



Winston-Salem Police Department

Public Safety Committee Meeting
August 9, 2021



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National
Integrated
Ballistics Network
(NIBIN) - 2018

Violent Firearm
Investigations
Team - 2019

Gun Crime
Reduction Unit
(GCRU) - 2020

Real Time Crime
Center - 2021

Shotspotter
2021



Winston-Salem Police Department - Units Investigating Firearm Offenses



- **CID - Criminal Investigations Division:** Primary responsibility for major crime solution which includes investigations of homicides, robberies, burglaries, sexual assaults, etc.
- **SCU - Street Crimes Units:** Each District is assigned a SCU responsible for concentrated enforcement of street level crime of all types throughout each District
- **Gang Unit:** Responsible for conducting investigations involving gangs, gang-related crimes/activity and providing intelligence on gang members being investigated by law enforcement
- **SWAT - Special Weapons and Tactics Team:** Responsible for handling various high-risk law enforcement incidents such as armed barricaded subjects, hostage rescue, high-risk arrests, and dignitary protection

Purpose of the WSPD Gun Crime Reduction Unit (GCRU)



- Immediate response and investigation of gun crimes involving discharging firearms into a dwelling, business, vehicle, and/or incidents when an individual is injured by gun fire
- Apprehend violent offenders where the Special Weapons and Tactics Team (SWAT) has not assumed the investigation/apprehension
- Engage in proactive policing in areas where gun violence has repeatedly occurred to reduce additional gun crime incidents

Partnership with Forsyth County Sheriff's Office

- FCSO Saturation Patrols
- Partnership with WSPD GCRU
- Additional Law Enforcement presence in areas prevalent for Gun Violence

Violent Firearm Investigations Team

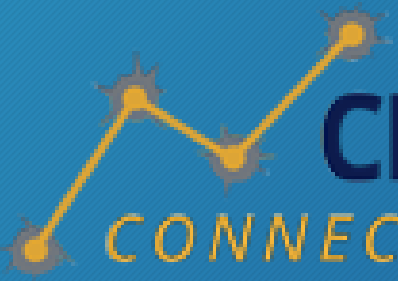


- Identify violent offenders
- Work with local & Federal partners
- Be proactive in the community
- Reduce crime & fear of crime

WSPD Gun Crime Statistics



Statistic	2020	Jan. 2021 - May 25, 2021
Fatal Shooting Victims	23	12
Non-fatal Shooting Victims	180 (approximate)	81
Discharging Firearms Calls	3,129	1026
Crime Guns Recovered	847	359
Crime Guns linked in NIBIN	183	105
NIBIN leads	1288	329 (*thru 4/30/21)



CRIME GUN INTELLIGENCE CENTERS

CONNECTING THE DOTS



A project of the Improving Investigations Training and Technical Assistance Resource Center

Consistently
collect all
evidence

Utilize NIBIN
and etrace in
a timely
manner

Establish a
dedicated
investigative
team that
coordinates
efforts

Use Forensic
technology to
drive
investigations
&
prosecutions

Establish &
maintain
Partnerships



- ❑ Correlates/connects possible leads to other crime scenes based on evidence seized
- ❑ Provides investigative leads in a timely manner



WSPD NIBIN STATISTICS



National Integrated Ballistics Information Network

System Data for 05/26-2020 - 5/26/2021 (1 Year Period)

Area / Jurisdiction	Investigative Leads	# of System Acquisitions	% Leads to Acquisition
Winston Salem PD	1,202	2,744	44%
Region (Not Including WSPD)	1,476	3,890	38%
NC State Wide	8,581	25,704	33%

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SHOTSPOTTER



<p>A gun is fired; the sound of an explosion radiates.</p>	<p>Multiple ShotSpotter sensors throughout coverage area trigger</p>	<p>Location of gunfire is pinpointed within seconds and ShotSpotter gunfire and acoustic experts review and qualify the data</p>	<p>Qualified Alert quickly sent to dispatch center, PSAP, and mobile units for immediate dispatch.</p>	<p>Within minutes officers arrive to precise gunshot location with greater situational awareness and preparedness.</p>
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Real Time Crime Center (RTCC)



Phase 1 - Game Changer



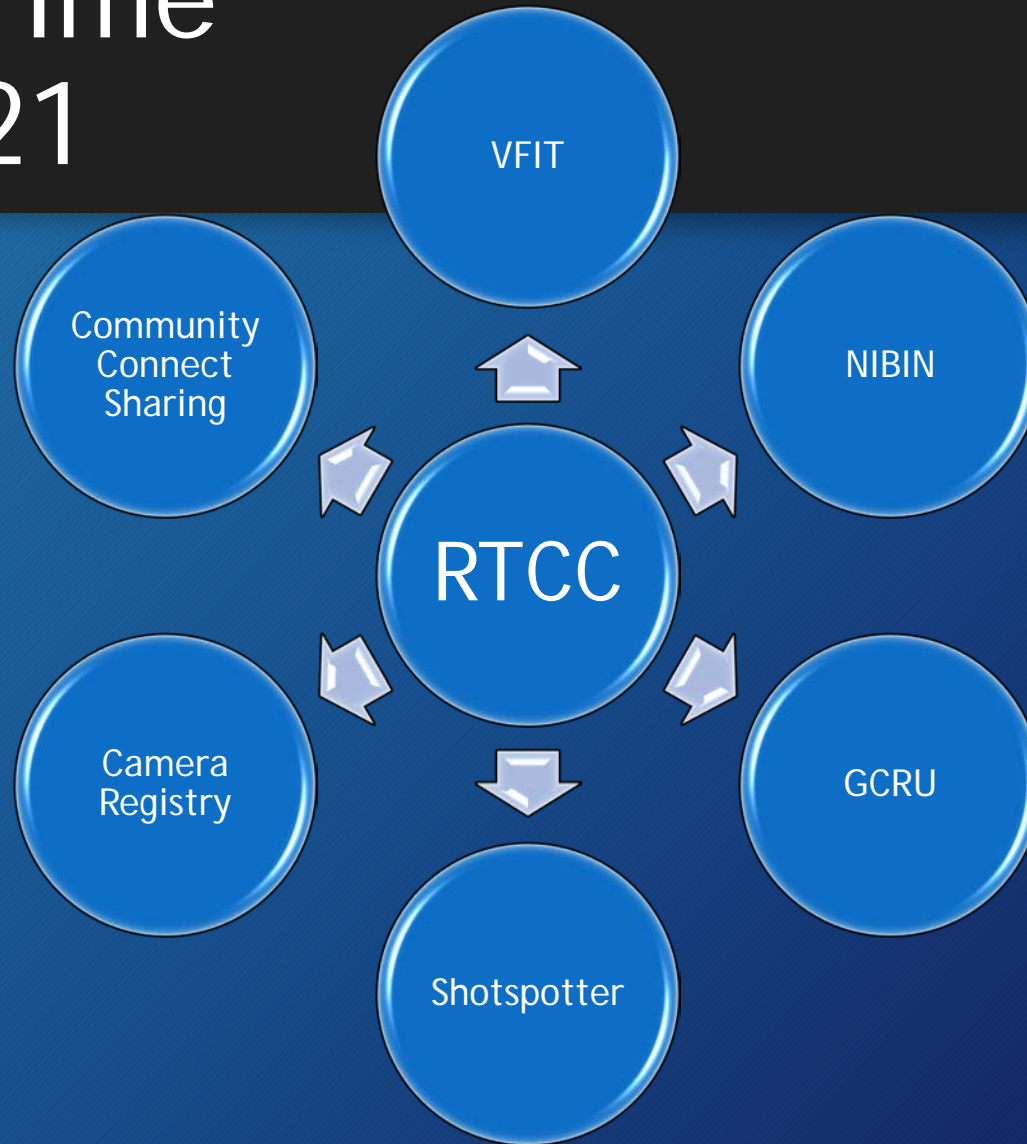
Phase 2 - Force Multiplier



Real Time Crime Center



WSPD Gun Crime Initiative 2021



WSPD Gun Buy-Back Initiative

Proposal for a Gun Buy-Back Initiative

2014 Gun Buy-Back Program

- 488 Total Weapons surrendered with a total of \$44,025.00 paid
- 297 Handguns - (\$100.00 each paid)
- 84 Shotguns (\$75.00 each paid),
- 107 Rifles (\$75.00 each paid)

Gun buyback succeeds far beyond organizers' expectations

Richard Craver/Winston-Salem Journal
Mar 15, 2014



Shotguns and rifles that have been turned in start piling up at the City of Winston-Salem Gun Buy Back, held at the Fairgrounds Saturday, March 15, 2014.

Lauren Carroll/Winston-Salem Journal



Richard Craver/Winston-Salem Journal



QUESTIONS

