

# How to Develop & Implement an Active Shooter/Armed Assailant Plan

**All workplaces** are potential targets for an active shooter or armed assailant.



**42%** of active shooter incidents since the year 2000 have occurred in the workplace, according to the FBI.

## STEP 1

### Determine Your Vulnerabilities



Conduct a comprehensive assessment of **where threats and vulnerabilities exist** in and around your facility. This includes ease of entry, lockdown capabilities and security presence.

## STEP 2

### Harden Your Site



Implement measures such as **security cameras and badge entry systems** to protect your facility and deter would-be active shooters and armed assailants.

## STEP 3

### Train Your Staff



**Conduct tabletop drills, tactical drills and practice sessions** to help verify the effectiveness of your plan and improve implemented controls.

## STEP 4

### Coordinate with Responding Agencies



Develop relationships with **local police, firefighters and first responders** and invite them for a facility tour to familiarize themselves with your site.

## STEP 5

### Handle Post-Incident Issues



Create and implement a **business continuity plan** in the event that your facility is closed for a period of time after an incident while law enforcement processes the crime scene.

Preparation makes all the difference in both preventing these attacks and responding to them.

The ASSP technical report, "**How to Develop and Implement an Active Shooter/Armed Assailant Plan,**" provides guidance from safety experts on the steps businesses can take to better protect and prepare themselves in advance of these types of incidents.



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