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## Hi Kelly,

According to the CDC, guns were the leading cause of death among children under the age of 20 in 2020. 3,219 children died as a result of a firearm. 2,882 children died as a result of a motor vehicle accident. Motor vehicle accidents had been the leading cause of death for over 60 years. Mass shootings have dramatically increased but they are only part of the reason for the increase in child fatalities. The majority of kids killed by guns today, die by suicide or in accidental deaths.

As you know, the Livermore Police Department, Livermore Indivisible and Moms Demand Action are sponsoring a meeting in the Christensen Middle School Multipurpose Room on June 29th at 7:00 pm. The purpose of the meeting is to insure members of our community know how to prevent accidental gun deaths and gun injuries.

A representative of the Livermore Police Department will present information on the newly adopted Secure Firearm Ordinance as well as state "Red Flag" laws. Cynthia Shon, from Moms Demand Action, will present "Be Smart for Kids". Ms. Shon will provide information on how parents (and other adults) can talk about gun safety with their children and what steps need to be taken to prevent child gun deaths and injuries. I am attaching a flyer about the program to this email.

Livermore Indivisible and Moms Demand Action appreciate the support we have received from LVJUSD and hope the Superintendent, the Deputy Superintendent and the members of the Board can attend. This is **not** a challenge to the rights of gun owners. **This is** a discussion about the responsibility we have to keep our children safe. Please join us on Wednesday, June 29<sup>th</sup>.

~Cate Sarraille