

Profile of An Active Shooter

An active shooter engages in killing or attempting to kill people in a confined and populated area, typically through the use of firearms. Victims are selected at random. The event is unpredictable, evolves quickly and usually requires law enforcement to end it.

Contact the SF State Police Department for more information and training on active shooter response in your office/classroom/study area at **415.338.7200** or **upd@sfsu.edu**.



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Coping With An Active Shooter Situation

BE AWARE

of your environment
and any possible dangers

NOTE

the two nearest exits
in any facility you visit

If in an office,
SECURE the door

ATTEMPT to take the active
shooter down as a last resort

How To Respond to An Active Shooter

Evacuate

HAVE an escape route and plan in mind.

LEAVE your belongings behind.

KEEP your hands visible.

Hide

HIDE in an area out of the active shooter's view.

BLOCK the entry to your hiding place,
and lock the doors.

Take Action

ONLY AS A LAST RESORT:

ATTEMPT to incapacitate the active shooter.

ACT with physical aggression, and throw
items at the active shooter.

Call 911

WHEN SAFE to do so

How To Respond When Law Enforcement Arrives

REMAIN calm, follow officers' instructions.

IMMEDIATELY raise hands & spread fingers.

KEEP hands visible at all times.

AVOID making quick movements such as
holding onto officers for safety.

AVOID pointing, screaming or yelling.

DO NOT ask for help or directions when evacuating.

Information To Provide to Law Enforcement or 911

LOCATION of the active shooter

NUMBER of shooters

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION of shooter(s)

NUMBER of and type of weapon held by shooter(s)

NUMBER of potential victims