

**Restoring American Confidence** 

# **2023 Safe Storage Proposal**

### World Conference Of Mayors

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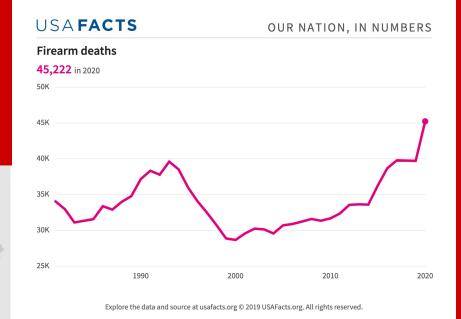
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### How many people were involved in gun violence in 2020?

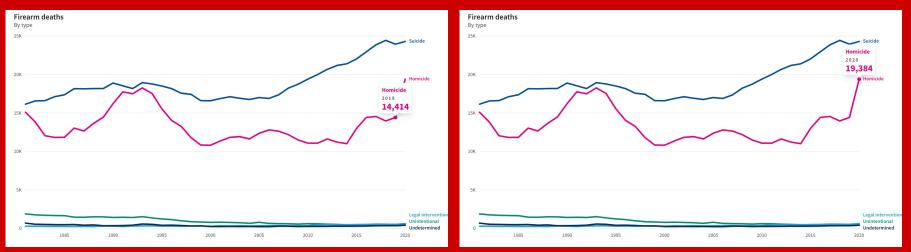
There were a total of 45,222 firearm deaths in the US in 2020.

That's an increase of 14% or 5,155 people from 2019.

There were more than
45,222
firearm-related deaths in the United States in 2020
That's about
124 people
dying from a firearm-related injury each day



### Firearm Related Homicides in the U.S 2019 to 2020

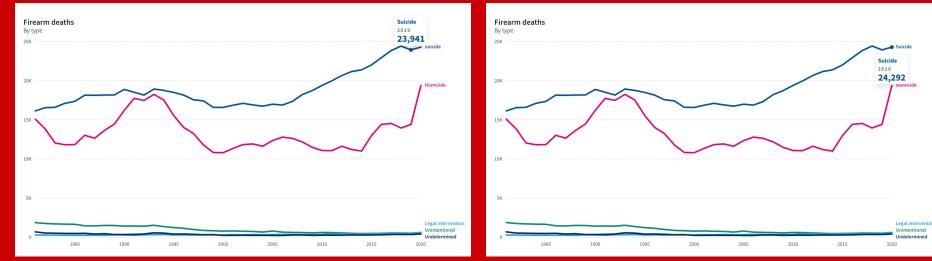


Sources: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

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In 2020, we see *Homicides* account for 42% of firearm deaths. This is a 6% increase or 4,970 person difference from 2019.

### Firearm Related Suicides in the U.S 2019 to 2020



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# In 2019, *Suicides* accounted for 60% of Firearm Deaths. In 2020, we see *Suicides* increased by 351 people

### **Non-Fatal Firearm Related Injuries**

 More than seven out of every 10 medically treated firearm injury is from a firearm-related assault

 Nearly 2 out of every 10 are from unintentional firearm injuries.

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are unintentional firearm injuries

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### **Emergent Problem**

### Firearms are the leading cause of death in children in the U.S

DEMOGRAPHICS

#### Gun Violence Among Children & Teens



#### National

**3,540** children and teens die by guns every year

35% of all gun deaths among children and teens are suicides

60%

of all gun deaths among children and teens are homicides

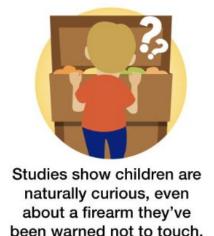
# 4.6 Million Children

## Live in Homes where Firearms are Unlocked AND Loaded

## The Risk of Homicido is 3 times greater when there are Firearms in the Home

### On average 300 children a year are involved in an Unintentional Shooting.

Every year, hundreds of children in the US gain unauthorized access to firearms and unintentionally shoot themselves or someone else.

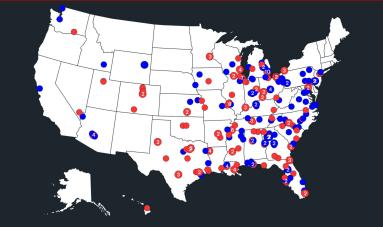


Source: American Academy of Pediatrics

### Emergent Issue: Unintentional Shootings involving Kids

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Source: EveryTown Research

In 2022, there were at least 301 unintentional shooting by children, resulting in 133 deaths and 180 injuries nationally.

## Safe Storage



Kids are safer when:

Firearms are in a lockbox or safe, unloaded. Ammunition is locked away separately.

Source: American Academy of Pediatrics



### Kids are <u>safest</u> when:

firearms are stored outside the home.

**Source: American Academy of Pediatrics** 

Traditionally, the U.S has been using firearm trigger locks as the preferred standard for safe storage.

### Keep the "safe" in firearm safety

Hiding a gun is not enough! Kids are curious, and studies show they usually know where a family keeps a gun.

#### Gun safes can lower the risk a curious child will be hurt:



RAC secures handguns and long guns



Locked gun safe for rifles



Gun trigger locks – inexpensive and effective



Lock box for ammo





### The Problem with Traditional Trigger & Cable Locks

- ✓ Available at your local police station
- ✓ Inexpensive
- Dissuades unauthorized users
- ✓ Malleable
- **X** Ability to prevent negligent discharges
- X Durable
- **X** Most effective



# **Our Proposal**

## **Educate The Community**

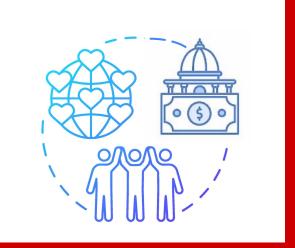
In partnership with Nonprofits and Community Outreach Groups we will teach firearm owners how to properly store their firearms in their vehicle, home or business. Additionally we will offer alternative outlets to prevent senseless violence. Our goal is to inform both firearm owners and community members of the impact of firearms and the responsibility each one of us have in keeping our communities safe.

#### **Community Partners**



### Donate as a Public Good

We're requesting a government funded donation of a reliable firearm storage system and FREE installations to a Firearm.







Value o \$150

Digital & Manual Firearm Security and Storage www.TheAmericanRAC.com

### New vs. Old Proposed Standard for Safe Storage Solution in the U.S

Key Benefits of The RAC

- $\checkmark$  A mountable device
- ✓ Tested to withstand 4,700 lbs of pressure
- Ability to store up to 3 firearms at once
- ✓ Ability to be mounted in homes, vehicles or businesses
- Prohibits unauthorized usage of firearms
- ✓ Key, Keyless and Remote Entry Models Available
- Available at Local Police
  Department for FREE

Benefits of a Trigger/Cable lock

- X A mountable device
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### **Model: NSSF's Project ChildSafe**

- NSSF has a non-profit division where they provide FREE "safety kits" that include a cable-style gun lock and safety instructions.
- Project ChildSafe has partnered with local and state law enforcement to distribute these cable locks as a public good to anyone who wants one.
- Firearm owners and community members can travel to their local police station or sheriff's department and pick up a FREE cable lock.
- Law Enforcement Partners can easily request more safety kits to supply demand.

https://projectchildsafe.org/safety/get-a-safety-kit/

## **Call To Action #1**

We're asking every Mayor and member of the World Conference of Mayors to reach out to their respective law enforcement departments and advocate for an immediate solution to the gun violence problem in our communities.

An upgrade is needed.

A Safe & Reliable Firearm Storage Device must be accessible to:

- ✓ those that need it
- ✓ those that want it
- those who want it but may not be able to afford it

We're proposing The American RAC as that Safe Storage Device.

### Practice the Solution

Follow up with lawmakers to enact higher penalties on those that practice unsafe firearm storage and implement Child Access Prevention Laws.

Begin process of legally making reliable safe storage systems a necessity in the homes of firearms.





### **Model: California Gun Laws**

All firearms purchased in California must have a CA DOJ-approved safety device. This is either a RAC, or some other type of lock that makes the firearm unusable when the device is engaged. The requirement states that every firearm purchased has to have a safety device. This is how we practice safe storage.

https://oag.ca.gov/firearms/fsdcertlist



### **Call To Action #2**

We're asking every Mayor and member of the World Conference of Mayors to reach out to their colleagues and other legislators to advocate for more gun laws centered on safe storage.

**Proposed Gun Laws:** 

- Require firearm owners to purchase a safety device when they purchase a firearm
- Implement a state approved list of safety devices
- Increase the penalties of practicing unsafe storage
- Child Access Prevention Laws

This is how we practice safe storage in our homes and our government.

### **Call To Action #3**

We're asking every Mayor and member of the World Conference of Mayors to join us!

Together we can have a positive and lasting impact on our local and global communities!

It's easier to stop something from happening in the first place than to repair the damage after it has been done.

"An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure"

### We are ALL One. We are All One World

We all have the same desire and agenda to make this world a better place, for all of us.

We invite everyone to participate on projects that will make us a stronger group of people.

Be inspired to live a legacy

"Help me and let me help you"



Boa ME Na

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Emerging Issue

Solution \_\_\_\_\_ Safe Storage

Our Proposal — >

Call To Action #1

Call To Action #2

Call To Action #3

#### **Gun Violence**

Firearms are the leading cause of death in children

An educational prevention program, public good donation and gun laws

Advocate for The American RAC being government funded and donated as a public good to all homes with a firearm

Pressure legislators to enact stronger gun laws centered around safe storage and Child Access **Prevention** 

Join US in our efforts!

