

# SEXUAL ASSAULT KIT BACKLOG

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Monthly Report from Cross-Functional Team

June 2014

# Status of Executive Order Action Items

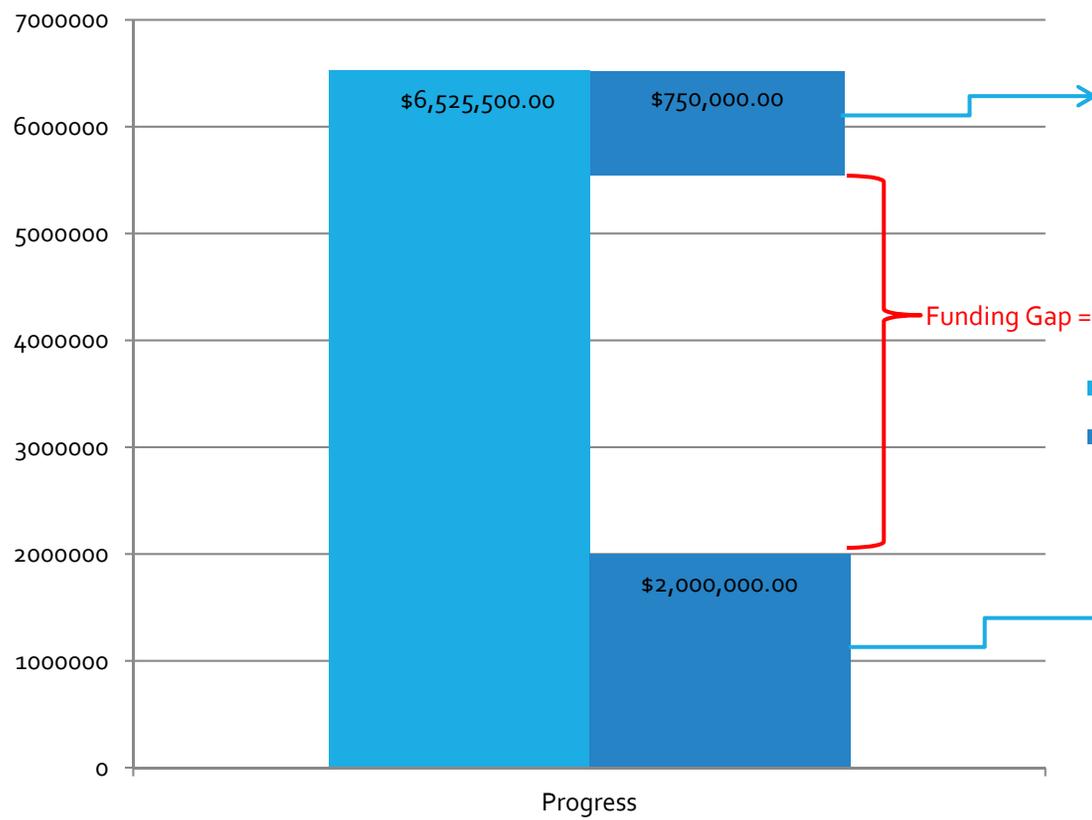
	Executive Order Action	Status
✓	MPD Inventory backlogged kits	<u>Complete.</u> 12,164 baseline
✓	MPD maintain policies for prompt processing of all new sexual assault kits, refine procedures in keeping with best practice	<u>Complete.</u> Revision to the Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for Investigative Services, Appendix H Sex Crimes/Juvenile Abuse Bureau with new policies and procedures that mandates the forensic analysis of all newly collected sexual assault kits, and governs the processing of newly collected sexual assault kits
✓	MPD build KPI ensure performance is measured and tracked for success	<u>Complete.</u> Revision to Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for Investigative Services, Appendix H Sex Crimes/Juvenile Abuse Bureau establishes accountability and key performance indicators for the processing of newly collected kits (SAK will be submitted for analysis within ninety six (96) hours of being tagged in Property and Evidence unless uncontrollable circumstances prevent it).
✓	MPD Develop Policies that give full respect to rights, privacy, and dignity of victims, and compassionate timely notification	Revision to Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for Investigative Services, Appendix H Sex Crimes/Juvenile Abuse Bureau with new policies and procedures that: governs victim interaction that respects the rights, privacy and dignity of victims, and governs victim notification with respect to sexual assault kit processing, analysis and results. <b><u>Next Public Session on evening of 11 August concurrent with Sexual Assault Awareness Training Day. RCC gathering victim feedback from notification process to determine if process change is needed.</u></b>
✓	CAO and MPD convene a community conversation with appropriate organizations about response to victims	<u>Completed</u> Wednesday, January 22, 2014 2PM-3:30 PM at Airways station with representatives from community and system victim advocate organizations. Follow-on meeting sponsored by CAO/MPD and facilitated by Joyful heart Foundation held 11 February with system and community victim advocates. <u>Will continue with quarterly community conversations / info sessions to share progress. Next community meeting 11 August.</u>
✓	MPD present monthly reports to Mayor and Council status of remedial plan and current operations	<u>Ongoing.</u>

# Status of DNA Evidence Storage Room: Construction Project Timeline and Progress

	Date	New Date
• A & E Contract Execution	01/02/14	
• Design Programming Phase submittal (15 days)	01/26/14	
• City Review (14 days)	02/07/14	
• Schematic Design submittal (15 days)	02/21/14	
• City Review (14 days)	03/07/14	
• Design Development submittal (30 days)	04/07/14	
• City Review (14 days)	04/18/14	
• Construction Document submittal (45 days)	05/30/14	
• City Review/Code Enforcement review (30 days)	06/30/14	
• Bid Date	07/11/14	6/20/14
• Construction Contract Execution (60 days)	09/12/14	
• Construction (4 months)	01/12/15	

# Status of funding for testing

Key Progress

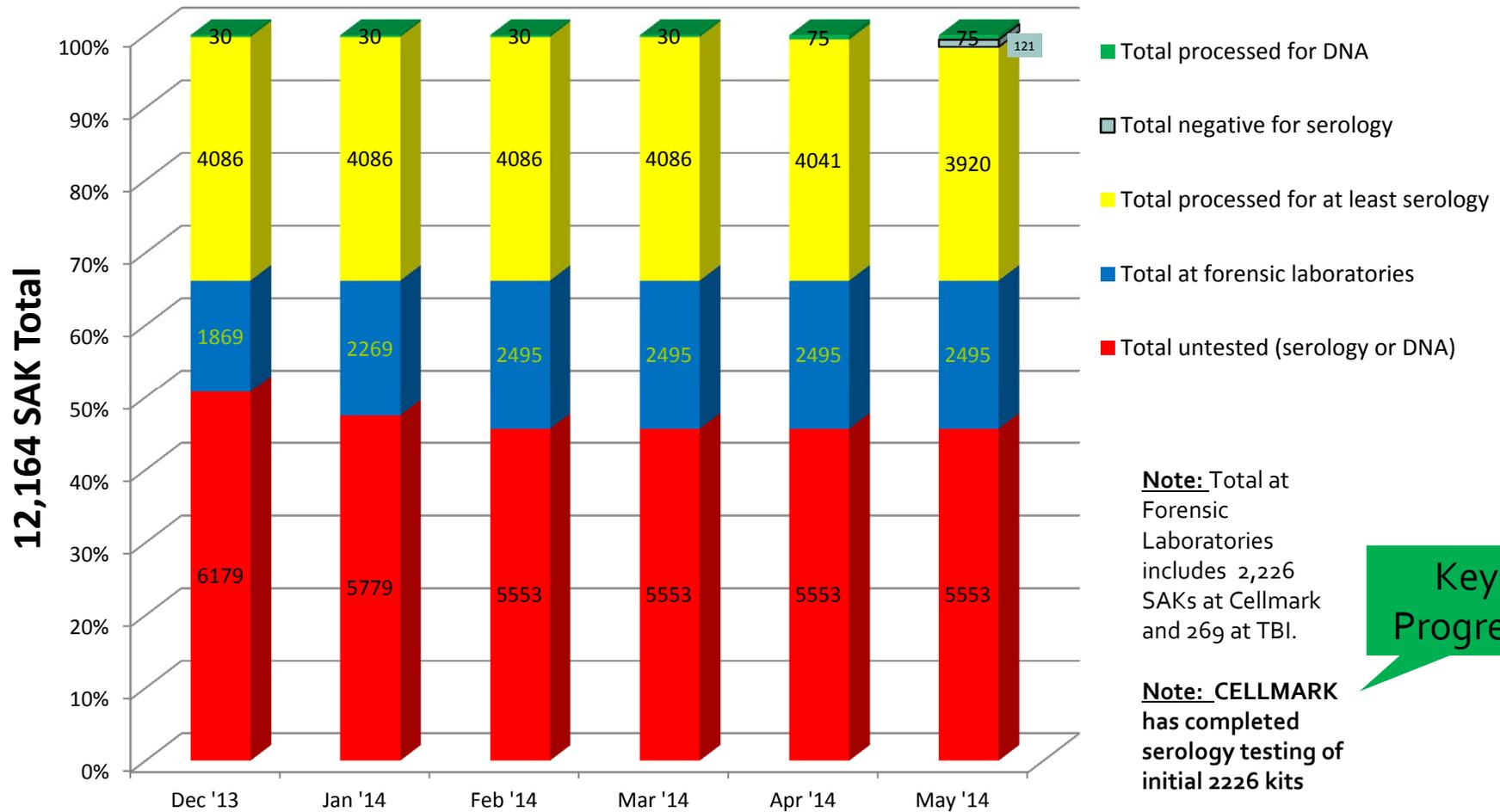


"Challenge Grant" awarded by Plough Foundation on 12 May 2014 for testing of kits. This is a "last dollar in" grant that will be issued once the "funding gap" is closed with money from other sources

- Funding required to complete testing
- Funding allocated to testing to date

\$1MM approved by City Council on 4 March, added to \$500K from MPD Budget, and \$500K from Tennessee Criminal Justice Programs Office. Funding sufficient to continue testing through Fall 2014

# Status of Shipping and Testing Kits



Key Progress

# Testing Results

- As a result of serology and/or DNA analysis, 126 investigations have been initiated:
  - 68 investigations remain active
  - 58 investigations have been closed:
    - **16** individuals were identified that had been previously convicted of the crime
    - **18** indictments have been issued against persons or DNA profiles
    - **6** victims/suspect are deceased
    - **10** victims declined to participate
    - **6** cases have passed the statute of limitations
    - **2** DNA degraded



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