

Memorandum

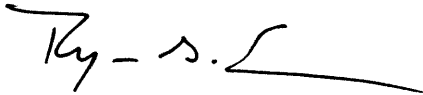


DATE: May 23, 2014

TO: Honorable Members of the Public Safety Committee: Sheffie Kadane (Chair), Adam Medrano (Vice Chair), Dwaine Caraway, Jennifer S. Gates, Sandy Greyson, Scott Griggs

SUBJECT: **North Texas Crime Stoppers**

Attached is the briefing material on the "North Texas Crime Stoppers" to be presented to the Members of the Public Safety Committee on Tuesday, May 27, 2014.



Ryan S. Evans
Interim First Assistant City Manager

Attachment

cc: Honorable Mayor and Members of the Dallas City Council
A.C. Gonzalez, City Manager
Warren M. S. Ernst, City Attorney
Daniel F. Solis, Administrative Judge
Rosa A. Rios, City Secretary
Craig D. Kinton, City Auditor
Jill A. Jordan, P. E., Assistant City Manager
Forest E. Turner, Assistant City Manager
Joey Zapata, Assistant City Manager
Charles M. Cato, Interim Assistant City Manager
Theresa O'Donnell, Interim Assistant City Manager
Jeanne Chipperfield, Chief Financial Officer
Shawn Williams, Interim Public Information Officer
Elsa Cantu, Assistant to the City Manager – Mayor and Council



North Texas Crime Stoppers Public Safety Committee May 27, 2014



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David O. Brown
Chief Of Police

Purpose

- Provide a background of the Crime Stoppers Program
- Provide an overview of how the program works
- Illustrate recent successes



Background

- National program formed in 1976 as a result of a murder in Albuquerque, New Mexico
- North Texas Crime Stoppers began in 1980 and is operated by the North Texas Crime Commission
- Formed to encourage citizens to become involved in fighting crime by providing information on crimes about which they have knowledge
- Located in the Jack Evans Police Headquarters building and is staffed by two detectives

North Texas Crime Stoppers

- Crime Stoppers Reward Committee is comprised of civic and business leaders who provide direction as to the financial and promotional activities of the program
- Funded by a portion of the fines levied by Dallas and Collin County courts, private donations, and fund raising
- The Crime Stoppers Board meets on a monthly basis to evaluate arrests and to determine the size of rewards to be paid, up to \$5,000

How It Works

- Calls are received on the local Crime Stoppers tip line phone
 - Does not provide caller ID
 - Conversations are not recorded
- The Police Coordinator receives the information
 - Completes the tip information form
 - Makes initial inquiries
 - Passes the information to the investigating officer
 - Award made upon arrest and indictment
- Calls are accepted regarding any publicized request for information
 - Crime of the Week
 - Other crime(s) of which the caller has knowledge



Activity

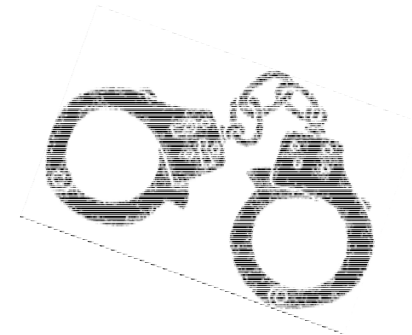
North Texas Crime Stoppers

Tips Received	40,028
Arrests Made	8,232
Cases Cleared	12,284
Rewards Paid	\$3,657,740
Property Recovered	\$8,674,129
Drugs Seized	\$7,023,163

Inception to April 2014

Success Stories

- In August of 2013 citizens were made aware of a serial rapist that was targeting women in the South Dallas Area
- A tip was received on September 4, 2013 which led the detectives to the suspect who was arrested September 19, 2013
- The tipster was awarded \$5,000 by the North Texas Crime Commission



Success Stories

- In early 2013, Dallas Police were searching for a suspect known as the "Lake Highland Rapist"
- A composite sketch of the suspect was released on March 25, 2013
- A tipster called and gave information of a person they believed looked like the possible suspect
- Detectives were able to identify and arrest the suspect for multiple sexual assaults
- The tipster was awarded \$5,000 by the North Texas Crime Commission and \$20,000 by an anonymous donor

Summary

- North Texas Crime Stoppers has built a cooperative relationship between police, citizens and media
- This relationship has assisted in the capture of many suspects who may have eluded arrest if not for the program

Questions?



1-877-373-TIPS

Hotline

WebTips

Submit a Tip Online

