**Implementation Document**

**Business Understanding**

**Business Objective**

The objective of the entire project is to aid in the reduction of crime within Baltimore. This objective is to be carried out by making use of data science and machine learning techniques. One area that has been marked out for focus is “Crime and Youth”. The objective for this focus is to help reduce crime rates by the youth of Baltimore.

**Assess Situation**

Currently Baltimore has a record high rate of homicide. It has a higher rate of homicide than any other city in America. Baltimore’s rise in homicide and other crimes is being credited to a “Drug Turf-War”.

**Data Mining Goals**

1. Predict the likelihood of a crime being a felony crime based off the offenders age.
2. Predict the likelihood of a crime being a felony crime based off the offenders age and the poverty rating of the neighbourhood the offence was committed in.
3. Predict the most dangerous areas in Baltimore
4. Predict the most dangerous times in Baltimore’s highly populated areas.

**Project Plan**

Using Rapid Miner the datasets that have been gleaned and prepared from various places will be used to make the predictions previously mentioned.

The results of these predictions/ models will be assessed and analysed before being presented in a manner that conveys the finding clearly and correctly.

**Data Understanding**

**Collect Data**

Two datasets (Crime, Incidents) were collected from the BaltimorePD website.

A dataset containing information on the Baltimore neighbourhoods was gleaned from, by using a scraper made from Python using beautiful soup 4.

A dataset was gleaned from Maryland State Commission on Criminal Sentencing Policy by downloading the pdf and using PDFElement to convert the table inside the PDF into a csv file.

**Describe Data**

Explain each dataset

**Explore Data**

ASK GREG??

**Verify Data Quality**

Both the Arrests and Incidents datasets had missing values in a number of their rows. Apart from these missing values the data was relatively acceptable with only a small number of exceptions.

The dataset that was gleaned from , was constructed by the authors and as such was tailor made to suit the project without any faults.

The dataset from MSCCSP outlining charges was constructed by PDFElement and as such was imperfect and had various issues with it.

**Data Preparation**

**Select Data**

State the data to be used for each goal

**Clean Data**

Arrests:

Neighbourhoods:

ChargeDesription: This dataset had to be cleaned substantially. There was several problems and these included merging of two columns that needed to be separated. Extra characters appended to the end of the charge strings. There was also some missing values that had o be removed.

**Construct Data**

The project requires the Arrests dataset to have a ‘Felony’ Boolean column added to it. This is done by comparing the code in the arrests data to the code in the OffenceTable dataset and using the Type column in the OffenceTable a true or false value is determined and added to the Arrests dataset.

The Neighbourhoods dataset had two columns added to it. These were PopulationRank and IncomeRank. These were added through Python by calculating appropriate labels for each neighbourhood based off their density and household income in comparison to the other neighbourhoods.

**Integrate Data**

Not Applicable

**Format Data**

Not Applicable

**Analysis of Crime and Youth**

Thorough analysis of youth and crime in Baltimore. Investigate age and felony crime rates. Show graphs stats and models on crime and age. Analyse the findings and back up everything with evidence. Make suggestions to the Baltimore PD and show reasons for the suggestions. In addition to age, look at how poverty affects the young people.

**Analyse the Neighbourhoods in Baltimore**

Analyse the neighbourhoods in Baltimore and the different levels of crime in each neighbourhood.

Good

Bad

In-Between

**Analyse Times in Baltimore**

Analyse times.

Best and worst etc.

**Analyse Densely Populated Neighbourhoods**

**Referencing**

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