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A Focused-Deterrence Approach to Reduce Violent Crime

Kansas City No Violence Alliance (NoVA)

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Problem (Scanning)

- Violent crime in KCMO (population of 461,458)
 - Murders: Average 106 per year
 - Aggravated Assaults: Average 3,484 per year
 - Kansas City is higher than comparator cities (per 100,000)
 - Kansas City (22.9; 755.0)
 - Jacksonville, FL (8.3; 381.4)
 - Seattle (6.2; 229.4)
 - Chicago (15.9; 458.9)
 - Boston (6.2; 306.4)
 - Geographic concentration
 - 47% of murders occur in a 13 square mile area (4% of city)





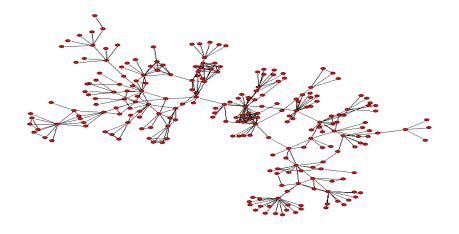
Goals

- Measurable reduction in violent crime among most crime prone individuals
- Measurable reduction in violent victimizations
- Sustainability
 - "Mission shift"



Analysis

- Violent crime is concentrated among a small number of people
- These people are connected socially
- Social network analysis
 - Geographic and group concentration provides opportunity for focused-deterrence treatment







Response



- Kansas City No Violence Alliance (KC NoVA)
 - Governing board
- Stakeholders
 - Social services
 - Faith-based initiatives
 - Probation and Parole
 - Law enforcement
 - Local and federal
 - Family support groups



Response



- Hot spot/Area command
- Operation Clean Sweep (January 2013)
- Call-in session #1 (April 2013)
- Establishing a process of social service delivery



Assessment



- Process evaluation
 - Examination of probation and parole, enforcement, community outreach, and social services
- Tracking of contact with 'people in the network'
- Monitoring of violent offenses and crimes known to police
- Re-examination of networks as intelligence becomes available
- Re-examination of barriers to sustainability

