

# TAKING THE NEXT STEPS



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## Discussing Implications for Research, Policy, and Practice from **SURVIVE**

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**Understanding the Violent Victimization Experiences of Young Men of Color** was a three-year national study funded by the National Institute of Justice (NIJ). As a collaboration between faculty and staff from the Jane Addams College of Social Work and the Survey Research Laboratory, the overarching goal was to increase what we know about young Black males ages 18 to 24, and their violent victimization experiences. To that end we:

- 1) developed an instrument that captured data about the violent victimization experiences of young Black men,
- 2) are now analyzing that data to better understand those experiences, and
- 3) will disseminate our findings in order to better inform policy and practice regarding how the criminal justice system responds to young Black men who have been victimized by violence.

Upon being awarded funding, the project was renamed SURVIVE (Suburban, Urban, Rural Violence: Investigating Victim Experiences) to demonstrate our recognition that the participants in our study, and those they represent, are survivors. Our logo was created to symbolize that violence impacts the spectrum of Black men; the colors are those commonly recognized as colors of the African American flag.



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## AGENDA

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| 1:30 p.m. | Check-In   |
| 2:00 p.m. | Welcome and Introductory Remarks   |
| 2:10 p.m. | Brief Project Overview   |
| 2:20 p.m. | Instrument Overview  |
| 2:35 p.m. | Findings dissemination and Q&A   |
| 3:00 p.m. | Views and insights from our recruiters/<br>interviewers, including information about their<br>engagement process and what was gained |
| 4:00 p.m. | Group discussions and report back facilitated<br>by project team   |
| 4:50 p.m. | Website showcase and Closing Remarks   |

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