

ACTIVE SHOOTER PREVENTION AND RESPONSE

MHCC

ACTIVE SHOOTER RESPONSE REVIEW

Definition and Overview

An active shooter is an individual(s) actively engaged in killing or attempting to kill people in a specific area.

Active shooter situations are:

- Unpredictable and evolve quickly.
- Often over within 5 minutes.
- Knowing what to do saves lives

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Indications an Event is Occurring:

- You may hear shots fired
- Notification by Public Address system
- RAVE Emergency Alert Notification [RAVE](#)
- Building personnel telling you to LOCKDOWN
- Do not pull the fire alarm
- Lock down tone



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- Run – Hide – Fight video:

[Run Hide Fight Video](#)

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RUN

- Leave your belongings behind
- Evacuate regardless of whether others agree to follow
- Help others to escape, if possible
- Do not attempt to move the wounded
- Do not run in a straight line
- Prevent others from entering an area where the active shooter may be
- Keep your hands visible
- Call 911 when you are safe

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HIDE

- Hide in an area out of the shooter's view
- Block entry to the hiding place and lock doors, if possible
- Turn off the lights
- Silence cell phones
- Remain quiet

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FIGHT

- As a last resort and only when your life is in imminent danger
- Attempt to incapacitate the shooter
- Act with as much physical aggression as possible
- Improvise weapons or throw items at the active shooter
- Commit to your actions...your life depends on it

[Barricade Video](#)

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When law enforcement arrives:

- Remain calm and follow officers' instructions
- Put down any items in your hands (i.e., bags, jackets, books, etc.)
- *Immediately* raise hands and spread fingers
- Keep hands visible at all times
- Avoid making quick movements toward officers, such as holding onto them for safety
- Avoid pointing, screaming and/or yelling
- Do not stop to ask officers for help or direction when evacuating

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Once you have reached a safe location, you will likely be restricted to that area until the situation is under control and all witnesses have been identified and questioned.

DO NOT leave until law enforcement authorities have instructed you to do so.

IMPORTANT NUMBERS



DIAL: 911

Then MHCC Public Safety: 503-491-7911

Public Safety Emergency Preparedness web site:

[Emergency Preparedness](#)

WRAP UP