

New Bedford, MA, Police Department to Combat Illegal Gunfire & Gun Violence with Data Delivered by ShotSpotter Gunshot Detection, Alert & Analysis Solution

Agency to Receive Gun Crime Intelligence from ShotSpotter to Help Make Local Community Safe from Gun Violence

MOUNTAIN VIEW, Calif.--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- The city of New Bedford, MA, announced today that it has partnered with [ShotSpotter](#) Inc., the world leader in wide-area acoustic surveillance and [gunshot detection](#) and location technology, in support of its efforts to fight gun and gang violence. The New Bedford Police Department will use the ShotSpotter® Qualified Alerts Service for real-time validation of gunshot location data, enabling accurate decisions for faster emergency response, helping improve situational intelligence and elevating first responder safety. The ShotSpotter gunfire alert data and intelligence will help New Bedford PD by providing more information and forensic evidence for investigations and analysis, leading to increased prosecutions for gun-related crime. The data also enables enhanced crime analysis and predictive policing capabilities, helping improve [public safety](#) and security.

The city of New Bedford has undertaken a comprehensive approach to resolving its crime problem, and has collaborated with various groups including the New Bedford Police Department, municipal government, community organizations and service agencies, all working together to rid the community of violence. The New Bedford Police Department is partnering with ShotSpotter to deploy the technology in areas with high incidents of gunfire. Under the partnership, all gunfire incidents detected by the ShotSpotter system will be immediately reviewed and qualified by ShotSpotter gunfire and acoustic experts and then quickly sent to New Bedford police dispatchers. This process provides the New Bedford Police Department with the intelligence needed to respond to [illegal gunfire](#) faster and safer, conduct more informed investigations, and strengthen the prosecution of those charged with gun crime.

“We’re confident that our use of ShotSpotter and the expertise and information provided by their incident qualification team will have a tremendous impact on our efforts to eliminate illegal gunfire in New Bedford,” said Mayor Scott W. Lang. “It is important that law-abiding members of the community know that we are committed to using the most cutting edge technology to stop gun violence. It’s equally important for those who commit acts of gun violence to know that we have the intelligence to detect gunfire and if they fire a gun illegally, they will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law.”

“Helping communities throughout the world become safer by eliminating gun and gang violence is our mission at ShotSpotter,” said Ralph A. Clark, president & CEO of ShotSpotter. “Our goal is to help improve public and community safety. We’re honored to work with New Bedford and any community that has a gun violence problem, and are committed to providing them the critical information and expertise needed to eliminate gun crime.”

Located in south eastern Massachusetts, the city of New Bedford covers over 24 square miles and has a population of more than 101,000 residents.

About ShotSpotter

ShotSpotter Inc. is the world’s leading developer of wide-area acoustic surveillance systems for gunfire and explosive events. Its [public safety technology](#) solutions are focused on improving public and community safety by locating gunfire and other explosive events, and ultimately, helping reduce and prevent [gun violence](#) and improving intelligence-led policing and community policing initiatives. ShotSpotter solutions protect cities and countries worldwide, enabling police and law enforcement to respond more quickly, safely, precisely and consistently to gunfire, and to aid proactive anti-crime strategies and operations. ShotSpotter possesses a multitude of patents that are the result of nearly two decades of innovation in the area of acoustic gunshot location technology. Information about ShotSpotter can be found at www.shotspotter.com. You can also follow ShotSpotter on [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#), [LinkedIn](#) and YouTube.

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