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Preventive programs, like the ones this bill will financially support, simply make sense. By preventing gun violence, these programs save communities (and the state) enormous funds, not to mention the potential lives lost and emotional damage done.

These programs invest in communities that have been underserved and marginalized. They provide paths forward for people who may otherwise perpetuate cycles of violence. Importantly, they rely on trained experts who come from the community and already have a level of trust and buy-in.

We need to continue to fund these programs to create a safer, more vibrant Oregon.