

INKSTER PUBLIC SAFETY FOCUS GROUP

October 9, 2014 (4:30pm – 7:30pm)

Booker Dozier Recreation Center, 2025 Middlebelt Rd, Inkster, MI 48141

Background:

The City of Inkster's faith-based community, residents and local government believe that a proactive community-engagement strategy can assist in lowering the violent crime rate in Inkster.

Governor Snyder delivered his first Public Safety Message approximately 2 years ago. Since then the Michigan State Police (MSP), along with other state departments has implemented a public safety plan it seeks to lower crime in Michigan's most violent cities by working with local law enforcement and community stakeholders. This meeting is an opportunity for MSP, Inkster DPD and other others to receive first-hand concerns and solutions from Inkster residents.

A representative group of Inkster residents, faith leaders and community leaders will be present to express their public safety concerns. The community seeks a decline in crime in Inkster and this meeting will serve as a catalyst for Inkster's residents to have a trusting and reciprocal relationship with law enforcement.

Purpose:

This semi-open press environment will provide an opportunity for a solution-oriented conversation with the Inkster City Manager, Inkster Police Department, Wayne County Sheriff, MSP and an invited focus group of residents, clergy and other Inkster stakeholders regarding public safety in Inkster. The goal is for the focus group to learn more about the current efforts of the Inkster Police Department and MSP. The focus will be the topic at hand – public safety. The goal for this meeting is for the focus group to learn more about what the Inkster Police Department and MSP are doing to address crime and to develop ways to better engage the community in policing efforts.

Attendees: 120-130 – Inkster Stakeholders (clergy, residents, and community leaders)

Agenda:

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| 4:30-5:00PM | Individual Media Interviews with Col. Etue and others in 2 nd Floor Room B. |
| 5:00 – 5:20 PM | Invited focus group members and attendees arrive. Check in table will be staffed by community volunteers and OUMI staff and interns. |
| 5:00 – 5:15 PM | 1) Pre-briefing with speakers in 2 nd Floor Room B.
2) Pre-briefing with moderator and facilitators in 2 nd Floor Room C. |
| 5:20 – 5:25PM | Moderator will call everyone to their seats in 2 nd Floor Room A. |

Open Press

5:30-5:35PM	Mayor Hilliard Hampton welcomes everyone to the meeting and introduces City Manager Richard Marsh
5:35-5:40PM	City Manager Richard Marsh gives remarks and introduces Harvey Hollins
5:40-5:45PM	Harvey Hollins speaks about Governor Snyder's commitment to public safety; references Paul Smith from Governor's Office in attendance; briefly comments about moderator Dr. Humes; and introduces Col. Etue
5:45-5:55PM	Col. Etue speaks about current and proposed state public safety efforts in Inkster and introduces Chief Yost
5:55-6:05PM	Chief Yost speaks about current and proposed local public safety efforts in Inkster and references Wayne County Sheriff Deputy Chief Jaafar (he will be seated on the front row)
6:05-6:10PM	Moderator introduces herself and provides overview of focus group discussions with state and local participants
6:10-6:20PM	Break (Press leaves and attendees go to 2 nd Floor Room B for food and then Room C for group discussion)

Closed Press

6:20-6:50PM	Focus groups with state and local panel participants discuss: 1) How can we enhance community engagement and bridge the gap between police and citizens? 2) How would you like to receive information from the police and how can we best get information to you?
6:50-6:55PM	Moderator calls group back together for report outs.
6:55-7:15PM	The group facilitator reports on the group's findings.
7:15-7:25M	Moderator synthesizes reports and identifies common ideas from the groups.
7:25-7:30PM	Captain Yesh Provides Next Steps