GAEL - School Safety

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Homeland Security Task Force

12/10/2018
Swearing-in Ceremony
At Risk In Georgia

- Metropolitan Area
- Nuclear Power Plants
- Airports
- Agricultural
- Ports
- Tourism
- Sporting Events
Georgia - 2018

2018 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP
#CFBPLAYOFF
Georgia - 2020

2020 FINAL FOUR ATLANA
Homeland Security Task Force

• 143 of 159 sheriff’s offices contacted.

• 310 of 363 municipal police departments contacted.

• Top eight public safety issues:
  1. Criminal Street Gangs
  2. Opioid-related crimes and deaths
  3. Crimes impacting At-Risk-adults
  4. Lone Threats (self-radicalization and/or individual threat actors)
  5. Child Suicide
  6. School Threats (active shooter)
  7. Sovereign Citizens
  8. Active Shooter (outside of school)
• Of the agencies contacted:
  
  • 108 currently participate in a multi-disciplinary school threat assessment team to assess, triage, and mitigate school safety threats or concerns in their area.
  
  • 276 agencies have requested Suspicious Activity Reporting (SAR) training for more than 3,683 sworn personnel.
  
  • 182 agencies have requested active-shooter response training for one or more of their officers.
says he...
Nikolas Cruz

• Born to drug addicted Mom and given up for adoption at birth
• Diagnosed with development delays at age 3
• Adopted father died when Nikolas was 5
• Diagnosed with a string of mental health and anger issues
• Mother called Broward County Sheriff’s Office 23 times in 10 years for Nikolas’s violence against family
• Ejected from Stoneman Douglas High for assault
• Placed into alternative school
• Was referred to as “crazy boy”
• Purchased AR-15
February 14, 2018

- Cruz shot 17 people and killed 17 others-total of 34 (14 students and 3 staff) (136 rounds fired)
- Cruz was in Building 12 a total of 6 minutes and 4 seconds
- Cruz shot/killed 23 on the first floor within 1 minute and 44 seconds
- Cruz shot Coach Feis as he tried to enter the building–3 seconds
- Nobody shot on second floor – 41 seconds
- Cruz shot/killed 10 on the third floor in 1 minute and 5 seconds
- Spent 2 minutes on third floor trying to set up sniper position
K-12 Targeted Attacks  1998 - 2018

- No profile of the next attacker
- 46 attacks in the last 20 years
- Details of prior attacks help in form best practices to prevent/mitigate harm.
- 43 of the 46 were “insiders” (current/former students)
- Ages ranged from 11 to 56; 34 attackers were 14-19 years old
- Most involved handguns
- Most attacks ended in under 4 minutes

- School personnel, not LEO, were most frequently responsible for stopping attacks
81% of prior K-12 attacks, someone had prior knowledge of the attacker’s plan. Friends/classmates more commonly than family.

The key is getting people to report what they know, and then not having system failure so that when information is reported it is acted on.
At least 30 people had knowledge of Cruz’s troubling behavior but it was not reported:

- Animal Cruelty/killing: 7
- Knife /bullet/firearm seen in Cruz’s possession: 19
- Statements of hatred toward a group or person: 8
- Statements of desire to hurt or kill people: 11
- Specific statement to shoot up a school: 3

- 2 students reported Cruz to MSD administration; they failed to act
Nikolas Cruz
Internet History and Cell Phone Content

• Researched prior school shootings
• Obsessive activity related to guns
• Homicidal Thoughts and Urges article
• Dead/tortured animals
• Pornography
• MSDHS schedule

• “How long does it take a cop to show up for a school shooting”
• “shooting people massacre”
• “is killing people easy”
• “rape caught on video”
• “basketball court full of targets still thinking of ways to kill people”
• I want to kill people but I don’t know how I can do it. Walk to a park, get someone to pick me up I just don’t know anymore but it will happen soon”
See Something? Send Something!

KEEP GEORGIA SAFE

If you SEE suspicious activity SEND a photo or note.
If this is an emergency, dial 911

Watch For:
- Eliciting Information
- Testing of Security
- Recruiting
- Photography
- Observation/Surveillance
- Materials Acquisition/Storage
- Acquisition of Expertise
- Weapons Discovery

Available on iTunes | Android App on Google Play
Every public school must have a plan. Plan updated and reviewed annually.

Plan must address certain emergencies.
- Natural Disasters
- Hazardous and Radiological Materials
- Acts of Violence and Terrorism
- Other Emergencies

Certain people must have input.
- Parents, Students, Teachers
- Community Leaders
- Public Safety Departments to include EMA

The GEMA/HS School Safety Unit Provides
- Training & technical assistance.
- Incident Response and Support
Questions?