions to take when they encounter dangerous situations. Children take the readers home to share with their families and read again and again. The new activity books incorporate math and writing activities to reinforce



the lessons learned in the McGruff Club curriculum. In 2008, NCPC produced four *McGruff Readers* and two activity books for children in first and second grades. (Books for children in grades 3 and 4 will be produced in 2009.)

Schools participating in the McGruff Neighborhood Initiative began piloting the new curriculum in the fall. In addition, five Boys & Girls Clubs implemented Mc-Gruff Club with more than 150 children during 2008. These young people participated in National Night Out events, conducted community cleanups, and visited with law enforcement officers.

Be Safe and Sound in School

NCPC supported 12 middle schools in implementing the Be Safe and Sound in School program. The program engages school administrators, parents, and students to assess safety concerns, identify priorities, and plan and implement activities that make schools safer. The 12 sites were selected through a competitive application process. Representatives from the sites attended a two-day training in early August in Nashville, TN. When the school year began, the sites conducted physical safety audits and surveyed hundreds of students, parents, and staff to determine safety concerns. They compiled the results of these assessments, shared them with the larger school community, and began to plan a course of action for addressing those issues.

Youth Outreach for Victim Assistance

NCPC partnered with the National Center for Victims of Crime to develop several new resources as part of the Youth Outreach for Victim Assistance (YOVA) project. YOVA strives to engage young people to raise awareness of teen victimization and to build the capacity of victim service providers to reach and serve teen victims of crime. One resource, *Chart a Course: Policies That Affect Victim Services for Teens*, helps victim service providers, law enforcement officers, educators, and other youth service staff to understand challenging issues. Questions about mandatory reporting requirements, the confidentiality rights of minors, and setting boundaries with teen victims can pose challenges to effectively supporting teen victims.

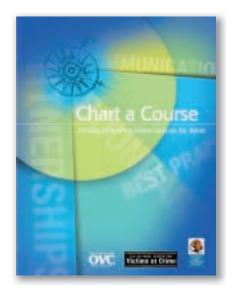


Chart a Course clarifies those issues and offers guidance for creating policies so staff know how to respond to and help victimized teens. New case studies, posted to the YOVA web pages, highlight the outstanding work of several sites. Individuals who read the case studies gain insight for engaging youth in public outreach activities, building media partnerships, and securing local support for projects.



Teens, Crime, and the Community (TCC)

TCC staff and consultants conducted more than ten *Community Works* implementation trainings for more than 100 school resource officers, community agency staff, court-designated workers, educators, and youth. NCPC also provided new resources to schools and community centers. A two-part webinar, "Preventing Teen Identity Theft" and "Generation MySpace: Making Smart Decisions," provided more than 70 participants with information on how to reduce the chance of becoming a victim of identity theft and strategies for teens to safely navigate social networking sites. Two new posters provided tips for teens on preventing identity theft and property theft. Finally, NCPC supported five Boys & Girls Clubs to implement the Youth Safety Corps program. Young people at these sites handed out safety information to community members and helped lead McGruff Club activities with younger children.

NCPC's website for children, **McGruff.org,** had more than 540,000 visitors and 4.6 million page views.



Partnering With Government and Law Enforcement

Celebrate Safe Communities

The inaugural year of Celebrate Safe Communities (CSC), the new Crime Prevention Month initiative, featured the participation of more than 150 communities in 36 states and Washington, DC. The initiative, a partnership of NCPC; the National Sheriffs' Association; and the Bureau of Justice Assistance, Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice, reached hundreds of thousands of citizens of all ages with vital information on how to stay safe from crime. In addition, the governors of a dozen states issued crime prevention proclamations, and the U.S. Senate



passed a CSC resolution by unanimous vote. This enthusiastic response to Crime Prevention Month and CSC is an affirmation of the importance of safety and crime prevention to all Americans.

CSC is intended to spotlight communities' crime prevention efforts, enhance public awareness of vital crime prevention and safety messages, and recruit yearround support for ongoing prevention activities that help keep individuals, families, and neighborhoods safe from crime. Communities from coast to coast tailored their celebrations to address their own concerns and priorities.



A snapshot of successful CSC events includes those listed below.

Miami-Dade County, FL – Fourteen different sites throughout the region held block parties, Neighborhood Watch recruitment drives, and events honoring community safety volunteers.

Kentucky – Seventeen community events included police-fire department collaborations on crime and fire safety education; workshops for residents on preventing home burglaries; safety assessments of local parks; and the launch of a local public-private safety coalition.

Maryland – Potomac Elementary School held a bullying awareness day for children and provided additional information to parents on how to keep kids safe at school and online, while the Prince George's County State's Attorney sponsored teen dating violence awareness sessions in local churches in connection with Domestic Violence Prevention Month.

New Mexico – Cannon Air Force Base held a community-wide information fair to help launch its Neighborhood Watch recruitment drive and provide child fingerprinting kits to service members and their families.

Washington, DC – The Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority partnered with McGruff to share safety tips with subway riders at a variety of stations each Thursday in October.

Campus Crime Prevention

NCPC's Campus Crime Prevention curriculum provides crime prevention training to law enforcement and public safety officers at college and university campuses across the country. Sponsored in partnership with the International Association of Campus Law Enforcement Administrators and the Bureau of Justice Assistance, Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice, the course encourages discussion about best practices in college crime prevention, campus Crime Watch, security surveys, and roles regarding the emergency response system. This year training sessions were held in Chicago, IL; Boston, MA; Greenville, SC; and Rochester, NY.

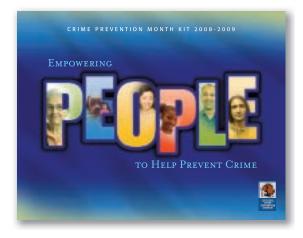
"I thoroughly enjoyed the (Campus) Crime Prevention presentation the past few days. It was undoubtedly the best forum for resources and networking that I have ever attended! You were both 'spot on' and very informative. When you have an opportunity, I would like any additional information on CPTED and other NCPC presentations. I certainly will be insisting on my team attending this training."

Crime Prevention Coalition of America

The Crime Prevention Coalition of America (CPCA) consists of more than 400 national, federal, state, and community-based organizations, representing thousands of constituents. CPCA offers a wide range of crime prevention activities, resources, conference support, and assistance.



The Coalition's activities are guided by an Executive Committee drawn from the leaders of its member organizations. These leaders help identify the trends



and opportunities for the organization's agenda. In addition, the Executive Committee serves as an important advisory body to NCPC. As such, the Coalition provides a critical link between NCPC and crime prevention practitioners in the field. Coalition resource highlights include the members-only website; discounts on crime prevention conferences, materials, and publications; and the CPCA E-Bulletin, Catalyst newsletter, and the *Crime Prevention Month Kit*.

Project Safe Neighborhoods

Project Safe Neighborhoods (PSN) began as a comprehensive, strategic approach to reducing gun crime in this country. Building on this, PSN has branched out to include the Anti-gang Training Program, which provides anti-gang information and prevention and intervention strategies to local



law enforcement and other justice agencies. Each Anti-gang Training Conference focuses on gang investigation training, line staff training, and an executive strategic planning session. NCPC conducted trainings in Chapel Hill, NC; Nashville, TN; Oklahoma City, OK; Birmingham, AL; Salt Lake City, UT; Chicago, IL; Spokane, WA; Rochester, NY; Sacramento, CA; Omaha, NE; and Lexington, KY.

Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design

Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design's (CPTED) goal is to prevent crime through designing a physical environment that positively influences human behavior. CPTED is based on four principles: natural access control, natural surveillance, territoriality, and maintenance. NCPC offers hands-on, interactive two- or three-day basic, school, or advanced training for law enforcement officers, architects, city planners, landscape designers, community leaders, volunteers, and more. This year trainings were held in Burlington, MA; Lee's Summit, MO; Manchester, NH; Rome, NY; Cherokee School in NC; Schenectady, NY; Dallas, TX; Omaha, NE; and Ottawa, Ontario.

National Crime Prevention Association

The National Crime Prevention Association (NCPA) is an individual membership association for the crime prevention practitioner. This professional association allows people in the public, private, and community sectors to learn and share in-

formation about best practices in the discipline of crime prevention. Other resources available through the NCPA include regional information sharing, a national networking system, and access to a national database of proven crime prevention trainers.

NCPA has registered nearly 1,300 members throughout the nation. Some of the benefits of NCPA include training at the re-



gional and national levels, networking opportunities, access to publications and crime prevention tools, and CEU credits for various training programs. The association is currently working with state crime prevention associations to provide training classes in conjunction with their conferences, and numerous training events have been planned for 2009. More information is available at www.ncpc.org/ncpa.





NCPC Develops Audio PSAs To Respond Quickly to Crime With Prevention Tips

This year NCPC developed ten public service announcements (PSAs) for radio. Called the Rapid Response Initiative, each PSA addresses timely topics such as home invasion, school shootings, crimes against seniors, sexual assault, and property theft. These PSAs can be used by the media and law enforcement to respond quickly to a community crime situation with proven prevention tips.

In addition to the ten PSAs, live announcer scripts let local media and law enforcement personnel respond with personalized messages to their community when a crime takes place.

The radio spots were created by IKA Collective and distributed by The Advertising Council.

Safer Cities

NCPC's Safer Cities Project provides tailored assistance to law enforcement and their community partners in the area of crime prevention outreach, engagement, and mobilization. NCPC provides assistance to two local law enforcement agencies, The Metropolitan Police Department of Washington and the Philadelphia Police Department.

McGruff is featured on fliers, tip cards, and posters, complementing NCPC's Rapid Response public service ads for radio. These crime prevention tools can be localized and used to respond to emerging crime concerns. Law enforcement officers were trained and coached on how to use these tools to engage their community partners, in turn, working to reduce the fear of crime and increase safety. A National League of Cities television webcast promoted these tools to their members, which included elected city officials and others who work together with law enforcement to enhance public safety.

In response to an emerging crime trend where seniors have been scammed or brutally attacked in personal assaults, a Safer Seniors campaign was launched in Philadelphia. NCPC trained 28 crime prevention officers and offered new tools and resources on how to keep seniors safe.

Promoting Crime Prevention and Personal Safety Basics

Preventing Youth Violence: School-based Programs Work!

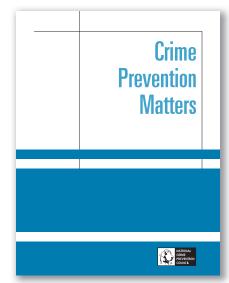
Particularly in this era of limited funds and heavy emphasis on evidence-based practice and policy, it is increasingly important for practitioners and policymakers to know what works. With literally hundreds of violence prevention programs designed for children in school settings, how do prevention specialists and educators choose the best programs to meet their needs?

Two independent expert reviews, taking very different approaches, scrutinized the field of school-based prevention programs and arrived at the same conclusion: despite many variations in target audience and curriculum format, as a group, school-based programs work to reduce aggression and violence. NCPC's summarizes the results of these reviews in language geared to busy practitioners and policymakers. The eight-page report also points out implications for practitioners, describes three specific programs that have been found effective by recognized evaluators, and includes resources where readers can find additional information. Download a copy of the report at www.ncpc.org.

NCPC Releases Crime Prevention Matters

In the weeks leading up to the 2008 presidential election, NCPC released a paper intended to remind the candidates, their transition teams, and the American electorate that despite falling crime rates across the country, crime prevention matters.

According to three national polls, the American public believes that crime is a serious problem in this country, and that it is getting worse. In this brief report, NCPC argues that people's perceptions of crime—perhaps even more than reality—influence their behavior in ways that can have negative consequences for themselves, their families, their neighborhoods, and their communities. Leaders at all levels of government can counteract this phenomenon by helping their constituents understand



the context of crime, their risk of victimization, and preventive measures they can take. Download a PDF of Crime Prevention Matters at http://www.ncpc.org/crime-prevention-matters.pdf.



Community Participation in Homeland Security: Report of the National Watch Groups Summit

This report summarizes the first-ever National Watch Groups Summit, which was held in May 2007. Sponsored by the Federal Emergency Management Agency, the Bureau of Justice Assistance, and NCPC, the summit brought together representatives from 35 different Watch Groups from across the country to discuss the role they play in homeland security and community preparedness. To read the eight recommendations made for further action, visit www.ncpc.org.

Crime Prevention Month Kit 2008–2009: Empowering People To Help Prevent Crime

NCPC's annual Crime Prevention Month Kit contains reproducible brochures, tips, and resources to help prevent crime. Set in a 12-month calendar format, the theme of this year's kit was Empowering People To Help Prevent Crime. It focuses on enlisting citizens to join the crime prevention effort and includes a special section on Celebrate Safe Communities. Call NCPC's Fulfillment Center at 800-NCPC-911 and ask for Item No. K21F to receive a copy.

Advertorial

This year NCPC collaborated with The Wireless Foundation to produce our third Crime Prevention Month newspaper supplement for schoolchildren and their parents. This exciting educational tool contained crime prevention stories, tips, facts, and games to introduce the depth and breadth of crime prevention and to learn about ways to use technology as a crime prevention tool. This supplement reached 120,000 *Washington Times* readers, and more than 300 schools in the region.

Catalyst

Catalyst continues as NCPC's monthly flagship newsletter. Published monthly in an electronic format, *Catalyst* features stories about new developments in crime prevention, crime prevention trends, tips for crime prevention practitioners, best practices, and other newsworthy articles. An editorial by NCPC President and CEO AI Lenhardt leads off each issue, addressing a contemporary crime prevention issue or concern. Other features, including News Notes, McGruff Corner, and Resources, round out each issue. *Catalyst* switched to electronic-only publication in January 2008 and is now being redesigned to provide a state-of-the-art reading experience. The number of online subscribers more than tripled between the beginning of 2008 and November.

NCPC.org

NCPC.org is one of the most comprehensive online resources for crime prevention in the country. The website includes scores of resources, a blog, content on our public service advertising campaigns, information about training events, and more.

This year we completed a website upgrade, launched surveys to find out how our users use the site and how we can continue to improve the site, worked with

our Development team to encourage donations in support of our work, built a Facebook page allowing visitors to become fans of NCPC and join our Causes, and developed an NCPA member section.

Nearly 600,000 people visited NCPC.org last year with almost two million page views.



Responding to Emerging Crime Trends

Prevention Works Enters Its Third Year

The NCPC blog, Prevention Works, continues to capture the attention and passion of crime prevention folks nationwide. Topics covered this year included everything from crime and the economy to alcohol at social events to travel scams. NCPC has published more than 350 blog posts and received 351 comments on the most up-to-the-minute and urgent crime prevention topics. Prevention Works now boasts more than 250 loyal subscribers.

NCPC, Sony Creative Software, and The Advertising Council, Inc. Host a Cyberbullying PSA Contest

Cyberbullying over the Internet, cell phones, or other technology used to send or post text or images intended to hurt or embarrass another person is becoming a growing issue for many youth today. The effects are far-reaching with such harmful consequences as teen suicide, school shootings, and physical bullying incidents. This year, NCPC along with Sony Creative Software and The Advertising Council, Inc., hosted a public service advertising (PSA) development contest, allowing schools and young people to help educate teens and parents on how to prevent cyberbullying.



A recent study commissioned by NCPC and conducted by Harris Interactive, Inc., explored this issue among middle school and high school students age 13 to 17 in the United States. The study revealed that 43 percent of teens have experienced some form of cyberbullying with incidents of

> cyberbullying higher among females than males (51 percent to 37 percent), and that it was most prevalent among 15- and 16-year-olds.

Most teens claimed to know the person who cyberbullied them, often saying that it was someone from school. Teens believed people cyberbullied because they thought it was funny (81 percent), they didn't like the person (64 percent), or the cyberbully didn't see the action as a "big deal" (59 percent). In some cases they felt that the cyberbully didn't perceive any tangible consequences (47 percent), or didn't believe they'd get caught (45 percent).

This summer, the contest winners were announced at a press event cohosted by the U.S. Department of Justice and NCPC. Josh Bourgeois of Thibodaux, LA, was the winner of the independent producer competition category for his entry, Illuminate Cyberbullying, and Marvin Jimenez, technology literacy teacher at Lyndon B. Johnson Elementary School in San Antonio, TX, was the winner of the academic (K-12) category for his submission, Words Really Do Hurt.

The winning entries received a prize package valued up to \$25,000 that included Sony software applications and hardware for their programs. The winning PSAs were also be distributed to broadcasters for the chance to be televised nationally. To view the winning entries visit www.sonycreativesoftware.com/cyber.

For more information on NCPC's campaign to prevent cyberbullying, visit www. ncpc.org.



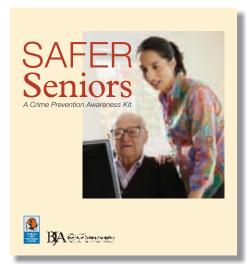
Faith and Community Engaged in Service

NCPC's Faith and Community Engaged in Service (FACES) project, funded by a Corporation for National and Community Service cooperative agreement and a Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration subcontract, engaged communities, organizations, and individuals on the important issues of prisoner reentry. NCPC carried through on its vision that addressing reentry and recidivism reduction is crime prevention. NCPC's FACES project provided training, technical assistance, and support to individuals and communities wrestling with the influx of ex-offenders returning from prison to their communities. The project staff trained in communities as diverse as Lynchburg, Virginia; Dayton, Ohio; and Reno, Nevada, among others, to share information, best practices, and resources.

In addition to in-person training, the project advanced NCPC's delivery of distance learning through 12 webinars on the topics. Webinar sessions, such as "Imprisoning Communities: How Mass Incarceration Makes Disadvantaged Neighborhoods Worse," "Child Support and Reentry," "Reentry and HIV," "Transitional Housing for the Previously Incarcerated," and "The Prison Entrepreneurship Program," advanced the nation's understanding of the scope and scale of the reentry issue and positioned NCPC as a trusted resource on the topic. Staff handled a reentry listserv of nearly 400 subscribers that provided information to reentry client service providers, corrections officials, community members, and law enforcement. In addition, staff produced a free online course, entitled State Commissions and Faith-based and Community Organizations, a mix of information, strategies, suggestions, references, Web links, and quizzes that is a learning tool and resource for state service commissions, their staffs, and potential and current grantees.

Safer Seniors: A Crime Prevention Awareness Kit

This kit, written for community resource liaisons, was designed to help teach seniors about fraud, safety, and crime prevention so they can learn how to protect themselves and feel safer. The kit includes a DVD and reproducible brochures covering home and personal safety, buying prescription drugs online, avoiding financial and investment fraud, outsmarting identity thieves, and preventing telemarketing fraud. To order a copy, contact the NCPC Fulfillment Center at 800-NCPC-911 and ask for Item No. K34.



FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Auditor's Report

September 30, 2008

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Board of Directors National Crime Prevention Council Arlington, VA

We have audited the accompanying statements of financial position of National Crime Prevention Council (the Council) as of September 30, 2008 and 2007, and the related statements of activities, cash flows and functional expenses for the years then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Council's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audits to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and the significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of National Crime Prevention Council as of September 30, 2008 and 2007, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the years then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

February 18, 2009

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION Visit www.ncpc.org/2008annualreport for notes.

	September 30, 2008
ASSETS	
Current assets:	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 342,059
Grants and pledges receivable	601,558
Investments	557,038
Prepaid expenses	87,812
Other assets	82,530
Total current assets	1,670,997
Property and equipment, net	481,034
Total assets	\$ 2,152,031
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS Current liabilities:	
Accounts payable	\$ 211,186
Refunds to agencies	9,286
Accrued expenses	74,374
Deferred revenue	64,706
Total current liabilities	359,552
Deferred lease liability	400,594
Total liabilities	760,146
Net assets:	
Unrestricted	1,128,445
Temporarily restricted	13,440
Permanently restricted	250,000
Total net assets	1,391,885
Total liabilities and net assets	\$ 2,152,031

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STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

For the Year Ended September 30, 2008

		Temporarily	Permanently	
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Restricted	Total
REVENUES				
Federal cooperative agreements	\$ 4,737,281	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,737,281
Project support	165,000	-	-	165,000
Contributions	178,135	3,440	-	181,575
Annual and youth conferences	59,816	-	-	59,816
Consultation	36,263	-	-	36,263
Licensing and educational products income	403,427	-	-	403,427
Publication sales	42,301	-	-	42,301
Investment income	(73,213)	-	-	(73,213)
Dues	11,774	-	-	11,774
Other income	29,288	-	-	29,288
In-kind contributions	67,871	-	-	67,871
Total revenues	5,657,943	3,440	-	5,661,383
EXPENSES				
Program services:				
Federal programs	4,737,281	-	-	4,737,281
General program	858,427	-	-	858,427
Total program services	5,595,708	-	-	5,595,708
Support services:				
Fundraising	424,354	-	-	424,354
Licensing	56,921	-	-	56,921
Public relations	38,468	-	-	38,468
Total support services	519,743	-	-	519,743
Total expenses	6,115,451	-	-	6,115,451
Net (decrease) increase in net assets	(457,508)	3,440	-	(454,068
Net assets, beginning of year, as originally reported	1,668,792	10,000	250,000	1,928,792
Prior period adjustment	(82,839)	-	-	(82,839)
Net assets, beginning of year	1,585,953	10,000	250,000	1,845,953
Net assets, end of year	\$ 1,128,445	\$ 13,440	\$ 250,000	\$ 1,391,885

For the Year Ended September 30, 2008

CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

Net (decrease) increase in net assets	\$ (454,068)
Adjustments to reconcile net (decrease) increase in net assets to net cash provided by operating activities:	
Loss on disposal of assets	-
Donated investments	(52,737)
Depreciation and amortization	68,578
Unrealized loss (gain) on investments	115,068
Prior period adjustment	(82,839)
Decrease (increase) in assets:	
Grants and pledges receivable	729,426
Prepaid expenses	(35,047)
Other assets	(29,765)
Increase (decrease) in liabilities:	
Accounts payable	(546,266)
Refunds to agencies	9,286
Accrued expenses	(24,420)
Deferred revenue	(48,804)
Deferred lease liability	371,907
Other liabilities	-
Total adjustments	474,387
Net cash provided by operating activities	20,319
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES	
Purchases of investments	(32,376)
Purchases of fixed assets	(27,137)
Proceeds from sales of investments	82,235
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	22,722
Net increase (decrease) in cash	43,041
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