**APPENDIX**

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**Figure 1**. Plots of case-control matched variables

Results from a balanced matrix of the Euclidean distance in 6-dimensional space between all eligible ZIP codes based on 6 demographic characteristics identified in prior studies to be associated with increased incidence of violent homicide death: proportion Black, proportion Hispanic, proportion Asian, proportion male, proportion aged 15 to 24, and proportion aged 25 to 34. Cases were matched to the eligible control that was closest in Euclidian distance, located in a different state, and contained the same USDA Rural-Urban Continuum Code classification (urban, micropolitan, small town, or rural).

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| **Table 1.** Distribution of ZIP code-level and state-level attributes for selected cases and randomly selected controls1 | | | | | | | | |
|  |  | **Cases** (n = 250) Mean (SD) | |  | **Controls** (n = 250) Mean (SD) | |  | P Value |
| **Zip Code Level** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| *Income* | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Median Household Income | 46342.39 | (11415.10) | | 76399.88 | (25151.21) | | **<0.0001** |
| *Income Inequality* | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | GINI Coefficient | 0.45 | (0.04) |  | 0.43 | (0.05) |  | **0.0004** |
| Population size | | 50187.10 | (18438.84) | | 37688.38 | (12265.81) | | **<0.0001** |
| *Age Group* | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | % 15 - 24 | 15.10 | (4.95) |  | 13.90 | (7.32) |  | 0.0380 |
|  | % 25 - 34 | 15.70 | (2.77) |  | 13.74 | (4.31) |  | **<0.0001** |
| *Race Ethnicity* | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | % Black | 28.43 | (24.71) |  | 5.79 | (8.13) |  | **<0.0001** |
|  | % Asian | 4.47 | (5.40) |  | 8.39 | (10.19) |  | **<0.0001** |
|  | % Hispanic | 30.26 | (26.43) |  | 17.04 | (17.17) |  | **<0.0001** |
| % Male | | 48.57 | (2.17) |  | 49.12 | (1.43) |  | **0.001** |
| % Unemployed | | 4.20 | (1.28) |  | 2.82 | (1.04) |  | **<0.0001** |
| *Land Use* | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | % Land Area that is Retail | 2.50 | (3.50) |  | 2.03 | (2.74) |  | 0.5923 |
|  | % Land Area that is Industrial | 3.32 | (4.73) |  | 1.51 | (2.85) |  | **0.0019** |
|  | % Land Area that is Greenspace | 9.51 | (13.21) |  | 14.24 | (15.99) |  | **0.0003** |
| Population Density (per km2) | | 3424.29 | (5440.35) |  | 1514.68 | (3424.31) | | **<0.0001** |
| Walk Score | | 42.31 | (29.58) |  | 31.60 | (30.37) |  | **<0.0001** |
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| **State Level** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| *Income* | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Median Household Income | 60182.41 | (9297.23) |  | 63017.74 | (7530.50) | | **<0.0001** |
| *Income Inequality* | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | GINI Coefficient | 0.47 | (0.02) |  | 0.48 | (0.02) |  | 0.2524 |
| *Race Ethnicity* | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | % Black | 13.30 | (8.86) |  | 9.46 | (6.22) |  | **<0.0001** |
|  | % Asian | 6.00 | (4.23) |  | 7.70 | (4.84) |  | **<0.0001** |
|  | % Hispanic | 18.13 | (12.60) |  | 21.09 | (13.45) |  | **0.0115** |
| % Male | | 49.18 | (0.57) |  | 49.34 | (0.51) |  | **0.0012** |
| \* Bolded values are statistically significant at an alpha of 0.05 | | | | | | | | |
| 1 Cases and controls were selected from the 35 states participating in the CDC's National Violent Death Reporting System (NVDRS). Case units were defined as the 250 ZIP codes with the highest per capita incidence of violent homicide deaths in 2017. Selected cases had 5 deaths. ZIP codes eligible for selection as control units (i) had no violent deaths in 2017 and (ii) were located within the 35 NVDRS states. Cases and controls were matched on proportion Black, proportion Hispanic, proportion Asian, proportion male, proportion aged 15 to 24, and proportion aged 25 to 34 | | | | | | | | |

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| **Table 2**. Odds ratios and 95% confidence intervals for violent homicide in selected cases and randomly selected controls1 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|  |  | **Model 1** | | |  | **Model 2** | | |  | **Model 3** | | |
|  |  | OR | 95% CI | |  | OR | 95% CI | |  | OR | 95% CI | |
| **ZIP Code-Level** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Median Household Income | **0.04** | **0.01** | **0.12** |  |  |  |  |  | **0.04** | **0.01** | **0.13** |
|  | GINI Coefficient | 1.03 | 0.62 | 1.71 |  |  |  |  |  | 1.27 | 0.77 | 2.09 |
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| **State-Level** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Median Household Income |  |  |  |  | 0.88 | 0.67 | 1.17 |  | 1.74 | 0.87 | 3.47 |
|  | GINI Coefficient |  |  |  |  | 0.87 | 0.59 | 1.28 |  | 0.53 | 0.23 | 1.23 |
| \* Bolded values are statistically significant at an alpha of 0.05 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Model 1 adjusted for zip-code level variables | | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Model 2 adjusted for state-level variables | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Model 3 adjusted for all variables | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |