

# **Morgan Support Services, Inc.**

## **Active Shooter Training Information**

What is 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 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.

How to Cope in 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.

How to Respond when an Active Shooter is in your Vicinity:

1. Run
  - Have an escape route and plan in mind.
  - Leave your belongings behind.
  - Keep your hands visible.
2. Hide
  - 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.
3. Fight
  - Confront the shooter only as a last resort and when your life is in danger.
  - Attempt to incapacitate the shooter.
  - Act with physical aggression and throw things at the 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 (i.e., bags, jackets.)
- Raise hands and spread fingers.
- Keep hands visible at all times.
- Avoid quick movements towards officers such as holding on to them for safety.
- Avoid pointing, screaming, or yelling.
- Do not stop to speak to officers for help or directions 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

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Optional: Watch this video for a dramatization of the steps discussed above.  
<https://mssconfidential.online/ActiveShooterVideo>

If you have questions about this information, be sure to get those questions answered before taking the quiz, which can be found here: <https://mssconfidential.online/ActiveShooterQuiz>