



# EVIDENCE-BASED SOLUTIONS...

Implement *what works* in your community

## HOW TO REQUEST TRAINING AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

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## EVIDENCE-BASED PROGRAMS AND PRACTICES:

- Allow communities to invest limited resources in evidence-based justice solutions
- Build on lessons learned from other communities facing similar criminal justice issues
- Can be tailored to the specific needs of a community
- Create measurable impact
- Can be monitored over time to ensure intended outcomes

## SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE OJP DIAGNOSTIC CENTER

At the request of the community, the Diagnostic Center will:

- Analyze local crime data
- Identify specific violent and serious crime issues in a community
- Develop customized documents that provide suggested evidence-based programs to address justice issues in a community
- Facilitate customized training
- Develop strategic plans
- Advise on strategic communications
- Connect communities with appropriate state and federal programs
- Facilitate peer-to-peer learning
- Identify and hand-select relevant subject matter experts
- Facilitate partnerships with local academic institutions
- Measure progress and evaluation of implementation activities



## WHAT IS AN EVIDENCE-BASED PROGRAM AND PRACTICE?

OJP considers an approach effective when an intervention or model practice (including technology) has demonstrated reliable and consistent positive changes in important criminal justice related measures.

Community leaders are investing in what works by turning to evidence-based programs and practices to address serious public safety issues.

## HOW TO IMPLEMENT EVIDENCE-BASED SOLUTIONS IN YOUR COMMUNITY:

For many in the criminal justice field, the greatest challenge in implementing change is identifying what factors are actually contributing to the community problem and what programs and practices can be implemented to produce measurable, positive results. The following model provides law enforcement, criminal justice practitioners, policymakers and local leaders with an outline of the key phases for successfully implementing data-driven programs within a community.

	DIAGNOSE PHASE	IMPLEMENT PHASE	ASSESS PHASE
ACTIVITIES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Initial meeting with the OJP Diagnostic Center Team to discuss public safety concerns and criminal justice issues</li> <li>• Data collection and analysis of specific criminal issues</li> <li>• Local stakeholder and federal partner identification</li> <li>• Presentation to community about initial findings and proposed solutions</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Site visit(s) and presentation to the community of training and technical assistance goals to address public safety concerns</li> <li>• The OJP Diagnostic Center supports stakeholders as they implement recommended strategies</li> <li>• Subject matter experts and additional training and technical assistance (TTA) to be carried out in support of community goals</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The OJP Diagnostic Center will assess the impact of TTA to address crime reduction goals</li> <li>• Work with the community to identify progress made on crime reduction goals</li> <li>• Documentation of success stories and lessons learned</li> </ul>
RESULTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Greater understanding of criminal justice problems and contributing factors</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ TTA support from leading experts in the field to address criminal justice goals</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Successful completion of criminal justice goals</li> <li>✓ Crime reduction</li> <li>✓ Results that inform future funding decisions and grant applications</li> </ul>

## What is the Diagnostic Center?

The Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs (OJP) Diagnostic Center is a resource designed to provide customized assistance to law enforcement and communities in order to address persistent and emerging public safety problems using evidence-based strategies. This assistance builds local capacity for data-driven decision-making, ensuring that limited local resources are invested wisely and federal assets are leveraged where they are needed most. The Diagnostic Center's work is driven by local needs and priorities focused on improving public safety and officer safety and wellness.