

The Implementation of Community Based Policing and Related Strategies: A Case Study

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This case study chronicles the efforts of the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office to implement Community Based Policing (C.B.P.). The purpose of the study is to share the methodology used and lessons learned with those who are considering the implementation of C.B.P. The effort begins November 5, 1992, and concludes in late November 1993 with the creation of a single position dedicated to the philosophy, in a pilot program in Safety Harbor, Florida. The case study includes the utilization of community and personnel surveys, personnel selection, pilot area selection, activity and crime analysis in the pilot area, and estimated costs of the position. Sources of support and opposition common in implementation efforts are presented.