

# 2022 CHARLES E. SHANNON COMMUNITY SAFETY INITIATIVE LYNN

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Funded by the Office of Grants and Research, a state agency that is part of the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security, the Charles E. Shannon Community Safety Initiative (Shannon) is modeled after the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention's Comprehensive Gang Model. Shannon is a multi-sector approach used to address a community's gang and youth violence problem. Each community receiving Shannon funding demonstrates the presence of risk factors for youth and gang violence. Shannon participants must be between the ages of 10-24 years.

## Strategies, Outcomes, and Funding Allocation

Total Funding: \$370,819.47

Strategies	Outcomes		Funding Allocation
<b>Case Management, Street Outreach, or Intervention</b>	<b>59</b> Received Case Management Services	<b>140</b> Received Street Outreach Services	<b>\$157,751.52</b>
<b>Education &amp; Employment</b>	<b>39</b> Participated in Employment Programs	<b>29</b> Participated in Education Programs	<b>\$98,302.10</b>
<b>Positive Youth Development &amp; Recreation</b>	<b>652</b> Participated in Recreation Programs	<b>29</b> Participated in Youth Development Programs	<b>\$39,085.85</b>
<b>Suppression</b>	<b>72</b> Hot Spot Patrols Completed	<b>18</b> Gang Members/High Impact Players Arrested	<b>\$75,680.00</b>

### Youth Risk Assessments

35% **LOW-RISK\*** Youth in danger of engaging in risky behavior or gang activity.

25% **MODERATE-RISK\*** Youth exposed to the same risk factors as low-risk youth, as well as additional risk factors such as truancy.

40% **HIGH-RISK\*** Youth who are perpetrators or victims of shooting or stabbing violence, and/or are known gang members.

\* % of youth assessed for risk

### Success Highlight

*"One youth in particular, who had two open court cases, and regularly associated with gangbangers, was having difficulty finding work because of his record. With intensive help from his case manager, he was assisted in finding two jobs; successfully completing the juvenile diversion program; and having his court cases closed. His new income also allowed him with the program's help to rent a room in a new area and break away from the youth he was getting in trouble with. He continues to receive support from his program case manager."*

*~Catholic Charities North*

# Community Risk Factors

Massachusetts

Lynn

Total Population (2021/2022 Estimates)	6,981,974	100,843
Population Lives in Poverty	10.4%	14.9%
Unemployment Rate (Nov. 2021 – Nov. 2022)	4%	4.9%
Total School Population (2021-22)	957,774	17,681
Low-Income	42.3%	74.2%
High School Dropout Rate (2020-21)	1.5%	3.1%

Sources: [www.census.gov/quickfacts](http://www.census.gov/quickfacts); [profiles.doe.mass.edu](http://profiles.doe.mass.edu); [www.lmi.dua.eol.mass.gov/LMI/LaborForceAndUnemployment](http://www.lmi.dua.eol.mass.gov/LMI/LaborForceAndUnemployment)

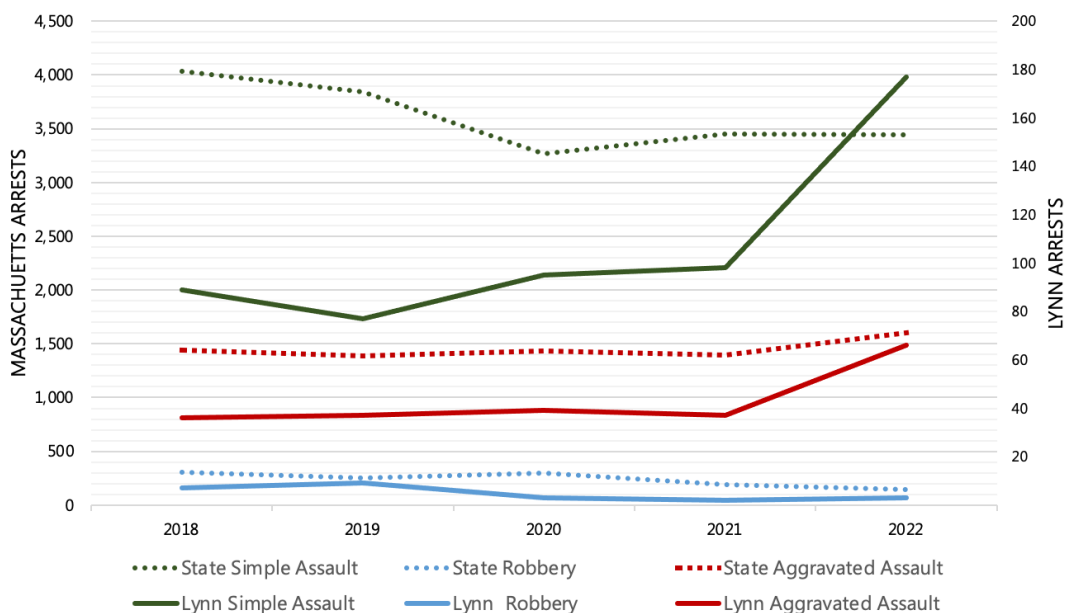
## Gang Activity in Lynn

5  
Street Gangs

40  
Gang Members

During this reporting period 18 high-impact gang members were arrested and 10 were prosecuted. The gang members' activities include drug dealing and weapons distribution. We have seen several incidents of gang-on-gang violence.

## 5-Year Crime Trends for Offenses Committed by Youth Ages 10-24, 2018-2022



### Changes in Crime for Young People Ages 10-24, 2018-2022

- Simple assaults in...
  - Massachusetts decreased 15%
  - Lynn increased 99%
- Robberies in...
  - Massachusetts decreased 52%
  - Lynn decreased 57%
- Aggravated assaults in...
  - Massachusetts increased 11%
  - Lynn increased 83%

Source: National Incident Based Reporting System (NIBRS)

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