

# Memorandum



**Date:** April 5, 2013

**To:** Honorable Dennis C. Moss  
Commissioner, District 9

**From:** Carlos A. Gimenez  
Mayor

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**Subject:** Miami-Dade Police Department - South District Crime Initiative

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On Tuesday, October 9, 2012, the Miami-Dade Police Department's South and Kendall Districts' Command Staff attended a strategy meeting with you to discuss the implementation of Operation Broken Triangle (OBT) and Community Watch. OBT was initiated in November 2012 and was designed to increase police visibility, identify and arrest violent and repeat offenders, close structures identified to be engaged in illicit activities, and enhance community relations within the West Perrine and Goulds communities. OBT would accomplish these objectives by the South and Kendall Districts along with community partners working collaboratively with one another.

As a direct result of the community working with the South and Kendall Districts' community policing units, the South District's (SD) Crime Suppression Team (CST) conducted two search warrants within the Goulds community which resulted in the seizure of 49 pounds of marijuana, two semi-automatic .9mm pistols, one shotgun, and \$75,000. The Kendall District's CST conducted a search warrant within the Richmond Heights community which resulted in the seizure of three AK-47 assault rifles, one 100 round ammunition drum, and one semi-automatic .9mm pistol.

At the conclusion of 2012, a crime analysis of shooting incidents and robberies within the West Perrine and Goulds communities were performed, which revealed a 60% reduction in shooting incidents within the West Perrine and Goulds communities. Similarly, the West Perrine community experienced a 66.67% decrease in robberies, while the Goulds community experienced a 71.43% decrease in robberies. The statistical data for Operations Community Watch and Broken Triangle can be found in Annex A.

In an effort to sustain the positive gains achieved within these communities in 2012, the SD has entered the maintenance phase of OBT which will continue throughout the 2013 calendar year. The maintenance phase will focus on enforcement, prevention, and decreasing recidivism within the West Perrine and Goulds communities. Moreover, all of the stakeholders will maintain a heightened level of vigilance and exchange of information regarding growing concerns or trends that will be analyzed and discussed during monthly best practices meetings.

As of February 2013, the West Perrine and Goulds communities continue to benefit from OBT. Thus far, shooting incidents within the West Perrine and Goulds communities reflect a 71% decrease as compared to the same time period in 2012. Similarly, the West Perrine community has experienced a 60% decrease in robberies, while the Goulds community has not registered an increase in robberies in 2013. The statistical data for the maintenance phase of Operation Broken Triangle can be found in Annex B.

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In conclusion, the SD will continue to work collaboratively with its community partners within the West Perrine and Goulds communities and provide literature on the Gun Bounty and Crime Watch programs, while maintaining an ongoing open line of communication with the community to identify and address their concerns.

c: Genaro "Chip" Iglesias, Deputy Mayor  
J.D. Patterson, Jr., Director, Miami-Dade Police Department

Attachments:

Annex A – Combined Results of Operation Crime Watch and Operation Broken Triangle

Annex B – Operation Broken Triangle Maintenance Phase Results

## Annex A

**Combined Results of Operations Crime Watch and Broken Triangle:**

November 2012 through December 2012

<b>CASES</b>		<b>RECOVERIES</b>	
1. Assigned	390	1. Persons	
		2. Vehicles	8
		3. Other Property	
<b>CRIMINAL HISTORY</b>		4. Apprehension	10
1. Homicide	4		
2. Sexual Assault	3	<b>WEAPONS SEIZED</b>	
3. Robbery	27	Firearms	17
4. Assault	34	<b>NARCOTICS SEIZED</b>	
5. Burglary (Struct.)	35	1. Marijuana/Hashish (Kg.)	169 lbs
<b>CASES</b>		<b>RECOVERIES</b>	
6. Larceny	36	2. Cocaine (Grams)	9 lbs
7. Auto Theft	20		
8. Weapons Violations	13	<b>U.S. CURRENCY SEIZED</b>	87,665
9. Narcotics	161		
<b>ARRESTS</b>		<b>OTHER ACTIVITY</b>	
1. Felony	158	1. Vehicles Impounded	8
2. Misdemeanor	162	2. Shop Inspections	4
		3. Search Warrants (Goulds)	2
3. Traffic	15		
		4. Search Warrants (Perrine)	2
4. Warrants	51		
<b>Total Arrests</b>	<b>386</b>	5. Richmond Heights	1
		<b>U.S. CURRENCY SEIZED</b>	\$87,660
<b>Targeted Arrests</b>		<b>Directed Patrols (hours)</b>	
Goulds	101	Goulds	169
West Perrine	139	West Perrine	65

Annex B

**Operation Broken Triangle Maintenance Phase Results:**

January 2013 through February 2013

<b>CASES</b>		<b>RECOVERIES</b>	
1. Assigned	69	1. Persons	3
		2. Vehicles	
		3. Other Property	
<b>CRIMINAL HISTORY</b>		4. Apprehension	4
1. Homicide			
2. Sexual Assault		<b>WEAPONS SEIZED</b>	
3. Robbery	9	Firearms	2
4. Assault		<b>NARCOTICS SEIZED</b>	
5. Burglary (Struct.)	13	1. Marijuana (Grams)	41
6. Larceny	27	2. Cocaine (Grams)	4.5
<b>CASES</b>		<b>RECOVERIES</b>	
7. Auto Theft	8		
8. Weapons Violations	4	<b>U.S. CURRENCY SEIZED</b>	
9. Narcotics	51		
<b>ARRESTS</b>		<b>OTHER ACTIVITY</b>	
1. Felony	19	1. Vehicles Impounded	1
2. Misdemeanor	31	2. Shop Inspections	43
3. Traffic	1	3. Search Warrants (Goulds)	1
4. Warrants	18	4. Search Warrants (Perrine)	2
<b>Total Arrests</b>	<b>69</b>	5. Richmond Heights	
		<b>U.S. CURRENCY SEIZED</b>	92,256
<b>Targeted Arrests</b>		<b>Directed Patrols (hours)</b>	
Goulds	19	Goulds	248
West Perrine	23	West Perrine	192