

On behalf of the Alexandria Police Department, I would like to thank the United States Deputy Sheriff's Association (USDASA) for their donation of three rifle plate carriers. Unfortunately, in today's society active shooter events have become too common and can happen anywhere. Our department recently responded to an active threat scare at our high school that was determined to be a "swatting" incident. Incidents can truly happen anytime and anywhere.

Equipment like this is vital to protect the responding officers so that they may stay in the fight and protect the students in an active school threat. I am grateful for the generosity of the USDASA that has allowed three more of our officers to have this protection.

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