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*Juvenile Justice: An Introduction, 8th edition*, presents a comprehensive picture of juvenile offending, delinquency theories, and how juvenile justice actors and agencies react to delinquency. It covers the history and development of the juvenile justice system and the unique issues related to juveniles, offering evidence-based suggestions for successful interventions and treatment and examining the new balance model of juvenile court.

This new edition not only includes the latest available statistics on juvenile crime and victimization, drug use, court processing, and corrections, but provides insightful analysis of recent developments, such as those related to the use of probation supervision fees; responses to gangs and cyber bullying; implementing the deterrence model (Project HOPE); the possible impact of drug legalization; the school-to-prison pipeline; the extent of victimization and mental illness in institutions; and implications of major court decisions regarding juveniles, such as Life Without Parole (LWOP) for juveniles.

Each chapter enhances student understanding with Key Terms, a "What You Need to Know" section highlighting important points, and Discussion Questions. Links at key points in the text show students where they can go to get the latest information, and a comprehensive glossary aids comprehension.

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# Preface

For this eighth edition of *Juvenile Justice: An Introduction* we have updated materials. We have included the latest available statistics on juvenile crime and victimization, drug use, court processing, and corrections. The gangs chapter provides updated information on the gang problem as well as on responding to gangs and ganging in the community. The chapter on drugs notes the possible impact of drug legalization in some states. The police chapter now includes mention of the school-to-prison pipeline and notes other recent experience with school resource officers in schools. The due process chapter includes the most recent Supreme Court case on juvenile life without parole and material on cyber bullying and related free speech on the Internet. The probation chapter discusses two recent developments: the use of probation fees and a deterrence model (Project HOPE) and their implications for juvenile probation. The restorative justice chapter contains updated information of the growth of restorative practices and the impact of those practices on future offending. The futures chapter has a section on the new balance (rebalanced) model of juvenile court, discussion of the implications of the research on adolescent development, and discussion of the impact of the latest Supreme Court decision on life without parole for juveniles.

Each chapter has a section entitled "What You Need to Know." This is a list that summarizes key pieces of information. Along with the Key Terms list, this section should help students focus on the key concepts and information in each chapter. We have also included website information at key points in the text showing students where they can go to get the latest information from such sources as the FBI *Uniform Crime Reports* and the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention.

As with previous editions, there is instructional material that is available on the publisher's website for the book. There we have materials for both the instructor and the student. These materials supplement the book and can be incorporated into regular class activities or can be used by the individual for study and further exploration. Some of these materials are directed specifically

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