

# NEWARK POLICE DIVISION

## Community Engagement Report Third Quarter – 2020



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## Introduction

The Newark Police Division (NPD) is committed to transparency in its procedures and performance and seeks opportunities to engage with the community. Additionally, it is the goal of the Newark Police Division to foster a true collaborative partnership through positive engagements and build public trust between the Division and the community. To achieve these goals, the Newark Police Division and its members shall approach all interactions with the public as opportunities to enhance the perception of law enforcement and build upon public trust. The following community engagement report has been prepared to reflect the period of **July 1, 2020** through **September 30, 2020**. Due to the COVID 19 PANDEMIC many programs, initiatives and activities pertaining to Community Engagement were suspended and many of our Community interactions were adversely affected.

## Criteria

Paragraph 18 of the Consent Decree states:

“Within 120 days of the Operational Date, and thereafter on a quarterly basis, NPD will prepare a publicly available report of its community policing efforts overall and in each precinct, including specific problems addressed and steps taken by NPD and the community toward their resolution”.

## Summary

Due to the COVID 19 PANDEMIC many in person community engagements were canceled. The CSO's attended seven (7) community meetings during this quarter. In addition to the community meetings, the Division personnel participated in and/or orchestrated a limited number of events. Many of the events have been in support of the community during these unprecedented times.

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**Table No. 1 - Community Engagements Summary**

Precinct	Community Meetings	Community Walk	Youth Engagements	Outreach	Community Cleanup	Business Checks	Citizen Contacts
1 <sup>st</sup>	2	1	1	13	0	8	0
2 <sup>nd</sup>	1	15	3	36	0	31	5
3 <sup>rd</sup>	6	4	6	26	1	10	4
4 <sup>th</sup>	6	7	0	21	2	140	16
5 <sup>th</sup>	9	0	0	23	0	0	8
6 <sup>th</sup>	1	11	5	16	0	1	7
7 <sup>th</sup>	0	8	0	11	1	15	2
Totals	25	46	15	146	4	205	42

## First Precinct Qualitative Community Engagements

Community Service Officers: Police Officer A. Davis and Police Officer Z. Pickett

- BUSINESS CHECK - 325 Springfield Ave.
- BUSINESS CHECK - 399 Springfield Ave.
- BUSINESS CHECK - 189 Springfield Ave.
- BUSINESS CHECK - 205 Springfield Ave.
- COMMUNITY MEETING - Peaceful Protest Bergen Street and 12th Ave.
- COMMUNITY MEETING – Ribbon cutting event for "Newark Paper Company" 312 New St.
- COMMUNITY WALK - S. 10th St./Brenner St./Kent St.
- OUTREACH - Assist residents getting Covid-19 testing 360 Springfield Ave.
- OUTREACH – Conversations with residents about importance of wearing masks. 399 Springfield Ave.
- OUTREACH – Conversations with residents regarding recent shooting and drug activity 14th Ave./S. 6th St.
- OUTREACH - Group not practicing social distancing. Distributed COVID-19 and City Health Dept. information West Kinney St. and Chaneyfield Ln.
- OUTREACH - Food distribution to various locations throughout the city. 21 West Kinney St.
- OUTREACH – Adopt-a-block program discussion with residents. S. 7th St./11th Ave.
- OUTREACH - Adopt-a-block program discussion with residents. 14th Ave./S. 6th St.
- OUTREACH – Conversations with local residents regarding recent homicide and distributed meals to residents in area. S. 10th St./Brenner St.

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- OUTREACH – Package and distribute meals to residents. 211 W. Kinney St. (JFK Recreation Center)
- OUTREACH - Door to door conversations and distribution of Megan’s Law materials to residents. S.12th St. and 13th Ave.
- YOUTH ENGAGEMENT – Back to school - bookbag and school supplies giveaway. 10 17th Ave.

## Second Precinct Qualitative Community Engagements

Community Service Officers: Police Officer I. Lorenzo and Police Officer T. Rich

- OUTREACH – Conversations with business owners and residents in area 662 Mt. Prospect Ave.
- OUTREACH – Conversations with residents in the area and distribution of out flyers for mask up campaign and upcoming events Heller Pkwy. / Mt. Prospect Ave.
- OUTREACH - Conversations with residents in the area and distribution of out flyers for mask up campaign and upcoming events 188 Bloomfield Ave.
- OUTREACH - Conversations with residents in the area and distribution of out flyers for mask up campaign and upcoming events 180 Bloomfield Ave.
- OUTREACH - Conversations with residents in the area and distribution of out flyers for mask up campaign and upcoming events 174 Bloomfield Ave.
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- OUTREACH - Conversations with residents in the area and distribution of out flyers for mask up campaign and upcoming events 185 Bloomfield Ave.
- OUTREACH - Conversations with residents in the area and distribution of out flyers for mask up campaign and upcoming events 191 Bloomfield Ave.
- OUTREACH - Pop up Covid-19 testing and food giveaway 4th Ave. / Garside St.
- OUTREACH - Food and clothing giveaway 1 Lincoln Ave.
- OUTREACH - Adopt A Block education and implementation Broadway / Elliott St.
- OUTREACH - SUPERHERO with a COP event. Food giveaway, COVID testing, and CENSUS information 642 Broadway
- OUTREACH – Food giveaway to seniors and prayer service Broadway and Delavan Ave.
- OUTREACH - Conversations with residents in the area and distribution of out flyers for mask up campaign and upcoming events Arlington St. / Lincoln Ave.
- OUTREACH – Dance With a Cop Event 201 Bloomfield Ave.
- OUTREACH – 2020 Census information distribution 201 Bloomfield Ave.
- OUTREACH - Conversations with residents in the area concerning the dangers of leaving items in vehicles and distribution of flyers about stolen autos and theft from auto events Arlington St. / Wakeman Ave. / Nursery St. / 2nd Ave.
- OUTREACH - Coats and boots drive for community give back 621 Broadway

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- PUBLIC SAFETY CITIZEN/CLERGY ACADEMY – Newark Hope 1 / COVID Pop-up site 721 Summer Ave.
- PUBLIC SAFETY CITIZEN/CLERGY ACADEMY POP UP PLAY EVENT 13 GRAFTON AVE
- YOUTH ENGAGEMENT – Summer fun in the city movie night 108-136 Martin Luther King Blvd.
- YOUTH ENGAGEMENT – Pop up Play Event 200 Cathedral Ct.
- YOUTH ENGAGEMENT – Superheros and villains event 642 Broadway

## Third Precinct Qualitative Community Engagements

Community Service Officers: Police Officer R. Barbosa and Police Officer M. Silva

- OUTREACH – Address concerns of residents with pastor Edison St.
- OUTREACH - Connected community members with business owners for improved relations New York Ave. / Houston St.
- OUTREACH - Connected community members with business owners for improved relations Columbia St. / Edison Pl.
- OUTREACH - Adopt a Block Peter Francisco Park
- YOUTH ENGAGEMENT Pop Up and Play Pennington Court
- YOUTH ENGAGEMENT Kids Fun Day Pennington Court
- OUTREACH - Adopt a block education and implementation Edison Pl. / Ferry St.
- YOUTH ENGAGEMENT Mayors Pop Up and Play Riverview Court
- BUSINESS CHECK – COVID safety inspections with code enforcement 55 Wilson Ave.
- BUSINESS CHECK – COVID safety inspections with code enforcement 42 New York Ave.
- BUSINESS CHECK – COVID safety inspections with code enforcement 275 Chestnut St.
- BUSINESS CHECK – COVID safety inspections with code enforcement 385 Chestnut St.
- BUSINESS CHECK – COVID safety inspections with code enforcement 44 Houston St.
- OUTREACH –Community education concerning parking complaints 113 Prospect St.
- COMMUNITY CLEANUP – Area of 405 E. Kinney St.
- BUSINESS CHECK – Education program for unlicensed business 24 Carmen Ct.
- OUTREACH – Food giveaway with Ironbound Soccer League Hyatt Ct. Housing Complex
- OUTREACH – Bookbag, clothing, and toiletry giveaway with NYPD Chief of Police, NYPD Community Affairs, and New York Chaplain Federation 600 Broad St
- COMMUNITY MEETING – Participation in peaceful protest 970 Broad Street
- OUTREACH – Bookbag and school supplies giveaway 17 Oxford St.
- COMMUNITY MEETING – Meeting concerning illegally parked vehicles 115 St. Francis St.
- COMMUNITY WALK – W. Kinney St. and Halsey St.
- CITIZEN CONTACT - Addressing community complaints in area of 103 St Francis St.
- COMMUNITY WALK - Walk to explore solutions concerning homelessness in area NJPAC
- YOUTH ENGAGEMENT - Hero Day Celebration at Ironbound Boys and Girls Club 10 Providence St.
- COMMUNITY MEETING - Monthly Community Meeting 649 E. Market St.
- OUTREACH - Addressing community complaints 1225 Raymond Blvd.

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- COMMUNITY WALK - Hyatt Ct. Housing Complex
- COMMUNITY WALK -Branford Pl.
- OUTREACH - Community feeding event Eastside High School
- OUTREACH – Connecting homeless with available services Alling St.

## Fourth Precinct Qualitative Community Engagements

Community Service Officers: Police Officer A. Porter and Police Officer B. Burrows

- BUSINESS CHECK – COVID safety inspection 545 South Orange Ave.
- BUSINESS CHECK – COVID safety inspection 543 Springfield Ave.
- BUSINESS CHECK – COVID safety inspection and community education about recent gunpoint robbery 7th Ave. / S. 18th Str.
- BUSINESS CHECK – COVID safety inspection in area 584 Springfield Ave.
- BUSINESS CHECK – COVID safety inspection Springfield Ave. and S. 10th St.
- BUSINESS CHECK - COVID safety inspection in area of 566 S.11th St. / Belgium St.
- BUSINESS CHECK - COVID safety inspection 16th Ave. / S. 18th St.
- BUSINESS CHECK - COVID safety inspection 16th Ave. / S. 18th St.
- BUSINESS CHECK – Spoke to residents about a criminal activity in area 564 S. 11th St.
- BUSINESS CHECK - COVID safety inspection 506 Springfield Ave.
- BUSINESS CHECK - COVID safety inspection 518 Springfield Ave.
- BUSINESS CHECK - COVID safety inspection 520 Springfield Ave.
- BUSINESS CHECK - COVID safety inspection 466-468 18th Ave.
- BUSINESS CHECK - COVID safety inspection 592 1/2 S. 10th St.
- CITIZEN CONTACT – Contacted citizens at mural location where residents complain about people who park their vehicles, drink alcohol and play loud music 715 S. 10th St.
- CITIZEN CONTACT - Met with retired NFL player who expressed interest in assisting community outreach concerns in the 4th Precinct 247 16th Ave.
- CITIZEN CONTACT – Spoke with resident about quality of life issues in his neighborhood 506 S. 19th St.
- CITIZEN CONTACT – Assisted Block Watch participant with application for handicap parking
- CITIZEN CONTACT - Assisted Block Watch participant with neighborhood concerns 322 S.20th St.
- CITIZEN CONTACT – Met with S. 11th St. residents concerning complaints of illegal narcotics sales in area 577 S. 11th St.
- CITIZEN CONTACT - Met with citizens who want an investigation of 643 15th Ave. concerning vehicles being repaired in backyard 504 S. 19th St.
- CITIZEN CONTACT - Met with housing tenant association president and assisted in handing out flyers for 4th Precinct Adopt-A-Block program 530 S. 17th St.
- CITIZEN CONTACT - Community Walk handing out Public Safety Surveys to community 19th Ave. / S. 19th St.

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- CITIZEN CONTACT – Investigation into block watch complaint of vehicle parked for two weeks 504 S. 11th St.
- CITIZEN CONTACT – Spoke with citizen about techniques the community can use to address problems in his neighborhood 504 S. 19th St.
- CITIZEN CONTACT - Spoke with citizen about techniques the community can use to address problems in his neighborhood 322 S. 19th St.
- CITIZEN CONTACT - Spoke with citizens about techniques the community can use to address problems in his neighborhood S. 19th and 19th Ave.
- CITIZEN CONTACT - Spoke with residents in area about recent complaints of people using illegal narcotics in that area and discussed ways we can address this problem using NextDoor Belgium St. / S. 11th St.
- CITIZEN CONTACT - Handed out community surveys to residents in the area 18th Ave. / S. 17th St.
- COMMUNITY CLEANUP –Addressed abandoned property complaints to have windows boarded up again 744 S. 18th St.
- COMMUNITY MEETING -Worked the 4th Precinct Adopt-a-Block program with Hope One and Newark Fire Division S. 20th St. / South Orange Ave.
- COMMUNITY MEETING – Participated in zoom community meeting hosted by Mayor Baraka about combating violence amid COVID-19 247 16th Ave.
- COMMUNITY MEETING – Virtual community meeting live on Facebook 481 S. 13th St.
- COMMUNITY MEETING - 4th Precinct community giveaway of school backpacks, notebooks, and community survey packages 247 16th Ave.
- COMMUNITY MEETING – Worked in "Give One Tenth" community garden with harvesting, distribution of public safety flyers, and NextDoor pamphlets 717 S. 20th St.
- COMMUNITY WALK - Conducted community walk S. 17th St. Corridor
- COMMUNITY WALK – With Adopt the Block participants Springfield Ave. / S. 20th St.
- COMMUNITY WALK - Conducted a community walk after recent homicide investigation initiated S. 16th St. and 18th Ave.
- COMMUNITY WALK – S. 11th St. / Belgium St.
- COMMUNITY WALK - Community Walk passing out community surveys 450 S. 17th St.
- OUTREACH – Food giveaway 211 W. Kinney St.
- OUTREACH - Adopt the block awareness and education event S. Orange Ave. / S. 20th St.
- OUTREACH - Annual 4th precinct Family Fun Day event 247 16th Ave.
- OUTREACH – Birthday collection drive by for Bishop Edward Purnell 431 13th Ave.
- OUTREACH – Community giveaway of ShopRite gift cards to regular meeting attendees 702 S. 12th St.
- OUTREACH - Assisted at Covid-19 testing site 360 Springfield Ave.
- OUTREACH – Food giveaway 703 S. 12th St.
- OUTREACH - 4th Precinct Adopt A Block program meeting South Orange Ave. / S. 20th St.
- OUTREACH – Food giveaway at various locations in 4th Precinct

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- OUTREACH - Back to school bookbag drive 543 Springfield Ave.
- OUTREACH – Assisted with local bookbag drive 296 16th Ave.
- OUTREACH - community Walk handing out the Newark Police Division Public Safety Surveys 607 Springfield Ave.
- OUTREACH – Participated in Give One Tenth "Girls Ride Bikes" community group event S. 19th / 19th Ave.
- OUTREACH – Food giveaway in the area of the 4th Precinct
- OUTREACH – Donations giveaway of infant diapers to the community 698 S. 16th St.
- OUTREACH – Food giveaway to family of six donated by Essex County Food Pantry and Mayors Office 452 S. 12th St.
- OUTREACH – Food giveaway 412 Avon Ave.

## Fifth Precinct Qualitative Community Engagements

Community Service Officers: Police Officer G. Hines, Police Officer M. Muhammed, and Police Officer L. Martin

- BUSINESS CHECK - 511 Hawthorne Avenue
- BUSINESS CHECK - 301 Irvine Turner Blvd.
- BUSINESS CHECK - Met with property management about burglary concerns 400 Irvine Turner Blvd.
- BUSINESS CHECK - 11 - 25 Madison Ave
- BUSINESS CHECK - 169 Meeker Avenue
- BUSINESS CHECK - 125 Avon Avenue
- BUSINESS CHECK - 825 S. 10th Street
- BUSINESS CHECK - Met with new manager 257 Lyons Avenue
- BUSINESS CHECK - 226 Elizabeth Avenue
- BUSINESS CHECK - Met with property manager 220-240 Irvine Turner Blvd.
- BUSINESS CHECK - 291 Clinton Place
- BUSINESS CHECK - 220 - 240 Irvine Turner Blvd.
- BUSINESS CHECK - 400 Irvine Turner Blvd.
- BUSINESS CHECK - 467 Lyons Avenue
- BUSINESS CHECK - 169 Meeker Avenue
- BUSINESS CHECK - Met with property manager 1 - 7 Leigh Avenue
- BUSINESS CHECK - Met with business manager and employees 872-934 Frelinghuysen Ave
- BUSINESS CHECK - Met with business manager and employees 943 Frelinghuysen Ave
- BUSINESS CHECK - 945 Frelinghuysen Ave
- BUSINESS CHECK – Met with manager 955 Frelinghuysen Ave
- BUSINESS CHECK – Met with employees 953 Frelinghuysen Ave
- BUSINESS CHECK - Met with business manager and employees 857 Frelinghuysen Ave
- BUSINESS CHECK – Met with employees 41 Evergreen Ave.
- BUSINESS CHECK - Met with business manager 101 Ludlow St.



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- BUSINESS CHECK - 825 S. 10th Street
- CAPTAINS MEETING – Met with Community Block Watch Leaders 480 Clinton Ave.
- CITIZEN CONTACT - Met with assistant property manager 100 Chadwick Avenue
- CITIZEN CONTACT - Met residents over concerns of illegal fireworks 185 Hobson Street
- CITIZEN CONTACT - Met with Shanley Ave. Block Association members 1 Shanley Avenue
- CITIZEN CONTACT - Met with residents in area 154 Grumman Avenue
- COMMUNITY MEETING – Attended virtual Southward Public Safety RoundTable Meeting 480 Clinton Avenue
- COMMUNITY MEETING - Pomona Avenue Community Meeting 60 Pomona Avenue
- COMMUNITY MEETING - Homestead Park Community Meeting Homestead Park
- COMMUNITY MEETING - Southward District Leaders Meeting Clinton Avenue / Clinton Pl.
- COMMUNITY MEETING - Chadwick Ave Block Association Meeting 386 Chadwick Avenue
- COMMUNITY MEETING - Leslie Street Block Association Meeting 343 Leslie Street
- OUTREACH - Distribute meals to senior citizens 100 Chadwick Avenue
- OUTREACH - Distribute meals to senior citizens 100 Ludlow Street
- OUTREACH – Assisted at community food pantry Leo Place / Vernon Ave
- OUTREACH - Distributed meals to seniors 31 VanVetchen St
- OUTREACH – Child safety item giveaway to residents 843 S 19th St
- OUTREACH - Adopt A Block program awareness and education Maple Ave & Chancellor Ave
- OUTREACH – Distributed NPD Theft from Auto Flyers 1 Elizabeth Avenue
- OUTREACH – Participated in Peshine Ave. School Chromebook handout and distributed book bags and school supplies to students 433 Peshine Ave
- OUTREACH – Participated in with Newark Housing Authority annual book bag giveaway and served food, provided airbrush tattoos, and gave away book bags and school supplies 26 Vanderpool St
- OUTREACH – Conversation and distribution of educational materials about NJ and local COVID-19 concerns Evergreen and Hartford Street
- OUTREACH - Conversation and distribution of educational materials about NJ and local COVID-19 concerns 515 Elizabeth Avenue
- OUTREACH – Interacted with community members Fabyan Pl. / Clinton Ave.
- OUTREACH - Conversation and distribution of educational materials about NJ and local COVID-19 concerns while handing out PPE masks Hillside Ave. / Clinton Ave.
- OUTREACH - Hope One Frelinghuysen Ave. / Wharton St.
- OUTREACH - Hope One Clinton Ave. / Fabyan Pl
- OUTREACH – Participated in parking lot prayer service with Zion Hill Baptist Church congregation 152 Osborne Terr.

## Sixth Precinct Qualitative Community Engagements

Community Service Officers: Police Officer S. Okerchiri and Police Officer C. Corbett

- BUSINESS CHECK – Met with local business owners about concerns Sanford Ave/ Samford Pl

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- CITIZEN CONTACT – Educating local residents about COVID-19 testing process 107 Ivy St.
- CITIZEN CONTACT – Birthday celebration for 7 year old local resident 188 Midland Pl.
- CITIZEN CONTACT – Discussion with community members regarding PPE masks 5 Manor Drive
- CITIZEN CONTACT - Conversation and distribution of educational materials about NJ and local COVID-19 concerns Sunset Ave. / Lindsley Ave.
- CITIZEN CONTACT – Spoke to local community members about matters regarding the homeless Hazelwood Ave. / South Orange Ave.
- CITIZEN CONTACT – Spoke to residents in the area concerning complaints and solutions for vehicle parking matters Derby St. / Abbotsford St.
- COMMUNITY MEETING – Hosted virtual 6th Precinct Public Safety Meeting
- COMMUNITY WALK – Interacted with residents in the area after recent homicide to gather and address community concerns Lanark Ave. / Sanford Ave.
- COMMUNITY WALK - Interacted with residents in the area after recent homicide to gather and address community concerns Brookdale Ave/ Lindsley Ave
- COMMUNITY WALK - Interacted with residents in response to reports of illegal narcotics activity to gather and address community concerns Tremont Ave./ N. Munn Ave.
- COMMUNITY WALK - Interacted with residents in response to reports of illegal commercial parking to gather and address community concerns 137 Columbia St.
- COMMUNITY WALK - Interacted with residents in response to reports of illegal dumping to gather and address community concerns Schofield St. /Bayard Pl.
- COMMUNITY WALK - Interacted with residents in response to reports of illegal dumping and homelessness to gather and address community concerns Sanford Ave. / S. Orange Ave.
- COMMUNITY WALK - Interacted with residents in response to reports of large gathering and address community concerns Dover St. / S. Orange Ave.
- COMMUNITY WALK - Interacted with residents in response to reports of illegal dumping to gather and address community concerns 10 Alexander St.
- COMMUNITY WALK - Interacted with residents to follow up on community concerns previously expressed in the area Sanford Ave. / S. Orange Ave.
- COMMUNITY WALK - - Interacted with residents in response to reports of illegal parking issues to gather and address community concerns Derby St. / Abbotsford Ave.
- OUTREACH – Assisted at COVID-19 Community Testing Site 107 Ivy St.
- OUTREACH – Participated in “Enough is Enough / Stop The Violence” softball game with 6th precinct cops Ivy Hill Park
- OUTREACH – Participated in Sanford Block Association send-off celebration for 21 year member who is relocating to Texas Sanford Pl. / Marsac Pl.
- OUTREACH – Participated in “Summer fun in the City” event Ivy Hill Park
- OUTREACH – Hosted back to school event 491 Irvington Ave.
- OUTREACH – Meal distribution for seniors 425 Sanford Ave.
- OUTREACH – Spoke to residents in the area concerning community complaints about trash, debris, and loitering 126 Stuyvesant Ave.

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- OUTREACH - Participated in Smith Street Block Association event and provided resources for a community garden and community feeding events 154 Smith St.
- OUTREACH - Participated in the UVSO Harvest Festival promoting leading a healthier lifestyle Pine Grove Terrace / Grove Terrace
- YOUTH ENGAGEMENT - Birthday celebration for 6 year old local resident 188 Midland Pl.
- YOUTH ENGAGEMENT - Birthday drive-by celebration for local resident 202 Midland Pl.
- YOUTH ENGAGEMENT – Participated in “Summer Fun In The City” event with local children from the Vailsburg area, as well as passed out flyers to community members concerning COVID-19 safety Ivy Hill Park

## Seventh Precinct Qualitative Community Engagements

Community Service Officers: Police Officer A. Lamar and Police Officer J. Rivera

- BUSINESS CHECK - 481 Central Ave.
- BUSINESS CHECK - Spoke with business owner and customers 312 Bloomfield Ave.
- BUSINESS CHECK - Spoke with business owner and customers 324 Bloomfield Ave.
- BUSINESS CHECK - Spoke with business owner and customers 328 Bloomfield Ave.
- BUSINESS CHECK - Spoke with business owner and customers 336 Bloomfield Ave.
- BUSINESS CHECK - Spoke with business owner and customers 344 Bloomfield Ave.
- BUSINESS CHECK - Spoke with business owner, employees, customers and residents in the area Heller Parkway/Franklin Ave
- BUSINESS CHECK - Spoke with several business owners and customers 451 Bloomfield Ave
- BUSINESS CHECK - Spoke with business owner and customers Franklin Ave/Anthony St
- BUSINESS CHECK - Spoke with business owner and customers Park Ave/N 7th St
- CITIZEN CONTACT – Made contact with and assisted elderly resident with entry into her home 4TH AVE/ N 12TH ST
- COMMUNITY CLEANUP – Cleaned up multiple black garbage bags left in the area with the assistance of the Illegal Dumping Task Force and Sanitation Department 506 3rd St.
- COMMUNITY WALK - Met with business owners and residents in the area to provide them with flyers containing information regarding upcoming community events and record any concerns 2nd Ave. / 3rd St.
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- COMMUNITY WALK - Met with business owners and residents in the area to provide them with flyers containing information regarding upcoming community events and record any concerns 336 Bloomfield Ave.
- COMMUNITY WALK - Met with business owners and residents in the area to provide them with flyers containing information regarding upcoming community events and record any concerns 3rd St. & Bloomfield Ave.
- COMMUNITY WALK - Met with business owners and residents in the area to provide them with flyers containing information regarding upcoming community events and record any concerns Stephen Crane Village
- COMMUNITY WALK - Met with business owners and residents in the area to provide them with flyers containing information regarding upcoming community events and record any concerns N. 7th St. / Delavan Ave.
- OUTREACH – Assisting in handing out meals to seniors and participated in community prayer service 900 Franklin Ave.
- OUTREACH – Assisting in handing out meals to seniors and participated in community prayer service 920 Franklin Avenue
- OUTREACH – Hosted “Pizza with a Cop” event 900 Franklin Ave.
- OUTREACH – Located multiple garbage bags in the area while addressing concerns of illegal dumping and made notification to Illegal Dumping Task Force and the Sanitation Department 3rd St. / 2nd Ave.
- OUTREACH – Located multiple garbage bags in the area while addressing concerns of illegal dumping and made notification to Illegal Dumping Task Force and the Sanitation Department Freeway Dr. / 3RD St.
- OUTREACH - Located graffiti on multiple walls in the area while addressing concerns of citizens and made notification for remediation 3RD Ave. / N. 5TH St.
- OUTREACH - Located graffiti on multiple walls in the area while addressing concerns of citizens and made notification for remediation Abington Ave. / 3RD St.
- OUTREACH – Participate in coat and shoe giveaway event hosted at the McDonald's 621 Broadway

**Table No. 2 - Problems Identified**

Problem List - Steps for Resolution							
Precinct	New Follow up	Crime	Type	Description	Steps Taken	Sector	Location
1st	NEW PROBLEM	YES	DRUG ACTIVITY	Illegal drug activity	Community look out generated	115	159 Norfolk St.
1st	NEW PROBLEM	YES	DRUG ACTIVITY	Illegal drug activity	Community look out generated	114	262-265 S. 11th St.

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1st	NEW PROBLEM	NO	STREET LIGHTS	Requesting 4-way stop sign due to frequent accidents	Notified City of Newark Department of Traffic and Signals	115	11th Av. / S. 7th St.
1st	NEW PROBLEM	NO	ABANDONED HOUSE	Abandoned / vacant houses on 700 block of S. 10th Street used for illegal drug activity	Photos taken and complaint forwarded to Code Enforcement	113	723-727 S. 10th St.
2nd	FOLLOW-UP	NO	CURB DOG	Person has been allowing their dogs to defecate on private property	Located and spoke with dog owner and issued a written warning	214	501 Clifton Av.
2nd	NEW PROBLEM	NO	ABANDONED HOUSE	Mt. Prospect Partnership reported an abandoned house with squatters in the area	NPD responded to location and asked squatters to leave. Notified Code Enforcement to board up	217	662 Mt. Prospect Av.
2nd	NEW PROBLEM	NO	SOCIAL DISTANCING	Crowds gathering without masks	Handed out masks and literature on Covid-19 and City of Newark events	212	Broad St. / Oriental St.
2nd	NEW PROBLEM	YES	PARKING VIOLATION	Overnight doubled parked vehicles, blocking entrance to complex and trucks unable to haul off garbage because of parking	Increased patrol and summonses issued for witnessed violations	214	110 Garside St.
2nd	NEW PROBLEM	NO	TRASH	Illegally parked trailer with garbage and rats	Responded to the area and located a clean trailer locked on private property	212	459 Summer Av.
4th	NEW PROBLEM	NO	ABANDONED HOUSE	Complaint about three abandoned homes on S. 10th St., between Rose Ter. and Avon Av.	Contacted Public Works and they stated that clean up crews will address	411	S. 10th St. / Rose Ter. / Avon Av.
4th	NEW PROBLEM	YES	GRAFFITI	Graffiti on buildings	Contacted Public works and they indicated an inspector will respond to the location	411	721 S. 10th St.
4th	NEW PROBLEM	NO	TRASH	Trash on vacant property	Public Works notified	413	437 S. 17th St.

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4th	NEW PROBLEM	YES	TRAFFIC SAFETY	Tree branches blocking view of stop sign	Took photos of location and contacted tree service for removal	413	14th Av. / S. 16th St.
4th	NEW PROBLEM	YES	CRIMINAL ACTIVITY	Child recently bit my dog and abused animals	Animal cruelty Detective notified and investigating	413	500 S. 12th St.
4th	NEW PROBLEM	YES	CRIMINAL ACTIVITY	Illegal drug sales in area from unlicensed businesses	Code Enforcement inspection conducted and unlicensed business closed	412	566 S. 11th St.
4th	NEW PROBLEM	YES	ABANDONED HOUSE	Abandoned home used by squatters	Public Works and Code Enforcement notified for follow up	412	569-577 S. 11th St.
4th	FOLLOW-UP	YES	DRUG ACTIVITY	Illegal drug sales in area	Code Enforcement inspection with police and unlicensed business closed	412	564 S. 11th St. / Belgium St.
4th	FOLLOW-UP	NO	ABANDONED VEHICLE	Abandoned vehicles in need repair inside backyard	Owner of property contacted, vehicles are legally stored property of the tenant	414	643 15th Av.
4th	NEW PROBLEM	YES	ABANDONED HOUSE	Abandoned house with illegal drug activity	Code Enforcement notified and 4th Precinct proactive police patrols notified for follow up	412	540 S. 10th St.
4th	NEW PROBLEM	YES	ABANDONED HOUSE	Abandoned house with squatters	Location secured with plywood	413	511 S. 16th St.
4th	NEW PROBLEM	YES	ABANDONED HOUSE	Abandoned house with squatters	Location secured with plywood	413	513 S. 16th St.
4th	NEW PROBLEM	YES	ABANDONED HOUSE	Abandoned house with squatters	Code enforcement contacted and will respond for follow up	412	573 S. 11th St.
4th	FOLLOW-UP	NO	ABANDONED VEHICLE	Vehicle has been parked in front of home for two weeks with no movement	Notified vehicle owner about possible abandonment of vehicle	413	504 S. 19th St.
4th	NEW PROBLEM	NO	ABANDONED VEHICLE	Several vehicles parked on a city lot full of trash	Code Enforcement contacted for follow up, NPD Traffic Division contacted to address any abandoned vehicles, Public Works contacted to clean lot	412	204-214 16th Av.

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4th	NEW PROBLEM	YES	CRIMINAL ACTIVITY	Location being used as a chop shop for stolen motorcycles	4th Precinct Detective Squad investigation with Hoboken Police and NJSP. Search warrant executed at location with suspects arrested and stolen motorcycles recovered	411	739 S. 11th St.
4th	NEW PROBLEM	YES	DRUG ACTIVITY	Several complaints of illegal drug activity in the area of S. 20th St. / Springfield Av.	4th Precinct proactive patrols notified, resulting in arrests made in area for illegal drug activity	411	765 S. 20th St.
4th	NEW PROBLEM	YES	CRIMINAL ACTIVITY	Burglary recently occurred on the 600 block 15th Av.	4th Precinct detectives assigned an investigation; Assignment resulted in an arrest	413	620 15th Av.
4th	NEW PROBLEM	NO	LOITERING	Non-residents sleeping in common areas	CSO checked conditions and will follow up	413	487 S. 15th St. / 307 14th Av. / 523 S. 14th St.
4th	FOLLOW-UP	YES	TRASH	Graffiti on buildings	Public Works contacted and painted over the graffiti	411	721 S. 10th St.
4th	FOLLOW-UP	YES	ABANDONED HOUSE	Abandoned house with squatters	Public works was contacted and responded to secure the abandoned house	412	569-577 S. 11th St.
4th	NEW PROBLEM	YES	CRIMINAL ACTIVITY	Illegal drug activity in area	Increased proactive patrols in area resulting in arrests	412	S. 11th St. / Belgium St.
4th	NEW PROBLEM	YES	DRUG ACTIVITY	Illegal drugs being sold in the area	Investigation resulting in search warrant execution and arrests. Code Enforcement issued citations and closed the business	412	592 1/2 S. 10th St.
4th	NEW PROBLEM	YES	DRUG ACTIVITY	Top 5 illegal narcotics complaint location for the 4th Precinct	Increased proactive patrols assigned to area resulting in multiple arrests	413	451 S. 15th St.
4th	NEW PROBLEM	YES	DRUG ACTIVITY	Illegal drug activity complaints from residents	Increased proactive patrols assigned to area resulting in multiple arrests	411	Springfield Av. / S. 20th St.
4th	NEW PROBLEM	YES	DRUG ACTIVITY	Illegal drug activity complaints from residents	Increased proactive patrols assigned to area resulting in multiple arrests	411	Avon Av. / S. 16th St.

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5th	FOLLOW-UP	NO	PARKING VIOLATION	Over weight tractor-trailer parked on bridge	Summonses issued	511	Fabyan Pl. / Schley St.
5th	NEW PROBLEM	NO	PARKING VIOLATION	Vehicles parked on street or sidewalk where there are No Parking signs posted and obstructing fire trucks ability to pass	Met with NPD to coordinate having portion of the street designated as "No Parking / Fire Zone."	512	Homestead Park
5th	NEW PROBLEM	NO	ABANDONED VEHICLE	Complaints of abandoned vehicle	Summonses issued and vehicle towed	516	30 Stanton St.
5th	NEW PROBLEM	NO	ABANDONED VEHICLE	Complaints of abandoned vehicle	Summonses issued and vehicle towed	516	28 Stanton St.
5th	FOLLOW-UP	NO	PARKING VIOLATION	Tractor trailers parking illegally on bridge	Summonses issued	511	Fabyan Pl. / Schley St.
5th	FOLLOW-UP	NO	ABANDONED VEHICLE	Abandoned vehicle on deplorable lot	Towed vehicle	512	348 Hawthorne Av.
5th	FOLLOW-UP	NO	ABANDONED VEHICLE	Abandoned vehicle on deplorable lot	Towed Vehicle	512	350 Hawthorne Av.
5th	NEW PROBLEM	NO	UNLICENCED BUSINESS	Illegal auto shop at residence	Code Enforcement notified and addressed issue. Mechanics advised to cease working on vehicles and remove equipment from location	511	302 Clinton Pl.
5th	NEW PROBLEM	NO	UNLICENCED BUSINESS	Business without proper licenses	Code Enforcement notified. Inspector addressed complaint of illegal business	511	312-314 Clinton Pl.
5th	NEW PROBLEM	NO	TRAFFIC SAFETY	Motor vehicle violation concerning speeding causing accidents and unsafe conditions	A radar car scheduled to address motor vehicle violation	512	Clinton Pl. / Clinton Av. / Hawthorne Av.
5th	FOLLOW-UP	NO	PARKING VIOLATION	Parking Violations / No Parking Anytime	Summonses issued	512	46-64 Homestead Park
5th	FOLLOW-UP	NO	PARKING VIOLATION	Parking violations for no parking and parking on sidewalk	Summonses issued	512	63 Homestead Park
5th	NEW PROBLEM	NO	ABANDONED HOUSE	Deplorable property with high weeds & trash	Code Enforcement addressed property for violations	511	353 Homestead Park



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5th	NEW PROBLEM	NO	PROPERTY IN DISREPAIR	Deplorable property with high weeds, trash & cars on lawn	Code Enforcement addressed property violations	511	345 Leslie St.
5th	NEW PROBLEM	NO	NOISE	Loud music, illegal drug use and large crowds	Increased patrols and summonses issued	512	44 Millington Av.
5th	FOLLOW-UP	NO	ABANDONED VEHICLE	Abandoned trailer	Summons issued and trailer towed	511	Fabyan Pl. / Chancellor Av.
5th	FOLLOW-UP	NO	PARKING VIOLATION	Vehicles parked no parking area	Summonses issued	512	55-63 Homestead Park
5th	FOLLOW-UP	NO	PARKING VIOLATION	Vehicle parked in no parking zone	Summonses issued	512	55 Homestead Park
5th	NEW PROBLEM	YES	ILLEGAL GAMBLING	Illegal gambling	Noted area for increased patrol awareness	513	93-95 Goldsmith Av.
5th	NEW PROBLEM	NO	TRASH	Trash & debris on city sidewalk	Notified Public Works and crew sent to address complaint	517	Evergreen Av. / Ross St. / Thorne St.
5th	NEW PROBLEM	NO	ABANDONED VEHICLE	Abandoned vehicle complaint	Vehicle located, summonsed, and towed	514	468 Irvine Tuner Blvd.
5th	NEW PROBLEM	NO	ILLEGAL DANCE HALL	Unlicensed business selling food, liquor, and holding after hours parties	Document complaint for follow up investigation by NPD VICE Unit	512	859 S. 15th St.
5th	NEW PROBLEM	NO	PARKING VIOLATION	Street Cleaning	Units sent to area to address complaints. Summonses issued	512	Leo Pl. / Vernon Av.
5th	NEW PROBLEM	NO	TRAFFIC SAFETY	Speeding vehicles	Precinct officers made aware for increased traffic safety enforcement	513	21 Homestead Park
5th	NEW PROBLEM	NO	ABANDONED HOUSE	Abandoned house with squatters	Location secured with plywood	516	85 Pennsylvania Av.
5th	FOLLOW-UP	NO	ABANDONED HOUSE	Abandoned house with squatters	Proactive patrols instituted	516	85 Pennsylvania Av.
5th	FOLLOW-UP	NO	PARKING VIOLATION	No Parking complaint	Increased parking enforcement and summonses issued	512	Homestead Park
5th	FOLLOW-UP	NO	PARKING VIOLATION	Street cleaning parking violations	Increased traffic safety patrols resulting in summonses issued	512	Millington Av. / Nairn Pl.
5th	FOLLOW-UP	NO	STREET CLEANING	Street cleaning parking violations	Increased traffic safety patrols resulting in summonses issued	512	S. 17th St. / Madison Av. / Avon Av.

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5th	FOLLOW-UP	NO	PARKING VIOLATION	Street cleaning parking violations	Increased traffic safety patrols resulting in summonses issued	512	S. 18th St. / Madison Av.
6th	NEW PROBLEM	NO	TRASH	Illegal dumping of trash debris	Responded to location to take photos and forwarded to Public Works for cleanup	612	S. Orange Av. / Alexander St.
6th	NEW PROBLEM	NO	NOISE	Frequent noise complaints coming from residence on 200 block of Smith St. between 2am-5am	Obtained additional information from complainant. Directed patrols to be guided by 6th Precinct night supervisors for further investigation and mitigation	612	284 Smith St.
6th	NEW PROBLEM	NO	PARKING VIOLATION	Commercial vehicles parked on residential street causing parking problems	Spoke with owner of commercial vehicle to inform them about City of Newark commercial parking regulations	611	137 Columbia St.
6th	NEW PROBLEM	NO	LOITERING	Young men hanging out on the corner at night	Precinct to institute more frequent patrols of the area	614	Avon Av. / S. 16th St.
6th	FOLLOW-UP	NO	LOITERING	Young men congregate on corner	Precinct to institute more frequent patrols of the area	613	Sanford Av. / Finlay Pl.
6th	FOLLOW-UP	YES	DRUG ACTIVITY	Complaints of illegal drug activity in area	Precinct proactive patrol units notified for follow up	612	Salem St. / S. Orange Av.
6th	NEW PROBLEM	NO	PARKING VIOLATION	Illegal parking complaints	CSO met with residents about NJ parking laws and provided literature	613	Derby St. / Abbotsford Av.
7th	FOLLOW-UP	NO	NOISE	Loud music / noise coming from neighborhood during late hours	CSO spoke to complainant, responded to area and spoke with offender. Was warned if situation continues, noise violations summonses may be issued	711	204 6th Av. W

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## Community Affairs/Clergy Unit

The Community Affairs/ Clergy Unit works hand in hand with the Community Service Officers in supplementing, organizing, and augmenting their community engagement efforts. Below is a list of various community engagement efforts that have been undertaken during the third quarter of 2020. Please note that in March of 2020 all programs and initiatives overseen by this unit and activities were suspended due to the COVID 19 PANDEMIC therefore many of our Community interactions were adversely impacted. All Personnel of the Community / Clergy Affairs Unit were transferred to Precincts to help maintain basic police services during the crisis. The decrease in engagement activity within the unit and by individual Community Service Officers can be directly attributed to the agencies overabundance of caution for everyones' health and wellbeing during this unprecedented time.

The Newark Police Division and the community are partners in addressing problems within the neighborhoods we serve. Tapping into the expertise and resources that exist within the community will help relieve police of some of the burdens that challenge us all today.

As part of our ongoing community engagement initiatives, the Newark Police Division continues to strive to develop innovative means to collaborate with the community. We seek to identify ways to harness and empower the strength, leadership, and diverse skills of our community partners as a means to continue to enhance safety and cohesion in our neighborhoods.

## Community Ambassador Collaborative 90-Day Pilot Program

The Newark Police Division established a **Community Ambassador Collaborative** 90-Day Pilot Program on Monday, June 15, 2020. Detectives from the Community Affairs/Clergy Unit and Community Service Officers (CSOs) were assigned to work with civilian volunteers who are trained and established community leaders. This was an opportunity to expand upon and strengthen established relationships. Eligible community members who wished to participate in this program had to fall into one of three categories:

- Previous graduate of the Newark Citizen Clergy Public Safety Academy; or

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- Previously trained as a Newark Department of Public Safety Citizen Emergency Response Team (CERT) member; or
- City of Newark employee.

NPD used this program to harness the strength, leadership, and diverse skills of our community partners as a means to continue to enhance safety and cohesion in our neighborhoods. Community Ambassador patrols were utilized to respond to the following types of assignments / conditions:

- Dispatched assignments where Ambassadors could help officers de-escalate, calm and quell situations that would otherwise deteriorate;
- Block parties, cookouts where noise complaints are being received;
- COVID-19 related assignments where decedent's families may need additional support;
- COVID-19 Executive Order violations where Ambassadors will distribute COVID-19 educational materials;
- Community events or special events;
- Non emergency police assignments;
- Street closures; and
- Calls where ambassadors would be helpful in rendering assistance through proper referrals.

The following is a list of community ambassador engagement efforts that were undertaken during the third quarter of 2020:

- Community Ambassador Ride Along – Eagles Parkway / Lincoln St.
- Community Ambassador Ride Along – Distributed COVID informational flyers on Covid-19 and City events Court St. / Prince St.
- Community Ambassador Ride Along – Distributed COVID informational flyers on Covid-19 and City events Central Ave and S.9th St.
- Community Ambassador Ride Along – Adopt a Block Program event 14th Ave. / S. 6th St.
- Community Ambassador Ride Along – Distributed COVID informational flyers and face masks Summer Ave. / Elwood Ave.
- Community Ambassador Ride Along – Distributed COVID informational flyers and face masks Broadway and Grafton Ave
- Community Ambassador Ride Along – 95 Garside St.
- Community Ambassador Ride Along – Distributed COVID informational and city event flyers and face masks 108-136 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd
- Community Ambassador Ride Along – Distributed COVID informational and city event flyers and face masks Broad Street and Oriental Street
- Community Ambassador Ride Along – Adopt a Block Program event 4th Ave. / Garside St.

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- Community Ambassador Ride Along – Responded to alleged violation of NJ Executive Order 163 Green St.
- Community Ambassador Ride Along – Community walk and talk with the Ambassadors Monroe St. / Ferry St.
- Community Ambassador Ride Along – Movie Under the Stars with the Ambassadors 100 Ludlow St.
- Community Ambassador Ride Along – Distributed COVID informational flyers and face masks Bradley Court
- Community Ambassador Ride Along – Prayer vigil Bradley Court
- Community Ambassador Ride Along – Community walk and talk with the Ambassadors 4th Ave. / N. 12th St.
- Community Ambassador Ride Along – Distributed COVID informational flyers and face masks Roseville Ave. / N. 4th St.
- Community Ambassador Ride Along – Distributed COVID informational flyers and face masks 175-195 1st St.
- Community Ambassador Ride Along – Distributed COVID informational flyers and face masks 216 N. 9th St.

## Community/Clergy Affairs Unit Outreach Programs

**Year Round: Basketball Team (SUSPENDED MARCH 9, 2020)**

**The Public Safety Academy - (SPRING SEMESTER CANCELLED DUE TO COVID 19)** is an eight-week course where participants learn the basic functions and operations of the Police/Fire and OEM Division. Participants must complete six of the eight scheduled classes. We have instituted an alumni association of our participants. Approximately 60 alumni have chosen to continue to participate with us when called upon. They have been useful in disseminating all manner of Police community relations info and serve as volunteers at community events.

**Clergy Alliance (SUSPENDED MARCH 9, 2020)** - We currently have 51 clergy members that we actively collaborate with. We have a ride-along program in which clergy members respond out into the community (hospitals/senior homes) to offer prayer and other services to members of the community. We also host monthly meetings of our participants and provide them with services and opportunities to volunteer in other worthwhile projects.

**Block Watch Program (NEW TRAININGS SUSPENDED MARCH 9, 2020)** - can be organized through the precinct community service officers as well as the community affairs/clergy unit. Our Block Watch program requires 7-10 people to start the program. It teaches members of the community crime safety tips, crime prevention and the proper reporting procedure for

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reporting a crime or incident. There are 76 registered block watch programs within the city with a block watch creation drive underway.

**Coffee with a Cop (SUSPENDED MARCH 9, 2020)** - is a program started in California that we have adopted in our city and have augmented it to include Pizza with a Cop, Hero (sandwich) with a hero and Ice Cream with a Cop. These programs bring police officers and the community members they serve together-over coffee- to discuss issues and learn more about each other.

Community Service Officers and members of the Community/Clergy Affairs Unit visit Senior Citizen Housing and Nursing Homes to conduct the "**Paint and Sip**" program whereby Officers sit with the seniors and paint small art projects while sipping coffee and tea. (Paint and sips are ongoing and we are looking to collaborate with Newark Housing for future events.)

**Hope One Cares Project: (SUSPENDED MARCH 9, 2020)** This program has been modeled after a similar program in Morris County. It is a mobile outreach vehicle bringing services to the addicted and afflicted and their families. Narcan training, rehab and recovery facilities, light refreshments served, CPR training and all manner of referrals provided.

Citywide all officers and Detectives of the Newark Police Division continue to break new ground with their imaginative approach and dedicated commitment to community policing.

## Youth Engagement

**Police Explorer Program (INITIALLY SUSPENDED MARCH 9, 2020, THEN MODIFIED TO CONTINUE WITH VIRTUAL MEETINGS ON 9/2/20)** is hosted by our unit twice a week where Police Explorers are given insight and instruction into what it is like to enter a career in the Police Division. These Police Explorers also participate in competitions based on police training against other Police explorer posts. During this quarter, the explorers participated in the "Blue Line Buddies" event, "Soup-With-A-Cop" event and the "Toys-for-Tots" giveaway.

**School Resource Officers** There is currently one School Resource Officer assigned to each command. During a "normal schedule" school year the School Resource officers are available to address any concerns within the schools. They also conduct safety presentations throughout the school year. With over 140 schools, district and charter, the school resource officers primarily handle majority of school related incidents. Serious incidents such as robberies, sexual assault and weapon possession are included. These matters are documented and referred accordingly to the appropriate investigative unit. However, school resource officers are usually the first contact.

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Due to the fact that Newark Public Schools have been conducting instruction remotely during this period, School Resource Officers have spent part of their time assisting in the citywide student meal distribution plan to ensure all children participating in the program receive their meals.

**G.R.E.A.T. Program (SUSPENDED MARCH 9, 2020)** is an anti-bullying program taught to grades 3-8 throughout the Newark School District. The program also teaches gang awareness and drug prevention. Currently GREAT is taught 5 days a week in schools throughout the city by a detective from our unit. Upon graduation, the department treats all children to popcorn, soda and a movie at the Cityplex where they also receive a t-shirt.

**Station House Adjustments:** A stationhouse adjustment is an alternative method that NPD uses to handle first-time juvenile offenders who have committed minor juvenile delinquency offenses. The intent of the stationhouse adjustment program is to provide for immediate consequences, such as community service or restitution and a prompt and convenient resolution for the victim, while at the same time benefitting the juvenile by avoiding the stigma of a formal juvenile delinquency record. In many instances, this early intervention will deter the youth from continuing their negative behavior and divert the youth from progressing further into the juvenile justice system.

**Newark Youth Court: (SUSPENDED MARCH 2020)** The Newark Youth Court works with Newark Schools, Truancy Court and Police officers. NPD uses the Youth Court predominantly during Station House Adjustments. Young people are referred based on disorderly conduct and low-level behavior while the court refers truancy cases. Youth Court staff members speak to each young person and their parents to explain the program for a youth court hearing.

**C.O.P.Y. (Call-Out Program for Youth) – Partnership with Rutgers University** The NPD - Juvenile Services Section collaborates with Rutgers University to link first time offending youth to developmentally salient family, social, educational, and vocational services. Initially the program catered to first time offenders. Since that, time weapons possessions and chronic receiving stolen property offenders are considered. Doctor Paul Boxer of Rutgers University is the director, founder and coordinator of this program. C.O.P.Y. was started in 2015. Since that time, various first time offenders involved in a serious crime have been referred to the C.O.P.Y. program. A C.O.P.Y. referral was made when a guardian /parent agreed to complete a waiver that would allow Rutgers to contact them and provide further information on their program. The C.O.P.Y program and the multiple services provided by Rutgers have showed us over time that there certainly are cohorts of youth under court supervision who need to be connected to services; and there are service providers in need of appropriate referral streams. C.O.P.Y. encourages an

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open discussion of how we can best facilitate these "matches," as well as any other issues relevant to reducing and preventing youth violence and delinquency.

**Newark Cares Program:** The Newark Police Division has collaborated with the DEA and the Newark Board Education to implement the Newark Cares program. The Newark Cares program is a tool for school personnel to assist with mitigating negative effects experienced by children exposed to trauma. School Resource Officers coordinate with the Newark Board of Education security to ensure the Newark Cares notice is forwarded to the proper authority at the respective school.

**Operation Conversation Cops and Kids All Stars Project:** Operation Conversation Cops and Kids is the All Stars project award –winning police community relations program designed to foster positive interactions between the police and young people from poor communities through a series of workshops and theatrical productions that use performance, improvisation and conversation. Over 200 Newark Police officers have participated thus far.

## Staffing Assessment Newark Police Division

The Newark Police Division (NPD) commissioned the Urban League of Essex County to conduct a staffing study of the department in compliance with the Consent Decree. The Consent Decree requires the NPD to “assess and revise its staffing allocation and personnel deployment to support community policing and problem-solving initiatives, and modify any deployment strategy that is incompatible with effective community-oriented policing.”

**Staffing Assessment Summary:** The Newark Police Division needs additional personnel to support its community policing and problem-solving initiatives. If the Division wants Precinct Patrol officers to have adequate time to engage the community and work on problem solving projects, it needs 247 additional officers assigned to the precincts. In addition, it needs six additional detectives assigned to investigate Part 1 Crimes.

### Staffing Allocation and Strategies aimed at supporting Community Policing

The following measures have been instituted by the NPD to revise its staffing allocation and personnel deployment to support community policing and problem-solving initiatives. The Sixth Precinct, in the Upper Vailsburg neighborhood and the Seventh Precinct, in the Roseville neighborhood have been opened, in effect doubling the amount of officers dedicated to patrol



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those specific areas. Opening new precincts in neighborhoods that have been disenfranchised for so long and putting officers in precincts is at the very heart of the staffing assessment and the Consent Decree.

In March of 2020, in response to the evolving COVID-19 Pandemic, NPD personnel were transferred and reassigned to operational positions within the agency. Included were twenty-five Division members that were detailed to outside agencies, seventy-five recently graduated officers and twenty-seven officers assigned to administrative positions. Some agency training for the recently graduated officers was postponed due to social distancing requirements for in classroom training.



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