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# **2023** Grants for Research in Gun Violence Prevention Request for Proposals

# **Background**

Grandmothers Against Gun Violence Foundation (GAGVF) works to end gun violence in our communities by raising funds for research that informs public health and safety policies. The Foundation was created as a 501c3 nonprofit in 2019 to address the decades-long absence of research on gun violence and its prevention. We recognize gun violence as a complex public health problem that takes many forms: suicides, homicides, mass shootings, unintentional shootings, intergenerational trauma, and community violence. We seek remedies in research, education, and community engagement. We believe that sustained investments in research on gun violence and its prevention will lead to policies that save lives.

To date, the Foundation has funded six research projects conducted by emerging researchers in the University of Washington's schools of Public Health and Social Work. For information about those research projects, visit our website:

https://www.foundationgrandmothersagainstgunviolence.org

#### **Research Priorities**

- 1. We seek to support **emerging researchers** in gun violence prevention. See list of eligible researchers below.
- 2. We solicit proposals for research projects conducted within Washington State.
- 3. We encourage **interdisciplinary research** that involves disciplines such as public health, social work, psychology, medicine, nursing, public policy, urban planning, epidemiology, and education.
- 4. We encourage research projects that address **community-identified problems** related to gun ownership, gun violence, and **impacts on children**, **youth and families**.
- 5. We encourage projects that identify **new questions or issues** in an under-funded or emerging area of gun violence prevention research. Examples include:
  - What are the impacts of gun violence within families? How are children, parents and grandparents who have a lost family member to gun violence differentially affected?
  - What approaches to conflict resolution offer the best alternatives to gun ownership and use for groups impacted by interpersonal violence?
  - How are older adults impacted by gun ownership and/or gun violence?

What are current trends in gun ownership and gun use by women?

6. We encourage projects that build on findings from projects previously funded by the Foundation. See summaries of previous research projects on the Foundation website.

| Types of Projects                    | Eligible Researchers                     |
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| Systematic reviews of literature     | *Masters students                        |
| Pilot studies                        | *Doctoral students                       |
| Quantitative, qualitative, or        | *Post-doctoral students                  |
| mixed method studies                 | Early career researchers (within 5 years |
| Intervention studies                 | of completing post-doctoral studies)     |
| Program or policy evaluation studies | Community-based researchers              |

<sup>\*</sup>Student applicants must be sponsored by an experienced scientific mentor.

## **Proposal Timelines**

Request for Proposals released: January 2, 2023

Proposal due date: March 1, 2023 Grantees notified: April 1, 2023

#### **Grant Amounts**

In 2023, GAGV Foundation expects to award up to three grants between \$15,000 and \$75,000 for a one-year project. A proposal should not exceed \$75,000.

### **Proposal Guidelines**

4 pages maximum (exclusive of references and biosketches); single-space, 12-point font, 1-inch margins

## Required components

- Project Title and Abstract
- Research question; problem being addressed
- Gaps in the scientific literature; GVP policies or practices addressed
- Target population (age, race/ethnicity, geography)
- Proposed method(s) of inquiry
- Plan for reporting and disseminating findings, including study participants, the public, and GAGVF
- Estimated timeline and budget
- Biosketches of researchers including sponsor (not included in page limit)
- Protection of human subjects, if applicable
- Major references (not included in page limit)
- Letter(s) of institutional support (from senior researcher, department or school, as appropriate)

Submit proposal to <a href="mailto:gagvfoundation@gmail.com">ggmail.com</a>. Questions may be directed to Kay Beisse, Foundation Research Chair, at this email address.

PLEASE NOTE: Interested researchers, including students, are invited to attend a Zoom meeting on Wednesday, January 25, 2023, 10:00 – 11:00 AM to learn more about the Foundation and the 2023 funding opportunities. Please request the Zoom link by contacting us at <a href="mailto:gagvfoundation@gmail.com">gagvfoundation@gmail.com</a>.