

# CeaseFirePA

Taking a stand against gun violence in Pennsylvania



## SUICIDE IS A GUN VIOLENCE PROBLEM

On average, two people die by firearm suicide **everyday** in Pennsylvania

Fewer than 10% of people who attempt suicide with a firearm survived. 90% of those who attempt suicide with a means other than a firearm survive.

Pennsylvania's firearm suicide rate is higher than the national average.

Firearms are used in more suicides than homicides every year



Having a firearm in the home **triples** the risk of suicide for household members

The most commonly used method of suicide is firearms (43%)

**90%** Approximately 90% of people who have survived a suicide attempt do not subsequently die by suicide.

About 20 veterans in the United States take their own lives every day, and two-thirds do so with firearms.



Firearms are the most commonly used method of suicide for men in PA, accounting for 56% of the deaths.



States that require a waiting period for the completion of handgun sales have 27% fewer suicides per capita and 51% fewer firearm suicides.

Studies of Indiana and Connecticut's Extreme Risk Protection Order laws estimate that the law averted one suicide for approximately every 10 gun removals.



National Suicide Prevention Lifeline 1-800-273-8255