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working together to prevent gun violence



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*More gun deaths occur in rural Minnesota than in urban and suburban areas combined. Most are suicides. (MDH/CDC)*

It's time to treat gun violence like what it is: a public health crisis that puts every Minnesotan at risk. We must enact laws that will **prevent** gun violence, instead of responding after tragedies occur and lives have been lost.

**Our #1 Goal:  
Making gun ownership SAFER**

For 27 years, Protect Minnesota has been the ONLY independent, state-based organization dedicated to preventing gun violence in Minnesota. We're not anti-gun. We're anti-gun violence. Our goal is to keep guns out of the hands of criminals and those who are a threat to themselves or others. We CAN make gun ownership safer in Minnesota, without taking away the rights of responsible, law-abiding gun owners. Join us today, and help **PROTECT MINNESOTA!**

**Protect Minnesota Supports**

**Legislative Solutions**

- Closing the private seller loophole so that every gun sale includes a background check or permit to purchase.
- Extreme Risk Protection Orders, also called "Red Flag" laws.
- Mandatory reporting of lost and stolen firearms to prevent gun trafficking.
- Strict enforcement of the gun laws and regulations we already have.

**Public Health Solutions**

to prevent gun violence before it occurs by:

- Removing prohibitions in current state law against the collection of gun-related data for research purposes.
- Providing treatment for gun violence-related trauma to end the cycle.
- Making suicide prevention and gun safety resources widely available.
- Investing in the communities most impacted by gun violence.

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