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FROM: Governor's Office of Crime Prevention, Youth, and Victim Services

July 1, 2021

The Honorable Larry Hogan
Governor of Maryland
100 State Circle
Annapolis, MD 21401

The Honorable William C. "Bill" Ferguson IV
President of the Senate
State House, H-107
Annapolis, MD 21401-1991

The Honorable Adrienne Jones
Speaker of the House of Delegates
State House, H-101
Annapolis, MD 21401

RE: Report required by Senate Bill 907, 2020/Chapter 19(2), 2021 (MSAR #12981)

Dear Governor Hogan, President Ferguson, and Speaker Jones:

In accordance with Senate Bill 907, 2020/Chapter 19(2), 2021, which requires the Governor's Office of Crime Prevention, Youth, and Victim Services (Office) to submit a biannual report to the Governor and the General Assembly by January 1 and July 1 of each year, as it relates to State assets being deployed to prevent crime, please accept this letter as fulfillment of the required report.¹

Senate Bill 907, 2020/Chapter 19, 2021, [Public Safety - Crime Plan and Law Enforcement Councils \(Maryland State Crime Plan\)](#), established the Law Enforcement Coordinating Council within the Maryland Department of State Police (Department), and required the Department to establish a Regional Law Enforcement Council for each region established by the Law Enforcement Coordinating Council. Each council consists of public safety partners, to include local and state law enforcement agencies and state government agencies, whose purpose is to prevent and reduce crime by (1) coordinating and focusing State and/or local resources; and (2) ensuring interagency communications and intelligence-sharing.

¹ Maryland General Assembly. [Senate Bill 907 \(2020\)/Chapter 19 \(2021\). Public Safety - Crime Plan and Law Enforcement Councils \(Maryland State Crime Plan\)](#).

Senate Bill 907, 2020/Chapter 19(2), 2021, also requires the Office to submit a biannual report to the Governor and the General Assembly by January 1 and July 1 of each year, as it relates to how State assets are being deployed to prevent crime. Specifically, the report must: (1) specify the number of individuals that the Division of Parole and Probation is monitoring, including the categories of supervision for each individual; (2) specify the number of individuals the Division of Parole and Probation has referred to other State agencies for assistance; (3) identify the housing services the State is providing to individuals recently released from incarceration; (4) identify the job training and assistance with employment opportunities the State is providing to individuals recently released from incarceration; (5) describe issues relating to access to transportation for individuals recently released from incarceration; (6) identify the support services provided to individuals at high risk for committing crimes; and (7) specify the manner in which State agencies are sharing specific information about individuals who have had contact with the criminal justice system.

Given the recent gubernatorial veto override of this Act, which occurred on February 11, 2021, the Law Enforcement Coordinating Council held its first meeting on May 24, 2021. At these meetings, which will occur at least twice a year, the Office, along with other members, will meet to identify: State resources and assets that are being used to prevent crime, strategies and initiatives that are needed to improve data- and intelligence sharing, and much more.²

In addition, the Office is working with the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services to identify and gather specific information regarding the deployment of State assets to prevent crime, as required by Senate Bill 907, 2020/Chapter 19(2), 2021.

Based on the current efforts and partnerships in place, our Office anticipates that the next report, which will be submitted on January 1, 2022, will capture more insight as it pertains to State assets being deployed to prevent crime.

Should you have any questions relating to the information provided in this report, please feel free to contact me at 410-697-9338.

Sincerely,



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Executive Director

cc: Sarah Albert, Department of Legislative Services (5 copies)

² It is important to note that the Office is a member of the Law Enforcement Coordinating Council, only.