

NEWSLETTER 2024 RECAP

Here is a highlight of some of our top moments of 2024:



JANUARY 2024

We held a press conference with advocates, organizations, lawmakers and survivors to urge our legislators to pass Karina's Bill – a bill that will protect survivors of domestic violence by removing firearms from their abusers.

[Check out the story that ran in the Chicago Sun-Times.](#)

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April 2024

The Gun Violence Prevention Coalition collaborated with Moms Demand Action, hosting Advocacy Day in Springfield where we used our collective voices to [urge lawmakers to pass lifesaving gun violence prevention policies.](#)



June 2024

We kicked off #WearOrange weekend by holding a press conference with survivors and elected officials. We also highlighted our [newest report with the Violence Policy Center](#) on gun violence in Illinois.



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JULY 2024

On top of monthly virtual coalition meetings, we held our first in-person Gun Violence Prevention Coalition meeting honoring Black and Brown Mental Health Month since COVID-19 which included a resource fair. An expert panel shared the latest gun violence statistics and organizing tactics. It was a joy to have so many coalition partners together to share resources and collaborate in our joint efforts to end gun violence in Illinois.

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October 2024

We joined GPAC, UCAN and elected officials to urge the passage of the Safe at Home Campaign during a press conference. This collection of bills would strengthen lost and stolen firearm reporting requirements and tighten gun storage policies throughout the state of Illinois. The press conference was covered across the state, highlighting the need for this life-saving legislation.



OCTOBER 2024

One Aim Illinois Executive Director, Yolanda Androzso, participated in and presented at *Brady United's Crime Gun Summit: Building a Future Without Gun Violence*, where she shared insights on gun violence prevention and the importance of community-based solutions and advocacy.



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In November 2024, One Aim Illinois mobilized a powerful Digital Day of Action in support of the Safe At Home Campaign. Together, we called legislators, signed petitions, and posted on social media to amplify the message and engage our communities in this vital campaign.

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Our second annual fundraiser, Stronger Together: Celebrating Over 50 Years of Coalition Building in the Fight to End Gun Violence brought together over 180 advocates, organizers and elected officials who are critical in our aim to end gun violence in Illinois. Together, we raised more than \$70,000 to power our movement. Relive the magic of our fundraiser! Watch the recap video and browse through the event [photos](#) to see all the unforgettable moments.

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Thanks to our anonymous donor who made raising \$70,000 possible through their new and increased match.

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Public Safety Task Force (PSTF)

DECEMBER 2024

We held our second [Public Safety Task Force](#) meeting of the year, bringing together key gun violence prevention leaders and stakeholders throughout Illinois. Together, we identified key issues, trends, and challenges in the application of policies, while promoting the collection and analysis of data on their outcomes and impact on communities.

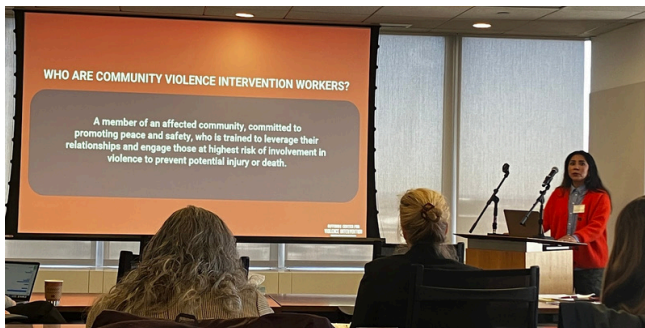
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The One Aim Illinois Policy Summit brought together key stakeholders to discuss and strategize on pressing issues related to firearm violence prevention and public safety in Illinois. With informative panels and discussions, we were able to plan for the 2025 legislative session and our [advocacy efforts](#).



DECEMBER 2024

The One Aim Illinois Coalition Summit saw the collaboration of over 100 coalition partners for a day of learning and collaboration. We had a lineup of federal, statewide and local gun violence prevention experts and leaders offer valuable insights on current gun violence prevention and community violence intervention priorities and initiatives aimed at ending gun violence in Illinois. [Watch the video here!](#)



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In December, One Aim Illinois held our final [Survivors Council](#) event of the year with a creative and healing Sip & Paint at Museica's Painting Studio in Chicago. This event was a moment of relaxation and community for those who have been impacted by violence. Throughout the year, the Survivors Council hosted several other meaningful events for healing, connection and support.

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Throughout the year, One Aim Illinois has been committed to supporting gun violence survivors and survivor-led organizations. In December we co-sponsored the 12th Annual National Vigil for All Victims of Gun Violence in Washington D.C. We also supported several other local events, such as the Chicago 12th National Vigil for Victims and Survivor Families, Purpose Over Pain's Tree Trimming and Tender Youth Foundation's Breakfast with Santa.



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Other notable moments from 2024:

- The [Voices of Change](#) campaign, designed to share the stories of survivors of gun violence, won a [Skyline award](#) in the Public Service category from the Public Relations Society of America, Chicago Chapter.
- One Aim Board members shared their experience in ["The Highland Park Mass Shooting. It Opened Their Eyes."](#)
- I wrote an op-ed that was published in the Chicago Sun-Times sharing [my own story with domestic violence in our push to pass Karina's Bill.](#)
- Survivors Council members Delphine Cherry's [story](#) and Tamika Howard's [story](#) were published in The Trace.



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From advocating for [critical policies](#) to supporting and sharing stories of survivors, we couldn't have done it all without the dedication and commitment from advocates like you. With the unprecedented year ahead, we still have work to do and need your help. [Can we count on you to chip-in whatever you can to start our 2025 on the right foot?](#)

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Yolanda Androsso
Executive Director
One Aim Illinois

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I hope you're able to celebrate and ring in the New Year with those you love.
Happy New Year!

With Love,
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