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There are already over 20,000 gun laws. The purpose of the 2nd Amendment is to protect us from a TYRANNICAL government, we don't need anymore government control. Criminals don't care about laws. The low income lady living in the ghetto that has to use public transportation that's full of homeless drug addicts and street gangs to travel into the city everyday to support her family needs to be able to protect herself the most. Increasing costs and creating more laws make it harder for her. Look up Jim Crow Laws.

A well armed society is a polite society, we should be encouraging firearm training and education. The majority of people that are pro-gun control are uneducated on firearms and that's why they're so fearful of them. To make our city, state, and country safer, we need to empower the people, not make them weaker. All of the federal buildings have armed security, yet our most precious buildings, schools, are left defenseless. There's a huge difference between feeling safe and being safe. I recommend airport style security and firearms education in school so we don't continue this fear mongering. There are millions of guns in this country, they aren't going anywhere. It's best we focus on educating society on firearms and why the 2nd Amendment is the most important amendment. From what I see, most of the people pushing for control don't even understand firearms. They want to push for strictor background checks but haven't ever even purchased one themselves to see how the process works, instead want to create more laws based off emotions pushed by corrupt agendas. Ultimately, you are responsible for your own safety. Train yourself, train your children, because if you don't, you're relying on someone else that is and your gun control laws are making it harder on them. -USMC OIF Veteran home grown in the USA in Appalachia.

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Look up the Marine Corps Rifleman's Creed. This should be the mindset ingrained in all patriotic Americans.

-May God Bless America! Land of the free and home of the brave! ????