

MEDIA ADVISORY

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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Central Corridor Security Camera Partnership Media Kick-Off – A Safe City Initiative –

WHERE: Super Target Store Plaza, University & Hamline.

WHEN: November 8, 2007 at 2:00 p.m.

WHO: Mayor Chris Coleman, Chief John Harrington, Bev Turner of the Saint Paul Police Foundation, City Council members, Target representatives and honored guests.

Chief John Harrington would like to invite you to a news conference/media kick-off for the Central Corridor Security Camera Partnership, which will provide additional security along University Avenue. Beginning in December, approximately 25 security cameras will be placed along University Avenue from the border of Minneapolis to Robert Street, during the first phase of the Central Corridor project.

Obtained from a Federal Transit-related grant through the State of Minnesota, this 1.5 million dollar initiative will become the foundation of a wired-wireless security camera system to detect, deter and help investigate crime along the Central Corridor.

Expansion of this project will include finishing the downtown phase of the project, which will bring security cameras throughout downtown and ending at the Depot at 4th Street and Wacouta.

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This effort could not have been successful without the participation of the Target Corporation, who contributed \$300,000 of match money for the grant, in addition to being a solid partner in addressing crime and security issues along University Avenue.

Come and join us in kicking off this project for continued security/crime prevention efforts in our community.

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