

# DMPED WEEKLY CHECK- IN

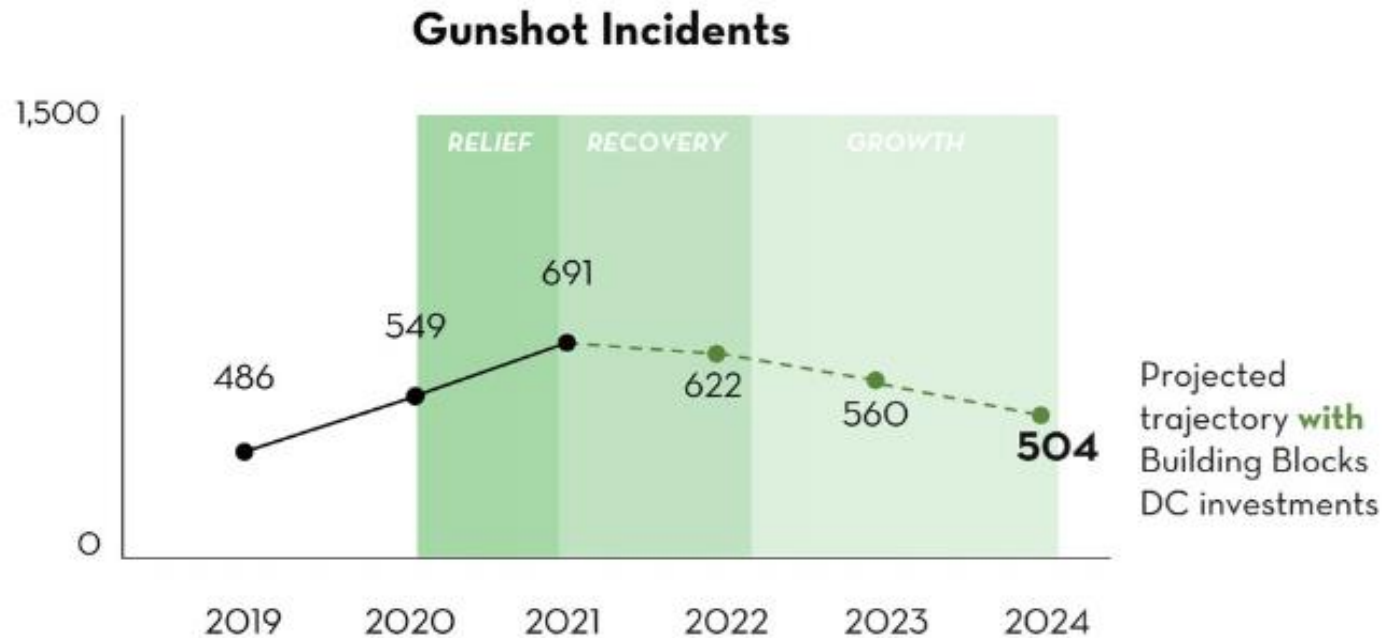
## FAIR SHOT BUDGET TAKEOVER: PUBLIC SAFETY & JUSTICE



# A Closer Look at Gun Violence

## The Value of Prevention

Each year since 2019, the District has faced an increase in gunshot incidents. However, with a focused approach involving the people and places most frequently impacted by gun violence, we can change the trajectory of gun violence in the District.



# Building Blocks DC - \$59 Million

Building Blocks DC is a whole-of-government approach to addressing gun violence by focusing on the people and places most impacted by gun violence. This \$59 million investment includes a comprehensive partnership across government including:

## **Office of the City Administrator**

### **Office of the Deputy Mayor for Education**

- University of the District of Columbia
- Department of Parks and Recreation
- Department of Employment Services

### **Office of the Deputy Mayor for Operations and Infrastructure**

- Department of For-Hire Vehicles
- Department of Energy and the Environment
- Department of Public Works
- District Department of Transportation

## **Office of the Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice**

- Department of Youth Rehabilitation Services
- Office of Neighborhood Safety and Engagement
- Department of Corrections
- Offices of Victim Services and Justice Grants
- Office of Returning Citizens Affairs
- Office of Unified Communications

## **Deputy Mayor for Health and Human Services**

- Department of Behavioral Health

## **Assistant City Administrator for Internal Services**

- Office of the Chief Technology Officer



# Mayor Bowser's Proposed Budget Highlights on Reducing Gun Violence



## MAYOR MURIEL BOWSER'S FY 2022 PROPOSED BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS



### BUILDING BLOCKS DC: REDUCING GUN VIOLENCE

Our community recognizes the scourge of gun violence for what it is: a public health crisis that requires a whole-government approach focused on people and places in our community. In partnership with our most impacted communities, we must build safer neighborhoods by addressing the urgent needs of our residents and coordinating collective action.

By addressing the underlying causes of gun violence and relying on a wide spectrum of police and non-law enforcement strategies and solutions, we can reverse troubling trends, save lives, and better support our residents and communities most impacted by gun violence.



#### INVESTMENTS

- **\$11M** to support returning citizens with cash assistance, financial coaching, and peer navigators as they transition back into the community
- **\$7.8M** for additional violence interrupters and **\$400K** for additional credible messengers
- **\$5.6M** to create 110 dedicated employment opportunities through Operations and Infrastructure agencies for individuals at risk of gun violence
- **\$2.3M** to expand trauma-informed mental health services
- **\$1.5M** for community investment grants to carry out neighborhood action plans in focus neighborhoods
- **\$3.4M** to add 100 new slots for MPD's cadet program
- **\$6.8M** for DBH, DDOT, and DPW to respond to non-emergency 911 calls for mental health distress, minor traffic crashes, and parking complaints
- **\$7.2M** for youth safety initiatives, including an expansion of Safe Passage, out-of-school activities for youth, and enhanced training for school resource officers
- **\$4.5M** for DC Pathways to serve an additional 100 individuals at risk of gun violence and **\$4.1M** to provide more wrap-around support services and new Pathways Champions positions for at-risk individuals
- **\$2.2M** for temporary safe housing for residents involved in gun violence

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DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
MURIEL BOWSER, MAYOR



# Office of Neighborhood Safety and Engagement - \$906,000

## **Expand Credible Contacts – Violence Interruption**

Add 52 Violence Interrupters and 11 Case Managers to expand the scope of violence intervention services in Building Blocks DC neighborhoods.

## **Pathways Program/Pre-Pathways Participation Incentives**

Provide modest incentives to Pathways Program participants and Program candidates to participate in services and achieve self-identified milestones such as obtaining legal identification, pursuing education or employment, or maintaining safe and healthy behaviors.

## **Doubling the Pathways Program**

Double the size of the Pathways Program by expanding to a second location to serve four cohorts of 25 participants, each of whom is at risk of being involved in gun violence.

## **Restorative Justice Training**

Training for community leaders in Restorative Justice principles and stipends for carrying out Restorative Justice practices

## **Pathways Champions Teams**

Add four outreach positions for Pathways Program graduates to engage residents in Building Blocks DC neighborhoods, connect them with services, and activities and assist in developing and achieving neighborhood goals.

## **Project Empowerment Expansion – Wraparound Services**

Provide wraparound services for Building Blocks DC, Project Empowerment participants (mental health, program coordination, job placement services).

## **Expand Access to Trauma-Informed Mental Health Services**

Create new capacity among community partners to provide trauma-informed mental health services in a coordination with violence intervention programs and activities.

## Department of Youth Rehabilitation Services - \$700,000

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### **Community Grants**

Neighborhood grants to community-based organizations to support neighborhood action plans and other community-based efforts in Building Blocks DC neighborhoods.

### **Community Mini Grants**

Neighborhood micro grants to community members to support neighborhood action plans and other community-based efforts in Building Blocks DC neighborhoods.



## Mayor's Office on Returning Citizens Affairs - \$617,000

### **Peer Navigators**

Hire five successful returning citizens as peer navigators to help other returning citizens achieve similar outcomes.

