

## **Crane Receives President's Award from Ohio Police Chiefs**

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The Ohio Association of Chiefs of Police (OACP) president, Chief Kenneth Hinkle, presented this year's President's Award to Greg Crane, president of the ALICE Training Institute. The award was announced at this year's Chiefs' In-Service & Annual Conference held April 28-30, 2013.

OACP president, Chief Hinkle started the presentation by stating, "ALICE co-Founder Greg Crane, a former SWAT officer and high school and college educator, developed the program with wife Lisa Crane, a retired educator and school administrator with 30 years of experience. With their combined expertise, the Cranes developed a response system that can be easily tailored to suit the needs of a variety of institutions, based on facility size and age of participants."

Greg Crane went on to say, "First responders, along with on-site security, such as security officers and School Resource Officers, do an excellent job of protecting civilians and responding to critical incidents. However, despite prompt response from law enforcement, critical incidents often escalate before police arrive or security can relocate to the area of the building or campus where the targeted violence is, or has occurred. Being able to quickly assess a violent situation and answer critical questions, such as What is happening? Where is it happening?, and Can I get out or should I hide?, will enable civilians to manage critical incidents until outside help arrives and reduce the number of injuries and fatalities resulting from a violent intruder."

The ALICE Training Institute is changing how schools, universities and businesses respond to armed intruders. ALICE (Alert, Lock-down, Inform, Counter, and Evacuate), developed after Columbine, teaches strategies to survive a life-threatening event. Supported by educators and law enforcement organizations, ALICE is quickly becoming the new standard of care across the nation.

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