

STRYVE ACTION COUNCIL

STRIVING TO REDUCE YOUTH VIOLENCE EVERYWHERE

Engaging Partners to Prevent Youth Violence

Everyone deserves a safe start in life. With access to safe, supportive, nurturing, and healthy relationships and environments, every young person can thrive. Unfortunately, some young people still experience violence. Each day, about 15 young people are victims of homicide. We can prevent this violence.

The STRYVE Action Council was created in 2010 to advance youth violence prevention efforts by leveraging the expertise, resources, and influence of partner organizations and associations that work collaboratively to prevent youth violence. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) leads and administers the STRYVE Action Council, with support from the Safe States Alliance. The STRYVE Action Council is a multi-sector consortium of organizations working at the national level to advance youth violence prevention efforts in states and communities. Current Action Council member organizations include:

- American Academy of Pediatrics
- American Association of School Administrators
- American Psychological Association
- American Public Health Association
- Association of State and Territorial Health Officials
- Boys and Girls Clubs of America
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
- Council for Strong America
- Local Initiatives Support Corporation
- National Association of County and City Health Officials
- National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges
- National League of Cities
- Prevention Institute
- Safe States Alliance
- Sandy Hook Promise
- Young Men's Christian Association

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Offered 50+ trainings to increase awareness of youth violence
- Created 60+ youth violence prevention tools and resources
- Reached over 1 million people about the importance of youth violence prevention via social media messages
- Disseminated [A Comprehensive Technical Package for the Prevention of Youth Violence and Associated Risk Behaviors](#), CDC's description of the best available evidence to prevent or reduce youth violence



FUTURE DIRECTIONS

Guided by CDC's youth violence prevention technical package, the STRYVE Action Council is working to:

- Raise awareness of the effectiveness of creating protective community environments on youth violence prevention.
- Promote a crosscutting, cross-sector approach to youth violence prevention and explore the connections between youth violence prevention and other public health challenges, such as adverse childhood experiences, health inequities, youth suicide, and substance abuse, including opioid overdose and misuse.
- Respond to current events; Identify, and act upon developing opportunities to promote youth violence prevention.

For more on the **STRYVE Action Council** visit <https://www.cdc.gov/violenceprevention/stryve/actioncouncil.html> and <https://www.safestates.org/page/STRYVEAC>

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