



CITIZENS CRIME COMMISSION OF NEW YORK CITY

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Statement of Crime Commission President Richard Aborn on NYC Expansion of Gun Violence Prevention Program

NEW YORK - Richard Aborn, President of the Citizens Crime Commission, applauded today New York City's expansion of its gun violence prevention efforts, including greater investment in neighborhood-based violence interruption strategies and the creation of the Gun Violence Crisis Management System.

"Today New York took a major step toward a safer city by initiating a smarter approach to violent crime, focusing more on prevention than ever before. It is clear that the future of policing and our criminal justice system must be rooted in deeper community partnerships and much greater attention on the causes of violence rather than purely arrests and offenders. This new initiative will provide badly needed resources and infrastructure to save the lives of both future violent crime victims and the criminals themselves—often young men who take dangerous paths because no one has the opportunity or training to intervene.

"I applaud the mayor and City Council for taking this 21st Century approach to preventing crime."

About the Citizens Crime Commission:

The Crime Commission is a non-partisan non-profit organization working to make New York City's criminal justice and public safety policies and practices more effective through innovation, research, and education. For more information on the Citizens Crime Commission of New York City, please visit our website: www.nycrimecommission.org

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