



## **Community Violence Intervention (CVI) Funding is Gun Control**

Gun Owners of America has opposed the efforts of anti-gunners to include gun control in President Biden's budget since the reconciliation process began.

### ***American Rescue Plan Gun Control***

Misuse of CVI funding for gun control first began with the Biden Administration's COVID relief package. The *American Rescue Plan* included ostensibly innocuous funding for "Community Violence Intervention Initiatives."

The Biden Administration began using funds appropriated for COVID relief in the American Rescue Plan to fund his anti-gun agenda right away.

After meeting with the White House about the insane crime spike in New York City, Mayor-elect Eric Adams bragged about using this federal aid to "rebuild [NYC's] anti-gun unit." This is not acceptable!

### ***Build Back Better Act Gun Control***

When Senator Sanders included CVI funding in President Biden's \$3.5 trillion budget reconciliation proposal, GOA announced its opposition until the Biden Administration could prove that CVI funding would not be misused to fund gun control again.

During the House Judiciary Committee markup of the budget reconciliation proposal, Representative Thomas Massie offered a simple amendment which would have clarified that the funds could not be used:

*"in any manner that results in the denial, without due process, of an individual's exercise of any right under the Second Amendment to the Constitution."*

But anti-gunners on the committee only doubled down on their desire to violate our constitutional rights. They voted 25-18 *against* this simple amendment guaranteeing the constitutional rights of the people would be respected.

Now H.R. 5376, the *Build Back Better Act*, also includes \$5 billion in funding which anti-gunners voted to be used to deny the individual exercise of the Second Amendment without due process.

The Biden Administration clearly intends to misuse CVI funding from the *Build Back Better Act* to infringe on the right of the people to keep and bear arms—just as they have already done with the *American Rescue Plan* CVI funding.

Gun Owners of America is opposed to H.R. 5376 and the gun control contained within the *Build Back Better Act*. GOA will score the final passage or vote on any bill containing any CVI funding as an anti-gun vote.