

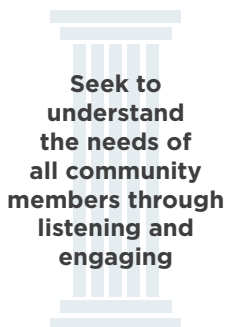


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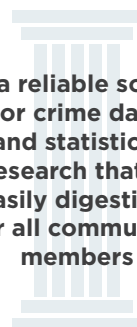
The Safe Community Institute (SCI) is a one stop shop for all things public safety and crime prevention. The Institute offers community members one centralized location for all crime-related statistical data, resources, prevention education, public safety awareness content, and victim services. Crime Stoppers of Houston's **Safe Community Program, Victim Services Program, The Balanced Voice Podcast**, and all-new **Research Center** are all housed under the Safe Community Institute which is built on four pillars:



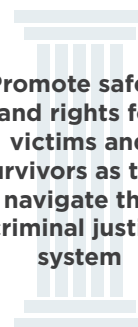
Seek to understand the needs of all community members through listening and engaging



Be a vessel for proactive dialogue with the purpose of identifying needed change and providing tangible solutions to community needs



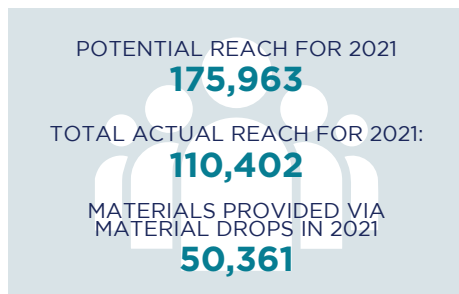
Be a reliable source for crime data and statistical research that is easily digestible for all community members



Promote safety and rights for victims and survivors as they navigate the criminal justice system

SAFE COMMUNITY PROGRAM

The Safe Community Program (SCP) identifies and report on crime affecting the Greater Houston Area, then takes propound steps to prevent future crime through citizen empowerment and education. The program educates community members, parents, and law enforcement on critical public safety concerns through free presentations, training, community events, and multi-media resources.



VICTIM SERVICES PROGRAM

The Victim Services and Advocacy Program promotes safety and rights for crime victims and survivors as they navigate the criminal justice process. Through advocacy and collaboration, the department fights for systematic improvements to better support victims and survivors as they pursue justice, healing, and the rebuilding of their lives.





THE RESEARCH CENTER

As crime rises in the Greater Houston Area, a consistent problem we have identified is the lack of transparent and honest reporting of crime related data. In our quest to be a solution focused organization, we launched the all-new Research Center as part of the Safe Community Institute at Crime Stoppers of Houston in January of 2022. To know exactly where the cracks in our system are and what is needed in crime prevention programming, we must have an accurate report of pre-trial trends, court proceedings, bond outcomes, and recidivism rates of violent offenders. The Research Center is the first data reporting center of its kind in Texas, and it has a clearly defined purpose to accurately report on the following items so that the public has a transparent view of the criminal justice system in Harris County. The research center is founded with four main objectives in mind:

1

Track violent crime trends beginning in 2015 to see how crime in Harris County has changed since vote upon bond reform as well as informal changes in bond procedures have taken place in Harris County

2

Track crimes by city district and county precinct to identify crime hot spots. As we examine specific area Crime trends, we will also outline area council members and commissioners' approach to public safety

3

Track court proceedings by providing the public with a list of each criminal court judge and over which court they preside, listing magistrates when possible, and identify how many cases each court holds throughout the year, taking into consideration how COVID-19 has altered court proceedings for each specific court

4

Research and report on specialized issues as identified by Crime Stoppers and the community

THE BALANCED VOICE PODCAST

The Balanced Voice Podcast is a podcast for the community by the community and has a mission to facilitate balanced conversations that offer real solutions about today's most pressing issues. The podcast welcomes local and national leaders to share perspectives on often polarizing issues in a balanced manner.

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