

On Saturday 9/16/23 some members of Spirit of Grace talked to hundreds of folks who were walking by the Beaverton Library. Not everyone was willing to talk with us but all were civil.

We asked about 100 people these 2 questions and noted their replies:

1. Are you concerned about gun violence, and 2. Would you support a ban on assault rifles.

Everyone we surveyed agreed they were concerned about gun violence, and they overwhelmingly supported a ban on assault rifles.

Only 4 people surveyed declined to support a ban.

Some of those surveyed gave us comments about an assault rifle ban:

Gun shows should have to do background checks.

We don't need 'em.

The Quran is against all violence.

Nobody needs one.

Civilians have no purpose in having one.

Other countries have had gun violence go down with control laws.

I'm worrying about my grandchildren.

What can we learn from other cultures?

Make sure that weapons are locked up before your children visit others houses.

I'm from Texas. Those people don't need the guns.

If you need to have a drivers license you should also have a gun license.

Close manufacturers of guns.

Stop open carry.

No assault weapons.

We would like all gun violence stopped.

Find a way to make gun violence go away.

Very strong against gun violence, have 2 children.

I think the second amendment needs to be updated to present understanding. Assault Rifles should be taxed. Require a yearly renewal and background check, if you move to new states then new testing.

Against – they should be banned, but people will still be able to get and keep assault rifles on the black market or get them from other countries.

Columbine!

Gun show loophole.

Ban assault rifles only.

People shouldn't own a gun.

It's obvious! We shouldn't have them.

Lack of concern with schools. I work in schools- it's terrifying.

Former military – I would support a ban on assault weapons

No need for assault weapons

No - I would use it for target practice.

What's the use of assault weapons

In Japan no guns in homes.

Need to ban all firearms.

Yes – reasonable controls – no automatic weapons.

I'm a Buddhist.

No reason for the public to have them.

Better regulation and pre-approval.

(Didn't support ban on Assault rifles) – authorities need guns

Melt them down!

Read the book "Nonviolent Communication" by Marshall Rosenberg.

(Didn't support ban on assault rifles) – Rely on the ballot box