# VIOLENCE INTERVENTION PROGRAM

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#### **INTRODUCTION TO VIP**

#### **Custom Notifications**

VIP Peer Support Workers and APD officers identify and intervene with the individuals most likely to engage in gun violence. This intervention is called a Custom Notification. They often bring trusted community leaders with them who may connect with particular individuals.

#### Referrals

Candidates for the VIP Program are usually identified through law enforcement crime data. However, they can also be referred by hospitals or other means.

### **Engaging with Services**

A key part of what makes the City's VIP Program successful is that VIP Peer Support Workers work with clients to identify and address their individual needs, then guide clients through risk-reduction resources. We measure success by how many of the individuals we provide Custom Notifications to engage with other services.



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#### Enforcement

The goal of Custom Notifications and ongoing peer support is that people do not engage in further violence. However, when they do, the consequence is swift and targeted law enforcement action.

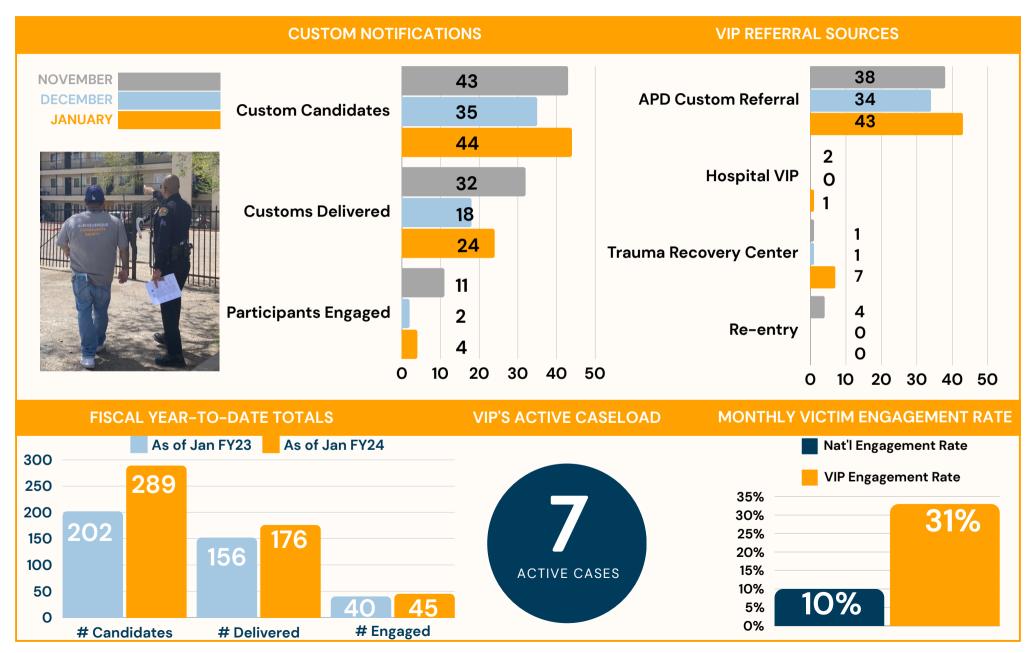
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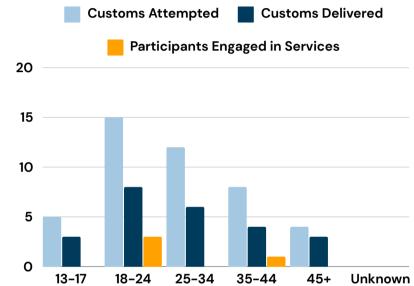


#### **SUMMARY BY AGE GROUP**

# SERVICES REQUESTED AND REFERRED (ALL PROGRAMS – VIP, HVIP, TRC)



94% of participants have not engaged in further violent crime in the past two years

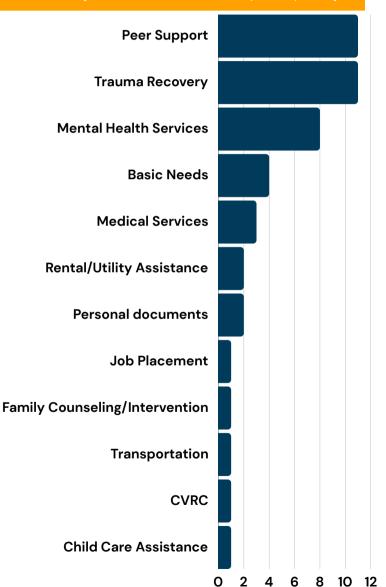


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	North	east	5	4		7	35
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**REFERRALS** 

Southeast	12	13	15	81
Northeast	5	4	7	35
Northwest	4	3	5	31
Foothills	4	1	5	20
Southwest	6	5	9	55
Valley	7	5	2	36
N/A	0	3	0	7



### **TOTAL REFERRALS IN JANUARY**

The Center for Healing and Trauma
Recovery began taking clients in
December 2023. The Center is designed
to offer assertive outreach, advocacy,
evidence-based mental health services,
and comprehensive case management to
individuals least likely to receive such
vital support. The primary objective of
the center is to provide a traumainformed, healing system of care for
victims of violence and trauma.

The Trauma Recovery Center will provide:

- Care Coordination
- Resource Connection
- Peer Support
- Workshops and Education
- Trauma-informed Therapy



REFERRED FROM:	DEC	JAN
ACS		1
VIP	5	1
CORA	2	1
COMMMUNITY MEMBER		1
RIWP/UVNR		1
OTHER		2

FYTD IMPACT E	BY THE NUMBERS
440 adults assisted	157 children
626 Referrals Made	assisted
7 community events	300 Outreach Operations

INCIDENT TYPE	JAN	FYTD
Gun/Other Violence	45	244
DV/Sexual Assault	34	108
Homicide	3	26
Other Deaths	20	66
Suicide	8	26
Other	4	41
AREA COMMAND	JAN	FYTD
AREA COMMAND  Southeast	JAN 43	FYTD 212
Southeast	43	212
Southeast Southwest	43 19	212 69
Southeast Southwest Valley	43 19 15	212 69 70

#### SIGNIFICANT RESPONSE ACTIVITIES

#### **Housing Assistance**

- CORA collaborated with OEP to advocate at BernCo housing authority on behalf of an elderly client who was at risk of losing her voucher. CORA and OEP were successful, and this client is now able to move forward with continued support around housing stability.
- CORA worked with a family whose son unexpectedly passed from a fentanyl overdose to navigate different resources that could help offset costs, such as rental, utility, and grocery assistance, as they plan his funeral.

#### **Community Healing**

- CORA performed community outreach to a neighborhood where a recent homicide occurred. They contacted twenty homes, resulting in six individuals interested in connection to services.
- CORA supported a mother who recently lost her son in a shooting. CORA connected the mother to OMI for information on her son's death and to the CVRC, which will reimburse her for her son's funeral.
- CORA supported a client who recently lost both her mother and boyfriend a day apart from each other. They provided some initial grief counseling and then connected her to ongoing support at an ACS community partner, the Grief Center.

#### **Community Engagement:**

- CORA presented to the students of John Adams Middle School about ACS programs and the importance of gun safety and violence prevention.
- CORA tabled at Explora Science Center during a cultural and racial humility event. Four adults were given counseling information and links to resources.