



# Community Risk Reduction (CRR)









# Community Risk Reduction (CRR) May Not Be What You Think It Is...



# **Our Approach**



**Getting Ahead Of The Call** 



#### **Community Risk Reduction (CRR):**

A process to identify and prioritize local risks, followed by the *integrated* and strategic investment of resources (emergency response and prevention) to reduce their occurrence and impact.



# **Community Risk Reduction**

#### **Getting Ahead Of The Call**

Integrate emergency operations and prevention/mitigation strategies to improve public safety outcomes. Understand the

importance of matching the right solution to

the problem.



### What is the Essence of CRR?

Data Collection and Analysis

Outcome vs. Output



# Our Approach

## **Integrated Community Risk Reduction**

Coordinates emergency operations with prevention and mitigation efforts—community wide (partnerships) and ideally at the station level.





# CRR is not a new concept...

- Has been done for several years with much success in:
  - United Kingdom (Mandated by Law)
  - New Zealand
  - Australia
  - Canada
- CRR has also been done in the US— increasing but still far to go.



### **CRR** in the United States...

- Edmonds, WA
- Philadelphia, PA
- Tucson, AZ
- Tualatin Valley, OR
- Palm Beach County, FL
- Rio Rico, AZ
- SBM Fire, MN
- Illinois
- Tennessee





**Identify Risks** 

Monitor, Evaluate and Modify Plan

**Prioritize Risks** 

Implement the CRR Plan

Develop Strategies & Tactics to Mitigate Risks

Prepare the CRR Plan



Risk Assessment for Deployment Incident data
Frequency
Location

Risk Assessment for Prevention All of the Above Demographics Psychographics?

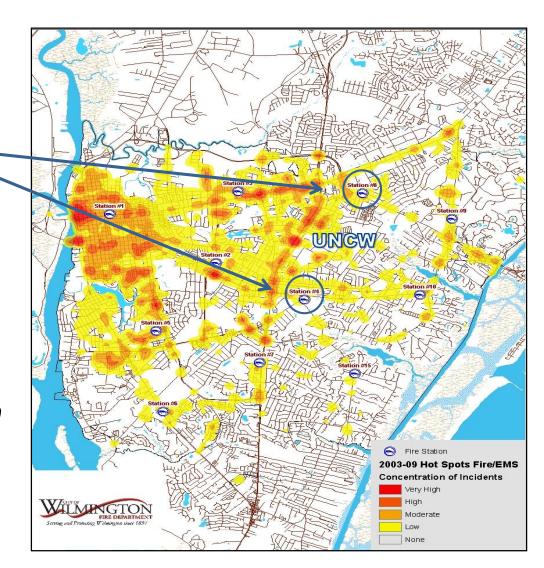


# Wilmington, NC

Fire stations serving the University of North Carolina— Wilmington:

Stations 4 & 8

Risks may vary based on housing & demographic data



# Five Types of Prevention/Mitigation Strategies

# The Five E's









# What is CRR for FEMSA/FAMA?



# COMMUNITY CARE RESPONSE UNIT





# New Concept In EMS Patient Care

- Combining a Captain Paramedic/Nurse Practitioner in the field
- Respond on Low Acuity calls
- Non-transport
- Provides a higher level of care in the field





#### CAPABILITIES IN THE FIELD

- Both BLS Basic Life Support and ALS Advanced Life Support are designed to perform a higher level assessment & care in the field.
- Bandage
- Suture
- Clean wounds
- Prescribe medications
- ISTAT- Blood Analysis
- Involve Primary Care/ Urgent Care Facilities





# OPERATING PROCEDURES WITHIN THE SCOPE OF PRACTICE OF THE NP AND TREATED BY CCRU

- 1. Back pain
- 2. Wound care suturing/skin tears
- 3. Minor Falls
- 4. Infectious disease:
  - Otitis Media- Ear Infections
  - Sinusitis
  - Pharyngitis
  - Bronchitis
  - Asthma
- **5.** Social service calls







# WHAT HAVE WE LEARNED IN THE FIRST 24 MONTHS?

- ALS units released after CCRU patient contact 83%
- Frequent C/C— Weakness, Falls, Nausea and Anxiety
- Percent of patients not transported to the ER 57%
- Average on scene time for the CCRU 30 minutes
- Frequent Medications Given Zofran, Tordol, Rocephin
- Total Patients Treated 545
- Total Number of Dispatches 1709
- Savings \$3,500 per patient not transported
- Increase in ALS/BLS coverage





### **Promote CRR Concepts**

Possible Paths Forward





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http://www.usfa.fema.gov/prevention/outreach/fief/



## **About Us**

# Vision 20/20 is hosted by the Institution of Fire Engineers, USA Branch

It grew from a grassroots effort to provide a forum for sustained, collaborative planning to reduce fire loss in the United States





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