



Gun violence is as diverse as Pennsylvania. A Common Agenda will help end it.

4,600 Pennsylvanians are killed or injured every year. In cities from Pittsburgh to York to Philadelphia, rising rates of community violence are destroying the fabric of neighborhoods, and taking the lives of loved ones. Rural counties like Wayne and Elk see the highest rates of firearm suicide, which make up the majority of gun deaths. And no where seems safe any more from the specter of a mass shooting.

Many of these deaths would be preventable through simple, common sense measures: Extreme Risk Protection Orders, reporting of missing firearms, and universal background checks. Wit this agenda, CeaseFirePA is building a statewide coalition that embraces the diversity of our Commonwealth by recognizing that violence visits our communities differently, but the suffering that comes from the loss of parents, children, friends and classmates is an unimaginable toll that can unite us.

Already 130 organizations have joined. Now it's your turn.

OUR MISSION To end the gun violence epidemic, CeaseFirePA organizes with communities closest to the issue, holds those in power accountable and maximizes the strengths of every member in its broad coalition.

TAKE A STAND



TELL YOUR LEGISLATOR TO SUPPORT THE COMMON AGENDA TO END GUN VIOLENCE

The Common Agenda is powered by our partners. They are doctors treating bullet wounds and counseling patients at risk of suicide. Faith leaders who understand that valuing life is at the core of faith. Violence prevention advocates who are working tirelessly to stop the next shooting. And survivors, who have turned loss into power and purpose. Together, we're the Common Agenda to End Gun Violence.

The coalition currently is focused on three policy priorities, addressing common sources of gun violence and proposing common-sense, effective solutions:

THE AGENDA



EXTREME RISK PROTECTION ORDERS

Suicide is the #1 source of gun deaths. While 80% of individuals exhibit warning signs, there is little family members can do. ERPOs are a civil court process for law enforcement or close family to temporarily remove someone's firearm before it's too late. In one analysis, every 10 firearms removed saved one life.



LOST OR STOLEN GUN REPORTING

Every day about 21 guns go missing everyday in Pennsylvania. Many of them end up as part of illegal firearm trafficking, driving homicides. By requiring gun owners to report missing firearms within 72 hours of discovering it gone, we can reduce illegal gun movement 46 percent.



UNIVERSAL BACKGROUND CHECKS

Pennsylvania's background check halted 27,000 sales to violent criminal record, a clear history of abuse, or serious dangers. But a gap allows these same individuals to buy a long gun such as military style assault rifle from an individual without background check. Every gun sale should require a background check, no matter the seller.



