



PRIORITIZE PUBLIC SAFETY

Colorado is in the middle of a violent crime and property crime surge. Violent crime is at a 25-year high and has grown 28% in the last decade alone. Rising crime is a statewide problem which disproportionately impacts communities of color and low income communities. Conservatives seek to provide excellent training for our law enforcement officers, work to retain more officers, push down the crime rate, and bring safety to our neighborhoods.

What liberal politicians have given you:

- **A DEFUNDED AND DEMORALIZED POLICE FORCE:** Experienced officers continue to hang up their badges in communities across Colorado because policymakers have made officers and their families liable for mistakes and they've failed to provide funds for necessary training.
- **RECORD HIGH CRIME:** We are #1 in the nation for auto theft. In 2022, auto thefts reached 801.2 per 100,000, cost \$277 million in increased auto insurance, and reduced state GDP by \$158 million. Colorado has the 4th worst recidivism rate in the nation. Recently, Gov. Polis' appointed parole board let a criminal who committed child sex assault out early on parole, and he immediately assaulted another child.
- **MORE DRUGS AND MORE DEATH:** Colorado saw an over-70% increase in fentanyl deaths in 2021. Fentanyl is rampant on Colorado streets, and Coloradans are dying because of it. Our suicide rate is the 4th highest in the nation, and teens are at high risk.

What Conservatives will do to solve the problems:

- Support truth-in-sentencing. On average, violent criminals serve only 43% of their sentences in Colorado. This should be at least 85%.
- Empower safer communities by supporting law enforcement, officer retention, funding for training, and real solutions for mental health and suicide prevention.
- Hold criminals accountable: no \$1 bail or early parole for violent criminals.
- Increase penalties on selling and possessing fentanyl and other drugs.