

## **GUN VIOLENCE IN THE LATINO COMMUNITY**

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**There are 100 million more guns in America than there are people. There have been 2,931 mass shootings in America since 2019 – five years. By definition, a mass shooting occurs when four people or more are shot. That’s an average of 586 mass shootings per year, 49 per month, 11 per week, 1.6 per day! Mass shootings are shocking, but gun violence overall is the problem.**

**More than 35,000 people have been killed by gun violence so far in 2023, which is an average of almost 118 people killed each day. Of that total number, 1,157 were teens and 246 were children. Over half were deaths by suicide (19,734), 66 per day.**

**This forum will focus on the impact of gun violence in the Hispanic community, given that Hispanics are twice as likely to be victims of gun violence. Many states are making it easier to possess firearms – no age requirement, no permit required, no background checks, no training, and no red flag laws. The need for gun reform is obvious.**