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To: Sara Hoffman, Assistant County Administrator
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Subject: North Richmond Statistics -Appendix B

Assistance was requested of Crime Analyst Lori Hill in the preparation of a statistical analysis of crime trends for the unincorporated area of North Richmond which is patrolled by the Contra Costa County Sheriff's Office. Statistics in this analysis represent a 5 year study between January 1, 2001 and December 31, 2005.

"Statistics are for North Richmond and the unincorporated areas of Contra Costa County only. Statistics may not include reclassified or unverified incidents. Additionally, due to reporting requirements and computer processing procedures, statistics may not be consistent with State of California Department of Justice statistics."

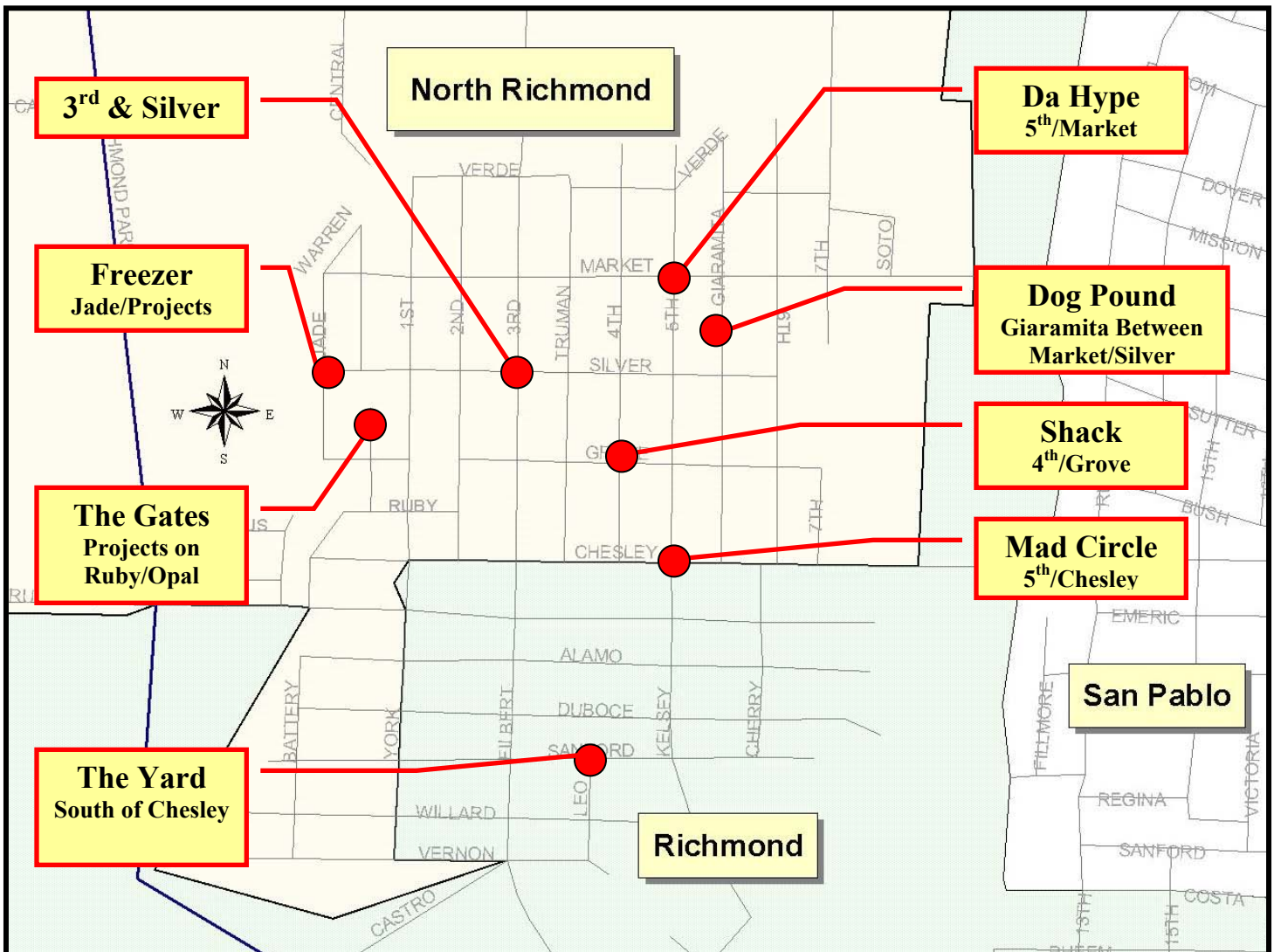
Definitions:

- ❑ **Calls for Service:** All incidents/calls that go through our dispatch center, whether or not a report was written.
- ❑ **Reported Crimes/Incidents:** All incidents/calls where a crime report was generated.
- ❑ **Select Crimes:** Major crimes/crime problems tracked by the Sheriff's Office.
- ❑ **Persons Crime:** Crimes perpetrated against persons.
- ❑ **Property Crime:** Crimes where the theft or destruction of property was the primary focus.
- ❑ **Vehicle Related Crime:** Crimes where vehicles were targeted for theft or burglary.
- ❑ **Drug Activity:** All crimes involving the possession, sales, transportation, manufacturing of, or being under the influence of drugs/narcotics as defined in the California Health and Safety Code.
- ❑ **Arrests:** Statistics reflect incidents resulting in arrests, not the number of individuals arrested per incident.
- ❑ **Unverified:** Those calls/incidents that did not verify as an actual address in our CAD (Computer Aided Dispatch) or RMS (Records Management System). If the report is based on a location query, unverified incidents will not be reflected on the report.
- ❑ **CCC (Contra Costa County):** References to CCC statistics are relative to the unincorporated areas of Contra Costa County patrolled by the Sheriff's Office, it does not include the Contract Cities of Danville, Lafayette, Oakley, Orinda or San Ramon.

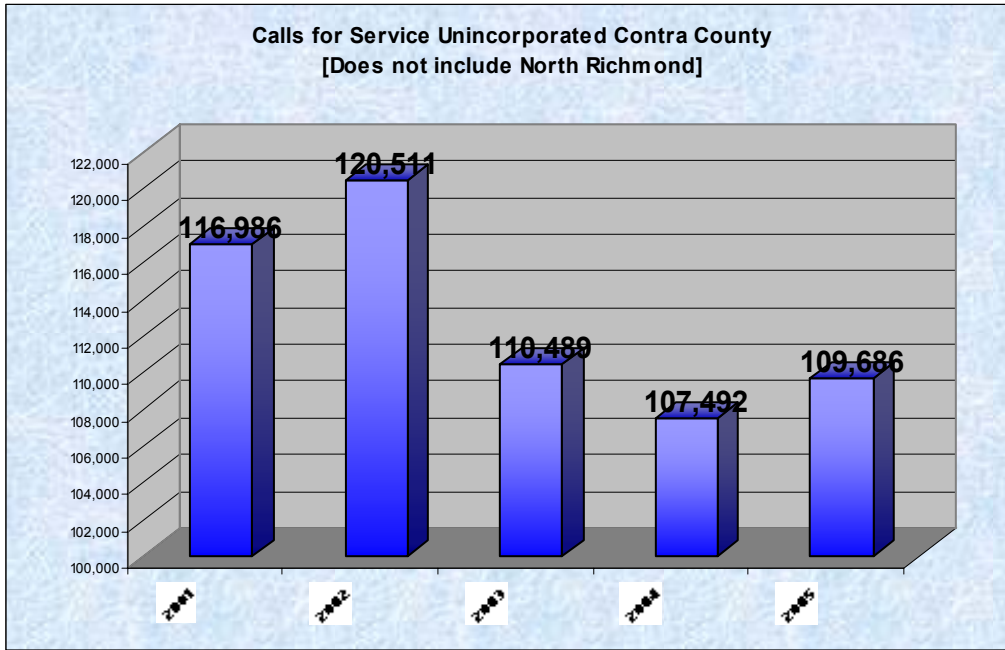
The Community of North Richmond

- ❑ 2005 Population Estimate: 3273 – North Richmond comprises 2% of unincorporated Contra Costa County population
- ❑ .5 square miles: Adjacent to Richmond
- ❑ Primarily Residential: Mixture of homes and apartments, to include Housing Authority Units
- ❑ Economy: (5) Corner Markets
- ❑ Gang Activity: North Richmond is primarily governed by the African American Gang known as the Project Trojans. The map below shows set territories. This gang originated in North Richmond during the 1980's and controls the drug trade. Much of the areas drug activity and violent crime can be attributed to this gang.
- ❑ Other Gangs operating in North Richmond:
 - ❑ Sureno (Hispanic)
 - ❑ Mara Salvatrucha (MS-13) (El Salvador/Hispanic)
 - ❑ Color of Blood (COB) – (Asian)
- ❑ (3) Churches
- ❑ Senior Center
- ❑ Community Center
- ❑ (1) Elementary School (Verde)

Population estimate for North Richmond based on Census 2000 data and calculated with an anticipated annual growth rate of 2.5%.



Calls for Service – Comparative Analysis



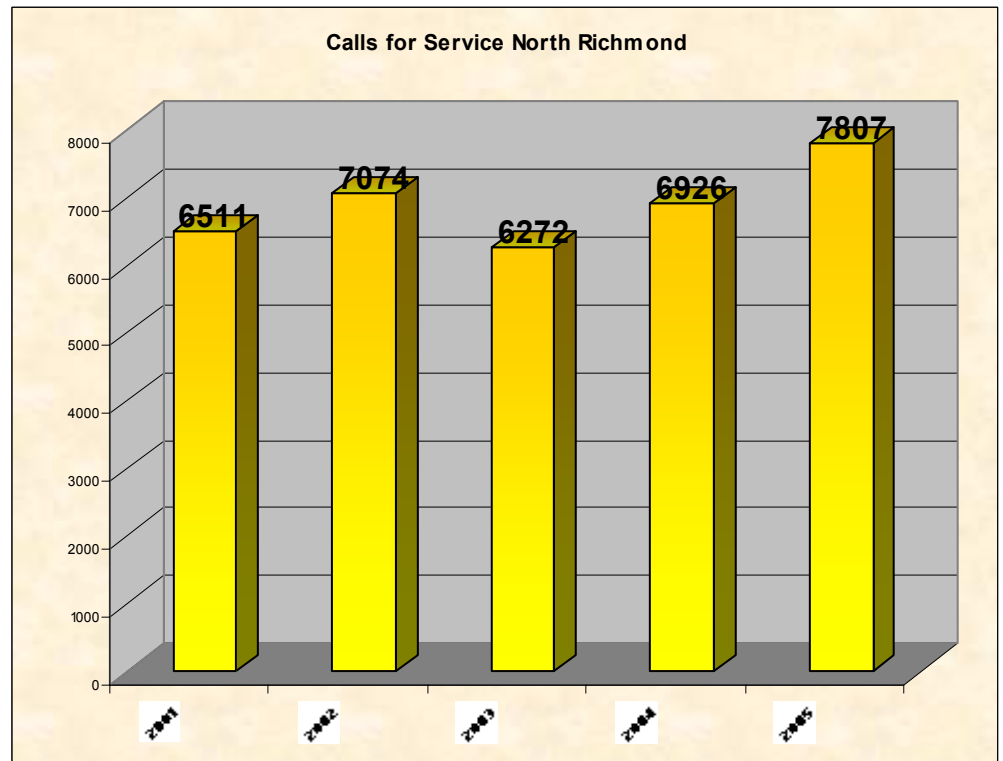
Contra Costa County has averaged approximately **113,000** calls for service annually over the previous 5 years.

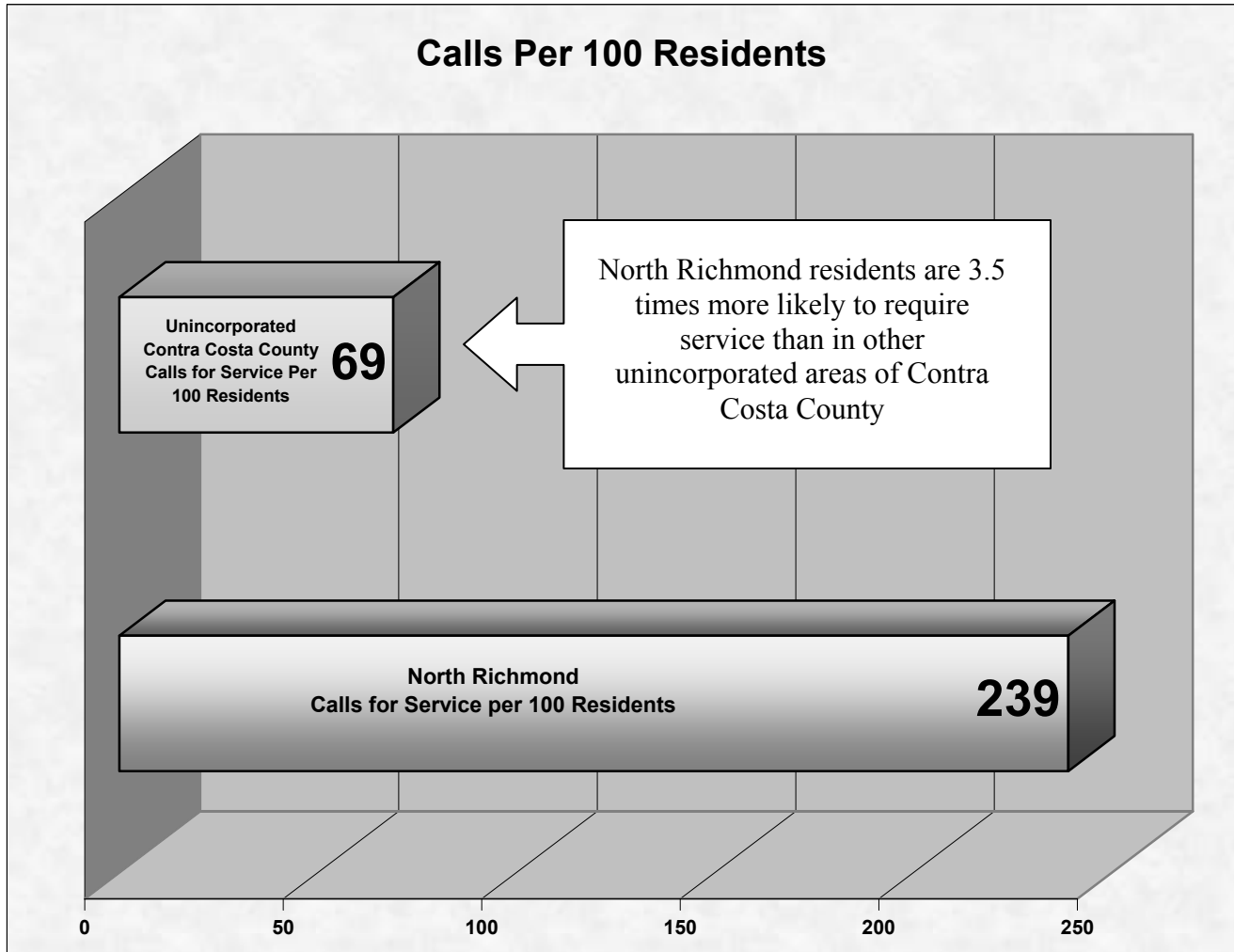
Calls peaked in 2002 and have shown an overall decrease by **10%**.

North Richmond has averaged approximately **7,000** calls for service annually over the previous 5 years.

The calls for service have steadily increased, with the exception of a slight decrease in 2003.

Calls for service have increased in North Richmond by **20%** over the last 5 years.





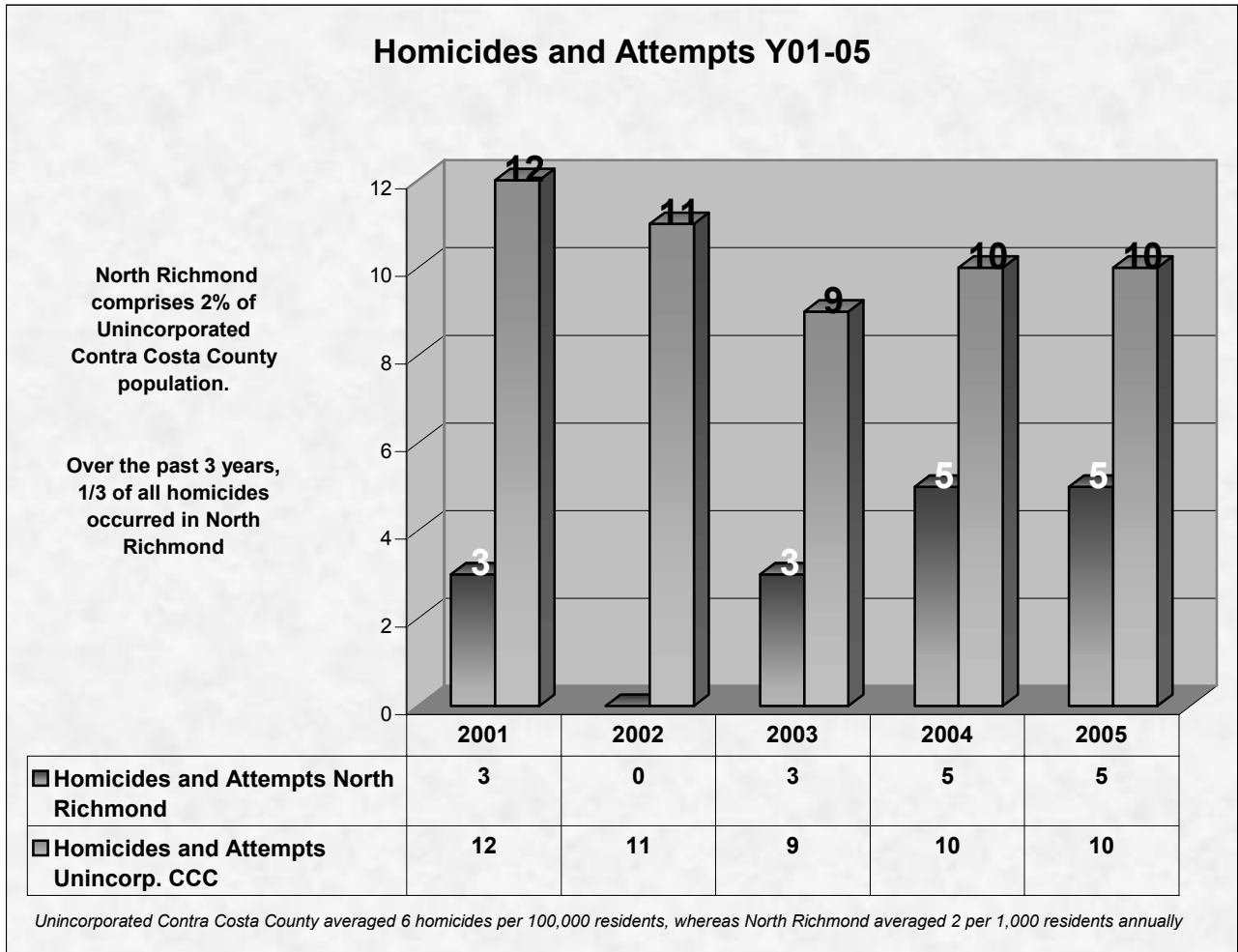
Top 10 Incidents Resulting in Arrest 2001 – 2005

While calls for service have decreased countywide by 10%, North Richmond has experienced a 20% increase in calls for service. This increase may be attributed to an increase in drug-related offenses, as 5 out of the 10 top incidents resulting in an arrest are drug-related offenses.

Nature of Call	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	Total
<i>Warrant Arrest</i>	124	127	118	160	125	654
<i>Drugs – Possession of Narcotics</i>	24	25	29	26	44	148
<i>Drugs – Possession of Dangerous</i>	27	16	23	16	26	108
<i>CVC – Recovered Stolen Vehicle</i>	11	8	14	27	15	75
<i>Drugs – H&S Possession of “Rock” for Sale</i>	8	7	5	8	5	33
<i>Drugs – Sales of Marijuana</i>	3	6	11	7	5	32
<i>Domestic Violence – Injury of Spouse</i>	8	8	10	1	4	31
<i>Drugs – Sales of Dangerous</i>	2	3	7	9	8	29
<i>Assault – Deadly Weapon</i>	6	5	5	5	5	26
<i>Battery – Misdemeanor</i>	9	4	4	6	2	25

Note: statistics only reflect those incidents resulting in an arrest, they are not indicative all incidents and do not represent the number of persons arrested per incident.

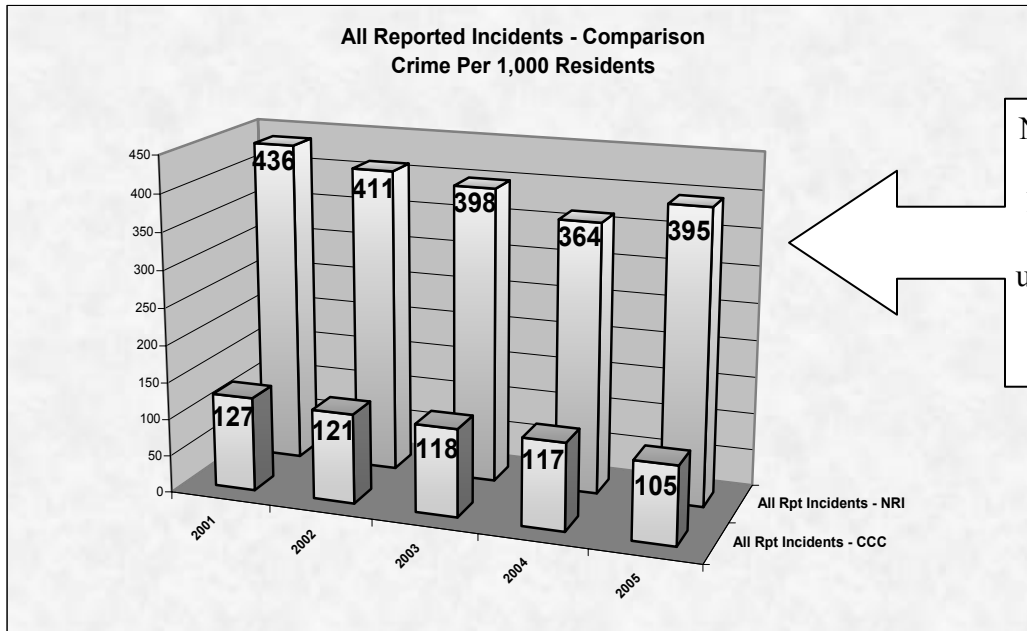
Homicide Comparative Analysis – North Richmond



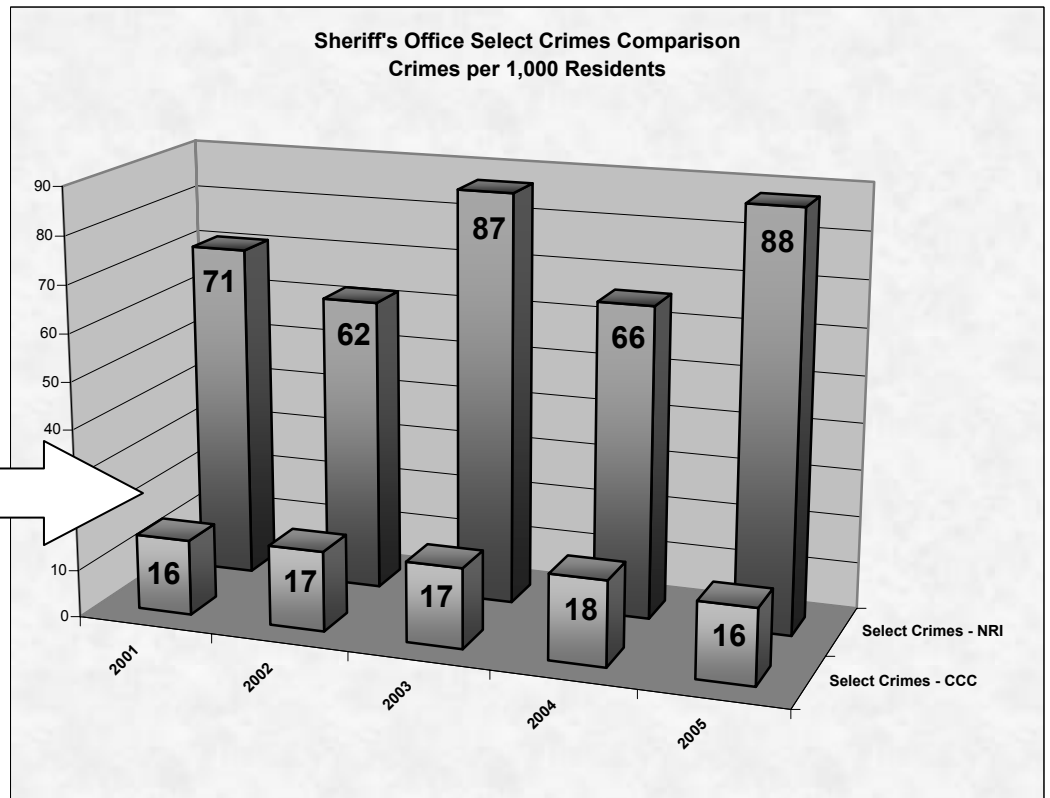
Unincorporated Contra Costa County averaged **6 homicides per 100,000** residents over the previous 5 years, whereas North Richmond averaged **2 per 1,000** residents annually.

Comparative Analysis – Crimes per 1,000 Residents – 5 Year Crime Trends

All Reported Incidents:



North Richmond has averaged a **240%** higher crime rate per 1,000 residents over the last 5 years than the rest of the unincorporated areas of Contra Costa County.

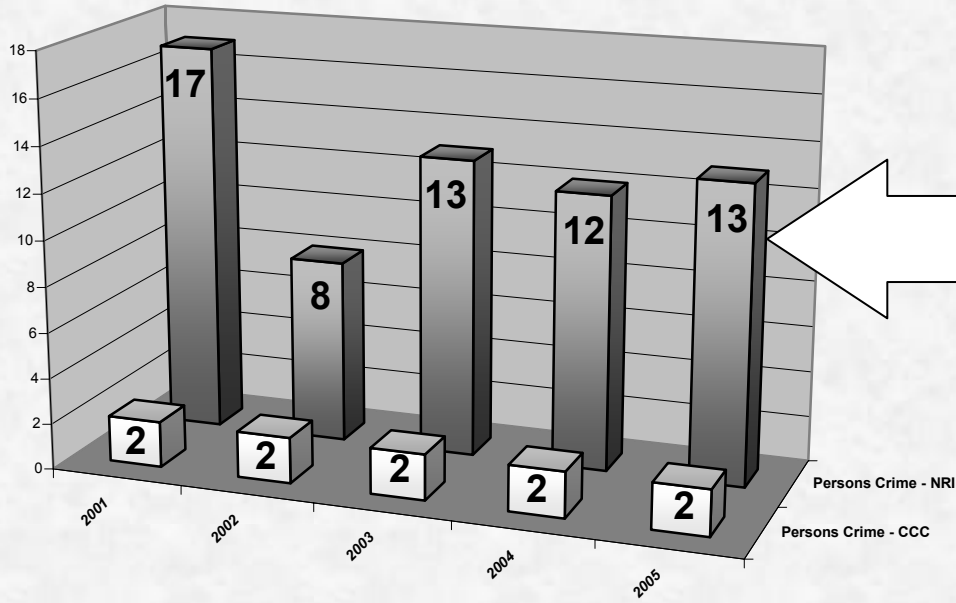


Select Crimes are inclusive of the following classifications:

- Homicide
- Robbery
- Assault w/Deadly Weapon
- Stolen & Recovered Vehicles
- Burglary (All)
- Rape
- Arson
- Petty/Grand Theft

Attempted homicides are not included in Select Crimes

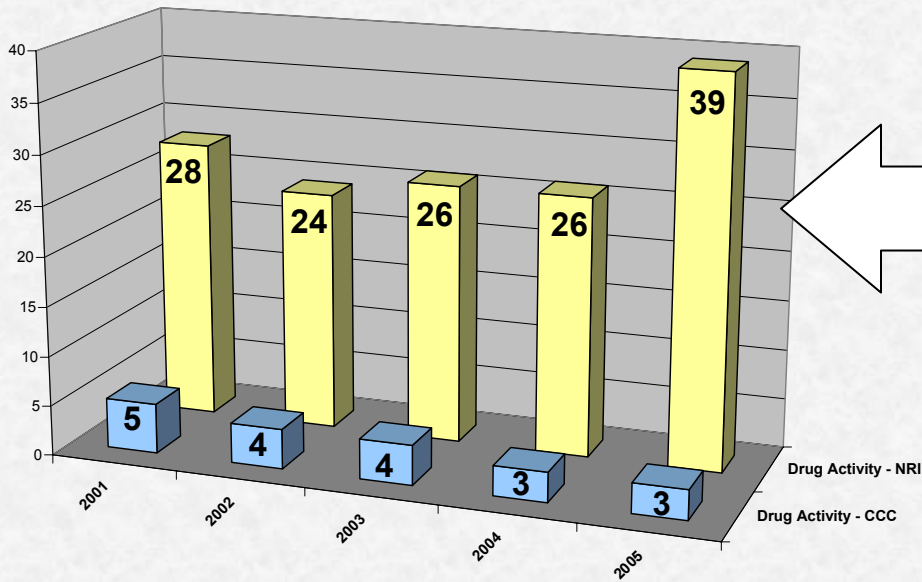
**Persons Crime Comparison
Per 1,000 Residents**



North Richmond has experienced approximately 5 times the persons crime rate as other areas of unincorporated Contra Costa County over the last 5 years.

In 2001, crimes against persons significantly decreased in North Richmond. This decline may be attributed to the death or incarceration of several key players of the Project Trojans. A steady increase of crimes against persons between 2002 and 2005 may be credited to the subsequent restructuring of the gang's hierarchy.

**Drug Activity Comparison
Incidents Per 1,000 Residents**



Over the past 5 years, drug activity in North Richmond increased 39%; while the all other areas of unincorporated Contra Costa County experienced a steady decline.

Vehicle crime has steadily increased in the North Richmond area over the last 5 years. This is a significant trend to note as there is a nexus between stolen/recovered vehicles and the transportation of drugs and the commission of other illegal acts.

