

Seattle Youth Violence Prevention Initiative
Report to City Council
Public Safety, Human Services and Education Committee
December 1, 2009 Update

1. Enrolled Youth: Neighborhood Networks contracted for 800 youth enrolled in the Initiative

As of November 19, 2009 there were **492 youth enrolled in the Initiative**. The breakdown of these youth is as follows:

Network	Central	Southeast	Southwest	Total
Enrolled with ID	92	178	222	492

Referrals continue to come in daily. The Urban League has reached out to other investment areas to assist in outreach to youth in the Central Area to ensure that Central Area youth are referred into the Initiative in equitable numbers.

2. Case Managed Youth: contracts for 200 slots in 2009

As of October 31, 2009, 200 youth had been referred to Initiative-funded case management agencies. Of these, 135 have completed intake and assessment and 128 of those assessed have active service plans. Each case management agency is responsible for youth achieving indicators based on their individual goal plans. As of the reporting date, 29 indicators had been achieved by case managed youth.

Through a collaborative partnership with El Centro de la Raza, an additional 40 youth have been referred for case management there, 12 of whom have been assessed and have active service plans.

Neighborhood Network: Network Summary
Reporting Period: July 1, 2009 - October 31, 2009

Case Management Agency	Referrals	Intake & Assessment	Signed Service Plan	ACHIEVED INDICATORS
Atlantic Street Center	31	18	18	0
Center for Career Alternatives	42	28	21	4
Consejo	23	14	13	0
Powerful Voices	12	5	2	0
SafeFutures Youth Center	26	30	22	14
Southwest Youth & Family Services	66	40	40	11
SUBTOTAL	200	135	116	29
Partner Agency				
El Centro de la Raza	40	12	12	0
GRAND TOTAL	240	147	128	29

3. ART: Southwest Youth and Family Services contracted for 4 sessions in 2009

Aggression Replacement Training (ART) is a 30-hour classroom program, taught by two certified ART Trainers to groups of 8 – 12 youth. Classes are scheduled three days a week for a period of 10 weeks. ART is broken down into three segments: **Anger control** – participants learn what triggers their anger and how to control it; **Skill-streaming behavior** – participants learn a series of pro-social skills through modeling, role playing, and performance feedback; and; **Moral reasoning** – participants work through cognitive conflict through “dilemma discussion groups.”

Southwest Youth and Family Services was awarded the ART contract in July 2009. Contract goals for 2009 were to offer four ART classes during the period July 1 to December 31, 2009. Although SWY&FS was prepared to offer ART classes immediately after being awarded the contract, the Network referral process was still being developed. Currently two sessions in Southwest are about to complete. The ART Coordinator for SWY&FS has a solid outreach, recruitment, orientation and retention plan for 2010. This should result in more appropriate referrals and greater retention.

Current Status

Milestones and Performance Commitments	Total
# Referred	55
# Enrolled	40
Projected # to Complete	12

4. Mentoring: Contracts with the 4C Coalition and Big Brothers Big Sisters for a total of 85 slots.

The 4C Coalition provides community-based mentoring in community settings with Initiative-eligible youth who are involved in the juvenile justice system or are victims of violence. Big Brothers Big Sisters of Puget Sound (BBBS) provides school-based mentoring at the focus middle schools with Initiative-eligible youth who are at risk of multiple suspensions for violent incidents or chronic truancy. Both contracts are outcome-based and began in July 2009.

In many cases, the 4C Coalition has had trouble reaching referred youth and their families due to disconnected phones or lack of call backs. In addition, several of the parents are English language learners with Spanish as their home language. To help raise awareness about the need for Latino mentors, the Initiative in partnership with several organizations including Latino City Employees is hosting *Uno a Uno Mentoring Reception* on December 10 from 6 – 8 pm at El Centro de la Raza.

On November 17, BBBS, the Initiative Director, HSD staff, and the Central and Southwest Network Coordinators met to address challenges faced by BBBS including 1) lack of referrals, 2) suspended students who cannot be served in school-based settings, and 3) lack of awareness or confusion by school principals and other school personnel regarding the referral process and other aspects of school-based mentoring and the Initiative. Numerous strategies were identified and are currently being implemented.

Current Performance

Milestones and Performance Commitments (shaded)	4C Coalition		Big Brothers Big Sisters	
	Through 10/31/09	2009 Contract Goal	Through 10/31/09	2009 Contract Goal
Referrals Received	46	25	11	75
Initial Contact with Youth Made	25		10	
Matches Made	5	20	1	65
Mentors Recruited	48	20+	16	65+
Matches Lasting 3 Months	0	4	0	10

5. Department of Parks & Recreation Youth Centers:

Garfield Youth Center opened SYVPI hours with a “soft launch” on Monday, September 28, 2009. To date 68 unduplicated youth have been served through its extended programming hours. An additional 150 youth participated in a Youth Fit event entitled, “Checking My Fresh.” Programming is planned based on the outcomes of an all-day youth planning session held on September 12 and attended by 70 youth citywide.

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Rainier and Southwest Centers are slated to open in December and January respectively. The delay in opening is due to the difficulty in recruiting capable candidates at the current personnel classification. The Personnel Department held a reclassification hearing on Friday, November 20. The results of the hearing should be available in 30 days.

Youth Center Program	Program Information	# Youth
COMM-UNITY	Music studio serving young adult males working on the SYVPI Music Project	12
Austin Foundation	Fitness Literacy	25
Digital Video Technology	Youth receive .35 high school credits	8
20-1-Words		15
UmojaFest PEACE Centers	Young men's outreach	8
TOTAL		68

6. Neighborhood Matching Fund: 13 projects funded in 2009

The Neighborhood Matching Fund's Youth Violence Prevention component attracted great interest from community groups. Twenty-seven proposals were received in the August round of applications. Of those, eight were selected. An additional eight were selected by the general NMF for support, for a total of 16 youth-focused proposals funded in the August round. The following chart includes the April and August grantees of the Initiative-funded projects.

A joint orientation for NMF awardees was held on November 30 to strengthen the linkages and referral process between NMF and the Youth Violence Prevention Initiative.

Project Name	Organization	Grant
April Round		
Versatility	Horn of Africa	11,800
Alive and Free Youth Advocates	YMCA (Metrocenter)	15,000
Young Kings and Queens of Seattle	Life Enrichment Group	15,000
RSJ Youth Media Project	Enhanced Interactions Media Group	15,000
Pacific Islander Youth Culture Project	Southwest Youth and Family Services	8,000
August Round		
PongoSpeaks! To Seattle	Pongo Publishing & Youth Speaks	15,000
SW Expressions	Southwest Youth & Family Services	11,450
Ashia Circle Peer Mentorship & Leadership Training	Ashia Circle	15,000
From Anger to Action	Seattle Young People's Project	14,900
Seniors and Youth Making History Together	Youth 180	15,000
Be the Change Youth Violence Awareness Campaign	The Urban Family Center	12,150
Project Launch	East African Community Center	14,000
Seattle Southend Youth Pipeline to Success	Friends of Filstar	13,500
TOTAL		\$175,800

7. Sustaining Projects:

Three projects are currently receiving sustaining funds: Black on Black Crime Prevention, Youth 180, and Game Recognize Game. The sustaining projects are responsible for 95 referrals to the Initiative, 74 of which have been enrolled. Five are being processed and the remainder are over age and not eligible.

Sustaining Project	Number of Referrals to Initiative that are Enrolled
Black on Black Crime Prevention Coalition	44
Youth 180	20
Game Recognize Game	10
TOTAL	74

8. School Emphasis Officers

The SEO component was launched last spring. At that time, only one network had been selected and was receiving referrals, so SEOs were limited in their ability to make youth referrals. Since the SEOs were first assigned, they have been responsible for 52 referrals to Initiative Networks, 7 referrals to out-of-network services, 56 mediations, and 17 home visits.

The deployment of the School Emphasis Officers is as follows:

- Officer Sam Braboy Denny Middle School
- Officer Nick Carter Mercer Middle School
- Officer Kevin Stuckey Aki Kurose Middle School
- Officer Erin Rodriguez Washington Middle School

Additionally, the following two detectives provide additional support in referrals to the Networks and community outreach:

- Det. Denise Bouldin Elementary Schools in Southeast (floater)
- Det. Al Lebar Drug Court

9. Employment: As of October 31, 228 youth were placed in jobs, internships and work experiences this summer with 208 completing (91% completion rate).

Activity	Participants Placed	Participants Ongoing/Completed
SYEP Summer Internships	96	81
SYEP Internships through other fund sources	14	12
Out of School Services – Center for Career Alternatives & Metrocenter YMCA	30	30* Ongoing
King County Superior Court/Minority Business and Youth Alliance	53*	53* Ongoing
SYEP Group Projects Powerful Voices Southwest Youth and Family Services	21	21
Subtotals	214 Participants Placed	197 Participants Ongoing/Completed
American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (Stimulus)	14	11 completed
TOTALS	228	208

*Projected figure as providers can enroll participants until 12/31/09.

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SYEP has enrolled 23 Initiative youth in the school year program. During the school year, youth are provided academic support (i.e., tutoring, monitoring of grades/attendance, school advocacy), work-readiness training and workshops, case management, field trips and other activities. Paid internships may be offered to a limited number of youth who demonstrate work-readiness as well as stability in their academic performance.

Both youth participants and their employers were surveyed at the end of the summer experience. One hundred six (106) youths of 122 Initiative-eligible youth completed the survey. One hundred thirteen (113) employer surveys were completed in evaluation of the youth participants. Eighty-four percent (84%) of youth respondents reported being satisfied with their summer experience.

Some additional results are reported below.

WORKED POSITIVELY WITH SUPERVISOR

	YES	SOMETIMES	NO
YOUTH	91%	8%	1%
SITE SUPERVISORS	88%	10%	2%

YOUTH SKILL LEVEL AT THE END OF SUMMER JOB

	POOR	ADEQUATE	GOOD	EXCELLENT
YOUTH	0%	5%	58%	37%
SITE SUPERVISORS	2%	14%	33%	51%

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SEATTLE YOUTH VIOLENCE PREVENTION INITIATIVE
 PRESENTATIONS TO THE COMMUNITY
 August 1 - October 31, 2009

Date	Event	Host	Presenter
8/5/09	DSHS/JRA staff presentation	DSHS/JRA	Mariko Lockhart Jamila Taylor Robert Gant
8/5/09	KBCS Voices of Diversity Interview	KCBS	Mariko Lockhart Jamila Taylor
8/7/09	Collaboration Meeting with Therapeutic Health Services	OFE	Mariko Lockhart Holly Miller
8/7/09	Presentation to Seattle Vocational Institute	SVI	Jamila Taylor
8/8/09	Pasefika Festival (Initiative youth NMF)	White Center Heights	Robert Gant Nani Fatuesi Joseph Seia
8/10/09	Brief Senator Patty Murray	Senator Murray	Mariko Lockhart Holly Miller Jamila Taylor Doug Carey
8/10/09	Presentation and Partnership Discussion with Harborview Medical Center	Harborview Medical Center	Mariko Lockhart Jamila Taylor Robert Gant
8/11/09	Presentation and Partnership Discussion with Jack Calhoun, 13-City California Gang Prevention Network	OFE	Mariko Lockhart Jamila Taylor Sid Sidorowicz Holly Miller
8/11/09	Presentation and Partnership Discussion with Justice Bobbe Bridge	Center for Youth Justice	Mariko Lockhart Holly Miller
8/11/09	SYEP writers workshop presentation (Initiative youth employed)	C & P coffee company	Robert Gant Nani Fatuesi Jenny Frankl
8/12/09	Presentation to Prosecutor Dan Satterberg	Prosecutor's Office	Mariko Lockhart

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8/12/09	Community Meeting re: death of Aaron Sullivan	Rainier Community Center	Jamila Taylor Mariko Lockhart Robert Gant
8/13/09	SYEP writers workshop presentation (Initiative youth employed)	Uptown Espresso	Nani Fatuesi Joseph Seia Robert Gant
8/14/09	McArthur P-patch Inauguration (Initiative youth employed)	McArthur P-Patch	Mariko Lockhart Robert Gant
8/18/09	SDOT site visit (Initiative youth employed)	SYEP	Mariko Lockhart
8/18/09	Powerful Voices (Initiative youth employed)	SYEP	Mariko Lockhart
8/18/09	Partnership meeting with Mark Pursley re: guns and youth violence		Mariko Lockhart
8/18/09	Presentation and partnership meeting with Ohana Youth Project	SWYFS	Robert Gant Nani Fatuesi
8/19/09	Safe Futures youth employment event	Safe Futures	Mariko Lockhart
8/19/09	Southwest Network service provider meeting	SWYFS	Robert Gant Nani Fatuesi
8/20/09	SYEP End of Summer event	SYEP	Mariko Lockhart
8/20/09	JJOMP / JDOC Coordination Meeting re Youth Violence	Juvenile Justice Center	Mariko Lockhart Jamila Taylor
8/21/09	Race and Social Justice Partnership Meeting		Mariko Lockhart
8/26/09	SW Violence Prevention meeting	Seattle Neighborhood Group	Robert Gant
8/26/09	Presentation and partnership with Camp Long (NMF Challenge Course)	Seattle Parks & Recreation (Camp Long)	Robert Gant
8/27/09	Presentation to Juvenile Court Probation Counselors	Juvenile Justice Center	Robert Gant Nani Fatuesi Tam Dinh
8/31/09	Partnership meeting with Paul Patu, What's Next		Mariko Lockhart
9/1/09	Families and Friends of Violent Crime Victims Organization	Shilo Missionary Church (Central Area)	Jamila Taylor
9/2/09	Restorative Justice partnership meeting		Mariko Lockhart
9/2/09	OPA Review Board	City Hall	Mariko Lockhart Robert Gant Jamila Taylor

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9/3/09	Teen Health Clinic	Teen Health Clinics	Mariko Lockhart Jamila Taylor Robert Gant
9/3/09	Human Rights Commission presentation	HR Commission	Mariko Lockhart John Hayes
9/4/09	Briefing to Principal Wiley, Franklin High School	South East Seattle	Jamila Taylor
9/9/09	Center for Children and Youth Justice partnership meeting	CCYJ	Mariko Lockhart
9/10/09	Presentation to DON District Coordinators	DON	Mariko Lockhart
9/10/09	Aaron Sullivan Vigil		Jamila Taylor Mariko Lockhart
9/10/09	Presentation to Southwest Education Center	SWYFS	Robert Gant Jason Clark Joseph Seia
9/10/09	Presentation and partnership meeting with SW Boys & Girls Club	SWYFS	Robert Gant Jason Clark
9/12/09	Youth Center Program Design Event	Langston Hughes	Mariko Lockhart Robert Gant Jamila Taylor
9/14/09	Brief Michael McGinn	ULMS	Jamila Taylor
9/14/09	Presentation and partnership meeting with Seattle Center	Seattle Center	Mariko Lockhart
9/14/09	Presentation and partnership meeting continued with Ohana Youth Project	SWYFS	Robert Gant Nani Fatuesi
9/15/09	Brief Joe Mallahan	ULMS	Jamila Taylor
9/16/09	Presentation to YMCA Board of Directors	YMCA	Mariko Lockhart Sid Sidorowicz
9/16/09	Southwest Network service provider meeting	SWYFS	Robert Gant Nani Fatuesi
9/18/09	Presentation and partnership discussion with HSD Domestic Violence Unit	HSD	Mariko Lockhart Jamila Taylor Robert Gant Ayan Musse
9/21/09	Presentation to Seattle Neighborhood Group – Central District	Neighborhood Service Center	Jamila Taylor
9/21/09	Presentation to Middle School principals	SPS	Mariko Lockhart Holly Miller

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9/22/09	Panel presentation to Juvenile Law Section – Offender Committee	Juvenile Court	Mariko Lockhart Jamila Taylor
9/22/09	Presentation and partnership with West Seattle Diversion Committee	SWYFS	Robert Gant
9/25/09	Hip Hop Clean and Sober event (SYVPI, a sponsor)	Vera Project	Mariko Lockhart
9/28/09	Gang Prevention Coordination Summit	King County	Mariko Lockhart Jamila Taylor Derrick Dotson
9/29/09	Presentation and partnership meeting with Community Learning Centers staff	CLCs	Mariko Lockhart Jamila Taylor SEOs
10/1/09	Presentation and collaboration meeting with West Seattle High School	West Seattle High School	Robert Gant Diane Payne
10/5/09	SEO/SPS Joint training	SPS	Mariko Lockhart Adrian Diaz SEOs
10/5/09	Seattle Rotary partnership meeting		Mariko Lockhart
10/7/09	WA State Bar Association Juvenile Law Section panel	WBA	Mariko Lockhart
10/7/09	Presentation and collaboration meeting with Denny Middle School	Denny Middle School	Robert Gant Nani Fatuesi
10/7/09	Interagency Schools presentation	Interagency	Jamila Taylor
10/8/09	Presentation at West Seattle Resource Fair	West Seattle High School	Robert Gant
10/9/09	Gang Prevention Summit	Gabe Morales	Mariko Lockhart Jamila Taylor Robert Gant
10/14/09	Prosecuting Attorney’s Office partnership meeting	OFE	Mariko Lockhart
10/14/09	Freedom Church / Pastor Bruce	Freedom Church	Jamila Taylor
10/15/09	Presentation and partnership meeting with Youngstown cultural Arts Center	Youngstown	Robert Gant Nani Fatuesi Debra Williams
10/16/09	Southwest Community Center “Week without Violence”	Southwest Community Center	Jason Clark Darryl Spencer Robert Gant
10/17/09	Father Connection community event	Southwest Community	Robert Gant

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		Center	Jamila Taylor Jeron Gates
10/20/09	Southeast Asian Advisory Council Meeting	SECPC	Jamila Taylor
10/20/09	Southwest Healthy Youth Partnership meeting	Madison Middle School	Robert Gant
10/21/09	South Precinct Crime Prevention Council	SPCPC	Mariko Lockhart Adrian Diaz
10/22/09	East Precinct Crime Prevention Council	EPCPC	Mariko Lockhart Jamila Taylor
10/24/09	Presentation at Family Safety Forum	White Center Community Development Association	Robert Gant
10/26/09	Presentation to A Better LA	OFE	Mariko Lockhart Heidi Henderson-Lewis Jamila Taylor
10/26/09	Presentation to Juvenile Court Probation Staff	Juvenile Court	Mariko Lockhart Jamila Taylor Robert Gant
10/28/09	Briefing to Gangs in Schools Task Force OSPI	ULMS	Jamila Taylor
10/28/09	SW Violence Prevention Meeting	Seattle Neighborhood Group	Robert Gant
10/29/09	Presentation to the Latino Bar Association	LBAW	Mariko Lockhart
10/29/09	Briefing to the CBO – Mitchell’s House	MH	Jamila Taylor
10/29/09	Presentation and Collaboration meeting with Chief Sealth High School	Chief Sealth High School	Robert Gant Jason Clark
10/30/09	Presentation and partnership discussion with Asian Counseling and Referral Service	ACRS	Mariko Lockhart Jamila Taylor Robert Gant