



CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF TACTICAL OFFICERS

Active Shooter Incident Leadership

Date: April 16-17, 2026
POST Control #: 1185-29592-25002
POST Plan: N/A
Tuition: \$325.00
Hosted by: Santa Ana PD
Location: Santa Ana Centennial Park Training Center
3000 W. Edinger
Santa Ana, CA 92701

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

Active shooter incidents have inherent leadership challenges, many of which arise with the first responding supervisors. This course aims to provide leaders with an analysis of active shooter incidents and introduce response techniques to establish command and control over the incident. Through a series of debriefs and decision-making (tabletop) exercises, students will learn principled-based decision-making models to manage the natural inertia of an active shooter incident. This course was designed with the assistance of multiple responders nationwide. Our research, site tours, and conversations with responders have identified leadership-related issues outside basic active shooter response challenges.

COURSE INSTRUCTORS: Tenured patrol/field supervisors with significant tactical experience will share their leadership experiences related to critical incident management to help officers and supervisors successfully resolve incidents in the field environment.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND: The course is designed for watch commanders, patrol supervisors, experienced officers, supervisors of specialized units, or anyone who wants to increase their knowledge of tactics and techniques applicable to an Active Shooter event.

TRAVEL AND LODGING: Class will begin at 0800 hours on the first day and conclude at 1700 hours on the last day. Hotel suggestion: Hilton Orange County 3050 Bristol St Costa Mesa, CA

Register online at catotraining.org

Questions? Contact CATO's Training Coordinator

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