What Works in Reducing Community Violence: Focused Deterrence in Mexico

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1. Why does it make sense?

2. Challenges & recommendations for implementation. (To GOM and donors)
Underlying assumptions for FD hold true in Mex

Violence concentrates geographically and across very specific demographics. It is driven by group dynamics and norms.
TASA DE HOMICIDIOS / 100 MIL HABITANTES 2010

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Homicidios por grupos de edad y género, INEGI, 2010.
Institutional approach leverages challenges in Mexico.

- No need for larger institutional reforms in place. (FD doesn’t substitute longer haul efforts)
- It’s actionable in the short term
Prevention is not retroactive

Effects of yestarday’s disinvestment can’t just simply be addressed today by supplying them. The solution is not symetric to the cause.
Challenges and recommendations:

1. Strengthen capacity **identify and engage** those at higher risk with processes and tools truly capable of going to scale.

2. Build the environment to deliver a **credible threat**

3. Train **small local (State or Municipal) task forces** supported by Federal and International institutions

4. Promote better **coordination** of law enforcement, justice delivery and social crime prevention from international donors and local stakeholders.

5. Build better **data collection and evaluation** around the intervention.
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