



2012 Interrupt, Predict and Organize (IPO) Initiative

In July 2012 Mayor Edwin M. Lee announced a new violence prevention and intervention public safety initiative called “Interrupt, Predict, and Organize for a Safer San Francisco” (IPO). The vision of the IPO is to create a safer city by outlining public safety goals and objectives that interrupt gun violence, predict where crime is most likely to occur and organize services and community awareness efforts to effect long term reductions in violence. The IPO Initiative prioritizes two major types of violence - Street Violence and Family Violence as these are the most common forms of violence reported in San Francisco. It targets high at-risk and in-risk families, youth and young adults residing in the San Francisco Police Departments identified “hot zones”-Bayview/Hunter’s Point & Potrero Hill, Mission/Excelsior, Tenderloin/SOMA, Visitation Valley and Western Addition including Ocean View/Merced Heights/Ingleside (OMI).

IPO Goals

The IPO initiative’s overarching goal is to create a safer City and County of San Francisco. Three major goals are outlined to support increasing public safety in local neighborhoods.

Goal 1-Interrupt: Interrupt violence by increasing public safety efforts in the San Francisco Police Department (SFPD) identified “hot spots” in San Francisco.

Goal 2-Predict: Predict crimes through current data systems and innovative software in order to develop a safer San Francisco.

Goal 3-Organize: Organize community-based services and activities for a Safer San Francisco.

2013 IPO Outcomes

- 30% Reduction in homicides, citywide.
- Over 12,000 youth received summer or year-long employment.
- Communities with low resources received an increase of supportive services, such as Visitation Valley’s Sunnydale neighborhood.
- Juvenile detention rates reached record lows-average census 70 juveniles.
- Adult Probationers recidivated record low despite AB109-Governor Brown’s Realignment Bill. From 2009 to 2013, SFAPD reduced the annual number of probationers revoked to state prison by 83%, from 256 to 44. As a result of this achievement, SFAPD received an SB678 High Performance Grant in 2013.
- CCSF celebrated 10 year anniversary in October 2013 and marked the first year domestic violence homicides were eliminated in San Francisco.