

## Join CeaseFire

### How you can help

- Participate in marches and vigils in response to shootings.
- Call neighbors to invite them to CeaseFire events.
- Help with CeaseFire events, such as late-night cookouts.
- Plan activities.
- Attend community meetings.
- Distribute CeaseFire materials.

For more information and to find your local CeaseFire office call: 312-996-8775  
or visit our Web site:

[www.ceasefireillinois.org](http://www.ceasefireillinois.org)

### Responding to Shootings

**An important part** of the CeaseFire approach to reducing gun violence is to have community coalitions respond to all shootings that occur in established CeaseFire zones.

**Responses are an opportunity** for the residents, clergy, and public officials to come together to speak with one voice against shootings and all other forms of violence.

**Responses bring awareness** of shootings to the community and emphasize other ways to resolve conflicts.



The Chicago Project for Violence Prevention was formed in 1995 as a strategic public health initiative to support accelerated community-based and citywide violence prevention. CeaseFire is one of the Project's initiatives.

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# CeaseFire

**"The Campaign to  
STOP the Shooting"**

**Wants you to**

## **BE SAFE!**

**In Your Home  
and  
In Your Community**



**Take steps to protect yourself,  
your family and your property.**

## For yourself

### Three basic rules

- **Stay alert.** Be aware of your surroundings at all times and who's around you.
- **Stand tall and walk confidently.** Project confidence and calmness while walking and know where you're going. Don't make it obvious if you are in unfamiliar territory.
- **Trust your instincts.** If you feel uncomfortable in a situation, leave.



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## At home

- Make sure there are good locks on exterior doors and windows, and use them.
- Lock up when you go out, even if it's only for a few minutes.
- Trim shrubbery that hides doorways or windows.
- Use timers on lights and radios when you are away to make it appear someone is at home.

## In your neighborhood

- Get to know your neighbors and their routines. Let trusted neighbors know when you are going to be away. Join or form a neighborhood group, such as neighborhood watch.
- Keep informed by attending the Chicago Police Department's CAPS meetings in your neighborhood — it's a good way to meet your neighbors and local police officers.
- Light your alley and back yard. Deny criminals the cover of darkness by adding to your alley light. Make sure city street and alley lights are working and report bulbs that are out or other problems immediately.
- Keep your alley clean. Accumulated trash is not only a health and fire hazard, but can also send the signal to residents and criminals that no one cares about the neighborhood.
- Abandoned buildings, abandoned cars, and uncleared vacant lots can pose a hazard to children and can become centers for criminal activity. Work with police to have them removed.



## CeaseFire Communities and Partner Organizations

Albany Park — [Albany Park Community Center](#)

Auburn Gresham — [Target Area Development Corp.](#)

Aurora — [CeaseFire Aurora](#)

Austin — [Youth Outreach Services](#)

Brighton Park — [Brighton Park Neighborhood Council](#)

East Garfield Park — [Agape Youth Dev. and Family Support Services](#)

East St. Louis — [East St. Louis Township](#)

Englewood — [ACORN](#)

Grand Boulevard — [Grand Boulevard Federation](#)

Little Village/Pilsen — [Little Village Community Development Corp.](#)

Logan Square — [Alliance of Logan Square Organizations \(ALSO\)](#)

Maywood — [Village of Maywood](#)

North Chicago — [Foss Park District](#)

Rockford — [Hands That Help, Inc.](#)

Rogers Park — [Organization of the Northeast \(ONE\)](#)

Southwest Chicago — [Southwest Organizing Project \(SWOP\)](#)

West Garfield Park — [The Chicago Project](#)

West Humboldt Park — [The Chicago Project](#)

Woodlawn — [The Woodlawn Organization](#)