

Sunday, May 29th  
**March on Main Street**  
Followed by a  
**Vigil for Uvalde**

6pm: March from Jesse  
Lee Church  
7pm: Vigil at Ballard

we can  
**end gun  
violence**

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As part of ongoing efforts to reduce gun violence in our community, we would like to recognize National Gun Violence Awareness Week by hosting a “wear orange march and vigil” on Sunday, May 29th in collaboration with community partners.

The recent events in Uvalde, Texas underscore that the need for change and action is greater now than ever. We are all heartbroken for the 19 children and 2 teachers whose lives were tragically cut short.

“Wear Orange 2022” is a gun violence prevention initiative, led by parents, students, survivors, educators, and concerned citizens. The community of Ridgefield is supporting its mission by hosting a March and Vigil in partnership with Jesse Lee Church, CAGV (CT AgAMANainst Gun Violence), and First Selectman Rudy Marconi.

According to [recent research](#), the United States has more than four times the number of gun homicides per 100,000 residents than any other country in the world. Every year, 18,000 children and teens are shot and killed or wounded and

approximately 3 million are [exposed to gun violence](#).

This kind of senseless violence sends shockwaves of harm and trauma through the families involved and extends into communities throughout our country. Children deserve better. Children deserve to feel safe in our community. Children deserve action.

The walk will begin at the Jesse Lee Church Front Lawn (207 Main Street) and end at Ballard Park (485 Main Street) where there will be speakers and various organizations on hand to share information about what’s being done in our local community to prevent gun violence.

**We ask that you show  
your support by  
wearing orange, and  
joining us on May  
29th.**