

2020 Presidential Candidate Tracker



Cory Booker

State Affiliation: New Jersey

Background: Senator (D-NJ)

Announcement: 2/1/2019



Positions & Quotes

"As president, we will make commonsense changes to our gun laws, such as requiring a license to purchase a gun that includes universal background checks, banning assault weapons, and closing the loopholes that allow domestic abusers and people on terrorist watch lists to get their hands on a gun,"

[Washington Examiner](#)

"We know the majority of Americans, the overwhelming majority of Americans, know we can do more to prevent gun violence. To not act is to be complicit in the continued violence."

[NJ.com](#)

"More Americans have lost their lives by guns than have lost their lives in all of our nation's wars combined, and yet our gun safety laws remain the same,"

[Denver Post](#)

<p>"[W]e know that this is not a plan that any law-abiding gun owner should be concerned about it...The people who should be concerned are two groups: one, the people who want to break the law, gun runners and criminals, and the gun manufacturers who have been working in an ungodly way to undermine the safety and security of this nation."</p>	<p>Washington Examiner</p>
<p>"Right now moving through our federal legislature is this insane idea that says that people can carry hidden loaded weapons, concealed weapons, all throughout the country regardless of individual state laws."</p>	<p>OnTheIssues.org</p>
<p>Prohibit firearms to suspected terrorists</p>	<p>OnTheIssues.org</p>
<p>Mandatory gun licenses for gun owners</p>	<p>Medium</p>
<p>Cory will work to close this loophole in federal oversight and allow the Consumer Product Safety Commission to ensure gun safety by making safety warnings and issuing recalls for faulty firearms. "There is more regulation over toy guns than real ones"</p>	<p>Medium</p>
<p>Cory will fight to end gun industry immunity by repealing PLCAA and allow victims of gun violence to have their day in court when a gun dealer or manufacturer has acted negligently.</p>	<p>Medium</p>
<p>Require handgun microstamping:</p>	<p>Medium</p>

Close the "Boyfriend Loophole"	Medium
"Ensure a background check on every gun sale by closing the loophole on guns show and online sales and the so-called "Charleston Loophole":	Medium
"Ban assault weapons, high-capacity magazines, and bump stocks"	Medium
"Provide dedicated funding for research on gun violence as a public health issue"	Medium
"Cory will increase funding at ATF and would repeal the restrictive riders on ATF's budget that restrict law enforcement's ability to investigate crimes and crack down on gun dealers."	Medium
"Support extreme risk prevention order laws"	Medium
"Limit gun buyers to one handgun per month"	Medium
"Require firearm owners to report lost or stolen firearms"	Medium
"Ramp up funding for community-based violence intervention programs"	Medium
"Call on the IRS to conduct an investigation into the NRA's tax status"	Medium
Co-sponsored S.66- The Assault Weapons Ban of 2019	Dianne Feinstein Press Releases

<p>We have the power to stop this—we can & will pass commonsense gun safety laws to end these tragedies.</p>	<p>Twitter</p>
<p>"If you want someone who's going to take a fight on this issue, take a fight to the corporate gun lobby, take a fight against apathy and indifference, take a fight against the NRA, then I'm your person."</p>	<p>CNN</p>
<p>"But the reason we have a problem right now is we've let the corporate gun lobby frame this debate."</p>	<p>6/26 Debate</p>
<p>"Over 70 percent of Americans agree with me. If you need a license to drive a car, you should need a license to buy and own a firearm."</p>	<p>6/26 Debate</p>
<p>"Nearly 70% of guns recovered by police in Massachusetts come from out of state.... This is why we need a national strategy, a federal group of laws, If we had a comprehensive, 50-state gun safety agenda, this would end."</p>	<p>Wbur.org</p>
<p>"So, background checks and gun licensing, these are agreed to by overwhelmingly the majority of Americans. Eighty-three percent of Americans agree with licensing."</p>	<p>9/12 Debate</p>

<p>"I will fight this and bring a fight to the NRA and the corporate gun lobby like they have never seen before."</p>	<p>9/12 Debate</p>
<p>"the majority of Americans, the majority of gun-owners agree with me, not the corporate gun lobby."</p>	<p>9/12 Debate</p>
<p>"We need far more bolder action to make our nation safe. Red-flag laws, yes, they're important, but they're nowhere near enough."</p>	<p>Fox News</p>
<p>"Nothing is more heartbreaking than listening to the parent of a child whose life was taken by a gun. Until we get commonsense gun safety laws passed, all of us are responsible. As president, I'll bring an urgency to this issue to save lives."</p>	<p>Twitter</p>
<p>"You should not be a nominee from our party that can seriously stand in front of urban places and say, 'I will protect you' if you don't believe in gun licensing."</p>	<p>MSNBC Gun Safety Forum 2020</p>
<p>"I will close the boyfriend loophole right away"</p>	<p>MSNBC Gun Safety Forum 2020</p>

"This is why when I talk about things like gun licensing and point out the differences between us, I'm not attacking people or their character or their courage on these issues."

[10/15 Debate](#)