



Media Briefing

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Experts to discuss strategies for addressing gangs/murder rate in Chicago

WHAT: Jody Weis, President of the Chicago Crime Commission, will conduct a media briefing to provide a recap and discuss the outcomes of the Chicago Gang Seminar to be conducted Friday, January 27, 2012.

The Seminar titled *Gangs: What we know, What's being done, and What's left to learn* is a cross-disciplinary educational seminar focused on the most promising solutions and biggest obstacles for reducing gang violence in Chicago. Topics to be covered at the Seminar include: *The Reliance of Communities on Gangs; Gangs, The Impact of Violence on Youth Life Outcomes; Law Enforcement Strategies to Reduce Gang Violence; and Community-Based Programs that Seek to Reduce Youth and Gang Violence.*

Additionally, the Chicago Crime Commission will provide an overview of its new *Gang Book*, which was released earlier this week. *The Chicago Crime Commission Gang Book* explores the drivers behind the growth of gangs and the increase in their violent behavior.

WHEN: Friday, January 27, 2012
12:15pm

WHERE: Loyola University
Lewis Towers, Room 415
11 East Pearson
Chicago, IL 60611