In partnership with the Urban League of Broward County and Hispanic Unity of Florida, FIU’s Jorge M. Perez Metropolitan Center launched “The State of Black Broward” and “The State of Hispanic and Immigrant Broward” to address a range of economic and social issues impacting these communities in Broward County.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND SAFETY

According to the 2019-2020 crime data report released by the Florida Department of Law Enforcement, Broward County’s overall crime rate decreased 13.5% in the past year. Despite the decrease, minorities are still severely disproportionately affected by the criminal justice system.

Broward County Crime Activity by Type:

- Drug Arrests: 4,226
- Larceny: 2,678
- Simple Assault: 1,917
- DUI: 1,064
- Aggravated Assault: 853
- Other: 2,168

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