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<https://www.vera.org/blog/vera-weighs-in-to-nyt-debate-on-how-violence-affects-youth>

Public Facing Advocacy Writing

A November 4 *New York Times* [article](#) on the corrosive effects of gang violence among Chicago youth drew on an ongoing two-decade-long study of young people caught up in this violent culture. Today, Annie Salsich, director of Vera's Center on Youth Justice, continued the conversation about the critical problem in a [Letter to the Editor](#) amplifying the importance of developing effective responses to violence that take into account the pain it inflicts on both the victim and the perpetrator. Read Annie's letter and let us know what you think.

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