



Unified Erie

A Violence Reduction Initiative



We Needed A Change in Our
Approach to the Issue of Violence in
the Community



Any Change Required Broad Collaboration
-Across Disciplines-

**A recognition that Violence is Traumatic
and has Consequences Across the
Community**

UnifiedErie:

- * Prevention
- * Enforcement
- * Reentry

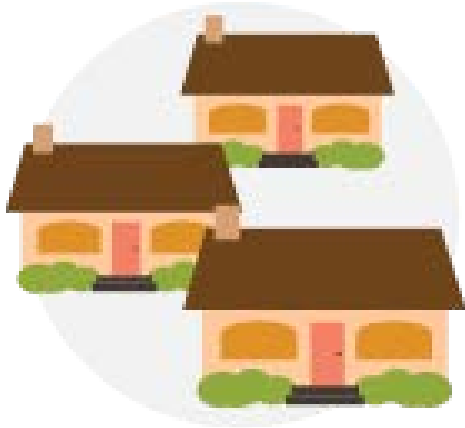




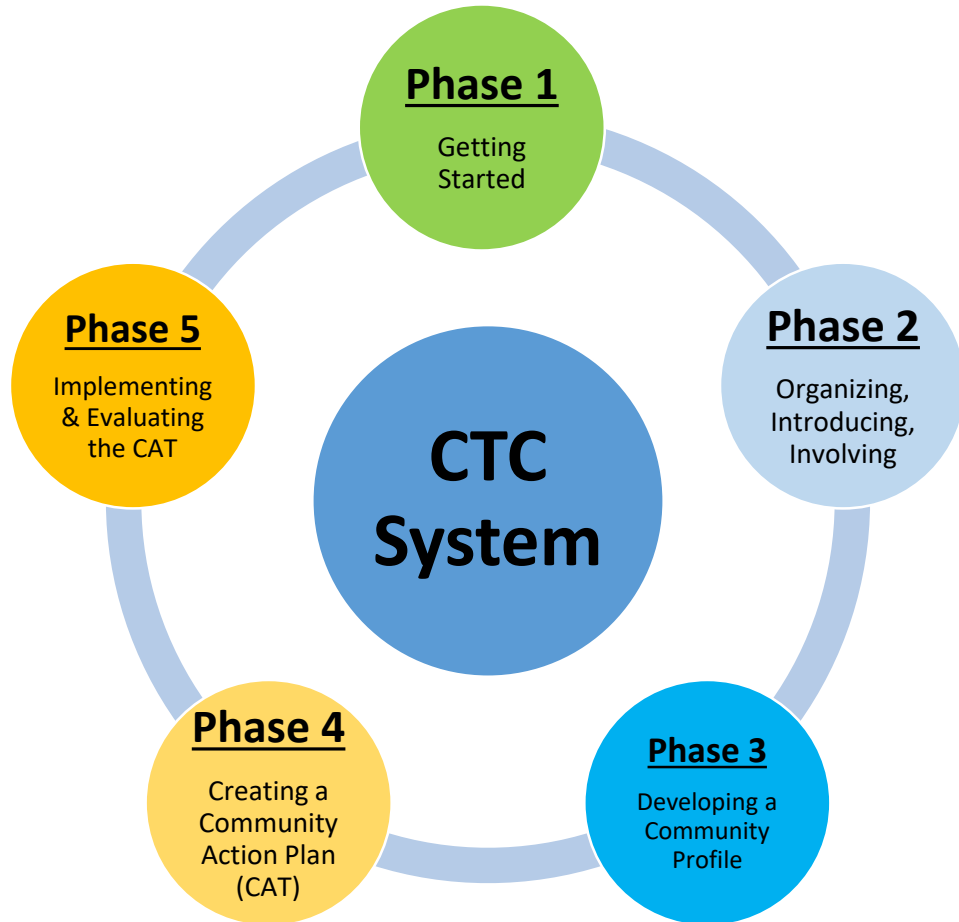
ERIE COUNTY
POLICY AND
PLANNING
COUNCIL

PREVENTION

How do we keep our kids safe in Erie?



FIVE PHASES OF CTC



How This Relates to Violence...

Risk Factors for Adolescent Problem Behavior

Risk Factors	Substance Abuse	Delinquency	Teen Pregnancy	School Drop-Out	Violence	Depression & Anxiety
Community						
Availability of Drugs	✓				✓	
Availability of Firearms		✓			✓	
Community Laws and Norms Favorable Toward Drug Use, Firearms, and Crime	✓	✓			✓	
Media Portrayals of Violence					✓	
Transitions and Mobility	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
Low Neighborhood Attachment and Community Disorganization	✓	✓			✓	
Extreme Economic Deprivation	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Family						
Family History of the Problem Behavior	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Family Management Problems	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Family Conflict	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Favorable Parental Attitudes and Involvement in the Problem Behavior	✓	✓			✓	
School						
Academic Failure Beginning in Late Elementary School	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Lack of Commitment to School	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Individual/Peer						
Early and Persistent Antisocial Behavior	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Rebelliousness	✓	✓		✓	✓	
Friends Who Engage in the Problem Behavior	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Favorable Attitudes Toward the Problem Behavior	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Early Initiation of the Problem Behavior	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Constitutional Factors	✓	✓			✓	✓

Prevention

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Erie County Pennsylvania

QUICK DIRECTORY OF EVIDENCED BASED PROGRAMS



Program Title	Target Client	Purpose/Modality	Contact to Make Referral
Nurse Family Partnership (NFP)	1st time pregnant, low-income women, must enroll before start of 3rd trimester of pregnancy (28 weeks), low-income, defined as eligible for MA or WIC	BN home visiting services designed to improve pregnancy outcomes, child health and development, and the economic self-sufficiency of the family.	Project Secretary: (814)451-6733 or Erie County Department of Health Intake Nurses: (814) 451-6733
Healthy Families America (HFA)	All pregnant women or parents/caregivers raising children ages 0-5; Prenatal enrollments or within 2 weeks of child's birth.	Home visiting service that focuses on early attachment; cultivates and strengthens nurturing parent-child relationships; promotes healthy childhood growth and development; enhances family functioning by reducing risk and building protective factors.	Eric Family Center: Kristin Costa, (814) 874-6995 kcosta@enesd.org
Parents as Teachers (PAT)	Parents with children ages (prenatal) through age 5, or upon school entry, any parent/caregiver may enroll for services any time from prenatal (recommended) until the age of school entry.	Home visiting service to work with parents, increases parent knowledge of early childhood development and improve parenting practices; provides early detection of developmental delays and health issues; prevents child abuse and neglect; increases children's school readiness and school success	Eric Family Center: Kristin Costa, (814) 874-6995 kcosta@enesd.org Union City Support Center: Valerie (814) 438-7550 Valerie.ucsf@gmail.com
Parent Child Interaction Therapy (PCIT)	Children ages 2.5 - 6yr, 11mo. Children acting out or exhibiting behavior problems (verbal and physical aggression, defiance, noncompliance, temper tantrums); parents who could benefit from enhanced relationship and/or behavior management skills with young children.	Outpatient counseling modality, improves parent-child relationship; reductions in disruptive behavior; improvements in parent behavior, parent stress, and maternal depression; improvements in child school behavior; generalization to untreated siblings/children.	Adolescent Center: (814) 459-2755, extension 3116 Safe Harbor: Mandy Faubic, 814-459-9300 mandy.faubic@shon.org Sarah Reed Children's Center: Matt Bogoras (814) 835-3126 mbogoras@sarahreed.org
Big Brothers/Big Sisters (BB/BS)	Children ages 6-13 from predominantly single parent, at-risk families	Volunteer mentors initiate consistent one-to-one contact with a child and provide positive social, recreational, and cultural experiences to help the child reach his/her full potential.	Family Services: Paula Hayes, (814) 866-4566 paulahay@fnwpa.org
Strengthening Families Program (SFP) for Parents & Youth	Parenting program for families with youth ages 9-16	Family skills training program involving both the parent and the youth; enhances parenting skills & styles; strengthens family bonds; promotes positive communication among family members; builds life skills in youth including stress management, conflict resolution, and improved communication.	Eric Family Center: Michele Martucci (814) 874-6984 mmartucci@enesd.org
Functional Family Therapy (FFT)	10 to 17 years old with externalizing problem behaviors stemming from relational problems within the family; caregiver must be willing to participate.	In-home family therapy, one time per week for up to 22 weeks.	Family Services: Michele Kephart (814) 866-4500 mkephart@fnwpa.org
Multi-Systemic Therapy (MST)	12-17 years old with delinquent behavior (i.e., verbal/physical aggression, truancy, substance abuse, experiencing problems at school, etc.); a caregiver must be willing to participate.	Intensive in-home therapy 2-5 times per week for up to 27 weeks; provides 24 hour on call service.	Harborcreek Youth Services: Norm Stamford, 814-899-7664 x311 nstamford@hys-erie.org Family Services: Martha Swick (814) 866-4500 mswick@fnwpa.org
Multi-Systemic Therapy for Problem Sexual Behaviors (MST-PSB)	10 to 18 years old exhibiting sexually related anti-social and delinquent behaviors; caregiver must be willing to participate.	In-home therapy 3-5 times per week addresses the determinants of sexually inappropriate behavior and related behavior concerns; provides 24 hour on call service.	Family Services: Martha Swick (814) 866-4500 mswick@fnwpa.org
Trauma-Focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (TF-CBT)	Any child age 3 to 18 experiencing a traumatic life event such as abuse, neglect, traumatic loss/death of a loved one, fire, disaster, auto accident, etc. Open to children ages 3-21 with a qualifying mental health or high functioning ASD diagnosis who have experienced trauma; participants must be approved through the BHRS process; Trauma Focused and CBT Therapy is recommended through a psychological or psychiatric evaluation.	Weekly office based therapy works to minimize the negative impact of traumatic life events that may be resulting in depression, anxiety, or behavioral problems.	Family Services: Sandi Madrine, (814) 866-4500 sandim@fnwpa.org Barber Center: Steve Colvin, (814) 878-5930 scolevin@barberinstitute.org
Family Group Decision Making (FGDM)	Families must be referred by the Erie County Office of Children and Youth or Juvenile Probation	Facilitates a decision-making process that draws together extended family members to develop a sound plan to address concerns with regard to child safety, well-being, and overall development.	Family Services: Sarah Williams, (814) 866-4590 sarahw@fnwpa.org Union City Support Center: Pat Valinson, (814) 438-7550 pat.valcf@gmail.com

Directory compiled by the NFP Family Resource Committee. To verify this is the latest version of this Quick Directory, please go to www.unifederie.org. Questions or comments contact: Andrea Bawie (814)388-2347. www.unifederie.org Updated 8-14-15



Neighborhood Resource Organization



neighborhood resource organization

509 East 26th Street
Erie, PA 16504
814-434-8294
nroerie.org



Empowering the Erie area one neighborhood at a time.

Purpose: Provide support to community groups/watches/associations and their efforts to improve their individual neighborhoods. Support includes:



Mini Grant Program & Good Neighbor Awards

take me to **worship**.org



If you take me to worship...
I will be less likely to commit a violent crime.

Nominations are NOW OPEN for the 2017 Youth Work Awards!

Go to: <http://unifederie.link/YWANOMINATE>

4th Annual YOUTH WORK AWARDS 2017

ENFORCEMENT

How do we lead the way for positive change in Erie?





A Realization that Less than 1% of the entire population in the city is involved in violent incidents.

Enforcement

- Problem Oriented Policing
- Foot/Bike Patrols
- Mobile Precinct
- Fugitive Taskforce
- Gun Crime Working Group
- Chronic Violent Offenders
- Lethality Assessment Program



SMART
POLICING

Data. Analysis. Solutions.

GVRS/Call In Meetings

- Violence will no longer be tolerated.
- A genuine offer of help is being made available.
- The next group gets law enforcement focus.
- We want to help.
- SAFE, ALIVE, & OUT OF PRISON.
- Speakers
 - Moral Voice, Civic Leader, Police Chief, Prosecutor State and Federal, Former Offender, Impact of Violence Voice, Social Service Advocate



RE-ENTRY

How can we assist those caught in the revolving door?



Re-Entry

Facilitated by:



ISSUES IDENTIFIED:

- Transportation
- Housing
- Employment
- Education/Job Training
- MENTORING



Creation of the
**Erie County Reentry Services & Support Alliance
(ECRSSA)**

ECRSSA

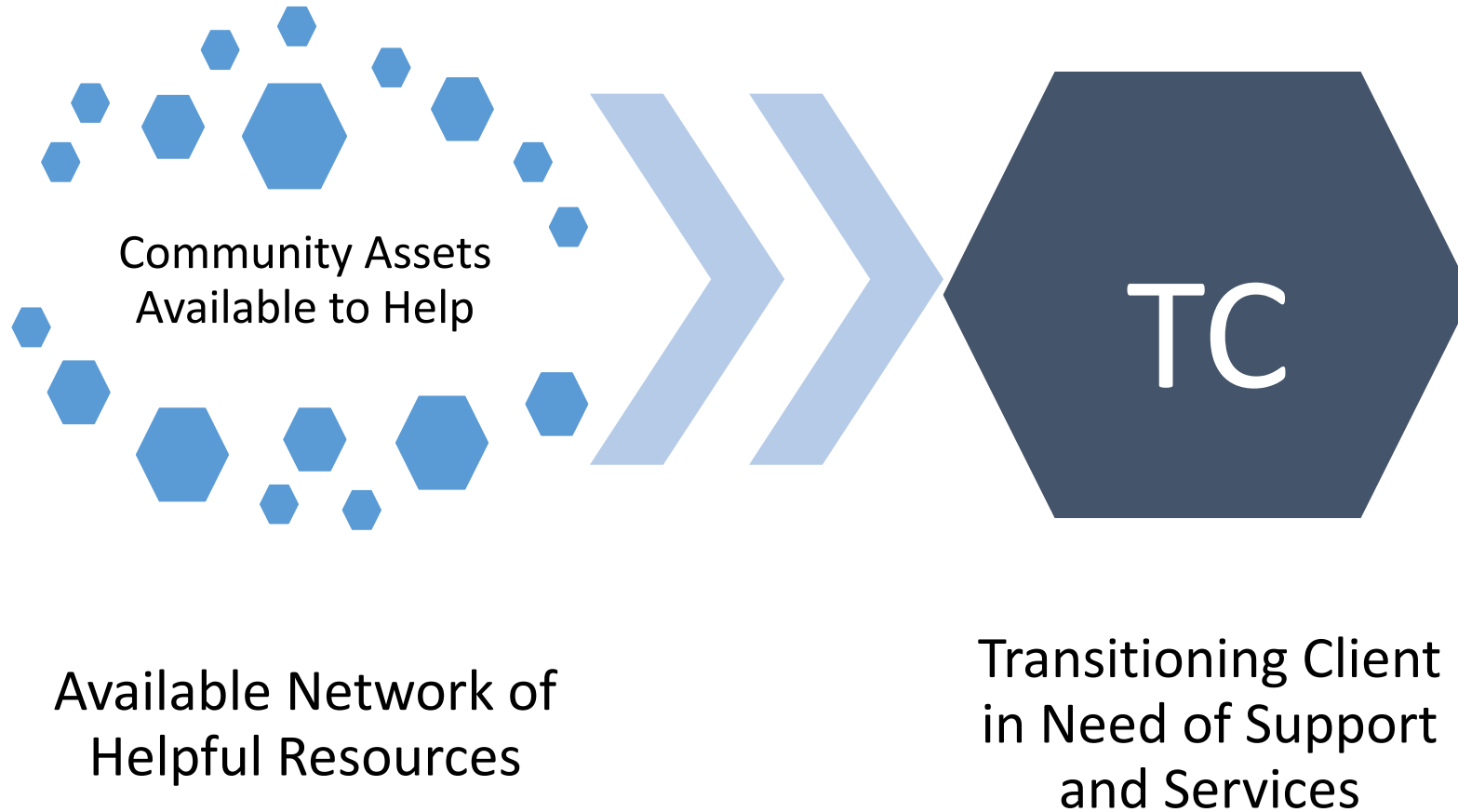
Erie County Re-Entry Services and Support Alliance

PROVIDING DIRECTION AND HOPE TO TRANSITIONING CLIENTS

The mission of the ECRSSA is to provide support and services to transitioning clients through an intentional network of community and faith-based organizations in partnership with the criminal justice system.



Traditional Model of Providing Services to Transitioning Clients



ECRSSA Model

Case Managers, Client Advocates and Mentors Guide TC to Services

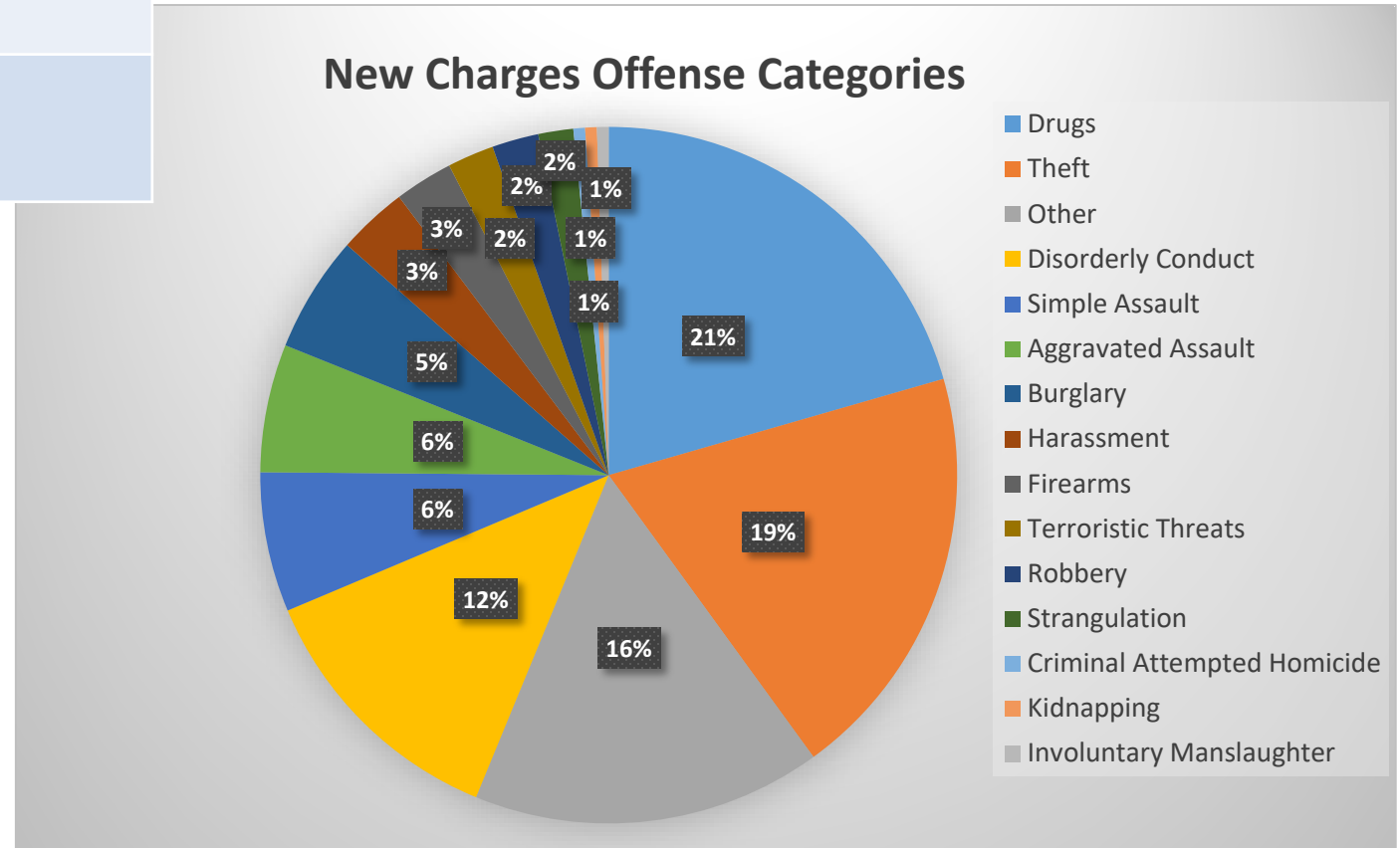




The Overall Impact on Crime...

ECRSSA IMPACT RECIDIVISM

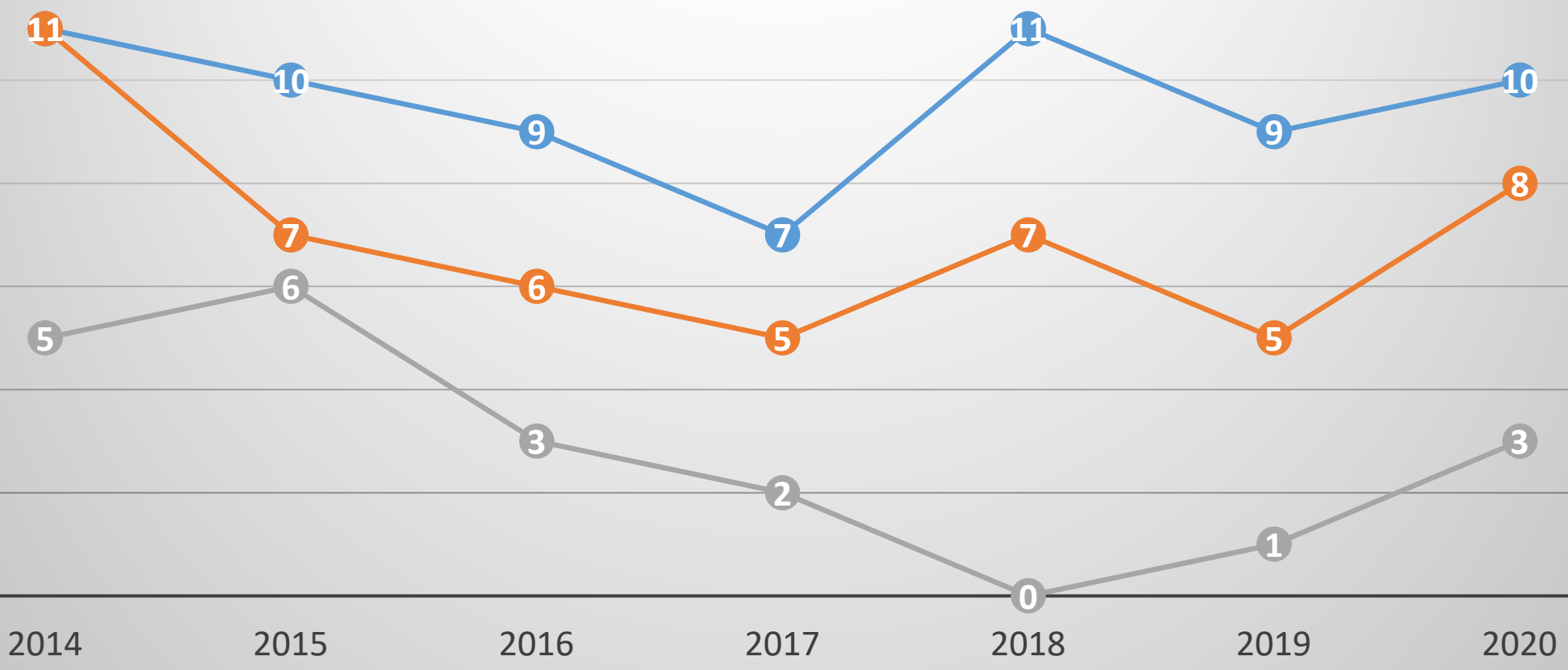
	NEW CHARGES	NEW CONVICTION & INCARCERATION
# of clients	111	47
% of clients	35%	15%
Erie County Averages	58%	42%



GVRS IMPACT 2017-2019

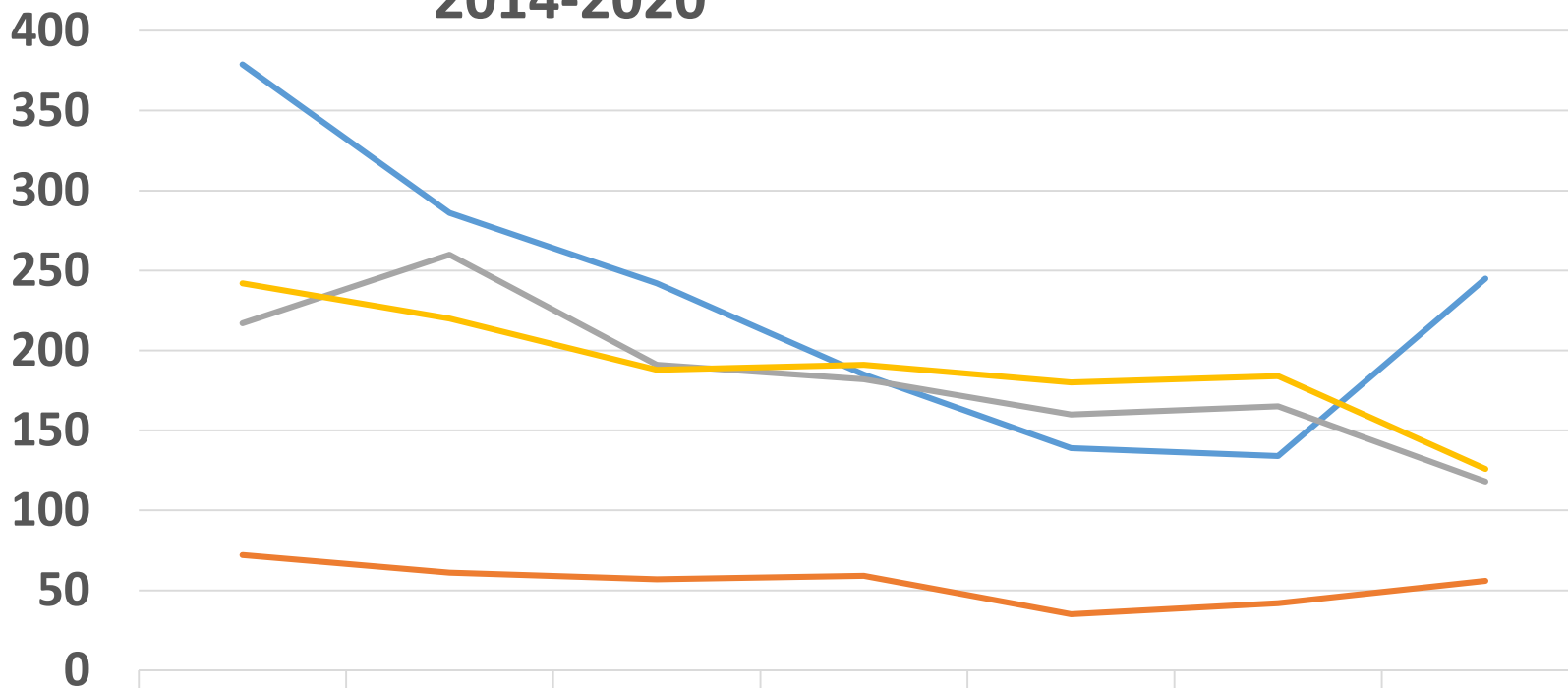
- 70% of individuals who have attended a “call in” had not had ANY new charges following a “call in”.
- 93% of individuals who have attended a “call in” had not had any new charges for violent offenses or firearms following a “call in”.

Erie City Homicides 2014-2020



● Total Homicides ● Homicides by Firearm ● Group Related Homicides

Violent Crime Incidents 2014-2020



	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
— Shots Fired	379	286	242	185	139	134	245
— People Shot	72	61	57	59	35	42	56
— Robberies	217	260	191	182	160	165	118
— Aggravated Assaults	242	220	188	191	180	184	126

**"I ALWAYS WONDERED WHY
SOMEBODY DIDN'T DO
SOMETHING
ABOUT THAT. THEN I
REALIZED
I AM SOMEBODY."**



www.unifiederie.org