

CREATING A CULTURE OF SAFETY IN PIERCE COUNTY

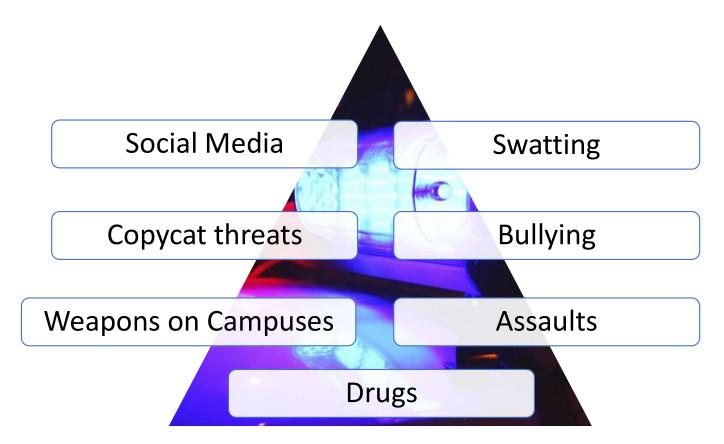
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What is the Pierce County Safety Summit?





National trends of increasing threats and acts of violence



SAFETY SUMMIT CATALYST



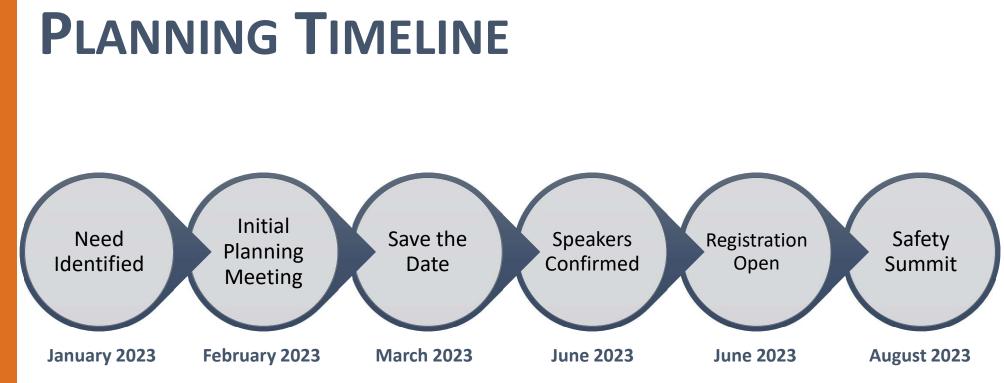


VISION

- Community Driven
- **Proactive Response**
- Continuous Preparedness
- Multidisciplinary Collaboration

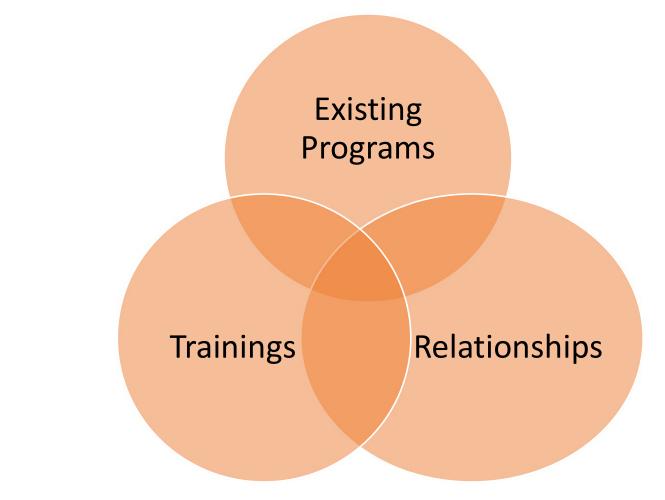








PLANNING MODEL STRATEGIES





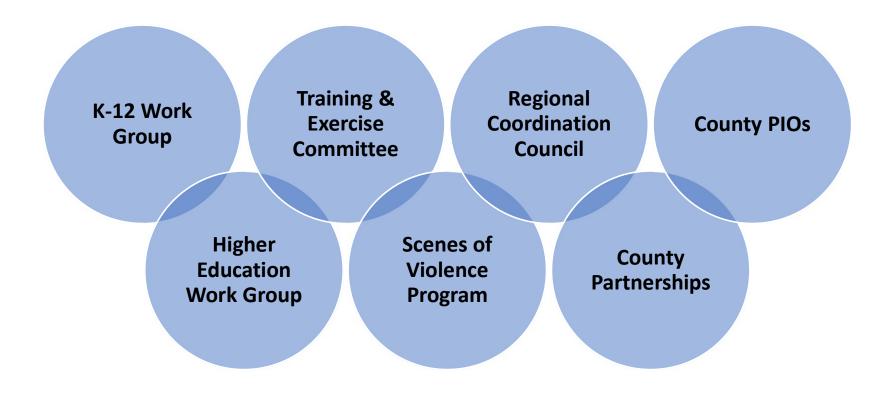
PLANNING TEAM

- Multi-Disciplinary:
 - Emergency Management
 - Public Information Officer
 - K-12
 - Higher Education
 - Law Enforcement
 - School Resource Officer





EXISTING PROGRAMS





TOPICS IDENTIFIED

- School Shooting Panel Discussions
- Mental Health Panel Discussions
- Behavioral Health
- De-Escalation
- Crisis Communications

- Cascading Impacts
- Policy Level Decision Making
- Threat Assessments
- Scenes of Violence
- Unified Command



SAFETY SUMMIT OVERVIEW

- Three-Day Event
- Schedule Included:
 - Keynote Speaker
 - Speaker Panels
 - Workshops
 - Train-the-Trainer
 - Tabletop Exercise
 - Joint Training and Drills





ATTENDEE OVERVIEW

- Day 1: 62 attendees
- Day 2: 71 attendees
- **Day 3:**
 - Policy Seminar: 44 attendees
 - Scenes of Violence Drills: 72 attendees





ATTENDEE DISCIPLINE BREAKDOWN



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HIGHLIGHTED PRESENTATIONS

- Keynote: Michele Gay
- Crisis Communications Workshop
- Crisis Management and

Policy Level Decision Making

• Joint Scenes of Violence Training and Drills



KEYNOTE SPEAKER: MICHELE GAY

- Mother, Educator and Co-Founder of Safe and Sound Schools
- Presentation: A Collaborative Approach to School Safety
 - Provided tools, resources and programs aimed to bring all stakeholders in the school community together.





CRISIS COMMUNICATION WORKSHOP

- Local Public Information Officers
- Guidance on how to communicate during a crisis with:
 - Policy Makers
 - First Responders
 - Public
- Mock Press Briefings
- Mock Interviews with media



POLICY SEMINAR

- Facilitated by Nationally Renowned Experts
- Crisis Leadership and Making Decisions with Uncertainty
- Case Studies
- Panel Discussion
- Facilitated Group Discussion



Scenes of Violence Training & Drills

- Tri-County CCTA Scenes of Violence
 Curriculum
- Involved:
 - Law Enforcement
 - Fire/EMS
 - Dispatch
 - School Security
 - School Resource Officers
- Policy Seminar attendees observed



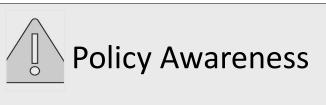




Participant Feedback

SUMMIT OUTCOMES









INITIATE & ENHANCE SAFETY EFFORTS

- Safety is a collaborative effort
- Leadership buy-in
- Partnerships with involved in the community
- Existing workgroups/programs to address existing concerns within the community
- Trust from community agencies/organizations to want to share gaps
- Adapt strategies based on emerging trends, evolving community needs and lessons learned

RESOURCE LIMITATIONS



Utilize County/City/Agency owned facilities



Shorter event timeframe



Virtual speaker options



Call for Presentations



2024 SAFETY SUMMIT

- 2023 Outcomes
- Feedback
- Lessons Learned





2024 SAFETY SUMMIT

- Focus
- Key Speakers and Workshops







Questions?





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Building a Resilient Pierce County by Inspiring Change and Creating a Culture of Safety

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