



FAST FACTS ON GUN VIOLENCE



Nearly **47,000** Americans die every year from gun violence.

58% of gun deaths were suicides.

Firearms are the leading cause of death for children under **18** years old.



Boston's homicide rate reached a historic low in 2023.



Over **750** women are shot & killed every year in domestic violence-related incidents.



In **2023**, Massachusetts ranked the *lowest* rate of gun deaths in the country per capita & recognized as the safest state by Giffords Law Center.

Boston Police reported a **280%** rise in untraceable ghost guns recovered*.



Massachusetts has a strong history regulating firearms!

In colonial times, Boston banned the storage of loaded firearms in homes *plus set limits on gunpowder possession and transportation.*



**between 2019-2021*