

What creates crime, fear and disorder?



...and cost Milwaukee taxpayers over \$1.5 million dollars in 2008 to clean up?

- **Call Milwaukee Police at 933-4444 to report vandalism on your property.**
- **If the graffiti is going on right now call 911.**
- **Call the Anti-Graffiti Hotline at 286-8715 to report all other graffiti.**
- **Call Marla of Safe & Sound Community Partners at 221-6709 to organize a graffiti clean-up in your neighborhood!**

This information is provided by Operation Payback, a collaborative effort between Safe & Sound, Milwaukee Police Department, the City of Milwaukee, and Probation & Parole that works to reduce and remove graffiti in Milwaukee. Log on to safesound.org for more information.



SAFE & SOUND PRESENTS

The 3rd Annual



**Removing crime and grime from Milwaukee's Southside!
Saturday, May 22nd**

10:00 AM – 3:00 PM

Kosciuszko Park, 2201 S. 7th Street

Join one of many participating south side sites for community improvement projects and Basura Bash, then gather at Noon for a fiesta, including free food, entertainment, Zoo passes and more!

For more information call Maria of Safe & Sound at 414-221-6709.

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Safe & Sound Anti-Graffiti Initiative

Safe & Sound has worked hard towards achieving the goals of the anti-graffiti efforts for 2010. Short-term outcomes are to develop or maintain anti-graffiti initiatives and decrease the presence of graffiti in three targeted areas within MPD Districts 2, 5 and 6, and remove 2,000 square-feet of graffiti.

To date in Milwaukee Police Districts 2 and 5:

- Safe & Sound organized a planning meeting that included MPD, Probation & Parole, Alderman Donovan, and Sharon Blando to clarify roles and responsibilities and to get the project off on the right track for 2010.
- To date, they have removed a total of 226 instances of graffiti totaling 1,773 square feet with the majority of graffiti resulting from tagging.
- To date offenders have logged a total of 150 hours in District 2 & 5.

Four anti-graffiti outreach materials were developed in English and Spanish to be disbursed in the targeted areas. Members of the team have distributed over 150 anti-graffiti resource information pieces door-to-door during Operation Payback sessions. These pieces include approaches from the perspective of residents, businesses, offenders and law enforcement and are used to build awareness, motivate and educate the community.

An additional strategy used to increase quality of life and property values is neighborhood improvement events. Currently in the works is our 3rd Annual Basura (trash) Bash which drew 400 participants last year. This event includes improvement projects such as graffiti removal, affixing alley identification for increased safety, trash cleanup and flower planting. The 2010 Basura Bash is scheduled for Saturday, May 22nd from 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. and will start from Kosciuszko Park, 2101 S. 7th St., on the corner of 7th and Lincoln. Keep Greater Milwaukee Beautiful is integral to the planning and coordination. The Department of Neighborhood Services has also made a big commitment to the event this year. They value and appreciate the strong support of resident groups in community wide improvement efforts. Residents from all walks are encouraged to join in at 10 AM and help out at more than 15 Southside sites for community improvement projects. At noon, a big Basura Bash fiesta is planned, including free food (nachos!), entertainment, Zoo passes and more!