



OUT-OF-HOME FIREARM STORAGE

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None of us wants firearm-related injuries or deaths in our HOMES or our COMMUNITIES



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Action-oriented, innovative
research,
including policy and
program evaluation, for
development and
dissemination
of evidence-based solutions



Outstanding **education**
and mentoring informs
impacted communities, policy
makers, front-line gatekeepers,
and public – and trains the
next generation of researchers
and practitioners



Serve as a trusted partner and
collaborator with impacted
communities to optimize
effective, acceptable
approaches. Living our values
is only possible through
collaboration with
diverse networks.



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PROBLEM STATEMENT



11. Consider temporary off-site storage if a family member may be suicidal. When there is an emotional crisis (like a break-up, job loss, legal trouble) or a major change in someone's behavior (like depression or anger, more drinking) that causes concern, storing guns outside the home until the situation improves may save a life. Friends, shooting clubs, police departments, and some firearms stores may provide storage services.



GUN SAFETY RULES

11 10 COMMANDMENTS
OF GUN SAFETY

Look inside
to see
what's new!





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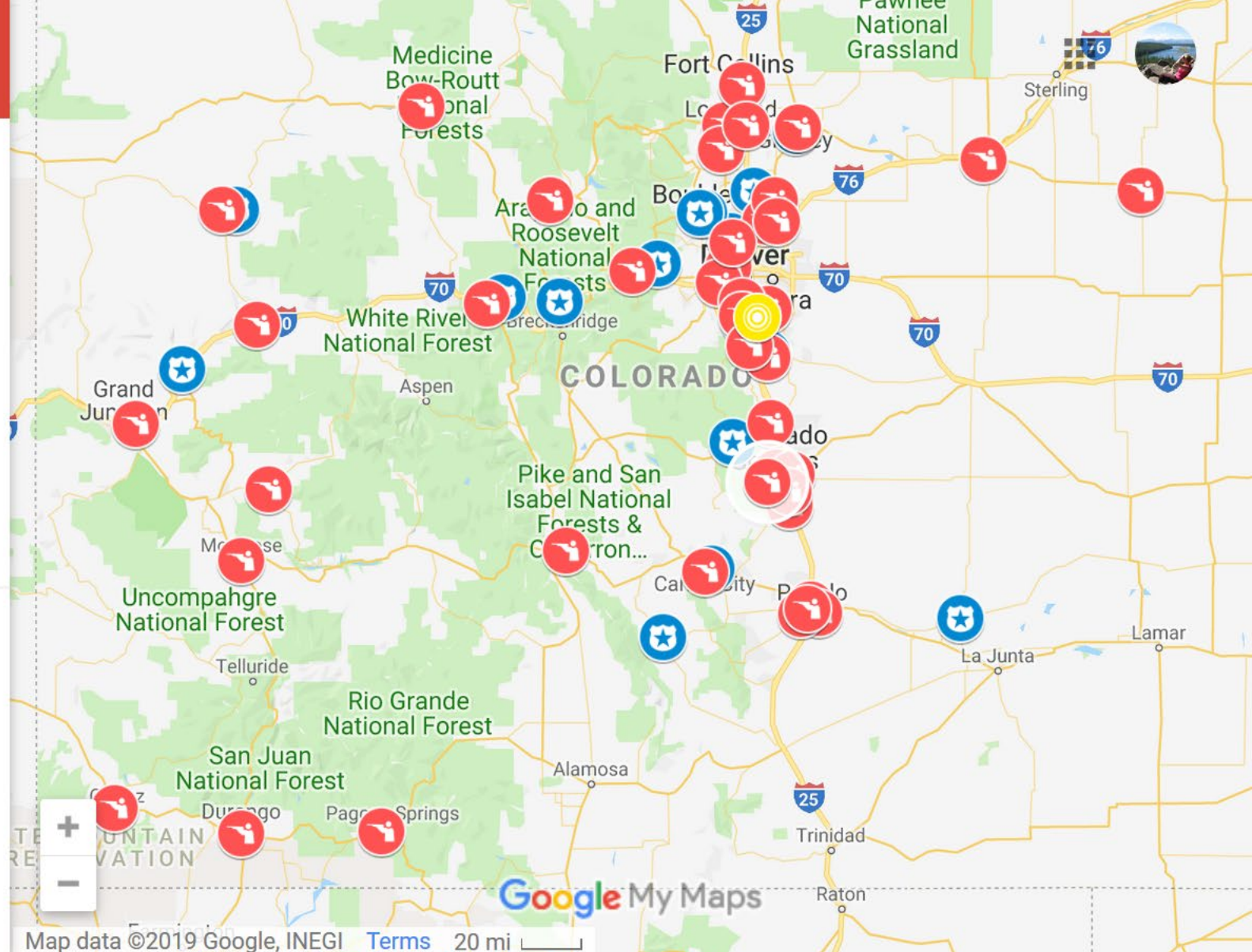
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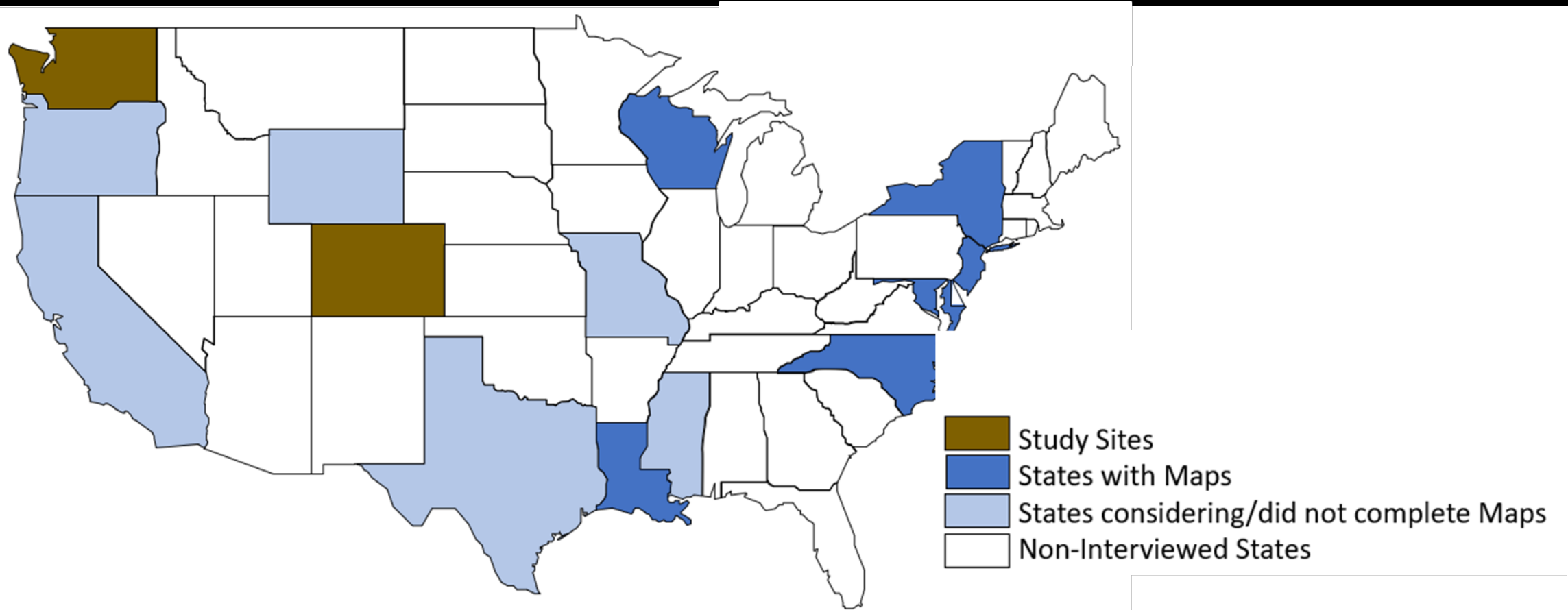
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NOVEMBER 02, 2021

Fact Sheet: Biden Administration Takes Steps to Prevent Suicide, Including by Promoting Safe Storage of Firearms

THE WHITE HOUSE



- Educate the public on lethal means safety, and in turn encourage safer storage practices, safety planning, and time and space behavioral measures for crisis response. The agencies are planning to use:
 - Professionally developed public service announcements;
 - Paid media promoted via social media platforms as well as internet search engines;
 - Toolkits developed with industry partners, as appropriate, designed to amplify campaign calls to action;
 - Multi-state storage maps to help individuals find where they can safely store firearms outside of their homes; and



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RESEARCH PROJECT DESCRIPTION



RESEARCH – KEY FINDINGS

Interviews with **100** stakeholders showed support for concept but concerns about liability and funding/logistics (PMID: 35224749)

27% of people in homes with firearms had stored them away from home in past 5 years (PMID: 36915179)

45% of firearm ranges/retailers in two states had provided storage (PMID: 36037869)



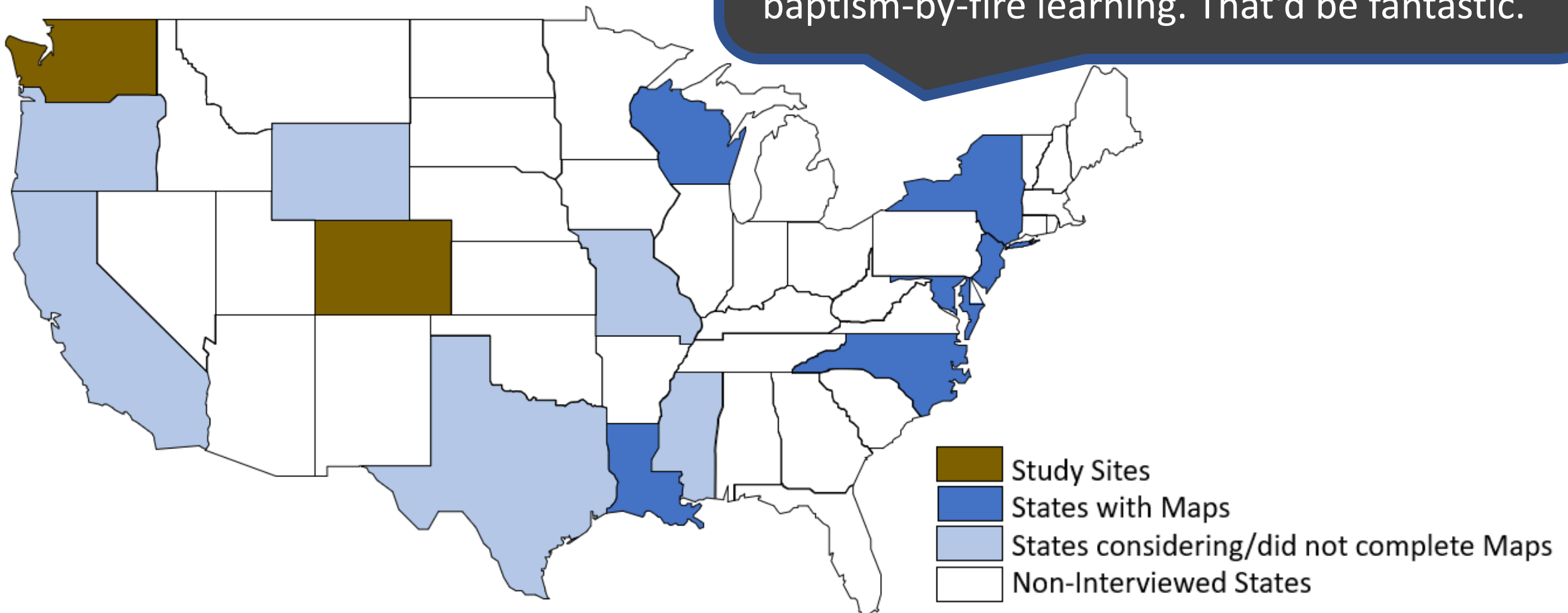
RESEARCH – KEY FINDINGS



LOGISTICS



We're all just right now figuring out of it as we go ... Think about if it had that kind of prompts for how do you think about this, instead of baptism-by-fire learning. That'd be fantastic.



TOOLKIT



WHO

Trust &
Partnerships

HOW

Outreach &
map
creation

WHAT

Legal
concerns &
resources



ATF CLARIFICATION



U.S. Department of Justice
Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco,
Firearms and Explosives

*Office of the Assistant Director
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Washington, DC 20226

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OPEN LETTER TO ALL FEDERAL FIREARMS LICENSEES PROVIDING FIREARM STORAGE FOR INDIVIDUALS

On March 14, 2023, President Biden issued an Executive Order 14092 on Reducing Gun Violence and Making Our Communities Safer. Among other things, that order emphasized the need for Federal agencies to promote the safe storage of firearms. The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (“ATF”) is issuing this open letter to assist Federal Firearms Licensees (“FFLs”) in understanding their obligations when they choose to provide firearm storage services to their customers and the public.

Individuals may seek the services of an FFL to store firearms for a variety of reasons. For example, an individual might wish to store a firearm while traveling to a neighboring State or foreign country that does not permit possession of the firearm. Storage of firearms at an FFL’s business premises may also be desirable or convenient for an individual, or may allow an individual to temporarily remove firearms from a home. FFLs can assist in such cases if they adhere to applicable Federal, State, and local laws when storing and returning such firearms.



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RESEARCH – KEY FINDINGS



LOGISTICS

LIABILITY



HB 260 IN LOUISIANA

“No person shall have a cause of action against a federal firearms licensee operating lawfully in the state of Louisiana for any act or omission arising from a firearm hold agreement and resulting in personal injury or death of any natural person, including the return of any firearms to the individual firearm owner by a federal firearms licensee at the termination of a firearm hold agreement.”



HB 1181 IN WASHINGTON

“A dealer who provides a service of allowing a person to temporarily store a firearm on the dealer's premises in a storage locker, box, or container that is locked and not accessible to the dealer does not thereby create a special relationship, for civil liability purposes, between the dealer and the person who temporarily stores the firearm on the dealer's premises.”



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FUNDING



FUNDING




- Louisiana – VA Armory project
- VetStore (CSPH)
- Department of Defense (pending)
- Federal legislation (pending)



EQUITY IMPACT

Original research

A Qualitative study on diverse perspectives and identities of firearm owners

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“What I try to keep in mind is that some of the alternatives, for example, for storage, are not gonna necessarily be things that people think about [...] I’m just gonna use [storage at] the range for an example. Because it’s not something they typically do. They associate that with something white people do, and so that as an alternate way of storage is not gonna resonate with them.” (ID21).

“That’s ultimately why [organization] exists because queer people need a group of gun owners where they can talk about these things and not be regarded as crazy [...]” (ID28).

- Idea of belonging:
 - Socialized understanding of “gun culture”
 - Social community
 - Internal & external group associations
- Full citizenship
- Self-protection

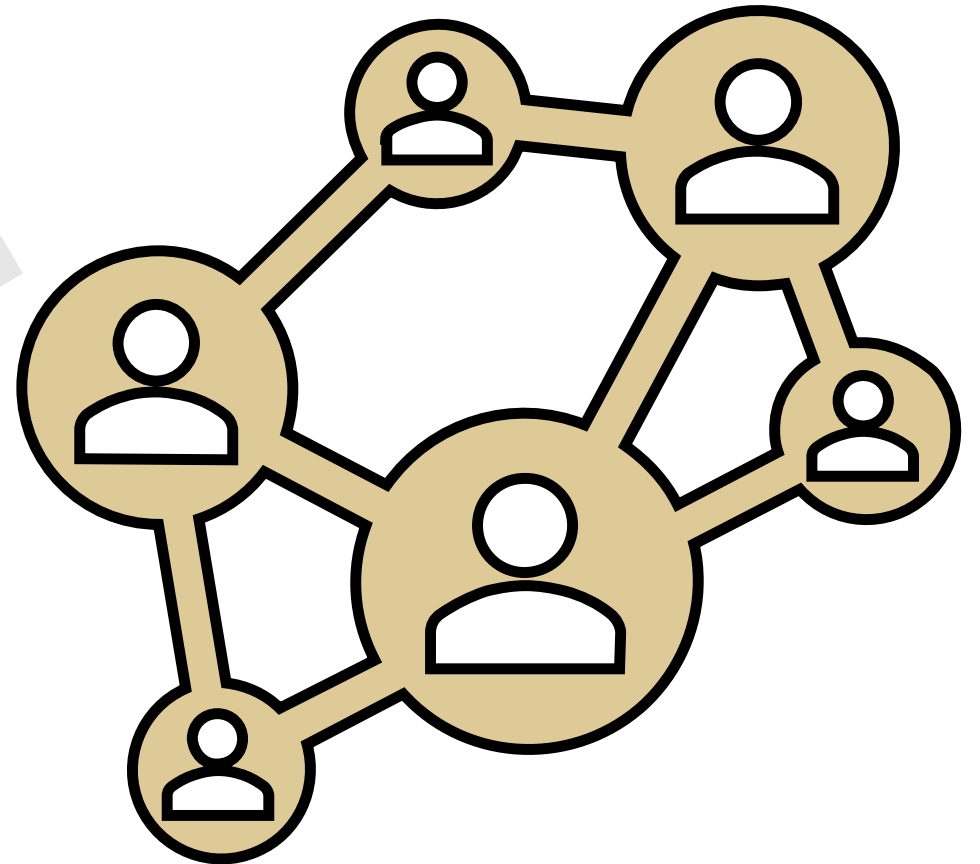
“You had to be a closet, closet liberal while you were asking questions about your favorite firearm or ‘I’m a brand new firearm owner, how do I get this, and oh, by the way, I voted for Obama’ and then suddenly nobody wants to talk to you” (ID11).



LESSONS LEARNED



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QUESTIONS?

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