SafeGrowth and CPTED Program Summary

Welcome to the SafeGrowth and CPTED program. Crime and safety are frequently described in surveys as among the most pressing issue in communities today. Solving crime and safety is not a simple matter. As instructors for this program we are looking forward to sharing with you some new ideas and best practices for community safety.

This is a demanding and engaging course of study. It is also not a typical training course or workshop where most learning occurs in the classroom. In our course, it does not. So you will need to commit yourself for extra work before you decide to attend this program. Here is how our program works. Please read this over carefully before you commit to the program.

- 1. <u>IN-CLASS WORKSHOP</u> with <u>NIGHT-TIME WALKABOUT</u>: The SafeGrowth / CPTED program consists of three parts. Part 1 is a two-day in-class workshop. We typically start day one after lunch and go until late evening. We do that in order to conduct a night-time walkabout. We often go to dinner together on day one prior to the walkabout (**not** included in registration). During the class you will form into safety teams and choose a neighbourhood project in your community to work on. While in class there will be hands-on exercises, group work, two daytime walkabouts and the evening site visit outside to examine night-time safety issues such as lighting. Dress accordingly.
- 2. <u>FIELD PROJECT and TEAMWORK</u>. Part 2 takes place in the month or so following Part 1. It begins next when your safety team starts working on your neighbourhood project. You'll need to collect information such as crime statistics, meet with your team, conduct site visits, and assemble a report and presentation on your results.

Depending on the length of time between phase 1 and 2, there may be an additional group meeting required in this time. Groups will update on there projects and identify any outstanding issues. Out of town participants may conference call/Skype/or FaceTime into the meeting.

- 3. <u>IN-CLASS FOLLOW-UP WORKSHOP</u>. Part 3 follows your neighbourhood project when we assemble once again for another two day in-class workshop. You and your team will present your results in a 20 minute presentation for critique by the instructors and the class. We encourage you to invite members of the community from your project area to attend the presentations as they appreciate seeing the results of your work.
- 4. <u>ON-LINE ASSIGNMENT AND EMAIL REPORT</u>. During your neighbourhood project, you will each individually need to do an on-line assignment and submit a short email summary to the instructors. This must be completed before we meet for Part 3. We will assemble your email submissions into a chart that we will all work on together in Part 3. It involves strategies you can use to overcome obstacles where you work.
- 5. <u>PRE-COURSE READING</u>. We include below some online reading that will help you get started. They are from www.safe-growth.blogspot.com, a blog set to help students in this SafeGrowth/CPTED class. There are all kinds of free downloads in the Toolkit for SafeGrowth Practice tab on the right side of the blog. There are also some blog entries you should read.

Read these:

http://safe-growth.blogspot.com/2010/09/incomplete-equation-for-safety.html

http://safe-growth.blogspot.com/2010/09/completing-equation-part-2.html

http://safe-growth.blogspot.com/2010/08/fun-theory.html

http://safe-growth.blogspot.com/2009/05/doin-it-right-on-wrong-side-of-town.html

http://www.safe-growth.blogspot.com/2012/11/give-little-bit-of-my-life-for-you.html

http://www.safe-growth.blogspot.com/2012/08/parking-lots-cant-vote.html

http://www.safe-growth.blogspot.com/2012/06/trees-and-crime.html

http://www.safe-growth.blogspot.com/2012/05/red-light-player.html

http://www.safe-growth.blogspot.com/2012/04/lose-your-busses-lose-your-city.html

(Of course you are very welcome to follow any of the weekly blog reports on safe-growth.blogspot.com)

That's the program. It is obviously a very intense and involved. That is because crime is not a simple matter; solutions to crime need detailed knowledge and strategies based on past success and intelligent choices. This program provides that.

The program also provides a foundation for application to the International CPTED Association's CPTED Certification program. We'll talk to you about that in more detail during the Part 3 workshop. In the meantime, you can read about it on www.cpted.net

Registration in this course is your acknowledgement that you understand the work commitment.

We look forward to seeing you.

Best regards

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