



City of Mankato/DPS and ISD 77 - Partnership in Preparedness

AUGUST 13TH, 2018

Active Violence Active Shooter (AVAS)

- ▶ AVAS Mission Statement:
 - ▶ ***Save lives by enhancing community preparedness and law enforcement's ability to respond to and stop incidents of active violence while conscientiously integrating the response of fire and medical personnel.***
- ▶ Local Agencies
 - ▶ Train on the same concepts (pre-requisite training)
 - ▶ Multi-agency exercises
 - ▶ Multiple discipline exercises (Law, EMS, Fire, etc.)

History of AVAS Response by Law Enforcement

- ▶ Pre-Columbine – Form a perimeter and call out the Tactical Team
 - ▶ Columbine occurs and incident goes on for nearly an hour on live TV
 - ▶ The term “Active Shooter” is created
- ▶ Call for change in Law Enforcement response
 - ▶ Unique response from law enforcement is created
 - ▶ AVAS incident times drop to 3-5 minutes with adoption of new response
 - ▶ Tactical response is created to neutralize threat, secure corridor and provide medical aid to injured quickly



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- ▶ Ongoing communication between City of Mankato – Department of Public Safety and District 77 staff
 - ▶ Assist with lockdown drills
 - ▶ Security walkthroughs at District 77 schools reference improved security
- ▶ Organized training events have occurred with ISD 77 staff and schools:
- ▶ Large scale training exercises:
 - ▶ Franklin Elementary – August 2017
 - ▶ Focused on Officer Tactics, Neutralizing Threat, Establishing Secure Corridor and Victim Removal
 - ▶ Washington Elementary – July 2018
 - ▶ Focused on Establishing Secure Corridor, Incident Command, Unified Command, Realistic Staging and creating a safe Casualty Collection Point



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- ▶ Tabletop Training Exercises
 - ▶ Multidisciplinary Event– June 2018
 - ▶ Over 100 attendees including representatives from:
 - ▶ ISD 77 Administration
 - ▶ City of Mankato Admin
 - ▶ Local, State and Federal Law Enforcement
 - ▶ Fire and EMS
 - ▶ MCHS
 - ▶ ISD 77 Staff Training Event – August 2018
 - ▶ Requested by ISD 77 after June Exercise
- ▶ Workplace Violence Lecture
 - ▶ ACES Staff – June 2018
- ▶ MN School Safety Center Presentation – February 2018



Takeaways from ISD 77 Trainings

- ▶ Maps in squad cars and Dispatch for all ISD 77 schools.
- ▶ Building access for all MDPS officers
- ▶ Importance of building familiarization
- ▶ Communication tools in all ISD 77 schools via Homeland Security Emergency Management Grant
 - ▶ Training provided to Admin and office staff on the EDU talk group.
- ▶ Continue to build on previous trainings.
- ▶ Evacuation strategies
- ▶ Reunification sites and protocol
- ▶ Long-term planning following an event (Security, mental health needs, etc.)
- ▶ Appropriate community notification through Public Information

What's Next?

- ▶ Meeting with ISD 77 Administration to develop and implement student/staff accountability notification system.
 - ▶ This system will allow law enforcement to quickly assess all rooms in the building and identify potential issues quickly.

