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COMMUNITY POLICING SELF-ASSESSMENT TOOL

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COMMUNITY POLICING SELF-ASSESSMENT TOOL CIVILIAN FORM

The Community Policing Self-Assessment Tool (CP-SAT) is designed to assess three key areas in community policing: community partnerships, problem solving and organizational transformation, as described below.

COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

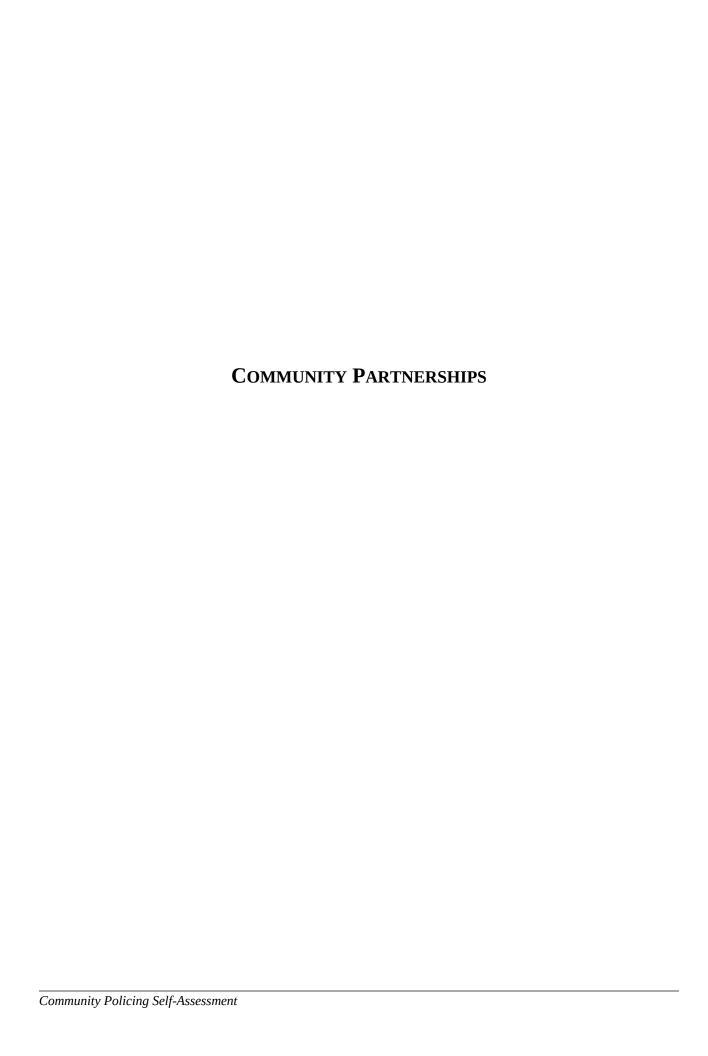
Collaborative partnerships between the law enforcement agency and the individuals and organizations that serve or include anyone with a stake in the community.

PROBLEM SOLVING

The process and effect of problem solving should be assessed at each stage of the problem solving process.

ORGANIZATIONAL TRANSFORMATION

The extent to which the agency environment, personnel, practices and policies are supportive of community policing philosophy and activities.



Community Partnerships:

The extent to which agency staff support and develop collaborative relationships among individuals and organizations in the community.

There are three aspects of partnerships measured on this survey:

- The extent to which you and your agency have a wide range of partnerships.
- The resources/commitment of your community partners.
- The level of interaction with your community partners.

Reminder: This survey is completely anonymous and you may skip any items you do not feel comfortable answering, but we encourage you to respond to as many survey items as possible.

	1 No involvement 2 A little involvement 3 Moderate involvement 4 Significant involvement 5 Extensive involvement			
1. Please indicate your level of involvement with community partnerships in your agency, as defined above?	1 2 3 4 5			

o If select 0, skip to Problem Solving section

Please stateme	Range of Partnerships indicate the extent to which you agree with the following ents about your agency partnerships by circling the briate number to the right.	1 Strongly disagree 2 Disagree 3 Neither agree nor disagree 4 Agree 5 Strongly agree					
2.	I integrate my efforts with other agencies that deliver public services.		1	2	3	4	5
3.	I consult community members for solutions to community problems.		1	2	3	4	5
4.	I keep citizens informed about police activities in the neighborhood.		1	2	3	4	5
5.	Community priorities are taken into account in my daily job.		1	2	3	4	5

Wide Range of Partnerships Please indicate the extent to which you agree that organizations or individuals from the following sectors are active community partners in your regular police work by circling the appropriate number to the right.	1 Strongly disagree 2 Disagree 3 Neither agree nor disagree 4 Agree 5 Strongly agree					
6. Government agencies who serve the community.	1	1 2 3 4				
Non-profit or community-based organizations that serve or include community members.	1	2	3	4	5	
8. Businesses operating in the community.	1	2	3	4	5	
9. The local media.	1	2	3	4	5	
10. Individuals residing, working, or otherwise having an interest in the community.	1	2	3	4	5	

Resources/Commitment of Partners Please indicate the extent to which you agree with the following statements about the resources and commitment of partners by circling the appropriate number to the right.	1 Strongly disagree 2 Disagree 3 Neither agree nor disagree 4 Agree 5 Strongly agree					
11. My law enforcement agency has made residents aware of their responsibilities – that the success of community policing depends on them.	1	2	3	4	5	
12. Community members are held accountable for developing solutions to community problems.	1	2	3	4	5	
13. The community shoulders its share of the responsibility in maintaining public safety.	1	2	3	4	5	

	1 No involvement					
	2 A little involvement					
	3 Moderate involvement					
	4 Significant involvement				nt	
	5 Extensive involvemen				ent	
14. Please indicate your level of involvement in forming specific partnerships?	1	2	3	4	5	

o If select 0, skip to Problem Solving section

Many questions throughout the following section refer to **your most active community partner**. When responding to these questions, think about <u>the community partner with whom you have had the most frequent contact over the *past six months*. If you have multiple partners that are equally active, simply pick one of them as a reference for these questions. For your reference, please record the name of the most active community partner below. This partner can represent a government agency, a community-based organization, local businesses, or an advocacy group; or the partner can be an individual residing, working, or having an interest in the community.</u>

Most active community partner:	
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Nature of Partnership The next questions ask about the nature of your community partnership. To what extent do you agree with the following statements about your most active community partner? The community partnership includes	1 Strongly disagree 2 Disagree 3 Neither agree nor disagr 4 Agree 5 Strongly agree				_
15. <u>multiple persons</u> from the partner agency or organization.	1	2	3	4	5
16. the self-identified leadership from the partner agency or organization.	1	2	3	4	5
17. individuals from multiple levels in the partner agency or organization.	1	2	3	4	5

Nature of Partnership The next questions ask about the nature of your community partnership. To what extent do you agree with the following statements about your most active community partner? My most active community partner has	1 Strongly disagree 2 Disagree 3 Neither agree nor disagree 4 Agree 5 Strongly agree				J
18. the power to make decisions that affect the community.	1	2	3	4	5
19. consistent and ongoing interaction with the community and its residents.	1	2	3	4	5

Nature of Partnership The next set of questions asks about the nature of your community partnership. To what extent do you agree that your law enforcement agency brings the following resources to your most active partnership? My law enforcement agency	1 Strongly disagree 2 Disagree 3 Neither agree nor disagree 4 Agree 5 Strongly agree						
20. has accurate and current community information (for example, locations of crimes, available city services).	1	2	3	4	5		
21. shares relevant information with community members.	1	2	3	4	5		
22. makes decisions that affect the community.	1	2	3	4	5		
23. initiates (proactive) communication with the partner.	1	2	3	4	5		
24. takes ownership of community concerns.	1	2	3	4	5		
25. provides staff/volunteers.	1	2	3	4	5		
26. organizes community involvement in addressing crime and disorder.	1	2	3	4	5		
27. provides financial resources.	1	2	3	4	5		
28. provides political influence.	1	2	3	4	5		
29. provides technological resources.	1	2	3	4	5		
30. only reacts when there's a request from the group.	1	2	3	4	5		

To what extent do you agree that <u>your most active community partner</u> brings the following resources to the partnership? The community partner	1 Strongly disagree 2 Disagree 3 Neither agree nor disagree 4 Agree 5 Strongly agree					
31. has accurate and current community information (for example, locations of crimes, available city services).	1	5				
32. shares relevant information with community members.	1	2	3	4	5	
33. makes decisions that affect the community.	1	2	3	4	5	
34. initiates (proactive) communication with your agency.	1	2	3	4	5	
35. takes ownership of community concerns.	1	2	3	4	5	
36. provides staff/volunteers.	1	2	3	4	5	

To what extent do you agree that <u>your most active community partner</u> brings the following resources to the partnership? The community partner	1 Strongly disagree 2 Disagree 3 Neither agree nor disagree 4 Agree 5 Strongly agree						
37. organizes community involvement in addressing crime and disorder.	1	2	3	4	5		
38. provides financial resources.	1	2	3	4	5		
39. provides political influence.	1	2	3	4	5		
40. provides technological resources.	1	2	3	4	5		
41. has the trust and legitimacy of the community.	1	2	3	4	5		
42. provides access to hard-to-reach populations.	1	2	3	4	5		
43. provides knowledge of community issues.	1	2	3	4	5		

To what extent do you agree that the following <u>characterize your</u> <u>relationship</u> with your most <u>active community partner?</u> The partnership is	1 Strongly disagree 2 Disagree 3 Neither agree nor disagre 4 Agree 5 Strongly agree						
44. critical to reaching community policing goals.	1	2	3	4	5		
45. characterized by trust among the partners.	1	2	3	4	5		
46. characterized by shared ownership of problems.	1	2	3	4	5		
47. characterized by shared goals for problem-solving efforts.	1	2	3	4	5		
48. characterized by well-defined goals that are measurable.	1	2	3	4	5		
49. characterized by high levels of accountability for the partnership activities.	1	2	3	4	5		

The following questions ask about different types of community partners. For each set of questions, please focus on your most active community partner from each sector (the partner used above may also be used as one of these). The most active community partner is the partner with whom you have had the most frequent contact over the past six months. If you have multiple partners that are equally active, simply pick one of them as a reference for these questions. The sectors include community partners from:

- Government agencies
- Community-based organizations (CBOs)
- Community businesses
- Individual community members

Q50a.	Do you ha	ve an active	government	agency partner?	Yes Yes

o If select Yes, skip to #51

Weak leadership.
Inability to leverage financial resources.
Inability to leverage financial resources.
Inability to leverage non-financial resources.
Little or no shared ownership of problems.
Too few shared goals.
Inability of law enforcement agency to take on non-traditional goals or activities.

No

o If select No on #50a, skip to #55a

51.	List your most active community partner from a <u>government agency</u> (for example, parks and recreation department, public works, parole/probation, human service agencies):	
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The following questions ask about your <u>most active government agency partner</u>.

- **52.** Please check the box next to the **one** statement that **best** describes the relationship between you and the government partner:
- ☐ Interaction with the government agency involves <u>one-way communication *from you*</u> to the partner (for example, educating and/or informing the partner about current law enforcement initiatives).
- ☐ Interaction with the government agency involves <u>one-way communication *from the partner*</u> to you (for example, informing you of community-related concerns).
- ☐ Interaction between you and the government agency involves <u>two-way information sharing</u> (for example, you collect information on community priorities and concerns from the partner and the partner also initiates conversations with you).

Interaction with the government agency involves <u>collaboration</u> , shared power, and shared
decision-making between the partner and you to determine community needs, priorities, and
appropriate responses.

The following questions ask about your most active government agency partner. To what extent do you agree with the following statements? I collaborate with the government agency through:	1 Strongly disagree 2 Disagree 3 Neither agree nor disagree 4 Agree 5 Strongly agree					
53. <u>short-term</u> problem-solving projects.	1	2	3	4	5	
54. <u>long-term</u> problem-solving projects.	1	2	3	4	5	

Q55a. Do you have an active community partner from a <u>community-based organization (CBO) (for example, rotary groups, victim advocate groups)?</u> Yes No

o If select Yes, skip to #56

	1 Weak leadership.
	2 Inability to leverage financial resources.
55. What barriers exist to establishing a	3 Inability to leverage non-financial resources.
relationship with this partner? Mark all that	4 Little or no shared ownership of problems.
apply.	5 Too few shared goals.
	6 Inability of law enforcement agency to take
	on non-traditional goals or activities.

O If not select No on #55a, skip to #60a

56. List your most active community partner from a <u>community-based organization (CBO) (for example, rotary groups, victim advocate groups):</u>

The following questions ask about your most active community-based organization (CBO) partner.

- **57.** Please check the box next to the **one** statement that **best** describes the relationship between you and the CBO partner:
- ☐ Interaction with the CBO partner involves <u>one-way communication *from you*</u> to the partner (for example, educating and/or informing the partner about current law enforcement initiatives).
- ☐ Interaction with the CBO partner involves <u>one-way communication from the partner</u> to you (for example, informing you of community-related concerns).

Interaction between you and the CBO partner involves <u>two-way information sharing</u> (for example, you collect information on community priorities and concerns from the partner and the
partner also initiates conversations with you).
Interaction with the CBO partner involves <u>collaboration</u> , shared power, and shared decision-
making between the partner and you to determine community needs, priorities, and appropriate
responses.

The next questions ask about your <u>most active community-based</u> <u>organization (CBO)</u> <u>partner</u> . To what extent do you agree with the following statements? I collaborate with the CBO through:	1 Strongly disagree 2 Disagree 3 Neither agree nor disagree 4 Agree 5 Strongly agree					
58. <u>short-term</u> problem-solving projects.				4		
59. <u>long-term</u> problem-solving projects.	1	2	3	4	5	

Q60a. Do you have an active community partner from a <u>community business?</u> Yes No

o If select Yes, skip to #61

	1 weak leadership.
	2 Inability to leverage financial resources.
60. What barriers exist to establishing a	3 Inability to leverage non-financial resources.
relationship with this partner? Mark all that	4 Little or no shared ownership of problems.
apply.	5 Too few shared goals.
	6 Inability of law enforcement agency to take
	on non-traditional goals or activities.

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o If not select No in Q60a, skip to #65a

61. List your most active community partner from a <u>community business</u> :		

The following questions ask about your <u>most active community business partner.</u>

- **62.** Please check the box next to the **one** statement that **best** describes the relationship between you and the community business partner:
- ☐ Interaction with the community business involves <u>one-way communication *from you*</u> to the partner (for example, educating and/or informing the partner about current law enforcement initiatives).
- ☐ Interaction with the community business involves <u>one-way communication from the partner</u> to you (for example, informing you of community-related concerns).
- ☐ Interaction between you and the community business involves <u>two-way information sharing</u> (for example, you collect information on community priorities and concerns from the partner and the partner also initiates conversations with you).
- ☐ Interaction with the community business involves <u>collaboration</u>, <u>shared power</u>, <u>and shared decision-making</u> between the partner and you to determine community needs, priorities, and appropriate responses.

The next questions ask about your <u>most active community business</u> <u>partner</u> . To what extent do you agree with the following statements? I collaborate with the community business through:		1 Strongly disagree 2 Disagree 3 Neither agree nor disagree 4 Agree 5 Strongly agree						
63. <u>short-term</u> problem-solving projects.		2						
64. <u>long-term</u> problem-solving projects.	1	2	3	4	5			

Q65a. Do you have an active community partner who is an individual community member (this may be any resident in the community)? Yes No

o If select Yes, skip to #66

	1 Weak leadership.
	2 Inability to leverage financial resources.
65. What barriers exist to establishing a	3 Inability to leverage non-financial resources.
relationship with this partner? Mark all that	4 Little or no shared ownership of problems.
apply.	5 Too few shared goals.
	6 Inability of law enforcement agency to take
	on non-traditional goals or activities.

o If select No on #65a, skip to #70

	66. List your most active community partner who is an individual community member (this may be any resident in the community):
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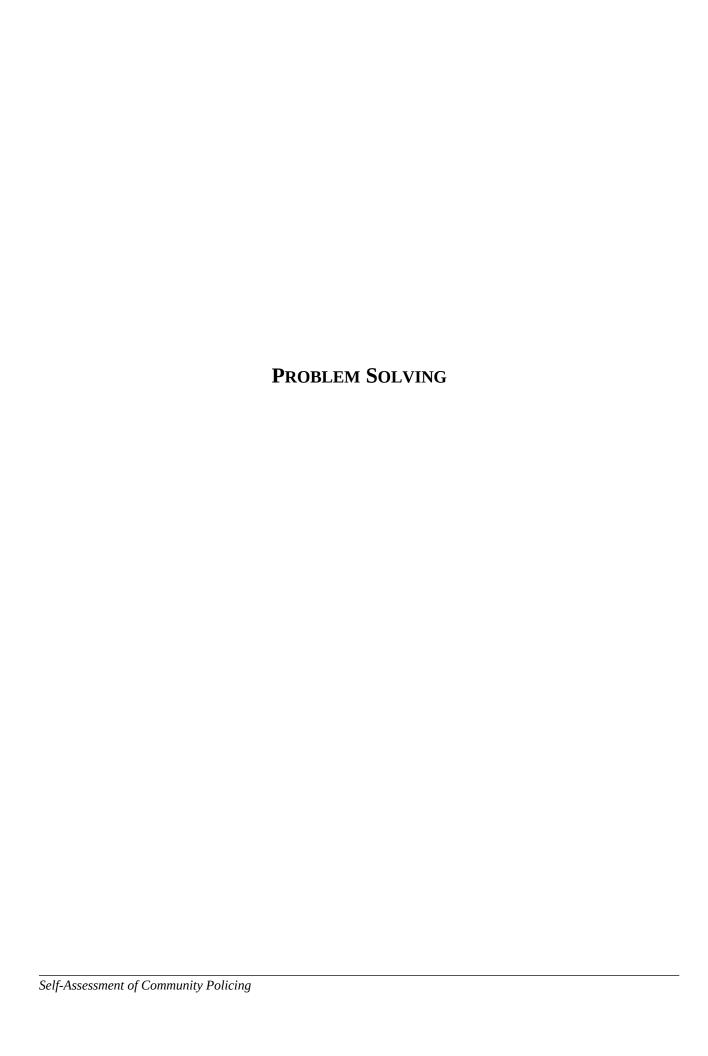
The following questions ask about your most active individual community member partner.								
67.	67. Please check the box next to the one statement that best describes the relationship between you and the individual community member partner:							
	□ Interaction with the individual community member involves <u>one-way communication <i>from you</i></u> to the partner (for example, educating and/or informing the partner about current law enforcement initiatives).							
	<u>partner</u> to you (for example, informing you of community-related concerns).							
Ш	☐ Interaction between you and the individual community member involves <u>two-way information</u> <u>sharing</u> (for example, you collect information on community priorities and concerns from the partner and the partner also initiates conversations with you).							
	Interaction with the individual community member involves constructions with years. Shared decision-making between the partner and you to determ and appropriate responses.				_			
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68.	short-term problem-solving projects.		1	2	3	4	5	
69.	<u>long-term</u> problem-solving projects.		1	2	3	4	5	

In addition to the detailed information you provided above about your most active partner in each sector, please list the other community partners with whom you currently work. For each community partner you list, indicate whether you consider the relationship to be primarily characterized as (please select one):

- **0** Interaction with the partner involves <u>one-way communication *from you*</u> to the partner (for example, educating and/or informing the partner about current law enforcement initiatives).
- 1 Interaction with partner involves <u>one-way communication from the partner</u> to you (for example, informing you of community-related concerns).
- 2 Interaction with the partner <u>involves two-way information sharing</u> (for example, you collect information on community priorities and concerns from the partner and the partner also initiates conversations with you).
- 3 Interaction with the partner involves <u>collaboration</u>, <u>shared power</u>, <u>and shared decision-making</u> between the partner and you to determine community needs, priorities, and appropriate responses.
- NA No community partner identified

Government agency community partners:	Relationship primarily characterized as (see above):				
70.	0	1	2	3	NA
71.	0	1	2	3	NA
72.	0	1	2	3	NA
73.	0	1	2	3	NA
Non-profit/community-based organization community partners:					narily e above):
74.	0	1	2	3	NA
75.	0	1	2	3	NA
76.	0	1	2	3	NA
77.	0	1	2	3	NA
Local business community partners:					arily above):
<i>78</i> .	0	1	2	3	NA
79.	0	1	2	3	NA
80.	0	1	2	3	NA
81.	0	1	2	3	NA

Individual resident community partners:	Relationship primarily characterized as (see above):					
82.	0	1	2	3	NA	
83.	0	1	2	3	NA	
84.	0	1	NA			
85.	0	1	2	3	NA	
Additional community partners:	Relationship primarily characterized as (see above):					
86.	0	1	2	3	NA	
87.	0	0 1 2 3 NA				
88.	0	1	2	3	NA	
89.	0	1	2	3	NA	



Problem Solving: Problem solving is an analytic process for systematically 1) identifying neighborhood problems through coordinated community/police assessments, 2) collecting and analyzing information about the problems, 3) developing and implementing responses with the potential for eliminating or reducing the problems, and 4) evaluating the responses to determine the effectiveness. Problem solving involves an agency-wide commitment to go beyond traditional police responses to crime to proactively address a multitude of problems that adversely affect quality of life.

There are three aspects of problem solving measured on this survey:

- General Approach to Problem Solving
- Problem Solving Processes including:
 - o Identifying and prioritizing problems (Scanning)
 - o Analyzing problems (Analysis)
 - O Responding to problems (**R**esponse)
 - O Assessing problem solving initiatives (Assessment)
- General Skill in Problem Solving

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	1 No involvement 2 A little involvement 3 Moderate involvement 4 Significant involvement 5 Extensive involvement
1. Please indicate your level of involvement in problem solving in general, as defined above?	1 2 3 4 5

• If indicate 0, skip to Organizational Transformation section

General Approach to Problem Solving Please indicate the extent to which you agree with the following statements about your organization's general problem solving approach by circling the appropriate number to the right. The following community partners are involved in solving problems:	1 Strongly disagree 2 Disagree 3 Neither agree nor disagree 4 Agree 5 Strongly agree				J
2. Government agencies	1	2	3	4	5
3. Community-based organizations (CBOs)	1	2	3	4	5
4. Community businesses	1	2	3	4	5
5. Individual community members	1	2	3	4	5

Please i	I Approach to Problem Solving indicate the extent to which you agree with the following ints about your organization's general problem solving the appropriate number to the right.	4 A	gre eithe Agre	e er a ee	Ü	nor	disagree
6.	The agency provides adequate training in problem-solving approaches at all ranks and functions.	1	2	2	3	4	5
7.	The agency regularly keeps general records on problem solving efforts (for example, folders or database).	1	- 2	2	3	4	5
8.	The agency allows my unit time to develop effective problem solving strategies.	1	- 2	2	3	4	5
9.	Special units or specific officers are the only members of the agency who do problem solving.	1	2	2	3	4	5
10.	The agency collects detailed data at <i>each</i> stage of problem solving.	1	2	2	3	4	5

	1 No involvement 2 A little involvement			
	3 Moderate involvement 4 Significant involvement 5 Extensive involvement			
11. Please indicate your level of involvement in identifying and prioritizing problems in your community?	1 2 3 4 5			

Problem Solving Processes: Identifying and prioritizing problems Please indicate the extent to which you agree with the following statements about the way you identify problems by circling the appropriate number to the right. When identifying problems in my community, I	4 A	ree ther gree	agree		disagree
12. look for patterns and trends involving repeat locations, victims, and offenders.	1	2	3	4	5
13. map specific crimes (for example, hot spots).	1	2	3	4	5
14. review formal documentation (for example, police reports and citizen complaints).	1	2	3	4	5
15. engage in community outreach.	1	2	3	4	5
16. use community surveys.	1	2	3	4	5
17. take steps to better define the problem before reacting.	1	2	3	4	5
18. take steps to verify the problem exists before reacting.	1	2	3	4	5

Problem Solving Processes: Identifying and prioritizing problems Please indicate the extent to which you agree with the following statements about the way you <u>identify problems</u> by circling the appropriate number to the right. When <u>identifying problems</u> in my community, I	1 Strongly disagree 2 Disagree 3 Neither agree nor disagree 4 Agree 5 Strongly agree			•		
19. take steps to identify the consequences of the problem before reacting	1	2	3	4	5	
20. take steps to identify how often the problem occurs before reacting.	1	2	3	4	5	
21. involve community partners.	1	2	3	4	5	

Problem Solving Processes: Identifying and prioritizing problems Please indicate the extent to which you agree with the following statements about the way you prioritize community problems by circling the appropriate number to the right. When prioritizing problems in my community, I consider	1 Strongly disagree 2 Disagree 3 Neither agree nor disagree 4 Agree 5 Strongly agree				J
22. the impact of the problem on the community (for example, size, cost, harm).	1	2	3	4	5
23. priorities in the community.	1	2	3	4	5
24. officer interest for addressing the problem.	1	2	3	4	5
25. the potential to successfully address the problem.	1	2	3	4	5

Problem Solving Processes: Identifying and prioritizing problems Please indicate the extent to which you agree with the following statements about the way your organization <u>identifies and prioritizes problems</u> by circling the appropriate number to the right.	1 Strongly disagree 2 Disagree 3 Neither agree nor disag 4 Agree 5 Strongly agree					
26. My <u>supervisor</u> is supportive of <u>identifying and prioritizing</u> community problems.	1	2	3	4	5	
27. <u>Department personnel</u> are supportive of <u>identifying and</u> <u>prioritizing</u> community problems.	1	2	3	4	5	
28. <u>Department personnel</u> are rewarded for <u>identifying and prioritizing</u> community problems.	1	2	3	4	5	

	1 No involvement 2 A little involvement 3 Moderate involvement 4 Significant involvement 5 Extensive involvement					
29. Please indicate your level of involvement in analyzing problems in your community?	1	2	3	4	5	

Problem Solving Processes: Analyzing problems Please indicate the extent to which you agree with the following statements about the way you <u>analyze information</u> by circling the appropriate number to the right. When <u>analyzing community problems</u> , I	4 A		disagree		
30. break down broad offense categories (for example, specific kinds of robberies) for analysis.	1	2	3	4	5
31. ensure that relevant information has been collected before proceeding with a detailed analysis.	1	2	3	4	5
32. try to be open-minded with solutions.	1	2	3	4	5
33. examine the location and time aspects of the problem (for example, "hot spots" and "repeat victimization").	1	2	3	4	5
34. explore the conditions or environmental factors that relate to the problem.	1	2	3	4	5
35. <u>identify</u> available resources to assist in developing a deeper understanding of the problem.	1	2	3	4	5
36. <u>use</u> available resources to assist in developing a deeper understanding of the problem.	1	2	3	4	5
37. analyze the strengths and limitations of current responses to the problem.	1	2	3	4	5
38. report on the most significant findings from the analysis.	1	2	3	4	5
39. use a range of routinely collected police data and information.	1	2	3	4	5
40. use a range of non-police data and information sources (for example, crash data, demographic data, survey data).	1	2	3	4	5
41. examine existing research and associated interventions/responses that have been used by others.	1	2	3	4	5
42. gather information about the victims or stakeholders affected by the problem (for example, crime reports, victim interviews).	1	2	3	4	5
43. gather information about offenders contributing to a problem (for example, offender interviews, arrest records).	1	2	3	4	5
44. involve crime analyst(s) in the process.	1	2	3	4	5

Problem Solving Processes: Analyzing problems Please indicate the extent to which you agree with the following statements about the way you analyze information by circling the appropriate number to the right. When analyzing community problems, I	2 Disag 3 Nei 4 A	1 Strongly disagree 2 Disagree 3 Neither agree nor disagree 4 Agree 5 Strongly agree				
45. utilize computer software to aide in crime analysis.	1	2	3	4	5	
46. involve community partners (for example, collects data from partners).	1	2	3	4	5	

Problem Solving Processes: Analyzing problems Please indicate the extent to which you agree with the following statements about the way your organization <u>analyzes information</u> by circling the appropriate number to the right.	2 Disag 3 Nei 4 Ag	1 Strongly disagree 2 Disagree 3 Neither agree nor disag 4 Agree 5 Strongly agree					
47. My <u>supervisor</u> is supportive of <u>analyzing</u> problem solving data.	1	2	3	4	5		
48. <u>Department personnel</u> are supportive of <u>analyzing</u> problem solving data.	1	2	3	4	5		
49. <u>Department personnel</u> are rewarded for <u>analysis</u> efforts.	1	2	3	4	5		

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50. Please indicate your level of involvement in responding to problems in your community?	1	2	3	4	5	

Problem Solving Processes: Responding to problems Please indicate the extent to which you agree with the following statements about the way you respond to problems in your community by circling the appropriate number to the right. When responding to problems in my community, I	1 Strongly disagree 2 Disagree 3 Neither agree nor disagre 4 Agree 5 Strongly agree					
51. share information about what was learned about a given problem.	1	2	3	4	5	
52. look at what other communities have done to solve similar problems.	1	2	3	4	5	
53. brainstorm new solutions with stakeholders.	1	2	3	4	5	
54. prioritize solutions in terms of their likely success.	1	2	3	4	5	

Problem Solving Processes: Responding to problems Please indicate the extent to which you agree with the following statements about the way you respond to problems in your community by circling the appropriate number to the right. When responding to problems in my community, I	4 A	disagree ee			
55. consider how supportive the community will be of a chosen response.	1	5			
56. have discretion in choosing responses by not just relying on standard agency procedures.	1	2	3	4	5
57. develop a formal response plan that includes details such as a schedule for implementation and responsible parties.	1	2	3	4	5
58. set realistic goals for problem solving efforts.	1	2	3	4	5
59. focus on long-term solutions to problems.	1	2	3	4	5
60. clearly link responses with the results of problem solving analysis.	1	2	3	4	5
61. view the development of innovative responses as essential in the problem-solving process.	1	2	3	4	5
62. involve community partners.	1	2	3	4	5

Problem Solving Processes: Responding to problems Please indicate the extent to which you agree with the following statements about the way your organization responds to problems in your community by circling the appropriate number to the right.	2 Disag 3 Neit 4 Ag	1 Strongly disagree 2 Disagree 3 Neither agree nor disagr 4 Agree 5 Strongly agree					
63. My <u>supervisor</u> is supportive of developing <u>responses</u> informed by the problem-solving process.	1	2	3	4	5		
64. <u>Department personnel</u> are supportive of developing <u>responses</u> informed by the problem-solving process.	1	2	3	4	5		
65. <u>Department personnel</u> are rewarded for <u>responses</u> informed by the problem-solving process.	1	2	3	4	5		

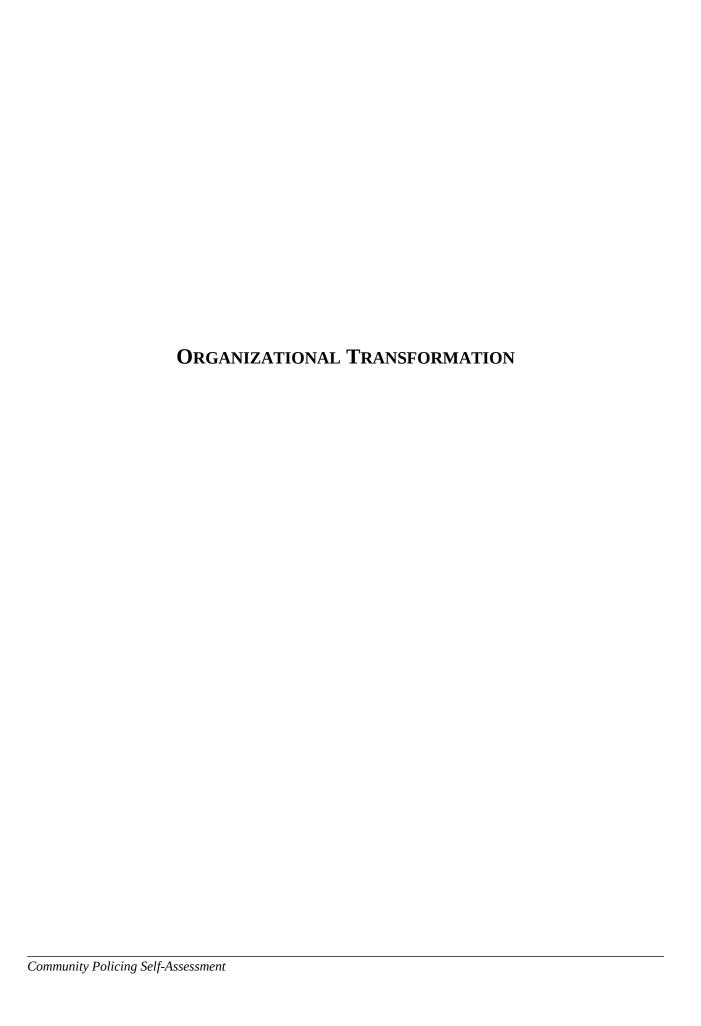
	1 No involvement 2 A little involvement 3 Moderate involvement 4 Significant involvement 5 Extensive involvement			
66. Please indicate your level of involvement in assessing problem-solving initiatives in your community?	1 2 3 4 5			

Problem Solving Processes: Assessing problem-solving initiatives Please indicate the extent to which you agree with the following statements about the way you assess problem solving efforts by circling the appropriate number to the right. When assessing my problem-solving efforts, I		1 Strongly disagree 2 Disagree 3 Neither agree nor disa 4 Agree 5 Strongly agree					
67. examine whether the response was implemented as planned.	1	2	3	4	5		
68. typically collect baseline data on the problem before implementing a response.	1	2	3	4	5		
69. typically collect follow-up data on the effectiveness of the response.	1	2	3	4	5		
70. analyze the nature of the problem further if the response does not work.	1	2	3	4	5		
71. analyze the nature of the <u>response</u> further to determine the reasons the objectives were not attained.	1	2	3	4	5		
72. continue to monitor the response to sustain effectiveness.	1	2	3	4	5		
73. use alternatives to routinely collected policing measurements to evaluate outcomes (for example, fear of crime or perceived safety among residents).	1	2	3	4	5		
74. use a range of routinely collected police data to assess the outcomes of a problem-solving initiative.	1	2	3	4	5		
75. conduct formal impact evaluations on important problem solving efforts.	1	2	3	4	5		
76. collect both quantitative (for example, crime statistics) and qualitative (for example, interviews) measures.	1	2	3	4	5		
77. use information produced from assessments to improve problem-solving initiatives.	1	2	3	4	5		
78. collect evidence of displacement of problems.	1	2	3	4	5		
79. share information about assessment results <u>internally</u> .	1	2	3	4	5		
80. share information about assessment results <u>externally</u> .	1	2	3	4	5		
81. use assessment results to modify problem solving responses.	1	2	3	4	5		
82. involve community partners.	1	2	3	4	5		

Problem Solving Processes: Assessing problem solving initiatives. Please indicate the extent to which you agree with the following statements about the way your organization assesses its problem solving efforts by circling the appropriate number to the right.	2 Disag 3 Nei 4 A	1 Strongly disagree 2 Disagree 3 Neither agree nor disag 4 Agree 5 Strongly agree			
83. My <u>supervisor</u> is supportive of <u>assessing</u> the effectiveness of problem solving efforts.	1	2	3	4	5
84. <u>Department personnel</u> are supportive of <u>assessing</u> the effectiveness of problem solving efforts.	1	2	3	4	5
85. <u>Department personnel</u> are rewarded for their <u>assessment</u> activities.	1	2	3	4	5

If

General Skill in Problem Solving Please indicate <u>your</u> skill level in the following areas by circling the appropriate number to the right:	1 Very lo 2 Low 3 Sati 4 Hi 5 V	l			
86. Using technology to facilitate problem solving.	1	1 2 3			
87. Data analysis.	1	2	3	4	5
88. Applying "best practices" in problem solving.	1	2	3	4	5
89. Using problem-oriented policing literature.	1	2	3	4	5
90. Understanding the complexities of various public safety and crime problems.	1	2	3	4	5
91. Collaborating with the community in problem solving.	1	2	3	4	5
92. Identifying who to call for a particular problem, information needed, and procedures to follow.	1	2	3	4	5
93. Coordinating problem-solving efforts across the agency.	1	2	3	4	5
94. Public speaking.	1	2	3	4	5
95. Integrating problem solving into daily work.	1	2	3	4	5



Organizational Transformation: The extent to which the agency environment, personnel, practices and policies are supportive of community policing philosophy and activities.

There are four aspects of organizational transformation measured on this survey:

- Agency management
- Organizational structure
- Personnel Practices
- Technology and information systems

Reminder: This survey is completely anonymous and you may skip any items you do not feel comfortable answering, but we encourage you to respond to as many survey items as possible.

Agency Management: Agency climate and culture Please indicate the extent to which you agree with the following statements about the <u>philosophy of your agency</u> by circling the appropriate number to the right.	0 Strongly disagree 1 Disagree 2 Neither agree nor disagree 3 Agree 4 Strongly agree				
1. There is agreement on what constitutes community policing in our agency.	1 2 3 4 5				
Agency personnel treat community policing as a valid philosophy.	1	2	3	4	5
3. Personnel in this agency believe that police actions can be successful at improving citizens' quality of life.	1	2	3	4	5
4. Officers in this agency are community-oriented.	1	2	3	4	5
5. Most agency personnel support community policing as the most effective means of ensuring community safety.	1	2	3	4	5
6. Officers take responsibility for public safety in the neighborhoods to which they are assigned.	1	2	3	4	5
7. Officers work towards maintaining positive relationships with the people in the communities to which they are assigned.	1	2	3	4	5
8. Agency leadership educates personnel about the fundamental philosophies and goals of community policing.	1	2	3	4	5
9. Agency leadership uses their positions to educate external groups about community policing.	1	2	3	4	5
10. Agency leadership communicates to personnel the importance of community policing.	1	2	3	4	5
11. The agency treats quality of life concerns as a legitimate police activity.	1	2	3	4	5
12. The organization values the work of my unit in partnership activities.	1	2	3	4	5

Agency Management: Agency climate and culture Please indicate the extent to which you agree with the following statements about the <u>philosophy of your agency</u> by circling the appropriate number to the right.	0 Strongly disagree 1 Disagree 2 Neither agree nor disagree 3 Agree 4 Strongly agree
13. The organization values the work of my unit in problem solving.	1 2 3 4 5

Agency Management: Leadership Please indicate the extent to which you agree that the chief/sheriff does the following things effectively by circling the appropriate number to the right. The chief/sheriff	0 Strongly disagree 1 Disagree 2 Neither agree nor disagree 3 Agree 4 Strongly agree				
communicates the agency's vision for community policing internally.	1	2	3	4	5
2. communicates the agency's vision for community policing externally.	1	2	3	4	5
3. develops strategies to achieve the agency's vision for community policing.	1	2	3	4	5
4. acts as a consensus builder.	1	2	3	4	5
5. works with diverse communities to gather support for community policing.	1	2	3	4	5
6. empowers agency personnel to act on the agency's vision for community policing.	1	2	3	4	5
7. serves as a credible messenger of the agency's vision for community policing.	1	2	3	4	5
8. stresses the importance of community policing <u>internally</u> .	1	2	3	4	5
9. stresses the importance of community policing <u>externally</u> .	1	2	3	4	5
10. serves as a strong community policing role model for others in the agency.	1	2	3	4	5
11. takes steps to remove barriers to effective community policing.	1	2	3	4	5
12. seeks input on how to better implement community policing.	1	2	3	4	5

Agency Management: Leadership Please indicate the extent to which you agree with the following statements about the work, actions, and behaviors of the top command staff in your agency by circling the appropriate number to the right. Top command staff	0 Strongly disagree 1 Disagree 2 Neither agree nor disagree 3 Agree 4 Strongly agree				
13. try to implement community policing as a total philosophy and not a set of programs.	1 2 3 4 5				
14. provide support to middle management to promote community policing.	1	2	3	4	5
15. encourage two-way flow of information between management and staff in the agency.	1	2	3	4	5
16. serve as role models for taking risks.	1	2	3	4	5
17. serve as role models for using innovative approaches.	1	2	3	4	5
18. serve as role models for building collaborative relationships.	1	2	3	4	5
19. communicate the agency's vision for community policing internally .	1	2	3	4	5
20. communicate the agency's vision for community policing externally.	1	2	3	4	5
21. take steps to remove barriers to effective community policing.	1	2	3	4	5
The top command staff seek input from the following groups about meeting the needs of the community:					
22. Patrol officers	1	2	3	4	5
23. Civilian personnel	1	2	3	4	5
24. Agency volunteers	1	2	3	4	5

Agency Management: Decision-making	0 Strongly disagree
Please indicate the extent to which you agree with the following	1 Disagree
statements about <u>decision-making</u> in your agency by circling the	2 Neither agree nor disagree
appropriate number to the right.	3 Agree
	4 Strongly agree

The agency					
14. gives ideas from civilian personnel the same priority as ideas from sworn officers.	1	2	3	4	5
15. supports patrol officers having decision-making authority.	1	2	3	4	5
16. streamlines police procedures to minimize unnecessary bureaucracy.	1	2	3	4	5

Agency Management: Planning and policies Please indicate the extent to which you agree with the following statements about your organization's policy and planning activities related to community policing by circling the appropriate number to the right.	 0 Strongly disagree 1 Disagree 2 Neither agree nor disagree 3 Agree 4 Strongly agree 			
17. The agency's mission statement supports community policing values, such as empowerment, trust, accountability, problem solving, and community partnership.	1 2 3 4 5			
18. Agency personnel are consulted in agency planning.	1 2 3 4 5			
19. Agency personnel are knowledgeable about the community policing aspects of the strategic plan.	1 2 3 4 5			
20. The community policing philosophy has become fully incorporated into policies and procedures.	1 2 3 4 5			

Agency Management: Planning and policies Please indicate the extent to which you agree with the following statements about your organization's policy and planning activities related to community policing by circling the appropriate number to the right.	0 Strongly disagree 1 Disagree 2 Neither agree nor disagree 3 Agree 4 Strongly agree
The agency: 21. holds public meetings near the beginning of the policy making process.	1 2 3 4 5
22. examines barriers to community policing.	1 2 3 4 5

Agency Management: Planning and policies Please indicate the extent to which you agree that the following groups are engaged in planning and policy activities related to community policing:	0 Strongly disagree 1 Disagree 2 Neither agree nor disagree 3 Agree 4 Strongly agree			
23. Top command staff	1 2 3 4 5			

Please groups	ey Management: Planning and policies indicate the extent to which you agree that the following s are engaged in <u>planning and policy activities</u> related to unity policing:	0 Strongly disagree 1 Disagree 2 Neither agree nor disagree 3 Agree 4 Strongly agree				
24.	Middle-management staff	1 2 3 4 5				
25.	First-line supervisors	1	2	3	4	5
26.	Officers	1	2	3	4	5
27.	Civilian staff	1	2	3	4	5
28.	Police labor representatives	1	2	3	4	5
29.	Other government agencies	1	2	3	4	5
30.	Non-profits and/or community-based groups	1	2	3	4	5
31.	The business community	1	2	3	4	5

32.	Does your agency have a strategic plan?	Yes	No	Don't Know	
	o If indicate No/DK, skip to 67				
33.	Are you involved in developing the strategic plan?		Yes	No	

o If indicate No, skip to 67

Plea state they to th	ncy Management: Planning and policies ase indicate the extent to which you agree with the following ements about your organization's strategic planning activities as a relate to community policing by circling the appropriate number are right. agency's strategic plan:	Strongly disagree 1 Disagree 2 Neither agree nor disagree 3 Agree 4 Strongly agree				
34.	reflects its dedication to the community policing philosophy.	1	2	3	4	5
35.	identifies appropriate resources to do community policing.	1	2	3	4	5
36.	includes ways to measure progress towards community policing goals.	1	2	3	4	5
37.	is regularly updated.	1	2	3	4	5

Plea state they	ncy Management: Planning and policies are indicate the extent to which you agree with the following aments about your organization's strategic planning activities as relate to community policing by circling the appropriate number a right.	0 Strongly disagree 1 Disagree 2 Neither agree nor disagree 3 Agree 4 Strongly agree				
38.	The agency developed action steps to achieve desired outcomes.	1	2	3	4	5
39.	Elements of the strategic plan are reflected in staff performance evaluations.	1	2	3	4	5
40.	Our written strategic plan includes goal or objective statements that support community policing.	1	2	3	4	5
41.	The agency communicates the strategic plan as it pertains to community policing <u>internally</u> .	1	2	3	4	5
42.	The agency communicates the strategic plan as it pertains to community policing <u>externally</u> .	1	2	3	4	5

43.	Are you personally involved in creating or conducting	
	organizational evaluations of community policing in your	Yes No
	agency?	

o If indicate No, skip to 78

Agency Management: Organizational evaluations Please indicate the extent to which you agree with the following statements about organizational evaluations by circling the appropriate number to the right. Organizational program evaluation of community policing is defined as a systematic process of gathering and analyzing information in order to assess and improve strategies and programs. It provides a structured way to assess the effectiveness and efficiency of programs by verifying, documenting, and quantifying program activities and their results. This agency's organizational evaluations of community policing	1 Disag 2 Nei 3 Ag	0 Strongly disagree 1 Disagree 2 Neither agree nor disagree 3 Agree 4 Strongly agree					
44. examine impact on community priorities.	1	2	3	4	5		
45. reflect various kinds of outcomes beyond crime data (for example, improvements in quality-of-life in the community).	1	2	3	4	5		
46. use evaluation findings to aid in internal agency decision making.	1	2	3	4	5		
47. allow the community opportunities for input into the assessment.	1	2	3	4	5		
48. assess human resource practices (for example, selection, training).	1	2	3	4	5		
49. examine technology systems (for example, RMS).	1	2	3	4	5		
50. assess internal resource allocation.	1	2	3	4	5		
51. includes process evaluations (a study on how something is done, rather than on the outcomes).	1	2	3	4	5		
52. are shared with the community.	1	2	3	4	5		
53. consider whether community partners achieved their partnership goals.	1	2	3	4	5		

Agency Management: Transparency Please indicate the extent to which you agree with the following statements about agency transparency by circling the appropriate number to the right. The agency	0 Strongly disagree 1 Disagree 2 Neither agree nor disagree 3 Agree 4 Strongly agree				
54. regularly communicates with residents (for example, websites, newsletters, public meetings).	1	2	3	4	5
55. communicates with the <u>community</u> openly.	1	2	3	4	5
56. communicates with its <u>partner organizations</u> openly.	1	2	3	4	5
57. communicates with other government agencies openly.	1	2	3	4	5
58. shares information on crime problems with external parties.	1	2	3	4	5
59. provides residents with a mechanism to provide feedback to the agency.	1	2	3	4	5
60. makes it easy for community residents and others to contact the beat officer assigned to their area.	1	2	3	4	5
61. regularly communicates with the media.	1	2	3	4	5

Organizational Structure: Despecialization Please indicate the extent to which you agree with the following statements about despecialization of staff by circling the appropriate number to the right.	0 Strongly disagree 1 Disagree 2 Neither agree nor disagree 3 Agree 4 Strongly agree					
62. Community policing is an agency-wide effort involving all staff.	1	2	3	4	4 !	5
63. The majority of agency staff (not JUST special units) are tasked with problem solving activities.	1	2	3	4	1 :	5
64. The majority of agency staff (not JUST special units) are tasked with community partnership efforts.	1	2	3	4	4 !	5
65. Only specialist units are tasked with identifying and solving complex problems.	1	2	3	2	4 !	5
Organizational Structure - Resources and finance Please indicate the extent to which the following resources are available to facilitate partnerships and problem solving in your department:	0 Not at all 1 Very little 2 Somewhat 3 A fair amount 4 Very much					
66. Financial resources		1	2	3	4	5
67. Personnel time		1	2	3	4	5
68. Staffing		1	2	3	4	5
69. IT/Technology		1	2	3	4	5
70. Information (for example, CAD data; RMS data; summary reports; library access)		1	2	3	4	5
71. Physical resources (for example, space for a storefront; furniture)		1	2	3	4	5
72. Alternatives to traditional handling of calls for service		1	2	3	4	5
73. Volunteers		1	2	3	4	5

o If indicate No, skip to 104

Plea state appr	connel Practices: Recruitment, hiring, and selection see indicate the extent to which you agree with the following ements about recruitment, hiring, and selection by circling the copriate number to the right. agency	0 Strongly disagree 1 Disagree 2 Neither agree nor disagree 3 Agree 4 Strongly agree			J	
75.	incorporates a community-oriented philosophy in its recruitment, selection, and hiring systems and processes.	1	2	3	4	5
76.	involves the community in recruitment, selection, and hiring processes (for example, the community might help identify competencies and participate in oral boards).	1	2	3	4	5
77.	includes information on community-oriented responsibilities in recruiting materials (including job descriptions).	1	2	3	4	5
78.	targets individuals from populations with a service orientation in recruiting efforts.	1	2	3	4	5
79.	tests candidates for the knowledge, skills and abilities needed to work in a community-oriented environment.	1	2	3	4	5

Personnel Practices: Personnel evaluation and supervision Please indicate the extent to which you agree with the following statements about <u>personnel evaluation</u> by circling the appropriate number to the right.	0 Strongly disagree 1 Disagree 2 Neither agree nor disagree 3 Agree 4 Strongly agree			
80. Expectations for community policing are well defined.	1 2 3 4 5			
81. Agency personnel successful in community policing receive <u>formal</u> recognition.	1 2 3 4 5			
82. Agency personnel successful in community policing receive <u>informal</u> recognition.	1 2 3 4 5			
83. Performance evaluations for <u>civilian personnel</u> assess for demonstrated competency in community policing.	1 2 3 4 5			

Please statem	nnel Practices: Training indicate the extent to which you agree with the following ents about the integration of community policing into training cling the appropriate number to the right.	0 Strongly disagree 1 Disagree 2 Neither agree nor disagree 3 Agree 4 Strongly agree					ee	
84.	The agency assesses community policing training needs.	1		2	3	4	5	
85.	Civilian staff are trained in collaborative problem-solving.	1		2	3	4	5	
86.	Civilian staff are trained in building community partnerships.	1		2	3	4	5	

Plea state	sonnel Practices: Training se indicate the extent to which you agree with the following ements about the integration of community policing into training ircling the appropriate number to the right.	0 Strongly disagree 1 Disagree 2 Neither agree nor disagree 3 Agree 4 Strongly agree				
87.	Supervisors encourage problem solving and partnerships.	1	2	3	4	5
88.	Training for the top command incorporates community-policing principles.	1	2	3	4	5
89.	Middle managers and first-line supervisors receive leadership training that focuses on serving in a coaching/facilitation role.	1	2	3	4	5
90.	Community policing is incorporated into all facets of training.	1	2	3	4	5
91.	In-service training is provided in community policing.	1	2	3	4	5
92.	Community policing training is available to the community.	1	2	3	4	5
93.	The agency maintains a library of information on a variety of community policing topics.	1	2	3	4	5

Technology and Information Systems: Communication/access to data Please indicate the extent to which you agree with the following statements about communication and access to data by circling the appropriate number to the right.	0 Strongly disagree 1 Disagree 2 Neither agree nor disagree 3 Agree 4 Strongly agree			
94. The Internet is used as a way to distribute information to the community.	1 2 3 4 5			
95. Information technology is used for improving communication between officers and citizens (for example, 311, cell phones, internet, laptops).	1 2 3 4 5			
96. The Internet is used to facilitate on-going dialogue <u>between</u> the community and the agency (for example, through websites, email).	1 2 3 4 5			
97. Internal electronic communications are used to facilitate ongoing dialogue within the agency.	1 2 3 4 5			
98. Up-to-date crime statistics are available to the public.	1 2 3 4 5			

0 No knowledge

99.	Please indicate your level of knowledge of the agency's	1	2	3	1	5	
dat	a systems.	1	2	J	4	J	

o If indicate 0, skip to end of module

Technology and Information Systems: Quality and accuracy of data Please indicate the extent to which you agree with the following statements about quality and accuracy of data accessed by officers by circling the appropriate number to the right.	0 Strongly disagree 1 Disagree 2 Neither agree nor disagree 3 Agree 4 Strongly agree				
100. Officers are easily able to query relevant information and data in support of problem solving.	1	2	3	4	5
101. Officers have timely access to data in support of problem solving.	1	2	3	4	5
102. Officers have access to accurate data to inform problem solving.	1	2	3	4	5
103. The agency takes full advantage of new technology to advance community policing.	1	2	3	4	5
104. Officers use technology to document and retrieve problem solving activities.	1	2	3	4	5
105. Crime analysts are used as a resource in problem solving efforts.	1	2	3	4	5
106. The agency's CAD system is able to inform problem solving efforts.	1	2	3	4	5
Advances in technology are used to support the following	0 Strongly disagree 1 Disagree 2 Neither agree nor disagree 3 Agree 4 Strongly agree				
107. Crime analysis functions.	1	2	3	4	5
108. Incident reporting.	1	2	3	4	5
109. Call management functions.	1	2	3	4	5

