

'Goals NOT Guns' Forum to Address Youth Gun Violence in South Florida



After two teens became the latest young people lost to gun violence, the "Goals NOT Guns" forum aims to help address the problem and honor the many young victims. NBC 6's Michael Spears reports. (Published 3 hours ago)

A day long forum will take place Thursday aimed at tackling the epidemic of youth gun violence plaguing communities across South Florida.

The "Goals NOT Guns" forum will partner community members with leaders on the federal, state and local level. The forum comes in the wake of two more youth shootings this past week.

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On Tuesday, 17-year-old Roderick Sweeting, a gifted student who excelled in sciences, was [killed just steps away from his front door](#) on Northwest 25th Avenue in Miami Gardens. He's the second child his mother has lost to gun violence.

Just a few hours later, another teen, 16-year-old Osmand Falls, [was shot and killed in Little Havana](#). A 15-year-old boy has been arrested in Fall's shooting.

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The mother of a teen who was gunned down outside an apartment complex in Miami Gardens is seeking answers after losing a second son to gun violence. NBC 6's Amanda Plasencia reports. (Published Wednesday, April 6, 2016)

The forum aims to develop comprehensive policy priorities to end this deadly epidemic of youth gun violence.

The program starts at 8:30 a.m. and concludes with a 3 p.m. session with remarks from Miami Dolphins cornerback Bobby McCain and Miami Hurricane and former NFL standout and federal agent Randal Hill.

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The event will take place at Miami-Dade College's Historic Tower Theater, located at 1508 Southwest Eighth Street in Miami.

The event will be livestreamed on [Miami-Dade College's website](#).

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