Submit a letter, of no more than 400 words, to the editor Jr. is the section chief of trauma and acute care surgery at University of Chicago Medicine.

For more than 30 years, each of us has worked on the front lines of gun violence. One works in the streets providing emergency response. The other leads a national publication on gun violence. Over the years, we have witnessed the overwhelming despair, suffering and death caused by gun violence. We see the hopelessness and frustration that has resulted from our nation's failure to reduce gun violence.

For those who have been born into violence, we offer hope for reducing gun violence. For those who live in communities that have experienced violence for generations, we offer hope for peace. We offer hope for those who have been impacted by gun violence and those who feel their neighborhoods are being consumed by it. We offer hope for people who have been professionalizing the field of outreach and victim services by offering training programs and building our capacity to respond.

Through our everyday work, we see how gun violence affects our communities. We see the impact gun violence has on our cities. We see the impact gun violence has on our country. We see the impact gun violence has on our world. We see how gun violence affects our health. We see how gun violence affects our safety. We see how gun violence affects our economy. We see how gun violence affects our democracy. We see how gun violence affects our humanity.

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So how did New York and Los Angeles do it? Research points to a number of important factors, including strong leadership from the mayor's office and reforms within the police department. (Both cities were ranked 30 years, both cities reduced their homicide rates by around 70%.)

What makes CVIs different from other community-based organizations is their relentless, hyperlocalized constitutional manner. Equally important was the nurturing and scaling of CVIs.

To strengthen this garment, rather than letting fear continue to tear it apart. We accompany those who are born into violence and demonstrate the courage to choose pathways to peace. Each of us has a role to play in making our communities safe. Each of us has a responsibility to work together to reduce gun violence. Each of us has a responsibility to work together to make our communities safe.

How to effectively address Chicago's violence problem emerged as the deciding issue in Tuesday's mayoral runoff candidates Brandon Johnson and Paul Vallas.

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