

The KXAN “Stop Mass Shootings” project’s goal was to provide context and explore solutions surrounding gun violence in the wake of the deadly Uvalde school shooting in May 2022. We wanted to look beyond this single incident, taking a thoughtful, “solutions journalism” approach to what’s working – and what’s not – in Texas and other states.

As we educated our viewers, we also hoped our content would be an important tool Texas lawmakers could use as they began crafting a plan to prevent future tragedies. Before state and federal lawmakers convened in the weeks after the events in Uvalde to discuss how to move forward, KXAN sent a letter to them, their staffs and other statewide leaders highlighting the project. The committee hearings to follow were the beginning of an investigation into the response to the shooting itself and a legislative exploration into school security, gun safety and mental health.

In addition to putting our solutions-focused coverage in one easily-accessible landing page, KXAN reporters also produced more than a dozen in-depth and investigative reports, a half-hour statewide special showcasing our content and a live-streamed conversation answering the community’s most pressing questions. As we continue to explore solutions, we add them to this page.

Project Landing Page

https://www.kxan.com/stop-mass-shootings/

Other Project Links

Mass Violence Half-hour Special
https://bit.ly/3PMgU3F

Livestream Community Conversation
https://bit.ly/3G64bWi

KXAN Letter to Lawmakers
https://bit.ly/3VbNSf5

Story Highlights

Texas touts suspicious activity reports, but critics warn of consequences
https://bit.ly/3FHzHIG

How do Texas gun laws compare to other states?
https://bit.ly/3BJ1VS7

Educator survey: How do Texas teachers feel?
https://bit.ly/3jdOSlp

Colorado school training program says students key to safety
https://bit.ly/3VcUcTg

How have other countries responded to mass shootings?
https://bit.ly/3YBdtkj

Texas could do more to track social media threats in schools
https://bit.ly/3G0uxIf

Following 2018 school shooting, Texas invested millions in mental health
https://bit.ly/3VchOHV