

## COPING

### with an Active Shooter Situation

- Be aware of your environment and any possible dangers.
- Take note of the two nearest exits in any facility you visit.
- If you are in an office, stay there and secure the door.
- Attempt to take the active shooter down as a last resort.

Contact your building management or human resources department for more information and training on active shooter response in your workplace.

## PROFILE

### of an Active Shooter

An active shooter is an individual actively engaged in killing or attempting to kill people in a confined and populated area, typically through the use of firearms.

## CHARACTERISTICS

### of an Active Shooter Situation

- Victims are selected at random.
- The event is unpredictable and evolves quickly.
- Law enforcement is usually required to end an active shooter situation.

**CALL 911** 

When it is safe to do so!



## HOW TO RESPOND

### When an Active Shooter is in your vicinity



#### **EVACUATE**

- Have an escape route and plan in mind.
- Leave your belongings behind.
- Keep your hands visible.



#### **HIDE OUT**

- Hide in an area out of the shooter's view.
- Block entry to your hiding place and lock the doors.
- Silence your cell phone and/or pager.



#### **TAKE ACTION**

- As a last resort and only when your life is in imminent danger.
- Attempt to incapacitate the shooter.
- Act with physical aggression and throw items at the active shooter.

**Call 911 when it is safe to do so!**

## HOW TO RESPOND

### When law enforcement arrives

- Remain calm and follow instructions.
- Put down any items in your hands.
- Raise hands and spread fingers.
- Keep hands visible at all times.
- Avoid quick movements toward officers such as holding on to them for safety.
- Avoid pointing, screaming or yelling.
- Do not stop to ask officers for help or direction when evacuating.

## INFORMATION

### You should provide to Law Enforcement or 911 Operator

- Location of the active shooter.
- Number of shooters.
- Physical description of shooters.
- Number and type of weapons held by shooters.
- Number of potential victims at the location.