MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF STATE POLICE

Report on Secure Cities Partnership (SCP)

January 1, 2020 - December 31, 2020

In accordance with 2020 PA 166 (Sec. 601), the department submits this report to the Senate and House Appropriations subcommittees and fiscal agencies regarding the Secure Cities Partnership (SCP) program.

Background

In March 2012, then-Governor Rick Snyder delivered a Special Message to the Legislature on Public Safety that said Michigan must address crime through a comprehensive system of "smart justice" that recognizes the connection between enforcement, prevention, and economic opportunity. The Governor stated, "criminals do not recognize the geographic boundaries that define our municipalities. We must enhance cooperation between all levels of the law enforcement and criminal justice communities. To accomplish this, we need improved tools to ensure a wise use of our resources to hold chronic offenders accountable and give citizens peace of mind."

As part of this message, the governor announced the establishment of the SCP, through which the Michigan State Police (MSP) works cooperatively alongside city, county, and federal law enforcement agencies to provide both directed patrols and investigatory resources to cities experiencing a spike in violent crime. The SCP is the lynchpin in a criminal justice system that "recognizes the critical connection between law enforcement, crime prevention, and economic opportunity."

By taking a comprehensive approach to crime in Detroit, Flint, Saginaw, and other cities marked by high crime rates, the MSP has been working to create a safer environment and increase the quality of life in these cities. The adoption of a regionalized, no-boundary, data-driven policing model for MSP's statewide patrol operations laid the foundation for the MSP's leadership role in these communities. Initially, the SCP included four cities: Detroit, Flint, Saginaw, and Pontiac. With additional financial support from the Governor and Legislature, the program expanded in 2015 to include Benton Harbor, Hamtramck, Harper Woods, Highland Park, Inkster, and Muskegon Heights. In April 2017, it was further expanded to include Lansing, for a total of 11 cities today.

Law Enforcement Resources

Through the SCP, the MSP serves as a resource multiplier in these communities with uniform troopers performing directed patrols in high-crime areas. Additionally, MSP detectives participate in a Major Case Unit (MCU) to enhance investigatory resources necessary to combat violent crimes including homicides, non-fatal shootings, sexual assaults, and narcotics crimes, all of which tear apart the essential fabric of communities. This work is aided by additional resources including aviation support, the Forensic Science Division for the processing of crime scene evidence, and the Intelligence Operations Division, which dispatches MSP personnel.

A unique strength of the SCP is the utilization of civilian crime analysts to augment the work of both uniform patrols and MCU detectives. These analysts support an evidenced-based policing model that is used to inform decisions regarding the deployment of law enforcement resources in these communities. Through their analysis of crime data and criminal intelligence, these embedded crime analysts can identify criminal hot spots in an objective, fact-based manner. These analysts also provide critical analytical support for investigations by identifying criminal activity methods, trends, and indicators, evaluating suspicious activity for a criminal nexus, and identifying individuals of interest to a criminal incident.

Personnel Assignments

Detroit:

Lieutenants	Squad Sergeants	Detective Sergeants	SCP (Uniform Troopers)	MCU (Detective Troopers)	Civilian Analysts	Word Processing Assistants
1	0	2	0	7	1	0

Flint

Lieutenants	Squad Sergeants	Detective Sergeants	SCP (Uniform Troopers)	MCU (Detective Troopers)	Civilian Analysts	Word Processing Assistants
2	4	2	24	10	1	1

Saginaw:

Lieutenants	Squad Sergeants	Detective Sergeants	SCP (Uniform Troopers)	MCU (Detective Troopers)	Civilian Analysts	Word Processing Assistants
1	2	2	12	5	1	0

Muskegon / Muskegon Heights:

Lieutenants	Squad Sergeants	Detective Sergeants	SCP (Uniform Troopers)	MCU (Detective Troopers)	Civilian Analysts	Word Processing Assistants
0	1	1	5	1	1	0

Inkster:

Lieutenants	Squad Sergeants	Detective Sergeants	SCP (Uniform Troopers)	MCU (Detective Troopers)	Civilian Analysts	Word Processing Assistants
1	2	4	12	1	0	0

Benton Harbor:

Lieutenants	Squad Sergeants	Detective Sergeants	SCP (Uniform Troopers)	MCU (Detective Troopers)	Civilian Analysts	Word Processing Assistants
0	0	1	0	2	1	0

Lansing:

Lieutenants	Squad Sergeants	Detective Sergeants	SCP (Uniform Troopers)	MCU (Detective Troopers)	Civilian Analysts	Word Processing Assistants
1	1	1	4	2	0	0

 Hamtramck, Harper Woods, Highland Park, Pontiac, did not have dedicated personnel assigned.

Community Outreach

Two significant components of the SCP are community outreach and crime prevention. In his March 2012 Special Message, then-Governor Snyder noted the important role crime prevention plays in public safety when he said, "too often we miss the opportunity to break the cycle of crime through prevention or intervention." The MSP supports a community policing model statewide as evidenced by the post community service troopers as well as the annual community policing plans each post develops that includes outreach initiatives such as post open houses, public forums, and citizens police academies.

Central to the community outreach efforts carried out in the SCP communities is the continued work of the Community Action United Team in Our Neighborhoods (CAUTION) program. Through CAUTION, the department's partnership with the faith-based community built a quick response team that was activated to respond to critical incidents and provide a calming influence at sometimes tense crime scenes. In addition to their role at crime scenes, CAUTION members served as a liaison between law enforcement and residents to foster improved communication and information-sharing. CAUTION, which was first piloted in Flint and Saginaw, has expanded to other SCP communities with more than 100 CAUTION-trained clergy today.

Secure Cities Partnership Highlights

DETROIT

Throughout the year, Second District SCP resources were placed in the downtown central business district, Belle Isle, and in partnership with DPD, to combat drag racing and drifting throughout the city. These troopers played a dual role as community engagement was stressed as a major part of their duties while assigned to various details.

During the summer months when protesting was at its peak, Second District Commanders maintained communications with the City of Detroit and DPD to ensure that we were ready to assist if needed. During this period, the leadership of the agency was present and at the forefront while standing together with the protesters to show support and to ensure we are part of the solution.

- In support of the Detroit Homicide Task Force: MSP detectives investigated 29 homicides, 20 police involved shootings, and 2 in-custody deaths.
- Throughout 2020 MSP provided patrols and outreach on Belle Isle resulting in a safe and secure
 environment for residents throughout the year. Troopers were able to engage with citizens and children to
 continue to promote dialogue and provide a safe and secure environment for families.
- MSP personnel have also played a big role in the policing conversations being had throughout the country.
 MSP personnel had a 100% participation with the Detroit Advocates and Leaders for Police and Community
 Trust (ALPACT). Many issues surrounding the police and training and tactics were discussed, and our
 active participation resulted in hearing the concerns of citizens, clarifying issues, and having our voice be
 heard as well.

INKSTER

The tactical bike team was deployed to augment the SCP Inkster squad for community outreach to the streets of the city making positive contacts with citizens and children. In addition, throughout the year troopers were encouraged to stop and get out of the cars to talk to citizens and engage in conversations with them and business owners. The interaction has helped to get people to come forward with information on crimes and individuals aiding our investigations.

- MSP Detectives worked 8 homicides and 25 non-fatal shootings (which was an increase of 38% over 2019)
- 198 illegal firearms were seized in Inkster in 2020 during the execution of over 45 search warrants for narcotic related activities.
- MSP narcotics investigators worked a long-term investigation resulting in the seizure of 135 illegal handguns and long guns from 3 residences, of which 3 were fully automatic rifles as well as significant amounts of

narcotics seized.

• Uniform troopers investigated 217 total complaints of which 23 were drug complaints, 39 concealed weapons complaints and recovered 14 stolen vehicles.

FLINT

The Flint Post commanders increased SCP effectiveness with our law enforcement partners and developed plans to address the uptick in firearm related crimes we saw in the first two quarters of 2020. The Flint Police Department created their own Special Investigation Unit (SIU) to team up with our SCP patrols. This built a collaborative directed patrol effort to combat violent crime within the city of Flint. Additionally, this detail was also partnered with multiple plain-clothes assets to identify known criminal activity. This initiative resulted in our enforcement activity and traffic stops becoming more effective in reducing unnecessary stops and directing patrols to key subjects likely involved in violent crimes. These combined initiatives allowed us to quickly deploy resources in key areas experiencing the most violent crime.

- SCP Flint Post troopers increased their directed patrol efforts in areas experiencing the most crime.
 Troopers seized a total of 447 illegal guns in 2020, which was a significant increase over 2019 where 250 illegal guns were seized.
- Troopers went to Sarvis Park equipped with basketballs, jump ropes and Gatorade. The troopers located a group of children in the park, got out of their patrol cars, and engaged in a positive contact. They not only provided them with the above-mentioned items, but they also ended up in a friendly game of basketball with the children.
- Flint experienced a significant number of protests voicing concerns over police brutality. Due to the MSP
 assigned SCP deployment, coordination with the city of Flint PD and others, the city remained peaceful with
 no notable damage or violence related to the anti-police matter.

SAGINAW

Saginaw SCP personnel continued to build on their existing partnerships by adding additional plain-clothes personnel from several agencies to supplement their ability to identify crime and quickly respond to areas with increasing crime. This initiative resulted in SCP enforcement activity and traffic stops becoming more effective in reducing unnecessary stops and directing patrols to key subjects likely involved in violent crimes.

- Throughout 2020, the Tri-City Post participated in numerous community events. Tri-City post SCP troopers
 and commanders attended every march and scheduled gathering focusing on having conversations with
 event leaders, community leaders and participants about law enforcement.
- The Tri-City Post implemented the use of an unmarked van allowing us to conduct surveillance in high crime areas to focus traffic stops on becoming more effective and reducing unnecessary traffic stops on subjects committing crimes. This focus increased the effectiveness of stopping subjects for arrestable crimes instead of civil infractions.
- Troopers seized a total of 118 illegal guns in 2020, which was a significant increase over 2019 where 70 illegal guns were seized.

BENTON HARBOR

A significant component of the secure city partnership is community engagement. One noteworthy event in 2020 was our "Bike with a Cop" outreach held on August 26, 2020, at the Boys & Girls Club Youth Center in Benton Harbor. Kids from the ages of 5-12, along with their parents, were invited to ride their bikes with the MSP troopers and BHDPS officers on a pre-determined route through the city. A brief bicycle safety lesson was provided prior to the ride and bike mechanics were also available to assist in minor bike repairs. Approximately 100 community members participated in the event, and ice cream was served after the bicycle ride.

Active bicycle patrols took place in 2020 throughout the Benton Harbor community where approximately 200 people were contacted, including numerous children. These interactions provided positive personal contact with many members of the community.

- The Fifth District Major Case Unit (MCU), comprised of three MSP detectives, investigated approximately 40 shootings in 2020. The unit responded to 44 after-hours callouts to assist Benton Harbor Department of Public Safety (BHDPS) resulting in 54 shooting victims.
- MCU initiated two "Safe Street" operations in 2020. On June 18, members of the MCU engaged with
 approximately 100 members of the community where positive relationships were forged to enhance law
 enforcement efforts.
- Another outstanding highlight was a collaborative investigation that solved multiple shootings in retaliation
 for a homicide. Several of these shootings involved dozens of rounds being fired into houses resulting in
 multiple victims. This investigation resulted in a suspect vehicle being identified and stopped. A
 subsequent search of the vehicle resulted in the seizure of 8 pistols, 4 long guns (AR & AK style rifles, and
 12-guage shotgun), extended magazines, 100's of rounds of ammunition and 2 sets of body armor.

MUSKEGON HEIGHTS

The Muskegon Heights SCP continued with a commitment to public safety in 2020 through the coordinated efforts of uniform officers and plainclothes detectives working together to make a difference in the community. A squad of uniform troopers from the Grand Rapids Post supplements the efforts of the Muskegon Heights Police Department and conducts proactive patrols and community outreach.

- The National Integrated Ballistic Information Network (NIBIN), MSP Grand Rapids Forensic Laboratory, and criminal intelligence were utilized to establish the connection of a suspect accused in the shooting of his neighbor. Evidence obtained from the initial investigation led to the suspect's crimes being linked to a homicide being investigated by the Grandville Police Department. This resulted in the arrest of the same subject for murder. The suspect remains lodged in the Kent County Jail awaiting court proceedings on this homicide.
- A suspect was charged in connection to a June 2019 homicide and was lodged in the Muskegon County Jail
 on murder charges. The arrested subject's criminal activity continued after being released. On October 21,
 2020, the Muskegon Major Crimes Initiative (MMCI) developed another case where MMCI investigators
 utilized resources from the SCP uniform squad, West Michigan Enforcement Team, and the MSP
 Emergency Support Team to execute a search warrant at the suspect's residence resulting in a large sum of
 cash and a quantity of narcotics being seized.

LANSING

In 2020, we had one uniform sergeant and four uniform troopers working in the City of Lansing along with one detective sergeant and two detective troopers working together with Lansing PD detectives investigating violent crime. MSP detectives handled over 100 violent crime investigations which included five homicides and 70 robbery/assault complaints. Uniform MSP personnel continued to work closely with the Lansing PD Violent Crime Initiative which focuses on the most violent offenders in the Lansing area. Uniform troopers and sergeants also continued to attend community engagement events throughout Lansing in cooperation with Lansing PD.

- Troopers working with the Violent Crime Initiative officers seized 167 firearms in 2020.
- Troopers received information on a wanted homicide suspect from Philadelphia. Subject was found to be in Grand Rapids traveling back to Lansing. Surveillance was set up on the freeway, suspect vehicle located, a rolling roadblock was used to stop the vehicle, and the suspect taken into custody. He was on the ten most wanted list in Pennsylvania.
- MSP Detectives solved three homicides and continue to work leads on two additional cases.

Secure Cities Statistics

The SCP has had a positive impact demonstrated by Calendar Year 2020 data showing that violent crime rates continue to decrease in most of the eleven cities, according to the Michigan Incident Crime Reporting database as of April 23, 2021. The property crime rate across all eleven SCP communities continued to fall in CY2020.

Index Violent and Property Crime Rates – SCP Communities January 1, 2020 – December 31, 2020

	Crime Rate (per 10,000 Citizens)													
Calendar Year	Detroit		Saginaw		Fli	Flint*		ntiac	Hamtramck		Lansing			
Calellual Teal	Violent	Property	Violent	Property	Violent	Property	Violent	Property	Violent	Property	Violent	Property		
2012	219.5	604.7	238.5	369.3	278.1	580.3	140.8	381.0	110.2	357.1	98.3	364.2		
2013	219.6	621.1	193.5	304.3	195.7	443.4	136.1	331.7	165.8	380.1	107.0	365.7		
2014	196.8	489.6	168.6	252.9	175.8	415.4	126.6	275.9	106.5	309.6	112.6	328.0		
2015	175.9	469.1	148.1	240.6	150.6	375.4	127.8	272.7	96.6	297.5	118.2	312.9		
2016	206.5	487.6	149.9	199.6	153.1	353.4	123.2	252.8	115.5	322.0	119.5	303.4		
2017	206.1	469.1	161.6	199.9	199.2	288.3	109.8	263.0	82.0	288.7	117.8	320.6		
2018	202.1	451.0	172.7	193.5	187.4	289.1	134.9	224.1	78.8	232.4	115.8	316.2		
2019	195.5	446.0	156.4	170.8	148.0	235.4	131.9	224.7	82.0	198.4	114.1	295.2		
2020	223.2	344.7	229.4	173.3	126.0	178.8	143.2	195.6	85.5	152.9	151.6	329.0		
% Chg. '12-'20	2%	-43%	-4%	-53%	-55%	-69%	2%	-49%	-22%	-57%	54%	-10%		

Calendar Year	Muskego	n Heights	Ink	ster	Benton	Harbor	Harper	Woods	Highlar	nd Park
Calendar fear	Violent	Property	Violent	Property	Violent	Property	Violent	Property	Violent	Property
2012	292.8	1,198.9	155.6	414.8	241.3	872.1	95.5	785.2	198.8	572.2
2013	200.0	688.6	160.2	436.2	224.8	727.1	126.7	710.1	166.5	531.3
2014	177.7	781.9	143.3	314.5	256.6	555.9	111.0	647.3	132.4	362.5
2015	157.3	630.0	130.9	365.5	242.7	433.4	106.0	598.0	140.5	305.4
2016	188.1	555.0	132.2	302.4	188.2	461.6	93.7	739.4	171.3	294.2
2017	187.1	622.7	145.5	277.3	221.2	410.3	77.0	509.0	166.1	374.3
2018	230.1	602.7	107.7	280.7	226.8	436.5	92.4	497.2	173.2	328.9
2019	214.9	526.6	99.9	253.7	207.3	338.3	78.4	445.5	213.5	354.3
2020	175.3	388.8	135.7	237.9	325.4	334.7	108.9	311.4	197.6	283.7
% Chg. '12-'20	-40%	-68%	-13%	-43%	35%	-62%	14%	-60%	-1%	-50%

^{*} Ongoing communications between the MICR unit and the Flint Police Department indicated crime counts for the City of Flint in 2019 and 2020 are incomplete at the time of this report. **Source:** Data was pulled on 4/23/2021 from the Michigan Incident Crime Reporting (MICR) live database.

Notes: Because this data is derived from a live database, counts are subject to change as agencies update records on a continuous basis.

Population Estimates for years 2012 to 2019 were collected from US Census ACS Demographic and Housing Estimates, Survey/Program: American Community Survey, Table D: DP05, ACS 5-Year Estimates Data Profiles. For 2020, population counts were provided by the FBI and are an estimation based on 2019 US Census population estimates.

Violent Crimes consist of Murder, Rape, Robbery, and Aggravated Assault. Victims are counted for Murder, Rape, and Aggravated Assault following the hierarchy rule in multiple offense incidents. Robbery counts the number of offenses.

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Index Crime Counts by Crime Category (Plus Drug Offenses) – SCP Communities January 1, 2020 – December 31, 2020

					Number of 0	Crimes						
Crime	Detroit	Saginaw	Flint*	Pontiac	Hamtramck	Lansing	Muskegon Heights	Inkster	Benton Harbor	Harper Woods	Highland Park	Total
Murder	324	31	57	13	1	16	3	11	2	3	6	467
Rape	691	73	121	58	10	127	13	34	14	5	13	1,159
Robbery	1,842	63	103	90	35	196	14	25	13	10	27	2,418
Aggravated Assault	11,868	929	964	690	138	1,385	158	258	287	131	165	16,973
Total Violent Crime	14,725	1,096	1,245	851	184	1,724	188	328	316	149	211	21,017
Burglary	4,582	251	425	260	61	1036	83	156	68	67	51	7,040
Larceny	11,693	428	1,085	766	193	2,053	274	305	216	248	183	17,444
Motor Vehicle Theft	5,691	122	234	118	72	609	46	101	35	109	61	7,198
Arson	770	27	23	18	3	45	14	13	6	2	8	929
Total Property Crime	22,736	828	1,767	1,162	329	3,743	417	575	325	426	303	32,611
Drugs	1,189	346	531	347	31	240	151	79	104	25	44	3,087
Total	38,650	2,270	3,543	2,360	544	5,707	756	982	745	600	558	56,715

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Special Operations Division Callouts to SCP Communities January 2020 – December 2020

Team	Detroit	Flint	Saginaw	Muskegon Heights	Inkster	Hamtramck	Harper Woods	•	Pontiac	Benton Harbor	Lansing	Total
Aviation	42	10	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	67
Bomb Squad	1	3	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14	22
Canine	684	381	124	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	1,195
Marine Services	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
Emergency Support	50	60	21	2	1	2	0	1	0	7	19	163
Total Callouts	781	454	162	2	1	2	0	1	6	4	35	1,451

MSP Enforcement Activity Numbers – Secure Cities January 2020 – December 2020

MSP Enforcement Activity Counts - Secure Cities Calendar Year 2020 Muskegon Harper Highland **Benton Activity Type Detroit** Flint Saginaw Inkster Hamtramck Pontiac Lansing Total Heights Woods Park Harbor 1,295 Attempt to Locate Traffic Stops 7,173 4,519 1,554 1,177 16,575 1,316 OWI Other Alcohol Violations Suspended Drivers **Hazardous Citations** 15.109 Verbal Warnings 6,450 4,307 1,423 1,154 1,057 Felons Arrested 1.209 2.412 **Felony Counts** 1,209 Misdemeanants Arrested Misdemeanor Counts 1.187 **Fugitives Arrested** Felony Fugitive Warrants Satisfied Misd. Fugitive Warrants Satisfied Suspects Lodged 1.389 Felony Drug Counts Misd. Drug Counts **CCW Counts** Felony in Possession of Firearms Other Firearms Firearms Seized Stolen Vehicles Recovered Stolen Weapons Recovered 2,219 **Patrol Originals Dispatched Originals Fugitives Not Arrested** 1,224 Warrants Not Satisfied Mileage 1,951 152,770 140,701 32,422 28,978 4,848 29,289 33,892 425,638

Source: eDaily Admin Portal as of April 23, 2021. The activity counts represent the number of dailies entered for these activity types. This does not count the number of hours it took to perform these activities.