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## **Introduction**

The Center for Criminology and Public Policy Research (Center) is the research arm of the Florida State University (FSU) College of Criminology and Criminal Justice (College). The Center is designed to fulfill the College's translational research mission of "Research Brought to Life." 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-informed criminal justice policy and practice at the local, state, and national levels. The Center facilitates and supports data collection and research initiatives that advance the academic discipline of criminology and inform juvenile and criminal justice policy and practice.

Specifically, the Center's objectives are to:

- Obtain and maintain external funding that supports policy research,
- Conduct rigorous and empirical policy research,
- Contribute to the discipline of criminology through theoretically relevant and methodologically sound research and peer-reviewed publications,
- Disseminate and promote evidence-informed research that impacts 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, and
- Provide opportunities for students to participate in translational research and policy activities.

To better assist in meeting these objectives, the Center established research & 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 associated with crime.

## Research & Policy Institutes

As of June 2023, twelve research & policy institutes had been established within the Center. The institutes and directors are listed in Table 1 below.

<b>Table 1: Research &amp; Policy Institutes</b>	
<b>Institute</b>	<b>Director(s)</b>
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 Institute	Sylwia Piatkowska Cecilia Chouhy
Jail Research & Policy Institute	Jennifer Copp Thomas Blomberg
Juvenile & Adult Correctional Education Research & Policy Institute	Thomas Blomberg George Pesta
Juvenile Justice Research & Policy Institute	Carter Hay Sonja Siennick
Life Course Research & Policy Institute	Megan Augustyn
Policing Research & Policy Institute	Darrel Stephens
Race and Crime Research & Policy Institute	Patricia Warren

The institutes are led by members of the College faculty who serve as directors, co-directors, and faculty affiliates. These faculty are experts in the substantive area of their institute, where they pursue funding opportunities, manage research projects and grants, support student learning, and coordinate institute activities with Center staff, College faculty, research partners, and funding sponsors. Through the development of translational curricula, institute faculty actively incorporate their research into their teaching practices, develop specialized courses, and provide students with opportunities for dissertation and thesis research, directed individual studies, and research practicums. As the research & policy institutes become more established and develop sustainable sources of funding, the roles and responsibilities of institute directors will likely evolve.

In 2023, Dr. Megan Augustyn joined the College and the Center and established the *Life*

*Course Research & Policy Institute*. With this institute, Dr. Augustyn brings 1.4 million dollars in grants, including the Challenges of Safety and Transitions Study and the Rochester Youth Development Study (RYDS). The RYDS project is a life course and intergenerational longitudinal study examining how patterns of risky behaviors persist or desist in late adulthood and the social, economic, and health consequences associated with these behaviors. In addition, the *Policing Policy & Research Institute* experienced a significant expansion in 2023 to include more faculty involvement and several new proposals and projects. The Institute is partnering with the Leon County Sheriff's Office, the Florida Department of Law Enforcement, and Johns Hopkins University, among others. Existing projects cover research topics such as traffic safety and enforcement, drug crime recidivism, resistance to police authority, police and private security collaboration, and gun violence intervention and prevention. Additionally, in 2023, the Capital Region Real Time Crime Center (RTCC) held a soft opening. The RTCC is a hub for technology and collaboration between the FSU Police Department, the Leon County Sheriff's Office, the Tallahassee Police Department, the Florida Department of Law Enforcement, and the Capitol Police. The RTCC assists law enforcement agencies in the area to capitalize on an expanding range of technologies for efficient and effective policing. In addition, the RTCC has an in-house learning lab that allows researchers and students from FSU's College of Criminology and Criminal Justice to provide timely analysis and research.

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 outlined in the Center's strategic plan, namely, Goal 1—sustainability and the development of partnerships, Goal 2—pursuing funded research, Goal 3—conducting research, Goal 4—impacting criminal justice policy and practice, and Goal 5—establishing a unique learning environment. Research proposal, award, and grant information is gathered from July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023. Research publications and presentations are collected from January 1, 2022, through December 31, 2022.

## **Goal 1 – Sustainability and Development of Partnerships**

*Establish 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 is the establishment of institutionalized partnerships. Several new partnership agreements were executed or developed in FY2023. The Center will continue its partnerships with the Leon County Sheriff’s Office, Walton County Sheriff’s Office, the Palm Beach County Criminal Justice Commission (PBCJC), the University of California Irvine, and Bowling Green State University. New partnerships include Johns Hopkins University and umbrella agreements with the Florida Department of Juvenile Justice and the Florida Department of Law Enforcement. In addition, the Center is actively developing new partnerships with the Florida Sheriff’s Association, the Research Triangle Institute, the University of Colorado, and Pennsylvania State University through new collaborative proposals and projects.

The Center has also established a diversity of funding sources. Proposals and contracts during FY2023 were among the most diverse in the Center’s history. They included proposals to various local, state, and federal government agencies as well as private organizations. The Center requested or received funding from the National Institute of Justice, the National Institute of Health, the National Highway Transportation and Safety Administration, the Bureau of Justice Assistance, the Department of Defense, the National Science Foundation, the Environmental Protection Agency, and the Federal Bureau of Prisons. Funding from state and local agencies across Florida includes the Florida Department of Juvenile Justice, the Walton County Sherriff’s Office, and the Palm Beach Criminal Justice Commission. Private funding sources include Arnold Ventures, the MacArthur Foundation, the Borchard Foundation, and the Florida Sheriff’s Association.

## **Goal 2 – Pursuing Funded Research**

*Pursue research funding that encourages faculty participation and fulfills the purpose of the Center to conduct policy-relevant research and the translational mission of the College to “Bring Research to Life.”*



Table 2 provides information on research proposals submitted and contracts pursued for FY2023 (July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023). As shown in Table 2, 28 proposals, letters of interest, and negotiated contracts totaling **\$7,887,500** were submitted for funding consideration. Seventeen proposals were submitted directly to federal agencies, four to state or local agencies, three to private organizations, and four to internal funding sources.

<b>Table 2: Proposals &amp; Contracts Pursued</b>				
<b>Proposal Title</b>	<b>Funding Source</b>	<b>Faculty</b>	<b>Submit Date</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Evaluating the Efficacy of Pretrial Changes Intended to Reduce the Jail Population	PBCJC	Copp	Jun. 24, 2022	\$94,386
FDLE Statistical Analysis Center Research	FDLE	Swagar	Oct. 10, 2022	\$237,072
Parental Stress and Child Well-Being: A Prospective Analysis Starting Prior to the Pandemic and Into Recovery	NIJ / BGSU	Copp	Oct. 11, 2022	\$220,765
A Legal Policy Analysis of Existing and Proposed State-Level Legislation on Financial Exploitation and Consumer Protection of Older Adults	Borchard Center on Law & Aging	Brancale	Oct. 12, 2022	\$20,000
Felony Re-Enfranchisement in the Era of Decarceration and Reform: An Empirical Analysis of the Changing Nature of Criminal Justice Control and Felony Re-Enfranchisement in Florida	FSU Inst. of Politics	Noorman Chouhy Brancale Swagar	Oct. 14, 2022	\$20,000
Measuring Misconceptions, Myths, and Stereotypes About Hate Crimes: The Development of a Hate Crime Myth Acceptance Scale	FSU Inst. of Politics	Vanden Bosch Stults	Oct. 14, 2022	\$8,500
DJJ Reentry 2023	DJJ	Hay	Oct. 26, 2022	\$23,330
Impact of Crime: An Outcome of Evaluation	DJJ	Hay	Oct. 26, 2022	\$36,298
Florida Juvenile Justice Residential Program Recidivism and Cost-Effectiveness Study 2023	DJJ	Siennick	Oct. 27, 2022	\$37,920
UTSA-NIJ Transfer: Challenges of Safety and Transitions	UTSA / NIJ	Augustyn	Nov. 21, 2022	\$45,790
Adaptation of the STAIR-NT Intervention to Respond to Psychological Health Conditions for First Responders with a History of Traumatic Brain Injury	DOD	Schwartz	Dec. 5, 2022	\$490,308



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<b>Proposal Title</b>	<b>Funding Source</b>	<b>Faculty</b>	<b>Submit Date</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Digital Extremism and Physical Hate Crimes: A Temporal Analysis using Natural Language Processing and Longitudinal Modeling	NSF	Piatkowska Lantz	Jan. 16, 2023	\$256,294
The Bioecological Center for Rural Children’s Health (BeRCH)	EPA	Schwartz	Jan. 18, 2023	\$46,000
Disrupting the School to Prison Pipeline: Reducing Inequalities and Charting a New Path Forward	FSU CRC	Warren-Hightower	Feb. 16, 2023	\$62,300
The Consequences and Impacts of Hate Crime and Post-Victimization Experiences: The Longitudinal Hate Crime Victimization Survey	FSU CRC	Lantz	Feb. 16, 2023	\$85,687
Child Well-Being and the Pandemic: Longitudinal Assessments of Family Stress and Child Well-Being	NIH / BGSU	Copp	Feb. 20, 2023	\$217,587
Identifying Community Factors, Police Policies, and Potential Interventions Associated with Reduced Racial Disparities in Arrest Using a Novel Analytic Approach	NIJ	Lantz Wenger	Apr. 17, 2023	\$269,095
An Immigrant Paradox in the Black Box? Evaluating Prison Experiences Among Foreign- and Native-Born Persons (Graduate Research Fellowship)	NIJ	Kuper Turanovic	Apr. 21, 2023	\$54,625
A Life Course Perspective on the Abuse and Financial Exploitation of Older Adults	NIJ	Copp	Apr. 22, 2023	\$814,129
Assessing the Role of Place as a Risk or Protective Factor in Financial Exploitation of Older Adults	NIJ	Blomberg Brancale Beaver	Apr. 24, 2022	\$444,516
A Mixed Methods Evaluation of the Impacts and Implementation of Florida's Risk Protection Order Laws, 2018-2023	NIJ	Fridel Turanovic	May 1, 2023	\$700,241
Tracking Fatal Transgender Violence in America: Building a Comprehensive Database of Transgender Homicide Incidents and Case Outcomes	NIJ	Lantz Wenger	May 5, 2023	\$290,404
A Randomized Controlled Trial of the HeartMath Resilience Program: Exploring the Impact of Stress on Jail Staff Performance and Retention	NIJ	Schwartz	May 17, 2023	\$498,491
A Mixed-Method Examination of the Effectiveness of Money Bail and other Pretrial Release Options	NIJ	Blomberg Copp	May 18, 2023	\$560,209

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<b>Proposal Title</b>	<b>Funding Source</b>	<b>Faculty</b>	<b>Submit Date</b>	<b>Amount</b>
RTI/FSU Partnership Project for NIJ/BOP RH Study	NIJ / BOP	Mears Copp Schwartz	May 23, 2023	\$871,020
The Consequences and Impacts of Hate Crime and Post-Victimization Experiences: The Longitudinal Hate Crime Victimization	NIJ	Lantz Piatkowska Wenger	May 23, 2023	\$803,661
Long-Term Health Effects of Parenting Children with Emotional or Behavioral Problems	NIH / BGSU	Copp	May 26, 2023	\$186,980
FSA Assessment of Police Training in Florida	Florida Sheriff's Ass.	Blomberg Sheppard Holmes Siennick	Jun. 13, 2023	\$491,892
<b>Total</b>				<b>\$7,887,500</b>

Table 3 lists the research projects that were awarded or active for any amount of time in FY2023. There were a total of 27 projects with operating budgets totaling **\$5,025,639**.

<b>Table 3. Active Projects in 2022-2023</b>			
<b>Project Title</b>	<b>Funding Source</b>	<b>Faculty</b>	<b>Amount</b>
An Evaluation of the Capitol City Real Time Crime Center	FSU	Blomberg Stults Brancale Kim	\$270,000
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	BJA / LCSO	Blomberg Stults Brancale Kim	\$137,267
Tallahassee-Leon County ALLin Community Violence Intervention and Prevention Initiative	BJA / LCSO	Blomberg Davidson Fridel	\$357,815
Evaluation of Walton County's Jail and Reentry Program	WCSO	Blomberg Copp Brancale	\$386,818
Mechanisms Underlying Desistance from Crime: Individual and Social Pathways	BGSU / NIJ	Copp	\$40,110
A Two-State Examination of Varied Measurement Strategies for Juvenile Reoffending	NIJ	Siennick Stults	\$512,718
Sources and Consequences of Prison Violence	Arnold Ventures	Turanovic	\$517,281

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<b>Project Title</b>	<b>Funding Source</b>	<b>Faculty</b>	<b>Amount</b>
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
An Evaluation of Pretrial Release Practices in Palm Beach County	Palm Beach Co. CJC	Copp Blomberg	\$67,250
Identifying the Unique Root Causes of School Violence	NIJ	Siennick Turanovic Brancale Fridel	\$578,722
Examining the Impact of Healthcare Access on Health Disparities within a Statewide Prison Cohort	FSU Seed Grant	Schwartz	\$24,578
Digital Extremism, Physical Hate Crimes, and Mass Shootings: A Novel Analysis using Natural Language Processing and Econometric Modeling	FSU Seed Grant	Piatkowska	\$21,389
Examining Barriers to Educational Reentry	PbS	Noorman Brancale	\$5,000
Innovative Approaches to Advancing Traffic Safety and Enforcement	NHTSA / JHU	D. Stephens	\$480,157
UTSA-NIJ Transfer: Challenges of Safety and Transitions	UTSA/NIJ	Augustyn	\$47,330
Felony Re-Enfranchisement in the Era of Decarceration and Reform: An Empirical Analysis of the Changing Nature of Criminal Justice Control and Felony Re-Enfranchisement in Florida	FSU Inst. of Politics	Noorman Chouhy Brancale Swagar	\$13,760
Pretrial Changes Intended to Reduce the Jail Population	Palm Beach Co. CJC	Copp	\$94,368
First Appearance Frequent Utilizer Pilot Project	Palm Beach Co. CJC	Copp	\$148,261
Impact of Crime: An Outcome Evaluation	DJJ	Hay	\$36,298
FDJJ-FSU The Second Chance Act: Enhanced Transition Services and Youth Reentry 2023	DJJ	Hay	\$23,330
Florida Juvenile Justice Residential Program Recidivism and Cost-Effectiveness Study 2023	DJJ	Siennick	\$38,000

<b>Table 3. Active Projects in 2022-2023</b>			
<b>Project Title</b>	<b>Funding Source</b>	<b>Faculty</b>	<b>Amount</b>
The Future of Police and Private Security: An Executive Roundtable	BJA/ICF	D. Stephens B. Stephens	\$23,654
Measuring Misconceptions, Myths, and Stereotypes About Hate Crimes: The Development of a Hate Crime Myth Acceptance Scale	FSU Inst. of Politics	Vanden Bosch Stults	\$8,500
FDLE Statistical Analysis Center Research	FDLE	Swagar	\$237,072
The Consequences and Impacts of Hate Crime and Post-Victimization Experiences: The Longitudinal Hate Crime Victimization Survey	FSU Seed Grant	Lantz	\$85,687
<b>Total</b>			<b>\$5,025,639</b>

### **Goal 3 – Conducting Research**

*Conduct policy-relevant research germane to the interests of the College and Center faculty and fulfills the translational mission of the College to “Bring Research to Life.”*

Twelve academic publications and 14 presentations at academic conferences originated from Center projects in the 2022 calendar year and are listed below.<sup>1</sup> The publications included contributions by 11 faculty members, eight graduate students, and five project partners (i.e., professors at other universities and criminal justice agency staff).

#### **Publications from Center Research Projects**

Aranda-Hughes, V., Pesta, G., & Mears, D. P. (2022). Transitioning Incarcerated Individuals Out of Extended Restrictive Housing. *Corrections Today*, 84(3), 44-49.

Blomberg, Thomas G., Jennifer E. Copp, and Jillian J. Turnanovic, "The Challenges and Prospects for Evidence-Informed Policy in Criminology." *Annual Review of Criminology* Vol. 7.

Brancale, J., & Blomberg, T. G. (2022). The Role of Normative Age-Graded Transitions and Human Agency in Patterns and Variations of Financial Exploitation of Older Adults. *Journal of Research in Crime and Delinquency*, 00224278221107516.

Casey, W. M., & Siennick, S. E. (2023). Juvenile recidivism: an examination of state measurement strategies. *American Journal of Criminal Justice*, 48(3), 786-807.

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<sup>1</sup> Academic publications and presentations are based on calendar year, from January 1, 2022, through December 30, 2022. Publications may have had online and/or print publication dates within this time period.

- Copp, J. E., Casey, W., Blomberg, T. G., & Pesta, G. (2022). Pretrial risk assessment instruments in practice: The role of judicial discretion in pretrial reform. *Criminology & Public Policy*, 21(2), 329-358.
- Malcom, Z. T., Wenger, M. R., & Lantz, B. (2023). Politics or prejudice? Separating the influence of political affiliation and prejudicial attitudes in determining support for hate crime law. *Psychology, Public Policy, and Law*, 29(2), 182.
- Mears, D. P., Cochran, J. C., Aranda-Hughes, V., & Brown, J. M. (2022). Work in long-term restrictive housing and prison personnel perceptions of the humanity of people who are incarcerated. *Criminal Justice and Behavior*, 49(10), 1516-1535.
- Noorman, K., & Brancale, J. (2023). Barriers to school reentry: perceptions of school reentry among detained and committed youth. *Youth violence and juvenile justice*, 21(3), 175-194.
- Picon, M., Siennick, S. E., Brown, J. M., & Mears, D. P. (2022). Tracing changes in behavior across the extended solitary confinement process. *Journal of Criminal Justice*, 79, 101899.
- Siennick, S. E., Brown, J. M., Mears, D. P., & Clayton, J. (2023). A Within-Person Test of the Impact of Extended Solitary Confinement on Mental Health Functioning and Service Use. *Criminal Justice and Behavior*, 50(4), 459-479.
- Siennick, S. E., & Pupo, J. A. (2023). Exploring variation in the strength of association of a validated recidivism risk score with seven common measures of juvenile recidivism: a research note. *Youth violence and juvenile justice*, 21(1), 72-80.
- Siennick, S. E., Picon, M., Brown, J. M., & Mears, D. P. (2022). Revisiting and unpacking the mental illness and solitary confinement relationship. *Justice Quarterly*, 39(4), 772-801.
- Wenger, M. R., Lantz, B., & Gallardo, G. (2022). The role of hate crime victimization, fear of victimization, and vicarious victimization in COVID-19-related depression. *Criminal Justice and Behavior*, 49(12), 1746-1762.

### **Presentations at Academic Conferences**

- Aranda-Hughes, V., Turanovic, J., & Mears, D. P. (November, 2022). *The Gendered Experiences of Extended Restrictive Housing among Personnel and Incarcerated Persons*. American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting. Atlanta, GA.

- Brancale, J., Chouhy, C., Noorman, K., & Swagar, N. (November, 2022). *Monetary Disenfranchisement: Analyzing Florida's New Felony Re-Enfranchisement Strategy*. American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting. Atlanta, GA.
- Caswell, J., Stults, B. J., Brancale, J., & Blomberg, T. G. (November, 2022). *Real Time Crime Centers: A Proliferating Law Enforcement Practice Without Empirical Justification*. American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting. Atlanta, GA.
- Copp, J. E., Giordano, P., Manning, W., & Longmore, M. (November, 2022). *Desistance from Crime: A Social Learning Approach to Unpacking the Good Marriage Effect*. American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting. Atlanta, GA.
- Cowell, D., Stults, B. J., and Siennick, S. E. (November, 2022). *The Effect of Concentrated Disadvantage on Juvenile Recidivism: Variation by Race, Economic Capital, and Operationalization of Recidivism*. American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting. Atlanta, GA.
- Judd, J., & Copp, J. E. (November, 2022). *The Effect of Misdemeanor Pretrial Detention on Speed of Guilty Pleas*. American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting. Atlanta, GA.
- Lantz, B., Wenger, M. R., & Mills, J. M. (November, 2022). *Fear, Political Legitimization, and Racism: Examining Anti-Asian Xenophobia During the COVID-19 Pandemic*. American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting. Atlanta, GA.
- Malcom, Z. T., Lantz, B., Wenger, M. R. (2022). *Politics or Prejudice? Separating the Influence of Political Affiliation and Prejudicial Attitudes in Determining Support for Hate Crime Law*. Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, Las Vegas, NV.
- Kaylee, N., & Brancale, J. (November, 2022). *Institutional Victimization among Incarcerated Youth: Exploring the Prevalence and Risk Factors of Youth Victimization*. American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting. Atlanta, GA.
- Siennick, S. E., & Casey, W. M. (November, 2022). *Measurement Matters: Comparing Different Operationalizations of Juvenile Recidivism through Point Estimates and Multivariate Multilevel Models*. American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting. Atlanta, GA.
- Stults, B. J., Cowell, D., & Siennick, S. E. (November, 2022). *Inconsistency in the Measurement of Juvenile Reoffending and Its Impact on Assessments of Community Variation*. American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting. Atlanta, GA.

- Tomlinson, T. A., & Mears, D. P. (November, 2022). *Social Capital and Prison Personnel*. American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA.
- Turanovic, J. J. (2022). *Deadly Mass Shootings in America. Homeland Security Symposium Series*. Center for Law and Human Behavior, University of Texas at El Paso.
- Turanovic, J. J. (2022). *Deadly Mass Shootings in America. Green Honors Chair Lecture*. Texas Christian University.

## **Goal 4 – Translational Criminology**

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

The list below includes one study presented to criminal justice policymakers and practitioners based on Center research in FY2023<sup>2</sup>.

### **Translational Presentations**

- Copp, J. E. (2022). *Bail Reform*. Tallahassee Women’s Lawyer Association. Tallahassee, FL.
- Copp, J. E. (2022). *Addressing Crime in the Big Bend through Education, Job Training, and Community Support*. Goodwill Industries – Big Bend, Annual Meeting. Tallahassee, FL
- Copp, J. E. (2022). *The State of the Science on Bond: Reviewing Recent Evidence from Palm Beach County and other U.S. Jurisdictions*. Palm Beach Public Defender’s Office. Palm Beach, FL.
- Copp, J. E., & Blomberg, T.G. (2023.) *Evaluating the Efficacy of Pretrial Changes Intended to Reduce the Jail Population: Pretrial Services’ Supervision Unit*. Palm Beach, FL: Palm Beach County Criminal Justice Commission.
- Copp, J. E., Blomberg, T.G., Judd, J., & La Tosa, N. (2023). *Pretrial Release Practices in Palm Beach County, FL: An Evaluation of the Effectiveness of Existing Pretrial Release Mechanisms at Promoting Court Appearance and Public Safety*. Palm Beach, FL: Palm Beach County Criminal Justice Commission.
- Copp, J. E. (2023). *An Evaluation of the Miami-Dade County Corrections and Rehabilitation Department’s Project Second Chance for Incarcerated Parents with Minor Children*. Washington, DC: Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention.

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<sup>2</sup> Translational presentations are based on fiscal year, from July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023.



- Lantz, B. (2022). *Hate crimes: A Primer on the Current State of Research*. Hate Crimes Forum. Senator Rosalind Osgood. Tamarac, FL.
- Lantz, B. (2022). *Improving responses to hate crimes: Addressing successive layers of error in the measurement of hate crimes*. Broward County Hate Crimes Task Force. Davie, FL.
- Schwartz, J. A. (July 2022). *Correctional Officer Stress and Mental Health: A Focus on Causes and Some Potential Remedies*. American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees. Minneapolis, MN.
- Schwartz, J. A. (July 2022). *Correctional Officer Stress and Mental Health: Results from a Longitudinal Study of Officers from the Minnesota Department of Corrections*. Minnesota Department of Corrections Town Hall Meeting.
- Schwartz, J. A. (October 2022). *The Implications of Trauma and Promising Strategies for Wellbeing*. Invisible Wounds Project Unmasking Mental Health Summit. Andover, MN.
- Turanovic, J. J. (2023). *Causes and Consequences of School Violence: A Review of Six Decades of Research*. Learning Without Violence: A School Violence Prevention Virtual Summit. University of Michigan.
- Wenger, M.R., & Lantz, B. (2023). *Constrained choice? The role of co-offenders and structural context in the decision to escalate interpersonal violence*. Max Planck Institute for the Study of Crime, Security, and Law. Freiburg, Germany.

## Research Reports

The list below includes one research report submitted to Center research partners and funding sponsors during FY 2022 – 2023<sup>3</sup>.

- Hay, C., Hargrove, E., & Cobb, A. (2023). *Impact of Crime: An Outcome Evaluation*. Florida State University.
- Noorman, K. & Brancale, J. (2022). *Research brief: Perceptions of educational reentry preparedness among detained and committed youth*. PbS Learning Institute, Inc.
- Noorman, K., Chouhy, C., Brancale, J., & Swagar, N. (2023). *Felony re-enfranchisement in the era of decarceration and reform: An empirical analysis of the changing nature of criminal*

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<sup>3</sup> Research reports are based on FY2023, from July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023.

- justice control and felony re-enfranchisement in Florida*. Florida State University College of Social Sciences and Public Policy, Institute of Politics.
- Schwartz, J. A. (2023). *Examining the Role of Physiological and Psychological Responses to Critical Incidents in Prisons in the Development of Mental Health Problems among Correctional Officers*. The National Institute of Justice.
- Schwartz, J. A., Siennick, S. E., Kim, Y. A., & Dark, T. (2022). *Examining the Impact of Healthcare Access on Health Disparities within a Statewide Prison Cohort*. FSU Council on Research and Creative Activity Planning.
- Siennick, S. E., & Cowell, D. (2022). *The 2022 Florida Juvenile Justice Residential Program Recidivism and Cost-Effectiveness Study: Final Project Report*. Florida State University.
- Siennick, S. E., & Pupo, J. A. (2023). *The 2023 Florida Juvenile Justice Residential Program Recidivism and Cost-Effectiveness Study: Final Project Report*. Florida State University.
- Stephens, D., Stephens, B., & Pesta, G. (2023). *Forging Problem-Solving Partnerships to Address Unprecedented Community Safety Challenges: Police and Private Security Relationships*. Florida State University.
- Turanovic, J. J., Pratt, T. C., Neville, K. J., & Tosa, A. L. (2022). *A Comprehensive Assessment of Deadly Mass Shootings, 1980-2018*. National Institute of Justice.
- Vanden Bosch, M., Stults, B. J. (2023). *Offending and Victimization as Influences on Political Participation, Final Report*. Florida State University College of Social Sciences and Public Policy, Institute of Politics.

## **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 funding for graduate students and 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 during FY 2022 – 2023 are listed below.

- Twenty-one graduate research assistants were funded for 47 semesters to work on various Center research projects.
- Twenty-three DIS courses using data from a Center project were offered to graduate students.
- One undergraduate student was employed to work on various Center-related research projects.
- Ten DIS courses using data from a Center project were offered to undergraduate students.
- One student was supervised on Center-related research projects through the Undergraduate Research Opportunity Program (UROP).

Additionally, one graduate student completed their dissertation with project-related data in the Spring 2023 semester.

- Casey, William. (2023). *Examining the Impact of Pretrial Practices on Individuals and Communities*.

## **Summary, Trends, and Future Directions**

The Center continues to seek external funding to conduct juvenile and criminal justice policy and practice research. Funded research projects help to support faculty research initiatives and provide students with opportunities for research experience, professional presentations, publications, and funding. Over the past ten years, the Center has experienced measured growth in terms of College faculty involvement, the number of proposals submitted for funding, active research projects, and the amount of research funding secured.

Chart 1 provides trend information on faculty involved in the Center from 2013-2023. Since 2013, the number of College faculty engaged in the Center has increased by 200%. This increased faculty engagement has also increased the number of graduate and undergraduate students funded on research projects each semester. In the same timeframe, graduate research assistant funding has increased by 176%, and a growing number of undergraduate students are also being funded.

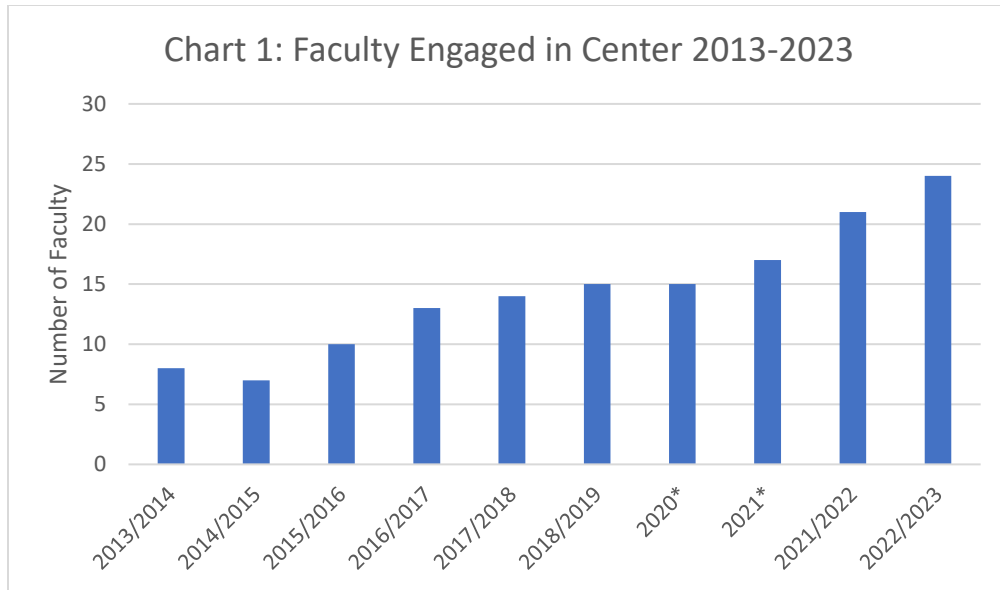


Chart 2 provides trend information on Center proposal development from 2013-2023. Since 2013, the number of research grant proposals submitted by faculty has increased by 182%, and the annual proposal funding amounts have increased by 84%.

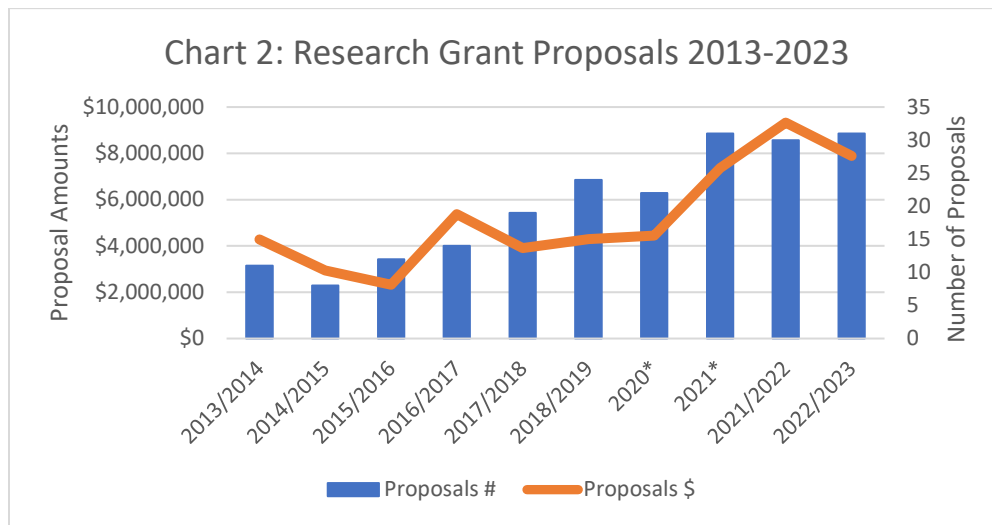
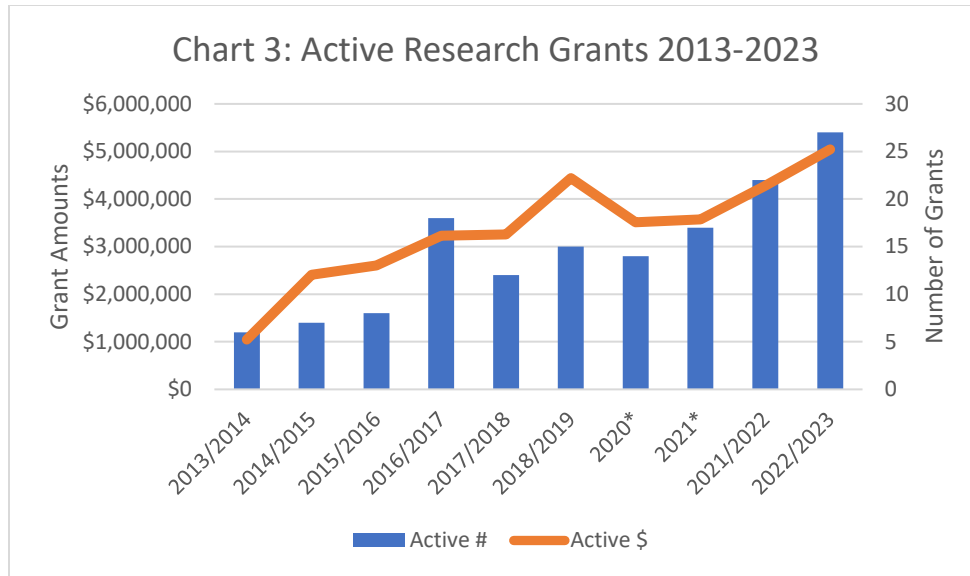


Chart 3 provides data on the Center’s active research grants from 2013-2023. Since 2013, the number of active research and policy grants has increased by 350%, and the amount of research and policy project funds managed annually increased by 380%.



The Center has continued to build upon this established trajectory of excellence. During 2022 and 2023, the Center pursued and achieved several strategic initiatives, including establishing additional research & policy institutes, adding new partnerships and strengthening existing ones, and awarding new funded research projects. The Center applied to and/or received research funding from 26 public and private organizations. This resulted in applications for \$7,887,500 and management of \$5,025,639 in new and ongoing research funding. Involvement in the Center included 21 faculty who submitted research proposals, 19 faculty who were funded on active projects, 23 graduate students, and one undergraduate student.

### **FY2024 Initiatives**

Future initiatives include renovating the Kellogg Research Building, enhancing the College’s curriculum, developing new Memoranda of Understanding (MOUs) with potential partners, focusing on philanthropic opportunities for research funding and endowments, and expanding Center staff and resources.

Given the College and Center’s steady growth, the renovation of the Kellogg Research Building is a priority initiative. Specifically, the renovations for the new Center within Kellogg are intended to provide expanded space for the research & policy institutes and enhanced technology for data analyses, data security, and computing. The additional space will ensure the Center continues the College’s preeminence as a leader in criminal justice research, policy, and practice. It will create a collaborative research environment that fosters productive researcher,

practitioner, and policymaker partnerships, and it will advance the quality of education for students.

The College's initiative to successfully "Bring Research to Life" is supported through a new graduate-level course on Translational Criminology & Politics, taught by Dean Blomberg and former President Thrasher. The class is structured around the work of the Center's various research & policy institutes, inviting institute directors to lecture about their Institute, the research being conducted, and their translational considerations or plans for policymakers and practitioners. In addition, the Dean has convened a Curriculum Review Committee, composed of College faculty, to review the College's curriculum and institutionalize a translational curriculum. Center institutes will facilitate the translational curriculum through invited lectures with institute directors and courses focused on the translational work of the Institutes, such as the Translational Criminology & Politics course.

The College is developing a research & policy institute and partnership with the Seminole Tribe of Florida. As part of the partnership, the Seminole Tribe has provided a gift to the College to establish the Tom Bowers Memorial Seminole Law Enforcement Fund to provide financial support to students who participate in internships with the Seminole Police Department. In recognition of the partnership and to honor the memory of Tom Bowers, the College plans to incorporate a Seminole Tribe Law Enforcement Exhibit as part of the Kellogg renovations. This exhibit will highlight and preserve the history of Seminole law enforcement and share their experiences of service and sacrifice for generations to come. The College plans to work collaboratively with the Seminole Tribe to design, display, and exhibit artifacts of historical and cultural significance to the men and women of law enforcement and the Seminole Tribe.

Finally, the Center plans to continue expanding its staffing and resource capacity. In the spring of 2023, Nic Swagar joined the Center as a Research Faculty member. Previously, Dr. Swagar worked for the Florida Department of Law Enforcement's Statistical Analysis Center and will continue his research for FDLE at FSU. Dr. Swagar is also an FSU College of Criminology and Criminal Justice alumnus, earning his Ph.D. in Criminology in 2022.