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LPSCC Public Safety Brief and Analysis of topics for 2011

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To: LPSCC_Members <lpscc_members@multco.us>

Dear Executive Committee members:

During our February Retreat and the March meeting, it became clear that you have a strong interest in making the Public Safety Brief more relevant to LPSCC's coordination and policymaking role and to the work of your agencies. (A copy of the most recent Brief is attached.) You also indicated that additional research and analysis, including a "dashboard" to assess and monitor the performance of our public safety system, is important to support the work of the Executive Committee.

The LPSCC Public Safety Brief was originally designed and published in 2003 by the county's Budget Office. Its original purpose was to provide general information about the county's public safety functions to county policymakers. In February 2010, responsibilities for the Brief were transferred to LPSCC's staff. Staff conducted a survey of Executive Committee members at that time. As a result, the Brief was revised to increase its readability and relevance and to reflect changes in available technology and data.

Nevertheless, now that it's clear that the Public Safety Brief, as well as additional data and analysis, must be a resource to support the ongoing work of the Executive Committee, we need your input. For the purposes of preparing for the Executive Committee's next meeting on April 5, 2011, we would very much appreciate receiving your responses to the following questions.

1. Does the Brief accurately represent the data on your agency?
2. Is there work performed by your agency that you would like to see reflected in the Brief?
3. Is there a specific functional area of the public safety system that you believe would benefit from additional data gathering and analysis?
4. What are the specific problems that LPSCC Analysts group should look at over the next 6 to 12 months?

Topics that have been identified at previous LPSCC meetings in 2011 include:

- Trends in the geographic location of crime (Is crime moving East?)
- Analysis of racial overrepresentation at key decision points in the criminal justice system.

It would be most helpful if you or your staff could reply to this message by Monday, March 25.

Thank you in advance for your help and support.

Best,

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