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His research examines how structural, racial violence and interpersonal forms of violence impacts health behaviors and outcomes among minority populations. He has published more than 160 peer-reviewed studies, and research has generated more than 11 million dollars in extramural funding from the National Institute of Mental Health, the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development and the W.T. Grant Foundation, among others. His research has informed public policy in the State of Illinois and was appointed to two Illinois State boards by Governor Pat Quinn. Voisin's latest project is a book entitled, [America the Beautiful and Violent: Black Youth and Neighborhood Trauma in Chicago](#), published by Columbia University Press in 2019.

In 2020, Voisin was elected a board member of the Society for Social Work and Research and in 2021 he was inducted as a fellow into the American Academy of Social Work and Social Welfare; he was appointed to their board in 2022.

His expertise and research findings have been frequently cited by numerous members of the international and national media. Voisin has

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