

## **DEPARTMENT BULLETIN**

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## New Investigative Unit: Crime Gun Investigations Center (CGIC)

The Department's Investigations Division is in the process of establishing a Crime Gun Investigations Center (CGIC). The role and mission of the CGIC will be to disrupt gun violence through the consistent production of timely, precise, and actionable information. In an effort to provide valuable information for investigations, the department's CGIC strategy will be to focus its resources on the most violent connected firearms offenders. The offenders will be identified through a data driven and forensic-led initiative in efforts to identify, target, investigate, arrest, and ultimately prosecute firearms related offenders. The CGIC will focus its investigative resources on identified priority NIBIN cases and recovered firearms.

Through the efforts of the CGIC and the combined resources of the Crime Lab and the Property Control Unit, the goal will be to:

- Provide to Investigators near immediate availability of firearms related evidence.
- Provide for the immediate and timely entry of all cartridge cases collected at crime scenes.
- Provide for the immediate and timely results of firearms operability and entry of all semiautomatic pistols into NIBIN.
- Provide for the immediate and timely review of all correlation results of cartridges entered into NIBIN.
- Provide for the comprehensive tracing (eTrace) for all firearms seized as evidence.
- Provide to Investigators analytical, data driven, strategic, tactical, and technical analysis of recovered firearms and casings.
- Provide to Investigators investigative support and analysis on ShotSpotter alerts.
- Provide to Investigators immediate and timely information to assist on active and open cases related to forensic evidence that is tested.

The CGIC will reside within the Investigations Division. In addition to department resources, the CGIC will have support resources in both investigative and analytical assistance from the Federal Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms (ATF).

In the near future, the Investigation's Division will be accepting applications for members interested in working in the CGIC.

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