

# Public Safety Update

City of South Bend

May 11, 2023



# Welcome

## Purpose & intent of quarterly update

1

Provide high-level view of violent crime in each quarter

2

Dive deeper into strategies by SBPD and partners

3

Share information on upcoming events and ways to get involved

# Today's Agenda

- Announcements from the Mayor and Police Chief
- Data Review
- Strategies & Programs
- Events & Engagement

# Announcements from the Mayor and Police Chief

# Community Policing Engagement Effort

**Goal:** To hear from South Bend residents about how they want to see the South Bend Police Department (SBPD) build and strengthen relationships with the community.

## Engagement Timeline:

- Went live this week, 5/9
- Will run through 6/23

South Bend residents,  
share your ideas on community  
policing in South Bend!

Take the survey

Leave a voicemail



<https://southbendin.gov/communitypolicing>

# Community Policing Engagement Effort

## How can residents get involved?

- Visit [southbend.in.gov/communitypolicing](https://southbend.in.gov/communitypolicing)
- Take the Online Survey at [southbend.in.gov/communitypolicingsurvey](https://southbend.in.gov/communitypolicingsurvey)
- Leave a Voicemail at 574-235-5888, extension 3300

## How will feedback be used?

- Identify opportunities for collaboration with residents and organizations
- Determine what activities are most impactful for positive community relations
- Evaluate effectiveness of existing relationship-building initiatives

# Community Outreach Events

- Stock Up for Summer Food Drive
  - Drive held this past Saturday
  - Partnership with SAVE Outreach
- School's Out & Back-to-School Cookouts
  - Saturday, June 3 @ Kennedy Park
  - Saturday, August 12 @ Southeast Park
  - Organized by Strategic Focus Unit

SBPD AND S.A.V.E. OUTREACH PRESENT...

## STOCK UP FOR SUMMER

### FOOD & NECESSITIES DRIVE

**DROP BOX LOCATIONS**

- South Bend PD Main Lobby**  
701 W. Sample Street
- Goodwill Career Center**  
1805 W. Western Ave
- Drop Off Through May 5**

**FOOD DRIVE EVENT**

- Saturday, May 6**
- 8 AM – Noon
- South Bend Police Department

**SUGGESTED DONATIONS**

- Canned Foods
- Peanut Butter
- Jelly
- Boxed Meals
- Breakfast Cereal
- Pasta
- Baby Formula
- Diapers
- Wipes
- Hygiene Products

SAVE  
SOUTH BEND POLICE DEPARTMENT  
STROU UP  
MENTOR PROGRAM

# Recruitment & Hiring Process

- SBPD Prospect Days
  - Expedited hiring/onboarding process
  - Next Prospect Day: Saturday, June 24
  - SBPD's **fifth** one-day hiring event



# Recruitment & Hiring Process

Measure	2023 YTD
Total Number of Hires	10 (including 5 recruits)
Total Sworn	243
Total Number of Departures (Retired/Resigned)	10
Officer gap from most recent peak to current (July 2019 vs. Current)	243 vs. 243

# Police Officer Diversity

DEC 2022	MAR 2023
9% FEMALE	9% FEMALE
10% AFRICAN- AMERICAN	10% AFRICAN- AMERICAN
8% HISPANIC	7% HISPANIC

# Data Review

# Gun Violence Snapshot

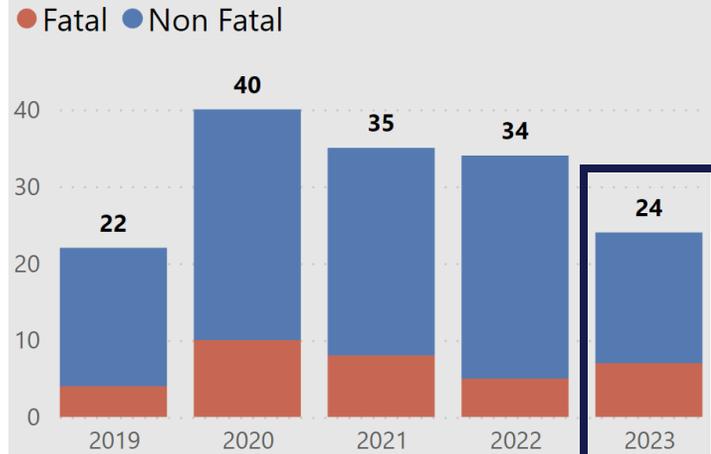
Trend	2023 (Jan 1 – Apr 30)	2022 (Jan 1 – Apr 30)
 Gun Violence Incidents	<b>259</b> Incidents	<b>255</b> Incidents
 Criminally Assaulted Shooting Victims	<b>24</b> Victims	<b>34</b> Victims
 Illicit Guns Removed	<b>205</b> Guns	<b>137</b> Guns

\*Counts do not include accidental shootings, suicides or shootings that have been determined as self-defense

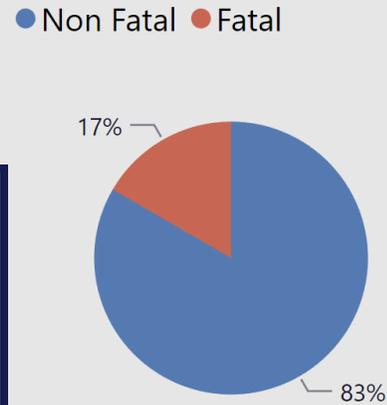
\*\*Totals reflect year to date counts **Jan 1 – April 30**

# Gun Violence Breakdown

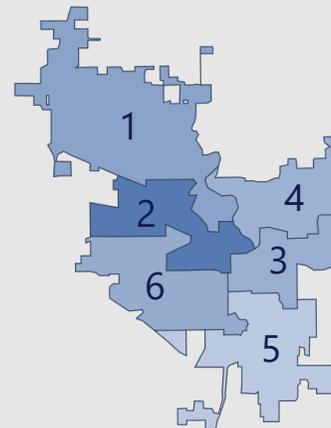
**YTD Fatal/Non Fatal Victims**



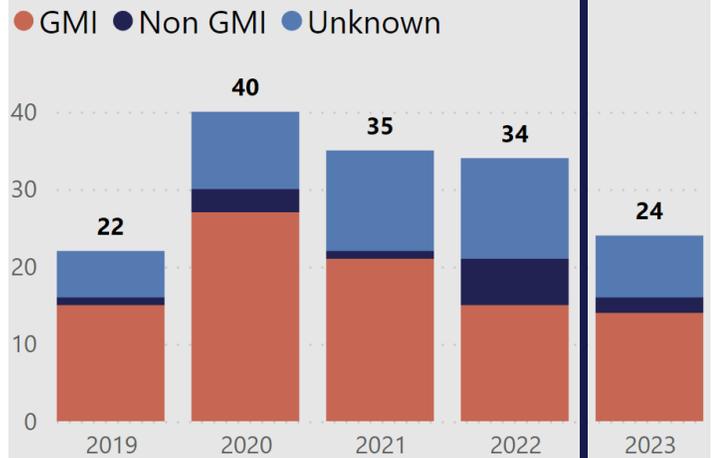
**Proportion**



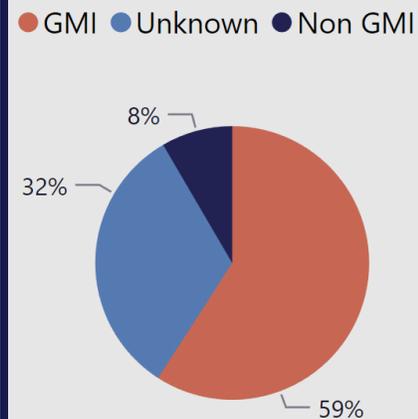
**Where at?**



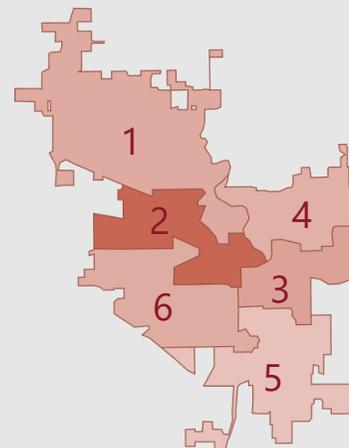
**YTD Group Violence Victims**



**Proportion**



**Where at?**



## Takeaways

2023 has the lowest number of overall victims in the Jan 1 – Apr 30 period since 2019.

There are two more fatal victims in 2023 (Jan 1 - Apr 30) than in the same time frame in 2022.

**2023 YTD: 24 Victims (7 Fatal)**

**2022 YTD: 34 Victims (5 Fatal)**

The percentage of Group Member Involved (GMI) shootings in the 2023 YTD period is on par with the average for the 2019-2023 period.

**2023 YTD: 58% GMI**

**2019-2023: 59% GMI**

# SBPD Death Investigations Update

October 2021- April 2023	
<b>Homicide Investigations</b>	38*
Resolved	30*
Open	<b>8</b>
<b>Suspicious Death</b>	12
Resolved	12
Open	<b>0</b>
<b>Total Death Investigations</b>	50
<b>Total Murder Victims</b>	36

\*Count includes Mishawaka officer-involved shooting

# Michiana Crime Stoppers Update

- Starting on April 1, Michiana Crime Stoppers launched awareness campaigns for three South Bend homicide cases:
  - Alexis Morales (April)
  - Johnnie Lee Johnson (May)
  - Donte Williams (June)
- Assessing results to gauge future campaigns and cases

**UNSOLVED HOMICIDES:  
DO YOU KNOW WHO KILLED US?**

**ALEXIS  
MORALES  
4/19/22**

**JOHNNIE LEE  
JOHNSON  
5/12/22**

**DIONTE  
WILLIAMS  
6/9/22**

**Michiana  
Crime  
STOPPERS**

**RECEIVE UP TO A \$2,500 REWARD FOR  
ANONYMOUS TIPS LEADING TO AN ARREST**

**574-288-STOP • 800-342-STOP • P3TIPS.COM/203**

# Strategies & Programs

# FLOCK LPR

## What

Technology-based crime reduction strategy to develop possible leads in criminal cases and keep community safe from outside threats.

## Who

South Bend Police Department

## How

- Utilizes cameras near major thoroughfares to take photos of the backs of vehicles
- 30-day photo retention on cloud server
- Limited users with an administrator for account reviews

# Snapshot of FLOCK Case Assists

Measure	2023 YTD
Motor Vehicle Thefts	10
Aggravated Assaults with Firearm	2
Homicide Investigations	3
Theft Investigations	9
Wanted Parties	0
Robbery	1
Other	0
Total	25

# Shot Spotter Connect

## What

Shot Spotter Connect is a software that provides unbiased, evidence-based direction on where to deploy officers and other department resources and when.

## Who

South Bend Police Department

## How

- Shot Spotter Connect collects data on **case reports, statements, and evidence** from the **last 24 hours** each morning
- Compares to **current** and **past trends** from the last three years; prioritizing gun violence
- Monitors officer **responsiveness** and **accountability** through GPS

# Shot Spotter Connect Missions

Measure	2023 YTD
Total number of Shot Spotter missions	9,268
Average number of missions per day	72 (24/shift)
Missions completed	96%

# Real-Time Crime Center/Camera Registry

## Current Status:

- Nearly **600** cameras added to the camera registry
- **117** integrated cameras

## Interested in the Camera Registry?

- Residents & Businesses can register at [SyncSouthBend.org](https://SyncSouthBend.org)
- Businesses can become integrated with a Fusus Core



# Have feedback or further questions?

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# Events & Engagement

# Upcoming Community Engagement Events

Wednesday

**24**  
May

**PAL Boxing Showcase**

- The Beacon @ 6pm
- Eight matches scheduled

Wednesday

**14**  
June

**Monthly Community Crime Stat Meetings**

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month
- 6:30 pm, SBPD Auditorium

Saturday

**3**  
June

**PD + GVI Community Cookout**

- Kennedy Park: 11 am – 3 pm

Saturday

**12**  
August

**PD + GVI Community Cookout**

- Southeast Park: 11 am – 3 pm

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