The TenPoint strategy is based upon the *Ten Point Plan to Mobilize the Churches* authored by Rev. Dr. Eugene F. Rivers III in 1991. With others, it became a clergy/law enforcement/community collaboration and a highly acclaimed and researched demonstration model resulting in zero homicides in a high risk section of Boston over a sustained period.

Since its inception, points from the TenPoint core plan have been adopted and used throughout the United States and abroad resulting in over 25 years of successful work with high risk youth and crime reduction outcomes. A minimum of three points are required to officially establish TenPoint coalitions.
In 1999, the TenPoint model was recognized for its success in Boston, Massachusetts, the initial launch site, as a Promising Strategy to Reduce Gun Violence by the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention.

The founding experience reflected the combined effort of multiple clergy/faith-based leads, law enforcement partners, individuals, community institutions and public agencies which resulted in comprehensive and diverse strategies evolving from TenPoint that led to two years with no youth-on-youth murders.

This successful collaboration in the Dorchester neighborhood set off a nationwide rippling effect as other communities began to form and sustain their versions of the Boston pebble.
The TenPoint model focuses on high crime communities with concentrated distress and hot spots of crime. As founded, sustained, empirically evaluated, and as core elements are offered today, the TenPoint model ideally supports the Administration’s priorities to reduce violent crime (sometimes associated with gang activity), assist communities struggling with drug abuse, and support law enforcement officers by integrating officers and enforcement strategies into faith-led/involved, community-based crime reduction and reentry efforts.

In 1998, Dr. Rivers introduced the coalition strategy to the Indianapolis community through Rev. Charles Harrison and Rev. Clarence Moore along with other clergy who embraced the program; subsequently, the Indianapolis Ten Point Coalition was founded and has sustained close to two decades of tremendous success.
• Since its inception in 1999, the Indianapolis TenPoint Coalition (ITPC) has been a significant partner with the city of Indianapolis in the fight against violent crime.

• In 2017, Indianapolis TenPoint Coalition was recognized by the Department of Justice, Federal Bureau of Investigation in Washington, DC, for collaboration and significant crime reduction results achieved using the model. Replication has been supported by the state’s Attorney General throughout Indiana.
### Assumptions
- Focus on high-risk, or "hot spot" neighborhoods, as defined by the number of homicides that occur in the areas, the number of non-fatal shootings, the number of active gangs, and the volume of drug-related acts of personal violence.
- Institutions of faith are well-positioned to play a role in community crime reduction and to provide services and support to at-risk youth and young adults.
- Having an ongoing presence in the community can help respond to real-time contributing factors.
- Using former gang members or those formerly involved in crime will build rapport and trust with youth.

### Funding & Resources
- Federal, philanthropic, support
- In-kind support from faith, law enforcement, corporate, or fellow stakeholders

### Priority Outreach
- At-risk youth and young adults ages 8-24 who live in high-risk neighborhoods

### Staff and Volunteers
- Street outreach workers
- Program team leads
- Rapid response teams
- Reentry employment for formerly justice involved citizens and former gang members
- Faith-leaders

### Partnerships
- Faith leaders
- Municipal leaders
- Educators
- County prosecutor
- Municipal, state, and federal law enforcement agencies and officers
- Employers/Job training providers
- Social service providers
- Students

### Activities
- Faith patrols
- Provide real-time and ongoing street patrol/support
- Peace walks
- Rapid response teams to homicides/shooting incidents
- Attend and provide support at funerals
- Mentoring services
- Job fairs
- Provide employment for returning citizens
- Refer to service providers, job training, employers, mentoring programs
- Faith/law enforcement crisis response intervention
- Gang mediation
- PEN OR PENCIL (POP) National Mentoring Initiative

### Outputs
- Number of contacts with youth
- Number contacts with gang-affiliated youth
- Number contacts with neighborhood residents
- Number of faith patrols
- Number of peace walks
- Number of street/gang mediations
- Number of shooting/homicide scenes visited
- Number of job fairs
- Number of referrals made to service providers
- Number of school-based mentoring partnerships

### Impact

#### Participant-Level
- Increased employment
- Increased family relationships
- Increase in successful reentry by former offenders
- Improved effective, behavioral, and cognitive self-regulation of POP youth
- Direct instruction through POP (e.g., individual, classroom, small group) in self-regulation skills such as anger management and cognitive self-control

#### Neighborhood-Level
- Reductions in youth homicides
- Reductions in non-fatal shootings
- Reductions in gangs and gang activity
- Reductions in drug-related violence
- Improved residents' sense of morale, hope, and security in the neighborhood
- Increased neighborhood (residential) stability
- Youth employment training programs that prepare youth for meaningful and rewarding careers
National Expansion
• More cities across the country have called upon the Indianapolis TenPoint Coalition to assess viability of new sites and bring the example of its “boots on the ground” implementation of the TenPoint strategy to their communities.

• On October 5, 2017, Dr. Eugene Rivers, president of the Seymour National TenPoint Training Institute, appointed Rev. Charles Harrison to be the Midwest Regional Director in leading coalition expansion for TenPoint.
The Rebuilding Every City Around Peace (RECAP) (based in Las Vegas, Nevada) is a faith-based/community and Law Enforcement component of the TenPoint plan which offers a design to include:

- Effective intervention/response to a crime/trauma scene
- Gang mediation
- Sex trafficking intervention training
- Crowd sourcing
- Community/law enforcement continuity
- Law enforcement training

For over 20 years, the training design fostered by this hub based in Indianapolis, Indiana has served as a coalition of faith leaders who become catalysts to bring together the faith-based community, community leaders, businesses, law enforcement, and the court system to address contributing issues to violence.

- A hallmark of the design is street patrols, outreach, and worker training
- Reentry employment
- Coalition building

Community violence can result in children witnessing assaults of family members, peers, trusted adults, innocent bystanders, and perpetrators of violence. PEN(increment) or PENCIL (Education) incorporates National Social Studies Standards with civic education, social emotional learning, character development, and positive behavioral support intervention to engage local education and law enforcement agencies and volunteers of faith in evidence- and curriculum-based mentoring/crime reduction strategies.
Vision

- Sustainability of new expansion sites require urgent and increased capacity for the National TenPoint Training Institute

- Based upon data-driven and empirically sound research, the NTPTI and specialized hubs will provide training, technical assistance, tools, monitoring, and guidance as requested and as required to empower and best increase likelihood of success of TenPoint institutions and organizations
• To reach youth at a younger age who might be most at risk as targets or participants in adverse behavior, justice involvement, and violence, in 2018, the NTPTI partnered with the National Alliance of Faith and Justice to introduce PEN OR PENCIL through designated TenPoint locations.

• POP, launched in 2005, integrates the robust use of history and social emotional learning techniques translated into today’s contemporary parallels to address critical personal risk factors and experiences and to inspire transformational behavior in the lives of youth.

• PEN is short for penitentiary and PENCIL represents education and the opportunity to write a new history of options in the quest for success.

• In 2006, POP received endorsement from the National Council for the Social Studies. The curriculum series uses eight of 10 thematic strands of the National Standards for the Social Studies.

• In 2007, POP was identified as a national model for success and cited as an Emerging Practice by the National Association of State Directors of Special Education and the National Disability Rights Network as published in Promoting Educational Success and Reducing Delinquency, a toolkit resulting from a national policy initiative related to the educational needs of court involved youth.

• In 2008, POP was a model featured by the U.S. Department of Education Elementary and Secondary Education, Student Achievement and School Accountability Programs National Evaluation and Technical Assistance Center (NDTAC) for the Education of Children and Youth Who Are Neglected, Delinquent, or At-Risk in Toolkit 2.0: Meeting the Educational Needs of Youth Exposed to the Juvenile Justice System.

• In 2011, NAFJ was awarded a $3 million grant from the U.S. Department of Justice Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention to support multi-state expansion of POP.
2018 National TenPoint Comprehensive Community Initiatives
Cabinet Priorities/Alignments

**Department of Justice**
- Office of Justice Programs
  - OJDP
  - Office of Victims of Crime
- Bureau of Prisons
- OVW
- Community Oriented Policing
- Drug Enforcement Admin.
- U.S. Attorney

**Department of Health and Human Services**
- Adm. Of Children and Families
  - FYSB
- Substance Abuse MHSA
- Food and Drug Adm.
- CDC

**Department of Housing and Urban Development**
- Affordable Housing
- Community Development
- Homelessness/Runaways

**Department of Education**
- Office of Innovation and Improvement
- Office of Elementary and Secondary Education
- Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services
- Office of Career, Technical, and Adult Education

**Department of Commerce**
- U.S. Census
- Economics and Statistics
- Minority Business Development
- Bureau of Economic Analysis

**Small Business Administration**
- Entrepreneurship
- Education/Development
- Minority Business

**Department of the Interior**
- National Park Service

Federal alignments with TenPoint

Potential funding streams

Faith and public partnerships
STRENGTHS

• Prior research on the TenPoint model identified several strengths and discernible steps to violence and crime reduction in faith-led, law-enforcement, community involved successes in key demonstration areas. Each (1) built relationships with juveniles, (2) drew juveniles and adults into available programs and services, (3) connected stakeholders with appropriate resources, (4) bridged professional - community divides; (5) promoted successful reentry; (6) strategy is adaptable, replicable, and has long-term sustainability as designed
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