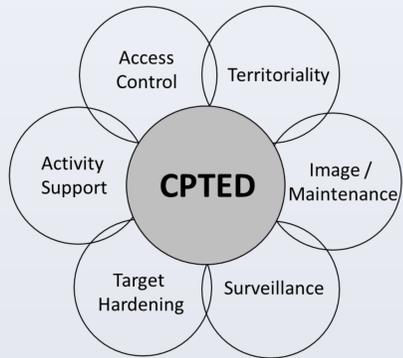


## What is CPTED?

### Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design

Crime Prevention Through Environmental design is a proactive strategy that focuses on how the environment can create or promote opportunities to commit crime. The six components shown below depict various environmental factors that can be altered to help prevent different areas or buildings from being targeted and victimized.



Target Hardening is not always treated as its own component, but rather as a way to enhance the 5 other pieces of the strategy.

## Misconceptions

CPTED is not just:

1. Simply mounting cameras
2. Clean Sweep programs
3. Neighborhood beautification projects
4. One-off attempts to clean an area of debris

## Assumptions

CPTED is rooted in social disorganization theory, that neighborhood disorganization (e.g., litter, unkempt houses and property, broken lights) contributes to social instability leading to crime.

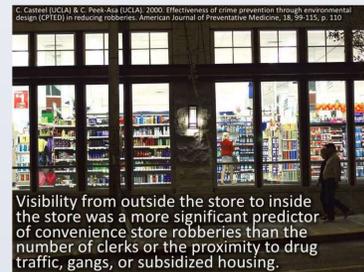
The underlying theory assumes that community members intentionally contribute to neighborhood disorganization, which ignores the role of poverty in these neighborhoods. Some questions to consider are: Do community members have the time, resources, and money to address these issues? Whose responsibility is it (e.g., the landlord? The renter? Local government?)

## Critical Elements of CPTED

- ✓ Coordinator
- ✓ Multi-Agency Team
- ✓ Training
- ✓ Assessment of the area
- ✓ Data / Analysis
- ✓ Redesign recommendations

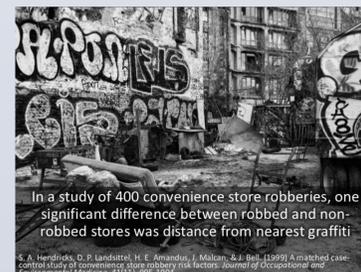
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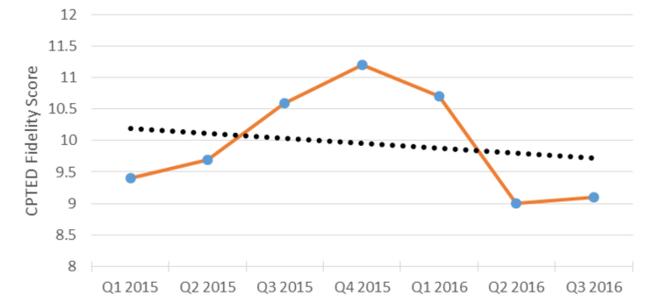
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## Data

Average CPTED Fidelity Scores Among GIVE Sites (N = 15)



Note: Dotted trend line represents the general direction of the CPTED scores.

Fidelity/Dosage Rubric: Assess the quality of strategy delivery, intensity, responsiveness of participating agencies, adherence to the model, and adapting the model to local needs

## Implications

- Formal partnerships between communities, non-law enforcement, and law enforcement agencies
- Reinvestment in neighborhoods and communities
  - Budgeting and the allocation of funding
- Alternative to traditional to crime prevention methods
- Heightened awareness of environmental factors that contribute to criminal activity

## Questions

We want to know what you think!

1. Do you see examples of CPTED projects or components in your neighborhood / community?
2. Do you believe that CPTED is an idea that works? Could CPTED make a difference in crime?
3. Do you feel that some of your tax dollars should be spent on CPTED projects?
4. Although you may not have the resources or ability to implement CPTED ideas on your own, what can you do in your community to implement CPTED components?