



# HALT VIOLENCE

**September 14, 2023, Minutes**

**Halt Violence**

**2360 W. Broad Street**

**Columbus, Ohio 43204**

**6:30 pm – 7:45 pm**

Board Members: Thell Robinson III- President/CEO and Todd Kaufman was in person and Jonathan Olivito phoned in. However, Curtis Hairston Jr didn't show.

**Minutes:**

Halt Violence received half of the full grant in the amount of \$141,225 from the Governors Violence reduction grant. We have a full time Street Mentor and Full time LSW case manager. We're still seeking a full-time and part-time Street Mentor.

Halt Violence still awaits Ms. Owens from the Department of Youth Services for an update on receiving referrals for youth through the juvenile courts.

Halt Violence awaits a \$270,000 grant in with My Brother's Keeper through the City of Columbus.

Halt Violence awaits a \$50,000 grant in with Pepsico Foundation.

Todd assisted Thell with resume update for CEO description and Executive Director description.

Halt Violence has a case manager for the east location that works 25 hours a week from the Columbus Foundation racial Equity grant.

Thus far, Halt Violence has raised \$400,659.14. This is a 331% increase from the last quarter's board meeting.

Halt Violence has 36 beefs squashed, 8 ongoing and 1 not known. This is a 180% increase from last quarter's board meeting.

Currently, Halt Violence has 114 clients (21 youth). This is a 345% increase from last quarter's board meeting.

The board hasn't leveraged funds or resources with the data reports from the 9 years that was shared previously.

Halt Violence hosted a job fair in July that had 39 individuals in attendance at the west location. This is a strategy to allow young adults to become self-sufficient instead of doing illegal activities.

Halt Violence hosted a bookbag give away at our east location, west location, and Linden Library. Up north, Halt Violence passed out 81 book bags with school supplies included, our east was 63 book bags and 43 at our west location. Included was information so that parents could have us as a resource. We had free snow cones and parents were able to enroll their youth and answer questions to make them more comfortable with Halt Violence.

Our fundraiser will be November 9<sup>th</sup> at our west location from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm. Sponsorship is attached. Our keynote speaker is Candace James. She is the site director of CEO Central Employment Opportunity. This organization engages with re-entry populations.

Halt Violence has a new community partnership, Buckeye Ranch. They have referred plenty of parents to our agency since the success of a mutual client we worked with together.

Halt Violence has established a relationship with the Public Defender's office and we're receiving referrals from them.

OSU hospital has our marketing materials in both of their locations for trauma when it comes to gun violence.

The Franklin County Corrections Center inquired about our services for the men that is facing time in prison and the ones that are returning home. This will be a great partnership that is in alignment with the Halt Violence strategic plan.

Jonathan helped with half of The Board of Commissioners grant that Halt Violence submitted in the amount of \$399,420. This is for one year. However, if The Board of Commissioners are pleased, the grant can continue for three years.

Halt Violence team will begin Somali Language course for 50 weeks, 2 hours each session.

## **North**

43211

Level of Beef.

Murder

He says she say.

What is the reason for the beef?

#13 saw the person he thought shot him in the head. The person shared he don't got beef with #13 because he didn't shoot him. If #13 had shot him, he would have shot the wrong person. The truth is #13 cousin shot him. We had to deescalate #13 continuously. He feels guilty because someone else that was there when the shooting took place, is now dead.

What is the outcome of the beef?

#13 wants to change for his kids. He's struggling with being broke and the person was about to get the frustration of #13 issues that he thought shot him. #13 knows that God has spared him and is wanting to do right about the opportunity of life.

Is the beef squashed or ongoing?

Yes

What type of Beef?

Individual Beef

What neighborhood?

North

What zip code?

43211

What method was the beef outcome performed?

In person

## west

43204

Level of Beef.

Shooting

What is the reason for the beef?

#15 and #17's got into a shootout. #17's was pointing a beam at the car #15 was in. Due to ptsd, #15 defended himself because he thought they was going to shoot him.

What is the outcome of the beef?

Mom and #15 went to #17's house to see if they got beef with him. #15 was checking the temperature to see if they knew it was him. They don't so he will leave it alone. We encouraged #15 to stay focused on his rapping and being alive.

Is the beef squashed or ongoing?

Yes

What type of Beef?

Gang Beef

What neighborhood?

west

What zip code?

43204

What method was the beef outcome performed?

In person

One party of the Beef

The board recommended Hot Chicken Take over for catering to the fundraiser since they are a second chance employer.

Next board meeting is December 14, 2023.