



New Haven comes together to combat violence



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New Haven (WTNH) _ The Guardian Angels are expanding their patrol and are out recruiting new members a year after they founded their chapter in the Elm City. Sunday night, they are focusing on Winthrop Avenue -- an area that just last week saw a triple shooting and the death of a woman believed to be caught in a gang crossfire.

Four shootings on the week of June 30th have leaders of the Guardian Angels back to New Haven. The New Haven chapter, along with founder Curtis Sliwa, expanded patrols along Winthrop Avenue.

They have an important message for gangs and those responsible for the shootings; a message people in the neighborhood hope is heard.

"I hope that these guys will do it justice for the community," Sandy Robinson, of New Haven, said.

The problem is you're going to need as much citizen participation as possible," Sliwa said.

The New Haven chapter regularly partols the city. But the increase in violence and shootings are forcing them to expand their efforts.

The [Guardian Angels](#) are talking to people about combating violence and coming together as a community. They are recruiting those interested in helping the Guardian Angels patrol the Elm City and to make New Haven neighborhoods safer in the long run.

