

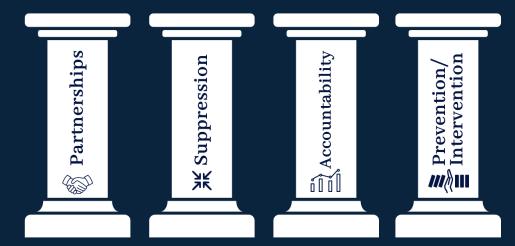
Operation Ceasefire

An Evidenced-based Approach to Reducing Violent Crime in Virginia



Ceasefire Goal

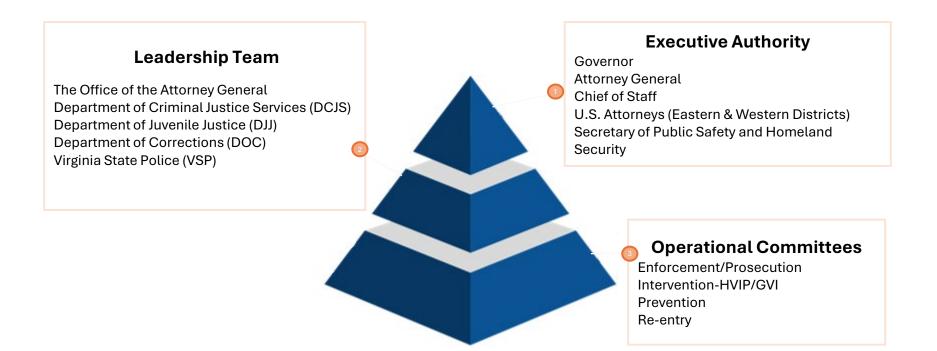
To reduce violent crime by establishing and expanding upon existing partnerships through suppression, prevention and intervention strategies.



Ceasefire Objectives

- A 10% decrease in *homicides* in Virginia by September 2024.
- A 5% reduction in the combined number of *homicides, aggravated* assaults, and robberies with a firearm after a year of implementation in Virginia.
- A 5% decrease in combined homicides, aggravated assaults, and robberies in the individual cities after a year of implementation of Operation Ceasefire.
- A 95% conviction rate in cases indicted in the 2023 and 2024 calendar years in the Eastern and Western Districts.

Governance Structure



Operation Ceasefire Virginia

- 1. Partnerships
- 2. Providing support for law enforcement, including training and equipment.
- 3. Intervention and Prevention Programming
- 4. Media Campaign (Anti-retaliatory, Tipline, and Community)
- 5. Evaluation of Ceasefire Virginia and ROI of RTC equipment
- 6. Victim/Witness Protection
- 7. Prosecution and Enforcement

Operation Ceasefire

Working together to reduce violent crime.





Forge Public Safety and Community Partnerships

Overview of Community Partnership Structure

- Identify locality-specific partners across the public and private sectors to identify funding streams, initiatives and partnerships localities can leverage to address their specific needs
- Each locality will forge unique, Strategic Public Safety partnerships with administration employees, as well as local and private partners
- Utilize staff resources to track and report key metrics and progress on ongoing initiatives
- Work with law enforcement partners, prosecutors, analysts and researcher to focus and adjust the strategic plans for each city.

Outline of Partnership Formation

- Conduct initial outreach to essential local leaders (ex. Chief of Police, Mayors, City Managers) to create connectivity with leadership committee and garner commitment
- Convene Strategic Public Safety planning meetings of with local stakeholders to identify levers for violent crime reduction at the locality level
- Conduct cross-systems mapping to identify immediate needs with available resources (programs and funding pools)
- Measure quantifiable metrics of progress from recommendations, iterate plan, and continue to refine initiatives.

Community Partner

HOW TO ENGAGE

If you've been referred by your Court Services Unit (CSU) and are looking for extra support, EmpowerLife is here to walk with you.

To get started:

- Speak with your CSU contact about EmpowerLife.
- Participation is completely voluntary. You may choose to end participation at any time.
- If you elect to engage, your CSU will provide a consent form to begin services.
- You'll be invited to an initial meeting with the CSU, KUF Marketplace, and a Volunteer Service Provider
- Together, we'll create a plan that fits your goals.

FAITH IN ACTION. COMMUNITY IN SUPPORT. LIVES TRANSFORMED.





EMPOWERLIFE:
A COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT
ECOSYSTEM

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EMPOWERLIFE:

A COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

SUPPORTING YOUTH & FAMILIES

Presented in Partnership by the Virginia Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ) and the KUF Marketplace Resource Center (KUF)



About This Partnership

Kingdom United Fellowship (KUF), through the KUF Marketplace Resource Center, is a communityrooted organization committed to supporting justiceinvolved youth and their families.

KUF partners with the Virginia Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ) under a formal agreement to provide meaningful support services that uplift, equip, and empower youth across the Commonwealth.

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EmpowerLife is a statewide initiative facilitated by the KUF Marketplace Resource Center in collaboration with DJJ.

What is EmpowerLife?

It provides wraparound services to court-involved youth and their families through a network of trained Volunteer Service Providers. Participation is voluntary and offers families a pathway to healing, growth, and future success.

Services We Offer (24 hour availability)

- Mentoring
- Hispanic Resources
- Victim Services
 Mental Health
- Mental Health Counseling
- Tutoring
- Human Trafficking Services
- Domestic Violence
- Computer Lessons
- Small Group SessionsEmployment
- Readiness Classes
- Emergency Housing
- Emergency Food
 Distribution
- Financial Counseling
- · And, much more





Identifying Drivers for Enforcement

Violent Individuals and Guns: Homegrown gangs and youth with access to firearms and income, increasingly generated by fraud and drugs.

Quantifying the Crime: A small number of offenders responsible for a disproportionate level of violent crime.

Hot Spots: Most of the violent crime is occurring in concentrated areas in Virginia Cities.

Juveniles with Guns: Shootings by teenagers in target cities had escalated.



OPERATION CEASEFIRE VIRGINIA HAS MADE US SAFER

Ceasefire Virginia by the Numbers



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Ceasefire Cities:

Richmond, Petersburg, Hopewell, Chesapeake, Danville, Emporia, Hampton, Lynchburg, Martinsville, Newport News, Norfolk, Portsmouth, and Roanoke.



Homicides down 33%

2022-2024 across Virginia



Over 60%

drop in homicides driven by Ceasefire cities



400+ lbs

Drugs Seized



200+

Felony Arrests Made



256 Federal 26 State

Cases Made



99% Conviction Rate for Dedicated Ceasefire Prosecutors



63

VSP Trooper Surges Executed

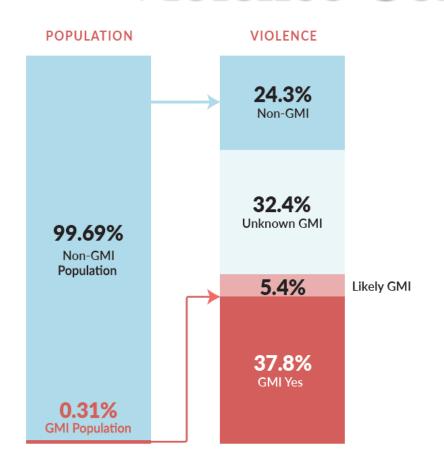


Facts on the Ground

- Even in communities with high rates of violence, very few people are involved in homicides and shootings. They are connected to each other through groups.
- Group members typically make up around half a percent of a city's population but are involved in as much as 70 percent of its homicide and gun violence.
- Young men in these communities face extraordinary homicide rates—about 100 times the national average.
- Those at the highest risk of shooting someone are often the same people who face the highest risk of becoming a shooting victim.



Violence Concentration



Gangs that represent 0.31% of overall population are involved in at least 43% of homicides and nonfatal shooting incidents.

DCJS: The Office of Safer Communities

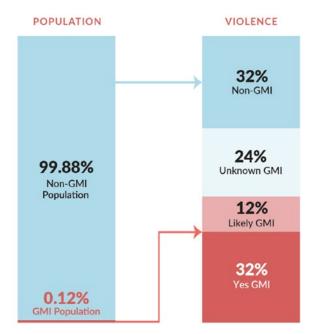
Grant Programs



Intervention

HVIP and CVI/GVI







Prevention

WEALL LIVEHERE.

No more shootings!





YES, YOU CAN HELP STOP GUN VIOLENCE.











GUN VIOENCE IS NOT A GAME. LEARN THE RULES.

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IF YOU SEE SOMETHING, SAY SOMETHING.

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Virginia RULES

OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

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Virginia Rules is an educational program especially designed to help instructors, parents, and students understand the laws that apply to Virginia teens in their everyday lives. Learn More »

Welcome from Virginia Attorney General Jason S. Miyares

Thank you for visiting the Virginia Rules website and for taking an active role in the development of Virginia's young people.



Data Driven Strategic Advisory Committee

We are using the L. Douglas Wilder School of Government and Public Affairs Center for Public Policy at Virginia Commonwealth University and local universities to provide technical assistance in conducting additional data-driven analysis of the targeted areas to guide program strategy and contribute addressing existing problems. We are using a mix of quantitative and qualitative methods.

- Shooting Reviews
- Social Network Analysis
- Trend analysis and identification of crime-determinants
- Surveys
- Risk Terrain Modeling
- Hotspot analysis
- Community involved data validation
- Assess gaps in services, strategies, and partners

The Data Driven Strategic Advisory Committee includes representatives from VCU, DCJS, Governor's Office, VCU, and VSP.

Through a partnership with the Governor's Office of Data Governance and Analytics (GODGA), and Data Advisory Committee, regular evaluations occurred on different strategies, as well as continued assessment of stated measurements by VCUs Center for Public Policy.

The Governors Office of Data Governance and Analytics is set up a Data Trust that will help with data collection and analysis. We worked with law enforcement agencies to create real time violent crime dashboards and score cards for Virginia.



OFFICE OF DATA GOVERNANCE & ANALYTICS

YTD/ QTD

By Month



MURDER AND AGGRAVATED ASSAULT DASHBOARD

Percentages are the increase/decrease in incidents compared to prior year Percentage calculation is (current less prior) divided by prior

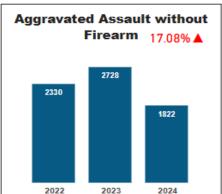
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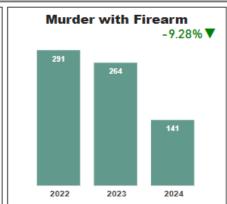
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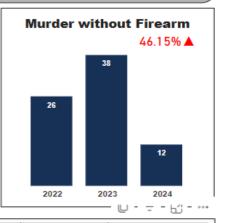
City: All











Offense	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2022 - 2023 Change %
Aggravated Assault with Firearm	1852	2254	2897	3305	3002	2653	1787	-11.63%
Aggravated Assault without Firearm	2427	2554	2322	2301	2330	2728	1822	17.08%
Murder with Firearm	187	174	238	288	291	264	141	-9.28%
Murder without Firearm	28	36	40	42	26	38	12	46.15%

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Official Violent
Crime Data

Citizen Perceptions

Practitioner Perceptions

ROI Analyses

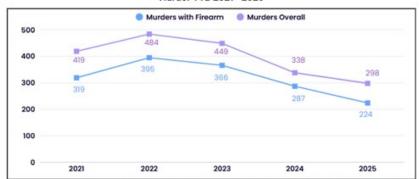
Holistic Mixed Methods Analysis



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Murder YTD 2021 - 2025



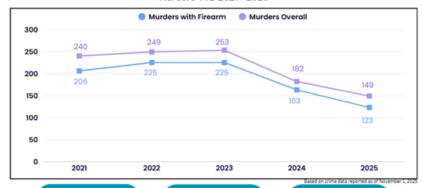
-29%
All Murders
-30%
Firearm Murders
YTD 2021 to 2025

-38%
All Murders
-43%
Firearm Murders
YTD 2022 to 2025

-12%
All Murders
-22%
Firearm Murders
YTD 2022 to 2025

CEASEFIRE LOCALITIES

Murders YTD 2021 - 2025



-38%
All Murders
-40%
Firearm Murders
YTD 2021 to 2025

-41%
All Murders
-45%
Firearm Murders
YTD 2023 to 2025

-18%
All Murders
-25%
Firearm Murders
YTD 2024 to 2025

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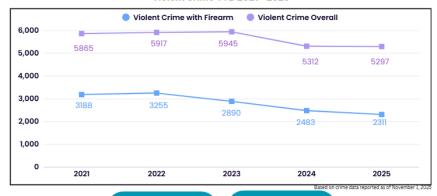
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Violent Crime YTD 2021 - 2025



CEASEFIRE LOCALITIES

Violent Crime YTD 2021 - 2025



-28%
Violent Crime
with Firearm
YTD 2021 to 2025

-10%
All Violent Crime
YTD 2021 to 2025