

Stopping Gun Violence

From the office of
Manhattan District Attorney
Alvin L. Bragg, Jr.



We are doing the hard work to make Manhattan safer through a **data-driven, problem solving approach** that:

- Get dangerous people off our streets by **prosecuting** those that do harm
- Stops recidivism by **connecting** people to long-term supportive services
- Enhances safety by **investing** in communities and prevention.



Manhattan facts, year to date

Murders in
Manhattan

▼ **24%**

Shootings in
Manhattan

▼ **18%**

Gun
Prosecutions

▲ **18%**

Prosecuting Gun Trafficking

District Attorney Bragg has increased resources for enforcing gun trafficking cases, working closely with the NYPD. Just in the last few months, District Attorney Bragg brought indictments against two different gun traffickers who collectively trafficked over 50 guns from North Carolina.

Almost every gun used in violent crime in Manhattan was trafficked here illegally from a state with weak gun laws. As a former Federal Prosecutor, District Attorney Bragg understands the enforcement benefits of state and federal partnerships and increased resources to coordinate with the Federal government and out-of-state jurisdictions.

Gun Convictions are up under District Attorney Bragg

Gun convictions have increased significantly under District Attorney Bragg. Convictions in gun possession from January through September have tripled, from approximately 100 in 2019 to 303 in 2022.

3X # OF GUN
CONVICTIONS
IN 2022 VS. 2019



*The conviction numbers include those cases in which there was a Criminal possession of a weapon in the second degree conviction as a top charge, whether or not the CPW2 was the top charge as indicted. The year 2019 is included as the most recent pre-pandemic year.

Prosecuting "Ghost Gun" Manufacturers



District Attorney Bragg has become a national leader in the effort to fight the new plague of "ghost guns." Ghost guns are firearms assembled from untraceable parts that can be ordered online.

In May of 2022, the Manhattan District Attorney's Office indicted a New Yorker for illegally purchasing and possessing a \$20,000 arsenal of ghost gun parts – including:

- More than **30 gun parts**
- Nearly **300 high-capacity magazines**
- Related gear from online retailers.

District Attorney Bragg, in partnership with the New York Police Department, has increased enforcement efforts during his administration, using wiretaps and undercover operations to make our City safer.

Gun Violence Prevention

This summer, District Attorney Bragg launched the Gun Violence Prevention Community Initiative. The goal of the program is to enable community-based organizations to rapidly respond to the gun violence crisis facing New York City by incentivizing youth and young adults who are at high risk of committing and/or falling victim to gun violence to participate in meaningful programming during the summer, when gun violence has historically spiked. Funding was awarded to ten community-based organizations that employed a credible messenger model or a similar approach that has a demonstrated track record of engaging young people at risk for gun violence.

The Manhattan District Attorney's Office offers Gun Violence Prevention presentations with communities about evidence-based strategies to further reduce gun violence and strengthen community bonds. Manhattan community groups can request a presentation at ManhattanDA.org or (212)-335-9082.



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