

Local Group Works To Protect Witnesses And Solve Homicides

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The fight against crime in Cincinnati took a dramatic new turn Tuesday night.

Families who've lost loved ones in Cincinnati's run of unsolved homicides are backing improvements to the witness protection program.

They believe well-protected witnesses can answer the one question on every family member's mind.

Who Killed Our Kids? is the name of their group but that's also the question they want answered. Many feel stronger protection for witnesses can help police find who killed their loved ones.

"We're backing this witness protection program, whatever they need if we need to be advocates for that, if we need to show up and be somewhere to support that that's what we're going to do," said Lucy Logan, Organizer of Who Killed Our Kids.

The witness protection program is designed to help not only the witnesses, but also the investigators, who say plans like Crimestoppers are great, but they don't get people on the stand.

"Witnesses are becoming very scarce in some of our homicides, its taking more and more time from our detectives to take care of witness' problems, so its gonna benefit both, I think it's gonna benefit both us and the prosecution side," said Lieutenant Roger Wolf, head of the Homicide Unit.

Lieutenant Wolf also feels that meetings such as Tuesday's, will go a long way in helping both police and family members reach the one goal they're both working towards, to find who killed their kids.

"There's people in there that understand completely what the police are doing, but they need to be reassured on what's going on, even if there's nothing new, what is nothing new? I mean some of these cases are cold cases and if we get some info we'll act on it," Lt. Wolf said.

Hamilton County vowed to find funding to help if the city would do the same.

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