



Objective

To provide Council an overview of recommendations from the Mayor's Task Force on Crime Reduction

Background

- ▶ Task Force Purpose
 - ▶ Established in 2023 to align with Council's priority of Crime & Safety
 - ► To review relevant, existing programs and services locally and in other relevant jurisdictions
 - To listen to the community and identify positive actions underway, gaps, challenges and issues
 - ▶ To develop actionable recommendations on community-driven initiatives to reduce crime
- ► Members (13)

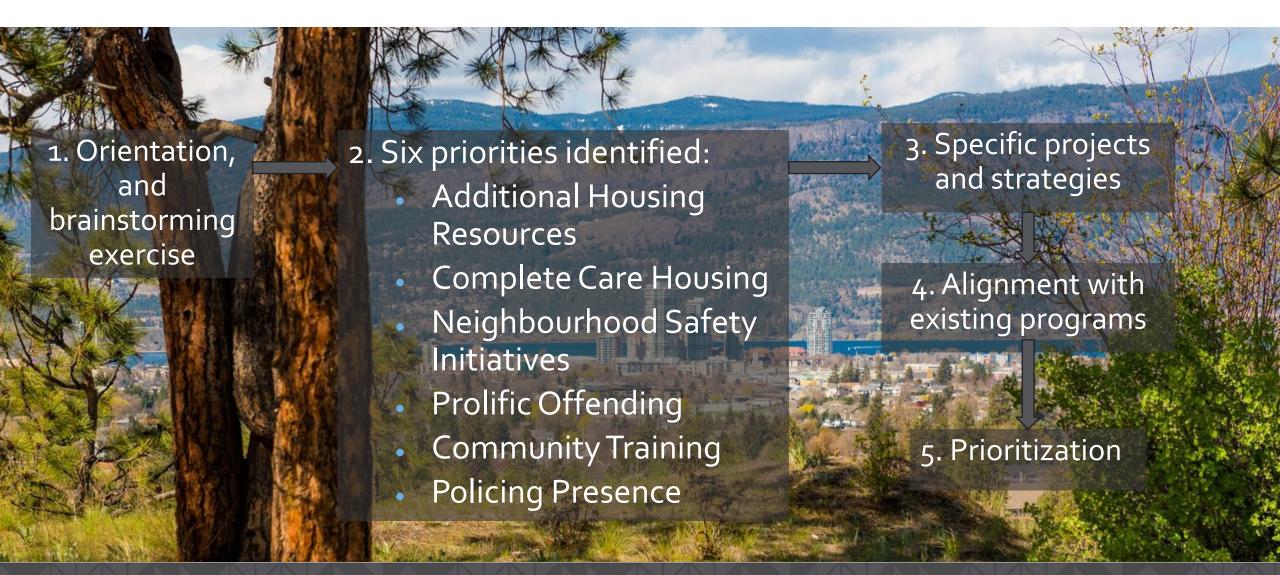
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Methodology





Recommendations



1. Enhance Business Improvement Area (BIA) community safety programs 2. Increase resident engagement and education in crime prevention/reduction Increase support for treatment and recovery Establishment of Sobering & Assessment Centres Multi-Care site creation Tiered Response Advocacy Repeat Offenders Provincial Advocacy

1. Enhance Business Improvement Area (BIA) community safety programs





2. Increase resident engagement and education in crime prevention/reduction



► Expand community programs

- ▶ Block Connector Program
- Neighbourhood Association focus on community safety
- Explore residential CCTV Registry Program
- Auxiliary Police & Speed Watch Programs

► Promote CPTED principles

 Increase accessibility for Neighbourhood Associations, Block Connectors & Building Stratas





3. Increase support for treatment and recovery

- ► Expand City social development grant programs to support existing recovery programs
- ► Establish an incentive program to encourage and enable the development of treatment and recovery facilities





6. Tiered Response Advocacy



- Advocate for continued follow through on the 2022 Provincial Government Report "Transforming Policing and Community Safety in BC"
 - ► Enabling responses to community concerns by different categories of police and public safety professionals



>7. Repeat Offenders
Provincial Advocacy

- Advocate for measures that address repeat (property) offending
- Need to increase public confidence in the justice system
- Advocate for an interior region site like the Redfish Healing Centre
- Need for significantly more
 BC Prosecution Service Crown
 Counsel in the Kelowna office
- More effective bail outcomes

Recommendations

- ► Receive the report for information
- Accept the recommendations of the Mayor's Task Force on Crime Reduction
- Direct staff to report back on the costs and implications of implementing the recommendations, as appropriate





Questions?

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