

THE CALIFORNIA CHAPTERS OF THE BRADY CAMPAIGN TO PREVENT GUN VIOLENCE

OUR MISSION

The Brady Campaign to Prevent Gun Violence is devoted to creating an America free from gun violence, where all Americans are safe at home, at school, at work, and in our communities. The California Chapters of the Brady Campaign educate and mobilize their communities to advocate for sensible responsible gun laws, regulations, and public policies at the local, state, and national levels.

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The California Chapters of the Brady Campaign, along with our partners in the national Brady Campaign to Prevent Gun Violence, work throughout California to educate communities about gun violence prevention, and to help create and support public policies, legislation and regulations for sensible gun laws.
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Protecting Our Families and Communities!



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OUR VISION AND BELIEFS

Our Vision for California:

The California Chapters of the Brady Campaign to Prevent Gun Violence have a vision of a California that is as safe as it is beautiful; a state where our families and children can thrive free from the fear of gun violence.

*It is too easy for dangerous people
to obtain dangerous weapons!*

We Believe:

- All Americans have the right to be safe from gun violence in their homes, neighborhoods, schools, and places of work and worship.
- All children and youth have the right to grow up in environments free from the threat of gun violence.
- Gun violence is a public health crisis that harms not only the physical, but the also the spiritual, social, and economic health of our families and communities.
- It is too easy for dangerous people to obtain dangerous weapons. This increases the risk of death or severe injury in situations of domestic violence, criminal activity, gang-related or youth violence, suicide attempts, and unintentional shootings.
- It is possible to reduce the number of deaths and injuries caused by gun violence with reasonable and responsible, common sense gun laws to protect our families and our communities.

GUN VIOLENCE IN THE UNITED STATES AND CALIFORNIA

- In the U.S., 8 children and teenagers are killed, and more than 47 are injured, by a firearm every day. –CDC, NCHS, December 2006
- A gun in the home is 22 times more likely to be used in a homicide, suicide or unintentional shooting than to kill in self defense. –Kellermann, IL, *Journal of Trauma*, 1998
- In California in 2005, 3,453 people died from firearm-related injuries and 4,316 others were treated for non-fatal gunshot wounds. – CA Dept. of Health Services EPIC, 2008
- The 2005 costs of firearm homicides in California are estimated at \$841.4 million for lost taxes, medical care, mental health, emergency transport, police, and criminal justice expenditures. – Public Services Research Institute, *National Crime Firearm Violence Costs and Costs for Illinois, Oregon, Utah, and California*, 2008

*The California Brady Chapters advocate
for sensible gun laws to protect our
families and our communities!*

PREVENTING GUN VIOLENCE BEGINS WITH YOU IN YOUR HOME AND YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD. WHAT YOU CAN DO!

- Contact your local California Brady Campaign Chapter in the box on the back page and sign up for e-mail alerts and updates.
- Contact your local California Brady Chapter and request a speaker to come to your school, church or civic organization.
- Share this brochure with family, neighbors, and friends.
- Become a California Brady Campaign Activist and help stop gun violence in California. Go to: www.bradycampaign.org/CA