Women’s Involvement in Gun Trafficking  

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The Leadership Scholars Certificate Program is a two-year selective, interdisciplinary certificate program that prepares Rutgers undergraduate women to be informed, innovative, and socially responsible leaders.

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Citizens for Safety

- Non-profit in Boston, Massachusetts
- “Where Did the Gun Come From?”
- Operation LIPSTICK campaign
  - Ladies Involved in Putting a Stop to Inner City Killings
  - The only campaign to address gender and gun trafficking
  - “Emerging research shows women and girls enable gun traffickers by buying, concealing, storing and holding guns for felons who can't get guns legally”
Research

- Gun trafficking
- The arts and activism
- Video as a vehicle for change
- The digital space as a place for activism
- Women’s lack of involvement in media
Lessons Learned

• Producing a video is EXPENSIVE and TIME CONSUMING

• Get comfy with change

• Success is subjective

• Ask for a hand there’s usually always one there when you need it the most
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