

The Center for Evidence-Based Crime Policy

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FRIENDS & COLLEAGUES:

This summer will mark the **two year anniversary** of the Center for Evidence-Based Crime Policy. Our successes in this short period of time are without doubt due to your support and attendance at our many events and the **strong collaborations** we have fostered with universities, research organizations, criminal justice agencies and other government units. These outreach and research efforts have also been made possible by our fantastic graduate assistants, our many research associates, fellows, interns, and research affiliates, the wonderful faculty and staff in the **Department of Criminology, Law and Society**, and support from Dean Jack Censer of the **College of Humanities and Social Sciences**.

In the spirit of these past two years, the CEBCP will continue to advance research and seek out new ways in which we can make research accessible and meaningful to criminal justice practitioners and policymakers. We hope you can attend our **2nd Annual CEBCP Symposium** this August, as well as our next **Congressional Briefing** in October. These and other free events, tools, and resources are discussed in this newsletter and also at our website, <http://gemini.gmu.edu/cebcp>. New projects and announcements are also posted regularly for our three research programs in Crime and Place, Evidence-Based Policing, and Systematic Reviews on the website.

Finally, we offer a **special congratulations** to our Evidence-Based Policing Hall of Fame Inductees (see pp. 6-7) and the two Distinguished Achievement Award Recipients, **Darrel Stephens** and **Joan Petersilia**, who will all be honored at the August Symposium. Thank you for your tireless commitment to science and practice!

Best Wishes,
David Weisburd, Director
Cynthia Lum, Deputy Director



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CEBCP RESEARCH PROGRAM UPDATES



The CEBCP and the renamed Department of Criminology, Law and Society (formerly Administration of Justice) have moved to the main Fairfax Campus! Our new address is: 4400 University Drive, MS 6D3, Fairfax VA 22030. Our phone numbers remain the same but our new fax number is 703.993.6020.

Please visit our website for updates on new team members and research associates, and details about activities of our three research programs: Crime and Place, Evidence-Based Policing, and Systematic Reviews.

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Special congratulations to Julie Willis who was married on June 26th. Julie is now Julie Willis Hibdon.

CPWG Recent Activity & Current CPWG Projects:

The topic of Crime and Place at this year's Stockholm Criminology Symposium dominated many of the panels. The symposium featured several presentations, many by our CPWG members and collaborators, which explored new methodologies, perspectives, and interventions in place-based criminology. The **Journal of Quantitative Criminology** also recently released a special edition volume on crime and place, which featured the papers presented at last year's CEBCP April Symposium.

The 2nd Annual Evidence-Based Crime Policy Symposium:

In collaboration with George Mason University's **GIS Center of Excellence**, directed by **Professor Nigel Waters**, CEBCP will host two workshops for practitioners and graduate students on using GIS for research and crime analysis. These workshops will be led by **Professor Waters, Dr. Brian Lawton** and **Julie Willis Hibdon** and will take place on August 9th. The CPWG will also present some of its research during the Crime and Place panels on August 10th and will conduct its biannual meetings at the Symposium. A preliminary schedule for the 2nd Annual Evidence-Based Crime Policy Symposium can be found at: <http://gemini.gmu.edu/cebcp/CEBCPSymposium.html>.

2010 American Society of Criminology Crime and Place Panels:

The CPWG is once again sponsoring a series of panels (8 in total) featuring research on Crime and Place issues at the American Society of Criminology Meeting, November 17-20, 2010 in San Francisco, CA. A full description of panel topics can be found at <http://gemini.gmu.edu/cebcp/ASC2010CrimeandPlacePanels.pdf>. For a brief listing of panel topics, please see page 9.

SYSTEMATIC REVIEWS RESEARCH PROGRAM

Our Systematic Reviews Research Program has had a strong presence at several recent conferences, including three well-attended panels at the Stockholm Criminology Symposium (organized by Brandon Welsh of the CCJG and Northeastern University). Thanks to the assistance and partnership of the NPIA, CEBCP also jointly sponsored a conference at the U.K.'s National Policing College at Bramshill, showcasing the preliminary results of five systematic reviews conducted by international Campbell review teams.

The 10th Annual Jerry Lee Crime Prevention Symposium highlighted the work of the Campbell Collaboration Crime and Justice Group, including presentations on the impact of drug substitution programs on offending and the effects of formal court processing on juvenile delinquency. Information on the 2010 presentations is available at <http://gemini.gmu.edu/cebcp/JerryLee.html>

David B. Wilson, David Weisburd, and Dave McClure are working on two Campbell systematic reviews: *The Use of DNA Testing in Police Investigative Work for Increasing Suspect Identification, Arrest, Conviction, and Case Clearance*, and *Juvenile Curfew Policies' Effect on Criminal Behavior, Public Safety, and Victimization*.

Charlotte Gill is conducting a Campbell systematic review, *Probation Intensity Effects on Probationers' Criminal Conduct*, with Jordan Hyatt (University of Pennsylvania) and CEBCP Advisory Board member **Lawrence Sherman**.

COMING SOON: *The Effects of Pulling Levers Policing on Crime* (**David Weisburd** and **Anthony Braga**), and *Police Strategies to Reduce Illegal Possession and Carrying of Firearms: A Systematic Review of their Effects on Gun Crime* (**Christopher Koper** and Evan Mayo-Wilson). Also, look out for the next systematic review by Weisburd, Gill, Telep, and McClure on macro-level crime displacement.



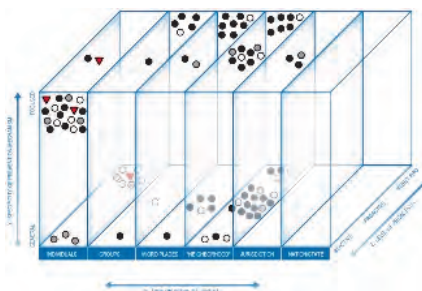
Dr. Charlotte Gill
Post Doctoral Fellow

The CEBCP would like to welcome its newest team member, **Dr. Charlotte Gill** (University of Pennsylvania, 2010), who will be co-directing the **Research Program in Systematic Reviews** with David Wilson. Dr. Gill joins the CEBCP from the Jerry Lee Center of Criminology, University of Pennsylvania, where she completed her Ph.D. in Criminology. Her current research interests relate to the intersection of law enforcement and other criminal justice agencies, such as probation. She is also interested in research methodology and strategies for synthesizing and disseminating evidence to the policy community. Dr. Gill has been involved in the implementation and analysis of several randomized controlled trials, including a study of low-intensity probation in Philadelphia that was the basis for her doctoral dissertation, and experiments in restorative justice with the Metropolitan and Thames Valley police services in the United Kingdom. She has served for the last four years as the managing editor of the Campbell Collaboration Crime and Justice Group.

EVIDENCE-BASED POLICING

The updated **Evidence-Based Policing Matrix by Lum, Koper and Telep** is now available! Special thanks to the Bureau of Justice Assistance, Fox Valley Technical College and Jason Lutjen at Slonky LLC for helping us achieve our new look. The Matrix now includes all police evaluations through 2009 and has greater functionality. A **free workshop** on how to use the Matrix to assist with evidence-based policing efforts will be given by Lum, Koper and Telep on August 9th at GMU the day before the CEBCP Symposium.

The Matrix: <http://gemini.gmu.edu/cebcp/matrix.html>



The **NIJ-SPAWAR** sponsored **License Plate Recognition Surveys and Randomized Controlled Trials** (Cynthia Lum, Linda Merola, Julie Willis Hibdon, and Breanne Cave) are now coming to a close. The results of these efforts with Alexandria City and Fairfax County Police Departments, as well as links to sources of information about LPR and the PERF Experiments, will be available at the new **CEBCP LPR Web Portal**, soon to be released.

The **CEBCP-University of Cambridge Partnership** pairs the Evidence-Based Policing Research Program with the University of Cambridge, Institute of Criminology, Police Executive Programme. **Dr. Cynthia Lum** works with 15 commanders from police forces across the United Kingdom to find ways in which research evidence can be incorporated into their daily practices.

THE STOCKHOLM CRIMINOLOGY SYMPOSIUM

The 2010 Stockholm Criminology Symposium, which included the presentation of the Stockholm Prize to **Professor David Weisburd**, was a major success, and the largest Symposium since its inception in 2006. The entire CEBCP team attended to present papers, as well as almost the entire faculty of the **Department of Criminology, Law and Society** at George Mason, led by its Chair, **Dr. David Wilson**, and **Dr. Nigel Waters** from GMU's Geography Department (College of Science). David's colleagues and students from **Hebrew University**, his other home base, under the leadership of **Professor Mimi Ajzenstadt**, were also key contributors to many panels. Representing the leadership of George Mason University and the College of Humanities and Social Sciences was **Dean Jack Censer**, whose presence made the event especially meaningful.



The CEBCP played an important role in assisting the **Swedish National Council for Crime Prevention (Brå)**, an agency of the Ministry of Justice, in organizing fourteen panels for this event. These panels brought together researchers from multiple organizations,

including Hebrew University, the U.S. Police Foundation, Georgia State University, Temple University, Arizona State University, University of Maryland at College Park, Pennsylvania State University, Southern Illinois University, the Police Executive Research Forum, University College London, the University of California at Los Angeles, Indiana University, Northwestern University, Cambridge University, and the U.K. National Policing Improvement Agency.

Finally, we were very pleased that **Mr. Hubert Williams** and **Dr. Karen Amendola** of the U.S. Police Foundation were able to participate in CEBCP-sponsored panels. The Police Foundation has supported many historic policing projects, including David Weisburd's displacement and diffusion study. Further, the attendance and presentations of **Chief Jim Bueermann** of Redlands, CA Police Department, and **Deputy Chief Hassan Aden** of Alexandria City, VA, two of CEBCP's finest collaborators, added to the quality and depth of the policing panels. Thank you everyone!



OUR STUDENTS

Five of our top graduate students represented the department with excellence at this year's Symposium. **Julie Willis Hibdon** presented her dissertation work on perceptions of dangerousness at places and contributed to the LPR panels. **Cody Telep** presented findings from an instrument piloted in Redlands, CA intended to gauge the evidence-based receptivity of police agencies. **Breanne Cave**, in addition to contributing to the LPR panels, spoke about the effects that jurisdictional boundaries have on officer behavior. **Jen Lerch** showed how the media portrayed police in Trinidad and Tobago. **Dave McClure** presented a systematic review on the use of DNA testing in law enforcement.



THE STOCKHOLM PRIZE CEREMONY AND BANQUET



David Weisburd with Beatrice Ask, Swedish Minister for Justice

The Stockholm Prize in Criminology was first presented in June 2006. Under the aegis of the Swedish Ministry of Justice, the international prize is awarded for outstanding achievements in criminological research, or for the application of research results by practitioners, for the reduction of crime and the advancement of human rights. The prize amounts to approximately 1,000,000 Swedish Krona.

David Weisburd, Distinguished Professor at George Mason and Hebrew Universities, and the Director of CEBCP, was awarded the 2010 Stockholm Prize in Criminology. The international jury chose Dr. Weisburd for his groundbreaking work on hot spots policing and crime displacement and his series of experiments showing that intensified police patrol at high crime "hot spots" does not merely push crime around the corner.

REFLECTIONS ON WINNING THE STOCKHOLM PRIZE

By James Greif

The following is an excerpt from Jim Greif's interview with David Weisburd on winning the Stockholm Prize. See the complete article at: <http://news.gmu.edu/articles/3284>

"While it is wonderful on a personal level receiving the prize, I see the award as reflecting the growing recognition of scholars, practitioners and policy-makers in the importance of place in crime. This is what is really important for me. The work that my colleagues and I have done in this area has begun to take central stage, both in the study of crime and in crime prevention. At the prize ceremony, I noted that when I first began this work it was a bit lonely. Criminologists generally asked the question, "Why do people commit crime?" My colleagues and I began to ask another question: "Why does crime concentrate at specific places?" I am feeling a lot less lonely now. The question that I sought to push to central stage has indeed become a key question in criminology.

There were many practitioners at the symposium and ceremony, and I think that the event really reinforced for them the importance of place-based strategies in crime prevention. The commissioner of police of Sweden gave a wonderful toast at the award banquet in which he talked about the importance of place and the contributions of my work. Only time will tell, but the award and this event have in my view helped to advance place-based criminology and place-based crime prevention.

It was really an amazing event for me – a three-day symposium with over 600 participants that was organized around the prize and focused in good part on my research interests. My prize lecture, which allowed me to tell the "story" of my contributions to a large number of international criminologists, policy-makers and practitioners in a magnificent 19th -century lecture hall.

And finally, the ceremony and banquet. The ceremony was held in the "blue room" of the city hall, with the speakers and awarding of the prize on the great stone steps. When I walked up to receive the award and spoke in front of the large seated crowd, I realized for the first time just how humbling this all was.

When we went into the golden hall afterward for a banquet in my honor with 400 guests, it was truly overwhelming. I said to someone that it was a once-in-a-lifetime experience, and the person responded that it usually doesn't occur in a lifetime.

The award is in my view not the end of a journey, but something that allows me to push forward my work in new ways. Academia for me is a passion, and that passion has only been reinforced with winning the prize. Over the next few years, I hope to encourage a new generation of students at Mason to advance the science of places to the next level.

The Evidence-Based Policing Hall of Fame

The Evidence-Based Policing Hall of Fame recognizes innovative law enforcement practitioners who have been central to the implementation of a high-quality research program in their affiliated agency, highlighting individual excellence in both using and conducting policing research. Membership in the Hall is based on strict criteria (see below) and includes an elite group of innovators in policing.

On the following page, we have included a brief description of each of our first group of inductees. Their induction will occur formally at our Second Annual Evidence-Based Crime Policy Symposium on August 11th. We hope all of the CEBCP community can be on hand for this special event.

Visit <http://gemini.gmu.edu/cebcp/HallofFame.html> to learn more about each police leader and to read statements from inductees describing their compelling leadership stories about how they facilitated the use of research and science in their agency. Each member's statement is intended to foster leadership growth and exchange between practitioners about what "works best" in advancing an evidence-based approach.

These champions of evidence-based policing help to make high-quality police scholarship possible and their efforts advance our knowledge of the field. Congratulations to all of our first group of inductees!

MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS

- 1) Nominees must be or have been a **police practitioner**, either sworn or civilian; and
- 2) Nominees must have been **central to the implementation of a documented rigorous scientific evaluation** in their affiliated agency, in which a police intervention, tactic, strategy, or deployment was tested for effectiveness; and
- 3) Nominees must show a **record of incorporating evidence-based practices in their agency**. The types of evidence-based practices can be, for example, those strategies that have characteristics of interventions that **fall within the "realms of effectiveness" of the Evidence-Based Policing Matrix** (see <http://gemini.gmu.edu/cebcp/Matrix.html>)

To nominate an individual or individuals, please visit <http://gemini.gmu.edu/cebcp/HallofFameNomination.pdf>.



CHIEF JIM BUEERMANN
Redlands, California
Police Department
First Inductee, 2009

Chief Jim Bueermann has been a tireless advocate for evidence-based practice and his support of researcher and practitioner partnerships has produced several key studies of crime and policing in Redlands. He has also introduced other innovative, evidence-based approaches to his department, transitioning his entire police department from beat patrol to hot spots patrol; training officers in evidence-based approaches, and making knowledge of research and evidence a part of promotions.

Hall of Fame Inductees for 2010



Deputy Chief Hassan Aden, Alexandria (VA) Police Department, has been instrumental in the support and implementation of a randomized controlled experiment in license plate recognition systems at hot spots conducted by GMU. Patrol officers remark on his hands-on mentorship approach, which makes him successful in incorporating innovative and difficult research and field experiments in daily police practices. In his former role as a district commander, his dedication to police interventions based on rigorous evidence led him to transform a patrol sector from a reactive beat patrol approach to a directed hot spots approach.



Commissioner Edward Davis, Boston (MA) Police Department, implemented a randomized controlled trial that evaluated the efforts of policing disorder on hot spots in Lowell, MA. When Davis assumed leadership of the Boston Police Department in December 2006, he immediately implemented a hot spots policing program that assigned officers to engage in community problem-solving strategies in violent crime places.



Chief Dan Flynn, Marietta (GA) Police Department, has been influential in the implementation and empirical evaluation of two substantial programs. First, he partnered with criminologists to evaluate the Tactical Narcotics Team (TNT) program in Miami-Dade. He also developed and implemented the Savannah Impact offender reentry program in Savannah, Georgia. He played a key role in securing funding for a major National Institute of Justice Grant on Police Officer Decision-Making and Discretion.



Assistant Commissioner Peter Martin, Queensland (Australia) Police Service, was responsible for significant operational changes in his department after a number of complaints relating to the use of excessive force by police officers in dealing with alcohol affected citizens. He developed a set of strategies with a community safety focus that involved police partnerships with a broad range of community stakeholders, statistical analyses of incidents, interventions for officers over-represented in complaints data, and exploring alternatives to arrest.



Chief Constable Peter Neyroud, National Policing Improvement Agency (UK), advocates for evidence-based policing as the Chief Executive of the NPIA, and has become a champion in changing police culture and standards related to use of research in police practice. The NPIA has developed a new national Knowledge Strategy, undertaken its own randomized controlled trials (RCTs), sponsored RCTs in four forces in the UK, commissioned seven Campbell systematic reviews, and sponsored over 100 senior police officers to attend the Cambridge University Police Executive Masters programme.



Commissioner Charles Ramsey, Philadelphia (PA) Police Department, has supported and facilitated evidence-based policing and experimental evaluations in law enforcement throughout his career. Most recently, he developed and implemented aggressive interventions aimed at reducing violent crime through targeted policing initiatives. He has also worked to improve organizational and policy infrastructures to support such initiatives, including support for the recent Philadelphia Foot Patrol Experiment.



Darrel Stephens, Charlotte-Mecklenburg (NC) Police Department (Retired), assured wide-spread police involvement in the application of problem-oriented policing. The SARA process was a joint development of the Newport News Police under the leadership of Stephens and the staff at the Police Executive Research Forum. He has always opened the door to researchers. In Charlotte he worked with Herman Goldstein, Ron Clark, Vivian Lord and many others to improve our knowledge of policing.

UPCOMING EVENTS

The Second Annual CEBCP Symposium August 9-11, 2010

The second annual CEBCP Symposium and two-year celebration will take place August 9-11, 2010 at George Mason University, Fairfax Campus. Registration is free and is now open at <http://gemini.gmu.edu/cebcp/CEBCPSymposium.html>. This exciting symposium will feature:

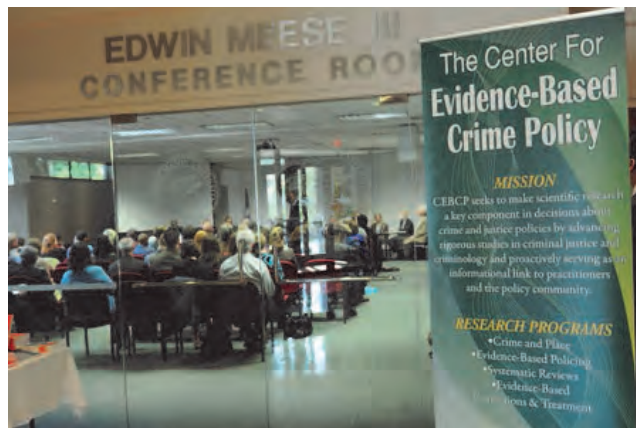
AUGUST 9th: Free pre-symposium workshops on Geographic Information Systems: In collaboration with GMU's **GIS Center of Excellence**, directed by Professor **Nigel Waters**, the GIS CoE and CEBCP will host two workshops on using GIS, an introductory workshop geared towards practitioners and a more advanced workshop for crime analysts and graduate students.

AUGUST 10th: Research Program Panels: Panels highlighting the research in each of the Center's three programs will be showcased: Crime and Place, Evidence-Based Policing, and Systematic Reviews. Also highlighted will be an introduction to the Campbell Collaboration and carrying out systematic reviews, as well as a review of the Evidence-Based Policing Matrix. Highlights of work done by our graduate and undergraduate students in the Department of Criminology, Law and Society and the Department of Geography and GeoInformation Science will be on display.

AUGUST 11th: Director's Special Panels, Awards Ceremony and Celebratory Luncheon: During the final day of the symposium, four special Director's papers will be given by **Phelan Wyrick** (Office of Justice Programs), **Daniel Nagin** (Carnegie Mellon University), **Robert Boruch** (University of Pennsylvania), and **Peter Neyroud** (National Policing Improvement Agency). These panels will be chaired by **David Weisburd** and **Thomas Feucht**.

The **Awards Ceremony** and **Evidence Based Policing Hall of Fame Inductions** will follow the Director's papers. The police practitioners highlighted on pp. 6-7 will be inducted into the Hall of Fame. Further, the recipients of the Distinguished Achievement Award in Evidence-Based Crime Policy, **Joan Petersilia** and **Darrel Stephens**, will be honored. A Celebratory Luncheon will be served, followed by a closed meeting of the CEBCP Advisory Board.

Register for this free event at:
<http://gemini.gmu.edu/cebcp/CEBCPSymposium.html>



Sarah Parham



Felicia Keith

WELCOME NEW INTERNS!

The CEBCP welcomes our newest interns, **Sarah Parham** and **Felicia Keith**. Sarah joins us from George Mason University's Criminology, Law and Society undergraduate program, and is the recipient of the Undergraduate Apprenticeship Award to study with Drs. Weisburd and Lum. She is interested in juvenile justice issues. Felicia is a social ecology student at University of California, Irvine, and is interested in how nations record homicide rates as well as police perceptions of mental disorders.

The CEBCP interns provide valued support to the CEBCP in coordinating major events, assisting with research, and conducting independent projects in various topic areas. The interns at CEBCP are an integral part of our research team, and we look forward to the outcomes of their current and future research endeavors. For more information on applying for a CEBCP internship, please contact **Breanne Cave**, our intern coordinator, at bcave1@gmu.edu.

CEBCP Congressional Briefing IV on Juvenile Justice: *October 26, 2010*

Our next Congressional Briefing, **Juvenile Justice in the Age of the Second Chance Act: Research Guided Policy Implications for Maximizing Reentry Initiatives for Adolescents**, will be led by **Dr. Catherine Gallagher**, Associate Professor in the Department of Criminology, Law and Society.



Leading researchers will be on hand to brief attendees about a common theme: how to meet the goals of the Second Chance Act with the available evidence across a variety of critical domains for adolescents in the juvenile justice system.

Confirmed presenters include Janet Chiancone, Research Director for OJJDP, Professor Shay Bilchik (former OJJDP Director, former president of the Child Welfare League of America, and current Director of Georgetown University's Public Policy Institute Center for Juvenile Justice Reform), as well as Arash Anoshiravani, Adam Dobrin, Catherine Gallagher, Charlotte Gill, Stuart Kinner, Kate van Dooren, and others to be announced soon.

Special Collaborations

Evidence-Based Counterterrorism Presentations *November 4, 2010*

This event is a presentation of papers that will be included in the forthcoming volume *Evidence-Based Counterterrorism Policy: Issues and Prospects* (Cynthia Lum and Leslie Kennedy, eds.). Contributors' interests include a wide range of topics that are centered on obtaining data for evaluation, methodological approaches and challenges, and evaluation perspectives.

American Society of Criminology Crime and Place Working Group Panels

The CPWG will once again sponsor a series of panels on Crime and Place at the ASC Annual Meetings to be held this November in San Francisco. This year, there will be eight panels featuring 29 presentations from leading Crime and Place scholars representing more than 15 universities and organizations. A special thanks to our partners at the **Institute for Canadian Urban Research Studies at Simon Fraser University** for their assistance in coordinating these panels. The topics covered are:

- Accuracy and Analysis of Spatial Measures
- Childhood Development and Delinquency
- Findings from the Philadelphia Foot Patrol Experiment
- Special Places and Crime
- Social Influences and Mobility
- Mathematical Modeling of Special Populations
- Advances in Modeling Crime and Place
- Contrasting Units of Analysis

For full descriptions of each panel see: <http://gemini.gmu.edu/cebcp/ASC2010CrimeandPlacePanels.pdf>. Details on scheduled times and locations for the panels will be released soon.

2010 Publications by CEBCP TEAM MEMBERS

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RESOURCES AVAILABLE TO YOU AT OUR WEBSITE:

One-page summaries of research conducted by CEBCP team members and affiliates

The most comprehensive crime and place bibliography compiled

The Evidence-Based Policing Matrix

Dave Wilson's systematic review toolkit

Previous newsletters and links to other evidence-based crime policy sites



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THE CENTER FOR EVIDENCE-BASED CRIME POLICY

OUR TEAM

The **Center for Evidence-Based Crime Policy (CEBCP)**, housed within the Department of Criminology, Law and Society at George Mason University, seeks to make scientific research a key component in decisions about crime and justice policies by advancing rigorous studies in criminal justice and criminology and proactively serving as an informational link to practitioners and the policy community.

CEBCP engages in a wide variety of projects, including primary research on criminological and criminal justice issues as well as evaluation of interventions for outcome effectiveness. Of special interest to the center are:

- a place-based focus on explaining crime and developing criminal justice interventions;
- using rigorous methods (especially experimentation) to evaluate and assess crime prevention interventions; and
- actively seeking out avenues to disseminate information to the public, practitioners, and policy community.

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