## Project Safe Neighborhoods

### Forming Partnerships

Project Safe Neighborhoods (PSN) is a federal, state, and local justice community effort to reduce gun violence. PSN was established through the U.S. Attorney’s Office in 2001 as an approach to reduce gun violence in America. Under President George W. Bush’s administration, the initiative was launched in 2001.

The goal of the Bush adminstration was to reduce gun crime. The national-level approach had the dual purpose of recruiting and building partnerships and creating enforcement strategies that are informed by local needs.

The DOJ and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) have joined with several national organizations and agencies to form the PSN Partnership.

### Impacting the Project Partnerships

Project Safe Neighborhoods is an integral part of the Bush Administration’s overall strategy to ensure that every community vigorously combats the problem of gun violence. Project Safe Neighborhoods is part of a comprehensive and coordinated approach to addressing the problem of gun violence in America.

### Impacting the Laboratory

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