

Dear Virginians,

Keeping our communities safe is the most important responsibility of any Virginia leader. My parents, who served as violent crime prosecutors and later as state court judges, instilled this value in me from a young age. Now, as a lifelong Norfolk resident and father of two, I understand firsthand the importance of a safe, healthy environment where children can grow, businesses can thrive, and Virginians can live without fear.

As Delegate, I increased public safety funding by more than 20% — nearly a billion dollars annually to ensure our public safety officials had the tools, training, and resources needed to keep us safe. I sponsored bipartisan laws to strengthen penalties for sex offenders, keep kids safe in schools, and fund programs to stop gangs like MS-13. As an Assistant Attorney General, I took on the gun lobby, helped take illegal guns off the streets, and put a ghost gun manufacturer out of business.

As Attorney General, keeping our communities safe will be my top priority. Here's what I'll do:

MISSION: STOP VIOLENT CRIME IN THE COMMONWEALTH AND SUPPORT CRIME VICTIMS

- **Restore a department-wide focus on targeting violent crime, drug trafficking, sexual abuse, and serious offenses** — establish a dedicated Drug Trafficking Unit, reallocate resources to support prosecutions, boost resources for local law enforcement, and ensure crime victims are supported.
- **Work with law enforcement to ensure they have the high-quality staff, training, and technology they need to keep us safe** — designate a law enforcement liaison in my office, boost recruitment and retention resources, collaborate on training needs, and strengthen relationships with communities.
- **Invest in community-based services so individuals in crisis can get the help they need and law enforcement can focus on safety** — invest in alternative transportation programs, expand Marcus Alert programs, and put more trained mental health professionals in the field.

MISSION: GET ILLEGAL GUNS OFF VIRGINIA STREETS

- **Fight for commonsense gun violence prevention laws and expand violence interruption programs** — strengthen background check laws, increase protections for domestic violence survivors, require safe storage of firearms, and place violence interruptors in communities.
- **Crack down on illegal guns and prosecute bad actors who allow illegal guns to flow into our communities** — create a multi-state strike force to combat gun trafficking, identify gun dealers who are breaking the law, and go after manufacturers for the damage their weapons cause.

MISSION: PROTECT VIRGINIA'S CHILDREN

- **Establish a Child Safety Unit to protect our children from traffickers, sexual predators and abusers** — bring child-serving agencies together to investigate and prosecute crimes, educate parents and schools about how to identify risk factors, and support victims as we fight for justice.
- **Go after social media companies and other digital entities preying on our children for profits** — rigorously enforce privacy laws and demand safeguards to protect our children from digital platforms.