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When robber Willie Sutton was asked why he robbed banks, he famously said “because that’s where the money is.” This has also been the sensible rationale for hotspot policing.

Yet the ruthless [killing of Tyre Nichols](#) was perpetrated by the now [disbanded](#) Street Crimes Operation to Restore Peace in Our Neighborhoods (S.C.O.R.P.I.O.N.) policing unit, which was [billed](#) from its inception as an example of hotspot policing.

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