

Grants and Awards

November 2020

Law Enforcement Mental Health and Wellness Act Awards



Dr. Randy Dupont



Dr. Melissa Hirschi



Dr. Bert Burraston

Three University of Memphis faculty members have received subawards to work with the Memphis Police Department (MPD) on their \$100,000 award from Community Oriented Policing Services, US Department of Justice, to enhance MPD's mental health wellness program. Dr. Randy Dupont, Professor of **Criminology and Criminal Justice**, will lead one project that includes a range of training for supervisors, commanders, and peer support officers, including topics related to anti-stigma, emotional intelligence, and emotional survival. Dr. Melissa Hirschi, Assistant Professor of **Social Work**, will lead the evaluation of MPD's grant project with assistance from Dr. Bert Burraston, Associate Professor of **Criminology and Criminal Justice**.