Reponses received after USDA Tactical Entry/ Active Shooter training 
for Ft. Hood CID in Texas 
August 2021

What did you personally get out of this training?
Trainers were very informative, knew what they are doing, helped my knowledge of how to clear rooms.

Do you feel that the training is beneficial to law enforcement?
I think it is, the trainers pointed out things that that I haven’t thought of before

Would you recommend this class to other law enforcement agencies?
Yes, no matter where you at, an active shooter can come out of no-where and it would be beneficial to anyone in LE to be prepared for that situation

Other notes:
Big group makes it harder, but would like more scenarios w/ civilians being in play

-Taylor Welty via phone interview with Alexis Goldwater

The training provided was spectacular. I have attended many other trainings on clearing rooms and responding to active shooters but the training provided by the USDA was far superior! Other training was repetitive and dry but the training provided was informational and engaging. Thank you again for coming out and assisting in the training. Please consider coming back next year for training.

-Nathan Celia

What did you personally get out of this training?
To be frank, I’ve always felt anxious regarding my lack of adequate training in active shooter response, and that was further heightened since my arrival to Fort Hood, TX, where there have been two active shooter incidents in recent history. The uncertainty in how I was supposed to properly respond as a law enforcement officer, individually or with a team, weighed heavily on my mind because if anything were to happen, it would happen here, at the most populated installation in the Army. Since undergoing just one day of training with the U.S. Deputy Sheriff’s Association, I feel much more confident and prepared to respond to an active shooter situation, because I received realistic training and feedback from a group of experts, whereas before, I had nothing but a sense a duty and obligation. I experienced a great sense of relief after completing the training because if I am faced with an active shooter situation, my brain and muscles can now draw on genuine training and empower me to act properly, with confidence. The training has made me a more complete law enforcement officer.

Do you feel the training is beneficial to law enforcement? In what way?
Absolutely. In this day and age, with the number of shooting incidents occurring in the U.S., it is absolutely vital that each law enforcement officer is familiar with tactical entry and active shooter situations. The training from the U.S. Deputy Sheriff’s Association was realistic, and the feedback the trainers provided was candid and honest. Even experienced law enforcement officers who have been through this, or similar training, should be open to constructive criticism because the improvements in our tactics and procedures potentially influence the difference between life and death. There is no single, or right way to respond to an active shooter situation, and learning from the trainers from
different localities, departments, and echelons in law enforcement, means they have input the training and experience from their own organizations, selected only the most effective, and are now able to provide that to other law enforcement professionals.

**Would you recommend this class to other law enforcement agencies?**

Yes.

Respectfully,

Daniel Yoo

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