

For 25 years, Cure Violence Global has championed a public health approach to make communities safer.

Major Milestones

1994
Dr. Slutkin leaves WHO, moves to U.S.

1995
Dr. Slutkin founds Cure Violence Global (CVG) serves as CEO (1995-2021)

1995-2000
- Strategy development
- Intervention design
- Data review
- Steering committee & board
- Community & funding partners

2000
1st Cure Violence site in Chicago - shootings drop 67%

2002
Chicago expanded to 4 total sites

2004
Expansion to 3 Illinois cities

2004-2011
Learning Network hosts 30+ cities

2002
Violence Interrupter role developed

2005
1st hospital connected to CVI

2007
Baltimore - 1st city outside Illinois

2008
1st evaluation (Chicago)

2008
Iraq - 1st outside US

2009
1st school-based program

2010
New York City & New York state initiative

2012
Name changed to Cure Violence Global

2013
Programs launched in Honduras and South Africa

2013
Landmark book by IOM & CVG "The Contagion of Violence"

2014-5
Programs launched in Mexico and Trinidad

2016
UNICEF expanded Honduras and Mexico

2015
Movement launched to make violence a health issue

2019
Gender-based violence program launched

2020
Election and protest violence program launched

2020
Political violence program launched

2020
CV adapted for pandemic

2023
Dr. Williams becomes CEO

2024
Partnerships with NNSC, Cities United

Cities & Countries

1995 1996 1997 1998 1999 2000 2001 2002 2003 2004 2005 2006 2007 2008 2009 2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020 2021 2022 2023 2024 2025

Chicago, IL

Aurora, IL
Maywood, IL
Rockford, IL

East St. Louis, IL
North Chicago, IL
Bellwood, IL
Cicero, IL
Decatur, IL
Waukegan, IL

Baltimore, MD
Kansas City, MO

New York City, NY
Albany, NY
New Orleans, LA
Niagra Falls, NY
Rochester, NY
Yonkers, NY

Philadelphia, PA
Loiza, PR

Basr, Iraq
Sadr City, Iraq
Cape Town, South Africa
San Pedro Sula, Honduras
United Kingdom prison
Halifax, Canada
Juarez, Mexico
Maskwacis, Canada

Durham, NC
Milwaukee, WI

Port of Spain, Trinidad
Cali, Colombia
Mexico City, Mexico
Syria project

Louisville, KY
Memphis, TN
Pittsburgh, PA

Choloma, Honduras
Somalia
West Bank training

Atlanta, GA
Jacksonville, FL
Greensboro, NC

Charlotte, NC
Chester, PA
Grand Rapids, MI
Wilmington, NC

Sambo Creek, Honduras
Tegulcigalpa, Honduras

Montevideo, Uruguay

Winston Salem, NC
Wichita, KS
Peoria, IL
Columbus, GA
Annapolis, MD

Evidence

Chicago, USA
67% drop in shootings

Chicago, USA
42% drop in shootings across 4 sites
Chicago, USA
25% drop in killings in Chicago
50% drop across 15 CV sites

Chicago, USA
1st independent evaluation
41% to 73% drop in shootings
100% drop in retaliations killings

Baltimore, USA
56% drop in killings

NYC, USA
20% lower shootings
Albany, USA
46% drop in killings

Cape Town, South Africa
38% drop in killings
Kansas City, USA
42% drop in killings

NYC, USA
63% drop in shootings
Philadelphia, USA
30% drop in shootings
Port of Spain, Trinidad
39% drop in shootings
San Pedro Sula, Honduras
94% drop in shootings

Cali, Colombia
30-47% drop in shootings

Culiacan, Mexico
90% drop in killings
Baltimore, USA
23% drop in shootings
Charlotte, USA
75% drop in killings
NYC, USA
23% drop in shootings

Innovation

Epidemic-Control Approach to Violence Piloted
Cure Violence Approach (CV)

Violence interrupters developed

Hospital-based program linked to CVI

School Violence

Violence in War Zones
Violence in the Middle East

Violence in Prisons

Violence in Latin America
Cartel Violence
Violence in Indigenous Communities

Gender-based Violence
Political Violence
Election Violence
Violent Recruitment
Violence at Protests

Paradigm Change to Health

Epidemic approach piloted

Dr. Slutkin is guest at State of the Union
First Lady Laura Bush visits Chicago sites

NY Times Magazine cover
Economist: "The approach that will come to prominence."
Att. Gen Holder recognition

"The Interrupters" documentary
Endorsed by US Conference of Mayors
Colbert Report feature
Dr. Slutkin viral TedTalk
Contagion of Violence book

PBS NOVA feature
The Daily Show feature
People Magazine feature
PBS Newshour feature
Article in Nature

NBC News feature
Spotlight in State of the Union
ABC News feature
Sen. Sanders' Presidential platform

National and Global Partners

HHS/CDC
US Dept. of Justice
Univ. of Illinois at Chicago
Chicago Community Trust
MacArthur Fdn.
State of Illinois
Michael Reese Health Trust
Pritzker-Pucker Fdn.
Robert Wood Johnson Fdn.
McCormick Fdn.

Advocate Christ Medical Center
US State Dept.
Polk Brothers Fdn.
State of New York
Oprah Angel Network

Charles Marks Charitable Trust
USAID
Inter-American Development Bank
Univ. of Chicago
125 partners for movement
Province of Nova Scotia
Creative Associates

UNICEF
UBS Optimus

BDI/Princeton
Carter Center
Dept. of Homeland Security
AAA ICDR
The Just Trust

Cities United
NNSC
Roca