ALEXANDRIA CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT

A Strategic Response to Moped Theft
CITY OF ALEXANDRIA
DEMOGRAPHICS

• Major thoroughfares
• Many jurisdictions surround Alexandria
• Mopeds easily transported to other surrounding areas
Virginia, District of Columbia, and Maryland area
• **Scanning**
• Analysis
• Response
• Assessment
CRIME TREND

In 2009 there were 7 moped larcenies in the City of Alexandria.

In 2010 the amount increased to 22 larcenies.

This was a 214% increase.
DEMOGRAPHICS OF ARLANDRIA

- Nestled between Arlington County and City of Alexandria
- Also known as “Chirilagua”
- Alexandria population in 2010 was 139,966
- 17% of Alexandria population is Hispanic, and comprise this community
2010 City of Alexandria Moped Thefts

Legend
- M 2010 Moped Thefts (22)

Miles
0 0.25 0.5 1 1.5 2
• Scanning
• Analysis
• Response
• Assessment
STRATEGIC RESPONSE SYSTEM (SRS)

- Comprehensive approach to reduce crime, fear of crime and improve quality of life
- Uses crime trend analysis, series and patterns
- Emphasizes use of problem-solving strategies for difficult and long term issues
VIRGINIA MOPED LAW
46.2-100
OBSTACLES IN DETECTING MOPED LARCENIES
MOPEDS LOCATED UNDER TREES
MOPED UNSECURED / COVERED UP
VIN PLATE
COVERED MOPED IN ALLEY
• Scanning
• Analysis
• **Response**
• Assessment
ALEXANDRIA’S STRATEGIC RESPONSE

- Create an up to date moped registration program for Officers to access on their mobile computers
- Research and distribute a proper locking device for moped owners
- Identify hot spots and increase patrol officer presence
ALEXANDRIA’S STRATEGIC RESPONSE

- Mopeds registered should be identified quickly as being registered through the Police Department. Making it an undesirable target for would-be criminals.

- The police would partner with apartment management companies in the location that was hit hardest by thefts.
UTILIZING MOPED REGISTRATION DATABASE

Inputting and Retrieving data
FINDING A PROPER LOCKING SYSTEM FOR RESIDENTS
DEVELOPING A TRACKING SYSTEM FOR THE LOCKS, VIN PLATES & MOPEDS
BLACK LIGHT TECHNOLOGY

Registration #

illuminated
BLACK LIGHT TECHNOLOGY ON VIN

VIN Plate

VIN Plate Under black Light
CREATING AWARENESS WITH PROPERTIES
MOPED DESIGNATED PARKING AND HIGH VISIBILITY
• Scanning
• Analysis
• Response
• Assessment
RESERVED FOR MOPED & MOTORCYCLE PARKING ONLY

PARQUEO RESERVADO PARA MOPED & MOTOCICLETA SOLAMENTE
MOPED PERMITS ISSUED BY APARTMENT COMPLEX
Moped Owners

Arlandria

Larceny Suspect

MOPEDS
Parent of Offenders or Probation Officers

Property Management

Handler

Manager

Larceny Suspect

Arlandria

Moped Owners

Guardian

Mopeds
Parent of Offenders or Probation Officers

Handler

Manager

Property Management

Guardian

Police or Neighbors

Moped Owners

Moped Suspect

Larceny Suspect

Arlandria

Mopeds
City of Alexandria Moped Thefts
One Year After Moped Registration Program Implementation

Legend:
- Moped Thefts - After Implementation
- Area of Program Implementation

11/6/2010-10/1/2011

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NOVEMBER 5TH 2010

“Testing the program”
“INTERVIEW WITH A LARCENY SUSPECT”
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