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## THE MONROE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE OFFERS ACTIVE THREAT PREPAREDNESS VIDEO AS AN INVALUABLE RESOURCE TO PREPARE IN THE EVENT OF AN ACTIVE THREAT Online Training Free to the Public

**Rochester, NY (August 30, 2019)** — The Monroe County Sheriff's Office reminds the public that the Active Threat Preparedness Training Video, an educational resource offering powerful and lifesaving instructions, is available via the MCSO website at <u>https://www2.monroecounty.gov/sheriff-threat-info</u>. Individuals as well as entire organizations would benefit greatly from knowing they had the mental fortitude to survive and a plan of action in place in the event they were ever faced with a threat. We implore everyone in the community to share this video with family, friends, schools, places of business, and houses of worship.

"We cannot emphasize enough how essential having a plan is to your survival and the survival of those around you." said Monroe County Sheriff Todd K. Baxter. "Active Shooter Preparedness training gives individuals a plan of action, RUN, HIDE, FIGHT, as opposed to sitting idly by and hoping we are never faced with an active shooter threat."

In March, 2019, the Monroe County Sheriff's Office partnered with Paychex to produce an Active Threat Preparedness Training Video. The training is required for all Paychex employees. In the video, MCSO SWAT Team Commander, Lieutenant Michael Wicks, delivers instructions and offers guidelines on how employers and employees can plan, prepare, and respond if they are ever faced with an active threat incident.

On April 8, 2019, MCSO made the training video available to the general public. The video has alleviated the problem of time and resource limitations associated with live Active Threat Preparedness training and allowed this invaluable training to be widely disseminated.





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