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In 2017 Karlemoseparken in Køge experienced huge problems with drug sale, threats, graffiti and insecurity among the residents.

PRESENTATION OF THE 'KARLEMOSE-MODEL' - A LOCAL INNOVATIVE MODEL FOR CRIME PREVENTION IN DENMARK

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THE LOCATION: KARLEMOSEPARKEN

SOCIAL HOUSING ESTATE: 640 DWELLINGS: 1.550 CITIZENS



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CRIME IS BECOMING A PROBLEM

- Early 2017
 - A meeting with a big knife!
 - Reports of gang activities in the Social Housing estate Karlemoseparken
 - Drugs, threats, graffiti, recruitment of boys



CRIME HAD BECOME A PROBLEM

- Karlemoseparken became the headquarter of the 'Loyal To Familia' (LTF) gang in Køge



CROSS-SECTIONAL PARTNERS IN CRIME PREVENTION



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- The police
- The local housing administration
- Local citizens/tenants
- The social housing project
- The municipality of Køge
- The local kindergarten



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HOW TO COOPERATE

- Weekly meetings between the police, the local housing administration and the social housing project
 - Police:
Extra resources, patrolling and contact to the citizens
 - Housing administration:
Video surveillance, local eyes and ears
 - Social housing project:
Dialog with the families and the youngsters

RESULTS



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- 20 highprofiled gangmembers imprisoned on the basis of convictions from 3-8 years
- 17 youngsters in a mentorprogram, and several of them in jobs and education already

CRIME PREVENTION - FOR THE FUTURE



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- The Police:
 - Visiting the housing estate with the ‘Mobile Police Station’
 - Having regular meetings with the local housing estate administrations
- Municipality:
 - Renewing the effort to get youngsters in jobs and education
 - Cross-sectional effort focused on the youngsters with convictions and related problems

EXPERIENCES



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- Local housing administrations are able to get useful intel; they know all the families
- Local professionals can be very helpful in the dialogue with tenants/citizens
- It's very important to have a crime prevention program, when daily life returns

GOOD PRACTICE



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- The 'Karlemose-model' has now spread to other local housing estates in Køge and other municipalities and police districts
- The police are looking into cost/benefit of the 'Karlemose-model'

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