

## Campus Concealed Carry – Fact Sheet

### Campus

- Homicide Rate on campus is 0.07 per 100,000 of enrollment versus 14.1 per 100,000 for the same age group in the general population, according to a Dept. of Ed Study
- 95% of all campus violence is related to alcohol
- 93% of violent crimes that victimize college students occur off campus making campuses far safer than the surrounding community
- Arming students to shoot back would make matters worse in the extremely rare instances where mass shootings occur on campus. **Even trained police officers, on average, hit their intended targets less than 20% of the time.** More, not fewer, people are likely to be killed if untrained students engage a shooter in crossfire

### College Students

- Nearly 50% of America's full-time college student's abuse drugs or binge drink at least once a month
- High rates of alcohol use and binge drinking on campuses are a concern due to the close association with risk of suicide and mental health problems
- College firearm owners are more likely than their peers to engage in activities that put themselves and others at risk for severe or life threatening injuries. The reverse is also true, students who engage in multiple dangerous activities are more likely to own a gun

### Suicide

- Suicide is the 3<sup>rd</sup> leading cause of death for American college students
- About 1,100 college students commit suicide each year, another 24,000 attempt suicide
- **If a gun is used in a suicide attempt, more than 90% of the time it is fatal, compared to a 3% fatality rate for suicide attempts by drug overdose.**
- The presence of a gun in the home increases the risk of suicide fivefold

### Firearm Statistics in Usage & Concealed Carry

- Trained police officers hit their targets less than 20% of the time
- The likelihood of a student being able to stop a mass shooting is very low
- People in possession of a gun at the time of an assault were 4.5 times more likely to be shot during the assault than someone in a comparable situation without a gun
- On average, guns did not protect those in possession from being shot in an assault

### Gun Theft Risks or Increased Access to Guns

- In a nine year period 1.7 million firearms were reported stolen. 10% of prison inmates obtained their gun by stealing it. College dorm rooms are easy targets for gun thieves, making guns on campuses targets for thieves.

## Quick Reference Numbers

- **30,000+** – deaths each year from guns (homicide, suicide and unintentional shootings)
- **70,000+** - injuries each year from guns
- **11,000+** - homicides each year from guns (35% of all gun deaths & 68% of all homicides)
- **33** – gun homicides each day (on average btw 2005-2010)
- **19,000+** - suicides each year from guns (62% of all gun deaths and 50% of all suicides)
- **38,000+** - number of suicides in 2010 (steadily increasing each year)
- **147 – (out of 30,694)** gun deaths in 2005 were considered **self defense**
- **21 times** – likelihood of being **killed by someone you know** than by a stranger
- **2.7 times** – increase in chances of dying with a gun in the home
- **11 times** – likelihood that a home gun will be used in **attempted or completed suicide** than in self defense
- **1,400** - **Florida CCW permit holders** who were responsible for assaults, burglaries, sexual battery, drug possession, child molestation and homicide