

Security Awareness is Everyone's Responsibility

Antiterrorism and Force Protection Corner

• HOW TO RESPOND WHEN AN ACTIVE SHOOTER IS IN YOUR VICINITY?

If the active shooter is nearby and you cannot evacuate:

- Lock the door
- Silence your cell phone and/or pager
- Turn off lights
- Take action against the active shooter only As a last resort, and only when your life is in imminent danger, attempt to disrupt and/or incapacitate the active shooter by:
 - Acting as aggressively as possible against him/her
 - Throwing items and improvising weapons
 - Yelling
 - Committing to your actions



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How to respond to an active shooter?

1. Evacuate

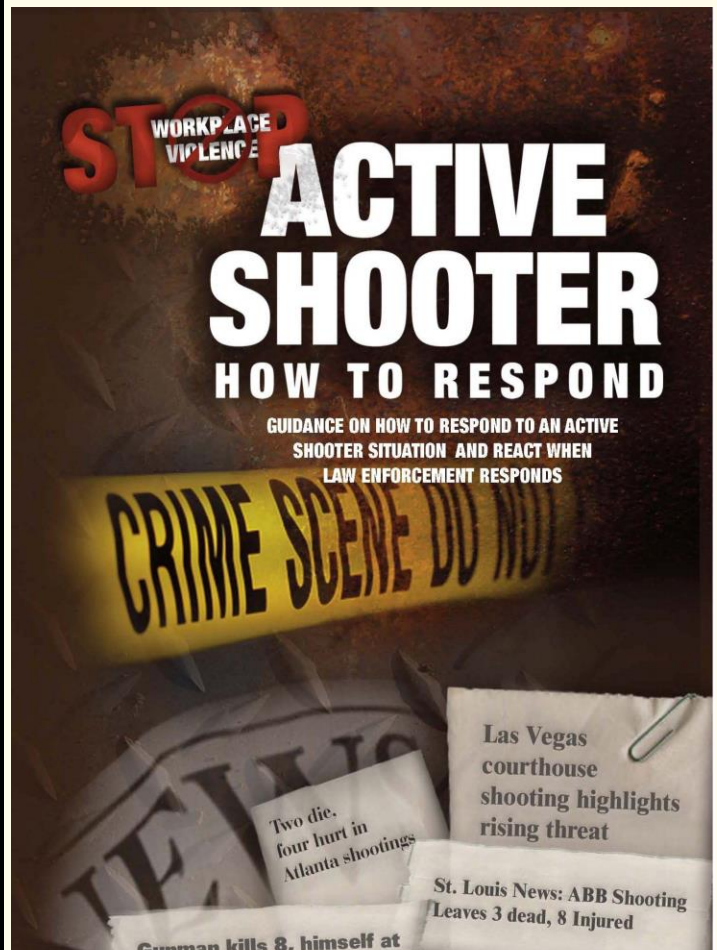
If there is an accessible escape path, attempt to evacuate the premises. Be sure to: Have an escape route and plan in mind • Evacuate regardless of whether others agree to follow • Leave your belongings behind • Help others escape, if possible • Prevent individuals from entering an area where the active shooter may be • Keep your hands visible • Follow the instructions of any police officers • Do not attempt to move wounded people • Call 911 when you are safe.

2. Hide out

If evacuation is not possible, find a place to hide where the active shooter is less likely to find you. Your hiding place should: • be out of the active shooter's view • Provide protection if shots are fired in your direction (i.e., an office with a closed and locked door) • Not trap you or restrict your options for movement to prevent an active shooter from entering your hiding place: • Lock the door • Blockade the door with heavy furniture any source of noise (i.e., radios, televisions) • Hide behind large items (i.e., cabinets, desks) • Remain quiet If evacuation and hiding out are not possible: • Remain calm • Dial 911, if possible, to alert police to the active shooter's location • If you cannot speak, leave the line open and allow the dispatcher to listen.

3. Defend yourself

If there is no option to evacuate or hideout and serious harm or death is imminent resist the attacker by any means available. If there are multiple personnel attempt to formulate a plan .



FAQ of the Quarter. How do I report suspicious activity? If you see suspicious activity please log-in to:

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