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NPR's Hidden Brain Podcast Highlights IPA Study on Crime Reduction in Liberia

In NPR's *Hidden Brain* podcast, [Chris Blattman](#) and [Sara Heller](#) explain what evidence can tell us about a more holistic response to crime reduction; by providing much-needed resources to those at risk of committing violence. Heller discusses her research on an experimental program aiming to reduce Chicago's murder rate by providing high-risk men with job training and therapy on de-escalating and avoiding violence. Blattman shares findings from [an IPA study in Liberia](#) that helped inform the Chicago program, evaluating the impacts of providing cognitive behavioral therapy and cash grants.

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