

The Berlin State Commission against Violence

In 1994, the Senate of Berlin decided to create a panel at the state secretary level that would be responsible for the implementation of measures designed to prevent and reduce violence in Berlin. Today, the Berlin State Commission against Violence is formed by the state secretaries of the Interior and Sports (chair), Education, Youth and Family, Justice, Social Affairs and Women, the vice police commissioner, two members of the council of the city mayors, the Senate Commissioner for Integration and Migration as well as the Commissioner for Victims of the federal state of Berlin. It counts with the support of its own particular office.

As the federal state's coordinating body in the field of prevention, the Berlin State Commission against Violence pursues the aim of curbing crime and violence in Berlin in collaboration with other stakeholders. However, the prevention of crime and violence does not simply constitute a task of public authority, but also a social responsibility. It is in this sense of a joint responsibility that the commitment of the state must be reconsidered and further developed, just as much as the commitment of the individual citizen and other forces of civil society.

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The Berlin Office for the Prevention of Youth Violence



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The Office for the Prevention of Youth Violence monitors the implementation and development of Berlin's overall strategy for the reduction of violent juvenile delinquency on behalf of the Berlin State Commission against Violence. Its tasks comprise

- the compilation of an annual report on violent juvenile delinquency in Berlin that describes developments and distributional patterns in connection with different social environments, correlating them with available prevention programmes
- the assessment of measures and projects for the prevention and reduction of youth violence being implemented in different fields in Berlin
- the meta-analysis of existing evaluations of measures for the prevention of violence being implemented in Berlin, synthesizing results
- the development of policy recommendations for political and administrative stakeholders, enabling them to adjust preventive measures to changing conditions
- knowledge transfer and support for practitioners via different services and publications, providing information on the prevention of youth violence as well as guidance for their practical work.

Information on measures and projects for the prevention of violence in Berlin can be found in our specific database: www.jugendgewaltpraevention.de/content/datenbank-berlin-projekte
Contacts and information regarding the prevention of violence in schools are listed in our annotated overview: <http://www.jugendgewaltpraevention.de/content/gewaltpraeventive-schulprojekte-im-ueberblick>

Coordinating group and quality circle

The activities of the Office for the Prevention of Youth Violence are supervised by a coordinating group composed of representatives of the Senate departments concerned with the state's overall strategy for the reduction of violent juvenile delinquency. Thus, the needs of the specific departments can be taken into account and results can immediately be channelled back to and exploited by those working to improve existing measures for the prevention and reduction of violence.

The Office for the Prevention of Youth Violence is also supported by a quality circle of scientists that reflects upon and evaluates its results.

It organizes regular symposiums and workshops so as to ensure a continuous exchange between scientists and practitioners.



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Selected publications

Berliner Monitoring Jugendgewaltdelinquenz – Dritter Bericht 2016 (BFG Nr. 58). Berlin 2016

Albrecht Lüter (Hg.): Prävention auf dem Prüfstand. Evaluationsstudien zu Berliner Maßnahmen und Projekten gegen Jugendgewalt (BFG Nr. 57). Berlin 2015

Albrecht Lüter/Miriam Schroer-Hippel (Hg.): Gewaltpräventive Arbeit mit gefährdeten und straffälligen jungen Menschen. Vier Projektevaluationen. Berlin 2015

Sabine Behn/Albrecht Lüter (Hg.): Gewaltprävention und Sport. Drei Projektevaluationen. Berlin 2015

Albrecht Lüter/Michael Bergert (Hg.): Gewaltprävention in einer pluralen Stadt. Drei Projektevaluationen. Berlin 2015

Berliner Monitoring Jugendgewaltdelinquenz – Zweiter Bericht 2015 (BFG Nr. 56). Berlin 2015

Gewalterfahrung und Lebenslage – eine Dunkelfelduntersuchung an Schulen in Berlin (BFG Nr. 54). Berlin 2015

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Albrecht Lüter: Jugendgewalt und Prävention in Berlin. Zum Profil der Arbeitsstelle Jugendgewaltprävention. In: Unsere Jugend, H. 7+8/2015

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Handreichung Selbstevaluation – Handlungsempfehlungen für Projekte im Bereich der Jugendgewaltprävention (BFG Nr. 51). Berlin 2014

Projekte, Programme und Maßnahmen der Gewaltprävention in Berlin: Eine Meta-Evaluation und Evaluationssynthese von Berliner Evaluationen (2006 bis 2014). Berlin 2014

Publications (in German) can be downloaded under these links:
www.berlin.de/lb/lkbgg/praevention/arbeitsstelle-jugendgewaltpraevention/berichte
www.jugendgewaltpraevention.de/content/download