

## Evaluation of Brooklyn Park Police Community Metrics and Outcomes

*Progress Report Summary – April 28, 2021*

### Project overview

Wilder Research is working with the City of Brooklyn Park to conduct an evaluation with three areas focus:

- A qualitative analysis of the Brooklyn Park Police Department
- An analysis of City of Brooklyn Park community metrics and outcomes related to systemic inequities, public safety, and attitudes for law enforcement
- An analysis of likely root causes of violence in Brooklyn Park

### Project updates

Below is an overview of the work completed or process of completion from March 1 - April 30, 2021 (Figure 1).

#### 1. WORK COMPLETED

<b>Task</b>	<b>Date</b>
Facilitated 4 Advisory and Evaluation subcommittee meetings	March – April
Drafted police scorecard (based on literature review)	In process
Created a webpage with communications materials.	April
Drafted community metrics for public safety section of the report.	In process
Conducted 46 telephone interviews	In process
Facilitated youth group interview	April

## Summary of work

- Created a webpage with frequently asked questions for the evaluation – See <https://www.wilder.org/city-brooklyn-park-police-reform-project>.
- Conducted youth group interview. In April, Wilder Research facilitated group interview with six youth who reside and/or attend school in Brooklyn Park.
- Drafted policing scorecard.
- Continued analysis of community indicators and drafting of that report section.
- Began analysis of interviews.
- Facilitated the following Evaluation Advisory and Subcommittee meetings.
  - March 4, 2021 – Advisory Committee meeting
    - Interview protocol discussion
    - Highlight from literature review: the social conditions where community safety thrives
    - Progress report review
  - March 16, 2021 – Evaluation Subcommittee meeting
    - Youth group interview discussion
    - Interview update
    - Introduction to policing scorecard
  - April 1, 2021 – Advisory Committee meeting
    - Interview update
    - Update about youth group interview
    - Highlight from literature review: police scorecard considerations and development
    - Introduction to policing scorecard
  - April 21, 2021 – Evaluation Subcommittee meeting
    - Interview update
    - Policing scorecard: presenting the first draft in detail
- **Conducted 46 interviews.** As of April 26, 2021, 46 in-depth phone interviews were conducted with key stakeholders representing diverse perspectives and experiences in the Brooklyn Park community. The final four interviews are scheduled to occur the first week of May. The interviews were conducted with Brooklyn Park residents, as well as city employees, including law enforcement (Figure 2).

## 2. INTERVIEWS COMPLETED

Interviewee type	Number interviewed
City employees (not Law Enforcement)	9
City employees (Law Enforcement)	5
Brooklyn Park residents	32
Total	46

## Next steps

- **Analyze interviews, including the youth group interview.** Wilder Research complete the analysis of the interviews, gathering common themes, experiences, and perceptions, including, where possible, whether there are differences in themes across geography or race.
- **Facilitate Advisory and Evaluation Subcommittee meetings.** Wilder Research will facilitate the meetings with the Advisory and Evaluation Subcommittee.
- **Finalize police scorecard.** Wilder Research will work with Brooklyn Park stakeholders and the Evaluation Subcommittee to define and prioritize indicators of the scorecard, including the implementation logistics.
- **Finalize community indicators analysis.** Wilder Research will analyze and synthesize the literature on community indicators, including Brooklyn Park's community metrics and outcomes related to systemic inequities and community safety. This analysis will include comparing indicators across Census tracts and race in Brooklyn Park.
- **Complete final report.** Wilder Research has begun writing the final report, which will be completed by in June.
- **Present findings.** Wilder Research will present findings, including the scorecard.

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