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Sheriff's Office Releases Mid-Year Public Safety Update:
*To Host Public Safety Townhall on August 1st; Broadens Access to Community
Violence Intervention Support*

Ann Arbor, MI – Crime trends are down in Washtenaw County for the first half of 2025. According to data collected by the Washtenaw County Sheriff's Office, from January through June, violent crime was down by 18% and firearms offenses dropped by almost 50%.

The Sheriff's Office will host a Public Safety Townhall to talk more about the midyear report. The Sheriff and her team will provide information about current initiatives and answer questions. The **WCSO Public Safety Townhall** will take place on Friday, August 1, 2025, at the Learning Resource Center (4135 Washtenaw Ave.) at 2:00 pm. It will be livestreamed for those who are unable to attend in person. The event is open to the public. [Pre-registration](#) is preferred but not required.

As part of the Office's Community Violence Intervention (CVI) efforts, the WCSO is working to broaden the impact of [the MDHHS Community Violence Intervention](#) grant awarded to the Office in 2023 with additional access to funding for organizations and agencies actively working to prevent, interrupt and mitigate the impact of gun violence. The details about these resources will be shared at the Townhall. The CVI grant also supports our WCSO WeLive program, a hospital-based model to support survivors of gun violence, our ongoing collaboration with the Washtenaw County Health Department, and other community partners who are focused on violence intervention work.

"While our gun violence deaths are at historic lows," says Sheriff Alyshia Dyer, "we have still lost people in our community due to gun violence in recent months. We are widening access to the grant to ensure that there are more resources available, broadly across the community, to focus on prevention and to support survivors so we can all work together to save lives."

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About the Washtenaw County Sheriff's Office

The Washtenaw County Sheriff's Office (WCSO) is comprised of over 420 staff, supported by reserves and volunteers, across six divisions. Serving a population of more than 350,000 residents in 25 unique local units of government, the WCSO is committed creating a safer, more just, and compassionate Washtenaw County for everyone.

Attached:

Public Safety Report: January – June

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