

As of September 2008, over half of these recommendations have been implemented. Below are 17 of the Public Safety recommendations which have been implemented or are in the process of being implemented.

*Recommendations of the public safety task forces which have been implemented or are in the process of being implemented:*

1. The Mayor created the new position of Public Safety Director recommended by the Community Policing Task Force.
2. The Mayor declared every police officer a community policing officer. And the police department, at the behest of the mayor, has finally filled every one of the positions of Problem Solving Officer in the 57 beats specified in voter-initiated Measure Y legislation.
3. The task forces recommended that he declare public safety and quality of life as the highest priorities. The Mayor declared public safety “due North” for his administration
4. The task forces recommended that the Mayor’s office launch a citywide campaign to educate and train citizens, staff, and police department in community policing and public safety. This is starting now as part of the Public Safety District Plan.
5. The task forces recommended convening meetings and mediations with Oakland’s youth to seek insight in resolving issues of violence and crime and determine what youth need. Some of that work has been done with the convening of several youth roundtables. The work is continuing and expanding.
6. One task force recommended retaining Chief Tucker to ensure compliance with Riders consent decree. This occurred
7. A task force recommended changes to civilianize and enhance the effectiveness of the Citizens Police Review Board. This work is under way.
8. A Task force recommended strengthening the Riders Consent Decree by lengthening the compliance period.
9. Resolve the Oakland Police Officers Association contract. This was done.



10. Create a Community Policing Internship Program. This occurred
11. Create a Master Resource Guidebook Manual to assist the reentry of previously incarcerated individuals.
12. Clean Slate Events (Some have been held; others are underway)
13. The task force recommended “Banning the Box” which requires individuals to specify immediately on a job application whether they have ever been arrested. The Mayor adopted this proposal in principle and city administration has been working out the details.
14. Create a more comprehensive Department of Neighborhood Services with enhanced neighborhood councils. This is contained within the proposed Public Safety District Plan.

15. The Mayor’s Office, the school district, and other partners have started a major truancy initiative, including both enforcement and incentives. One event in this campaign was the “Attend and Achieve” Back to School Rally.
16. Jobs for Youth - this work is being expanded.
17. Community Based Healing Centers – Work is being done on this as part of current Public Safety Initiatives.

*Some recommendations have not yet been implemented because:*

1. The city’s budget crisis has not yet allowed the city to finance the change (Example - expanding Park and Recreation hours)
2. In some cases staff and community are still working on the particular recommendation