

COMMUNITY VIOLENCE INTERVENTION CONFERENCE

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LOS ANGELES, CA

GIFFORDS CENTER FOR
VIOLENCE INTERVENTION

ABOUT GIFFORDS

GIFFORDS is a nonprofit organization dedicated to saving lives from gun violence. Founded and inspired by Gabby Giffords, a survivor of gun violence herself, the organization has spent more than a decade advancing smart public policies and investing in solutions that save lives and strengthen communities.

At GIFFORDS, we believe safety is a right every person deserves. That's why GIFFORDS Center for Violence Intervention focuses on community-led approaches that prevent shootings before they happen and support healing after harm occurs. Our team works alongside frontline practitioners, public agencies, and advocates to elevate proven strategies, strengthen systems of care, and ensure survivors and community leaders help shape the future of public safety.

ABOUT THE CONFERENCE

The Community Violence Intervention (CVI) Conference, hosted by GIFFORDS Center for Violence Intervention, is the largest convening in the country dedicated exclusively to advancing the field of community violence intervention. Each year, more than 900 subject matter experts from across the United States and abroad gather to align research, policy, and practice in pursuit of safer, healthier communities.

The conference serves as a national forum for advancing field-driven solutions, strengthening cross-sector collaboration, and sharing practical lessons from communities implementing CVI strategies on the ground.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

The CVI Conference is designed for professionals and stakeholders working to prevent violence and maximize community safety.

Stakeholders include:

- Survivors of violence
- Intervention and prevention practitioners
- Researchers
- Policy experts
- Advocates

Disciplines represented include:

- Criminal justice
- Social work
- Public policy
- Law enforcement
- Nonprofit organizations
- Philanthropy



WHY ATTEND

This conference is a structured professional learning opportunity that supports workforce development, applied learning, and cross-sector collaboration. Participants gain:

- Actionable tools and implementation strategies used by CVI programs nationwide
- Current insights on research, policy, and funding shaping the CVI field
- Opportunities to exchange lessons learned with peers across jurisdictions
- Direct engagement with national experts and frontline leaders



PROGRAM FORMAT & SCHEDULE OVERVIEW

The conference runs over two full days and is designed to balance substantive learning with time for connection and exchange among attendees representing a range of roles and sectors.

Programming includes:

- Morning and afternoon plenary sessions with local, regional, and national experts in the CVI field
- 20 breakout sessions, each 75 minutes, offered as lectures, trainings, workshops, and facilitated conversations
- Sessions grounded in real-world practice, covering implementation challenges, workforce development, policy, research, and field experience
- Built-in time for both structured and informal networking across both days

The conference also includes the presentation of the Annual Lifesaving Service Award, which honors **one** community violence intervention organization for its leadership and impact. The award is presented through a short highlighting the organization's work and includes a financial contribution to support its continued efforts.

A detailed agenda will be released closer to the conference. A schedule overview from the prior year is available at www.cviconference.org.



TIME COMMITMENT & PROFESSIONAL BENEFIT

Time Commitment

- Two full conference days: Monday, July 20 & Tuesday, July 21, 2026
- Programming runs approximately 8:30 am to 4:30 pm each day
- Full-day schedule with plenaries, breakout sessions, and designated time for networking

Professional Benefit

- In-depth learning through extended, 75-minute sessions
- Exposure to current CVI practices, research, and policy shaping the field
- Opportunities to build relationships with peers working in similar roles across the country
- Practical ideas and approaches that can be applied directly to programs, evaluation, and policy work
- Professional connection to robust learning communities designed to enhance quality of work across sectors

REGISTRATION

Registration opens February 10. Tickets are available in tiered pricing, with rates increasing as each tier sells out:

- Early Bird: \$495 (limited quantities)
- General Admission: \$550
- Late Registration: \$650 (subject to availability)

TRAVEL & LODGING

The conference will take place in downtown Los Angeles. A discounted hotel room block at the conference venue will be available to [book](#) beginning in February 2026. A list of additional lodging options within walking distance will also be available if we reach capacity at the conference venue.

QUESTIONS

For logistical questions or information to support attendance approval, contact: cvi-conference@giffords.org

