

Policing & Crime in My Community

Directions:

1. Get into a group of three or four.
2. With your group, research policing programs in your community. Learn about at least two ongoing crime prevention programs instituted in your area. Discover specific goals of each program, as well as tactics used to achieve those goals. It may also be helpful to know when the program began and, if applicable, the target date for completion.
3. Evaluate how community-oriented the programs are.
4. Research the crime statistics in your area relevant to the crime prevention programs you researched.
5. Use your research to examine the relative success of the crime prevention programs. Conclude whether policing methods in your community build positive relationships or not and analyze how that affects crime rates.
6. Create a brief presentation to explain your research and conclusions. In addition, include your opinion as to how programs could be improved, or what new programs could be instituted to improve community relationships and lower crime rates. Create a visual aid of some kind to be used in the presentation.