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ABSTRACT

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Recently, there has been a surge in interest in the topic of situational crime prevention, which is based on the assumption that criminal behavior is essentially rational. autonomous, and capable of changing and responding to unfavorable outcomes, whether foreseen or experienced. In this study the residents and implementors of City of Dasmarinas were subjected to assess their perception in effectiveness and awareness towards situational crime prevention strategies. This study aimed also to determine the significant difference on the perception of residents and implementers towards the said crime prevention. Furthermore, the result shows that the residents and implementers see the crime prevention in a different level of effectiveness and awareness. The findings clearly demonstrates that implementers are extremely aware and has the perception of effective towards the situational crime prevention. However, perception of the residents towards the said crime prevention is only aware and moderately effective given that City of Dasmarinas still has the highest crimes. The residents and implementers of the City of Dasmarinas was subjected in the study. Descriptive method under quantitative research was used to evaluate their level of awareness and level of effectiveness towards the situational crime prevention model on lowering the crime rate in Dasmarinas City, Cavite. The used of One-way Analysis of Variance and descriptive statistical treatment were shown to be effective ways of analyzing the significant differences and level of effectiveness and awareness of the perception of residents and implementers towards the situational crime prevention model in lowering the crime rate in Dasmarinas City.

Keywords: Situational Crime Prevention Model, Crime Rate, Effectiveness, Awareness

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INTRODUCTION

Crime rate is one of the bases to evaluate the effectiveness of the crime prevention. It clearly demonstrates the number of crimes and the impact of strategy towards the crime prevention. The target to situational crime prevention model is directly to prevent the harms caused by crime by modifying the situational characteristics in the situation where crime usually transpired. It mainly focuses on the opportunities of criminal activity and block the perpetrators of the crime.

Situational crime prevention is based on the concept that strategic modifications to an environment can prevent crime. It accomplishes this by concentrating on how (rather than why) crime occurs—and hence how it might be avoided. Traditional criminology has concentrated on offenders' criminal character as a strategy of decreasing crime. Instead, SCP has worked to modify circumstances that foster criminal conduct to make them less conducive to offending (Shariati & Guerette, 2020). In addition, the situational approach which is about stopping the opportunities for crime, is an effective way of preventing crime. Increasing the risk of detection, increasing the difficulties of offending, as well as limiting