

Targeting



◆ Substance Abuse Prevention

Educating community members about the harm and consequences of using alcohol, marijuana, cocaine, inhalants, methamphetamines, and tobacco products.

◆ Treatment vs. Incarceration

Because there is a high correlation between alcohol and other drug addictions and crime, those arrested for alcohol and other drug crimes are continually revolving in and out of the criminal justice system. Treatment is more cost effective.

◆ Drug Enforcement Issues/Paraphernalia

The availability of Drug Paraphernalia in our community is an ongoing problem, which leads to increased drug usage and other criminal activities.

◆ Truancy

Poor school attendance is linked to serious delinquent activity in youth, such as substance abuse, gang activity and involvement in criminal activities.

◆ Juvenile Intake and Assessment

Providing a single point of entry within the community for families to find the resources they require to meet their needs.

◆ Gangs

Anti-gang prevention techniques include problem-solving, anger control, empathy development, resistance to peer pressure, conflict resolution, drug and alcohol abuse prevention, and constructive life and employment skills.

◆ Mentoring

Helping children remain in school, avoid problem behavior, and have greater attachment to their family and community.

◆ Crime Prevention in the Community

Assisting individuals, families, neighborhoods and organizations in developing, implementing and maintaining strategies that combat illegal drug activity and crime.

◆ Community Policing

Individuals and police working together to prevent crime.

◆ Aggressive Enforcement on Theft and Enhanced Penalties

Addressing graduated sanctions and sentencing guidelines for repeat offenders.

◆ Enhanced Code Enforcement and Landlord Issues

Working with Code Enforcement and Shawnee County Landlords to properly screen and monitor tenants and to address deteriorated rental properties.

Safest Capital City Coordinating Body



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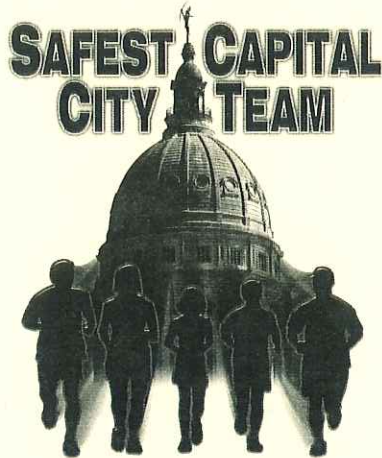
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SAFEST CAPITAL CITY TEAM



Join the Team

Goal

Reduce crime and substance abuse in Topeka by citizens working together to make Topeka, Kansas, the Safest Capital City in America (population over 100,000)

Question: What do most if not all citizens of Topeka/Shawnee County share as a common desire for their families, their personal lives and their city?

Answer: More than anything, people want to be safe at home, at work, and at play.

The Competition is on!
The Math:
50 Cities
Minus 19 under 100,000
Minus Topeka
= 30 Cities to compete with
For #1

Results

Topeka will look, feel and be safer

When citizens feel safe:

- ◆ They are friendlier
- ◆ Their children learn more
- ◆ Commerce develops and thrives
- ◆ They invest in their community

“Vision without action is
only a dream”

Action Plan

Engage every man, woman, and child to help combat crime at home, at work, at school and at play.

Select your topic of interest and join us.

- ◆ Businesses
- ◆ Health Care
- ◆ Faith Community
- ◆ Media
- ◆ Neighborhood Groups
- ◆ Government
- ◆ Education
- ◆ Law Enforcement
- ◆ Non-profit Agencies
- ◆ Underage Drinking

**We're on the Team
Are You on the Team?**



**We Need
You!**

All citizens can help

Together We Can do it!

What You Can Do

Contact Safe Streets to:

- ◆ Join the coalition
- ◆ Start a neighborhood watch
- ◆ Attend a citizens patrol training
 - ◆ Learn to prevent crime
- ◆ Get involved with youth programs
- ◆ Schedule a presentation to faith communities, organizations or neighborhoods