

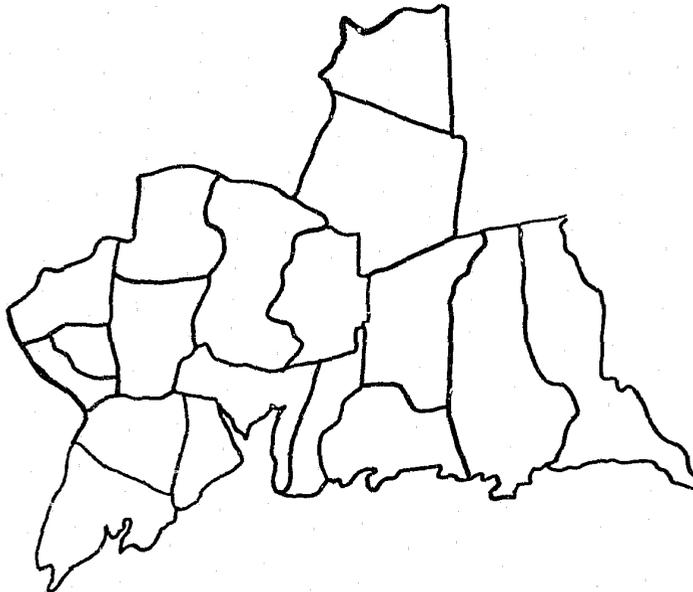
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**1974**

**OF THE**

**SOUTH CENTRAL CRIMINAL JUSTICE SUPERVISORY BOARD**

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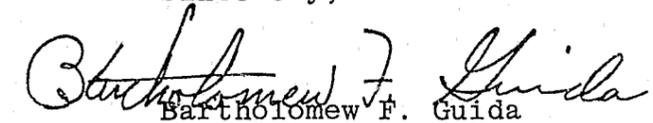
Gentlemen:

It is my pleasure as Chairman of the South Central Criminal Justice Supervisory Board to present the Annual Report on the activities of this body. In the past year, the Board and its staff has grown tremendously in stature and has taken an increasingly important role as a planning and coordinating resource for improving the administration of criminal justice in our region.

Both the Board and the Regional Planning staff are to be commended for their vigorous efforts to procure law enforcement funds and to provide valuable technical assistance for the communities and police departments in South Central Connecticut.

We can, I believe, look forward to another year of growth, particularly in the realm of regional cooperation. It is my sincere desire that the South Central region continue to be a leader in this important area. As Mayor of New Haven, the region's core city, I pledge my support to the South Central Criminal Justice Supervisory Board's endeavors to fight crime and improve the administration of criminal justice.

Sincerely,



Bartholomew F. Guida  
Mayor  
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Both the Law Enforcement Assistance Administration's program and the Connecticut Planning Committee on Criminal Administration's planning efforts have consistently emphasized, on one hand, decentralizing certain facets of the criminal justice system and, on the other, increasing regionalization of technically sophisticated or specialized law enforcement services.

This has meant encouraging community-based services in areas like the handling of juvenile delinquency and the rehabilitation of offenders. It has also meant extensive efforts at the local level to develop the cooperation and coordination required by such regional efforts as automated law enforcement information systems.

Importantly, both of these thrusts require large amounts of effort at the grass roots level -- efforts at determining the problems and the resources available, at seeking out locally supported solutions, encouraging cooperation, and offering technical assistance where it's necessary.

In all these areas, I feel, the South Central Criminal Justice Supervisory Board and staff have been doing a commendable job and have been instrumental in assuring the optimum effectiveness of criminal justice planning in its region. We congratulate the Board and staff on a job well done. We appreciate the support the Board and its planners are providing for CPCCA's efforts. And, we look forward to a continuing productive partnership.

H. R. STERRETT  
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In introducing the first Annual Report of the South Central Criminal Justice Supervisory Board (SCCJSB), I would like to commend the members of the Board and especially its Executive Committee for their dedicated efforts. The unprecedented level of regional cooperation for improving the administration of criminal justice in South Central Connecticut has been reached largely through their work. Both my staff and I are extremely grateful for their guidance, assistance, and support. Also of tremendous value to us in our endeavors have been the support and cooperation extended by local police chiefs and chief elected officials in our region. Our thanks goes to them too.

Promoting regional cooperation to aid in the fight against crime has been, and continues to be, one of the major priorities for the Regional Planning Office. In my tenure as Senior Regional Planner, I have identified three important functions which my staff and I have sought to perform. First, as mandated by the Connecticut Planning Committee on Criminal Administration (CPCCA), we have undertaken a grants management role through which the financial and programmatic integrity of every project funded in our region has been maintained. Second, we have sought to provide technical assistance to projects, police departments, and their communities to aid them in developing suitable strategies for achieving their law enforcement goals. Third, we have tried to assist communities in articulating their needs and planning priorities in the area of law enforcement and, in conjunction with police chiefs and chief elected officials, undertaken regional planning and action initiatives aimed at fighting crime and improving the operations of the criminal justice system.

Though the road has been, and will certainly continue to be, a hard one, we can point proudly at several successes in the past year. Regional programs are presently functioning in several areas, and many more are planned. Among these are two crime photography laboratories, a six-town youth services system, a recently reconstituted Regional Crime Squad, and the most advanced computerized criminal information system in the State of Connecticut. All of this, of course, complements the many valuable programs that operate within single jurisdictions.

In the coming year, we are looking forward to the maturation of the police computerized information system and especially to a community crime prevention planning effort that will focus on small and medium-sized communities. The Regional Planning Office will direct the planning and coordination efforts in these projects and with the cooperation of local police chiefs and elected officials, they should both prove to be tremendous assets in the fight against crime.

As staff to the SCCJSB, we at the Regional Planning Office stand ready to provide assistance in the areas of program planning and implementation. We thus look forward to another year of growth and achievement in our effort to fight crime and improve the administration of criminal justice.

William H. Carbone  
Senior Regional Planner

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## ADMINISTRATION

The Law Enforcement Assistance Administration (LEAA) was created by the 1968 Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act, amended in 1970 and in the Crime Control Act of 1973, and empowered to distribute federal funds for the nationwide reduction of crime and improvement of the criminal justice system.

In Connecticut, the Planning Committee on Criminal Administration (CPCCA) awards the block grant funds to individual grantees - state agencies, local units of government or combinations thereof - on the basis of predetermined programs and in most cases, evaluation of competitive applications. The annual plan assesses the needs and problems of the criminal justice system, determines priorities, establishes responsive programs, and allocates funds based on these identified needs.

The program categories for which local units of government are eligible to apply are:

- 1.0 Equal Administration of Justice
- 2.0 Street Crime
- 4.0 Youth Crime and Juvenile Delinquency
- 5.0 Drugs and Alcohol
- 8.0 Manpower
- 9.0 Communications

Within each of these planning areas, individual program descriptions articulate program objectives, eligibility criteria, evaluation requirements, and funds available.

For criminal justice planning purposes Connecticut is divided into seven regions, each of which is served by a regional planning office. The role of these regional planning agencies is determined primarily by the staff and its supervisory board. As the local representatives of the CPCCA, the regional offices must insure that state and federal guidelines are upheld. The interdependent nature of the relationship between CPCCA and the regional offices necessitates a high level of mutual cooperation and respect.

The regional planning offices are notified by the State Planning Agency of what the programmatic scope and availability of funds in particular program categories will be. They are, in turn, responsible for the dissemination of this information to local municipalities and police departments. Frequently, regional planners will assist prospective grantees in the preparation of applications for funding. Regional planners are asked to review and comment upon all applications prior to submitting them to the CPCCA for final consideration. Regional planners also provide valuable input to the development of the State plan and the specific program categories by informing CPCCA staff planners of the impact of existing programs in their region and the need for new programmatic initiatives which they have identified.

South Central Connecticut is the smallest in geographic size, number of municipalities, and population of the three largest planning regions (New Haven, Bridgeport, and Hartford) in the State. The South Central Criminal Justice Supervisory Board (SCCJSB) oversees the criminal justice planning function for seventeen communities.

The SCCJSB's primary concerns are the prevention and detection of crime, guaranteeing the public safety, and improving the operations of the criminal justice system. The Board is representative in terms of both the law enforcement community and overall geographic make-up of the region.

Each of the 17 communities is served by a full-time police department. The total population of the South Central Region is, according to the 1970 census, 559,900. This is substantially fewer people than either of Connecticut's other two major urban regions, Capitol and Fairfield, each of which has in the neighborhood of three-quarters of a million residents.

## 1974 CPCCA PROGRAM CATEGORIES

### 1.0 Equal Administration of Justice

The major emphasis of this category is the improvement of coordination between the various agencies dealing with the local administration of justice. Two programs, the New Haven Pretrial Services Council, and the Pretrial Diversion Program, have received fourth and final year funding from CPCCA. These two programs are designed respectively to improve interagency coordination in the pretrial administration of justice and to divert offenders from criminal prosecution. In the past year, both projects have grown considerably in scope and stature. A study is underway to develop a strategy for the centralization of pretrial functions statewide. The outcome of this study should dictate the programmatic and financial future of these and other pretrial programs in Connecticut. These two projects received over 66% of the local funds allocated by the CPCCA in this program category.

### 2.0 Street Crime

The "street crime" problem is the focus of much attention by law enforcement agencies and other components of the criminal justice system. The primary response agent of the criminal justice system for dealing with street crime is the police. However, a large portion of these efforts to combat criminal activities must also be borne by the community through increased citizen initiative.

The program category addresses this large scale problem by providing support to those projects which attempt to increase the effectiveness of the patrol, investigative, and specialized divisions of local police departments or combinations thereof. Support is also granted to projects which attempt to generate citizen involvement in the fight against crime.

In the South Central Region, CPCCA has funded two multi-town crime photography laboratories to improve the photographic and evidence gathering techniques of the participating departments. Two crime prevention bureaus are now in existence in the region to attack the burgeoning problem of burglaries and related incidents.

A comprehensive study of the Street Crime problem in the City of New Haven directed at responsive new methods of patrol deployment will have an immediate impact on the incidence of such crimes.

In addition, four representative regional municipalities will participate in a project designed to upgrade crime prevention planning in small and medium sized police departments. An improved patrol deployment study will also be initiated in a South Central Region Police Department.

The South Central Region received 47% of all funds allocated statewide in this program category.

#### 4.0 Youth Crime and Juvenile Delinquency

In response to the programmatic emphasis on achieving improved coordination in the youth services area, communities in South Central Connecticut have been encouraged to develop Youth Services Bureaus. These Bureaus are designed to facilitate the delivery of comprehensive services to delinquent and identified predelinquent youth and to develop a cooperative network of resource and input agencies, i.e., community-based service programs as well as police, school, and Juvenile Court diversionary efforts. The Youth Services Bureaus have been directed to develop mechanisms whereby they can monitor and evaluate the activities of agencies comprising this service network. Then, in response to the evaluation, perform a planning and management function to improve the operation of existing programs and develop, where necessary, new programs to meet identified needs of youth in trouble.

In addition to several continuation community-based projects, South Central Connecticut will have a new Police Youth Bureau in Meriden and several Youth Services Bureaus which have been designed to provide coverage in this important area to every town in the region.

#### 5.0 Drug and Alcohol Abuse and Addiction

The thrust of this program category is aimed at the prevention and treatment of drug and alcohol abuse, and, of course, at improving the operations of the criminal justice system in dealing with alcoholics and drug dependent persons.

Two treatment programs, Liberation House, a residential drug treatment facility, and the Multi-Site Counselor Rehabilitation Program for Alcohol Offenders have received fourth and final year funding from CPCCA. Liberation House is a therapeutic treatment community for drug abusers, most of whom are referred to the program from the criminal justice system. Efforts are being made to secure new, more permanent, sources of funding for this project, particularly with the Department of Adult Probation and the Department of Mental Health. The Multi-Site program focuses on providing centralized referral and casework services to alcoholics who come into contact with either the criminal justice system or segments of the care-giving community. Efforts are being made to secure future funding for this project from a combination of Federal, State and local sources. The South Central Region's limited participation in this program area can be explained by the fact that no new applications were considered in this category, and, as mentioned above, both projects funded here are in their final year of CPCCA support.

#### 8.0 Manpower Needs of the Criminal Justice System

The main objective of this program category is to satisfy the personnel requirements, both professional and sub-professional, of the criminal justice system. The category addresses specific manpower needs of law enforcement agencies to include recruitment, selection, training, assignment, evaluation, retention and promotion.

Police Planners have been provided to three South Central police departments, or combinations thereof, to perform the planning, research, analysis, and evaluation services for their respective departments. In addition, specialized technical expertise has been provided to area police agencies in the form of a legal advisor, crime laboratory technician, statistical analyst, and youth bureau screeners.

In order to relieve sworn police officers from administrative assignments and, therefore, allow them to perform their prime law enforcement function, the category has provided civilian dispatchers and a senior cadet program to police departments in the region.

#### 9.0 Criminal Justice Information and Communications Systems

By providing support for the development and implementation of demonstration projects in records and management information systems for local criminal justice agencies, the category attempts to promote the detection and apprehension of offenders.

The police departments of the South Central Criminal Justice Planning Region will soon have access to a regional computerized case incident reporting system (CIRRS). The CIRRS, which has received approximately \$800,000 in federal support over the past four years, is expected to be fully operational by December 1974, and will provide immediate access to criminal histories, case incidents, and management information for fourteen participating police departments in the South Central Region.

The system, by far the most advanced of the three existing regional information systems in the State of Connecticut, has been the catalyst for inter-department cooperation throughout the region. The sophisticated System is a model for police departments in the State of Connecticut, New England, and in many respects, the entire country.

It is also expected that during the current fiscal year, funds will be made available under this program category to provide local police departments with improved voice communications equipment (walkie-talkies, etc.).

The South Central Region received 51% of all funds allocated statewide in this program category.



WEST HAVEN POLICE PLANNER  
JEROME SAGNELLA OUTLINES  
KEY ASPECTS OF CRIME PRE-  
VENTION TECHNIQUES.

1974 CPCA FUNDED PROGRAMS

South Central Region

<u>Title</u>	<u>Grantee</u>	<u>Federal Award</u>	<u>Project Administrator</u>	<u>Phone</u>
<u>Planning Grant</u>				
SCCJSB	New Haven	\$80,083	William Carbone	777-5596
<u>Action Grants</u>				
Pretrial Services Council	New Haven	\$23,529	Daniel Ryan	777-2328
Pretrial Diversion Program	New Haven	\$37,274	Daniel Ryan	777-2328
East Shore Police Photographic Lab	Branford	\$18,824	Bartholomew Criscuolo	481-4241
West Shore Crime Photography Lab	Orange	\$37,085	James Searles	795-0567
Crime Prevention Planning for Small & Medium Communities	West Haven	\$53,000	William Carbone	777-5596
Improved Patrol Deployment	Wallingford	\$20,000	George Dombroski	265-5777
Assessment of Street Crime/Patrol Deployment	New Haven	\$80,000	Joseph Kenny	777-6591
Crime Prevention Bureau	New Haven	\$16,145	Alexander Galant	777-6591
Police/Community Crime Reduction	East Haven	\$12,358	James Criscuolo	469-5302
Family and Youth Service Network	New Haven	\$13,805	William Mecca	865-1125
Counseling and Work Study for Youth	New Haven	\$17,928	Joseph Marci	562-0151
Skill and Work Confrontation for Adjudicated Youth	East Haven	\$6,600	Jack Kowal	467-1625
Youth Service and Action Center	North Haven	\$6,475	John Daley	239-5321
Clinical Outreach	Meriden	\$ 917	Fred Morrison	238-0771
Police Youth Bureau	Meriden	\$13,000	Adam Sokolowski	238-1911
Youth Services Bureau	Hamden	\$24,667	Daniel Price	288-5641
Youth Services System	Milford	\$19,730	Sarah Hamblin	878-6501
Youth Services Bureau	New Haven	\$17,180	Robert Ruggiero	777-7597
Youth Services Bureau	Meriden	\$14,520	Edwin Naamon	634-0003
Youth Services Bureau	West Haven	\$24,567	Anthony Maltese	934-3421
East Shore Youth Service System	North Haven	\$25,000	John Daley	239-5321
Multi-Site Counselor Rehabilitation Program for Alcoholic Offenders	New Haven	\$36,879	Raymond Guidone	776-2652

1974 CPCA FUNDED PROGRAMS Con't.

<u>Title</u>	<u>Grantee</u>	<u>Federal Award</u>	<u>Project Administrator</u>	<u>Phone</u>
Liberation House	New Haven	\$50,000	Theodore Murray	777-5600
Police Planner	West Haven	\$10,908	Jerome Sagnella	934-0211
Statistical Analyst	New Haven	\$2,265	Mark Nichols	777-6591
Police Screening and Diversion for Juveniles	New Haven	\$11,900	Joseph Kenny	777-6591
Crime Laboratory Technician	New Haven	\$15,525	Nicholas Pastore	777-6591
Regional Criminal Justice Legal Advisor	West Haven	\$15,170	Jerome Sagnella	934-0211
Police Planner	Meriden	\$11,880	Adam Sokolowski	238-1911
Delinquency Prevention and Youth Services Project	Milford	\$11,900	Douglas Sherman	878-6551
Sub-Regional Police Planner	Ansonia	\$12,420	Gary Hale	735-6448
Housing Authority Senior Cadet Program	New Haven	\$11,700	Plassie Williams	562-0047
Civilian Dispatchers	Hamden	\$17,550	Donald Hasbrouck	248-4484
Case Incident Regional Reporting System	New Haven	\$169,000	Joseph Kenny	777-6591

PROGRAM DISTRIBUTION BY MUNICIPALITY

<u>Town</u>	<u>Grant</u>
Branford	East Shore Police Photographic Lab.* East Shore Youth Service System*
East Haven	East Shore Police Photographic Lab.* Police/Community Crime Reduction East Shore Youth Service System* Skill and Work Confrontation for Adjudicated Youth
Guilford	East Shore Police Photographic Lab.* East Shore Youth Service System*
Hamden	Hamden Youth Services Bureau Civilian Dispatchers
Madison	East Shore Police Photographic Lab.* East Shore Youth Service System*
Meriden	Meriden Police Youth Bureau Meriden Youth Services Bureau Meriden Police Planner Clinical Outreach
Milford	Milford Youth Services System West Shore Crime Photography Lab.* Regional Criminal Justice Legal Advisor* Delinquency Prevention and Youth Services Project
New Haven	Pretrial Diversion Program Pretrial Services Council Assessment of Street Crime/Patrol Deployment Crime Prevention Bureau Family and Youth Service Network Counseling and Work Study for Youth New Haven Youth Services Bureau Multi-Site Counselor Rehabilitation Program for Alcoholic Offenders Liberation House Statistical Analyst Housing Authority Senior Cadet Program Case Incident Regional Reporting System (All South Central Region Police Departments) Police Screening and Diversion for Juveniles
North Haven	East Shore Youth Service System* North Haven Youth Service and Action Center

<u>Town</u>	<u>Grant</u>
Orange	Regional Criminal Justice Legal Advisor* West Shore Crime Photography Lab.*
Wallingford	Improved Patrol Deployment
West Haven	Crime Prevention Planning for Small and Medium Communities* West Shore Crime Photography Lab.* West Haven Youth Services Bureau West Haven Police Planner Regional Criminal Justice Legal Advisor*
Woodbridge	West Shore Crime Photography Lab.*
Valley (Ansonia) (Derby) (Seymour) (Shelton)	Sub-Regional Police Planner*

\* Multi-Town Projects



POLICE AND OTHER CRIMINAL JUSTICE FUNDING\*

	POLICE (2.0 8.0 9.0)		
	<u>South Central Region</u>	<u>State-wide</u>	<u>Percentage South Central Region</u>
Total Funds	\$527,702	\$1,152,727	47%
Total Number Grants	18	52	35%
New Grants	11	24	46%
Continuation	7	28	—
CRIMINAL JUSTICE: NON-POLICE (1.0 4.0 5.0)			
	<u>South Central Region</u>	<u>State-wide</u>	<u>Percentage South Central Region</u>
Total Funds	\$331,368	\$1,320,8721	25%
Total Number Grants	16	60	27%
New Grants	3	18	17%
Continuation	13	42	—

REVITALIZED SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL CRIME SQUAD

TOWN	POPULATION	NO. OF SWORN OFFICERS	TOWN CASH CONTRIBUTION TO REGIONAL CRIME SQUAD	MANPOWER CONTRIBUTION	PERIOD OF MANPOWER CONTRIBUTION
Branford	20,444	32	\$ 497	1	9 months
Cheshire	19,051	25	\$ 456	1	8 months
East Haven	25,120	45	\$ 610	1	11 months
Guilford	12,033	25	\$ 293	1	5 months
Hamden	49,357	100	\$1,201	2	one year
Madison	9,768	20	\$ 237	1	4 months
Meriden	55,959	93	\$1,360	2	one year
Milford	50,858	97	\$1,238	2	one year
New Haven	137,707	420	\$3,353	5	one year
North Branford	10,778	11	\$ 262	1	4 months
North Haven	22,194	40	\$ 540	1	10 months
Orange	13,524	26	\$ 328	1	6 months
Wallingford	35,714	53	\$ 869	1 1	one year 4 months
West Haven	52,851	88	\$1,275	2	one year
Woodbridge	7,673	13	\$ 187	1	3 months

\* as of June 20, 1974 CPCA Executive Committee meeting

## REGIONAL PROGRAMS AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE



EAST HAVEN POLICE SERGEANT JAMES CRISCUOLO DEMONSTRATES THE CAPABILITIES OF THE NEW REGIONAL COMPUTERIZED CRIMINAL INFORMATION SYSTEM. TERMINALS SUCH AS THE ONE PICTURED ABOVE ARE LOCATED IN POLICE DEPARTMENTS THROUGHOUT SOUTH CENTRAL CONNECTICUT.

Two of the major emphases of the Regional Planning Office in the past year have been the improvement of regional cooperation and coordination amongst law enforcement agencies and the provision of technical assistance to projects and municipalities in South Central Connecticut. The staff has sought to develop and promote regional programs aimed at improving the administration of criminal justice and enhancing the capabilities of police departments to combat crime.

There were several significant initiatives in the areas of regional program development and technical assistance. Some of the more noteworthy efforts here include:

Case Incident Regional Reporting System (CIRRS) - The Regional Planning Office assisted in the development and refinement of an on-line computerized information system shared by fourteen police departments in the South Central Region. This system, which is expected to be fully operational by December, 1974, will allow rapid access to criminal case history records on a region-wide basis. The Regional Office has supervised and directed all project implementation phases to assure that each department was effecting the necessary changes and modifications in their records/communications operation to accommodate a computerized system. Regular and special meetings have been held to inform and update participants on system development, to identify training needs and arrange necessary training sessions, and to facilitate distribution of standardized forms, manuals, and related materials.

The major objectives of the CIRRS are to provide for the safety of the police officer in the street, assist in the execution of investigative functions, and provide management information necessary for operational decision-making and planning efforts on the part of police administrators.

The supervisory efforts of the Regional Planning Office have insured the maximum utilization of on-line and data processing potential for the participating police departments.

Crime Prevention Planning for Small and Medium Size Communities - The Regional Planning Office developed a program to address the planning needs of small and medium-size police departments within the South Central Region. The project, which will be implemented by the Regional Office, will attempt to identify the unique crime problems of suburban communities and develop and implement strategies in response to these findings. Four representative police departments will be selected to participate in the project and maximum utilization will be made of the CIRRS System as a planning tool. This innovative program is a major step in allowing Regional Planners to develop approaches to the law enforcement and service needs of the police departments which they represent.

Regional Crime Squad - The SCCJSB staff initiated action on the part of police chiefs and elected officials to revitalize the South Central Regional Crime Squad. Problems pertaining to manpower shortages and budgetary constraints made it difficult for municipalities to participate in the Squad. Through the efforts of the Regional Planning Office, each police department in the South Central Region is now contributing a proportional share of manpower and funds to support the work of the Squad. The Regional Crime Squad endeavors to utilize sophisticated law enforcement tech-

nology to fight drug abuse and related criminal activity on a multi-town basis. The Regional Planning Office will monitor the Squad, as requested by the South Central Chiefs of Police Association, on a regular basis to guarantee its operational and administrative integrity.

East Shore Youth Service System - The SCCJSB staff met with representatives from six towns (East Haven, Branford, North Branford, North Haven, Guilford, Madison) to develop a proposal for a youth services system that will coordinate existing services and develop new ones for the towns participating in the project. Several meetings were held with representatives from the various towns in an effort to promote the concept of a regional youth service system. This joint venture is an important step on the road to extensive inter-local cooperation.

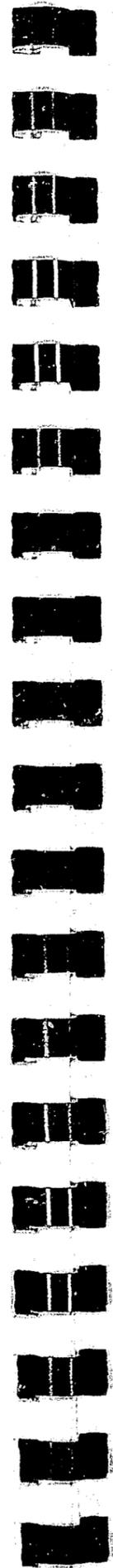
New Haven Pretrial Services Council and Diversion Program - The Regional Planning Office assisted the Executive Director in developing a plan and timetable for implementing the recommendations of the Pretrial Diversion Program evaluation, particularly the revision of the eligibility criteria and improvements in the case tracking process. This has resulted in a dramatic increase in the project's caseload. The Regional Planning Office is also assisting in developing a plan for assessing the execution of pretrial functions in Connecticut with the long-range objective of centralizing the delivery of pretrial services in the state and clarifying the administration and focus of the pretrial function.

Mobile Crime Laboratory - The Criminal Justice Office helped to secure support for a mobile crime apparatus for the New Haven Department of Police Service which will be available on an as needed basis to all regional departments. This laboratory will have sophisticated evidentiary equipment for meeting law enforcement forensic needs. It will also provide the services of highly trained personnel who will assist in evidence collection and analysis.

East Shore and West Shore Crime Photography Labs - The Regional Planning Office encouraged two multi-town efforts to pool resources necessary for the establishment of crime photography laboratories. These facilities will make it possible for the participating departments to increase their photographic and evidence gathering capabilities. In each case, a regional color darkroom has been established and personnel from each department trained in its usage. The participating towns are successfully pooling their resources to increase the availability of specialized support services and improve the utilization of manpower.

Reorganization and Task Analysis for the Hamden and Madison Police Departments - In response to requests from top level police administrators, the Regional Planning Staff prepared revised organization models and detail position descriptions for the two departments. These efforts have resulted in a better articulation of command responsibilities, operational duties, rules and regulations, and limits of authority.

LEAA Educational Seminar - The SCCJSB sponsored a seminar for all chief elected officials, police chiefs, grants managers, and project directors prior to the 1974 funding rounds. The purpose of the program was to inform attendees of the programs, available funds, and responsibilities of municipalities accepting LEAA grant funds. The Seminar was extremely well attended and was structured to include workshops, conducted by CPCCA staff planners, whereby interested parties could ask specific questions on the various areas of grants administration. In addition to this effort to keep public administrators informed of the LEAA program, a newsletter is prepared each month and distributed to Regional Mayors and chief elected officials.



Provision of Technical Assistance to Prospective Grantees Applying for 1974 Action Funds - The Regional Planning Office assisted several applicants from law enforcement agencies and municipalities in articulating their programmatic needs and desires. Using the 1974 CPCCA Action Program Book as a guidepost, the staff aided applicants in planning and developing action grant proposals for LEAA funds. Such efforts resulted in the successful funding of over 80% of all applications submitted. The South Central Region surpassed all other planning regions in the State in number of grants awarded and the amount of dollars received.

FUTURE ENDEAVORS

In the upcoming year the Regional Planning Office is proposing to expand the level of technical assistance that it currently offers to CPCCA-supported projects and criminal justice agencies serving the South Central Region. This additional assistance will include a more sophisticated monitoring format designed to ensure the maintenance of both financial and programmatic integrity and the development of an enhanced planning capability. The staff feels that this is an appropriate time to undertake such an expansion of responsibilities for several reasons. Past experience has shown that a comprehensive monitoring approach is the most effective method for identifying weaknesses in either programmatic or financial administration that warrant the staff's application of expertise and technical assistance. Only through the early discovery of difficulties in program implementation can the Regional Planning Office hope to guarantee effective and efficient project performance. Furthermore, the development and implementation of the Regional Computerized Information System has made it possible for the first time for planners to have speedy access to crime data and management information that are vital to the execution of a true planning function.

To this end, the Regional Planning Staff will initiate a CPCCA funded Crime Prevention Planning project. This project will involve Regional Planners, professional consultants, and selected law enforcement experts from the Region in a true pioneering effort in the field of criminal justice planning. This planning team will seek to establish a process whereby a sophisticated technologically-based model for crime specific planning can be developed and tested by selected police departments in the South Central Region. This Crime Prevention Planning project dovetails nicely with the staff's on-going commitment to expediting the successful implementation of Connecticut's first computerized criminal justice information system.

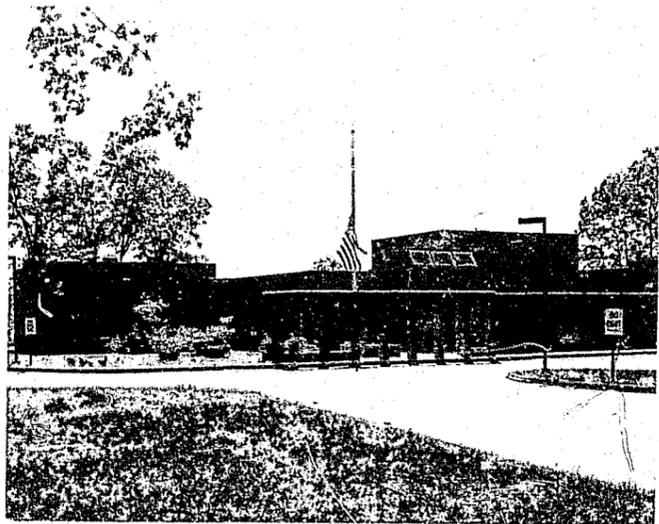
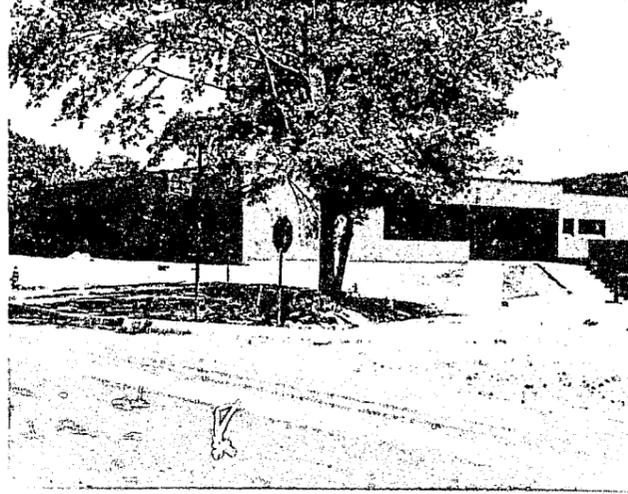
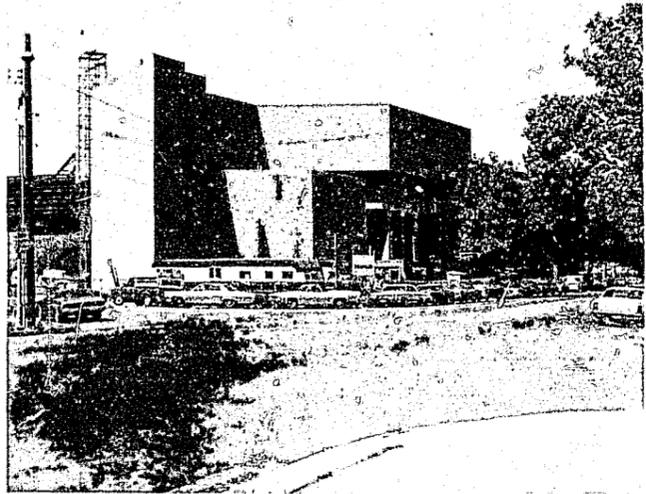
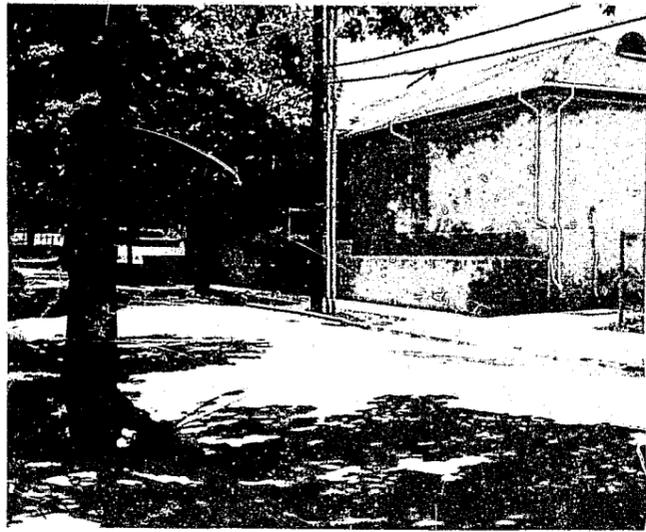
The Regional office will also continue to assist the fourteen (14) Police Departments in the Region that are participating in the Computerized Information System (CIRRS.) The staff will continue to provide vital administrative coordination and technical assistance during the sensitive implementation phases. Commitment to this project in dollars and manpower far exceeds any other in the Region and will be justified by final implementation during the present year. This comprehensive effort will form a basis for future progress in police records/communications and may be the unique factor which will bring additional grants into the South Central Region by improved problem documentation and instant evaluation capabilities.

One of the priorities for the Regional Planning Office in the coming year will be the development of a comprehensive Regional Plan. In September the staff will begin meeting with key personnel in criminal justice agencies and CPCCA-supported programs throughout the region to elicit information concerning their perceptions of needs and priorities for law enforcement related programs. Also the Regional Office proposes to initiate a project designed to utilize the National Advisory Commission on Criminal Justice Standards and Goals Report on Police as a standard by which to compare and evaluate the fourteen police departments within the South Central Connecticut Planning Region. The project will attempt to measure both the strengths and weaknesses of these departments, and to utilize the results as a basis for future proposals to be recommended for CPCCA funding. The project will also identify the degree to which departments within the South Central region comply with the recommendations of the Commission. The result of these efforts will culminate in the publication of a regional plan for police administrative and operational planning by the end of the current year as well as the development of action programs for the South Central region. This plan will serve as the source for the specific programmatic development with the goal of better aligning the departments within the region with the federal standards and goals for police agencies.

Another project which the Regional Planning Office expects to become involved in will be the second LEAA Conference. This conference, similar to the one held in January, 1974 will seek to apprise Police Chiefs and Chief

Elected Officials of the progress of the LEAA program in South Central Connecticut. It will also lay the groundwork for the development of new and continuation project applications for Action Year 1975 in accordance with CPCCA Program category guidelines and the Regional Plan.

The Senior Regional Planner will, of course, continue to maintain close liaison with the South Central Criminal Justice Supervisory Board, the Connecticut Planning Committee on Criminal Administration, and the Regional Chief Elected Officials and Chiefs of Police. Every effort will be made to keep these bodies abreast of the work of the Regional Planning Office and their input will certainly be solicited to help provide direction for the Staff's planning endeavors.



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