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OVERVIEW

The Baltimore Consortium of Universities and Colleges - Public Safety Initiative is comprised of eight universities and a community college located within the city of Baltimore. The Consortium is founded on the principles of sharing resources and information for creating safer environments on and around the city’s institutions of higher education. A key component of the Consortium is its proactive partnership between the member institutions and the Baltimore Police Department in an effort to leverage their common public safety interests regarding crime prevention and community policing within the city.

MEMBER INSTITUTIONS

Johns Hopkins University, Coppin State University, University of Baltimore, Morgan State University, Maryland Institute College of Art (MICA), Loyola University, Notre Dame of Maryldand University, University of Maryland Baltimore, and Baltimore City Community College. The Baltimore Police Department has established and maintains a proactive partnership with the Consortium member institutions.

GOALS

• To create a proactive partnership between the member institutions to share crime prevention and crime reduction information, as well as the best practices in the campus safety and security field nationwide.

• To engage campus safety resources in a collaborative manner to improve training and education for all campus safety personnel within the city.

• To engage the expertise and experiences of the Baltimore Police Department in conducting joint training and exercises designed to prepare the member institutions to respond and mitigate emergency incidents on their respective campuses.

• To assist the Baltimore Police Department in developing and maintaining a Campus Safety web-link on the Departments website highlighting Campus Safety in higher education across the city.

• To serve as a conduit for access to research, analysis, and solutions to key public safety issues confronting the City of Baltimore.
**OPPORTUNITIES**

- Identify and share the “**Best Practices in Campus Safety**” for Universities/Colleges in a major American city in the 21st Century.

- Implement a **Community-Policing** approach to service delivery “on-campus” consistent with the Baltimore Police Department Community-Policing strategy in “off-campus” communities and neighborhoods.

- Develop and maintain a robust **Partnership with Baltimore Police Department District Commanders** serving our institutions to better share information on crime trends and patterns affecting our respective communities.

- Identify **Joint-training Opportunities** between the Consortium partners and the Baltimore Police Department – (e.g., Active Shooter Response and Mitigation, Managing and Facilitating Mass Demonstration events, dealing with Mentally Challenged Populations, etc.)

**2016 ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

In 2016 as the Consortium began its first year, the members of the founding institutions pledged to meet on a quarterly basis. The purpose of these meetings would be to discuss the contemporary campus security issues occurring in both Baltimore City and across the nation, exchange “best practice” ideas for better serving our students, and for embracing a community policing partnership with the Baltimore Police Department in those neighborhoods surrounding their institutions. A key feature of the quarterly meetings was rotating the location of each meeting between the various member institutions. This allows the members to visit each university/college campus and learn about the nuances of campus safety at each particular campus from the host chief or director. It also allows for the respective BPD District Commander and their staff members to demonstrate the existing partnership with the host institution. Below is a summary of the four general meetings and other activities the Consortium members participated in this past year:
WINTER MEETING - Johns Hopkins University - Harbor East Campus

The first Consortium meeting was hosted by Johns Hopkins University (JHU) Executive Director Lee James at the JHU Harbor East Campus. This initial meeting featured Bernard Ferrari, Dean of the Carey School of Business, Keith Hill, Vice President of JHU Corporate Security, Kevin Davis, Commissioner of Police Baltimore Police Department, and Steven Shepard, Supervisory Special Agent from the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Dean Ferrari and Vice President Hill provided welcome remarks, and Commissioner Davis welcomed the opportunity for the Baltimore Police Department to be a major partner with the various universities represented by the Consortium.

Supervisory Special Agent Shepard who is also the FBI Campus Safety Liaison for Baltimore City provided an overview of the services that can be leveraged through the different federal law enforcement agencies to support campus safety across the city. Topics of interest that were covered and discussed included:

- International Security issues regarding US students studying abroad
- The continuing escalation of Radicalism at home and abroad
- The increasing threat posed by homegrown terrorists in United States
- Cyber-security threats to our corporate and governmental institutions
- Human Trafficking
- Threats to higher education institutions laboratory facilities
- The FBI Active Shooter Response Initiative
- FBI Evidence Response Teams

JHU Executive Director James also briefed the Consortium membership on two projects of interest that the group would research in 2016. The first project entails a joint venture with the Baltimore Police Department to establish a Campus Safety web link on the police department’s website. This link would be used to provide access to anyone looking for information on campus safety at the institutions of higher education in Baltimore. This project has been submitted to the Baltimore Police Department for consideration as they build and populate their new website.

The second Consortium project is a longer term endeavor designed to once again benefit both the universities and the Baltimore Police Department. This project dubbed the Campus Specific Location Response (CSLR) initiative is designed to enable patrol officers from the city’s department to have access to real time “specific location” data on each campus at the initiation of a call for service. BPD Patrol Officers having access to this data can help to reduce response time and guide first responders to a more precise location of a call for service.
SPRING MEETING - Notre Dame University of Maryland

The second Consortium general meeting took place on the campus of Notre Dame University of Maryland and was hosted by Director Jim Mitchell. After the welcome remarks presented by President Marylou Yam Ph.D., Consortium members participated in several workshop presentations. Dr. Shelly Greenberg provided a presentation on the “Baltimore Collaborative for Violence Prevention”, a partnership between Johns Hopkins University and the Baltimore Police Department. Dr. Greenberg also briefed the group on the issue of “Campus Safety Today and Beyond” that focused on the contemporary issues confronting campus safety officials across the nation.

Retired FBI official Jeff Allison was also a part of the presentations at Notre Dame University. Mr. Allison represented the National Center for Campus Public Safety (NCCPS) providing the group with an overview of the diverse resources of the NCCPS available to them.

The event at Notre Dame concluded with a presentation by Bob Maloney, Director of the City of Baltimore Office of Emergency Management. Mr. Maloney’s presentation focused on the resources available to the higher education institutions within the city in the event of a critical incident with the potential for becoming a major catastrophe.

SUMMER MEETING - Baltimore Police Department (BPD) Headquarters

On July 7, 2016, Police Commissioner Kevin Davis hosted the Consortium of Universities - Public Safety members at police headquarters in downtown Baltimore. Commissioner Davis and his staff provided the group with an executive briefing on crime issues across the city, and the potential impact on the communities surrounding the city’s institutions of higher education.

This meeting was an opportunity to re-emphasize and recommit to the partnership between the Consortium member agencies and the Baltimore Police Department (BPD). The joint public safety relationship that exists is further enhanced on a daily basis between the BPD District Commanders and their patrol officers and their university counterparts both patrolling in those areas adjacent to university campuses across the city.
WINTER MEETING - Coppin State University

The final Consortium meeting for 2016 was hosted by Director Leonard Hamm at Coppin State University. This final meeting marked the end of the first year of the Consortium of Universities - Public Safety Initiative informational sessions for the leadership of the nine (9) institutions of higher education public safety departments.

The Consortium group was briefed by two members from the Federal Bureau of Investigation on the Bureau’s “Active Shooter Response Initiative”. A key feature of their presentation was a showing of the video entitled “The Coming Storm” which is a fictional depiction of an active shooter incident on a college campus. The FBI’s response capabilities and its collaboration with local law enforcement and higher education public safety agencies was prominently demonstrated in the video and discussed as a part of this briefing.

This meeting was highlighted with the attendance of the Commander of the Western District Major Sheree Briscoe, who represented the BPD Patrol Division. Deputy Commissioner Jason Johnson represented the Office of the Commissioner of Police and provided a briefing on the status of the Consent Decree.

ADDITIONAL CONSORTIUM INVOLVED TRAINING

Several member agencies within the Consortium hosted additional training opportunities on their respective campuses that included representation from the BPD. Coppin State University and Winner Circle Tactical Solutions hosted a sixteen (16) hour Critical Incident and De-escalation Training. This two-day training was attended by twenty-seven (27) local, state, and national law enforcement agencies.

In April 2016, Criminal Justice Day, the Bishop L. Robinson Justice Institute located on the campus of Coppin State University, hosted an interactive active shooter training. The training was conducted by Winner Circle Tactical Solutions utilizing a state of the art simulator system. Students, faculty, staff, and members of the Coppin State PD, as well as local law enforcement agencies participated in this interactive training.

Johns Hopkins University Office of Campus Safety and Security also hosted two Active Shooter exercises which were designed to test the response capabilities of the universities security forces, test its mass notification alert system, and test the response capabilities of the BPD patrol officers and their Emergency Response teams.
Maryland Institute College of Arts Department of Campus Safety

Maryland Institute College of Arts Department of Campus Safety has 30 full-time professional staff members and 50 part-time student employees. The Director, Assistant Director, and several Campus Safety patrol officers have been commissioned as Special Police Officers with full arrest powers on all Maryland Institute College of Art property.

Campus Safety officers patrol the campus 24 hours a day, seven days a week, 365 days a year. In addition, an off-duty Baltimore City Police officer patrols the campus between the hours of 4 pm and midnight. The Midtown Benefits District security patrol and the Bolton Hill Citizens on Patrol (COP) Program also patrol the campus area, which covers the historic residential neighborhood of which our campus is located. Portable radios and/or phones link all security posts and patrols.

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University of Maryland Baltimore Police Force

The University of Maryland, Baltimore (UMB) Police Force traces our lineage back to 1948. During our early years, we were known as security officers; however, our official designation was changed to police officers in 1975. Initially, our jurisdiction extended only to University-owned buildings and grounds. In June of 1984, we signed an agreement with the Baltimore Police Department, which gave us concurrent jurisdiction within the University boundaries, including the streets and sidewalks. In June of 1993, because the campus was growing, we signed a new concurrent jurisdiction agreement with the Baltimore Police Department that encompasses our current campus. This agreement gives us the same authority and power as the Baltimore Police Department.

The UMB Police Force has 56 sworn officers who are supported by 78 security officers, seven police communication officers, and an administrative staff of 12. Newly appointed police officers undergo 750 hours of rigorous police training and a minimum of 18 hours of in-service training, which is mandated by the Maryland Police Training Commission. Our mission is to deliver quality crime control service that supports the University’s mission of excellence in professional and graduate education, research, patient care, and public service.

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University of Baltimore Police Department

The University of Baltimore Police Department provides a vital service in a growing, exciting neighborhood. We are a professional police agency that employs officers who are sworn, trained, and certified through the Maryland Police and Correctional Training Commissions and are supplemented by a security force. Our department is a full partner with city law enforcement and other police agencies. One important part of our task involves the University’s compliance with the legal requirements of the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act.

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Loyola University Maryland - Department of Public Safety

Our mission is to ensure safety on campus, maintain order, preserve the peace, promote individual responsibility for preventing crime, reduce the opportunity for crime and disorder, reduce fear, and provide a sense of security for the Loyola community. Additionally, we protect life, health, and property, and uphold the constitutional rights of all citizens.

Public safety conducts analysis to determine root causes of crimes and then uses creative problem-solving strategies, along with Baltimore City Police Department, to implement effective crime control methodologies. The department is also responsible for parking enforcement on the campus and in the adjoining neighborhoods.

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Notre Dame University Maryland Office of Public Safety

Notre Dame University Maryland Office of Public Safety has your safety as a high priority with constant foot and vehicle patrols 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

The Notre Dame campus is an extremely safe place to live and study. A truly safe campus, however, can be achieved only through cooperation of all students, faculty and staff, and the responsible decisions they make every day.

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Morgan State University - Office of Police & Public Safety

The Morgan State University Police and Public Safety Department places the safety of the university community as its highest priority. In the department's continuing efforts to enhance the safety of Morgan State University, we have worked hard toward Community Oriented Policing and providing superior customer service. The department has been working in concert with other university departments to significantly enhance police services to our campus family and its visitors.

It is the department's dedicated objective to enhance the educational experience of students by being sensitive to student needs and concerns. Our officers are dedicated law enforcement professionals who take pride in being a part of the process that educates and develop students and members of the community. Please be assured that we take the issue of campus safety extremely serious, and that MSU is determined to continue its efforts to make certain that our campus remains safe. To do so, of course, requires not just the efforts of the Police and Public Safety Department, but the cooperation and understanding of every member of the university community. We encourage all members of our community to be active in our efforts to provide a safe and prosperous educational environment.

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The Public Safety Office is responsible for maintaining a safe and secure environment for the College community. The Public Safety Offices at both campuses are staffed 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

The Public Safety Office also issues college IDs and parking hangtags for the College community. Every BCCC student must have a valid College ID and present the ID to any College official upon request. ID services are available from Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Wednesday, 11:00 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. A copy of the student’s current schedule and personal identification is required for a new ID or the validation of a returning student’s ID.

Emergency telephones are placed in strategic locations around the Liberty and Harbor Campuses. All emergency phones direct-dial to the Department of Public Safety Office. Grey emergency phones are located in the lobbies of buildings at the Liberty and Harbor campuses. Emergency phones are located near parking and the outside of several building on the Liberty Campus.

In addition, the Public Safety Office maintains an escort service upon request. Personal property found on campus is turned over to the Public Safety Office, where it can be claimed with proper identification.

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Johns Hopkins University Office of Campus Safety & Security

Johns Hopkins University Office of Campus Safety and Security has 51 full-time and two part-time special police officers commissioned by the state with full arrest powers on all university property throughout Maryland. The campus police officers are highly trained professionals from accredited law enforcement academies. Security officers from Allied Universal augment the commissioned officers by patrolling on and off campus on foot, bicycles, and security vehicles. They are also assigned at the main entrances of the student housing facilities. Off-duty Baltimore City Police Officers are deployed on Charles Street in the Charles Village and University Parkway areas.

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Coppin State University Police Department

Our mission is to enhance the living, learning, and working experience at Coppin State University by protecting life and maintaining order. The Police Department will continue to maintain through professional and academic training, the highest possible professional standards and state of readiness to serve the Coppin community. We fulfill this purpose by providing our community with a full range of services that meet the highest professional standards of campus police. We are committed to working with the community to define our priorities and build lasting partnerships, while at the same time ensuring professional growth and development of department members.

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