

# ALLINLEON 2019 Review



### Working together to make Leon County safer

#### What is ALL in LEON?

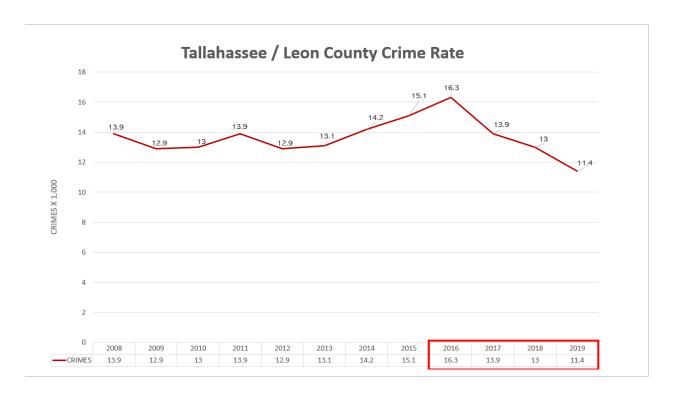
"ALL in LEON" is a comprehensive framework designed to unify people, agencies, and organizations to work collaboratively to reduce crime in Leon County. It is a partnership which allows all stakeholders to work toward a common goal. "ALL in LEON" is comprised of four components: prevention, re-entry, enforcement, and community involvement. Each component seeks to use reliable data to implement proven strategies.

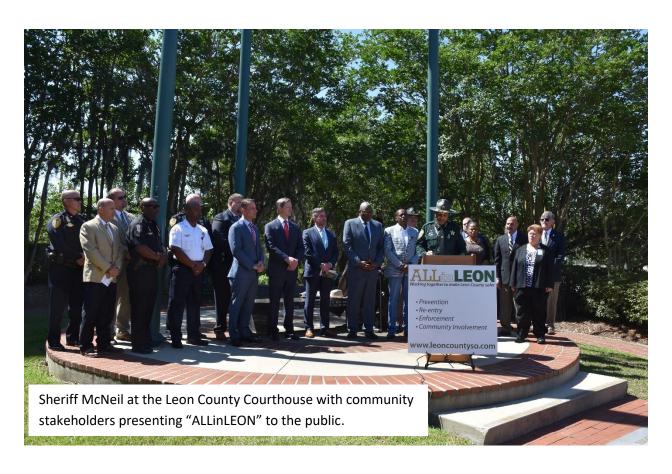
In 2017, Sheriff McNeil's administration began formulating a plan to reduce crime in Leon County. LCSO's "ALL in" campaign was established through strategic planning sessions and implementation of crime fighting tactics.

After months of research and planning, the Leon County Sheriff's Office devised a comprehensive plan for law enforcement partners and community stakeholders to collaborate on strategies to reduce criminal activity in Leon County. On May 14, 2019, Sheriff Walt McNeil, leaders from local, state and federal law enforcement agencies, the U.S. Attorney for the Northern District of Florida, the State Attorney for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Judicial Circuit, faith leaders, and community members convened on the lawn of the Leon County Courthouse for a press conference. The press conference introduced the ALL in LEON initiative to Leon County. Community stakeholders pledged to support the ALL in LEON initiative and work cooperatively to reduce crime in Leon County. On May 28, 2019, the Leon County Board of County Commissioners issued a proclamation to Sheriff Walt McNeil applauding the ALL in LEON initiative.

Goals and objectives were established to measure the success of each ALL in LEON component. This document outlines the overarching goal for each component, cites the objectives established, and highlights the accomplishments made in 2019.

Through collaborative efforts with our law enforcement and community partners, the primary goal of ALL in LEON is to reduce the crime rate in Tallahassee-Leon County. As depicted in the accompanying graph, the crime rate continues to decline.





### THE FOUR COMPONENTS

**PREVENTION:** The utilization of valuable insight from youth, as well as partnerships with community groups, such as faith-based organizations, is essential in the fight against crime. This component provides needed support to our community's most vulnerable and susceptible citizens, our children. We know prevention is more effective and less costly than intervention. Therefore, prevention is a key focus of the "ALL in LEON" initiative.

**ENFORCEMENT:** Law enforcement officials realize there exists an ongoing nexus between guns, drugs, and organized offenders. Our local, state, and federal law enforcement partners will work collaboratively with the State Attorney and US Attorney to maximize their investigative and prosecutorial authority and to identify repeat criminals who resist efforts to rehabilitate and continue to offend.

**RE-ENTRY:** The re-entry component provides incarcerated individuals re-entering our community with the tools needed to be productive citizens upon their return. Based on the Sheriff's vision, and a heightened commitment to building stronger, safer communities in which formerly incarcerated individuals will become productive and law-abiding citizens, the Leon County Detention Facility is building a comprehensive Re-Entry Program. The Re-Entry Program will reduce recidivism by providing trauma-informed, evidence-based, educational, and self-help programs to inspire effective change in the lives of those we serve. Sustaining and developing professional partnerships with the community for successful re-entry into society is critical to a successful re-entry initiative.

**COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT:** Strong relationships of mutual trust between law enforcement and communities are critical to maintaining public safety and effective policing. Law enforcement officials rely on the cooperation of community members to provide information about crime in their neighborhoods and to devise solutions to crime and disorder problems.

# Proclamation

WHEREAS, Leon County, Florida is committed to providing a safe environment for citizens to reside, work, and visit; and

WHEREAS, the commission of any violent crime in Leon County is a great public safety concern; and

WHEREAS, academic research studies have found that acts of violence can be deterred through the implementation of active prevention, intervention, re-entry, and law enforcement initiatives that specifically address critical social and physical needs of communities, families, children, and formerly incarcerated citizens; and

WHEREAS, Sheriff Walt McNeil orchestrated a proactive directed focus initiative to strategically deter and decrease the occurrence of violent crimes through coordination between law enforcement partner agencies, community social programs, and mental health providers, as well as business leaders; entitled "ALLIN Leon": and

**WHEREAS**, the violent crime reduction initiative, "**ALLIn Leon**" provides the coordination of public and private resources required to attain an effective long-term and sustainable outcome, to reduce the risk of violence and builds stronger families; and

WHEREAS, an effective deterrence from violent crime can be attained through planned intervention measures administered by social service organizations and enforcement of protective laws while holding responsible persons accountable; and

WHEREAS, the deterrence of crime with an emphasis on prevention is necessary to affect a long-term reduction in victimization because of violence, drug use, theft, and family conflicts; and

WHEREAS, because children and pre-adults who attend Title I schools are disproportionately exposed to variables that increase their risk of becoming involved in crime, the Leon County Sheriff's Office has established the Youth Advisory and Intervention Council, "Worship with Me" initiative, and the youthful offender program "Back on Track" to address family conflict, substance abuse, teen pregnancy, school dropout, young adult depression, and violence; and

WHEREAS, "ALLIn Leon" is comprised of a partnership between the Leon County Sheriff's Office, United States Attorney, Office of State Attorney, and other local law enforcement agencies which will enforce laws where the occurrence of violent acts, committed by individuals or groups, were not prevented through intervention strategies; and

**NOW, THEREFORE,** be it resolved, we, the Leon County Board of County Commissioners do hereby call on all citizens of Leon County to support the violence reduction initiative "**ALLIn Leon**" of the Leon County Sheriff's Office, which operationalizes best practices, evidence-based programs, and processes to encourage positive social behaviors to decrease violence and other crimes in Leon County.



#### **2019 IN REVIEW**

Compared to 2018, the 2019 Uniformed Crime Report (UCR) data submitted to the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) by the Leon County Sheriff's Office reflects an 18% reduction in total Part 1 Index offenses (violent crime) in the unincorporated areas of the county. The Tallahassee Police Department reports a 6% reduction for the same offenses in the City, while Florida State University Police reports a 17% decrease. Combined, the preliminary report shows an overall 9% reduction in Part 1 offenses in our community as compared to 2018. The chart below shows the percentage change in each crime category as reported by the individual agencies and a combined total for the three agencies.

|                   | Tallahassee Police Dept. |        |             | Leon Co Sheriff's Ofc. |       |             | FSU PD |      |             |
|-------------------|--------------------------|--------|-------------|------------------------|-------|-------------|--------|------|-------------|
|                   | 2018                     | 2019   | %<br>Change | 2018                   | 2019  | %<br>Change | 2018   | 2019 | %<br>Change |
| Murder            | 16                       | 20     | 25%         | 4                      | 1     | -75%        | 0      | 0    | 0%          |
| Rape              | 213                      | 197    | -8%         | 33                     | 35    | 6%          | 5      | 5    | 0%          |
| Robbery           | 307                      | 252    | -18%        | 40                     | 22    | -45%        | 3      | 10   | 233%        |
| Agg<br>Assault    | 868                      | 890    | 3%          | 290                    | 264   | -9%         | 4      | 2    | -50%        |
| Burglary          | 1379                     | 1187   | -14%        | 331                    | 273   | -18%        | 44     | 29   | -34%        |
| Larceny           | 6549                     | 5896   | -10%        | 1483                   | 1059  | -29%        | 372    | 296  | -20%        |
| MVT               | 767                      | 679    | -11%        | 112                    | 115   | 3%          | 37     | 25   | -32%        |
| Simple<br>Assault | 2906                     | 3094   | 6%          | 702                    | 674   | -4%         | 35     | 48   | 37%         |
|                   |                          |        |             |                        |       |             |        |      |             |
| Grand<br>Total    | 13,005                   | 12,215 | -6%         | 2,995                  | 2,443 | -18%        | 500    | 415  | -17%        |

#### Combined TPD /LCSO/ FSUPD

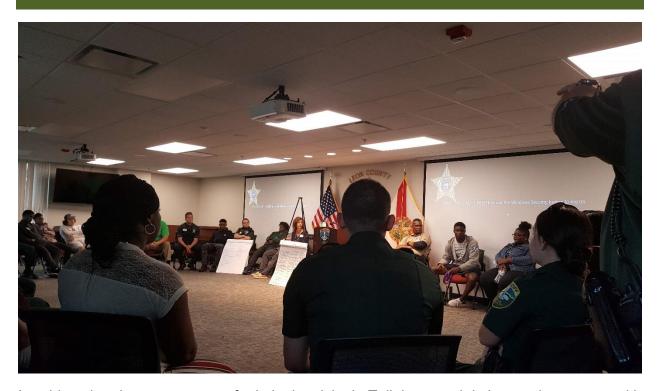
|                   | 2018   | 2019   | %<br>Change |
|-------------------|--------|--------|-------------|
| Murder            | 20     | 21     | 5%          |
| Rape              | 251    | 237    | -6%         |
| Robbery           | 350    | 284    | -19%        |
| Agg<br>Assault    | 1162   | 1156   | -1%         |
| Burglary          | 1754   | 1489   | -15%        |
| Larceny           | 8404   | 7251   | -14%        |
| MVT               | 916    | 819    | -11%        |
| Simple<br>Assault | 3643   | 3816   | 5%          |
|                   |        |        |             |
| Grand<br>Total    | 16,500 | 15,073 | -9%         |

<sup>\*\*</sup> Please Note\*\* The figures contained in this spreadsheet do not include data from other law enforcement entities that contribute to the overall UCR stats for Leon County. Figures provided by the Florida Department of Law Enforcement.

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NOTE: UCR data published by the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) in the annual "Crime in Florida Abstract, Leon County, 2018-2019".

# **PREVENTION**



In addressing the root causes of criminal activity in Tallahassee, it is imperative to start with the youth in our community. Intervening at an early age to provide youth with positive activities and role models can reduce negative influences which can subsequently lead to criminal behavior. Mentoring, giving youth a voice in the community, and demonstrating one mistake is not equivalent to a lifetime of criminal behavior are all engrained in the prevention and intervention initiatives targeting youth in our community.

**GOAL:** Through intervention programs and initiatives, reduce abhorrent behaviors, juvenile crime, and recidivism by 20% over a two-year period beginning June 1, 2019.

**Objective 1:** Partner fifty (50) churches with one hundred (100) at-risk youth through the Worship with Me Initiative by May 31, 2020.

**Objective 2:** Pair 100% of LCSO's deputies and correctional officers with youth referred to the Back on Track Program by year 2022 to reduce law enforcement/youth conflicts, create harmonious working relationships, and provide youth with tools for success.

**Objective 3:** In partnership with Leon County Schools, survey a sampling of 8th and 10th grade Leon County School students bi-annually before October 1 to determine the needs of youth in various geographical areas of Leon County and use survey results to structure programs for youth.

**Objective 4:** Host interactive listening sessions between youth and community leaders/stakeholders twice annually.



In February 2019, Back on Track was launched in partnership with the Department of Juvenile Justice. Back on Track is designed to reach first or second time juvenile offenders who are sentenced to probation. The program bridges the qap between law enforcement youth and our community. It focuses on issues building through а connection.

developing mutual respect, trust, and willingness to continue dialogue beyond the program. Eighty-nine (89) youth participated in the intervention segment of the program. 80% of the youth who attended Back on Track have not re-offended. One participant was inspired so much by the program and volunteered to attend a second session. Unfortunately, the same youth, an innocent bystander, became a fatal victim of gun violence in November 2019.

Another youth who attended the program graduated high school and is currently enrolled in college. The prevention segment of Back on Track was conducted in conjunction with Leon County School's SHARPE (Shaping and Helping Adolescents to be Responsible, Positive and Excellent) Project. 49 students participated in the prevention segment. Middle school deputies hosted Lunch and Learn sessions with students identified by each school. These sessions provided mentoring opportunities designed to reduce abhorrent behaviors with the identified youth. Mentoring is an integral part of the ALL in LEON initiative.





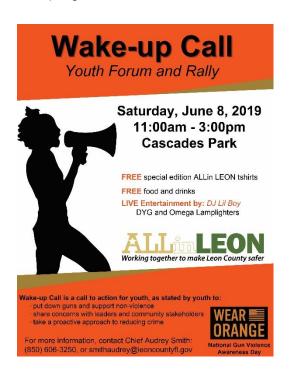
Youth who complete the Back on Track program are invited to transition into the Worship with Me Program. Worship with Me is an ALL in LEON initiative to connect local, at-risk youth with places of worship (of all denominations) and to form meaningful and

impactful mentorship experiences. The goals of Worship with Me are to reduce violence in Leon County through prevention, create a lasting bond between at risk youth and places of worship, increase the probability of a successful future for at risk youth, and inform the community of the positive impact one hour of worship per week, can have on youth in our community. Worship with Me began in June 2019 as a pilot with seven churches. In December 2019, the program was expanded to invite additional places of worship throughout the county, via letter. As a result, 30 participants representing 23 religious entities committed to participate at the December 2019 meeting. 20 youth have been paired with churches thus far. The most compelling testimony involves a female student who opted not to attend worship services at the assigned church. Instead, the church's representative visits the student at school and has been instrumental in getting her 'back on track' academically. The student is

slated to graduate in May 2020. The student also reaches out to the mentor to share her successes and accomplishments.

#### PREVENTION NEEDS ASSESSMENT (PNA) SURVEY

In August 2019, the Leon County Sheriff's Office collaborated with Leon County Schools to survey 8<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> grade students. The surveys were scheduled to begin in January 2020. A Prevention Needs Assessment survey is used as a tool to determine how students feel about their school, family, peers, and community. The acquired results will be used to target services and programs to address the needs identified for each geographical area of the community.



In June 2019, LCSO's first Wake-up Call event was held in conjunction with "Wear Orange" Gun Violence Awareness Day. Wake-up Call is a call to action by youth to put down guns and support nonviolence, share concerns with leaders and community stakeholders, and take a proactive approach to reducing crime. The event was held in the gymnasium of Godby High School. A panel of about 30 individuals, comprised of youth from several local schools addressed their concerns to elected and appointed officials and community leaders who listened intently without rebuttals. Many of the youth indicated they were unfamiliar with the visiting officials and wanted more interaction with local leaders. They asked for visits to their schools to have additional sessions with more of their peers. The panel discussion was facilitated by WCTV News Anchor, Alicia Turner.

After the forum, LCSO hosted a rally with a well-known local DJ and various entertainment provided by youth. First responder agencies and various community groups participated, setting up informational booths with interactive displays. Panel participants, vendors, and youth were given orange ALL in LEON t-shirts and treated to food, including hotdogs grilled by LCSO deputies. Despite last minute logistical changes due to inclement weather, the event was a success. The second Wake-up Call of 2019 was postponed until January 2020 and will be featured as one of the events for the annual Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration.

## **RE-ENTRY**



**GOAL:** Reduce inmate recidivism by providing all inmates assigned to the Re-entry Program with trauma-informed, evidence-based, educational, and self-help programs prior to returning into Leon County.

**Objective 1:** Using SPIRIT (Suppression-Prevention-Intervention-Referral-Intelligence Tool) Solutions, implement a re-entry portal comprised of a needs assessment and referral component to connect inmates to community resources by September 30, 2019.

**Objective 2:** Establish and equip re-entry pods within the Leon County Detention Facility to provide pre-release services to inmates by January 1, 2020.

**Objective 3:** Partner with at least 25 area businesses to sign Pledge of Support to hire formerly incarcerated inmates by June 30, 2020.

**OUTCOMES:** The Re-entry programs at the Leon County Detention Facility provide a holistic approach to addressing the needs of inmates, both in the facility and returning to the community. At the end of 2019, there were 191 open client cases (these are open for at least a year after they are released from the Detention Facility). Of those, 155 completed the Adult Needs and Strengths Assessment (ANSA) in the SPIRIT portal. The SPIRIT Portal was relaunched at the Detention Facility October 1, 2019. This portal is used to connect inmates to community resources. Two caseworkers were hired to assist inmates with this process.

Working with community partners, i.e. 13 organizations and 16 vendors to date, the Re-entry team provides inmates with services and available resources.

As a result, 71 referrals have been made to community service partner providers, and individual case plans are being developed. Notably, there are 13 documented successes associated with the Re-entry Program's referrals. Almost immediately after the relaunch of the SPIRIT portal, an inmate was referred to a community partner upon release. Within a week, the inmate received housing, clothing, medical assistance, and food. Another inmate was referred to the Ready4Work program via the SPIRIT portal. He not only graduated, but has since moved from the homeless shelter and into an apartment. An additional inmate, based on case management referrals, reports working two jobs after release.

The grand opening of the new Re-entry pods to temporarily house inmates slated to return to the community, was held in October 2019. The female pod can house 48 inmates while the male pod houses 64. Re-entry seminars were held for both male and female inmates in the last quarter of 2019 with 37 females and 104 for males participants.

Female and male graduations were held on December 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>, respectively, for 27 female and 35 male inmates. Both populations had graduates from the Betterment Programs although the courses of study were different. Notably, 17 males and 19 females earned vocational certifications in Entrepreneurship, Horticulture, Information Technology, and Construction. Partners such as Florida A & M University, Tallahassee Community College, Adult & Community Education, and Boys Town were instrumental in inmates acquiring certifications. The Re-entry team is currently working with CareerSource and the Chamber of Commerce to secure 25 businesses to hire formally, incarcerated inmates. 10 returning citizens gained employment based on these efforts.



# **ENFORCEMENT**



To address violent crime and to curb local gun violence, an unprecedented, Federal, State and local Strike Force was established. This coordinated effort included the U.S. Marshals Service, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF), the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), and the U.S. Attorney's Office, as well as the Office of the State Attorney, 2<sup>nd</sup> Judicial Circuit, and Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE), actively collaborating with local law enforcement to arrest and prosecute criminals. Citizens were asked to enhance this concerted effort, by reporting criminal activity through Big Bend Crime Stoppers or the ATF Tip line, and to properly secure legally owned firearms.

**GOAL:** Through collaborative law enforcement partnerships, reduce criminal activity in Tallahassee/Leon by 25% by December 2020.

**Objective 1:** Positively identify, apprehend, and prosecute the top 10% of adult and juvenile offenders involved in criminal activity, namely gun violence and property crimes.

**Objective 2:** Using the Group Violence Reduction Strategy, deter criminal activity by offering high-risk individuals opportunities for education, training, employment, and prosocial bonds and relationships.

**Objective 3:** Increase utilization of heat maps, License Plate Recognition Systems (LPR), video assets, and Real-time Crime Center (RTCC) to direct proactive patrol and investigative efforts by 40%.

**Objective 4:** Seek Project Safe Neighborhood Grant by October 1, 2019 to fund the enhanced, multi-agency enforcement efforts between January-December 2020.

**OUTCOMES:** From May to December 2019, the Leon County Sheriff's Office partnered with the U.S. Attorney's Office to arrest 15 career criminals for federal prosecution. This effort was spearheaded by the Gun Violence Initiative (GVI) workgroup. Career criminals often have multiple arrests involving crimes of violence including firearms-related charges and drug trafficking. The GVI workgroup works cooperatively with local, state, and federal agencies to develop cases for adoption by the U.S. Attorney and seek maximum federal penalties. The group also coordinates with the State Attorney's office to develop cases for prosecution.



The LCSO and Tallahassee Police Department formed the Property Crimes Task Force in 2017 with a direct focus on identifying active adult offenders participating in property related crimes residing in our jurisdiction. The investigative staffs routinely share information on approximately 91 offenders. Throughout 2019, LCSO alone, arrested 26 of the most active adult criminals in Leon County. The Property Crimes Task Force worked diligently to curb an alarming number of vehicle burglaries and vehicle thefts in 2019. A total of 36 chronic offenders were arrested and charged with more than 153 offenses.

The efforts of local law enforcement were significantly enhanced by the Real-time Crime Center (RTCC). Housed at the LCSO, the RTCC engaged in 9,115 analytical support functions ranging from publicly accessible video feeds, social media postings, law enforcement database checks, and tactical analysis bulletin compilation and dissemination. To enhance the multi-agency enforcement efforts, LCSO applied for the Project Safe Neighborhood federal government grant. Final approval was received and the Leon County Sheriff's Office accepted the grant for \$236,000. Funds allocated via this grant are slated to be expended February-December 2020.

Enforcement partnerships and collaborations resulted in a number of initiatives to identify and arrest offenders and rid our communities of drug sales, gang violence, and illegal firearms. Between June and December 2019, the below results were achieved through enforcement operations by the LCSO's S.P.I.D.E.R. (Special Projects Investigations Detection Enforcement Response) Unit, the Tallahassee Police Department's Violent Crimes Response Team (VCRT), the Florida Highway Patrol, the U.S. Marshals North Florida Task Force and Deputies without Borders with Gadsden, Jefferson, and Wakulla County Sheriff's Offices.

| Narcotics seized         | 48808.66 (weight in grams)                 |  |  |  |  |
|--------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| Cannabis                 | 10138.6                                    |  |  |  |  |
| Cocaine (powder)         | 246.51                                     |  |  |  |  |
| Cocaine (rock )          | 109.82                                     |  |  |  |  |
| Fentanyl                 | 6  |  |  |  |  |
| Heroin                   | 7  |  |  |  |  |
| Methamphetamine          | 351.43                                     |  |  |  |  |
| Prescription pills       | 79.2                                       |  |  |  |  |
| Synthetic                | 864.2                                      |  |  |  |  |
| Unknown                  | 5.9  |  |  |  |  |
| Firearms seized          | 180 (includes handguns, rifles & shotguns) |  |  |  |  |
| Recovered Property       | 48   |  |  |  |  |
| Stolen vehicles          | 20   |  |  |  |  |
| Stolen Motorcycles       | 1  |  |  |  |  |
| Other stolen property    | 27   |  |  |  |  |
| Enforcement Activity     |  |  |  |  |  |
| Arrests made             | 569  |  |  |  |  |
| Warrants served          | 169  |  |  |  |  |
| Traffic Stops            | 1753                                       |  |  |  |  |
| Traffic Citations Issued | 558  |  |  |  |  |
| Verbal Warnings          | 1459                                       |  |  |  |  |
| Currency                 | \$ 182,278.86                              |  |  |  |  |



# **COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT**

The ALL in LEON campaign is an opportunity for all citizens, regardless of age or other demographics, to participate in the fight against crime. "Every citizen is a stakeholder," says Tom Oak, former director of DISC Village, an LCSO community partner. Citizens are not encouraged to take action should they observe a crime in progress, rather "See Something Say Something" and report the incident(s) to law enforcement. Citizens are also encouraged to take proactive measures to reduce victimization and to implement crime prevention strategies in their daily routines.

**GOAL:** Increase community involvement in crime prevention initiatives by 20% in order to reduce gun violence and criminal activity in Leon County.

**Objective 1:** Reduce gun violence and gun-related offenses by 15% using the CeaseFire program as a prevention tool.

**Objective 2:** Expand Leon County's community involvement by 20% through social media communication and traditional crime prevention programming by 2021.

**Objective 3:** Support grassroots and community-led crime prevention efforts by attending monthly community meetings and events.

**Outcomes:** Using social media platforms such as Nextdoor and Neighbors, residents can interact with each other, discuss community news, share safety concerns, and receive information from law enforcement. They can also receive real-time safety alerts. In partnership with Ring, LCSO's Community & Media Relations Department held drawings for Ring video doorbells at events such as the North Florida Fair and community meet and greets.



Modeled after successful gun bounty programs nationwide, the Community and Media Relations Department created CeaseFire in collaboration with Big Bend Crime Stoppers and local businesses. CeaseFire was launched in August 2019 as a prevention tool to remove guns out of the hands of criminals. CeaseFire operates on reporters' anonymity and offers monetary incentives for individuals who provide tips leading to the seizure of unlawfully used guns and

the arrest of those individuals in possession of the weapons. Prior to the launch, local businesses donated more than \$20,000 to fund the initiative. Business partners participating are listed as official ALL in LEON CeaseFire partners. CeaseFire results thus far, include two arrests with 14 criminal charges, four seized firearms, and the seizure of more than 421.8 grams of various illicit drugs ranging from cocaine to methamphetamines.



The Leon County Sheriff's Office collaborated with the Tallahassee Peacemakers, a grassroots organization comprised of formally incarcerated persons, whose goal is to interrupt street violence and report

egregious incidents to law enforcement. The Peacemakers attend

crime prevention events in the community and sponsored events designed to build relationships, gather information, and mediate gang and other conflicts to prevent violence. In 2019, the Peacemakers held two community-based



listening sessions to discuss community barriers and hosted a "Pop-up Flag Football" game to engage youth in the community.

In an effort to expand the agency's reach in the community, LCSO's Community & Media Relations Department (CRMD) developed new and innovative initiatives to expand the agency's reach in the community. Two of the most notable efforts included McGruff the Crime Fighting Dog making door-to-door visits to remind citizens to lock their home and vehicles and places of worship presentations. The McGruff campaign included shaking hands with residents and posing for photo opportunities which were shared via social media. LCSO's agency members visited more than a dozen neighborhoods and businesses during this campaign. The place of worship presentations consisted of two community workshops tailored specifically for religious entities. These presentations focused on active shooter awareness and overall safety precautions for places of worship. More than 40 local residents attended the sessions.



In addition to new initiatives, the Community & Media Relations Department coordinated a variety of events including but not limited to, quarterly Farm Share distributions to provide food for disadvantaged residents, the Hispanic Resource Festival to bridge the gap between Hispanics and law enforcement, and Coffee with a Cop for citizens to meet and have candid, unscripted conversations with law enforcement deputies. The Department also fundraised for charitable

organizations such as the American Cancer Society by hosting the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Patrol Stroll and the Salvation Army's Bell Ringing campaign. They also met citizens' needs by donating school supplies and other needed goods. These community events epitomize the ALL in LEON core concepts of inclusivity for all citizens.

#### **SUMMARY**

In summary, the ALL in LEON project has accomplished much during its first six months. However, there is yet more to achieve. The project will continue to build upon the momentum established in 2019. Continuing to build partnerships with other law enforcement agencies, community organizations, and citizens is paramount to the success of ALL in LEON. The goals and objectives created for the 2019 launch will continue as new opportunities to collaborate and to improve our efforts are initiated.

Excitement is brewing as the Project Safe Neighborhoods grant is put into action. Law enforcement partnerships will extend to agencies contiguous to Leon County to create a North Florida / South Georgia HIDTA (High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area). Youth surveys will be administered to 8th and 10th graders in Leon County Schools to determine the needs of youth in the community. Leon County Today, a weekly television broadcast hosted by LCSO's Sheriff McNeil and the Director of Community & Media Relations, is slated to air spring 2020. Re-entry pods in the Detention Facility will be fully staffed with caseworkers to facilitate reentry efforts for the incarcerated.

Sheriff Walt McNeil expressed sincere gratitude to all community partners and members for being "ALL in." The "ALL in" battle cry has become commonplace in gatherings throughout the community. Moving forward, the ALL in LEON initiative will be 20/20 focused.

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