

The Impact of Community Policing on Citizens' Response to COVID-19

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Sector(s): Crime, Violence, and Conflict, Health

Fieldwork: Innovations for Poverty Action (IPA)

Sample: 3,400 villagers from 13 districts

Initiative(s): Crime and Violence Initiative (CVI)

Target group: Rural population Security forces

Outcome of interest: Crime Trust

Intervention type: Policing Community policing COVID-19 response

Establishing police effectiveness and legitimacy is challenging in conflict-affected and fragile states. Yet improving trust in the police may increase civilian trust in the state more broadly. Researchers are conducting phone surveys to understand the effects of a community policing intervention on citizens' trust in the state and how that affects their willingness to comply with COVID-19 related measures in Uganda. Research is ongoing; results forthcoming.