

# THE PRESIDENT'S TASK FORCE ON 21ST CENTURY POLICING

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Dr. Goff is an Associate Professor of Social Psychology at the University of California, Los Angeles, on sabbatical leave this year as a Visiting Scholar at the Harvard Kennedy School. He is the co-founder and president of the Center for Policing Equity ([policingequity.org](http://policingequity.org)), and an expert in contemporary forms of racial bias and discrimination, as well as the intersections of race and gender. His current work includes the National Justice Database—the first national-level database tracking police officer behaviors such as stops, use of force, and officer-involved shooting—a project he spearheads with Jack Glaser, Steven Raphael, and Amanda Geller. Dr. Goff has also conducted work exploring the ways in which racial prejudice is not a necessary precondition for racial discrimination. That is, despite the common belief that discrimination stems naturally from implicit or explicit prejudiced attitudes, his research demonstrates that contextual factors can cause racially unequal outcomes. His model of evidence-based approaches to justice has been supported by The National Science Foundation, Department of Justice, Kellogg Foundation, Open Society Foundations, The Atlantic Philanthropies, William T. Grant Foundation, the COPS Office, Major Cities Chiefs, the NAACP LDF, NIMH, SPSSI, the Woodrow Wilson Foundation, the Ford Foundation, and the Mellon Foundation, among others. Most recently, Dr. Goff led the CPE in becoming one of three Principal Investigators (with researchers from Yale and John Jay College) for the Department of Justice's new National Initiative for Building Community Trust and Justice.