



# WE CAN CURE VIOLENCE

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Cure Violence approaches violence with the understanding that violence is an epidemic process that can be stopped using the same health strategies employed to fight epidemics. This theory of change utilizes carefully selected and trained workers — trusted members of the communities we serve — to interrupt the contagion using a standard epidemic control approach.



## Summary of Findings on the Cure Violence Model

Location	Statistical Findings	Reference
Baltimore (USA)	Up to 56% reduction in killings Up to 44% reduction in shootings Evidence of norm change	Webster 2012
Baltimore (USA)	25% reduction in shootings across 5 sites (high of 43% reduction)	Webster 2016
Baltimore (USA)	Improvement in attitudes on violence among 43% assessed	Milam 2016
Chicago (USA)	41% to 73% reduction in shootings and killings 100% reduction in retaliations	Skogan 2009
Chicago (USA)	31% reduction in killings 19% reduction in shootings	Henry 2015
Chicago (USA)	Treatment 50% lower re-injury than control	Salzmann 2010
Chicago (USA)	48% reduction in shootings	U. of Chicago unpub. 2015
Halifax (Canada)	Downward trend in shootings and violent crimes	Ungar 2016
Kansas City (USA)	17.9% reduction in firearm killings	Thompson 2013
New Orleans (USA)	47% reduction in shootings victims 85% reduction in retaliations/argument motive 44% reduction in shooting re-injury	City of New Orleans 2016
New York City (USA)	37% to 50% reduction in gun injuries 63% reduction in shootings	Delgado 2017
New York City (USA)	Increased confidence in police and increased willingness to contact police	Delgado 2017
New York City (USA)	14% reduction in attitudes supporting violence, with no change in controls	Delgado 2017
New York City (USA)	20% lower rates of shooting >100 mediations involving >1,000 people	Picard Fritsche 2013
New York City (USA)	18% reduction in killings v. 69% increase in control	Butts 2015
Philadelphia (USA)	30% reduction in shootings	Roman 2017
Juarez (Mexico)	50% or more reduction in killings in 2016 in most areas	Mesa de Seguridad y Justicia de Ciudad Juarez 2019
Juarez (Mexico)	Reduction in perceived number of conflicts among participants	Del Barrio a la Comunidad 2016
Kingston (Jamaica)	60 workers trained in Kingston and Montego Bay	Site reported data 2019
Loiza (Puerto Rico, USA)	53% reduction in killings	Nina 2013
Port of Spain (Trinidad)	45% reduction in violent crime 38% reduction in gunshot wounds	Maguire 2019
San Pedro Sula (Honduras)	88% reduction in shootings and killings 1 site – 17 months without any shootings Over 1,000 conflicts mediated	Ransford 2016
Cape Town (South Africa)	14% reduction in killings 29% reduction in attempted killings 10% reduction in serious assaults	Ransford 2016
Kenya	Low levels of election violence	Site reported data 2013
Basra and Sadr City (Iraq)	1000 interruptions, >14,000 people reached through outreach	Site reported data 2012
County of Kent (UK)	51% reduction in overall violence	Ransford 2017
[Prison program]	95% reduction in group attacks 44% reduction in adjudications (discipline)	