

KELLY REPORT

GUN VIOLENCE IN AMERICA

Key Findings:

- Every year, over 100,000 Americans are shot – 30,000 of whom fatally.
- Gun violence has killed more Americans in the past 50 years than in every single American war.
- America averages three school shootings a month.
- One American under age 25 is killed by a gun every hour – the leading cause of death for young Americans.
- American children are four times more likely to be killed with a gun than Canadian children, seven times more likely than Israeli children, and 65 times more likely than British children.

Gun violence impacts every community across America. America’s gun violence epidemic is not the result of any one thing, but rather, a combination of factors. Guns – or crime, poverty, or mental illness – alone do not cause gun violence. Nor do strict gun laws unilaterally reduce firearm mortalities. A comprehensive strategy that reduces crime and protects innocent victims from violence; expands mental health treatment; and smartly regulates firearms while protecting Second Amendment rights of law abiding citizens is necessary.

Policy Recommendations:

Congress:

- ✓ H.R. 224 – Examine Gun Violence as a Matter of Public Health (Rep. Robin Kelly).
- ✓ H.R. 1217 – Establish Universal Background Checks (Rep. Peter King).
- ✓ H.R. 226 – Keep Guns from High Risk Individuals (Rep. Robin Kelly).
- ✓ H.R. 228 – Regulate Guns Like Other Potentially Dangerous Consumer Products (Rep. Robin Kelly).
- ✓ H.R. 1801 – Promote the Tracing of Firearms Used in Criminal Activity (Rep. Robin Kelly).
- ✓ H.R. 3455 – Make Gun Trafficking a Federal Crime (Rep. Carolyn Maloney).

States:

- ✓ Repeal Stand Your Ground Laws
- ✓ Develop a Firearm Restraining Order Petition Process
- ✓ Require Pre-Clearance for Gun Reinstatement following Psychological Hospitalization
- ✓ Require Physicians to ask Child-Wellness Questions to Promote Home Safety

Communities:

- ✓ Provide teachers Mental Health Training
- ✓ Invest in Smart Gun Technologies
- ✓ Support Proactive Prevention Programs in Urban Communities
- ✓ Support Smart Community Oriented Policing

For a complete analysis of America’s gun violence epidemic, see the full ***Kelly Report*** here:

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