LOS ANGELES POLICE

2007 GANG ENFORCEMENT INITIATIVES

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In response to an increase in gang related crimes in 2006, the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) has identified a number of important, wide-ranging initiatives that will be implemented in 2007 and that are designed to significantly reduce the incidence of gang crime. This effort is a comprehensive, multi-faceted approach that navigates the entire criminal justice continuum. Some of the most prominent initiative enforcement features are summarized in this document and are listed below.

- ★ Launch of the South Bureau Criminal Gang Homicide Group
- ★ Designation of the Department Gang Coordinator
- ★ Placement of a Los Angeles Gang Member on the FBI's "Ten Most Wanted List"
- ★ Identification of the City's "Top Targeted Street Gangs"
- ★ Implementation of the "Community Safety Operations Center"
- ★ Patrol Proliferation Strategy
- ★ 204th Street Gang Abatement Strategy
- ★ Gang Abatement Legislation
- ★ Convergence of Local, State, and Federal Law Enforcement Agencies
- ★ Community Symposiums on Gang Awareness
- ★ Community Awareness Bulletins

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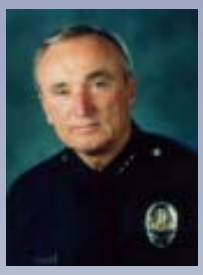

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GANG INITIATIVES

LAUNCH OF THE SOUTH BUREAU CRIMINAL GANG HOMICIDE GROUP

This new LAPD command will bring together over 120 of the most experienced and ambitious homicide and gang detectives in the City. A staff officer at the rank of Police Commander has already been selected as the commanding officer and is currently overseeing and developing the architecture of this entity. This innovative organization will focus exclusively on gang-related murders and attempt murders. Discussions with the following agencies have yielded strong commitments from them to provide resources to this group:

- Los Angeles Sheriff's Department (LASD)
- Office of the District Attorney (DA)
- Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI)
- Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF)
- County Probation
- Community Gang Intervention Specialists

DESIGNATION OF THE DEPARTMENT GANG COORDINATOR

Coordination with the Office of the Mayor and other partner agencies and community groups has been achieved by the designation of the Commanding Officer, Detective Bureau, as the Department Gang Coordinator (DGC). This executive-level police official is already in place and will be responsible for bringing continuity, cohesion and consistency to the Department's overall gang reduction strategy. Additionally, the DGC is responsible for providing solution-based strategies designed to drive our gang initiative agenda.

PLACEMENT OF L. A. GANG MEMBERS ON THE FBI'S "TEN MOST WANTED LIST"

The LAPD recently identified a Los Angeles (LA) area gang member whose name was provided to the FBI for placement on the FBI's Ten Most Wanted List. The placement of criminal fugitives from LA represents the Department's intention to arrest, prosecute, and incarcerate the most notorious gang criminals in this region. Upon the capture of that gang member, the name of another local gang member who meets the FBI criteria for placement on the list will be provided to the FBI.

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IDENTIFICATION OF THE CITY'S "TOP TARGETED STREET GANGS"

Previously, law enforcement officials did not divulge the names of individual gangs who were involved in crimes because of a widely held perception that doing so elevated the criminals' influence and standing in the gang community. This new strategy abandons the earlier posture and challenges these menaces by exposing their corrosive behavior to the scrutiny of a more informed and confident community.

IMPLEMENTATION OF THE "COMMUNITY SAFETY OPERATIONS CENTER"

Operations-Valley Bureau (OVB) will soon activate the OVB Community Safety Operations Center, which combines the enforcement capability of law enforcement with the advocacy of involved community members. This special enforcement group of over fifty officers, motor personnel and supervisors will analyze real-time crime data and other information to rapidly and strategically deploy officers in crime-ridden regions of the Valley. They will deploy in a variety of configurations to include high-visibility patrols and other, less traditional covert means of apprehending violent criminals.

PATROL PROLIFERATION STRATEGY

This proliferation strategy allows patrol officers (with appropriate training and oversight) to engage in the enforcement of civil injunctions and the service of arrest warrants on which gang members are named. This initiative is designed to take full advantage of the LAPD field force and dramatically increase LAPD's ability to protect law-abiding citizens.

204TH STREET GANG ABATEMENT STRATEGY

As a result of numerous assaults committed by the 204th Street gang, including recent racially motivated homicides, the 204th Street gang will be targeted for enforcement action using a number of strategies previously outlined in this document. The primary goal is to protect law-abiding citizens from crimes motivated by prejudice, while easing tensions in the community.

GANG ABATEMENT LEGISLATION

As still another strategic dimension of our scholastic approach to regulate gang violence, our Department will submit to local and State policymakers for consideration, recommendations for comprehensive and thoughtful gang abatement legislation that will enhance the ability of law enforcement agencies in this State to address indiscriminate acts of gang violence and conditions that perpetuate them. This effort is intended to solidify our resolve to dismantle the very notion of criminal street gangs within the borders of this City and beyond.

CONVERGENCE OF LOCAL, STATE, AND FEDERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES

Unprecedented partnerships have been established with the following agencies:

- LASD
- FBI
- ATF
- Drug Enforcement Administration
- State Parole
- County Probation
- LA Unified School District Police
- Local Municipal Police Departments

COMMUNITY AWARENESS BULLETINS

Gangs create fear in the communities through violent acts and by manipulating the community's lack of understanding and awareness of the resources and tools that are available to them to thwart this growing menace. The LAPD will soon distribute mailers and other media in an effort to enlighten our community partners and cultivate their consciousness concerning the things they must do to sustain their sense of neighborhood independence.

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TOP 10 MOST WANTED GANG MEMBERS 2007

OPERATIONS-CENTRAL BUREAU

MERCED CAMBERO

(AKA "Shadow")
Gang: Avenues Street Gang (Northeast Area) 187 PC Murder and Federal Civil Rights Violations: Warrant No. 44ALA221819. Between 1999 and 2000, Merced Cambero and four other members of the Avenues Street Gang were responsible for numerous murders of African American males in Los Angeles. The five suspects were named in a Federal indictment charging civil rights and weapons violations. Four of the defendants have been captured and sentenced. Cambero remains at large. http://casweb/cas/CrimAlert/11040901-1Ul.doc

DENNIS ARNOLD FIGUEROA

(AKA "Looney")
Gang: AI Capones (Newton Area) 187 PC Murder: Warrant No. LACBA29469702. Figueroa and co-suspects were involved in a traffic collision where they robbed the victims of their wallets and cellphones. A co-suspect shot and killed the victim during the robbery. http://casweb/cas/CrimAlert/13051227-1

MIGUEL ANGEL LOPEZ

(AKA "Spunky", "Casper", "Robert Morales") Gang: Mara Salvatrucha (Rampart) 187 PC Murder: Warrant No. LACBA21254701
Suspect is wanted for 187 P.C. (Murder). Suspect approached victims from the rear and shoots at them. One victim died as a result of the shooting.

OPERATIONS-SOUTH BUREAU

KODY DEJOHN SCOTT

(AKA "Monster Cody")
Gang: 8 - Trey Gangster Crips (77th Street Area) 459 PC Burglary: Warrant No. LACBA31408701. Suspect assaulted victim (friend of suspect) after victim refused to loan vehicle to suspect. Suspect fled in Victim's vehicle. http://fugitive/WebApplicationl/Wanted.aspx?WarrantNo= LACBA31408701

MARIO LEMUS

(AKA "Drek")
Gang: Rancho San Pedro (Harbor Area) 187 PC Murder: Warrant No. LBNA07210302.
Suspect involved in verbal argument and kicked victim in head. CAD# for the wanted poster is 05061124-01 http://fugitive/WebApplicationl/wanted.aspx?Warrant_No=LBNA07210302

CARLOS BROADY

(AKA "Wink'')
Gang: Black P-Stones (Southwest Area) Federal Narcotics Charges: Warrant No. 281DLA236816. A suspect in the LAPD/Federal Black P-Stone investigation in 2005. CAD #03051214-3) for the wanted poster. http://casweb/cas/CrimAlert /03051214-3

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OPERATIONS- VALLEY BUREAU

OSCAR ENRIQUES FLORES

(AKA "Kali")
Gang: San Fers (Foothill)
187 PC Murder: Warrant No. LASA70244401
Narrative: The suspect and an accomplice had an argument with the victim when the suspect produced a metal rod and beat the victim to death. http://fugitive/WebApplication1/wanted.aspx?WarrantNo=LASA70244401

STEVE GARCIA

(AKA "Big Steve, Loco Steve")
Gang: San Fers (Foothill Area)
187 PC Murder: Warrant No. LASA70244401. Suspect and victim in argument. Suspect returns with gun and shoots victim. http://fugitive/WebApplicationl wanted.aspx?Warrant No= LASP A03828701

OPERATIONS- WEST BUREAU

JONATHAN C. BLACKWELL

(AKA "K-Swiss'')
Gang: Hustlers Gang (Wilshire Area)
187 PC (Murder): Warrant No. LACBA31486702
Suspect was involved in a home invasion robbery during which he shot and killed two and injured a third victim.
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ANGEL ZEVALLOS

(AKA "Spanky")
Gang: 18th Street Westside
664/187 PC Attempt Murder): Warrant No. LACBA31214201 Suspect shoots victim after argument in bar. http://figitive/WebApplicationl/wanted.aspx?WarrantNo=LACBA31214201

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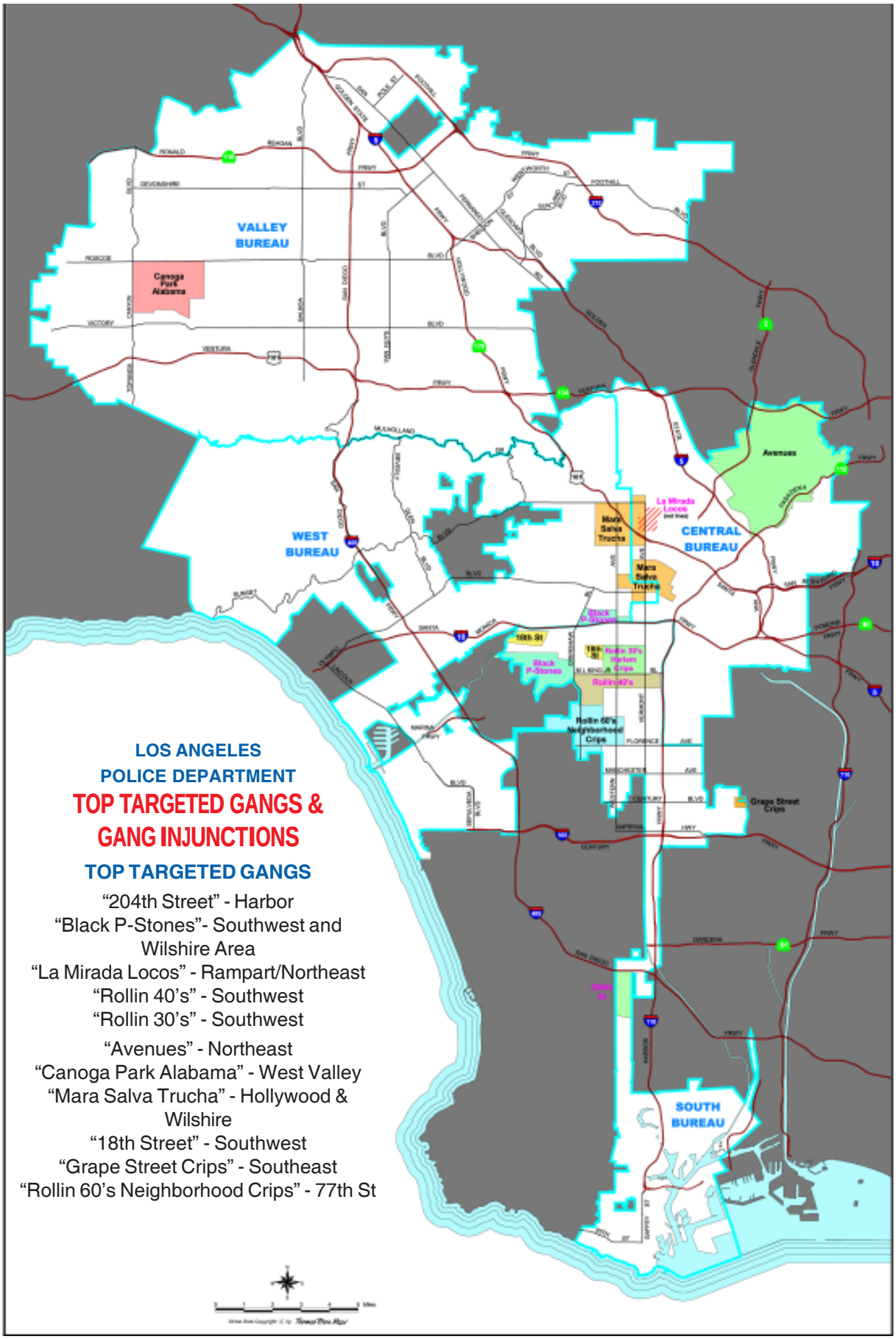
TOP TARGETED STREET GANGS

1. 18th Street Westside (Southwest Area)
2. 204th Street (Harbor Area)
3. Avenues (Northeast Area)
4. Black P-Stones (Southwest, Wilshire Areas)
5. Canoga Park Alabama (West Valley Area)
6. Grape Street Crips (Southeast Area)
7. La Mirada Locos (Rampart, Northeast Areas)
8. Mara Salvatrucha (Rampart, Hollywood, and Wilshire Areas)
9. Rollin 40s (Southwest Area)
10. Rollin 30s Harlem Crips (Southwest Area)
11. Rolling 60s (77th Area)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"204th Street" - Harbor
"Black P-Stones"- Southwest and Wilshire Area
"La Mirada Locos" - Rampart/Northeast
"Rollin 40's" - Southwest
"Rollin 30's" - Southwest
"Avenues" - Northeast
"Canoga Park Alabama" - West Valley
"Mara Salva Trucha" - Hollywood & Wilshire
"18th Street" - Southwest
"Grape Street Crips" - Southeast
"Rollin 60's Neighborhood Crips" - 77th St

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COMMUNITY SYMPOSIUMS ON GANG AWARENESS

Each Operations bureau commanding officer will coordinate and convene special educational seminars in various regions of their command, designed to heighten the community's awareness of gang cultures and trends. Groups that will have an opportunity to participate in these special learning institutes will include:

- Neighborhood Councils
- Community-Police Advisory Boards
- Community Police Academy Graduates
- Clergy Councils Members
- Faith and Civic Leaders
- Public and Private School Principals and Administrators
- Specialist Reserves
- Other Community Stakeholders

2007 DEPARTMENT GOALS

1. Achieve a 5% Reduction in Total Part 1 Crime (Six Month Goal)
2. Achieve Full Compliance with the Consent Decree
3. Increase Counter Terrorism Preparedness
4. Achieve Recruitment Goals

CONCLUSION

In addition to achieving the overarching goals of the Department, the LAPD is steadfastly committed to reducing gang violence in 2007. The gang initiatives summarized in this report reflect many of the dynamic and holistic strategies that are being developed and implemented by the LAPD to achieve a community free from gang violence.

GANG RELATED CRIMES

CRIMES	2005	2006	PERCENT
Homicide	260	272	▲ 4.6%
Attempt Homicide	580	707	▲ 21.9%
Felony Assaults	2639	2877	▲ 9.0%
Attack on Police Officers	75	82	▲ 9.3%
Robbery	2021	2515	▲ 24.4%
Shots at an Inhabited Dwelling	192	178	▼ 7.3%
Kidnap	53	45	▼ 15.1%
Rape	33	37	▲ 12.1%
Arson	6	1	▼ 83.3%
Witness Intimidation	646	816	▲ 26.3%
Extortion	16	14	▼ 12.5%
Carjacking	147	170	▲ 15.6%

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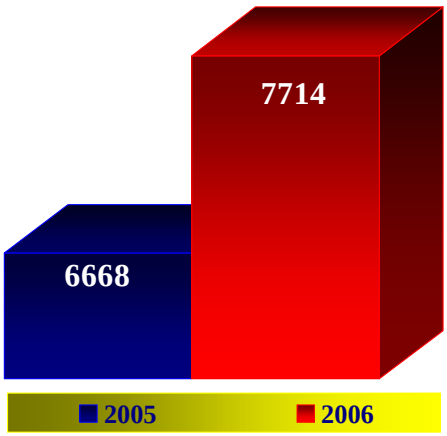
TOTAL GANG-RELATED VIOLENT CRIMES (+15.7%)