



Minneapolis Police Department 2009 Neighborhood Policing Plan *Loring Park Neighborhood*

Introduction:

The Loring Park Neighborhood is located in the Minneapolis Police Department's First Precinct.

Neighborhood Map:



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Overview:

Loring Park is located south and west of Downtown, bordered by I-394, 12th Street, 4th Avenue South, and I-94. It is predominantly brownstone and high-rise rental, also several condominiums and a couple town-home associations, with commercial nodes and a commercial corridor along Nicollet and Lyndale/Hennepin Avenues. Named after the park at its center, the neighborhood association overseeing its NRP planning is Citizens for a Loring Park Community (CLPC).

CRIME STATISTICS

Loring Park Neighborhood Crime Statistics, 2008 vs. 2007: Part I Crimes

	Total	Homicide	Rape	Robbery	Ag Assault	Burglary	Larceny	Auto Theft	Arson
2008	473	0	5	26	15	53	345	29	0
2007	494	0	9	54	23	52	323	33	0
Change totals	-21	0	-4	-28	-8	1	22	-4	0
Change %	-4%	0	-44%	-52%	-35%	+2%	+7%	-12%	0

Neighborhood Concerns:

In monthly CLPC **Livability Committee** meetings and in the NPS (Neighborhood Policing Survey), stakeholders have identified as their top concerns loitering around commercial establishments along Nicollet Avenue, drug activity associated with rental property, and malingering in the Loring Greenway. Although violent crimes declined substantially, Loring residents and businesses continue to feel the perception that overall citizens are at higher risk of violent crimes than the statistics demonstrate. **Surveyed in 2007 and 2008, Loring stakeholders reiterated these same concerns.**

2009 Policing Strategy:

Survey responses and feedback at CLPC's Livability Committee 2008 and 2009 meetings continued to affirm our 2008 Policing Strategy and Measures for Loring Park and pointed to building on our success with the following strategies:

Create more opportunities for community input and measuring it through impact statements, participation in Livability Committee.

Maintain officer visibility in the neighborhood with T3s, bikes, mounted patrol.

Communicate positive crime statistics and success stories, to improve perception of safety.

Collaborate with Minneapolis Park Police on Loring Park issues.

Neighborhood Engagement:

CLPC continues to be focused on meaningful changes to the entire criminal justice system. Many criminal justice partners frequently invited to present to Loring Park stakeholders and CLPC's Livability Committee rallies citizens to urge our CJ partners to respond to community needs. The Livability Committee continues to reach out to residents of security residential buildings. Most survey respondents again committed to submitting impact statements, participating in Livability, and otherwise networking to increase involvement. The Livability Committee will:

1. Emphasize community involvement and communication from police about what is happening. The Livability Committee would like to forward positive crime news more broadly to the neighborhood. For example, an early 2009 robbery decoy detail resulted in no robbery arrests, but many citizens offering to help the decoy to prevent becoming a victim.

2. Support the First Precinct's strategy of ongoing visibility and help to distribute crime prevention materials and alerts to Loring stakeholders.

3. Increase Court Watch participation and monitoring offenders and distribute information on Loring chronic offenders.

2009 Performance Measures:

To measure success in the Loring Park Neighborhood, we will focus on the following goals:

Continue to **increase** participation in the Virtual Block Club.

Increase requests for geographic restrictions on chronic offenders by another 25%.

Maintain volume of Community Impact Statements.

Decrease targeted Part I crimes by another 5%.

For demographics of the Neighborhoods in the First Precinct, link to <http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/planning/Census2000/maps/index.asp>

LORING PARK – 2008 NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN RESULTS

2008 Performance Measures and Results:

Increase participation in the Virtual Block Club, CityWorkSite, or equivalent for all stakeholders. *Increased VBC participation by another 20%*

Increase requests for geographic restrictions on chronic offenders by 25%.
Exceeded our goal of 25% more geographic restrictions requested in court.

Maintain volume of Community Impact Statements.
The volume of impact statements received from the community decreased slightly, due to reduced requests when our threshold for arrests that defined a "chronic offender" was increased.

Decrease targeted Part I crimes by 10%. *Loring Park saw a 4% decrease in Part I crimes, and violent crimes decreased by nearly 40%.*

--- end of 2009 Plan; 2008 Results for Loring Park Neighborhood