



# LONG BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT



# *STAFFING REPORT*

September 6, 2005

**Chief Anthony Batts**



# ISSUES



- Why Does Long Beach Need More Officers?
- How Many Officers Are Needed?
- How Much Will They Cost?
- How Do We Pay For Them?



# THE NEED



- The Community says:

“WE NEED MORE OFFICERS”

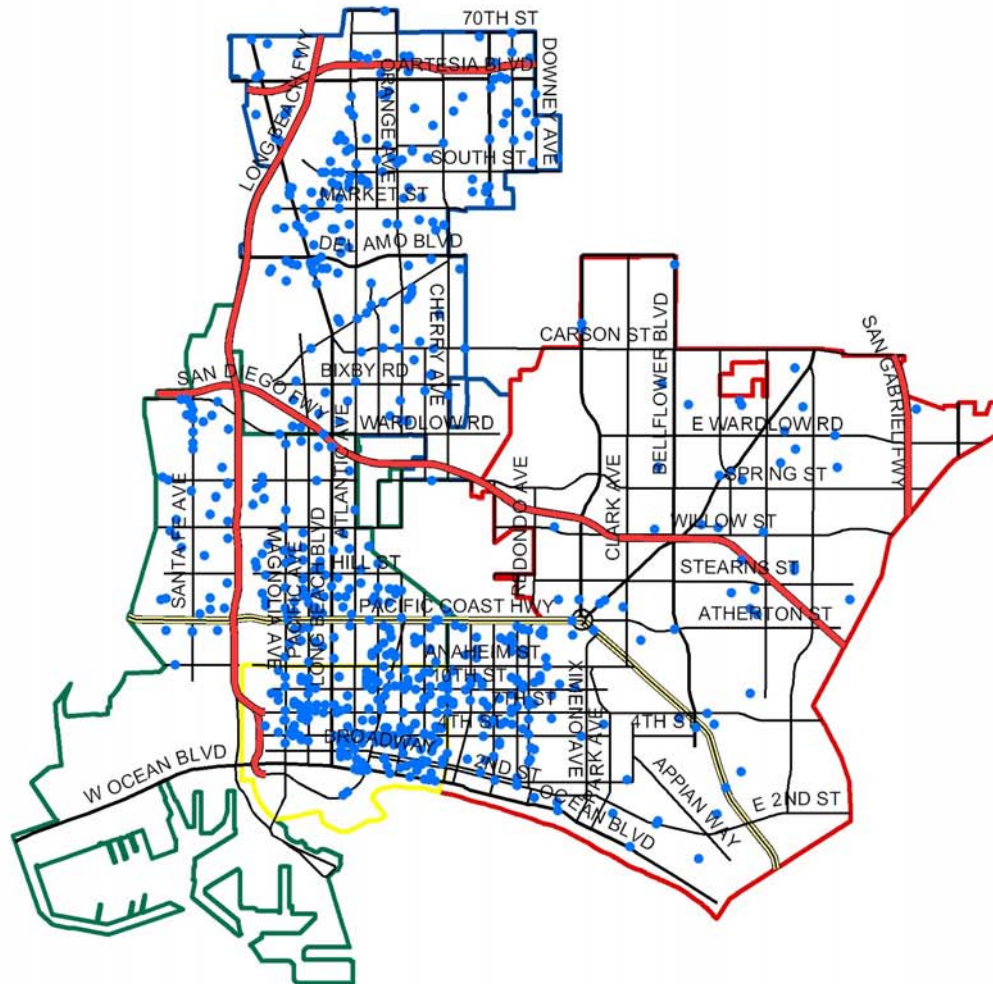


# THE NEED



- 491,564 Residents
- 775 Registered Sex Offenders
- 6,100 Parolees
- 5,107 Adult & Juvenile Probationers
- 5,204 Gang Members
- 73 Tagging Crews
- 5,845 Homeless
- **Current Police Officers = 975**

# Sex Registrants - City of Long Beach As of August 30, 2005



### Patrol Div Status

- █ East
- █ North
- █ South
- █ West
- HIGH RISK (7); SERIOUS (644); OTHER (126)



# THE NEED

- Regional Pressure
  - ✓ LAPD – Hiring approx. 750 new Officers
  - ✓ LASD – Hiring approx. 1000 new Deputies
  - ✓ OCSD – Hiring approx. 300 new Deputies
- Result = Crime/criminals pushed to LB
- **Current Police Officers = 975**



# THE NEED

- **Development**
  - 15,624 Building Permits
  - Entertainment
- **Demographics**
  - 93,408 LBUSD Students
  - 32,000 LBCC Students
  - 34,000 CSULB Students
- **Density**
  - 9,148 people per square mile
- **Demand**
  - 720,444 Calls for Service
- **Current Police Officers = 975**



# THE NEED

- **STATED GOAL OF CITY COUNCIL:**  
**“REDUCE VIOLENT CRIME”**
- **VIOLENT CRIME**  
**Murders / Shootings / Sexual Predators / Drugs**
- **HOMELAND SECURITY**  
**LNG/Port/Airport/Critical Facilities**
- **QUALITY OF LIFE**





# HOW MANY?



## 1994 LBPD Strategic Plan Staffing Model

- ✓ Average Growth Rate of 38 Officers per year
- ✓ FY 2000 Proposed Sworn Officers = 1,023
- ✓ FY 2000 Sworn Officers = 861
- ✓ **Shortage of Officers = 162**
  
- ✓ FY 2005 Budgeted Sworn = 975
- ✓ **48 Officers Short of the Year 2000 Goal**



# HOW MANY?



- FOUR MODELS were developed as options to meet shortfalls for Patrol Staffing



# Support Requirements



- Supervision and Support Ratios (Based on the 1994 LBPD Strategic Plan):
  - 1 Sergeant per 8-10 Officers
  - 1 Lieutenant per 4 Sergeants
  - 1 Detective per 3-4 Patrol Officers
  - 1 Clerk Typist per 5 Patrol Officers
- City Prosecutor Staff
  - 1 Prosecutor & Clerk per 25 Officers



# Model 1



- Current Beat-Focused Patrol Staffing (PROS - Computer-derived, workload-based requirements)
  - ✓ 3 Two-officer units in **Beats 4, 5 and 7 (WI&III)**
  - ✓ 33% Proactive / Officer Initiated Time
  - ✓ Sworn Officers (CFS) required = 373  
(Sworn Officers (CFS) available = 336)
    - \*\*Shortage = 37 Sworn Officers (as of Jan. '05)\*\***
  - ✓ Total Estimated Cost = \$7,100,000



# Model 2

- **Full Beat-Focused Patrol Staffing (PROS - Computer-derived, workload-based requirements)**
  - ✓ 3 Two-Officer units in all Ten Focus Beats (WI&III)
  - ✓ 33% Proactive / Officer Initiated Time
  - ✓ Sworn Officers required = 463  
(Sworn Officers available = 336)  
**\*\*Shortage = 127 Sworn Officers\*\***
  - ✓ Total Estimated Cost = \$25,500,000



# Model 3



- Model 2, plus:
  - ✓ 40% Proactive / Officer Initiated Time
  - ✓ Sworn Officers required = 538  
(Sworn Officers available = 336)  
**\*\*Shortage = 202 Sworn Officers\*\***
  - ✓ Total Estimated Cost = \$40,300,000



# Model 4



- **Model 3 (202 Officers), plus enhancements:**

- Motors/DUI 20 Sworn Officers
- Airport Security 9 Sworn Officers
- Special Enforcement 50 Sworn Officers
- Port Security 6 Sworn Officers
- Homeland Security/OCT 10 Sworn Officers
- K-9 4 Sworn Officers
- MET 8 Sworn Officers
- SUBTOTAL 107 Sworn Officers

**\*\*Total Shortage = 309 Sworn Officers\*\***

✓ Total Estimated Cost = \$54,000,000



# HOW DO WE PAY?



- Considerations:
  - Predictable New Revenue Stream
  - A Solution should be Specifically Dedicated to Police Staffing
  - Potential for Future Population Growth
  - Minimize Impact on Existing City Services





# HOW DO WE PAY?



- OPTIONS:
  - Half Cent Sales Tax Increase -- \$23 million
  - Oil Production Tax -- \$2.2 to \$4.4 million  
(based on tax of \$.15 to \$.30 per barrel produced)
  - Assessment Parcel Tax -- \$2.8 - \$4.3 million  
(based on tax of \$25 per parcel)
  - Utility Users Tax Rate Increase -- each 1% increase = \$8 million



# SUMMARY

- Shooting & Violent Crimes in this City are Unacceptable
- Police Staffing Must Become a Priority
- Funding Options Exist
- Community Support is Vital
- **More Officers will Make a Difference**