



OUR COMMUNITIES ARE IN CRISIS AND WE NEED ***SAFETY NOW***

Crime Victims **DEMAND**
Approaches that Create
Real Safety

Investments in **PREVENTION AND HEALING** Needed to Keep California Safe

Communities being harmed by the rise in gun violence need **SAFETY NOW** and this is what that looks like:

- A justice system that balances accountability and immediate responsiveness to the basic needs of victims of crime
- Ensuring all victims have access to trauma recovery services
- Expansion of victims services eligibility to **ALL** victims of crime
- Ensuring victims have immediate access to flexible cash assistance instead of waiting for reimbursement
- Significant investments in community-based victim service providers and violence intervention and prevention programs
- Expanded access to mental health services and addiction treatment programs
- Access to Secure and stable housing for individuals and families

In California, **FEWER THAN 1 IN 5 VICTIMS RECEIVE SERVICES** to help them recover from harm, while **state spending on victim services represents just 1% of what it spends on prisons** every year.

Strong communities are **SAFE COMMUNITIES.**

The time is now to invest in communities first.