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Introduction

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 is designated 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 purposes are 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 criminal justice policy and practice.

Specifically, the Center's objectives are to:

- Obtain and maintain external funding that supports policy-relevant research
- Conduct rigorous policy and practice-relevant empirical research
- Contribute to the discipline of criminology through theoretically-relevant and methodologically sound research
- Disseminate and promote evidence-based research that informs policy and practice at the national, state, and local levels
- Provide opportunities for students to participate in research and policy and practice-related activities

To further these objectives, the Center has been undergoing structural and organizational changes. The changes include 1) the establishment of Research and Policy Institutes that focus on specific research and policy areas, 2) hiring of additional staff and the sharing of postdoctoral scholar positions with the College, 3) the renovation and move into the Kellogg building.

As of December 2019, 11 Research and Policy Institutes had been established within the Center. The Institutes and the Institute Directors are listed below. Importantly, it is anticipated that the number of institutes will continue to grow along with expanded College and Center faculty expertise and criminal justice policy and practice needs. The Institute Directors manage

projects, grants, and coordinate project activities with Center staff, College faculty, undergraduate and graduate students, and grantee representatives. The Institute Directors are experts in the substantive area of their institute and actively pursue and direct funded research in that area.

Table 1: Center Research and Policy Institutes	
Institute	Director(s)
Biosocial Criminology Research & Policy Institute	Kevin Beaver
Corrections Research & Policy Institute	William Bales Daniel Mears
Crime Victims Research & Policy Institute	Jillian Turanovic Krista Flannigan
Aging Adult Fraud Research & Policy Institute	Thomas Blomberg Julie Brancale
Hate Crime Research & Policy Institute	Brendan Lantz Marin Wenger
Jail Research & Policy Institute	Jennifer Copp William Bales Thomas Blomberg
Juvenile & Adult Correctional Education Research & Policy Institute	Thomas Blomberg George Pesta
Juvenile Justice Research & Policy Institute	Carter Hay Sonja Siennick
Law Enforcement Research & Policy Institute	William Bales Susan Burton
Race and Crime Research & Policy Institute	Patricia Warren Eric Stewart

Dr. Julie Brancale began serving as Co-Director of the Center in December 2019. Dr. Brancale’s duties include collaborating with the Center’s Executive Director and Co-Director to identify possible funding opportunities, prepare research proposals, conduct research, manage exiting projects, and supervise undergraduate and graduate students.

The Center is in the process of expanding and hiring other staff including a Center Manager and additional researchers. The Center Manager would provide support to the Executive Director, the Center Directors, and Center Staff for funded research projects and the day-to-day operations of the Center. Duties would include 1) daily administrative grant management

involving personnel, purchasing, travel, bookkeeping, etc., 2) identifying sources of potential sponsored project funding, 3) supporting pre and post award grant activities, 4) project budgeting, monitoring, and reporting, and 5) proposal development support.

As the College and Center have expanded, the need has developed for additional space. Plans have been developed to fully remodel the entire Kellogg building for the College and Center. The remodel project will include four distinct phases. Phase one, which includes the full remodel of the fourth floor of the Kellogg building to accommodate the growing center have begun. The remodeled Kellogg building will include offices for the Center and Institute Directors and students, along with classroom, meeting, and workspace. The Center is expected to relocate into the Kellogg building during the Summer of 2021.

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. This report includes information gathered from 2018–2019 (this report includes information gathered from August 2018 through December 2019). The Center's goals that are described in the following sections include: sustainability and the development of partnerships, pursuing funded research, conducting research, impacting criminal justice policy and practice, and establishing a unique learning environment.

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.

The Center has had \$22,838,280 awarded in external research grants from 2004 through 2019. Partnerships have included state and local agencies such as the Florida Senate and the Florida Departments of Juvenile Justice, Corrections, and Law Enforcement, the Palm Beach

County Criminal Justice Commission, the Palm Beach County Office of Victim Services, and several county sheriffs’ offices including Broward, Leon, Palm Beach and Walton. External to Florida the Center has partnered with the Maryland State Departments of Education and Juvenile Services as well as private organizations such as Merrill Lynch, the Pew Charitable Trusts, Arnold Ventures, and the MacArthur Foundation.

The Center continues to pursue funding to bolster its capacity for conducting criminal justice policy and practice research. Among the Center’s strategic priorities are obtaining endowments that would support specific research institutes and long-term reoccurring contracts with public and private organizations.

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 1 provides information on research proposals submitted and contracts pursued from 2018 through 2019. Table 2 provides information on the research projects awarded from 2018 and 2019. As shown in Table 1, 26 proposals, letters of interest, and negotiated contracts totaling **\$4,289,378** were submitted for funding consideration. Seven proposals were submitted to federal agencies, six to state agencies, and 13 to private organizations.

Table 2: Proposals & Contracts Pursued			
Proposal Title	Funding Source	Faculty	Amount
The Cumulative Impacts of Shift-Work Schedules, Overtime, and Secondary Employment on the Health, Safety, Performance, and Quality of Life of Correctional Officers	NIJ	Mears McLean	\$688,573
Identifying Evidence-Based Practices for Effectively Confronting Elder Financial Exploitation: An Evaluation	NIJ	Brancale Blomberg	\$923,405

The Impacts of Comprehensive Victim Services on Survivors, Advocates, and Criminal Justice System Personnel	NIJ	Turanovic Blomberg	\$380,781
Social Influences on Delinquency and Crime: A Longitudinal Analysis	Bowling Green University – NIJ	Copp	\$15,503
Hate Crime Identification and Officer Decision-Making	NSF	Lantz McLean	\$299,367
An Academic-Based Training Initiative to Improve Police Responses for People with Mental Illness	University of South Carolina – BJA	McLean	\$74,923
Mechanisms Underlying Desistance from Crime	Bowling Green University – NIJ	Copp	\$40,110
Florida Victim Services Statewide Survey	The Office of the Florida Attorney General	Turanovic	\$35,000
The Determination of Statewide Racial/Ethnic Impact of Criminal Justice Bills in Florida	The Florida Senate	Blomberg Bales Brancale Chouhy Pesta	\$197,233
Florida Juvenile Justice Residential Program Recidivism and Cost-Effectiveness Study for 2020	Florida DJJ	Siennick	\$39,440
Impact of Crime: A Program Review	Florida DJJ	Hay	\$23,300
The Possession and Use of Firearms among Juveniles Across Florida	Florida DJJ	Turanovic	Negotiable
Statewide Issuance of Technical Violations of Probation	Florida DJJ	Siennick	Negotiable
Strengthening Interagency Partnerships through Enhanced Information Sharing in Cases of IPV and Family Violence	Harris County Texas – Arnold Ventures	Turanovic	\$75,000
An RCT of Community Corrections Practices for Reducing Early Revocations of Community Supervision	Harris County Texas – Arnold Ventures	Turanovic	\$124,949
An RCT of Community Corrections Practices for Reducing Revocations and Recidivism under Community Supervision	Harris County Texas – Arnold Ventures	Turanovic	\$124,929
Reducing Community Supervision Caseloads: An RCT Assessing Revocations and Recidivism	Harris County Texas – Arnold Ventures	Turanovic	\$150,002
Proposal for the Revision of CJCA’s Annual Survey	Council of Juvenile Correctional Administrators	Blomberg Brancale Pesta	\$89,296

The Sources and Consequences of Prison Violence	U.C. Irvine – Arnold Ventures	Turanovic	\$508,039
Review of the State of Jail Research in America	PEW Charitable Trusts	Copp Brancale Pesta	\$56,000
Facebook Elder Fraud Research	Facebook	Blomberg Brancale	\$99,233
Identifying Typologies and Offline Correlates of Hate Speech on Facebook	Facebook	Lantz Turanovic	\$97,509
The Context of Racial Disparity in the Decision to Arrest: A Quasi-Experimental Approach	Russell Sage Foundation	Lantz Wenger	\$75,000
Symbols of White Supremacy	Russell Sage Foundation	Lantz Wenger	\$74,030
Gender-Bias Motivated Fatal Shootings of Women in Florida 2008-2018	Maura’s Voice	Turanovic	\$49,101
Modifying the Palm Beach County Pretrial Risk Assessment – Continuation	Palm Beach CJC – MacArthur Foundation	Blomberg Copp	\$48,655
Total			\$4,289,378

Table 2 lists the projects that were awarded and ongoing/active for any amount of time in 2018 and 2019. There were 15 projects with operating budgets totaling \$4,437,419.

Table 3: Current and Ongoing (2018 – 2019) Projects			
Project Title	Funding Source	Faculty	Amount
A Comprehensive Assessment of Deadly Mass Shootings, 1980-2018	NIJ	Turanovic	\$289,810
The Impacts of Restrictive Housing on Inmate Misconduct, Mental Health, and Recidivism, and Prison Systems and Personnel	NIJ	Bales Mears Siennick Pesta	\$770,000
Individual, Institutional, and Community Sources of School Violence: A Meta-Analysis	University of Cincinnati – NIJ	Turanovic	\$54,292
Relationship Dynamics in the National Survey of Teen Relationships and Intimate Violence	NORC – NIJ	Copp	\$69,193
The Palm Beach County School Safety and Student Performance Partnership Research Project	NIJ	Mears Siennick Pesta	\$981,481
DUI Homicide Victim Response Demonstration Initiative	Palm Beach County Victim Services – OVC	Blomberg Turanovic Pesta	\$165,000
Addressing the Needs of Incarcerated Parents with Minor Children	Miami Dade County –	Copp	\$112,455

	OJJDP		
Florida Juvenile Justice Residential Program Recidivism and Cost-Effectiveness Study	Florida DJJ	Siennick	\$30,898
Impact of Crime: A Program Review	Florida DJJ	Hay	\$23,300
The Determination of Statewide Racial/Ethnic Impact of Criminal Justice Bills in Florida	The Florida Senate	Blomberg Bales Chouhy Brancale Pesta Siennick	\$197,233
Assessment of the FDC Pilot Program for the Spectrum Risk Assessment	Florida DOC	Copp	\$14,309
The Juvenile Justice Education Partnership	Maryland DOE	Blomberg Pesta Brancale	\$1,445,107
A Validation of the Palm Beach County Jail Risk Assessment Instrument of the Palm Beach County Criminal Justice Commission	Palm Beach CJC – MacArthur Foundation	Blomberg Copp Pesta	\$203,341
Review of the State of Jail Research in America	PEW Charitable Trusts	Copp Brancale Pesta	\$56,000
Stars of Hope Program Impact Study	New York Says Thank You Foundation	Turanovic Flannigan	\$25,000
Total			\$4,437,419

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”.

The lists below provide all publications and presentations that originated from Center funded projects and were accepted from 2018 through 2019. Twelve research studies were published in peer-reviewed journals and book chapters. The publications included contributions by 7 faculty members, 10 graduate students, and 5 project partners (i.e. professors at other universities and criminal justice agency staff). Fourteen presentations were given at academic conferences that featured faculty, graduate students, and project partners.

Publications from Center Research Project

- Brancale, J. & Blomberg, T.G. (2019). Employing mixed methods. In Mathieu Deflem and Derek M.D. Silva (Eds.), *Methods of Criminology and Criminal Justice Research. Sociology of Crime, Law, and Deviance*, 24.
- Brancale, J, Blomberg, T.G., and Pesta, G.B. (Forthcoming) “Elder Financial Exploitation in the United States.” In Emil W. Plywaczewski and Ewa Guzik Makaruk (Eds.), *Current Problems of the Penal Law and Criminology. Eighth Edition. Warsaw, Poland: C.H. Beck.*
- Brown, S.J., Mears, D.P., Collier, N.L., Montes, A.N., Pesta, G.B., & Siennick, S.E. (Forthcoming). Education vs. punishment? Silo effects and the school-to-prison pipeline. *Journal of Research in Crime and Delinquency*.
- Cochran, J.C., Toman, E.L., Mears, D.P., & Bales W.D. (2018). Solitary confinement as punishment: Examining in-prison sanctioning disparities. *Justice Quarterly*, 35(3), 381-411.
- Collier, N.L., Brown S.J., Montes A.N., Pesta, G.B., Mears, D.P., & Siennick S.E. (2019). Navigating get-tough and support-oriented philosophies for improving school safety: Insights from school administrators and school safety staff. *American Journal of Criminal Justice*, 44(5), 705-726.
- Hay, C., Widdowson, A., Bates, M., Baglivio, M.T., Jackowski, K., & Greenwald, M. (2018). Predicting recidivism among released juvenile offenders in Florida: An evaluation of the residential positive achievement change tool. *Youth Violence & Juvenile Justice*, 16, 97-116.
- Mears, D.P., Montes, A., Collier, N., Siennick, S., Pesta, G.B., Ladwig, S.J., & Blomberg, T.G. (2019). The benefits, risks, and challenges of get-tough and support-oriented approaches to improving school safety. *Criminal Justice Policy Review*, 30(9), 1342-1367.
- Mears, D.P., Hughes, V., Pesta, G.B., Bales, W.D., Brown, J.M., Cochran, J.C., & Wooldredge, J. (2019). The new solitary confinement? A conceptual framework for guiding and assessing research and policy on ‘restrictive housing.’ *Criminal Justice and Behavior*, 46(10), 1427-1444.
- Pesta, G.B., Blomberg, T.G., Ramos, J., & Ranson, A. (2019). Translational criminology: Toward best practice. *American Journal of Criminal Justice*, 44, 499-518.
- Siennick, S.E., Brown, S.J., Mears, D.P., Pesta, G.B., Montes, A.N., & Collier, N.L. (Forthcoming). School-based wraparound services for youth with prior police contact: A randomized control trial. *Journal of Experimental Criminology*.
- Young, B.C. & Hay, C. (2020). All in the family: An examination of the predictors of visitation among committed juvenile offenders. *Youth Violence and Juvenile Justice*, 18(1), 54-77.

Young, B., Nadel, M., Bales, W.D., Pesta, G.B., & Greenwald, M. (2019). Far from home: An examination of the juvenile visitation experience and the barriers to getting there. *International Journal of Offender Therapy and Comparative Criminology*, 63(8): 1409-1423.

Presentations at Academic Conferences

Blomberg, T.G. (2018, September). Making a Difference in Criminology: Past, Present and Future. Southern Criminal Justice Association. Southern Criminal Justice Association Annual Meeting. Pensacola, FL.

Brancale, J., Brown, J.M., Pesta, G.B. and Siennick, S.E. (2018, November). Exploring the Impact of a Juvenile Arrest on High School Completion. American Society of Criminology. American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting. Atlanta, GA.

Brancale, J. and Blomberg, T.G. (2018, September). The Influence of Living in a Large Retirement Community on Elders' Risk of Financial Exploitation. Southern Criminal Justice Association Annual Meeting. Southern Criminal Justice Association. Pensacola, FL.

Brancale, J., & Blomberg, T.G. (2019, November). Aging, Turning Points, and Financial Exploitation. American Society of Criminology. American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA.

Brown, J.M., Mears, D.P., Hughes, V., & Pesta, G.B. (2019, November). Young inmates and prison order. American Society of Criminology. American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA.

Carter H., Stults, B., Copp, J., Young, B., & Tomlinson, T. (2019, November). The implications of race for assessing risk and predicting reoffending. American Society of Criminology. American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA.

Copp, J.E., Casey, W., Ranson, A., & Blomberg, T. (2019, September). Validation and Impact Assessment of the Virginia Pretrial Assessment Instrument Revised (VPRAI-R) in Palm Beach County, Florida. Southern Criminal Justice Association. Annual Meeting of the Southern Criminal Justice Association, Nashville, TN.

Copp, J., Henson, K., Casey, W., Kukec, D., Pesta, G., & Blomberg, T. (2019, November). Implementing and evaluating pretrial reform. American Society of Criminology. American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA.

Hughes, V., Mears, D.P., & Pesta, G.B. (2019, November). Mental health care in restrictive housing. American Society of Criminology. American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA.

Mears, D.P., Hughes, V., & Pesta, G.B. (2019, November). Restrictive housing: Problem or cure? American Society of Criminology. American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA.

Milojevic, D., Turanovic, J.J., & Blomberg, T.G. (2019, November). The forgotten victims: Addressing the needs of DUI homicide survivors. American Society of Criminology. American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA.

Neville, K. & Turanovic, J.J. (2019, November). The need for comprehensive data on mass shootings. American Society of Criminology. American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA.

Pesta, G.P., Collier, N., Brancale, J., & Blomberg, T.G. (2019, September). Evaluating and Improving Juvenile Justice Education in Maryland. Southern Criminal Justice Association. Annual Meeting of the Southern Criminal Justice Association, Nashville, TN.

Turanovic, J.J., Milojevic, D., Pesta, G.B., & Blomberg, T.G. (2019, September). Informing model services for survivors of DUI homicide: A partnership with Palm Beach County victim services. Southern Criminal Justice Association. Annual Meeting of the Southern Criminal Justice Association, Nashville, TN.

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 15 presentations that were given to criminal justice policymakers and practitioners based upon Center research projects.

Translational Presentations

Blomberg, T.G. (2019, November). The Juvenile Justice Education Partnership. Maryland Juvenile Services Education System Coordinating Council. Baltimore, MD.

Blomberg, T.G. (2019, November). Assessing the Racial/Ethnic Impact of Proposed Criminal Justice Legislation. Florida Senate Criminal Justice Committee. Tallahassee, FL.

Blomberg, T.G. (2019, October). Life Course Transitions, Thresholds, and Turning Points to Elder Financial Exploitation. The State of Financial Fraud in America. Washington, DC.

Blomberg, T.G., Pesta, G.B., Brancale, J., Blomberg, J., & Collier, N. (2019, October). A Partnership between Florida State University & the Maryland Juvenile Services Education System. The council of juvenile correctional administrators: Juvenile Justice Research Summit. Presentation Conducted at the Juvenile Justice Research Summit, Safety Harbor, FL.

Blomberg, T.G., Fitzpatrick, K., Pesta, G.B., & Brancale, J. (2019, October). Prioritizing the Research and Policy Needs of the CJCA. The council of juvenile correctional administrators:

Juvenile Justice Research Summit. Presentation Conducted at the Juvenile Justice Research Summit, Safety Harbor, FL.

Blomberg, T.G. (2019, November). Evaluation of the Walton County Jail and Reentry Program. Walton County Jail, DeFuniak Springs, FL.

Blomberg, T.G., Pesta, G.B & Blomberg, J. (2019, June) The Juvenile Justice Education Partnership. JSES Conference, Baltimore Maryland.

Copp, J.E. (2019, August). Research on jails and jail alternatives. Michigan Joint Task Force on Jail and Pretrial Incarceration. Traverse City, MI.

Copp, J.E. (2019, December). Validation study of the Virginia pretrial risk assessment instrument – revised in Palm Beach County, Florida. Palm Beach County Criminal Justice Commission. Palm Beach, FL.

Mears, D.P. (2019). Efforts to create safer schools and credible empirical research on ‘what works.’ U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs. Washington, D.C.

Pesta, G.B. (2018) Institutionalizing the use of Research in Juvenile Justice Practice: The Case of Florida. Society for Prevention Research Annual Meeting. Washington D.C.

Turanovic, J. (2019, September). A comprehensive assessment of deadly mass shootings, 1980-2018. National Institute of Justice Topical Meeting on Rare Incidents Data Collection Models to Advance Research on Mass Violence, San Antonio, TX.

Turanovic, J. & Lantz, B. (2019, September). Deadly mass shootings and hate crimes. Florida Senate Committee on Infrastructure and Security, Tallahassee, FL.

Turanovic, J. (2019, August). Deadly mass shootings. Florida Council on Crime and Delinquency, Miami, FL.

Turanovic, J. (2019, July). Palm Beach County’s enhanced response to DUI/impaired driving related deaths. Office for Victims of Crime Multidisciplinary Responses to Families and Communities in Complex Homicide Cases, Washington, DC.

Research Reports

The list below includes 26 research reports that were submitted to Center funding agencies from 2018-2019. The reports listed below are grouped according to the funded project and then in alphabetical order.

Bales, W., Blomberg, T.G., Brancale, J., Burton, S., Caswell, J., Chouhy, C., Fitzpatrick, K., Swagar, N., & Pesta, G. (2019). Racial/Ethnic Impact Statement on SB522-Animal Cruelty. Submitted to the Florida Senate Criminal Justice Committee.

Bales, W., Blomberg, T.G., Brancale, J., Burton, S., Caswell, J., Chouhy, C., Fitzpatrick, K., Swagar, N., & Pesta, G. (2019). Racial/Ethnic Impact Statement on SB550-Prison Diversion. Submitted to The Florida Senate Criminal Justice Committee.

Bales, W., Blomberg, T.G., Brancale, J., Burton, S., Caswell, J., Chouhy, C., Fitzpatrick, K., Swagar, N., & Pesta, G. (2019). Racial/Ethnic Impact Statement on SB554-Mitigating Circumstances. Submitted to the Florida Senate Criminal Justice Committee.

Bales, W., Blomberg, T.G., Brancale, J., Burton, S., Caswell, J., Chouhy, C., Fitzpatrick, K., Swagar, N., & Pesta, G. (2019). Racial/Ethnic Impact Statement on SB574-Conditional Release. Submitted to the Florida Senate Criminal Justice Committee.

Brancale, J., Brown, S., Copp, J., Pesta, G. (2019). Alternatives to Arrest. Submitted to the Pew Charitable Trusts.

Brancale, J., Brown, S., Copp, J., Pesta, G. (2019). No-Jail and Low-Jail Options for Sentenced Populations. Submitted to the Pew Charitable Trusts.

Brancale, J., Copp, J., Brown, S., & Pesta, G. (2019). The Impact of Pretrial Interventions on Pretrial Failure. Submitted to the Pew Charitable Trusts.

Brown, S., Brancale, J., Copp, J., & Pesta, G. (2019). The Effectiveness of Measures to Improve Victim Safety during the Pretrial Period. Submitted to the Pew Charitable Trusts.

Brown, S., Copp, J., Brancale, J., & Pesta, G. (2019). Jail Reentry. Submitted to the Pew Charitable Trusts.

Copp, J., Pesta, G., Brancale, J., & Brown, S. (2019). Pretrial Risk Assessment Tools. Submitted to the Pew Charitable Trusts.

Copp, J., Brancale, J., Pesta, G., & Brown, S. (2019). Harms Associated with Jail. Submitted to the Pew Charitable Trusts.

Copp, J., Pesta, G., Brancale, J., & Brown, S. (2019). The Impact of Money Bail on Pretrial Failure. Submitted to the Pew Charitable Trusts.

Copp, J. & Blomberg, T.G. (2019). Validation of the Virginia Pretrial Risk Assessment Instrument– Revised in Palm Beach County Florida. Submitted to the Palm Beach Criminal Justice Commission/MacArthur Foundation.

- Copp, J. (2019). Pretrial Decision-Making in Palm Beach County: An Examination of Racial and Ethnic Bias. Submitted to the Palm Beach Criminal Justice Commission/MacArthur Foundation.
- Hay, C. (2019). Impact of Crime: A Program Review. Submitted to the Florida Department of Juvenile Justice.
- Siennick, S. (2019). Florida Juvenile Justice Residential Program Recidivism and Cost-Effectiveness Study. Submitted to the Florida Department of Juvenile Justice.
- Siennick, S. (2019). The Palm Beach County School Safety and Student Performance Partnership Research Project: Final Research Report. Submitted to the National Institute of Justice.
- Turanovic, J., Pratt, T., Kulig, T., & Cullen, F. (2019). Individual, Institutional, and Community Sources of School Violence: A Meta-Analysis. Submitted to the National Institute of Justice.
- Copp, J., (2018). Assessment of the FDC’s Pilot Program for the Spectrum Risk Assessment. Submitted to the Florida Department of Corrections
- Copp, J. (2018). Predicting Reoffending: Improving the Validity of Risk Assessment in the Florida Juvenile Justice System. Submitted to the Florida Department of Juvenile Justice.
- Copp, J. (2018). Evidence-Based Policy Planning for the Leon County Detention Center: Population Trends and Forecasts. Submitted to the Leon County Sheriff’s Office.
- Mears, D., Siennick, S., Pesta, G., Montes, A., Brown, S., & Collier, N. (2018). The Palm Beach County School Safety and Student Performance Partnership Research Project. Submitted to the National Institute of Justice.
- Mears, D., Montes, A., Siennick, S., Pesta, G., Brown, S., & Collier, S. (2018). The Causal Logic Model of the Palm Beach County School Safety and Student Performance Program. Submitted to the National Institute of Justice.
- Siennick, S. (2018). Florida Juvenile Justice Residential Program Recidivism and Cost-Effectiveness Study. Submitted to the Florida Department of Juvenile Justice.
- Tasca, M. & Turanovic, J. (2018). Examining Race and Gender Disparities in Restrictive Housing Placements. Submitted to the National Institute of Justice.
- Turanovic, J., & Flannigan, K. (2018). Stars of HOPE Program Impact Study. Submitted to the New York Says Thank You Foundation.

Goal 5 – Creating a Unique Learning Environment

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

In addition to providing funding for graduate students, which includes the opportunity to collaborate with Center and College faculty on research projects, the Center also provides the opportunity for unique learning experiences for students through directed individual study (DIS) courses, dissertations, theses, and area papers. The number of DIS and supervised research activities are listed below.

From 2018–2019

- Sixteen different graduate research assistants worked on various research projects through the Center.
- Six graduate students completed Direct Individual Studies (DIS) on specific research projects related to racial bias in pre-trial detention and mass shootings.
- Four undergraduates completed a DIS with Center faculty.
- One student completed their Garnet and Gold Scholar Society research requirement with the Center.
- Nine students were supervised on Center related research projects under the Undergraduate Research Opportunity Program (UROP).

Goal 6 – Marketing and Outreach

Market the Center's services and research through traditional and social media sources.

The Center faculty works closely with the College's Communications Manager, Natalie Edwards-Heller, to create marketing materials that showcase the Center's research and outreach activities. The specific reoccurring marketing materials that are developed include pamphlets, handouts, news briefs, social media postings on Facebook and Twitter, and website updates. For example, news briefs were written and disseminated for Center related faculty presentations to the Florida Senate. Importantly, the Center has also been featured prominently in the fundraising materials for the remodeling of the Kellogg Building.

In addition, the Center is frequently highlighted with the College at conferences and presentations. For example, the College was the Presidential Sponsor at the September 2019 annual meeting of the Southern Criminal Justice Association in Nashville, TN. For this event, the College and Center were featured at a table, on conference swag, and in full-page color ads in the conference program (including the back cover). The Center was also featured during the November 1 “Speed Deaning” presentation that was given to the FSU Board of Trustees by Center Executive Director, Dr. Blomberg.

Summary and Future Directions

The Center continues to seek external funding to conduct criminal justice policy-and practice-related 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 student funding.

The Center has continued to build upon its established trajectory of excellence. From 2018- 2019, 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 or received research funding from 17 different public and private organizations. This resulted in applications for \$4,289,378 and management of \$4,437,419 in new and ongoing research funding. Involvement in the Center included 14 faculty, 16 graduate students, and 14 undergraduate students.

As the Center continues to expand, it has become necessary to increase the number of staff and office space. Dr. Julie Brancale began serving as the Center’s Co-Director, with Drs. Thomas Blomberg and George Pesta. Plans are in place to hire additional administrative support

staff and renovate the fourth floor of the Kellogg building. In addition, the Center has plans to establish a full-time internship program for undergraduate students to work with Center and College faculty on research projects while simultaneously earning credit for their undergraduate degree in Criminology and Criminal Justice.