



GOVERNOR GRETCHEN WHITMER

REDUCING CRIME AND KEEPING COMMUNITIES SAFE



As a former prosecutor, public safety is a core issue for Governor Whitmer. She has worked closely with law enforcement officers and community organizations to bring down crime and ensure people feel safe in their neighborhoods.

Made advancements to keep communities safe

- Invested over [\\$2 billion](#) into public safety programs across 8 bipartisan budgets to assist police, firefighters, EMTs, and public safety departments with training, equipment, recruitment, retention, and support.
- [Increased](#) ongoing investments into the Michigan State Police by more than \$250 million.
- [Enacted a budget](#) that reinforces the commitment to keep Michigan communities safe through critical investments in law enforcement, first responders, victim support services, emergency preparedness, and community safety programs.
- Funded and [expanded](#) the [Office of Community Violence Intervention](#), using evidence-based solutions to tackle the root causes of community violence.
- [Established](#) a \$75 million new Revenue Sharing Trust Fund to continue support for counties, cities, villages, and townships across the state.
- [Invested](#) \$110 million into Public Safety Revenue Sharing grants, to provide cities, villages, and townships with additional resources for police services and to support community violence intervention efforts.
- [Supported](#) a substantial 20% pay increase for troopers and sergeants that began October 1, 2025.
- Signed legislation to [protect Michigan students at schools, colleges, and universities](#) from abuse and keep communities safe.
- [Signed a budget](#) delivering lifecycle upgrades to the state's safety communication system, grants for local prosecutors, firearm injury and violence prevention grants.
- [Signed a budget](#) continuing to invest to support school safety needs.
- [Signed legislation](#) to help communities retain police officers.
- [Signed bipartisan](#) legislation to support crime victims and strengthen privacy.
- [Signed legislation](#) equipping school buses with camera systems that track failures to stop and keep kids safe.
- [Signed legislation](#) combatting human trafficking in Michigan by updating the process to gather and use evidence against perpetrators.
- [Required information](#) on the safe storage of firearms to be distributed to parents of students.
- [Signed legislation](#) protecting Michiganders from sexual harassment or exploitation through artificial intelligence-created images or videos.

Keeping Michiganders safe through commonsense gun policies

- Signed [commonsense gun violence prevention legislation](#) establishing universal background checks, safe storage requirements, and [extreme risk protection orders](#).
- [Established](#) Gun Violence Prevention Task Force to save lives, reduce violence, and [reestablished](#) the force in 2026, to implement recommendations and work to keep Michiganders safe.
- [Secured \\$2.5 million](#) to implement common sense gun violence protection efforts.
- [Signed](#) bipartisan legislation to keep guns out of the hands of criminals.
- [Required information](#) on the safe storage of firearms to be distributed to parents of students.
- Launched [Operation Safe Neighborhoods](#) to reduce gun violence by getting by getting [over 1,000 illegal guns](#) off the street before they could be used in the commission of a crime.
- [Signed bills](#) to better protect students and staff members in the event of shootings and other threats at child care centers and schools.

Improving Emergency Response and Community Health Supports

- Directed the [Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Standards](#) to provide guidance to law enforcement agencies on new laws and issues facing the communities they protect.
- Announced [protocols](#) so EMS responders can carry emergency contraception and are prepared to work with sexual assault survivors.
- Signed a [package of bills](#) to provide behavioral health crisis grants to local governments and expand community-based mobile crisis intervention services.
- Signed [bills](#) that expanded Michigan's Amber Alert system to better protect children with special needs, seniors, and vulnerable adults.