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**MAP 21 funds and Safe Route to School**

**Safe Routes to School national Partnership**

# **Safe Routes to School and Safe Passages**

## **Achievements and Lessons in Watts**



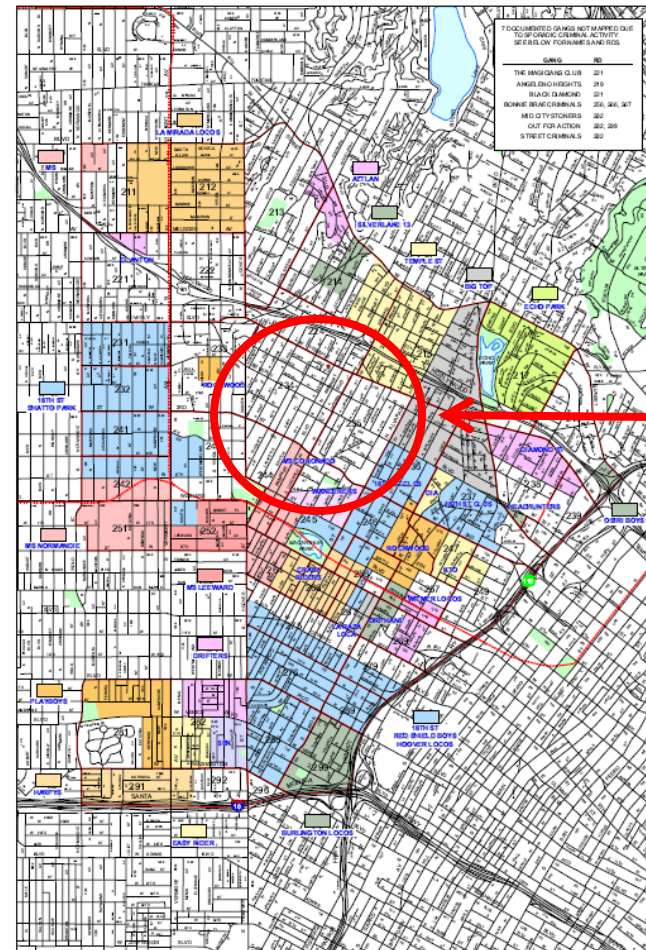
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# Lack of School Safety

- Perceptions of safety on and off campus
  - Security & strict on campus policies alone =

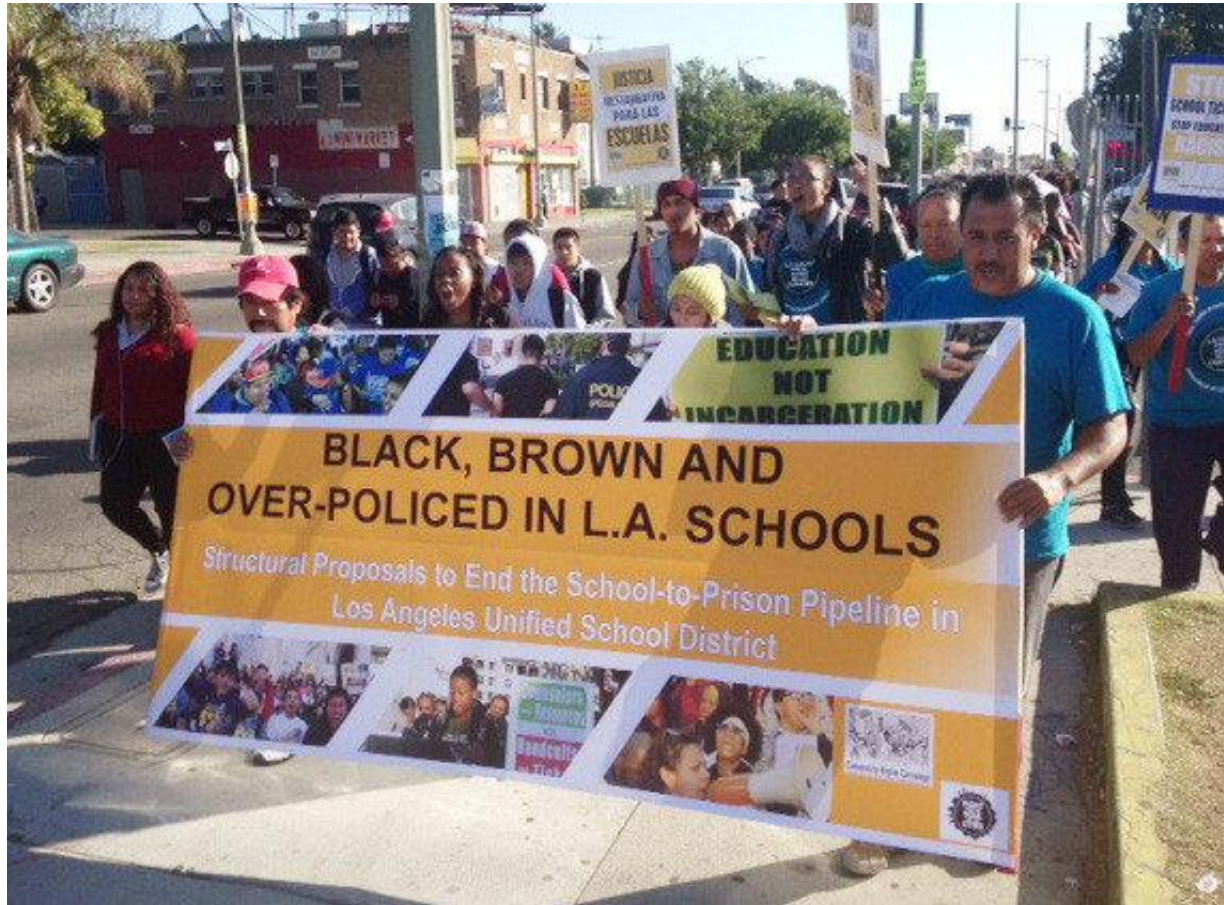
Not effective if students are afraid to walk to school, be on campus after school, or walk home.



School-site cluster

Rampart community sits within numerous gang territories

# SRTS in Underserved Communities



- **Non-infrastructure-related issues can discourage bicycling and walking.**

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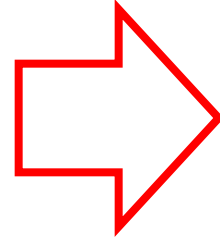
# Success: Linking Safe Passages & SRTS

- **Increased communication -- school police, local law enforcement, school district, parents youth and business owners.**
- **Linked safety programs to needs of students in school, residents outside/near campus, and students at risk of dropping out.**



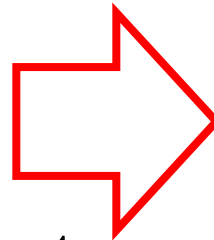
# How?

➤ **Assessments & Outreach**



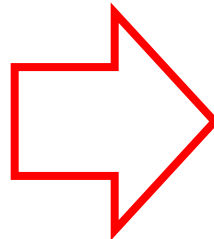
**Integrate community perception and public sector data to form one picture of safety needs**

➤ **Network Development & Mission Alignment**



**A multi-sector collaborative to implement comprehensive solutions & built-in accountability**

➤ **Capacity Development & Collaboration**



**Solutions tailored to local leadership, capacity and assets.**

# How?

## Watts Community Forum



# Challenges

- On-going Violence
- Perception / Threat of Violence
- Lack of investment
- Lack of public sector alignment

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A photograph showing a group of men standing in a line on a church stage. They are wearing white suits and red vests. The setting is a church with large windows and a purple carpet.