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Subject: RE: Shot spotter

Hey Kevin, hope all is well!

The most recent ShotSpotter expansion was in the Wedgewood neighborhood back in May of this year.

As gunfire is detected by acoustic sensors, a notification is sent directly to neighborhood patrol officers which pinpoints the specific location in which the gunfire originated.

According to the Brookings Institution, more than 80% of gunfire incidents go unreported to 911. ShotSpotter helps fill that data gap by alerting police of virtually all gunfire in a city's ShotSpotter coverage area within 60 seconds – enabling a fast, precise police response, ultimately helping police officers save lives and collect critical evidence for investigations.

ShotSpotter allows officers to respond to gunfire before 911 is called, and even without any 911 calls. This has enabled officers to locate victims and render aid more quickly, and ultimately helps police make more arrests to get violent offenders off the streets.

In 2022, the Columbus Division of Police recovered shell casings in 1,054 separate ShotSpotter alerts. Officers made 45 arrests for weapons offenses, 29 arrests for other offenses, and seized 45 firearms based on those alerts.

To include the Wedgewood neighborhood, the existing Hilltop coverage area was expanded by .64 square miles. In total, 12.64 square miles of Columbus is now equipped with this technology in the Hilltop, Linden, South Side and Near East Side neighborhoods.

Any future expansion of ShotSpotter here will be based on crime data and available budget.

I hope this helps,

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Hi Kevin,

I'm copying Glenn McEntyre from the Department of Public Safety to help answer some of these specific questions below.

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Subject: [EXTERNAL] Re: Shot spotter

Hello, thank you for your response in lieu of not being able to do an interview today. Could you please send me some statistics on shot spotter. Specifically, I wanted to know how many current neighborhoods have shot spotter in them ?

is the city of Columbus looking to expand the number of neighborhoods with shot spotter?

And k how many shot spotters are there near Cooper Stadium?

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Hi Kevin,

Unfortunately, we do not have any personnel available today due to prior scheduling conflicts. Please reference the attached media release.

Andrés Antequera



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Hi Kelly, I wanted to do a story about shot spotter. I know that Columbus police will be doing shot spotter testing tomorrow at the old Cooper Stadium. I wanted to find out how many shot spotters we currently have and how is it working to help police respond more quickly to shots that are fired.
Are we looking to expand the number that we have?
Are you able or know someone who is able to do a zoom interview with me before 1030 this morning or later this afternoon? Thank you.