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Hartford, CT Boasts Public Safety Response & Gun Crime Intelligence with ShotSpotter Gunshot Detection & Location Service

Hartford Reinforces its Commitment to Public Safety and Reduction and Prevention of Gun and Other Related Crimes

HARTFORD, Conn.--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- The City of Hartford, CT, is partnering with ShotSpotter, Inc., the market leader and innovator in wide-area acoustic surveillance and gunshot location and detection technology, to provide the ShotSpotter(R) Gunshot Location Service to the city. The ShotSpotter Gunshot Location Service delivers real-time and immediate gunshot location data, giving officers improved situational intelligence that heightens first responder safety and enables accurate decisions for emergency response. The ShotSpotter gunfire alert data also helps improve incident response and management and provides additional forensic evidence for investigations and analysis.

City of Hartford Mayor Pedro E. Segarra recently announced the reinstatement of the Shooting Task Force along with the ShotSpotter Gunshot Location Service as two significant actions designed to combat the recent rash of gun violence in Connecticut's Capital City. The emphasis on public safety and security in Hartford is a collaborative effort of the Mayor's Office, Hartford Police Department, the Chief State's Attorney's Office, and state and federal agencies.

"The safety of Hartford's residents and communities is a major imperative of my administration. It's essential to having quality of life and vitality in our city," said Mayor Segarra. "Let this be a clear message to those who engage in illegal gunfire: the ShotSpotter technology will alert us to when and precisely where a gun is fired, and we will investigate and prosecute all incidents to the fullest extent of the law. Along with our other partner agencies, we are working to reduce and prevent gun violence and its negative impact to our communities."

The Shooting Task Force will be composed of the Office of the State's Attorney for the Judicial District of Hartford, the Office of the Chief State's Attorney, the Connecticut State Police, the Department of Correction and the East Hartford, Manchester and West Hartford police departments. It will work with the Violent Crimes Bureau and the Witness Protection Unit in the Office of the Chief State's Attorney and in conjunction with the Central Connecticut Cold Case Task Force.

"Reducing gun crime and associated violence is a top priority for the City of Hartford and our department," said Hartford Police Chief Daryl K. Roberts. "By detecting and tracking gunfire as it happens, this technology will add valuable information to our continued community policing efforts and will allow us to respond faster to incidents of gunfire, further improve our

presence within our community, and help diminish gunfire and deter illegal gun use. The gunshot data provided by ShotSpotter will be extremely helpful in our investigative and forensic analysis work as well as help support prosecution of illegal gunfire cases."

"We're delighted to support the City of Hartford on this important community policing and public safety initiative," said Ralph A. Clark, president and CEO of ShotSpotter. "Hartford and the State of Connecticut's political and public safety leadership have commendably taken an aggressive approach to reducing illegal gun use and improving community safety. We are proud to be assisting the City and its police force by delivering a solution that will help them combat gun crime and violence and improve the quality of life within their community."

Located in central Connecticut, the City of Hartford covers over 18 square miles and has a population of more than 124,000 residents.

About ShotSpotter

ShotSpotter Inc. is the leading developer of wide-area acoustic surveillance systems for gunfire and explosive events. Its technology solutions are focused on improving public and community safety by locating gunshots and other explosive events, and ultimately, helping reduce and prevent violent gun crime and improving intelligence-led policing and community policing initiatives. Its flagship product, the ShotSpotter Gunshot Location Service(R), pioneered the use of wide-area acoustic surveillance coupled with audio analytics for public safety, homeland security, and military applications. For over a decade, public safety agencies have relied on ShotSpotter solutions to provide them with real-time and precise event detection and actionable intelligence to aid their proactive anti-crime strategies and operations. ShotSpotter solutions protect many cities and counties nationwide, enabling law enforcement to respond more quickly, safely, precisely and consistently to gunfire. ShotSpotter possesses a multitude of patents that are the result of nearly two decades of innovation in the area of acoustic gunshot location technology. Its solutions are protected by many existing patents and pending patents. Information about ShotSpotter can be found at www.shotspotter.com. For ongoing news, please visit http://www.shotspotter.com/news/index.html.

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