

Northwest Division Dallas Police Department
Quarterly Crime Watch Meeting
June 15, 2010

The meeting began at 7 pm. Crime Watch Chairpersons and VIP leaders were in attendance. The new Chief of Police Brown was unable to attend. First Deputy Chief Kato was there in his place.

Northwest Division Commander Malik Aziz spoke about Operation Triangle and what a difference it is making in lowering the crime rate in Dallas. The idea is that crime consists of three components – criminals, victims, and opportunities. If one of the components is interfered with or changed, the other two are affected.

Deputy Chief Kato was proud to report the continuing reduction in the overall crime rate in Dallas. A recent target was clearing some of the homeless camps. One of the worst is the underpass of I35 near Inwood. These camps consist mainly of dopers who break into cars to get money for drugs.

Officer Steve Fuentes introduced a Hispanic singer who volunteers his time with a program for youth in jeopardy.

Our City Councilwoman, Ann Margolin was there to answer questions.

Some areas of concern among the attendees were help in denying tavern licenses, what time is curfew for children during the summer, and holding VIP classes in neighborhoods.

- Curfew is midnight during summer hours and ten pm when school is on. Exceptions are going and coming from church, job, or accompanied by a parent.
- VIP training needs to be at the police station so trainees can meet the officers and see how the division operates.
- Tavern licensing will be addressed after the meeting with the group needing help.

Meeting adjourned at 9 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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Walnut Hill Crime Watch Chairperson