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MOTION

WE MOVE for the City Administration to provide a report within the next thirty (30) days on the feasibility, cost, logistics, and any other necessary analysis on expanding the Cincinnati Police Department's gun lock distribution program to include the City's Recreation Centers, Health Facilities, Fire Facilities, and City Hall as locations for distribution. The Administration should also consider community partnerships that will help expand accessibility beyond City facilities.

The report should also address if any additional resources are needed to replenish the supply of gun locks. Based on the availability of City resources, the report should also include recommendations for how to prioritize which facilities receive gun locks for distribution, with a particular focus on access to resources in the Top 10 neighborhoods for gun violence.

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STATEMENT

Currently, the City of Cincinnati Police Department partners with the Whitney/Strong Organization to distribute free gun locks and firearm safety kits to Cincinnatians. To request a lock, an individual only needs to call and place a request at their local CPD office. There are currently all five CPD districts distributing these gun locks. The CPD districts and Community Relations Unit have successfully hosted events to distribute gun locks. To make access easier for residents, gun locks should be made available at other City-owned facilities and partner organizations as well.