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Active Threat Response Training Resources

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Advanced Law Enforcement Rapid Response Training (ALERRT) at Texas State University

ALERRT was created in 2002 as a partnership between Texas State University, the San Marcos, Texas Police Department, and the Hays County, Texas Sheriff's Office to address the need for active shooter response training for first responders. ALERRT has developed, and currently offers, 13 grant-funded first responder courses that are delivered across the nation at no cost to the agencies receiving the training. The following courses, lectures, and video are some of ALERRT's most well-known, but a complete [course catalog](#) is available for browsing.

Course: [Active Attack Integrated Response \(AAIR\)](#)

Audience: Law Enforcement, Fire, Tele-Communicator, or Emergency Medical Services

Length: 2 days (16 hours)

Cost: Free

Description: This course has been designed to improve the safety and survivability of victims of active attack / shooter events and increase the effectiveness, coordination, and resource integration between law enforcement, fire, tele-communications, and emergency medical services (EMS) when responding to these events. The course provides law enforcement officers with key medical skills based on tactical emergency casualty care guidelines, which can be used at the point of injury to increase survivability of victims. It also provides a model framework for law enforcement, fire, and EMS to integrate responses during an active attack / shooter event through the rescue task force concept.

Course: [Civilian Response to Active Shooter Events \(CRASE\) Train-the-Trainer](#)

Audience: Law Enforcement

Length: Half day (4 hours)

Cost: Free

Description: CRASE is a half-day class designed to educate police officers and agencies how to effectively teach active shooter response protocol to schools, businesses, and citizens in their communities. Designed and built on ALERRT's Avoid, Deny, Defend™ strategy, attendees learn to provide others with a clear and proven plan for surviving an active shooter situation. Participants receive a manual and PowerPoint presentation for their own use in teaching this material to others.

Course: [Exterior Response to Active Shooter Events \(ERASE\)](#)

Audience: First Responders

Length: 3 days (24 hours)

Cost: Free

Description: ERASE is designed to prepare first responders for an open-air active shooter encounter. It addresses a wide range of tactics and techniques when dealing with an exterior armed aggressor. This hands-on course will cover equipment selection, vehicle ambushes, medical emergencies, mounted and dismounted officer/citizen down rescue, dismounted individual/team movement techniques, and emergency vehicle crisis response.

Lecture: [Active Shooter Events and Response \(ASER\)](#)

Audience: Law Enforcement (Including Mid-Level and Upper Management)

Length: Half day (4 hours)

Cost: Free

Description: This four-hour lecture-based awareness class takes a look at the current threat picture. It describes significant changes in best practices for active shooter response. The driving force concept is introduced to assist in decision making during initial response to stop the killing, Point-of-Injury medical care and evacuation to a higher level of care to stop the dying. Participants are introduced to the integrated Rescue Task Force model and working with fire and EMS personnel within a warm zone with traditional protocols as well as ambulance exchange points. The course also discusses model civilian programs and awareness campaigns.

Video: [Avoid Deny Defend™](#)

Audience: General Public

Length: 11 minutes 33 seconds

Cost: Free

Description: [Avoid, Deny, Defend™](#) is a three-step plan designed to give people with an active shooter in their vicinity the greatest chance of survival. This 11-minute video portrays a situation where store employees survive an active shooter attack by avoiding the shooter, denying him access to their location, and defending themselves from the shooter when given no alternatives.

[ALICE Training Institute \(Alert, Lockdown, Inform, Counter, Evacuate\)](#)

The ALICE Training Institute works with organizations of all types and sizes. They will customize their programs to meet your specific needs and work with law enforcement, institutions of higher education, K-12 schools, houses of worship, and more. View ALICE's [training calendar](#) to see upcoming offerings.

Course: [ALICE Instructor Certification Training Program](#)

Audience: Qualified Instructors (Including LE Officers, Employee Safety Advocates or Compliance, CEOs, etc.)

Length: 2 days

Cost: \$595

Description: An ALICE Certified Instructor is an individual who has demonstrated mastery of the (2-day) program through an online test and graded presentation. Only Certified ALICE Instructors can facilitate the ALICE training program within their organization. The goal of this class is to increase an individual's odds of survival in the event of an active shooter or other violent intruder. ALICE's Instructor Certification Training program combines online coursework with in-person exercises to teach both efficiently and effectively.

Course: [Rapid Deployment, Awareness, Intervention, Decisiveness, EMS, Recovery \(RAIDER\)](#)

Audience: Law Enforcement/Licensed Armed Security Personnel Only

Length: 4 or 5 days

Cost: \$750 for 4 days, \$850 for 5 days

Description: The RAIDER Training program exposes first-on-scene responders to the tactical skills necessary to operate successfully in the unique tensions of an active shooter setting – a hostile environment, populated by large numbers of civilians, with an active killer attempting to achieve the highest body count possible in the shortest amount of time. The courses are organized in three levels with each Level designed to be run either as a standalone course or consecutively to achieve the 5-day Instructor Level Course. View a day-by-day overview [here](#).

California State University (CSU)

Video: [CSU Active Shooter Safety Training](#)

Audience: CSU's 23 Campuses

Length: 8 minutes 19 seconds

Cost: Free

Description: The CSU system released this active shooter safety video in 2018 to help prepare students for the potential threat of an active shooter on one of its 23 campuses. The video, which emphasizes the "Run, Hide, Fight" survival method, was produced at the end of 2017 with input from campus police chiefs. It was first distributed to campuses in January 2018 and shared on social media in February 2018.

Center for Personal Protection and Safety (CPPS)

Video: [Shots Fired on Campus: Guidance for Surviving an Active Shooter Situation](#)

Audience: Schools/Students/General Public

Cost: \$295 (DVD only) or \$495 (DVD and courseware)

Description: Shots Fired on Campus provides the individual student with critical guidance on how to recognize and survive an active shooter situation. The [Video Training](#) web page offers free video previews, descriptions, and options for purchasing DVDS and coursework.

Video: [When Lightning Strikes: How to Recognize and Respond to an Extreme Violence Event](#)

Audience: Schools/Students/General Public

Cost: \$295 (DVD only) or \$495 (DVD and courseware)

Description: This program prepares any individual to become situationally aware of their surroundings, pick up on early indicators that something might be wrong, and respond effectively if “Lightning Does Strike” and they find themselves in an extreme violence event. The [Video Training](#) web page offers free video previews, descriptions, and options for purchasing DVDS and coursework.

Department of Homeland Security (DHS)

Course: [Law Enforcement First Responder Training Program \(LEF RTP\)](#)

Audience: Law Enforcement

Length: 3 days

Cost: Please [email](#)

Description: LEF RTP is designed to provide topics most applicable to law enforcement officers as first responders at the state and local levels. Law enforcement officers must be trained and equipped to respond to virtually any situation – criminal acts, terrorist attacks, and other large-scale emergencies, including active shooter incidents. The LEF RTP will provide training, guidelines, and resources to address these, as well as other important issues.

Video: [Options for Consideration Active Shooter Preparedness](#)

Audience: General Public

Length: 7 minutes 52 seconds

Cost: Free

Description: This video demonstrates possible actions that individuals can take if confronted with an active shooter scenario. The video also shows how to assist authorities once law enforcement enters the scene.

Webinar: [DHS Active Shooter Awareness Virtual Roundtable](#)

Audience: General Public

Length: 1.5 hours

Cost: Free

Description: This presentation describes three types of active shooters: workplace/school, criminal, and ideological. It also covers how the behavioral patterns and planning cycles differ between these types of active shooters.

Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI)

Film: [The Coming Storm](#)

Audience: Law enforcement and other first responders and emergency planners

Length: 40 minutes

Cost: Free (please contact your local [FBI field office](#) to schedule a viewing)

Description: The FBI's film, *The Coming Storm*, is a depiction of decisions every law enforcement commander may face in the aftermath of a large-scale or any active shooter incident. The movie highlights areas that need special attention, such as victim and survivor resources, and witness and media management. Lastly, the movie is intended specifically for law enforcement and other first responders and emergency

planners, and it is designed to inspire them to evaluate their agencies' preparedness for active shooter or other types of large-scale critical incidents.

Web Portal: [Law Enforcement Enterprise Portal \(LEEP\)](#)

Audience: Law Enforcement Officials, Intelligence Analysts, Active Duty and Civilian Military Personnel, and Emergency Management Professionals

Cost: Free (requires membership through a vetting process)

Description: LEEP is a gateway providing law enforcement agencies, intelligence groups, and criminal justice entities access to beneficial resources. A primary component of LEEP is the Law Enforcement Online (LEO) website, which offers a variety of active shooter materials for law enforcement agencies and other first responders to help ensure preparedness for these types of events, including crisis resources, law enforcement training, assistance on dealing with victims, and a directory of FBI field offices.

FEMA: Emergency Management Institute

Online Course: [Active Shooter: What Can You Do \(IS-907\)](#)

Audience: Students/General Public

Length: 1 hour

Cost: Free (requires FEMA Student Identification Number)

Description: This course is designed to provide non-law enforcement students and employees with guidance on how to act when confronted with an active shooter situation and responding law enforcement. It also teaches how to recognize indicators of potential workplace violence, how to prepare for potential active shooter incidents, and how to manage the consequences of such an incident.

'I Love U Guys' Foundation

Video: [Community College Orientation: The Standard Response Protocol on Campus](#)

Audience: Community College Students

Length: 4 minutes 30 seconds

Cost: Free

Description: In partnership with the Koshka Foundation and the Columbine: Wounded Minds Project, the "I Love U Guys" Foundation produced this training video targeting community college students. It is recommended that this video be part of an in-person student orientation or required viewing on the campus student website.

Indiana State Police

Presentation: [Unarmed Response to a School Active Shooter Event](#)

Audience: All law enforcement and school administrators

Length: 29 minutes 14 seconds

Cost: Free

Description: This presentation was developed as a free guide to help schools in evaluating current active shooter prevention and response programs, and in developing their own. Although it was developed with experts, it is not intended to replace advice or

consultation with local law enforcement or other first responders who many directly interact with your institution. The presentation includes reunification information as well as an embedded in-school active shooter video and a school bus active shooter video.

Video: [Unarmed Response to an In-School Active Shooter](#)

Audience: Students, Educators, Staff, and Law Enforcement

Length: 8 minutes 25 seconds

Cost: Free

Description: This video was disseminated by the Indiana State Police in January 2016 for students, educators, and law enforcement to help inform these populations of actions they should take in response to an active shooter incident with one or more participants, and what they can expect when law enforcement arrives on the scene.

Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department

Video: [Surviving an Active Shooter](#)

Audience: General Public

Length: 9 minutes 22 seconds

Cost: Free

Description: In 2015, the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department created this video to help people answer the question "What would you do?" in the event of a sudden attack by a gunman while at work, school (in this case a higher education setting), or in public. Transcripts or copies of the video for use in training can be requested by contacting the department via their [website](#).

Ready Houston

Video: [Run. Hide. Fight.® Surviving an Active Shooter Event](#)

Audience: General Public

Length: 5 minutes 55 seconds

Cost: Free

Description: Ready Houston, an organization specializing in regional disaster preparedness for the Houston Region, has released a video on YouTube titled "RUN. HIDE. FIGHT.®" designed to teach people their three basic options when dealing with an active shooter. The video was researched and produced by the Houston Mayor's Office of Public Safety and Homeland Security using money from a U.S. Department of Homeland Security federal grant. The video dramatizes an active shooter incident in the workplace and was completed days before the Aurora, CO movie theater shooting.

Rock Valley College

Video: [Practical Response to Active Shooter](#)

Audience: Students, Faculty, Staff

Length: 3 minutes 35 seconds

Cost: Free or Contact Rock Valley College for Additional Permissions

Description: Rock Valley College Police Department created this video to educate their community on the options available during an active shooter incident on campus. The department stresses that members of the campus community must use their own

discretion during an active shooter event as to whether they choose to run to safety, remain in place, or, as a last resort, fight back. If you'd like to use this video on your website, please contact Rock Valley College Police at (815) 921-4350.

The Boston Consortium for Higher Education

Video: [Active Shooter Awareness](#)

Audience: General Public

Length: 7 minutes 44 seconds

Cost: Free

Description: Emergency managers of The Boston Consortium for Higher Education (The Boston Consortium) collaborated to produce a new active shooter training video that would address the specific needs of higher education. At the beginning of the project, The Boston Consortium members agreed to make the video available for free to any institution of higher education that would be interested in using it for their community. The video was specifically designed to be used by any college or university campus, with no identifying locations, logos, or talking heads other than at the beginning and end of the video.

Vivid Learning Systems

Online Course: [Active Shooter Preparedness Training](#)

Audience: General Public

Cost: Free

Description: Vivid Learning Systems designed a class called 'Active Shooter Response Training', aiming to provide the general public with an interactive way to learn about active shooter situations. The online class allows the user to take a quiz after completing the course to test their retention of the material.