

Identifying and Supporting In-Risk Populations



“At-Risk” vs. “In-Risk”

At-Risk

factors are present that may negatively impact an individual

In-Risk

Risk factors have already resulted in negative impacts and consequences

Risk Continuum



At-Risk

Increasing Risk

In-Risk

- **Societal**

- Cradle-to-prison pipeline
- Rigid gender roles

- **Community**

- High rates of residential mobility
- Punitive school policies (i.e. zero tolerance)
- Poor police/community relations
- School transportation issues
- Poverty/concentrated neighborhood disadvantage
- Service provider policies that exclude disadvantaged populations
- Lack of mainstream employment options
- Gentrification

- **Relationship**

- Low expectations of students by teachers

- **Individual**

- Poor social skills
- Low academic achievement

- **Societal**

- Framing trauma responses as anti-social behavior

- **Relationship**

- Family conflict

- **Community**

- School failure (i.e. special ed. labeling for emotional/behavioral issues)

- **Individual**

- Alcohol and drug use
- Witnessing community violence
- Legal barriers to mainstream employment
- Use of social media to transmit messages about violence
- Prior victimization/assault

- **Societal**

- Treating juveniles as adults in criminal justice system

- **Community**

- School failure - expulsion

- **Relational**

- Family history of antisocial behavior (ex: gang involvement)
- Interactions with antisocial peers/gang involvement
- Rewards for antisocial behavior (e.g. status, money)

- **Individual**

- Carrying a weapon
- Prior/current contact with juv. justice sys. or c.j. sys. (i.e. incarceration, probation, parole)
- Prior use or threats of violence
- Use of social media to transmit messages about violence
- Prior victimization/assault

Red Flag Relationships

High-risk intimate partner relationship, whether or not IPV committed by a partner. Red-flag relationships have been linked with community violence.

Red Flag Relationship Factors:

- A person is involved who is in a position of influence (e.g., high-ranking gang member; gun or drug supplier);
- There is a dating or relationship scenario in which a family member of an intimate partner (i.e., boyfriend) is threatening or fighting a new intimate partner from an opposing gang or the same gang; or
- Intimate partner violence is present or threatened.