



EMPOWERING WOMEN TO REFUSE TO BE USED TO TAKE A LIFE







In most urban shootings, men are pulling the trigger. But women are supplying many of the guns.



THE IRON PIPELINE

How Women are Used to Bring Guns Into Inner Cities

GUN SELLER



FEMALE STRAW PURCHASER

(Buys guns for people who can't pass background checks)



GUNS ARE DISTRIBUTED in Urban Neighborhoods



PEOPLE BECOME GUN VIOLENCE VICTIMS



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BOSTON, Feb. 25, 2014—Suffolk County District Attorney Dan Conley today joined anti-violence activists, city leaders, and law enforcement officials to announce an advertising campaign on the MBTA that's geared toward reducing access to illegal firearms.

Conley spoke at Ruggles station with Boston Mayor Martin J. Walsh and City Councilor Ayanna Pressley, Boston Police Commissioner William Evans, Transit Police Chief Paul MacMillan, the mothers of homicide victims Warren "Danny" Hairston and Steven Odom, and others in support of Operation LIPSTICK - Ladies Involved in Putting a Stop to Inner-City Killing. Before a crowd of commuters and flanked by placards showing the new advertisements, he delivered the following remarks:



From left to right, Suffolk County District Attorney Dan Conley

"Just last week, Boston Police arrested a 28-year-old man and an 18year-old young woman during a drug investigation downtown. The young woman was carrying a large amount of crack cocaine and a semiautomatic handgun loaded with 14 rounds of ammunition. And what was the man carrying? \$1,900 in cash. That's right - he took all the money and she took all the risk. Based on his record and the officers' observations, we have no doubt that it was his gun and his criminal enterprise, but she's looking at prison time for possession of a high-capacity firearm.

"In another case from last year, Boston Police received information that a young man with a violent record was carrying an illegal firearm. They located him with his younger sister, spoke with both of them, and came to find that the sister was carrying a loaded handgun in her purse. Because of the information the officers had received, as well as the unung man's record it uses their heliaf, and ours as presentation, that



LIPSTICK has helped reduce gun crimes by women in Boston 33%

> District Attorney **Dan Conley**





MEET RASHANDRA RILEY

The Woman Who Inspired LIPSTICK

Who was she?



At 21 years old Rashandra Riley was an Ohio College scholar on the dean's list and a cheerleader

What did she do?



In 2002, she was arrested after straw purchasing 40 guns from an Ohio gun store for a classmate who could not buy the guns himself

What did it cost her?

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MAKING FALSE STATEMENTS & RE-PRESENTATION IN RELATION TO THE Rashandra Riley testifies before Congress



Rashandra Riley is now a

LIPSTICK Lady

Today Rashandra is LIPSTICK's

Director of Outreach to Incarcerated Women

She helps women turn a painful past into a way to protect other women and girls







Operation LIPSTICK in the beauty salons



Thousands of women have taken the LIPSTICK Pledge: "I refuse to be used"





LADIES INVOLVED IN PUTTING A STOP TO INNER-CITY KILLING Take the LIPSTICK Pledge I will not be used to take another person's life. I pledge not to buy, hide or hold guns for someone else.	
Name	1
Email	
Phone	
	I seal this pledge with a KISS



Raising awareness for millions of girls







Warren "Danny" Hairston 1986-2007

The Warren Daniel Hairston Project

We educate, support, and serve families on both sides of gun violence to break cycles of violence and victimization

Founder/Executive Director Ruth Rollins

Your past doesn't have to define your future. 99

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Women helping women keep guns off the streets

