# Citizen Response to a Violent Intruder

Alert Lockdown Inform Counter Evacuate



# ALICE is based on premise that information, authorization, and proactive training are the key to surviving the Active Shooter.

- Alert: all are authorized to announce, no codes are used
- Lockdown: must include barricade training
- Inform: use technology to provide play-by-play information
- Counter: interrupt the skill set needed to shoot accurately
- **Evacuate**: get away from danger if possible



## Passive vs. Proactive Response Strategies

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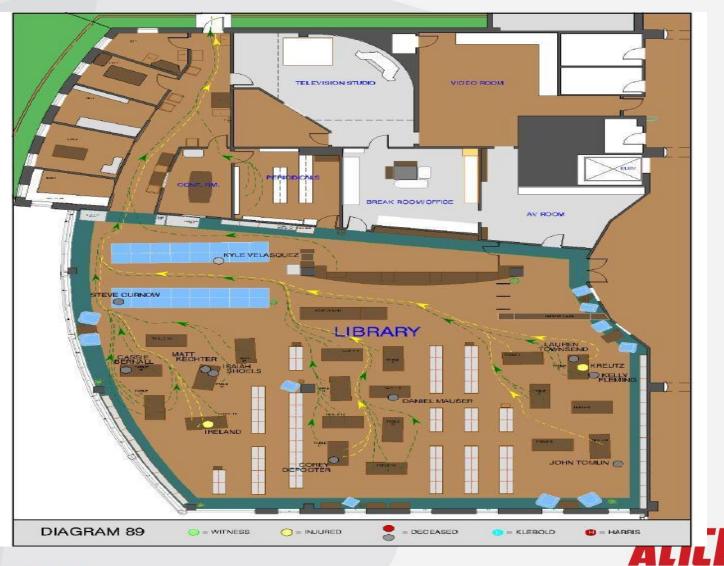


## 14 Years of Passive Response Strategies

|                            | Columbine Library<br>1999 | Virginia Tech<br>2007 | Sandy Hook<br>2013 |
|----------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|
| Number of Bad Guys         | 2                         | 1                     | 1                  |
| Minutes of Shooting        | 8.5                       | 8                     | 5                  |
| Numbers Present            | 56                        | Approx. 100           | Approx. 50         |
| Age of Victims             | Minors                    | Adults                | Minors and Adults  |
| <b>Casualty Percentage</b> | About 50%                 | About 50%             | About 50%          |
| Number Wounded             | 12                        | 17                    | 2                  |
| Number Killed              | 10                        | 30                    | 26                 |



### Why did 54 students STAY for 5 minutes?



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## **Should they have STAYED?**





# Is this really all they need to know in order to respond to a Violent Intruder?





## Why they need to know more:

#### Attack Resolution

The NYPD organized attack resolutions in the active shooter data set into four categories: applied force, no applied force, suicide or attempted suicide, and attacker fled.

Table 2 shows that the vast majority of attacks in the active shooter data set ended violently, either by force applied by law enforcement, private security, bystanders, or the attackers themselves. Only 14% ended without applied force, such as by a negotiated surrender.

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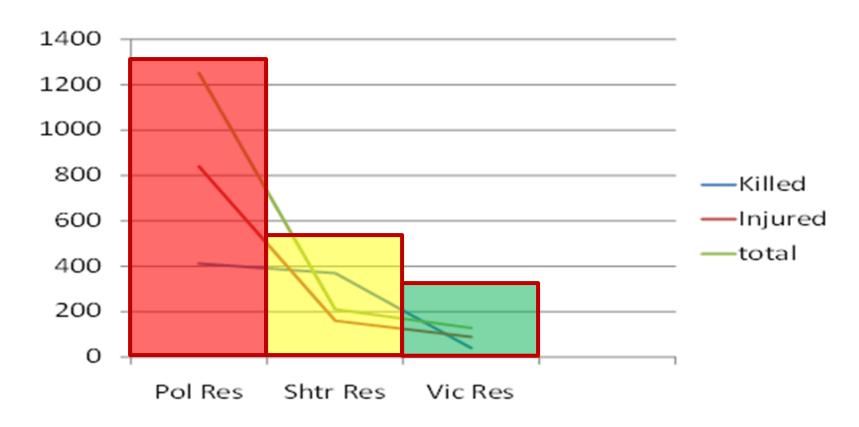
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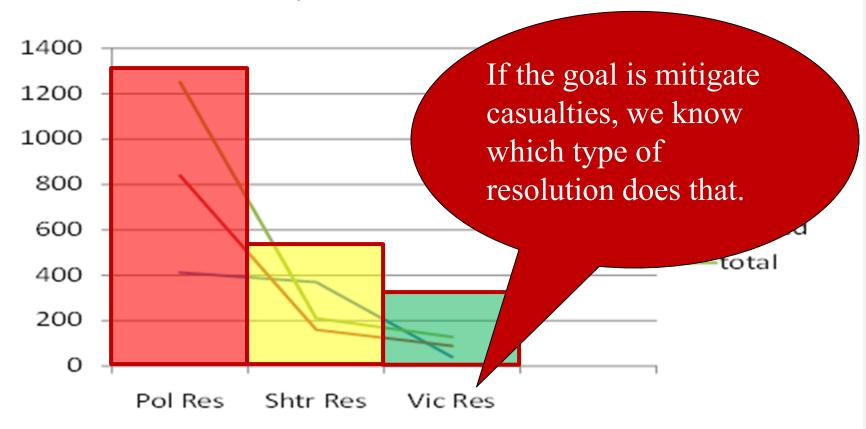


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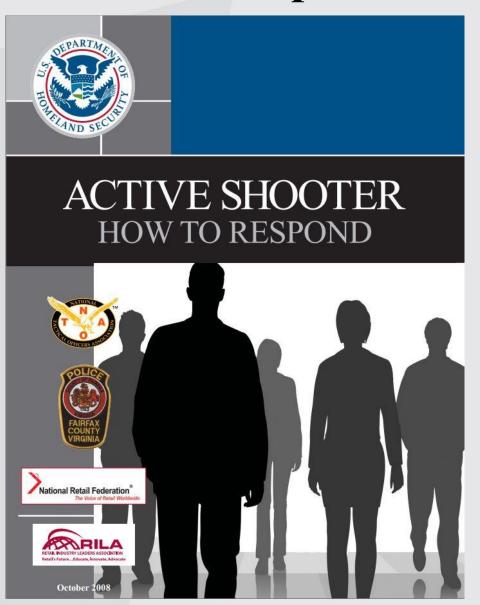
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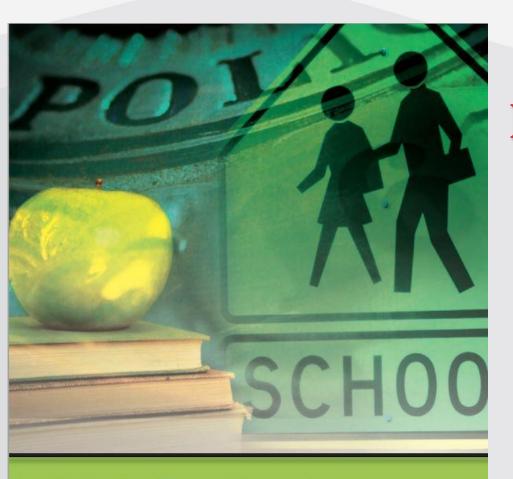
# There is now a movement towards Proactive Response at official levels:



## DHS Recommendations

- October 2008
- Known as the 3-Outs Program
  - Get Out
  - Hide Out
  - Take Out





Guide for Preventing and Responding to School Violence 2nd Edition





## IACP Recommendations

- October 2009
- Do not have a one-size fits all plan.
- Teachers choose to Evacuate or Lockdown
- Authorize decisions to be made
- Active Resistance is an option





New York City Police Department

### **Active Shooter**

Recommendations and Analysis for Risk Mitigation 2012 Edition

Raymond W. Kelly
Police Commissioner



# NYPD Recommendations Jan 2012, 2013

#### Training:

- Train building occupants on response options outlined by the Department of Homeland Security in "Active Shooter: How to Respond" when an active shooter is in the vicinity:<sup>4</sup>
  - Evacuate: Building occupants should evacuate the facility if safe to do so; evacuees should leave behind their belongings, visualize their entire escape route before beginning to move, and avoid using elevators or escalators.
  - Hide: If evacuating the facility is not possible, building occupants should hide
    in a secure area (preferably a designated shelter location), lock the door,
    blockade the door with heavy furniture, cover all windows, turn off all lights,
    silence any electronic devices, lie on the floor, and remain silent.
  - Take Action: If neither evacuating the facility nor seeking shelter is possible, building occupants should attempt to disrupt and/or incapacitate the active shooter by throwing objects, using aggressive force, and yelling.





#### The State of Alabama Active Shooter Response

#### Strategic Plan

February 2013







# AL Gov't and Homeland Security

- February 2013
- Specifically names ALICE and Run, Hide, Fight as official State recommendations for AS response plans.



#### **School Safety Task Force**

**Recommendations and Resources** 







Local Partnerships are Vital in Managing School-based Critical Incidents

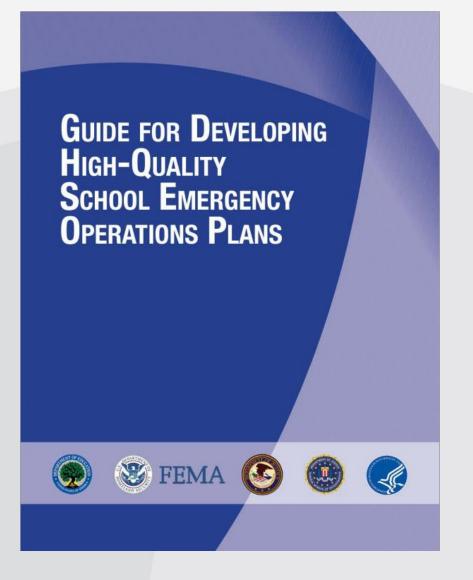
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# Ohio Attorney General and Safety Task Force Recommendations

- June 2013
- Lockdown does not mean stand-alone defensive strategy of Securing in Place
- Evacuate, Barricading, Counter
- For Staff and Students





## US Dept. of Ed REMS Recommendations

- June 2013
- Has to be the end of LOCKDOWN only as the response plan for schools.

Are your plans in agreement with these recommendations, or contrary?

ALICE has led this movement since 2001.

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## **Usual Opponent Concerns:**

- 1. There could be more than one shooter.
- 2. They could run into the shooter if they evacuate.
- 3. How will we account for those who left?
- 4. Who will be liable?
- 5. Small children aren't capable. "Stranger Danger"?
- 6. Special Ed is not addressed.
- 7. Rally Point could be a secondary attack location.
- 8. Evacuating folks will get in the way of police.
- 9. How will police distinguish friendlies from shooter if they get the gun away?
- 10. Counter Strategies are ridiculous



# Questions?

Thank you and Stay Safe!

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