

## REDUCE GUN VIOLENCE AND SAVE LIVES

Providing Extreme Risk Protection Order information to families and partners can help reduce gun violence while also respecting constitutional rights.

For this reason, we are informing individuals and our community about the Extreme Risk Protection Order (ERPO) law, and we hope you find this information helpful.

If you feel a crime has been committed or you don't feel safe, please call law enforcement.

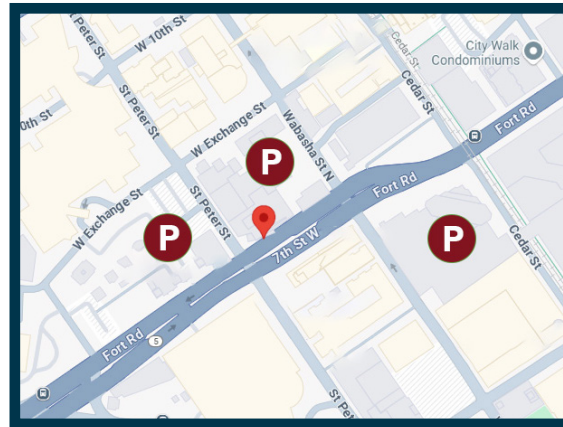


## RESOURCES

**Crisis: Call 911**

**Suicide Prevention:  
Call, text or online chat 988**


JUVENILE & FAMILY JUSTICE CENTER  
Room B122  
25 East 7<sup>th</sup> Street  
Saint Paul, MN 55102



**NEARBY PARKING**  
Interstate Parking Lot  
World Trade Center Parking Ramp  
7A Municipal Parking Ramp  
Street parking is also available.

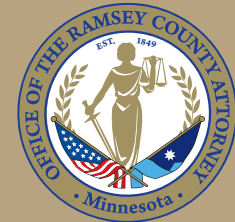


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# EXTREME RISK PROTECTION ORDERS

What are Extreme Risk  
Protection Orders and how  
to get one.



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In January 2024, the Minnesota Legislature enacted Extreme Risk Protection Order (ERPO) laws to authorize court-ordered surrender of firearms in certain dangerous situations. Minnesota is the 20<sup>th</sup> state to enact this type of legislation, often referred to as “red flag” laws.

Extreme Risk Protection Orders can protect household members from self-harm or harm to others. They can also provide critical intervention to prevent mass shootings.



Scan QR code to learn more.

# EXTREME RISK PROTECTION ORDERS SAVE LIVES

## WHAT IS AN EXTREME RISK PROTECTION ORDER (ERPO)?

An Extreme Risk Protection Order is a temporary court order prohibiting a person from purchasing or possessing firearms.

## WHO CAN APPLY?

Family members\* or guardians, law enforcement, and city and county attorney's offices may petition for an ERPO.

\*A family or household member is defined as a spouse, former spouse, parent/child, anyone currently living with the Respondent or a person involved in a significant romantic or sexual relationship with the Respondent.

## HOW LONG DOES AN ERPO LAST?

An ERPO may be temporary (14 days) or long term (up to six months). The petitioner may ask the Court to order a temporary ERPO, a long-term ERPO, or both.

## APPLY FOR AN ERPO:

### **Complete forms in person:**

Go to the Juvenile and Family Justice Center for information and assistance with completing and filing the forms.

### **Complete forms and deliver to the Juvenile & Family Justice Center**

Find forms at the Minnesota Judicial Branch ERPO forms (category: Firearms):  
[www.mncourts.gov/GetForms.aspx?c=36](http://www.mncourts.gov/GetForms.aspx?c=36)

### **Complete and file forms electronically:**

[www.mncourts.gov/File-a-Case/File-in-A-District-Trial-Court.aspx](http://www.mncourts.gov/File-a-Case/File-in-A-District-Trial-Court.aspx)

Instructions to create an e-filing account:  
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