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THE MOST DANGEROUS STREET GANGS IN USA

Street gangs in USA have a long history for being brutal, violent and dangerous. The early groups were said to have formed as a way to protect families and localities but later their activities took violent turns leading to formation of street gangs. The street gangs include Hispanics, blacks, whites, bikers and a small percentage of Asians. 1

8th Street Gang18th Street Gang is the largest street gang consisting of Hispanic members. It is said to have about 20 separate groups operating under the same name in different cities. They can be easily recognized by their tattoos which has 18 written in different ways. Some even have BEST tattooed which stands for Barrio Eighteenth Street.

The gang is sophisticated and very organized. They are generally involved in street crime, murder for hire, drug trafficking, vandalism, etc.

People Nation is a street gang that has alliances with a lot of other street gangs all over the US. While most African American gangs embraced Islamic doctrines, the People Nation adopted catholic ones. Latin Kings, Black P Stones, Bloods, etc. were the street gangs associated with People Nation. They use graffiti, hand signs, symbols to represent themselves. They use all symbols on their left side. Black P StonesBlack P Stones is a black street gang based in Chicago. It has over 42000 members. It has 7 branches in Chicago which go by different names. Their activities are seen in a lot of urban areas all over the US. It is involved in drug trafficking along with other street crimes. They were also involved in buying firearms for terrorist activities. BPS first started to associate with Islam in 1970 and ever since they have a strong Islamic foundation. They have different ways of identifications depending on whether they have a Chicago or Californian influence.

The BloodsThe Bloods is another street gang with black membership. They can be recognized by some symbols and hand signs. Their influence is seen all over US. They are dangerous and use violence to assert their power. They are not very organized and a lot of slashings have been reported during robberies. Teenagers are also recruited by this gang and some members in their thirties can also be seen here. The number 5, a five pointed star or a crown is their symbol. They also insult other gangs by drawing their symbols upside down.

The Latin KingsThe Latin Kings is one of the largest street gangs and consists of Hispanic membership. It is said to have a membership of 25000 in Chicago and around 15000 in other areas. It started as a group that fights against oppression but evolved to become one of the most dangerous criminal groups in US. They are

very brutal in their activities and are feared all over US. It has only male membership for a long time and once the women were added, they were named Latin queens.