

BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT NO. 508
County of Cook and State of Illinois

COLLEGE WORKS WITH COMMUNITY, LAWMAKERS AGAINST CRIME
TRUMAN COLLEGE

THE CHANCELLOR

REPORTS that State Rep. Greg Harris and State Sen. Heather Steans held a community meeting on public safety July 30 at Truman that drew hundreds of people concerned about recent gang-related shootings in Uptown; and

that at a follow-up meeting August 11, also headed by Rep. Harris and Sen. Steans with Alderman Helen Shiller and 23rd District Commander Kathleen Boehmer, community groups, community members, legislators, and law enforcement agreed to work together, pool resources, and attack the problem on the street and at home; and

that the next steps include forming business groups, to address such issues as vandalism and loitering, and youth groups, to provide alternatives to gangs; and

that a committee will also be formed to try to work with the CTA to provide better safety at the Wilson Red Line stop.

Respectfully submitted,

Wayne D. Watson
Chancellor

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