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SELECT BOARD
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SAFER COMMUNITY TASK FORCE

On July 6, 2022, the Select Board directs the creation of the Town of Orleans Safer Community Task Force (“Task Force”). The Task Force shall meet with a frequency it decides necessary to perform its functions under this Charge, meeting at least once per month. The Task Force consists of the following nine (9) members, or their designee appointed by the Select Board: Chief of Police, Chief of Fire-Rescue, Board of Health, Nauset Regional School District; Chamber of Commerce; a Select Board member, and three (3) at-large members.

The Task Force is an advisory body to the Select Board and is charged with researching and compiling data related to gun violence in Orleans and Barnstable County, including how many and what kind of acts of gun violence are seen each year, what kind of guns are used and how are the guns obtained. The Task Force shall investigate circumstances in which gun violence incidents in Orleans have occurred and how and why they happened.

The Task Force is also charged with researching how the public safety and public health systems are currently used and could be improved to address individuals in need of behavioral health services who may be at risk to commit or be a victim of gun violence.

The Task Force shall produce a report with actionable recommendations to keep Orleans a safe community. A preliminary report of the Task Force shall be provided to the Select Board summarizing its progress and initial findings by December 2022. The Task Force shall send a final report to the Select Board in Spring, 2023.

Date Approved: July 6, 2022