



Pennsylvania
**Commission on Crime
and Delinquency**

Office of Gun Violence Prevention

On September 9, 2024, Governor Josh Shapiro signed Executive Order 2024-02, reestablishing the Pennsylvania Office of Gun Violence Prevention (OGVP) under the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency (PCCD). Below are the key initiatives of the OGVP.



Convene Advisory Group

Bring together experts, survivors, healthcare workers, law enforcement, and state agencies working to address gun violence.



Training & Technical Assistance

Promote awareness and adoption of violence intervention, prevention, and community violence intervention (CVI) strategies and best practices.



Develop Gun Violence Prevention Plan

Develop plan for the Commonwealth focusing on youth involvement, domestic violence, and other related issues.



Support Victims of Gun Violence

Work with PCCD's Office of Victims' Services to improve services and support for victims of gun violence.



Develop Gun Violence Data Dashboard

Create a dashboard to serve as a "one-stop-shop" for data and research on gun violence in Pennsylvania.



Promote Firearm Safety

Work with the Departments of Health, Human Services, and other stakeholders to increase awareness of safe storage practices.

Stakeholder Interest Form

Interested in becoming a member of the Pennsylvania Office of Gun Violence Prevention Advisory Group or staying engaged with the work of the Office? Use this form to let us know how you'd like to stay connected with us.

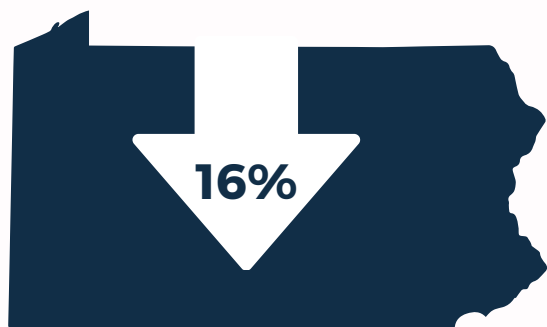
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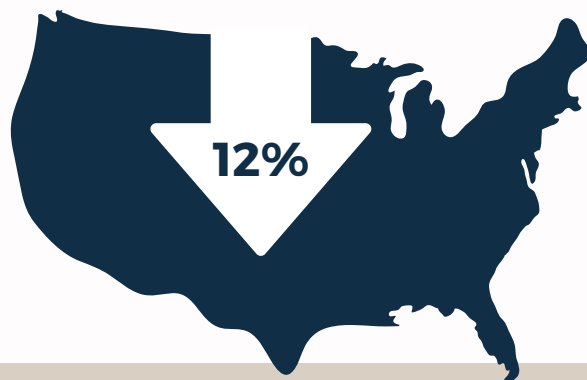


Gun Violence in Pennsylvania

Pennsylvania's investments in public safety have made a significant impact on decreasing homicides across the state in recent years.



In 2023, homicides dropped by 16%, with 872 total deaths across PA.



PA's decrease is higher than the national decline (12%) over that same time period.

In 2023, 29 of Pennsylvania's 67 counties experienced a decrease in homicides, including Philadelphia, which saw a 23% decrease and a 40% decrease so far for 2024.

However, gun violence continues to affect far too many Pennsylvanians.

Gun violence
kills or injures

4,600

Pennsylvanians
each year on average.

In 2022, PA's firearm
death rate was almost

2x that of
neighboring
states in the NE Region.

Black Pennsylvanians
are more than

4x as likely to
die from
gun violence
than White Pennsylvanians.

In 2022, more than

1,900

Pennsylvanians died
from firearm injuries.

The total economic
cost of firearm injury is

\$300M

per year in Pennsylvania.

More than half

(55%)

of gun deaths
in Pennsylvania
resulted from
suicide in 2022.