

# SAFER SUMMER PDX INITIATIVE

Safer Summer PDX seeks to strengthen gun violence prevention efforts this summer through collaboration among community, government, and public safety efforts, and offer positive opportunities and intensive services to change the outlook and behavior of the individuals engaged in gun violence. Building upon the foundational work of Safer Summer PDX, longer-term gun violence prevention efforts can continue to be implemented and evolve with the needs of our communities.

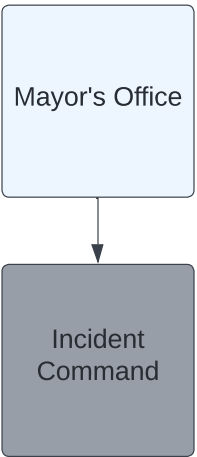
The primary focus of Safer Summer PDX is to use non-law enforcement interventions directed toward the small percentage of individuals who are most likely to commit or become victims of gun violence, but whom law enforcement is presently unable or unlikely to build a case against.

Using Community Violence Interventions (CVI) strategies that have shown significant efficacy in other cities, these efforts center around data-driven identification of, and outreach to, people at high-risk, coupled with intensive services tailored to individual needs.

Additionally, this plan recognizes the impact environmental changes can have on behavior and gun violence. We seek to identify opportunities to employ place-based interventions through coordinated efforts between the community and government stakeholders.

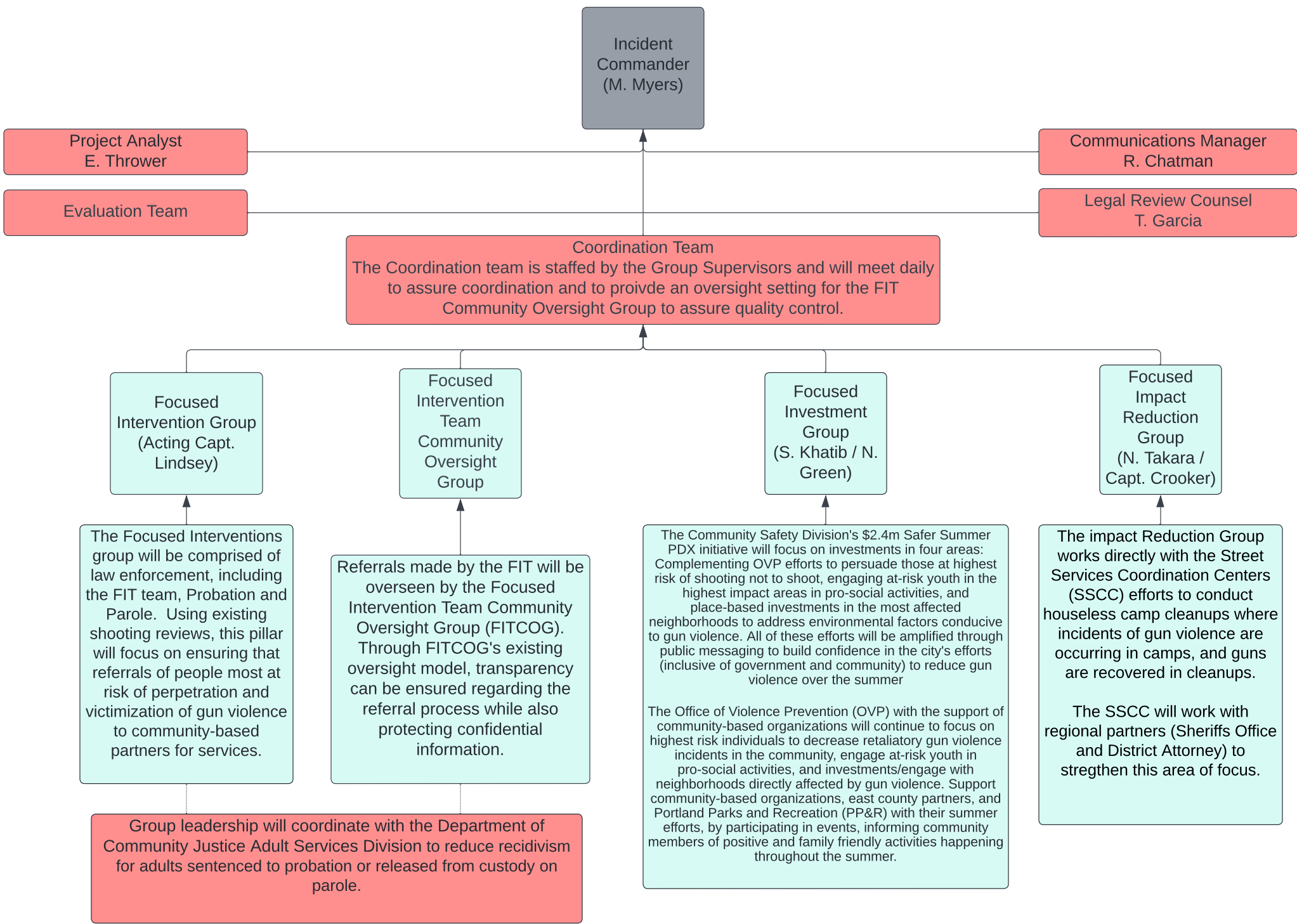
Summer is here, and this plan endeavors to create a comprehensive strategy to attain near-term reductions in gun violence in the Summer of 2022, by drawing upon a variety of different approaches taken by other cities facing similar challenges. Using the drivers of change outlined here, Safer Summer PDX is intended to reduce gun violence through focused intervention and enforcement without needlessly contributing to higher levels of mass incarceration that have wreaked havoc on communities of color.

The Mayor's Office will set expectations, performance metrics and receive weekly progress briefings from an Incident Commander. The Mayor's Office will inform the Incident Commander of the program expectations and will hold the Incident Commander responsible to expectations and performance metrics.



The Incident Commander will work with response partners to meet the expectations of the Mayor's Office by establishing three areas of focus identified as groups in the organizational chart below. Each Group will focus on an operational element of the initiative (Intervention, Community Investment, and Impact Reduction). Each Group will have a Group Supervisor assigned and will report to the Incident Commander. Command and Group leadership will hold daily briefings to assure progress is being made on the objectives and performance metrics.

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Safer Summer PDX represents the City's efforts to make an immediate impact on gun violence in our communities and provide a foundational effort from which longer-term efforts and partnerships can be built. Through these centralized efforts, the City can deliver targeted services with greater efficiency, focus resources on the highest risk individuals, and improve public safety across Portland. This plan reflects data-informed community-led strategies that have yielded promising results without perpetuating harmful practices that create disproportionate impacts.