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Summary

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1. Introduction

Urban violence is one of the greatest contemporary challenges facing Brazilian society, affecting...

directly impacts quality of life, economic development, and social cohesion. Although the country

While historically the focus has been on repressive measures, studies indicate that preventative policies can...

to present more consistent and lasting results in reducing crime (SILVA, 2020).

Social, educational, and sports programs have been implemented in different states and

municipalities with the goal of keeping young people away from at-risk situations and promoting social inclusion.

However, gaps still exist in evaluating the effectiveness of these policies, as well as limitations.

In their implementation, they are frequently affected by budgetary and structural issues.

This article aims to analyze the effectiveness of public policies for the prevention of

crime in Brazil, identifying good practices and challenges in their application. The specific objectives

They include:



1. Compare different preventive programs implemented in Brazilian municipalities.
2. Evaluate the impacts of these programs on reducing urban crime.
3. Identify the main challenges and limitations of preventive public policies.

2. Theoretical Framework

2.1 Concept of Social Defense and Crime Prevention

Social defense refers to the set of policies and practices aimed at protecting society against crime prevention aims to reduce violence and promote safety.

Crime, in turn, operates on three levels: primary (general prevention), secondary (intervention in at-risk groups) and tertiary (reintegration of offenders) (FERRAZ, 2018).

2.2 Social and Educational Programs

Programs that offer quality education, professional training, and cultural activities.

They demonstrate a positive impact on reducing violence by providing alternatives to involvement in criminal activities. Research indicates that social inclusion reduces involvement vulnerability of young people in at-risk areas (CUNHA, 2019).

2.3 Sports and Cultural Activities

Sports and cultural activities have a preventive function by promoting discipline and socialization and a sense of belonging to the community. Projects such as soccer schools and cultural workshops in Highly vulnerable communities have contributed to the reduction of conflicts and... crime (ALMEIDA, 2021).

2.4 Limitations and Challenges

Despite the benefits, preventive policies face significant challenges: funding insufficient, lack of continuity in programs, low integration between public sectors and Social resistance. These factors compromise the effectiveness of the initiatives (SOUZA, 2020).

3. Methodology

This study utilized a literature review of academic articles, government reports, and Statistical data on public safety. Experiences from preventive programs were analyzed. implemented in different Brazilian municipalities, with the aim of understanding the impact of these programs about crime. The approach is qualitative, with critical analysis of information collected, relating it to the theory of crime prevention.

4. Results and Discussion

The analysis indicates that municipalities that implemented integrated preventive policies (education, Studies in the fields of sports and social inclusion have shown a reduction in crime rates, especially among Young people aged 12 to 25. For example, educational programs that include mentoring. Psychological counseling and career guidance resulted in a lower rate of recidivism in juvenile offenses. The success of these policies depends on continuity, funding, and community participation. The absence of these elements results in limited impacts, which demonstrates that prevention is not... Effective when performed on a punctual or isolated basis. Furthermore, the coordination between different public bodies (education, security, social assistance) It proved essential to the success of the initiatives. The literature reinforces that preventive policies Structured actions produce more lasting results than purely repressive actions (FERRAZ, 2018; ALMEIDA, 2021).

Final Considerations

The study demonstrates that public policies for crime prevention constitute effective strategies for To reduce urban crime in Brazil, especially when combining education and activities... Cultural and sporting events with social programs. It is essential that these policies are planned, funded, and monitored continuously, with Active community participation. Furthermore, future research could assess the impact of Technologies and innovation are key to increasing the effectiveness of these preventative initiatives. Therefore, the Strengthening preventive policies contributes to building a safer society and inclusive, complementing traditional repressive actions.

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