

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is entered into by and between:
Port St. Lucie Police Department (PSLPD) located in Port St. Lucie Florida
and
Loss Prevention Research Council (LPRC) located in Gainesville, Florida
on
Situational Crime Prevention

Purpose

The purpose of this MOU is to state the intentions of the parties in undertaking a collaboration in the research and development of Situational Crime Prevention (SCP) within the City of Port St. Lucie (PSL). The Parties have common scientific and research interests and will cooperate in performing the activities stated below.

Types of Cooperative Activities

The scope of collaboration on research activities to be pursued through this MOU includes the following:

- PSLPD will identify two persistently higher crime activity parking areas. The LPRC and PSLPD will randomly select one of the parking lots to deploy two LiveView mobile CCTV platforms, with the other area serving as a control location. Reported police calls for service and retailer/mall reported crime events will be measured for six months before and six months after the mobile LiveView CCTV platforms are employed to estimate protective effects.

Roles and Responsibilities

Loss Prevention Research Council's Responsibility/Activities to be performed, but not limited to:

- LPRC to use a small-scale exploratory randomized controlled trial (RCT) or protocol to examine differences in the effects of mobile LiveView CCTV platforms on licit place user (e.g., customers and employees) crime and fear of crime victimization perception levels.
- Two (2) Port St. Lucie Walmart Supercenters will be selected and randomly assigned, where one store will have two mobile LiveView CCTV platforms deployed in the parking area and the other location will not be treated with the mobile LiveView CCTV platforms and serve as a control site. The unit of analysis for this study will be a store parking area.

Port St. Lucie Police Department's Responsibility/Activities to be performed, but not limited to:

- PSLPD Crime Analyst to work overtime in providing, but not limited to, statistical crime data and mapping.
- This individual is estimated to provide 40 hours of work throughout the duration of the grant period.

Reporting Requirements

LPRC will be responsible for collecting, collating, and submitting data as per the project target outputs and outcomes and share these with PSLPD. The overall goal is to come up with strategies to reduce/combat retail theft within the City of PSL.

Timeframe

This MOU will commence on October 1, 2022, and will dissolve at the end of the grant funding period on September 30, 2023.

Funding

LPRC will submit to PSLPD for reimbursement of its cost related to this project. These will include, travel to/from Gainesville, FL for LPRC's support team and interns, overhead, survey gift cards, and transportation of the mobile LiveView CCTV platforms. PSLPD will then submit the cost associated with this project for reimbursement from the Justice Assistance Grant (JAG).

MOU is non-binding

This MOU is not intended by the Parties to be legally binding. Nothing in this MOU is intended to create a legal partnership or joint venture or is intended to create any new academic programs.

Confidentiality

In order to ensure the safety of clients, all parties to the Memorandum of Understanding agree to adhere to the confidentiality expectations as outlined in the Grant Agreement, "to the extent permitted by Florida law and the Florida Public Records Laws for open government, found in Ch. 119, Florida Statutes."

The designated lead agency accepts full responsibility for the performance of the collaborative organizations/agencies.

This Memorandum of Understanding is the complete agreement between Port St. Lucie Police Department (PSLPD) and Loss Prevention Research Council (LPRC) may be amended only by written agreement signed by each of the parties involved.

Port St. Lucie Police Department

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