

Memorandum



Date: March 13, 2013

To: The Honorable Chairwoman Rebeca Sosa
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

From: Carlos A. Gimenez
Mayor 

Subject: Joint Roundtable on Youth Safety Community Action Plan

Upon reflecting on the recent tragedies that have affected our entire nation, I shared at the December 18, 2012 Board of County Commissioner's meeting that I would be working with Miami-Dade County Public Schools Superintendent Alberto M. Carvalho to address the violence that Miami-Dade's youth regularly faces.

The *Joint Roundtable on Youth Safety* was established to unite mayors and police chiefs from all 34 municipalities, as well as community stakeholders, in order to discuss the most effective means of safeguarding our children. Through guided discussions led by four targeted Working Groups, the *Roundtable* identified ways to leverage our collective resources, encourage and increase community engagement, and ensure the safety of our community's youth, not only in our schools, but also in our parks and neighborhoods.

The results of this collaboration effort are documented in the *Roundtable's* Community Action Plan attached. This report details the process we have taken to engage our community leaders and also proposes a collaborative, long-term approach that we intend to implement immediately.

With the continued support of the Board of County Commissioners, we believe we can take the necessary steps that will lead to the improved safety and enhanced quality of life for not only the youth of our community, but for all of the residents of Miami-Dade County.

If you need additional information, please contact Lisa M. Martinez, Senior Advisor, at 305-375-2911, or me directly.

Attachment

c: R. A. Cuevas, Jr., County Attorney
Alberto M. Carvalho, Superintendent, Miami-Dade County Public Schools
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Out-of-School Working Group Co-Chairs
Youth Services Working Group Co-Chairs
Community Education and Empowerment Working Group Co-Chairs
Office of the Mayor Senior Staff
Charles Anderson, Commissioner Auditor