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According to Pearson (2010), evaluation research is a separate topic from other research based on their dichotomy. Maxfield et al. (2017) suggest that research is more concerned with producing broadly practical understanding, is more hypothetical, and is more policed by the investigators. In contrast, evaluation is more interested in making precise knowledge and is more governed by those financing or commissioning the assessment. Another way to look at it is through mutual independence. A distinct perspective on research and evaluation considers them two distinct factors that are not constantly contradictory. A project can include both investigation and assessment, or none (Hartley, 2011). It is all about being experimental in research. Generating evaluative findings on value, originality, or worth is what evaluation is all about.

Listwan et al. (2009) suggest that drug and substance use treatment must be part of the justice system cases for the 'drug court' court to improve and meet its goal. According to Listwan et al. (2009), **the justice department should adopt a non-adversarial methodology.** The issue is not to see someone behind bars because methamphetamine users are sick and need medical assistance. **Once a person is identified as a methamphetamine user, Listwan et al. (2009) suggest focusing on treatment and direction, not imprisonment.** Also, Listwan et al. (2009) suggest that there must be a way of early identification of methamphetamine users and other drug users and grant them access to a continuum of substance use therapy.

Lastly, **Operation Ceasefire included two components, as per Braga et al. (2001): (1) a frontal law enforcement campaign on illegal gun dealers providing juveniles with weapons, and (2) an effort to produce a significant deterrent to gang activity. The second aspect, often known as the "pulling levers" technique, entailed reaching out openly to**

gangs and clearly stating that gun crime cannot be accepted and backing up the same warning through "pulling every" lever through legal measures to stop the problem.

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