



SUMMARY

Safe Streets is a public health initiative aimed at reducing shootings and homicides in targeted areas of Baltimore City. It is a movement holding the belief that violence is a disease that can be cured.

FY24 was the first full year of Catholic Charities operating four Safe Streets sites. We became one of only two community-based organizations contracted with Baltimore City to provide the service. We focused on hiring for full capacity and increasing the consistency of practice across the four sites. Safe Streets staff increased competencies in how we connect neighbors to services and supports, particularly in the areas of behavioral health, employment, housing and food/hunger supports. Planning also began for new services beginning in 2025 to provide supports outside of our four posts, particularly “behind the walls” to prevent shootings related to individuals returning to the community from prisons.

KEY OUTCOMES



Number of mediations accomplished across all four sites

796



Number of days without a homicide in Penn North site area

500



Number of individuals provided behavioral health support

169



Number of individuals provided meals or nutritional support

572

SERVICES PROVIDED

- Violence interruption
- Community gatherings
- Distribution of educational materials on positive means of conflict resolution
- Connections to resources for workforce, behavioral health, housing and hunger needs.

KEY GOVERNMENT FUNDERS

- Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Safety and Engagement (MONSE Baltimore City)

In addition to the grant support from key government funders, we extend our deepest gratitude to the individuals, corporations, community partners, and foundations that support our work. Their generosity provides life-changing opportunities for families and individuals in need.

COMMUNITY PARTNERS

- Aurora Behavioral Health System
- Baltimore BRATZ
- Baltimore Community Foundation
- Bay Brook Elementary Middle School
- Ben Franklin High School
- Boys and Girls Club
- Center for Technology Access and Training (CTAT)
- Cherry Hill Strong
- Cherry Hill Tenant Council
- Cherry Hill Town Center
- Church of Rehoboth
- Citizens Policing Project (CPP)
- City of Refuge
- Eddie B Productions
- Enoch Pratt Free Library (Brooklyn)
- Excellence Esthetics By Kandice
- Family Survivor Network
- Farring-Baybrook Recreation Center
- Five Medicine
- Geek'd Up Treats
- Greater Baybrook Alliance
- Kingdom Life Church
- Life Ministries
- Light of the Whole Family Ministries
- Living Classrooms
- LuluBs Closet
- Mayor's Office of Employment Development (MOED)
- Medstar Harbor Hospital
- Moms on Demand
- New Song Church
- No Boundaries
- RICH Program
- Salvation Army
- Sandtown Winchester Community Collective
- Sharon Baptist
- Steppers Coach G
- Sweet Home Jamaica
- The Cherry Hill Community Coalition
- The Cupcake Committee
- Turn Around Tuesday
- Villa Maria Behavioral Health
- YO! Baltimore

PROGRAM NEEDS

- Volunteer and donation opportunities are limited and must go through the site director

To make a gift, visit www.cc-md.org/donate

Locations around Baltimore in Sandtown-Winchester, Cherry Hill, Penn North, and Brooklyn

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