# Moms Demand Action For Gun Sense - Wisconsin

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### Acknowledgement & Intention

#### Moms Demand Action

#### Founded by: Shannon Watts

- Grassroots and volunteer-based
- "Moms" = Mothers and others
- ~6 million supporters
- Increase public safety from gun violence.
- Hold politicians accountable.
- Support survivors.









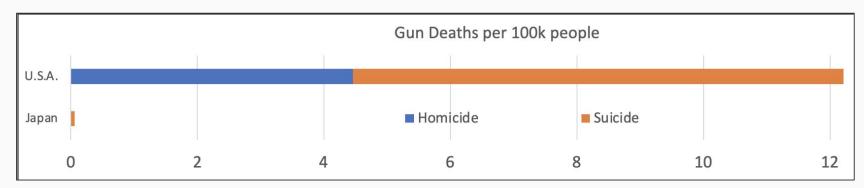
### My Story - Why Moms?











#### **United Nations** Declaration of Universal **Human Rights**







rights and

freedoms for all



life, liberty

and security



ban on slavery

and servitude



ban on torture



recognition

of the legal

personality





ban on arbitrary detention

fair and public trial

presumption of private and family life innocence



domestic and international freedom of movement



social security



marriage equality and protection of the family



private property



freedom of thought, conscience and religion



freedom of opinion and expression



freedom of assembly and association



democratic participation



work and right to unionisation



rest and leisure



health and well-being



education



culture



social and international order



community



### Connection to UU Principles

Inherent worth and dignity of every person.





#### What we do

- Gun safety education
- Gun violence awareness & survivor resources
- Policy Advocacy



## Gun safety education

#### **Secure**

all guns in your home and vehicles

#### Model

responsible behavior around guns

#### Ask

about the presence of unsecured guns in other homes

#### Recognize

the role of guns in suicide

#### Tell

your peers to be SMART

For more information on what you can do to keep kids safe, visit **BeSmartForKids.org** 

#### Gun violence awareness & Survivor resources

#### **Bringing awareness**



Supporting community groups



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Wear Orange drive for DAIS abuseintervention.org



### Policy Advocacy

Support people in advocating for Gun Safety

#### **Advocacy Day**



#### **Elections**



#### **Testimony**



### Current Wisconsin State Legislative Initiatives

- Ensure adequate funding for **community-based violence intervention programs** (American Rescue Plan at the Governor's discretion)
- Prohibit those convicted of a domestic violence misdemeanor from possessing a firearm (AB 321 / SB 317)
- Provide funding for community suicide prevention programming, including support for gun shops to provide for staff education on suicide prevention and take other preventative steps (such as offering no-questions-asked storage for those in crisis) (AB 210 / SB253; AB 193 / SB 200)

### Policy Advocacy

#### Support people in advocating for Gun Safety

Learning how to engage in civic life.

- Contacting representatives
- Submitting comments

#### Submit a Comment on Ghost Guns

**STEP 1: SUBMIT MY COMMENT** 

#### How to format your comment:

- Clearly express your support for the proposed lifesaving rule. (We've provided examples below)
- If you need to look up the proposed rule, its formal title is **ATF 2021R-05**.



### **Imagined Future**

Take a minute to think:

What would a world without gun violence look like?



Gun Violence Memorial Project. 700 "bricks" represent Americans killed by guns every week.

### What can you do?

**Education & Community** 

Make **gun storage** part of the conversation when kids are involved.

Book a **Be SMART** presentation or check out website.

Support and advocate for anti-gun violence groups

#### Advocacy

**Contact** representatives about gun violence prevention legislation.

Hold candidates accountable.

**Encourage** friends/family not in Madison or MKE to do the same.

### What can you do? State Legislation

#### **Community-Based Intervention Programs**

- Call the <u>Governor's office</u> and ask for ARP funding to be directed toward these important, evidence-based, life-saving programs.

#### **Domestic Violence Misdemeanor** (AB 321 / SB 317)

 Call your state <u>Assembly Rep & Senator</u>. Thank co-sponsoring (if applicable) and ask that these be given a full committee hearing.

#### Suicide Prevention Programming (AB 210 / SB253; AB 193 / SB 200)

- Call your state <u>Assembly Rep & Senator.</u> Ask that these bills be brought to the floor and passed.

### What can you do?

#### Moms Membership

Monthly Information & Action Meetings

See me or a Moms member to sign up. Or find meetings through our website

 $\underline{\textbf{momsdemandaction.org}} \rightarrow \text{events}$ 

Text "READY" to 644-33



Facebook: Moms Demand Action - WI

### Thank you!!

Questions? Thoughts?
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Learn more and find a local meeting near you:

- momsdemandaction.org > Events
- everytown.org
- everytownresearch.org