Codebook for Homicide dataset

- 1. INCIDENT: Incident number.
- 2. YEAR: Year in which homicide occurred. (86-94)
- 3. **MONTH**: Month in which homicide occurred. Months are numbered 1-12, with 1 being January and 12 being December.
- 4. DAY: Day of the month on which homicide occurred. Days are numbered 1-31.
- 5. **CHRONICL**: Variable which indicates whether or not the homicide was covered in the Houston Chronicle Newspaper.
 - 0: Not Covered 1: Covered in the newspaper
- 6. **VRACE**: Variable describing the race of the victim.

| W: White | H: Hispanic |
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| B: Black | A: Asian |
| I: Indian | U: Victim race unknown |

- 7. VGENDER: Variable describing the gender of the victim. M: Male F: Female U: Unknown
- VAGE: Variable describing the age of the victim.
 99: Age unknown
 999: Age missing
- 9. **WEAPON**: Too many to list
- 10. **RELATE**: Variable describing the relationship between the victim and offender.
 - ABA: Acquaintance-business ABF: Acquaintance-boyfriend

ACA: Acquaintance-casual ANE: Acquaintance-neighbor

FGM: Family-grandmother FHU: Family-husband

FWC: Family-common-law wife

IBA: Illegal business partner

FBR: Family-brother

FMO: Family-mother

FFA: Family-father

- AFR: Acquaintance-friend AGF: Acquaintance-girlfriend
 - AHO: Acquaintance-homosexual
 - ARM: Acquaintance-roommate
 - FDA: Family-daughter
 - FGF: Family-grandfather
 - FHC: Family-common-law husband
 - FIN: Family-in-law type
 - FOT: Family-other
 - FSO: Family-son
 - FWI: Family-wife
 - STD: Stranger traffic dispute

OTH: Other relationship

STR: Stranger

FSI: Family-sister

- XHU: Ex-husband
- WBF: Ex-boyfriend
- XWI: Ex-wife
- XGF: Ex-girlfriend

UNK: Unknown

11. MOTIVE: Variable describing the motive for the homicide.

ABG: Argument, boy/girlfriend ACC: Accident AGA: Assault of police officer AMO: Argument, money APJ: Argument, prostitute AUT: Auto theft BUR: Burglary CUL: Cult DOM: Domestic weapon FIN: Financial gain HAR: Harassment JEA: Jealousy MEN: Mentally disturbed OTH: Other reason PCA: Prevent criminal act **RET:** Retaliation **ROB:** Robbery THF: Theft

ABR: Argument in a bar AFA: Argument, family AHL: Argument, homosexual lovers AOT: Argument, other ATR: Argument, traffic AWD: Accidental discharge of gun CHA: Child abuse DCW: Discharge weapon FEL: Other felony GAN: Gang related INT: Intoxicated JHO: Justifiable homicide NAR: Drug related PAV: Parole violation RAR: Resisting arrest **REV:** Revenge SAS: Sexual assault UNK: Unknown

12. SRACE: Variable describing the race of the offender.

| W: White | H: Hispanic |
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| B: Black | A: Asian |
| I: Indian | U: Victim race unknown |

- 13. **SGENDER**: Variable describing the gender of the offender. M: Male F: Female U: Unknown
- 14. SAGE: Variable describing the age of the offender.99: Age unknown999: Age missing

15. STATUS: Variable describing the status of the police investigation.

| C: Closed | O: Open |
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| CACC: Cleared-accidental | CNAT: Cleared-natural |
| CSVI: Cleared-suicide | WFQU: Wanted for questioning |
| CAOD: Cleared-assist other agency | CDAR: Cleared-DA refused to file |
| CLOP: Cleared-lack of prosecution | |
| CRIM: Cleared-referred to immigr. | CRRO: Cleared-referred to robbery |
| CRJU: Cleared-referred to juvenile | CSTA: Cleared-statement only |
| CUNF: Unfounded | OPEN: Case open |
| CRJP: Cleared-referred to Grand Jun | ry |
| CACO: Cleared-arrest, charges field | l in other case. |
| CBOX: Cleared-by exceptional mea | ns. |
| CACF: Cleared-arrest, charges filed | INAC: Inactive |
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| CRAU: Cleared-referred to auto theft | | | | |
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| CRTF: Cleared-referred to file | CAOA: Cleared-assist other agency | | | |
| PEND: Charges pending | CINV: Cleared by investigation | | | |
| 16. CHARGE: Variable describing the charge filed against the suspect. | | | | |
| AA: Aggravated assault | AD: Delivery of controlled substance | | | |
| AK: Aggravated kidnapping | AM: Attempted murder | | | |
| AP: Assault of police officer | AS: Assault | | | |
| AT: Auto theft | BM: Burglary of motor vehicle | | | |
| BU: Burglary | CA: Attempted capitol murder | | | |
| DO: Suspect dead other means | DS: Suspect dead | | | |
| IC: Injury to child | IM: Involuntary manslaughter | | | |
| JH: Justifiable homicide | MU: Murder | | | |
| NF: Not filed | OT: Other charges | | | |
| PC: Possession of illegal drugs | PF: Possession of gun by felon | | | |
| PV: Parole violation | RC: Reckless conduct | | | |
| RG: Referred to grand jury | RO: Robbery | | | |
| RP: Referred to juvenile probation | SA: Sexual assault | | | |

- 17. **INCADD**: Variable providing the address where the incident occurred.
- 18. **FULLMOON**: Variable describing whether or not the homicide occurred on the night of a full moon.

0: No full moon

1: Occurred on a full moon

- 19. X_COORD: X coordinate for homicide location.
- 20. **Y_COORD**: Y coordinate for homicide location.