

19th

POLICE DISTRICT COUNCIL

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**Monthly Meeting - Wednesday, August 26th
Uptown Church**



19TH DISTRICT COUNCIL

COMMUNITY COMMISSION FOR PUBLIC SAFETY AND ACCOUNTABILITY



Agenda

- Roll Call
- Votes
- Public Announcements
- Public Discussion on Trends and Concerns
- CCPSA Updates
- District Council Member Updates
- Presentation & Discussion:
 - **CCPSA Superintendent Search**
- Public Comment
- Reminders & Calls to Action
- Announcement of Next Meeting(s)

Votes

Public Announcements



Welcoming Community Groups

- If you are a part of a community group in the 19th District, please let us know:
 - Who you are, your position within the group
 - About any events coming up
 - How can neighbors reach you



Public Discussion on Trends and Concerns

Thought Starters for Group Discussion

- On your daily route (to the CTA, work, or school), what is one specific change you've noticed lately that either increased your sense of safety or gave you pause?
- If you could redirect one safety resource to a specific 'trouble spot' you pass, what is the location, and would the best solution be an officer, a social worker, or a civilian team?
- What is one non-police improvement—like better lighting, youth programs, or mental health services—that would solve a safety concern on your block before it requires a 911 call?

Public Safety Trends & Community Priorities

- Year-to-date data through mid-August 2026 shows motor vehicle thefts up 25%, while robberies decreased by 43% and burglaries fell by 46% across the district.
- Recent high-profile traffic safety concerns along Western Avenue and Irving Park Road prompted community calls for enhanced corridor enforcement following pedestrian and e-scooter crashes.

Public Safety Trends & Community Priorities

District 19 Public Safety Report Week 33 District Reports												
Report Covering the Week of 10-Aug-26 Through 16-Aug-26												
	Last 7 Days			Last 28 Days			Year to Date			2 Yr.	3 Yr.	4 Yr.
	2026	2025	% Chg	2026	2025	% Chg	2026	2025	% Chg	% Chg	% Chg	% Chg
CRIME COMPLAINTS												
MURDER	0	0	0%	0	0	0%	1	1	0%	0%	-67%	-89%
CRIM SEXUAL ASSLT	1	0	0%	11	5	120%	75	76	-1%	1%	-5%	9%
ROBBERY	3	8	-62%	15	27	-44%	110	192	-43%	-58%	-53%	-58%
AGG BATTERY	5	5	0%	19	17	12%	127	120	6%	-9%	7%	27%
BURGLARY	1	15	-93%	17	54	-69%	180	332	-46%	-58%	-43%	-33%
THEFT	48	79	-39%	281	426	-34%	3202	3155	1%	-6%	7%	16%
MTR VEHICLE THEFT	9	6	50%	60	29	107%	424	340	25%	-30%	-39%	-0%
TOTAL	67	113	-41%	403	558	-28%	4119	4216	-2%	-16%	-7%	6%
SHOOTING INCIDENT	0	0	0%	0	0	0%	5	5	0%	-58%	-58%	-71%

CCPSA Updates

CCPSA Updates (May and June)

- The CCPSA has begun the search for CPD's next Superintendent.



District Council Member Updates

Parking Alternative Response Team (PART)

- There are no substantive updates to share about our Parking Alternative Response Team (PART) ordinance since our July newsletter.
- We met with the Mayor's office and relevant Departments on May 25, when they presented a significantly watered-down version of the ordinance that they were willing to support. We did not believe this proposal addressed the need we have identified, nor did we believe it reflected what our community has been asking for.
- We will continue to follow up with the City and push for greater transparency, a clear response to our proposal, and meaningful progress toward an alternative response model that better meets the needs of Chicago communities.

CARE Update

What's Going Well:

- CPD is **sharing information** about CARE with officers
- **Hiring** is moving forward

Next Steps:

- CARE teams will **attend roll calls** to build relationships with officers and provide education about when and how to utilize CARE
- Develop a **General Order** establishing clear, department-wide expectations and protocols for CARE

What Needs More Work:

- Resolve ongoing **operational issues** with CARE vans
- Determine how CARE teams can access and communicate over the **police radio** system

	A	B	C	D	E
1	Month	CPD Request	OEMC (Primary)	Self Dispatch	Other
2	12/1/2024 (partial)	*	*	34	0
3	1/1/2025	*	11	67	*
4	2/1/2025	10	20	79	6
5	3/1/2025	7	15	99	6
6	4/1/2025	9	17	81	18
7	5/1/2025	6	19	66	9
8	6/1/2025	6	26	61	5
9	7/1/2025	*	16	21	*
10	8/1/2025	*	13	*	13
11	9/1/2025	*	*	0	12
12	10/1/2025	*	*	0	15
13	11/1/2025	*	15	0	*
14	12/1/2025	*	*	0	14
15	1/1/2026	*	7	*	5
16	2/1/2026	*	9	*	11
17	3/1/2026	*	14	*	8
18	4/1/2026	*	10	*	18
19	5/1/2026	0	11	*	*
20	6/1/2026	0	12	*	*
21	7/1/2026	*	17	*	11
22					
23					
24	*suppressed due to low cell count				

FOIA Request: Reference # Q148487-081126

Workforce Allocation Study Update

- **FY2027 budget priorities:** CPD is looking at existing civilian vacancies, including detention aides, police administrative clerks, training officers, senior performance analysts, investigators, and expanding civilian staffing in the Records Division. It also includes improving unity of command, span of control, and supervision.
- **Reviewing recommendations and tracking implementation:** Each recommendation will undergo a standardized review including feasibility, workforce implications, labor/CBA, costs, technology, data, and phased implementation. Recommendations will then be tracked by implementation status and timeline.
- **Ongoing process:** The model is intended to become a continuous cycle of measuring → assessing → planning → implementing → reassessing, rather than a one-time staffing study.

Community Policing Update



Current Work

- Revise Community Policing Policy based on the findings of the study to ensure all officers are community policing officers.
- Develop 2027 inservice training to reinforce community policing for all officers

Near Term Work

- Develop District specific onboarding
- Assess the structure and role of the Office of Community Policing
- Re-prioritize geographic integrity
- Strengthen Community Building Opportunities (ie. beat meetings and community conversations)

Community Partnership Plan: Monthly Update and Discussion



Summary of Progress



[Link to CPP Found
here](#)

	Last Month	This Month
In Progress	16	17
Ongoing	4	4
Completed	29	29
Total In Progress/ Ongoing/ Completed	49	50
Total Goals	54	54
% In Progress/ Ongoing/ Completed		93%

Next Month's Meeting Topic

Accountability for those who have committed crimes and preventing future harm	Raise awareness of programs that support at risk youth	37	Invite at least 1 organization that is dedicated to engaging underserved youth to 19PDC monthly meeting
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CCPSA'S CPD Superintendent Search

What Does the Superintendent Do?

1. Leads and manages CPD
2. Sets policing priorities
3. Controls how officers and resources are deployed
4. Contributes to police accountability and compliance
5. Represents CPD publicly



Former Supt. Larry Snelling

Ordinance Requirements

- The Commission has **120 days to conduct a search for Superintendent** once a vacancy occurs.
- The search is a **nationwide search**, and the Commission can utilize the services of a **search firm**. They recently selected the firm **Ralph Andersen & Associates**.
- The Commission must conduct **four listening sessions**. At least one public hearing shall be held on the North Side of Chicago, the South Side of Chicago, and the West Side of Chicago.
- After the Commission makes its **selection of three candidates to send to the Mayor, the Mayor has 30 days to select a candidate or provide the Commission a reason in writing for rejecting candidates**. The Commission will have to provide three more names if the Mayor rejects the Commission's choices.
- Once the Mayor submits a name to City Council, the Commission must then hold a **public hearing where the Commission and public can ask candidate questions**. This must happen prior to a vote before the Police & Fire Committee.
- **After a Superintendent is confirmed, the Commission must hold four listening sessions with the new Superintendent**. At least one public hearing shall be held on the North Side of Chicago, the South Side of Chicago, and the West Side of Chicago.



Search Milestones (Based on 120-day timeline set by the ordinance)

- **July 16:** 120-day timeline begins
- **August 1-September 30:** Community engagement
- **Week of August 10:** Application posted
- **Week of September 14:** Application closes
- **October:** Candidate Interviews
- **November 12:** Commission votes on a Candidate & sends name to the Mayor
- **November – December:** City Council outreach



Community Engagement

The Commission is required to conduct **four listening sessions**. At least one public hearing shall be held on the North Side of Chicago, the South Side of Chicago, and the West Side of Chicago.

The Commission will be conducting **additional engagement opportunities** including targeted listening sessions with the following groups:

- District Councils
- Youth
- Business Organization/ Economic Development groups
- Affinity Groups
- Immigration Rights Groups
- Faith Leaders
- CVI/Violence Prevention
- Police Accountability Organizations
- Justice- impacted individuals
- Victims/Survivors of Crime
- Law Enforcement



Upcoming Opportunities to Make Your Priorities Heard for CPD's Next Superintendent

North Side Session

September 2, 2026 at 6:30pm

DePaul College Prep (3300 N Campbell Ave)

Virtual Session

September 10, 2026 at 6:30pm

Visit CCPSA Website to provide more input

ccpsa.chicago.gov/2026-cpd-superintendent-search

Why your feedback is important:

The **Superintendent search is a community-driven process**. The feedback the Commission receives will be used in the following ways:

- Creating the **application materials**
- Drafting candidate **interview questions**
- Creation of **scoring rubrics** to evaluate candidate applications and interviews
- **Inform Commission's final decision** on three candidates to send to the Mayor



Themes From Community Feedback

Protects immigrant communities
and those under attack by unlawful
ICE activity

Prioritizes procedural
justice

Builds meaningful relationships
with communities

A creative problem
solver

Understands importance of alternative response

Prioritizes consent
decree compliance

Holds officers accountability
while supporting good officers



Discussion Questions

1. What qualities, characteristics, skills, and/or experiences would you like to see in Chicago's next police Superintendent?
2. What worked and what didn't work well under the former Superintendent?
3. What public safety and policing issues should the next Superintendent prioritize?

Our Perspective



Leadership Matters

Chicago deserves a Superintendent who is committed to building a public safety system that **sends the right responder to each call, better serves residents, and allows officers to focus on the responsibilities for which they are best trained.**

What is Alternative Response?

Alternative response is about building a smarter public safety system by **sending the right responder to every call**. Not every 911 call requires a police officer. When trained civilian responders handle situations that match their expertise, **residents receive more appropriate care**, and **police officers are freed to focus on the responsibilities for which they are uniquely trained and qualified**.



Importance of Alternative Response

Connects Residents to the Services They Need

1

Improves Outcomes for People in Crisis

2

Makes Better Use of Limited Police Resources

3

Allows Police to Focus Where They Are Needed Most

4

Proven to Work

5

District Councils: Passing Resolutions

DCs have the ability to **uplift ideas and concerns** to the Community Commission for Public Safety and Accountability (CCPSA) in the form of **resolutions**.

The DC Alternative Response Working Group has created the following resolution for DCs to consider.

Our goals are to:

1. Ensure **community support** for alternative response is reflected in the Superintendent Search.
2. Hire a **Superintendent committed to helping expand alternative response** across Chicago.

Overview of Resolution DC019-2026-001

The Context: Expanding alternative response programs (like CARE and Parking Alternative Response) improves outcomes for communities, frees up to focus on situations that require law enforcement. It also supports CPD's goals of proactive policing, stronger community policing, faster response times, and officer wellness.

The Precedent: Cities across the country have demonstrated that alternative response can safely and effectively divert appropriate calls from police.

The Action: Chicago needs a Superintendent who embraces alternative response, supports collaboration across city departments, and sees police and civilian responders as partners in public safety.

DC VOTE: Resolution DC019-2026-001

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED..... that the Commission should ensure that every finalist nominated for Superintendent demonstrate a clear understanding of the role of alternative response within a modern public safety system and a commitment to supporting the continued development of alternative response as part of a public safety system that better serves Chicago residents while allowing police officers to focus on the responsibilities for which they are best trained.

Community Input Form

Example of language to use:

-  All Superintendent finalists should demonstrate a clear understanding of alternative response and a commitment to helping build and expand it as part of a modern public safety system.
-  I want a Superintendent committed to helping improve and expand alternative response in Chicago's public safety system.

Please share any additional priorities and feedback about the future Superintendent as well.



Public Comment

Public Comment - Rules & Follow Up

Rules of Engagement

- 2 min/speaker = ~10 speakers (typically 20 minutes total)
- Request to make public comment must be submitted within 30-minutes of start of meeting
- Order of speakers randomly selected
- No disruption of speakers
- No harassment or disrespect will be tolerated (zero tolerance policy)

Follow Up

- District Councilors and staff will take official minutes of public comments made
- District Councilors may address comments in real time or may follow up with community member at a later time

2-Minutes per Speaker



Reminders & Calls to Action

Thank you to our hosts!

Next Meeting:

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**Wednesday, September 30th @6:30 p.m.
Lincoln Park Presbyterian Church
600 W Fullerton**