Course Description:
In this CJSTC Specialized 16 hour course, participants will gain an increased knowledge and understanding of active shooter incidents and the importance for single officer response. Participants will learn the importance of mental preparation, including recognizing how stress affects their ability to respond and the need to develop strategies for coping with stress during an active shooter incident in order to stop the attacker. Participants will gain an increased knowledge and understanding of the principles of responding tactically to an active shooter incident. Participants will demonstrate proficiency in practical skills that are the foundation of tactical room clearing, including understanding and using angles to their tactical advantage. Participants will demonstrate proficiency in practical skills that are the foundation of tactical response, using live fire.
Participants must furnish their agency approved handgun, loading devices, gun belt accessories, ballistic vest and 100 rounds of ammo.

Course Objectives:
At the end of this program, students should be able to:
♦ Define active threat/shooter
♦ Explain why single officer response takes precedence over waiting for backup
♦ Describe changes in shooter characteristics
♦ Describe how stress affects tactical response
♦ Describe the tactics used to increase officer safety and efficiency while stopping the threat in an active shooter incident
♦ Describe strategies for mitigating and managing stress when stopping an active officer.
♦ Review the basics of tactical movement
♦ Describe the three threat levels of people on scene — pass, hold, shoot
♦ Show proficiency in using angles to tactically move down a hallway
♦ Show proficiency in conducting limited penetration
♦ Show proficiency in using angles to clear both corner-fed and center-fed rooms.
♦ Demonstrate knowledge of practical skills that are foundational to tactical response
♦ Show proficiency in live fire Serpentine and Crowded Room exercises
♦ Demonstrate the ability to respond to an active shooter incident as a single officer
♦ Demonstrate situational awareness and decision-making ability about viable options to thwart the attack and stop the violent attacker

Who Should Attend:
♦ Sworn Law Enforcement Officers
♦ School Resource Officers

Instructor: Officer Joseph J. Mercogliano has been with the Plantation Police Department for 30 years and is currently assigned to the Training Unit. He is currently assigned to the Institute of Public Safety as an Academy Class Supervisor. He holds a Master’s Degree in Criminal Justice/Public Administration from Nova Southeastern University.

Richard Schwab has been with the Davie Police Department for 25 years. He was a member of SRT for 18 years, and has been to numerous tactical training schools, firearms schools and instructor classes, including the FDLE Lone Responder to Active Killer Instructor course. RJ has been a firearms and tactics instructor for the Town of Davie for over 15 years and is currently assigned as a Class Advisor and firearms instructor at IPS since 2017.

Fees: $240 payable to Broward College/IPS

Attendance: Attendance at the initial class is mandatory. All students must adhere to the attendance requirements of the Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission and the Rules, Policies and Procedures of the Institute of Public Safety

Dress Policy: Your department’s authorized training uniform. Law enforcement personnel not in uniform that are carrying exposed firearms must prominently display agency ID and/or badge at all times while on college property.

Submit Registration form to: Institute of Public Safety, 3501 Davie Road, Davie, Florida 33314, Attn: Professional Development
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