

# Surviving an Active Shooter

## Background of an Active Shooter



- An active shooter is a person who actively engages in shooting or attempting to kill people in a small, crowded space, usually with a firearm.
- Happens unexpectedly and chooses victims in a random manner.

## What to do when...

### 1. AN ACTIVE SHOOTER OCCUR IN THE VICINITY?



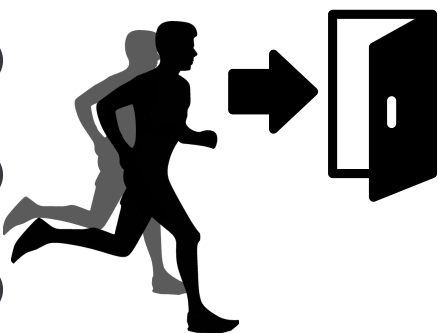
- **Run** - leave everything behind except your phone and go to the nearest exits or place away from the shooter with your hands visible.
- **Hide** - "Out of sight, out of mind". Find a place to hide and secure the entrance with locks and heavy objects. Keep devices in silent mode and text/call 911 when it's safe to do so.
- **Fight** - when faced with danger, try to incapacitate the shooter by hitting vital body parts, throwing objects, or disabling vision. Act fast and with aggression.

### 2. LAW ENFORCEMENT ARRIVES



- Stay calm and cooperate with them by keeping your hands visible, dropping things you hold, and keep asking for help.
- Avoid acting rashly such as running toward officers.

### 3. IN A NEW VICINITY (PRONE TO ACTIVE SHOOTER)



- Recognize the threats that may exist in your area.
- Be familiar with the two nearest exits in the area.
- Stay put and lock the door when in an office.
- As a last resort, try to take down the gunman.

## INFORMATION TO REPORT TO LAW ENFORCEMENT/911 OPERATORS:

- LOCATION
- NUMBER OF SHOOTERS
- SHOOTERS' APPEARANCE
- TYPE OF WEAPON
- NUMBER OF POTENTIAL VICTIMS