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## ABSTRACT

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Juvenile delinquency awareness can help in the prevention of juvenile delinquency from increasing. This study aimed to determine the awareness of the residents and some barangay officials in Dasmarinas City on juvenile delinquency. Also, this study aimed to determine the relationship between the demographic profile of the participants and their awareness level on juvenile delinquency.

Descriptive method was used in this study, and 382 residents and 14 barangay officials were the participants of this study. Based on the findings, 55 percent are fully aware on the definitions of juvenile and delinquency. They are fully aware on the forms and acts of juvenile delinquency, aware on the laws governing it, and are also aware about the programs conducted by their local government unit (LGU). On the other hand, the participants level of awareness on the forms or acts of juvenile delinquency showed a significant relationship to their age which implies that older participants are more aware on the types of juvenile delinquency. The participants' level of awareness on definitions of juvenile and delinquency, types of juvenile delinquency, laws governing juveniles and the awareness programs in their area has no significant relationship to their sex. The educational attainment of the participants showed relationship with their level of awareness on the forms and acts of juvenile delinquency and the laws governing them which means that the higher the educational attainment, the higher their level of awareness on the said statements. This study also revealed that there are differences on the level of awareness of the residents and the barangay officials on the forms of juvenile delinquency

and their awareness on the awareness programs being conducted in their area. It is suggested to teach juvenile delinquency as a subject.

**Keywords:** *Child in Conflict with the Law, Juvenile, Juvenile Delinquent, Awareness Program*

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## **INTRODUCTION**

Juvenile delinquency now becomes a rampant global issue faced by many countries including the Philippines. Philippine statistical data on juvenile crimes shows an increase from 7,131 on 2016 to 7,242 on 2017 which are committed by juveniles whose ages ranges from 12 to 17 years old (Esquire Philippines, 2019). This just indicates that juvenile delinquency is a problem must be addressed to prevent the record of children committing crimes from increasing but instead should be decreased by developing or planning programs to be implemented that could be a great help such as strengthening the awareness level of the society towards juvenile delinquency.

Awareness comes in two forms; its either people are socially aware or have self-awareness. Social awareness could be learned in school aside from the households since it actually serves as a second home and on the other hand, self-awareness means focusing on one's own perspective through different life aspects which includes behavior (Positive Action, 2020). In line with the society being aware on juvenile delinquency, they are less likely to lie, cheat, or steal when they have self-awareness (Eurich, 2020).