

## Five-Point Mission Statement

We the people of American Coalition for Responsible Gun Ownership (ACRGO), in many voices but one community and one nation, hereby unite in support of public health and safety, to reduce gun violence in our cities and states. We will work together to develop, enact, and uphold Responsible Gun Ownership practices, policies and legislation.

- 1. We affirm the constitutional right of individuals to own, keep and bear legally acquired firearms.
- 2. We support firearms safety and training as a cornerstone of responsible gun ownership. Therefore, we support comprehensive programs for firearm and safety training, and for the regulated purchase and sale of all firearms.
- 3. We support enforcement of existing statutes and establishment of additional statutes imposing severe penalties for firearm violations, including, but not limited to, criminal culpability of those individuals who allow access to firearms by unauthorized persons.
- 4. We categorically support comprehensive background checks as prescribed by the <u>Brady Handgun Violence Prevention Act (Brady Act) of 1993</u>, Public Law 103-159, for all firearms ownership transfers. Private sales and ownership transfers should be facilitated by a Federal Firearms License (FFL) holder.
- 5. We support legislation that will provide incentives for States to report, in a timely manner, all legal records that identify persons prohibited from owning or possessing a firearm as proscribed by the federal Gun Control Act of 1968, codified at 18 U.S.C. § 922. These include any person who is under indictment for or convicted of a felony or any crime punishable by more than one year of prison; who is a fugitive from justice; who is an unlawful user of or addicted to any controlled substance; who has been adjudicated as mentally incompetent; who is in the country unlawfully or has renounced their US citizenship; who has been convicted of a misdemeanor crime of domestic violence, or who is subject to a protective order toward an intimate partner.