

2. HIDE



If running to escape is not possible, find a room with a lockable door and barricade yourself, and others with you, and remain there until first responders come for you.

- Lock the door and block it with heavy furniture. Turn off the lights and stay low to the floor.
- Arrange furniture within the room to create a “safe zone” by putting it between you and the door.
- Silence your cell phone and try to remain as quiet as possible until first responders arrive.
- Once you are locked inside, DON'T open the door for anyone except first responders.

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ACTIVE SHOOTER



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1. RUN



Escape is your best defense if this is a possibility for you. If you are not in the path of the active shooter, and you are able to, run away from the scene as quickly as possible.

- Call 911 immediately and provide whatever details you can.
- Leave your belongings behind as they will only slow you down.
- Run, even if others choose to stay behind.
- Try to prevent others from walking into the situation without endangering yourself to do so.
- If you encounter Law Enforcement, keep your hands visible AT ALL TIMES. (They don't know who the shooter is.)
- Provide what information you can to Law Enforcement if asked.
- RUN until you are out of sight of the shooting location.

3. FIGHT



If running and hiding are not possible as the shooter(s) are right on top of you, then FIGHT. FIGHT with all of your might and vigor to survive.

- Use anything available as a weapon to incapacitate or disarm the shooter(s).
- Commit to the fight, and continue until you succeed. Your life may depend on it.
- Target the shooter(s) vulnerabilities such as their head, eyes, arms, knees, etc.
- Hit them until they go down, and are no longer a threat to you.
- If you incapacitate them and feel able to do so, detain them until Law Enforcement arrives. Otherwise RUN and Law Enforcement where you last left the shooter(s).
- NEVER pick up the shooter(s) weapon(s). Slide them with your feet away from the shooter(s). You don't want to be mistaken for the shooter(s) by holding their weapons(s).

4. Treat



If you, or someone you are barricaded with is injured, do all you can to treat any wound(s) until medical personnel arrive or you are evacuated by Law Enforcement.

Law Enforcement will be focused on neutralizing the shooter(s) as a priority, before taking care of survivors and the injured. It could be 15-30 minutes or longer before medical attention is available, so providing care if it is safe for you to do so may save lives.

- DON'T leave a safe location or barricaded position to treat anyone who is injured.
- Pack gunshot wounds with gauze, t-shirts, towels, anything to minimize blood loss. Apply pressure to bleeding wounds.
- If bleeding is on an arm or leg, apply a tourniquet above the wound to stem the bleeding.
- Talk calmly to any victims to help slow their heart rate and decrease the loss of blood.