

A Poem (of sorts) to Welcome the New Year

-from the CFCU Outreach and Engagement Team

The regional meetings have all taken place.

Across Boulder County, Central, South and West metro locations,
in Colorado Springs, Summit County and Fort Collins,

faith-fueled enthusiasm is building to create a future without gun violence!

The New Year is now laid out before us,

twelve months to add bold ACTION to our thoughts and prayers!

January is the time to activate our Rapid Response Networks as we gear up to advocate for common sense gun bills in the 2026 Session of the CO General Assembly.

February will find us co-sponsoring an Advocacy Day with our partners in the gun violence prevention community - watch for details and plan to attend!

March will be a great month to learn about the Guns to Gardens movement and support Congregation Rodef Shalom as they host a safe disposal event on the ides of March!

April is a prime time to sponsor a book group or movie night to raise awareness in your community. (Click [here](#) for lots of suggestions!)

May could be dedicated to promoting secure firearm storage (it's the law in Colorado!). CFCU can help you schedule a SMART presentation by Moms Demand. Or maybe your congregation would like to sponsor a gun safe giveaway?

June is the month that we always [Wear Orange for National Gun Violence Awareness Day](#). Mark your calendars - **June 5-7, 2026** - and help plan a special regional event for the congregations in your region that weekend!

July and August provide many opportunities to volunteer for tabling at community events. CFCU and CO Ceasefire will join forces to raise awareness and educate people about how to prevent gun violence.

September is [Suicide Prevention Awareness Month](#) and, since the majority of gun deaths are suicides, it's critical that our communities are educated about how to prevent these deaths. Highlight the work of CFCU's Public Health Strategies Action Team in your community this month!

October is a fun month for kids and youth so let's focus our gun violence prevention work on them this month: purchase a copy of [Sparking Peace](#) and make it available for the elementary age kids in your life AND schedule a [CO Ceasefire youth presentation](#) for the middle and high schoolers in your community.!

November will be a time to show gratitude for the robust gun violence prevention community of which CFCU is a part. We will focus on learning about our partner organizations in Colorado.

December marks the 14th anniversary of the Sandy Hook Elementary massacre in Newtown, CT when we focus on the **Annual National Remembrance of ALL Victims of Gun Violence**.