

George L. Kelling



George L. Kelling is mostly retired. He has been a professor both in the School of Criminal Justice at Rutgers University and the College of Criminal Justice at Northeastern University, and a fellow in the Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University. He remains a senior fellow at the Manhattan Institute.

Kelling has practiced social work as a child care worker and a probation officer, and has administered residential care programs for aggressive and disturbed youths. In 1972, he began work at the Police Foundation and conducted several large-scale experiments in policing, most notably the *Kansas City Preventive Patrol Experiment* and the *Newark Foot Patrol Experiment*. The latter was the source of his contribution to his most familiar publication in the *Atlantic*, “Broken Windows,” with James Q. Wilson. During the late 1980s and early 1990s, Kelling developed the order maintenance policies in the New York City subway that ultimately led to radical crime reductions. Later he consulted with the New York City Police Department as well, especially in dealing with “squeegeemen.” His other major consulting projects have been in Los Angeles with William Bratton and his successor, Charlie Beck, in Boston with Ed Davis, and in Milwaukee with Ed Flynn.

His most recent major publication is *Fixing Broken Windows: Restoring Order and Reducing Crime in Our Communities*, which he has published with his wife, Catherine M. Coles. He currently is working on two books. The first, *The Rediscovery of Policing* with William Bratton and the second, which is just started, on Milwaukee, its police department, and the movements in policing.

Kelling is a graduate of St. Olaf College (B.A.), the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee (M.S.W.), and the University of Wisconsin-Madison (Ph.D.). He has two children and four grandchildren.