

# Grant Award Summary

JANUARY 3, 2017

## Byrne Criminal Justice Innovation Grant for the Amani Neighborhood

**Grant Type:** Competitive (1 of 10 selected in the United States)

**Grantor:** U.S. Department of Justice

**Grant Period:** October 1, 2016 to September 30, 2019

**Award Amount:** \$740,811

**Match Required:** N/A

**Fiscal Agent:** MPD

**MPD Sub-Awardee:** N/A

**Allocation Purpose:** Build community capacity by funding a planning coordinator position with the Dominican Center for Women, a community organizer and youth organizer with Safe & Sound, Inc., a public safety program officer with LISC, a dedicated community prosecutor with the Milwaukee County District Attorney's Office, research partner, and MPD overtime for operational costs

**Partners:** Dominican Center for Women, Safe & Sound, Inc., Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC), and the Milwaukee County District Attorney's Office

**Applied Theories:** Problem-oriented policing; community policing, Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED), collective efficacy

**Research & Evaluation:** Kathleen Pritchard, Ph.D., Data You Can Use, Inc.

### Program Goals

This project seeks to build community capacity to reduce crime and disorder by establishing a network of cross-sector partners focused on developing a strategic plan for crime reduction and prevention driven by data, best practices, and input from community stakeholders. MPD has partnered with Kathleen Pritchard, Ph.D. to conduct independent research and evaluation of the targeted area. Impacting public safety serves as a tipping point for improving the 53206 zip code and surrounding area. Working in concert with the community, the overall goal is to develop a comprehensive plan to reduce crime and improve the quality of life in Amani.

### Programmatic Summary

Amani is one of the most economically distressed neighborhoods in the City of Milwaukee. Located in the heart of Milwaukee's 53206 zip code, Amani has been challenged by extreme poverty, social and economic disadvantage and high rates of crime and disorder. The overall unemployment rate is 34%, and may be as high as 65% for men in some census tracts; poverty levels are as high as 62%. The violent crime rate in Census Tract 89, located within Amani is 55.5 per 1,000 compared to the citywide rate of 14.2 per 1,000 in 2015. Crime and disorder threaten the city's plans for redeveloping the 30th Street Industrial Corridor, which falls within Milwaukee's Investment in Manufacturing Communities Partnership (IMCP) designation. Amani has been a part of the White House Neighborhood Revitalization Initiative's Building Neighborhood Capacity Program (BNCP) since 2012, due to

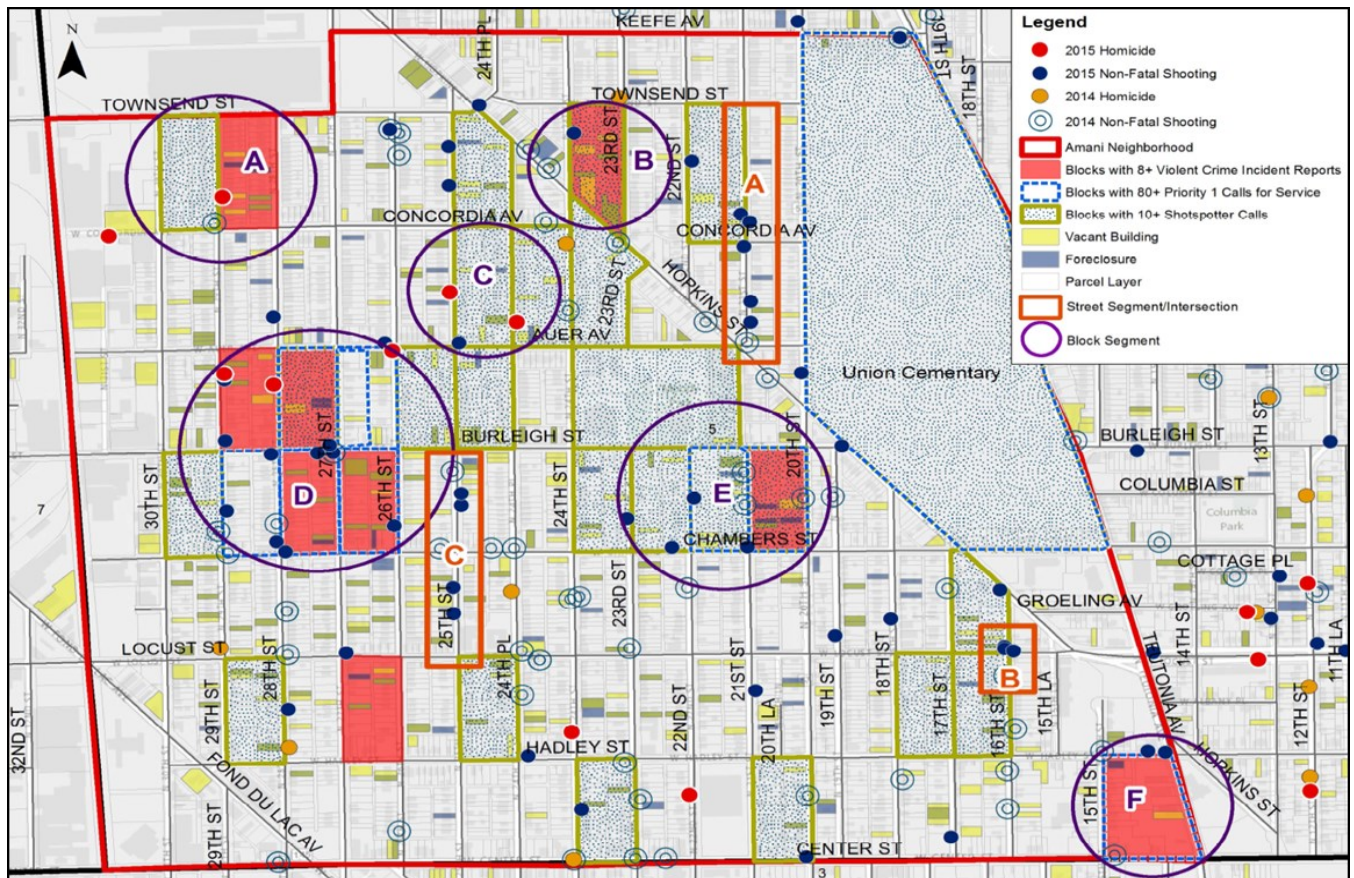
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its concentrated poverty and crime. Financial constraints impede the city’s ability to undertake this project without federal funding. In cooperation with our stakeholders and partners, MPD is uniquely positioned to implement this innovative, evidence based program. MPD recently joined the Violence Reduction Network (VRN) and is considered a model for comparable cities nationwide. The proposed project provides an opportunity to assess these goals of crime reduction while improving trust and confidence in police.

The target area spans approximately 0.7 square miles from West Keefe Av to West Center St and North 20th St to the 30th Street Industrial Corridor. The population is 11,878 residents, the majority of whom are African-American (93%).

**Figure I. Crime, Calls for Service, & Vacancies/Foreclosures in Amani**



\*Homicide and non-fatal shooting data reflect the time period of January 1, 2014 to December 31, 2015. Violent crime includes homicide, rape, robbery and aggravated assault for the time period of January 1—December 31, 2015. ShotSpotter and Priority 1 calls reflect the time period of January 1—December 31, 2015. Street segments and block segments represent micro-policing and hotspot target areas.

### Data Summary

Tables 1 and 2 illustrate the increases in homicide, non-fatal shootings, and violent crime from 2014 to 2015 in the Amani neighborhood target areas, which are the focus of crime reduction efforts.

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**Table 1. Non-Fatal Shootings by Street Segment in Amani**

Amani Street Segments	Crime	2014	2015	% Change
<b>Segment A:</b> 21st St, between Townsend St and Auer Av	Non-fatal Shooting	1	8	700%
<b>Segment B:</b> Intersection of Locust St and 16th St	Non-fatal Shooting	1	3	200%
<b>Segment C:</b> 25th St, between Burleigh St and Locust St	Non-fatal Shooting	2	4	100%

**Table 2. Crime by Block Segment in Amani**

Amani Block Segments (North, South, East, West)	Crime	2014	2015	% Change
<b>Segment A:</b> Townsend St, Concordia Av, 28th St, 30th St	Homicide	0	1	NC
	Non-Fatal Shooting	1	1	0%
	Violent Crime	7	12	71%
<b>Segment B:</b> Townsend St, Concordia Av, 23rd St, 24th St	Homicide	1	0	-100%
	Non-Fatal Shooting	1	1	0%
	Violent Crime	7	15	114%
<b>Segment C:</b> Concordia Av, Auer Av, 24th St, 25th St	Homicide	1	2	100%
	Non-Fatal Shooting	3	1	-67%
	Violent Crime	12	18	50%
<b>Segment D:</b> Auer Av, Chambers St, 26th St, 29th St	Homicide	0	3	NC
	Non-Fatal Shooting	7	17	143%
	Violent Crime	42	67	60%
<b>Segment E:</b> Burleigh St, Chambers St, 20th St, 23rd St	Homicide	0	0	NC
	Non-Fatal Shooting	3	4	33%
	Violent Crime	20	23	15%
<b>Segment F:</b> Hadley St, Center St, Teutonia Av, 15th St	Homicide	0	0	NC
	Non-Fatal Shooting	2	2	0%
	Violent Crime	5	15	200%

\*Homicide and non-fatal shooting data counts victims for the time period of January 1, 2014 to December 31, 2015. Violent crime includes homicide, rape, robbery and aggravated assault and counts incidents for the time period of January 1—December 31, 2014-2015.