

**NEWS & EVENTS**

**The road to violence is long. We are building more offramps...**

**Off-Ramp launches in May**

[www.off-ramp.org](http://www.off-ramp.org)

**Join us for a 2-hour online training and launch event**

**Friday, May 14, 2021: 11:00 am - 1:00 pm Central Time**

**Preventing Targeted Violence:**

**Data-Driven Strategies in a Post COVID World**

[\*\*Register Here!\*\*](#)

**This event will cover –**

- What we know about targeted violence
- Data on school and workplace shooters
- The impact of COVID-19 on targeted violence
- Off-Ramps from Violence - Resources, Training, Policy
- Building a Crisis Response Team
- Social Media Safety

**Who should attend?**

- K-12 school administrators
- K-12 teachers and support staff
- Human Resource specialists
- Security and School Resource Officers
- Legislators and policy makers

## LOOKING FORWARD

### The new Off-Ramp website will include the following -

- Online training in mass violence prevention
  - Schools violence prevention certificate
  - Workplace violence prevention certificate
  - Law enforcement / security violence prevention certificate
  - Crisis intervention and de-escalation training
  - How to build a Crisis Response team training
  - Interviews with perpetrator's families, survivors, and first responders
- New evidence-based threat assessment protocol for schools
  - Updated model grounded in research and developed in partnership with the Minnesota School Safety Center and the United States Secret Service National Threat Assessment Center
  - Fillable forms for schools to use
- Public policy overview for mass violence prevention
- National resource list
  - For people in crisis or people worried that someone they know is in crisis
  - Connections to long-term mental health resources
  - Advocacy and volunteer opportunities
  - Both national and state specific resources

## RECENT MEDIA

- **Upcoming:** Jill Peterson will speak on “Extremism and Violence in a Hyperconnected World” at an online event on February 25, 10:00-11:30 am CST for the Department of Homeland Security Center of Excellence
- Jill Peterson and James Densley wrote a new essay for *The Conversation*: [US Gun Violence: Too many people have died in 2020- and COVID played a larger part than you think](#)

- Jill Peterson and James Densley were interviewed by the *Associated Press*:  
[In a year of pain, one silver lining: Fewer mass shootings](#)
- Jill Peterson was interviewed by Saint Paul's *Pioneer Press*:  
[In a time of pandemic and riot, crime was up 15 percent in St. Paul last year](#)
- James Densley presented on a “children and screens” panel at the Institute of Digital Media and Child Development on January 27:  
[Blood, Sweat, and Fears: Understanding the psychological effects of graphic and violence media](#)
- James Densley was interviewed on CNN about the problems with fear-based “warrior training” for police:  
['Warrior' police training is being offered across the US](#)

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**Take Care and Stay Healthy,**

**The Violence Project Team**

