



2016 Policy Agenda

The Safe States Alliance 2016 Policy Priorities are to:

- Provide \$20M to CDC to ensure all states, territories and the District of Columbia have basic program funding for coordinated and comprehensive injury and violence prevention programs.
- Increase funding for the CDC's [National Violent Death Reporting System \(NVDRS\)](#) to \$25M to expand implementation nationwide.

Safe States will coordinate and collaborate with partners to:

- Preserve the [Prevention and Public Health Fund](#) and ensure that sufficient resources exist to support injury and violence prevention efforts.
- Maintain funding for the CDC's [Preventive Health and Health Services \(PHHS\) Block Grant](#) at \$180M and provide \$650M to the Health Resources and Services Administration's for the [Maternal and Child Health \(MCH\) Block Grant](#).
- Increase youth violence prevention-related investments across all federal agencies, including restoration of funding for CDC's [youth violence prevention](#) activities to \$19M.
- Provide \$10M for CDC for research on the causes and prevention of firearm-related violence and injuries.
- Increase funding to \$18M to CDC for the [Injury Control Research Centers](#) to conduct interdisciplinary research and provide training for future injury and violence prevention practitioners and researchers.
- Increase funding for the CDC Winnable Battles and the National Center for Injury Prevention and Control's (NCIPC) focus areas including, but not limited to: motor vehicle-related injuries, prescription drug overdose, child abuse and neglect, older adult falls, sexual violence and youth sports concussion.

Safe States will monitor and support efforts to pass federal legislation on specific injury and violence prevention topics, as well as maintain and/or increase funding for public health and injury and violence prevention capacity (e.g., federal surface transportation bills, Garrett Lee Smith Memorial Act Suicide Prevention Program, Rape Prevention and Education, Prescription Drug Monitoring Programs, National Center for Health Statistics, Violence Against Women Act, Traumatic Brain Injury Act, Youth Promise Act, Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act, Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act, poison control centers, opioid harm, sudden unexpected infant death data enhancement and awareness, etc).