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The Center for Criminology and Public Policy Research

The Center for Criminology and Public Policy Research (Center) is part of the Florida State University (FSU) College of Criminology and Criminal Justice (College). The Center was designated in 2004 as a Type II Research Center by the FSU Office of the Provost and secures and expends both public and private research funds. The Center's primary purpose is to expand the influence of scholarship on public policy and to promote evidence-based criminal justice policymaking and practice at the local, state, and national levels. The Center facilitates and supports data collection and research initiatives that simultaneously advance the academic discipline of criminology and informs juvenile and criminal justice policy and practice.

Specifically, the Center's objectives are to:

- Obtain and maintain external funding that supports policy-relevant research,
- Conduct rigorous empirical research that is policy and practice-relevant,
- Contribute to the discipline of criminology through theoretically relevant and methodologically sound research and peer-reviewed publications,
- Disseminate and promote evidence-based research that informs policy and practice at the national, state, and local levels through coordinated marketing efforts with the College and partnerships with and presentations to practitioners and policymakers,
- Provide opportunities for students to participate in the Center's research and policy and practice-related activities.

To meet these objectives, the Center established Research and Policy Institutes that represent areas of expertise, experience, and interest among the College faculty. The institutes reflect critical areas of juvenile and criminal justice where research can be translated into effective public policy aimed at reducing the pain and suffering of crime.

Research and Policy Institutes

As of December 2021, eleven Research and Policy Institutes had been established within the Center. The Institutes and Directors are listed below.

Table 1: Center Research and Policy Institutes			
Institute	Director(s)		
Aging Adult Fraud Research & Policy Institute	Julie Brancale		
	Thomas Blomberg		
Biosocial Criminology Research & Policy Institute	Kevin Beaver		
	Joseph Schwartz		
Corrections Research & Policy Institute	Daniel Mears		
Crime Victim Research & Policy Institute	Jillian Turanovic		
·	Krista Flannigan		
Hate Crime Research & Policy Institute	Brendan Lantz		
·	Marin Wenger		
International and Comparative Criminology Research & Policy	Sylwia Piatkowska		
Institute	Cecilia Chouhy		
Jail Research & Policy Institute	Jennifer Copp		
·	Thomas Blomberg		
Juvenile & Adult Correctional Education Research & Policy	Thomas Blomberg		
Institute	George Pesta		
Juvenile Justice Research & Policy Institute	Carter Hay		
·	Sonja Siennick		
Life Course Research & Policy Institute*	Megan Augustyn		
Policing, Security Technology, & Private Security Research &	Brian Stephens		
Policy Institute	Darrel Stephens		
Race and Crime Research & Policy Institute	Patricia Warren		
	Eric Stewart		

^{*}The Life Course Criminology Research & Policy Institute is scheduled to launch in 2022 with the arrival of new faculty member Megan Augustyn.

The Institutes are led by members of the College faculty that serve as Directors and Co-Directors. Directors are experts in the substantive area of their institute, manage research projects and grants, and coordinate Institute activities with Center staff, College faculty, research partners, funding sponsors, and undergraduate and graduate students. In addition, Institute Directors actively incorporate their research into their teaching practices, develop specialized courses, and provide students with opportunities for dissertation and theses research, directed individual studies, and research practicums. As the Research and Policy Institutes become more established and develop sustainable sources of funding, the roles and responsibilities of Institute Directors will likely evolve. Given the current context of juvenile and criminal justice reform, Institute Directors will likely be expected to play an even more active role in translating their

research into public policy and practice.

In 2021, Darrel and Brian Stephens joined the Center to develop the *Policing, Security Technology, and Private Security Research & Policy Institute*, which seeks to significantly contribute to evidence-based public and private safety policies and practices. The Institute partners with police, the private sector, and other agencies to conduct research and evaluation that informs policies and practices. Through its research, the Institute aims to inform police and security policy with evidence-based practices that engage the community, increase public safety, and secure government and private assets.

Additionally, in 2021, work began on the Capital Region Real Time Crime Center (RTCC) project. The RTCC is a hub for technology and collaboration between the FSU Police Department, the Leon County Sheriff's Office and the Tallahassee Police Department, as well as the Florida Department of Law Enforcement and the Capitol Police, helping law enforcement agencies in the area capitalize on an expanding range of technologies for efficient and effective policing. In addition, the RTCC has an in-house learning lab that will allow researchers and students from FSU's College of Criminology and Criminal Justice to provide timely analysis of crime trends.

As evidenced by these new additions to the Center, it is anticipated that the number of institutes will continue to grow along with expanded College and Center faculty expertise and juvenile and criminal justice policy and practice needs.

The remainder of this annual report presents descriptive statistics and summary information relating to each of the goals set forth in the Center's strategic plan, namely, sustainability and the development of partnerships, pursuing funded research, conducting research, impacting criminal justice policy and practice, and establishing a unique learning

environment. This report includes information gathered from January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021.

Goal 1 – Sustainability and Development of Partnerships

Establish base or reoccurring funding to support the overall sustainability and general budget needs of the Center. Establish and maintain collaborative partnerships with government agencies, professional organizations, and private industry.

Of critical importance to the future direction and growth of the Center are the establishment of institutionalized partnerships. Several new partnership agreements were executed or developed during 2021. First, the Center's partnership with the Walton County Sheriff's Office to provide advising and evaluation services for jail and reentry programming began. Second, the Center will continue its partnership with the Palm Beach County Criminal Justice Commission (PBCJC) and the MacArthur Foundation's Safety and Justice Challenge, evaluating pretrial release practices in Palm Beach County, including an analysis of the effectiveness of existing release mechanisms and a comparison of regular and duty judges. Additionally, the Center has been in discussion with PBCJC to conduct policing evaluation and research in various jurisdictions within the county.

Center partnerships continue to include state and local agencies across Florida such as the Florida Departments of Juvenile Justice and Corrections, the PBCJC, Miami-Dade County, and local Sheriffs' offices including Walton and Leon. The Center has also partnered with several organizations outside of Florida, including Bowling Green State University, the University of California Irvine, NORC at the University of Chicago, Arnold Ventures, and the MacArthur Foundation.

The Center continues to pursue funding to bolster its capacity for conducting juvenile and criminal justice policy and research. Among the Center's strategic priorities are obtaining

endowments that would support specific research and policy institutes and long-term reoccurring contracts with public and private organizations. Proposals and contracts pursued during 2021 were among the most diverse in the Center's history and included proposals to a variety of local and state organizations, federal government organizations, and private organizations. Namely, local and state proposals were pursued with the Palm Beach County Criminal Justice Commission, Walton County Sheriff's Office, Leon County Sheriff's Office, and the Florida Department of Juvenile Justice; proposals for federal organizations included the National Institute of Justice, National Institute of Health, the National Science Foundation, and the Institute of Education Sciences; and proposals with private organizations included the Spencer Foundation, Russell Sage, and the MacArthur Foundation.

Goal 2 – Pursuing Funded Research

Pursue project-specific funding that encourages faculty participation and fulfills the purpose of the Center to conduct policy relevant research and the mission of the College to "Bring Research to Life."

Table 2 provides information on research proposals submitted and contracts pursued during 2021. As shown in Table 2, 33 proposals, letters of interest, and negotiated contracts totaling \$7,369,983 were submitted for funding consideration. Twelve proposals were submitted through collaborative partnerships (i.e., partnerships between counties or universities and federal agencies). In addition, six proposals were submitted directly to federal agencies, two to state agencies, four to county agencies, four to private organizations, and five to internal funding agencies.

Table 2: Proposals & Contracts Pursued			
Proposal Title	Funding	Faculty	Amount
Hate Crime Victimization and Reporting: Unraveling the Contextual Effects Using Data from the National Crime Victimization Survey	NSF	Piatkowska Lantz	\$236,985
Research on Teacher Training for Educating At-Risk and Delinquent Youth	Spencer Found.	Blomberg Girard Brancale Pesta	\$415,268
An Evaluation of Comprehensive Victim Services in Palm Beach County	NIJ / OVC	Turanovic Brancale Pesta	\$402,974
An Evaluation of the Capital Region Real Time Crime Center (RTCC)	FSU	Blomberg Stults Brancale Kim	\$227,557
Researcher-Policymaker Partnership between FSU and the Palm Beach County Criminal Justice Commission Partnership Agreement for Future Research	Palm Beach County CJC	Blomberg	TBD
A Mixed-Methods Examination of the Unique Root Causes of School Violence	NIJ	Siennick Turanovic Brancale Fridel Pesta	\$557,496
Advising and Evaluation of the Walton County Jail and Reentry Program	Walton County	Blomberg Copp Brancale Wenger Castro	\$386,816
Examining the Role of Physiological and Psychological Responses to Critical Incidents in Prisons in the Development of Mental Health Problems among Correctional Officers	NIJ / Transfer from UNO	Schwartz	\$142,853
A Mixed-Method Evaluation of the Effectiveness of Community Policing Programs for Improving Police-Community Relationships in Las Vegas	NIJ	Wenger Blomberg Brancale Lantz	\$976,902
School District of Palm Beach County School Research and Evaluation Bid for Future Solicitations	School District of PBC	Blomberg Girard Brancale Pesta	TBD

Table 2: Proposals & Contracts Pursued			
Proposal Title	Funding	Faculty	Amount
Individual, Situational, and Community Correlates of Intimate Partner Violence: A Comparison of Firearm vs. Non-firearm Homicides	NIJ/VAW	Lantz Wenger	\$454,852
The Individual, Situational, and Contextual Risk Factors for Violent Firearm Injury and Firearm Homicide: A Comparative, Policy- Focused Approach	NIH	Lantz Wenger Fridel	\$490,436
Understanding Curfew and Curfew Violations	FDJJ	Wenger Castro	\$40,000
Hate Crime Victimization and Reporting: Letter of Intent	Russell Sage	Piatkowska Lantz	\$49,762
Toward an Updated Hate Crime Typology: Building a Database of Serious Hate Crime Offenders and Bias-Motivated Extremists	NIJ	Lantz Wenger Piatkowska	\$499,946
A Mixed-Methods Examination of Policy Interventions to Reduce Racial and Ethnic Disparities in the Justice System	NIJ	Blomberg Siennick Warren Chouhy Stults Brancale Pesta	\$999,018
Parental Stress and Child Well-Being: A Prospective Analysis Starting Prior to the Pandemic and Into Recovery	Bowling Green State Univ. / NIH	Сорр	\$135,132
Pretrial Detention, Public Safety, and Court Efficiency: Exploring the Consequences of Measures Enacted to Reduce the Spread of COVID-19 in Palm Beach County Jails	Palm Beach County / MacArthur	Copp Blomberg Brown	\$30,358
Addressing Violence and Gun Crime in Tallahassee and Leon County, Florida Through the Multi-Agency Capital Region Real Time Crime Center: An Operational and Research Partnership	Leon Sheriff's Office / BJA	Stults Blomberg Brancale Kim	\$137,566
OJJDP FY2021 Comprehensive Youth Violence Prevention & Reduction Program	Leon Sheriff's	Stults Brancale	\$74,525
Pretrial Detention, Public Safety, and Court Efficiency: Exploring the Consequences of Measures Enacted to Reduce the Spread of COVID-19 in Palm Beach County Jails	Palm Beach CJC / MacArthur	Blomberg Copp Brown	\$30,358

Table 2: Proposals & Contracts Pursued			
Proposal Title	Funding	Faculty	Amount
Palm Beach County Criminal Justice Commission 2021 Strategic Initiatives Proposal	Palm Beach CJC	Blomberg Copp Brown	\$75,919
LOI – The Carceral State and Political Participation: Exploring the Role of Criminal Justice Contact on Political Participation for Individuals, Families, and Communities	Russell Sage	Chouhy Brancale	LOI
Neighborhood Segregation, School Segregation, and Racial/Ethnic Disparities in School Punishment	Russell Sage	Kim	LOI
Developmental Pathophysiology of Drug Use in Very High Risk of Conduct Disordered Youth	UNC Chapel Hill / NIH	Beaver	\$309,043
Examining the Impact of Healthcare Access on Health Disparities within a Statewide Prison Cohort	FSU Planning Grant	Schwartz Siennick	\$24,578
DJJ Program Recidivism and Cost Effectiveness Study	DJJ	Siennick Stults	\$40,000
Parental Stress and Child Well-Being: A Prospective Analysis Starting Prior to the Pandemic and Into Recovery: Resubmission	Bowling Green State Univ. / NIH	Copp	\$225,629
Neurobehavioral Indicators of Risk and Resilience Among Adolescents with Justice- Involved Parents in the Adolescent Brain Cognitive Development (ABCD) Study	NIH / Univ. of Tenn.	Сорр	\$68,098
An Evaluation of Money Bond Practices in Palm Beach County	PBC – CJC / MacArthur	Copp Blomberg Brown	\$291,509
Tracking Real-Time Student Reaction to Emergency Information Dissemination using Computational Identification	FSU Planning Grant	Schwartz	\$10,000
Defining Stress and Sleep as Modifiable Intervention Targets in Correctional Officers to Reduce Mental and Physical Health Risk	FSU Planning Grant	Schwartz	\$24,983
The Situational and Contextual Correlates of Non-Lethal and Lethal Firearm Violence: A Comparative Approach	FSU Planning Grant	Lantz	\$11,420
Total			\$7,369,983

Table 3 lists the projects that were awarded and ongoing/active for any amount of time in 2021. There were 17 projects with operating budgets totaling \$3,572,883.

Table 3. Active Projects in 2021			
Project Title	Funding Source	Faculty	Amount
An Evaluation of the Capital Region Real Time Crime Center (RTCC)	FSU	Blomberg Stults Brancale Kim	\$227,557
Addressing Violence and Gun Crime in Tallahassee and Leon County, Florida Through the Multi-Agency Capital Region Real Time Crime Center: An Operational and Research Partnership	Leon Sheriff's Office / BJA	Stults Blomberg Brancale Kim	\$137,566
Evaluation of Walton County's Jail and Reentry Program	Walton Co. Sheriff	Blomberg Copp Brancale Wenger	\$157,925
Mechanisms Underlying Desistance from Crime: Individual and Social Pathways	BGSU / NIJ	Copp	\$40,110
Addressing the Needs of Incarcerated Parents with Minor Children	Miami Dade DOC	Copp	\$112,455
A Two-State Examination of Varied Measurement Strategies for Juvenile Reoffending	NIJ	Siennick Stults Pesta	\$512,718
Sources and Consequences of Prison Violence	Arnold Ventures	Turanovic	\$517,281
Examining the Role of Physiological and Psychological Responses to Critical Incidents in Prisons in the Development of Mental Health Problems among Correctional Officers	UNO / NIJ	Schwartz	\$142,853
Hate Crime Victimization and Reporting: Unraveling the Contextual Effects Using Data from the National Crime Victimization Survey	NSF	Piatkowska Lantz	\$236,985
The Individual, Situational, and Contextual Risk Factors for Violent Firearm Injury and Firearm Homicide: A Comparative, Policy- Focused Approach	NIH	Lantz Wenger Fridel	\$490,436
Understanding Curfew and Curfew Violations	DJJ	Wenger Castro	\$40,000
A Comprehensive Assessment of Deadly Mass Shootings, 1980-2018	NIJ	Turanovic	\$289,810

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Project Title	Funding Source	Faculty	Amount
Jail Policy Reform in the COVID-19 Era	Palm Beach County CJC	Blomberg Copp Brown	\$30,358
The Juvenile Justice Education Partnership	Maryland MSDE	Blomberg Brancale Pesta	\$570,126
The Florida Juvenile Justice Residential Program Recidivism and Cost-Effectiveness Study for 2021	Florida Department of Juvenile Justice	Siennick	\$30,300
The Situational and Contextual Correlates of Non-Lethal and Lethal Firearm Violence: A Comparative Approach.	FSU Planning Grant	Lantz	\$11,420
Defining Stress and Sleep as Modifiable Intervention Targets in Correctional Officers to Reduce Mental and Physical Health Risk	FSU Planning Grant	Schwartz	\$24,983
Total			\$3,572,883

Goal 3 – Conducting Research

Conduct research that is germane to the interests of the College and Center faculty and fulfills the purpose of the Center to conduct policy relevant research and mission of the College to "Bring Research to Life."

Twenty-three academic publications and presentations at nine academic conferences originated from Center projects in 2021 and are listed below. The publications included contributions by 11 faculty members, 7 graduate students, and 11 project partners (i.e., professors at other universities and criminal justice agency staff).

Publications from Center Research Projects

Aranda-Hughes, Vivian, Daniel P. Mears, George B. Pesta, & Jennifer M. Brown. The Contemporary Salience of Deprivation Theory: Prison Personnel Perceptions of Inmates and the Pains of Solitary Confinement. *Crime and Delinquency*, 67(3), 399-430.

Aranda-Hughes, Vivian, Jillian Turanovic, Daniel P. Mears, & George B. Pesta. Women in Solitary Confinement: Relationships, Pseudofamilies, and the Limits of Control. *Feminist Criminology*, *16*(1), 47-72.

- Blomberg, Thomas G., John Thrasher, and Jennifer Copp. Translational Criminology and Politics. *Special Issue on Criminal Justice Reform: American Journal of Criminal Justice* (Forthcoming).
- Blomberg, Thomas G. Jenifer E. Copp. Jillian J. Turanovic. The challenges and Prospects for Evidence-Based Policy Making. *Annual Review of Criminology, Volume 7* (Forthcoming).
- Brancale, Julie, Thomas G. Blomberg, Sonja Siennick, George B. Pesta, Nic Swagar, Kaylee Noorman, Jonathan Caswell, & Cecilia Chouhy. Building Collaborative Evidence-Based Frameworks for Criminal Justice Policy. *Criminal Justice Policy Review*, 32(8), 795-815.
- Brown, Jennifer M., Daniel P. Mears, Vivian Aranda-Hughes, & Sonja E. Siennick. What Do We Really Know about the Prevalence of Restrictive Housing? Illuminating the 'Dark Figure' of the Most Extreme Forms of Incarceration. *Criminal Justice and Behavior*. Forthcoming.
- Casey, William, Jennifer E. Copp, & William D. Bales. Releases from a Local Jail: The Impact of Visitation on Recidivism. *Criminal Justice Policy Review*, 32(4), 427-441.
- Chouhy, Cecilia, Nic Swagar, Julie Brancale, Kaylee Noorman, Sonja Siennick, Jonathan Caswell, William D. Bales, George B. Pesta, & Thomas G. Blomberg. Forecasting Racial/Ethnic Disparities in Proposed Criminal Justice Legislation. *American Journal of Criminal Justice*. DOI: 10.1007/s12103-021-09619-8.
- Copp, Jennifer E., Elizabeth A. Mumford, & Bruce G. Taylor. Online Sexual Harassment and Cyberbullying in a Nationally Representative Sample of Teens: Prevalence, Predictors, and Consequences. *Journal of Adolescence*, *93*, 202-211.
- Copp, Jennifer E., and William Casey. "Pretrial Risk Assessment Instruments in the United States: Past, Present, and Future." In C. Scott-Hayward, J. Copp, and S. Demuth (Eds.), Handbook of Corrections and Sentencing: Pretrial Justice. New York: Routledge.
- Lantz, Brendan. Women Who Commit Hate-Motivated Violence: Advancing a Gendered Understanding of Hate Crime. *Social Science Research*. Forthcoming.
- Lantz, Brendan, & Marin R. Wenger. Guns, Groups, and the Southern Culture of Honor: Considering the Role of Co-offenders in Southern Firearm Violence. *Psychology of Violence*, 11(4), 405-416.
- Lantz, Brendan, & Marin R. Wenger. Are Asian Victims Less Likely to Report Hate Crime Victimization to the Police? Implications for Research and Policy in the Wake of the COVID-19 Pandemic. *Crime & Delinquency*. Forthcoming.
- Mears, Daniel P., Jennifer M. Brown, Joshua C. Cochran, & Sonja E. Siennick. Extended Solitary Confinement for Managing Prison Systems: Placement Disparities and Their Implications. *Justice Quarterly*, 38(7), 1492-1518.

- Mears, Daniel P., George B. Pesta, & Vivian Aranda-Hughes. Views from the Inside: Insights about Restrictive Housing from Prison System Officials, Officers, and Staff. *The Prison Journal*, 101(6), 631-651.
- Mears, Daniel P., Vivian Aranda-Hughes, & George B. Pesta. Managing Prisons through Extended Solitary Confinement: A Necessary Approach or a Signal of Prison System Failure? *International Journal of Offender Therapy and Comparative Criminology*. Forthcoming.
- Montes, Andrea N., Daniel P. Mears, Nicole L. Collier, George B. Pesta, Sonja E. Siennick, & Samantha J. Brown. Blurred and Confused: The Paradox of Police in Schools. *Policing*, *15*, 1546-1564.
- Noorman, Kaylee, Julie Brancale, & Thomas G. Blomberg. Criminal Justice Policy Reform Through Researcher-Practitioner/Policymaker Partnerships. In Elizabeth Jeglic and Cynthia Calkins (Eds.), *Handbook of Issues in Criminal Justice Policy Reform*. Springer.
- Siennick, Sonja E., Mayra Picon, Jennifer M. Brown, & Daniel P. Mears. Revisiting and Unpacking the Mental Illness and Solitary Confinement Relationship. *Justice Quarterly*. Forthcoming.
- Turanovic, Jillian J., & Kristen J. Neville. Mass Shootings Involving Intimate Partners:
 Prevalence and Patterns. In Eric Madfis and Adam Lankford (Eds.), *All American Massacre: The Tragic Role of American Culture and Society in Mass Shootings.* Temple University Press.
- Turanovic, Jillian J., Travis C. Pratt, Teresa C. Kulig, and Francis T. Cullen. *Confronting School Violence: A Synthesis of Six Decades of Research*. Cambridge University Press.
- Turanovic, Jillian J. and Melinda Tasca. Conditions of Contact: Reexamining the Relationship between Prison Visitation and Recidivism. *Justice Quarterly*.
- Wenger, Marin R., & Brendan Lantz. Generalized Hate: Bias Victimization Against Non-Asian Racial/Ethnic Minorities During the COVID-19 Pandemic. *Victims & Offenders*. Forthcoming.

Presentations at Academic Conferences

- Aranda-Hughes, V., & Daniel P. Mears. *Prison Personnel Views of Restrictive Housing Effects on Incarcerated Individuals*. Presented at the American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting. Chicago, IL, November 2021.
- Brancale, Julie, Thomas G. Blomberg, Jonathan Caswell, Cecilia Chouhy, Sonja Siennick, Kaylee Noorman, George Pesta, & Nic Swagar. Assessing Potential Racial and Ethnic Impacts of Proposed Criminal Justice Legislation: A Partnership with the Florida Senate

- Criminal Justice Committee. Presented at the Southern Criminal Justice Association Annual Meeting. Daytona Beach, FL, September 2021.
- Brancale, Julie, Thomas G. Blomberg, Jonathan Caswell, Brian Stults, Alex Billmeier, & Young-An Kim. *Informing and Evaluating a Multi-Agency Real Time Crime Center: A Partnership with the Florida State University Policy Department, Tallahassee Police Department, and Leon County Sheriff's Office*. Presented at the Southern Criminal Justice Association Annual Meeting. Daytona Beach, FL, September 2021.
- Brown, Jennifer M., Vivian Aranda-Hughes, & Daniel P. Mears. *Incarcerated Persons' Mental Health and the Use of Restrictive Housing*. Presented at the American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting. Chicago, IL, November 2021.
- Casey, William, Jennifer E. Copp, & Stephen Demuth. *Disparities in the Pretrial Process: Race, Ethnicity, and Citizenship.* Presented at the American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting. Chicago, IL, November 2021.
- Copp, Jennifer E., Thomas Blomberg, Julie Brancale, Erin Castro, & Marin Wenger. *Evaluating a Comprehensive Jail and Reentry Program: A Partnership with the Walton County Sheriff's Office.* Presented at the Southern Criminal Justice Association Annual Meeting. Daytona Beach, FL, September 2021.
- Jodis, Christopher A., Joseph A. Schwartz, Benjamin Steiner, Douglas A. Granger, & Jessica Calvi. Examining Traumatic Brain Injury as a Source of Stress Amplification on Negative Mental Health Outcomes in a Sample of Correctional Officers. Presented at the American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting. Chicago, IL, November 2021.
- Pesta, George B., Thomas G. Blomberg, Julie Brancale, & Kaylee Noorman. *Using Research to Improve the Quality of Juvenile Justice Education: A Partnership with the Maryland Juvenile Services Education System.* Presented at the Southern Criminal Justice Association Annual Meeting. Daytona Beach, FL, September 2021.
- Schwartz, Joseph A, Benjamin Steiner, Douglas A. Granger, & Jessica Calvi. *Are You Stressed Out? Comparing and Contrasting Multiple Operationalizations of Stress in a Sample of Correctional Officers*. Presented at the American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting. Chicago, IL, November 2021.

Goal 4 – Impacting Criminal Justice Policy and Practice

Facilitate the use of research to impact criminal justice policy and practice at the federal, state, and local levels.

The list below includes 14 studies that were presented to criminal justice policymakers and practitioners based upon Center research projects.

Translational Presentations

- Blomberg, Thomas G. *Translation Criminology and Politics*. Keynote Presentation for Justice Research and Statistics Association (JRSA) Annual Training.
- Blomberg, Thomas G. *Overview of Juvenile Services Educational System (JSES)*. Maryland Juvenile Services Education Program Monthly Board Meeting.
- Copp, Jennifer E. Pretrial Detention, Public Safety, and Court Efficiency: Examining the Implementation and Impact of Administrative Order No.: 12.510-04/2020.9 on Felony Bond, Pretrial Release, Court Appearance, and New Criminal Activity. Palm Beach County Criminal Justice Commission. Palm Beach, FL.
- Copp, Jennifer E. *Reimagining Pretrial*. Visions of Justice 2021. Delaware Center for Justice. Wilmington, DE.
- Lantz, Brendan. *Measuring and Responding to Hate Crime*. UConn School of Law, Hartford, CT.
- Lantz, Brendan. Beyond the Virus: Hate Crimes Against the Asian Community During the COVID-19 Pandemic. Invited Guest on The Criminology Academy Podcast.
- Lantz, Brendan. *Hate Crime Victimization: Unique Impacts and Challenges*. Texas Victim Services Association Biennial Training Summit, Austin, TX.
- Lantz, Brendan. Words Matter: Understanding the Rise in Asian American Pacific Islander Hate Crimes. Sarasota County Bar Association, Sarasota, FL.
- Lantz, Brendan. *Recent Trends in Hate Crime*. Florida State University (FSU) Criminology Student Leadership Council (SLC).
- Lantz, Brendan. *Hate Crime Victimization*. Sam Houston State University (SHSU) Crime Victims' Institute (CVI), Huntsville, TX.
- Mears, Daniel P. *Plenary Discussion on Developing and Implementing Evidence-Based Practices in School Safety*. National Institute of Justice Conference on School Safety: Bridging Research to Practice to Safeguard Our Schools. Washington, D.C.
- Turanovic, Jillian J. *Confronting School Violence and Victimization*. The Evidence Hour Webinar Series, Center for Victim Research and Justice Research and Statistics Association.
- Turanovic, Jillian J. Causes and Consequences of School Violence Plenary Session. National Institute of Justice Virtual School Safety Conference.
- Turanovic, Jillian J. *Deadly Mass Shootings*, 1980-2019. American Criminal Justice Association, Lambda Alpha Epsilon, Florida State University.

Research Reports

The list below includes five research reports that were submitted to Center research partners and funding sponsors during 2021.

- Copp, Jennifer E., Jennifer M. Brown, & Thomas G. Blomberg. *Pretrial Detention, Public Safety, and Court Efficiency: Examining the Implementation and Impact of Administrative Order No.:* 12.510-04/2020.9 on Felony Bond, Pretrial Release, Court Appearance, and New Criminal Activity. Final report prepared for the Palm Beach County Criminal Justice Commission, December 2021.
- Copp, Jennifer E. An Evaluation of the FSU Young Parents Project: Assessing the Impact of Program Participation on Recidivism. Final report prepared for the FSU Center for Prevention and Early Intervention Policy, 2021.
- Siennick, Sonja E. 2021 Florida Juvenile Justice Residential Program Recidivism and Cost-Effectiveness Study. Final report prepared for the Florida Department of Juvenile Justice, 2021.
- Turanovic, Jillian J., & Sonja E. Siennick. *Causes and Consequences of School Violence: A Review*. Final report prepared for the National Institute of Justice, October 2021.
- Turanovic, Jillian J., Pratt, T. C., Neville, K. N., & La Tosa, A. A Comprehensive Assessment of Deadly Mass Shootings, 1980-2018. Final report prepared for the National Institute of Justice. 2022.

Goal 5 - Creating a Unique Learning Environment

Provide unique learning opportunities for post-graduate, graduate, and undergraduate students.

The Center is committed to providing the College's graduate and undergraduate students with opportunities to have transformative and empowering educational experiences in which they not only acquire knowledge through traditional classroom learning but learn to create and apply knowledge through hands-on research and policy experiences. Beyond providing funding for graduate students, which includes the opportunity to collaborate with faculty on research projects, the Center also provides these experiential learning opportunities through directed

individual study (DIS) courses, dissertations, theses, and area papers. The number of DIS and supervised research activities are listed below.

- Eight graduate research assistants worked on various Center research projects.
- Ten graduate students completed DIS courses using data from a Center project.
- One graduate student completed a Master's thesis using data from a Center project.
- Two undergraduates were employed to work on various Center related research projects.
- Nine undergraduate students completed DIS courses using data from a Center project.
- Fourteen students were supervised on Center related research projects through the Undergraduate Research Opportunity Program (UROP).

Summary and Future Directions

The Center continues to seek external funding to conduct juvenile and criminal justice policy and practice research. The funding and its related research projects help to support faculty research initiatives and provide students with opportunities for research experience, professional presentations, publications, and funding.

The Center has continued to build upon its established trajectory of excellence. During 2021, the Center pursued and achieved several strategic initiatives including the establishment of additional Research and Policy Institutes, the strengthening of existing and additional new partnerships, and the awarding of new funded research projects. The Center applied to and/or received research funding from 17 different public and private organizations. This resulted in applications for \$8,991,378 and management of \$3,345,326 in new and ongoing research funding. Involvement in the Center included 19 faculty, 8 graduate students, and 16 undergraduate students.

2022 Initiatives

2022 initiatives include enhancing the College's curriculum through a new Translational class, developing new Memorandum's of Understanding (MOU) with potential partners, and focusing on philanthropic opportunities for research funding and endowments.

The College's initiative to successfully "Bring Research to Life" will be supported through a new graduate-level course on Translational Criminology & Politics. Led by Dean Tom Blomberg and former President John Thrasher, the purpose of the course is to: (1) trace the development of the discipline of criminology and criminal justice culminating in the current translational criminology movement, and (2) assess the necessary and combined role of Researcher Policymaker/ Practitioner Partnerships and "Champions" to effectively navigate the political barriers routinely encountered in translating research into evidence-based criminal justice policies and practices. A primary theme of the course includes the problem of merely focusing upon causality versus the best available research evidence debate over criminology's research and policy role. The course will provide several examples of crime policies in which the use of best available research evidence can (1) provide direct intervention and (2) result in the effective amelioration of some alterable conditions known to be associated with crime and/or the criminal justice system. Importantly, the class will be structured around the work of the Center's various Research & Policy Institutes, inviting Institute Directors to provide a lecture about their Institute, the research that is being conducted, and their translational considerations or plans for policymakers and practitioners.

The Institute on Aging Adult Fraud Research and Policy is working to develop partnerships with the Florida Attorney General's Office and AARP. In addition, the Institute is planning to develop and administer a national survey of older adults to assess the prevalence,

causes, and consequences of financial exploitation of older adults. Collaborative discussions are also occurring with Professors from the FSU College of Business, the North American Securities Administrators Association, as well as the Federal Reserve Bank in Atlanta.

The Center has entered into a researcher-practitioner/policymaker MOU with the Leon County Sheriff's Office (LCSO) to gain a deeper understanding of the underlying causes and circumstances contributing to violence in Leon County and identify evidence-based strategies that can be applied to reduce or prevent the violence. Specifically, Leon County's Committee on the Status of Men and Boys (CSMB) will combine and coordinate Leon County and Tallahassee's multi-agency efforts and establish a comprehensive plan for implementing evidence-based violent crime and homicide reduction initiatives. The Center will serve as the evaluator of the multi-agency programs and initiatives that are developed through the LCSO's CSMB, describing and explaining the effectiveness of the multi-agency initiatives in reducing violent crime and homicides in Leon County.

The College is developing an MOU with the Florida Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ). The MOU proposes a partnership with DJJ to provide state-of-the-art research that is designed to inform juvenile justice policy as well as a pathway for student internship and employment opportunities within the juvenile justice field. The objectives of the partnership are to strengthen collaborative research opportunities between the Center and DJJ and provide unique learning experiences for the College's students by integrating on-campus studies with real-life work experiences in juvenile justice.

Finally, the College's Development Office is working with alumni and donors on gift donations to support the Center's Research and Policy Institutes. These gifts go to the Institute of the donor's choosing. Donations have been committed to the Aging Adult Fraud Research &

Policy Institute and the Policing, Security Technology, & Private Security Research & Policy Institute.