



AGREEMENT OF UNDERSTANDING AND COMMITMENT

CITY OF HAGERSTOWN POLICE DEPARTMENT WASHINGTON COUNTY MARYLAND CRIMINAL INTELLIGENCE NETWORK (MCIN)

PREAMBLE

WHEREAS, the City of Hagerstown Police Department, Washington County Maryland Criminal Intelligence Network (MCIN), an unprecedented collaboration of state and local public agencies, has been convened as a system of criminal justice agencies focused on identifying, disrupting and dismantling criminal networks through collaboration and comprehensive data sharing at the local, state and federal levels. Partner agencies will coordinate tactics, resources, information and intelligence for the purpose of the targeting gangs and violent criminal networks who are involved in the distribution of illegal drugs, the use of firearms in crimes of violence, human trafficking or other inherently violent criminal enterprises within the City of Hagerstown; Washington County and,

WHEREAS, the initial focus of the agencies brought together was to discuss conditions in the City of Hagerstown that were contributing to violent crime and recidivism; and

WHEREAS, the members have continued to meet, develop relationships and have identified specific actions that will improve public safety in the City of Hagerstown; and

WHEREAS, these discussions have already begun to enhance communication and coordination among Federal, State and Local agencies committed to the public safety of the City of Hagerstown; and

WHEREAS, the signatories below further commit to working together to implement strategies, continue constructive communication and problem solving, develop action plans, establish performance measures and evaluate success.

It is, by way of this Agreement of Understanding and Commitment,

HEREBY established the City of Hagerstown Police Department Washington County Maryland Criminal Intelligence Network (MCIN).

I. Purpose.

The function of the Hagerstown Washington County Maryland Criminal Intelligence Network (MCIN) is to address issues affecting the public safety of the City of Hagerstown involving gangs and violent criminal networks.

II. Established. There is the City of Hagerstown Police Department Washington County Maryland Criminal Intelligence Network (MCIN).

III. Composition.

A. The (MCIN) shall consist of the following members or their designees:

1. Chief, Hagerstown Police Department
2. State's Attorney, Washington County
3. Sheriff, Washington County Sheriff's Office
4. Commander, Hagerstown Barrack, Maryland State Police
5. Chief, Smithburg Police Department
6. Chief, Boonsboro Police Department
7. Chief, Hancock Police Department
8. Parole and Probation Supervisor, Maryland Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services
9. Fire Marshal, Hagerstown Fire Marhsal's Office
10. Safety Director, Washington County Board of Education

B. The MCIN partners shall meet at least once a month.

IV. Duties. The Coalition shall:

- A. Develop a strategy which deploys local, state and federal resources to identify, disrupt, and dismantle criminal networks through collaboration and comprehensive data sharing;
- B. Coordinate local and federal prosecution strategies so that they are focused on the most violent offenders and repeat offenders, with an emphasis on reducing gun and drug-related violence, human trafficking, gangs as individuals and violent criminal enterprises utilizing RICO prosecutions;
- C. Enhance information sharing, data analysis, and use of technology in accordance with Federal and State law to identify crime trends and to address community conditions leading to crime involving the distribution of illegal drugs, the use of firearms in crimes of violence, human trafficking or other inherently violent criminal enterprises;
- D. Identify laws and regulations that can be used to support public safety efforts. Research legislative and regulatory changes that may enhance the success of the Coalition.
- E. Commit to a monthly forum to share data, in accordance with Federal and State law, and to evaluate progress among the state and local public safety agencies working within the Hagerstown Washington County MCIN.

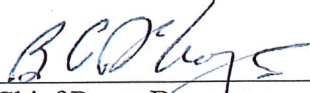
Signatories to this Agreement for the City of Hagerstown Police Department Washington County Maryland Criminal Intelligence Network (MCIN) as of April 2021.

Chief Paul J. Kifer
Hagerstown Police Department

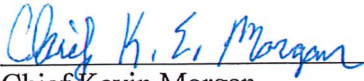
Sheriff Douglas W. Mullendore
Washington County Sheriff's Office

The Honorable Charles P. Strong, State's Attorney
Washington County

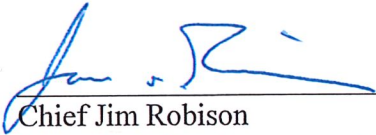
Lieutenant W. Joe George
Maryland State Police



Chief Bruce Degrange
Smithsburg Police Department



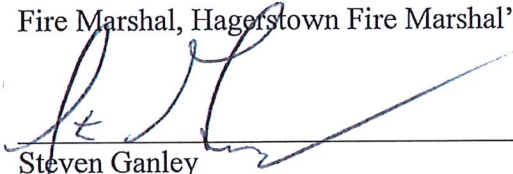
Chief Kevin Morgan
Boonsboro Police Department



Chief Jim Robison
Hancock Police Department



Glen Fishack
Fire Marshal, Hagerstown Fire Marshal's Office



Steven Ganley
Safety Director, Washington County Board of Education



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