

Center on Culture, Immigration and Youth Violence Prevention

Overview

The Center on Culture, Immigration and Youth Violence Prevention is a project of the Institute for the Study of Social Change, the National Council on Crime and Delinquency, UC Berkeley's School of Law (Boalt Hall), and UC San Francisco. It is funded with a five-year grant awarded by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Mission

- To research the causes and prevention of youth violence, especially among Asian Pacific Islander (API) and Latino immigrant populations in Oakland, California.
- To enhance community capacity to prevent and reduce youth violence through data gathering, information dissemination, and youth and community involvement.
- To provide a gathering place for community members, policymakers, and researchers to identify shared priorities; develop innovative strategies for studying these concerns; and translate information and knowledge into viable community practices.
- To utilize community based participatory research approaches in data collection and analysis, including collaboration with community members to understand and prevent youth violence.



Activities

Activities of the Center include:

- Evaluation of the Roosevelt Village Center, a multicultural youth violence prevention program, at Oakland's Roosevelt Middle School.
- Development of a community mobilization effort to create a youth violence prevention plan for Oakland's API and Latino communities.
- Implementation of an internship program that matches UC Berkeley students with research projects at community based organizations.
- Providing UC Berkeley graduate students with fellowship and training opportunities.



For more information

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