ACTIVE THREAT
DEFINITIONS

CRISIS EVACUATION – A threat is actively engaged in killing or attempting to kill people inside the building. Everyone in the immediate area should evacuate (RUN).

LOCK IN – A dangerous situation has developed inside the work area/building. Everyone should Lock In within their immediate work area (HIDE).

LOCK OUT – A dangerous situation exists outside the building. Exterior doors should be locked and everyone should remain inside until further notice.
EVOLUTION OF A/T PREPARATION

PAST (1999 – 2011)

• LAW ENFORCEMENT DEVELOPS AND EVOLVES RESPONSE TO ACTIVE SHOOTER
• SITE ASSESSMENTS ARE CONDUCTED ON HIGH SCHOOLS WITHIN WASHINGTON COUNTY
• EFFORT TO STANDARDIZE TERMS (LOCK-IN, LOCK-OUT, CRISIS EVACUATION)
• “LOCK-IN DRILLS” ARE CREATED AT HIGH SCHOOLS AND EVALUATED BY LAW ENFORCEMENT A/T INSTRUCTORS (TACTICAL TEAM)
• SITE ASSESSMENTS EXTEND OUT TO PRIVATE BUSINESSES COLLEGE CAMPUS SETTINGS
EVOLUTION OF A/T PREPARATION

PAST 1999 – 2011

• SRO’S ALSO CONDUCTING LOCK-IN DRILL EVALUATIONS ALONG SIDE TNT A/T INSTRUCTORS (H.S., MIDDLE SCHOOL LEVEL)
• SRO’S ACTIVELY INVOLVED IN A/T RESPONSE TRAINING AS WELL AS PROVIDED POWER POINTS / LESSON PLANS IN ORDER TO HAVE THEM PROVIDE TRAINING TO TEACHERS DURING IN-SERVICE
EVOLUTION OF A/T PREPARATION

PRESENT

- CURRENT LE RESPONSE MODEL - EVOLVES
- INTEGRATION WITH FIRE/RESCUE/MEDICAL PERSONNEL
- ON-GOING LE TRAINING ON RESPONSE
  - TEACHER PARTICIPATION AS ROLE PLAYERS
  - REGIONAL PARTICIPATION AND COLLABORATION
WHAT HAPPENS AFTER?

A “WARM” scene

LE on scene believe the threat has left, or been mitigated to some degree. The scene is NOT SECURE, but priority begins to shift to life-saving efforts. **WHO MAKES THIS DECISION?**

LE mission priority: **RENDER AID / SECURITY**
Establish a Casualty Collection Point (CCP)
A CCP is a location where casualties can be collected and triaged so that medical resources can be consolidated and work efficiently

• Easy for LE to secure
• Safe ingress and egress routes for medical
• Close enough to carry/drag wounded to
When establishing a CCP

1. CLEAR and SAFEGUARD the CCP
   1. Ensure no hostiles or secondary threats (IEDs)
   2. Enough LE to secure location (see below)

2. COMMUNICATE LOCATION of CCP
   1. This includes proper ingress route(s)

3. ESCORT FIRE to CCP and GUARD
   1. 2-4 LE per FIRE crew
      1. Establishing procedures, remember it is still a “WARM” scene
EVOLUTION OF A/T PREPARATION

PRESENT

- EDUCATION AT THE PUBLIC LEVEL
- WHY?

RUN > HIDE > FIGHT
SURVIVING AN ACTIVE SHOOTER EVENT
THE PUBLIC HAS KIDS. THOSE KIDS GO TO SCHOOL

- “BUT THE VIDEO SAYS RUN...WHAT IF MY KID’S TEACHER SAYS TO HIDE?”
- “WE HAD A LOCK-IN CALLED AND I WAS OUTSIDE TRYING TO PULL A STUDENT BACK INTO THE BUILDING. IS THAT WRONG?”
- “IF THE FIRE ALARM GETS PULLED, HOW DO WE KNOW IT’S REALLY A FIRE AND SOMEONE’S NOT WAITING TO SHOOT KIDS?”

OVER 2 MILLION VIEWS ON YOUTUBE ALONE
SO WHAT ABOUT THE FUTURE?

THIS IS NOT CHANGING…

Out of 264 mass killing incidents examined, 24 foiled attempts involving 2-6 suspects.

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EVOLUTION OF A/T PREPARATION

FUTURE

• WHAT CAN WE DO TO PREPARE AND BETTER OUR RESPONSE?
• MORE EFFICIENT LOCK-IN DRILLS?
• STUDENT THREAT ASSESSMENT?
• ADDITIONAL, CONSISTENT TRAINING?
• WHAT ABOUT THIS?

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THE FUTURE

BREAK OUTS
QUESTIONS