

HIGH POINT & GREENSBORO JOINT NOTIFICATION CALL-IN
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BULLETS FOR VIOLENT CRIME TASK FORCE CALL IN

Messages for Adult Notification Session -

Community Session

- We are partners with law enforcement in this effort to stop violence.
- We want you to know that we will no longer tolerate violence on our streets.
- We're also tired of your bringing kids into the violence, into the drugs.
- We recognize that some of the problems are caused by conditions in our neighborhoods - we are working to clean those up.

(No more than 5 speakers in first session)

Law Enforcement Session

Police Chief

- You have been brought here today because you either have a history of committing violent crime or you associate with those who do.
- The purpose for this meeting is two-fold. First to let you know violence will no longer be tolerated in our community. Second, to inform you that if you insist on continuing violent behavior, we will do everything possible to put you in federal prison.
- We represent a partnership of local, state and federal law enforcement that is committed to putting a stop to violence in High Point. Our kids are getting caught up in violence on street, drug trade on street and you are responsible.
- We want to put a stop to that.
- We want to give you a strong and clear message..

- We are tired of violence on our streets, we are tired of the shootings, and we are especially tired of your involving our young people in your actions.
- All of the law enforcement agencies represented here today are prepared to respond swiftly to the next act of violence, next time we catch you bringing young kids into your drug trade.
- Next time you commit an act of violence you can expect to see all of us there.
- As Chief of Police my primary job is putting bad people behind bars. I am committed to that job.

(Ask agency participants to introduce themselves briefly)

District Attorney

- My decision when to try you.
- Swift, certain prosecution if you commit a violent act.
- You will be moved to the top of the list.
- Will talk with federal prosecutors to determine where you can get more time.

Adult Probation

- We are committed to this partnership and to this effort to reduce violence.
- You have been identified as violent. We will strictly enforce conditions of probation, curfews, searches, drug screens.
- We want you to succeed and we will assist you in any way that we can. But we will also assist law enforcement if you commit violence.
- We also are particularly concerned about juveniles you are using.

U.S. Attorney

- This is priority with U.S. Attorney's office. New way of doing business - thought it was only fair to tell you.
- We are part of strong effort to reduce juvenile violence in our community. You contribute to juvenile violence - when you set the climate of violence in neighborhoods where our kids are growing up, when you use guns, and when you bring juveniles into our drugs and other criminal activity.
- This is going to stop - It is a federal crime to give a juvenile a gun. If we catch you doing that - you can expect to see us.

- This is not a grant of immunity - This is not a promise that you will not be prosecuted.
- This is a warning. If you commit violence, you can expect to see these agencies sitting around the table.

ATF

- Committed to this violence reduction effort.
- We will work with all agency on gun tracing.
- Felon cannot possess firearm - nowhere, no time, for no reason
- Have people buying guns from you right now.

FBI

- Committed to violence reduction effort.
- Bring out resources to the table.
- Surveillance, nationwide assistance.
- Violent fugitive task force.

DEA

- Committed to violence reduction effort
- We will use our resources to buy dope, use informants.
- Use nationwide intelligence networks.

HUD

- Committed to reducing gun violence, especially in housing projects.
- Resources and investigative assistance.

SBI

- Cannot run to other jurisdictions.
- Crime analysis and reporting.
- Resources to buy drugs.

Asst. U.S. Attorney

HPPD Task Force Member

- You are being given a unique opportunity.
- We are reaching out to you as a community and offering you the necessary resources to change your situation.
- You can accept this help or continue violent crime and be dealt with by the task force.
- The choice is yours.

Chief Closing

- You want to be noticed? Well, you have been.
- You are important - you are important to us.
- We will flag you in Police Department, DA's office.
- We know who you are - we know exactly what you are doing.
- Now - we want you to stop it - stop the violence, put down your guns, stop using kids in crime and drugs.
- If you test us, will face immediate response from PD.
- Make no mistake about it. My primary job is to put bad people in jail. I am committed to that job.

- **Probation officers will escort you back to lineup room - where you will have the opportunity to discuss further with them and hear about opportunity. (NOTE: We are NOT offering any particular resources to adults - just to juveniles.)**

Follow-up Session with Probation

- Ministers to be in charge of session - reinforce message. Door is open for any needs/counseling. Call upon:
- Probation to reinforce the message they have just heard. We are serious about stopping violence, but equally serious about helping you. Best thing you can do is contact probation officer. Work with us.
- Provide basic information about day reporting center - what it is - what services are there.
- Workforce Development will be there to discuss opportunities at JobLink Center and how to resource these.

Community Session

(from Clergy)

- We are here because we want to help law enforcement put an end to juvenile violence. We are partners with law enforcement - you need to know that.
- We want you to know that we will no longer tolerate violence on our streets. We want you to stop your violence, put down your guns and, for older ones, stop bringing kids into your crimes.
- You are about to hear a very tough message from law enforcement - you need to listen to what they say. That message is coming from us as well.
- We are tired of your lives being ruined, we know that some of your circumstances are beyond your control. But we are here to help you.

(From Community)

- Reinforce partnership. We are here to work with you - to help you.
- You are about to hear a very tough message - we can only help you if you listen - if you take heed to what they say.
- New day - but must work together.
- As parents - you are accountable for your child and his actions. New juvenile code puts some teeth in that. But basically you are accountable.

(end with clergy)

- You need to listen to message - do what they say - but also afterward will be coming back to this room to discuss what you need to help you stop violence.

BULLETS FOR JUVENILE NOTIFICATION SESSION

Police Chief Quijas

- We represent a partnership of local, state and federal law enforcement that is committed to putting a stop to juvenile violence here in High Point. Our kids are getting caught up in violence on street, drug trade on street and you are responsible.
- We want to put a stop to that.
- You have been asked to come here because you have a history of committing violent acts or associating with those who commit violence. We want to give you a strong and clear message.
- We are tired of violence on our streets, we are tired of the shootings, and for those of you who are over 16 - we are especially tired of you bringing little brothers and sisters, other kids into your actions.
- All of the law enforcement agencies represented here today are prepared to respond swiftly to next act of violence, next time you're involved in a shooting, or a robbery....Or next time we catch you using juveniles in your drug trade.
- Need to listen - Next time you commit an act of violence you can expect to see all of us there.

(Ask agency participants to introduce themselves briefly)

U.S. Attorney

- Reinforce major effort of partnership.
- This is priority with U.S. Attorney's office. New way of doing business - thought it was only fair to tell you.
- We are tired of juveniles hurting and killing each other on our streets - particularly in certain neighborhoods of High Point. You contribute to juvenile violence - when you set the climate of violence in neighborhoods where our kids are growing up, when you use guns, and when you bring juveniles into your drugs and other criminal activity.
- This is going to stop - It is a federal crime to give a juvenile a gun. If we catch you doing that - you can expect to see us.
- This is not a grant of immunity - This is not a promise that you will not be prosecuted.
- This is a warning. If you commit violence, you can expect to see these agencies sitting around the table.

District Attorney

- My decision when to try you.
- Swift, certain prosecution if you commit a violent act.
- You will be moved to the top of the list.
- Most of you are now in adult system now - you need to know what that means. We can AND will prosecute you swiftly if you commit a violent act. I will be working with all these agencies to ensure that you get the most time possible.
- Some of you are already 18 - means you can be prosecuted by federal system. Rob will tell you more about what that means - but I will confer on each case to determine where we can get most crime.

Adult Probation

- We are committed to this partnership and to this effort to reduce violence.
- You have been identified as violent or associate with those who commit violence. We will strictly enforce conditions or probation, curfews, searches, drug screens.
- Explain difference in juvenile/adult probation.
- We want you to succeed and we will assist you in any way that we can. But we will also assist law enforcement if you commit violence.
- We also are particularly concerned about young kids you are using.

Juvenile Probation

- Those of you getting ready to turn 16 - need to realize you are in a different system now. Much more serious consequences.
- New juvenile code changes - what does that mean for kids? What does that mean for parents?
- Reinforce differences in juvenile and adult probation.

Juvenile Repeat Offender Unit

- Information gathered will now be turned over to adult unit.
- We can now share your juvenile record with DA for sentencing purposes.
- We know who you are - flagged in PD - will be tracking all your activity.
- You need to pass this message along to others - you were called here because you are on probation - but you need to let the others know what was said today.

School Resource Officer -

- We are working in partnership with Police Department.
- As you know - we don't tolerate weapons at school. Will continue to strictly enforce.
- We want to work with you - need to listen - pay attention. Realize that you have a chance to stop right now - If you don't many of you are headed for serious time.

Housing Authority –

- We are working with partnership - to identify who is causing violence on street.
- We have a banned list - we will enforce this strictly.
- We will evict you from public housing - if caught - But we don't want to do that - don't want to harm your mothers, brothers, sisters.
- But you need to listen - take this seriously.

U.S. Attorney - Rob

- Some of you are 18 - or soon to be.
- Fed policy: felonies: no guns. Some of you are felons - that means you cannot own a gun.
- We're going to use these federal agencies in our investigations - call upon them individually.
- Rest of Rob's stuff.

End with Chief Quijas

- You want to be noticed? Well, you have been.
- You are important - you are important to us.
- We will flag you in Police Department, , DA's office.
- We know who you are - we know exactly what you are doing.
- Now - we want you to stop it - stop the violence, put down your guns, stop using younger kids in crime and drugs.
- If you test us, will face immediate response from PD.
- Want you to succeed - want you to change - community members here to talk to you. Find out a little more about what you need. Parents - is here to talk with you.
- Probation officers will escort you back to lineup room - where you will have the opportunity to discuss with them and community members this message and talk to them more about your needs. Hope you take advantage of that.

Follow-up Community Session:

- Minister needs to lead it.
- SRO to reinforce message - make sure they are aware of seriousness, what they have just heard.
- Make sure parents understand what they've heard/ We are here to assist you as parents in any way we can.
- Probation officers talk about importance of working with them. Indicate that officers are here to answer any questions about Job Link. Also give them information about day reporting center.
- Stress desire of community members to work with them.
- Ministers to close session.