

# Gun Violence: Myths, Realities and Solutions



Gun violence is a plague on our society. It has caused irreparable harm to its victims, families, and communities. Gun violence has created an atmosphere of fear in our public spaces including sanctuaries such as churches and synagogues and is not without its financial burden on taxpayers. While most Americans strongly desire sensible gun laws, crave safety, and do not want to take away guns from responsible gun owners, enacting sensible gun laws across America is not happening. This program does not seek to place blame but does plan to provide context, explore some of the legal complexities, shatter myths, and examine possible solutions.



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