Mass Violence Planning: Why & How

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Mass Violence and Domestic Terrorism

- **Mass Violence** means an intentional violent criminal act that results in physical, emotional, or psychological harm to a sufficiently large number of people.

- **Domestic Terrorism** means activities that:
  - Involve acts dangerous to human life that are a violation of the criminal laws of the United States or of any State,
  - Appears to be intended
    - to intimidate or coerce a civilian population;
    - to influence the policy of a government by intimidation or coercion; or
    - to affect the conduct of a government by mass destruction, assassination or kidnaping.
Mass Fatality Plans

**MANAGEMENT OPERATIONS**
- Scene documentation
- Temporary morgue solutions
- Mutual Aid (state, federal, neighboring jurisdictions)

**FATALITY MANAGEMENT**
- Recovery of Remains
- Handling of Remains
- Victim Identification
- Notification of Next of Kin
- Disposition of remains

**PERSONAL EFFECTS MGMT**
- Decontamination
- Disposal/Return of PE

**FAC COORDINATION**
- Mental Health support for families of deceased
- Mental Health support for responders
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**Additional Mass Violence Response Annex Planning**

- **Living Victims**
  - Tracking of living victims (investigative, access to services)
  - Notification of families: (Involvement, injured, missing)
  - Access to victim services (Info & Notification Ctr, FAC, Resiliency Center)
  - Behavioral health support

- **Response to Crime**
  - Activation of non-traditional responders (e.g., victim services providers, behavioral health and faith-based providers)
  - Criminal justice system support

- **Financial Donation Management**

- **Size & Scope of Response Needs**
  - Number of family notifications
  - Crisis communications
  - Volunteer Management

- **Memorial and Special Events Management**

- **Grants and Funding Assistance**
The only thing harder than explaining why we are preparing for these types of events, is having to explain why we did not.

- Tom O.
Comprehensive Victim Response Plan

- Collaborative
- Multi-disciplinary
- Recognition of value of each entity
- Respect needs of each entity

Victim focused
No-cost planning and preparedness program to incorporate victim, family, and first responder care into existing mass violence and domestic terrorism emergency management plans and exercises

Customized training and technical assistance for selected communities
Bridging the gap between emergency management and victim services operations before a criminal mass violence or domestic terrorist event.
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Victim Services

- Mass Violence Toolkit
- Victim Advocates
- Mental Health expertise
- Faith-based organizations
- Social Services

Emergency Management

- Emergency Support Functions (ESF)
- EMAP Framework
- NRF Core Capabilities
- Built-in to incident response
The PIOs from FEMA and ARC saw the EAS and called the OSC to ask if they should call RACES or go to the RRCC, and has there been an NA or MHRT deployed to the TSA?
Technical Assistance

1. Augment existing emergency response plans
2. Develop Criminal Mass Violence and Domestic Terrorism Annex
3. Incorporate annex elements into exercise calendar
Project Timeline

Dependent on existing pieces/partnerships

Drafting the annex and incorporating it into the exercise calendar occur concurrently with BP discussion meetings
Trainings and Resources

**Resources**
- Exercise Guide
- Mass Violence Annex Template (coming soon)

**On Demand Trainings**
- Resource Management
- Communications during a Mass Violence Incident
- Mass Violence Involving Higher Education Institutions
- Integrating Victim Care and Law Enforcement Operations
- Vicarious Trauma for Responders
- Integration of K-12 Schools
- Integration of Hospitals
- EOC Operations for Victim Service Professionals
Live Training Offerings

**Case Studies**
- Aurora Theater Shooting
- Pulse Night Club Shooting
- Las Vegas Harvest Music Festival Shooting

**National Organization for Victim Assistance**
- Family and Friends Reception Centers
- Family Assistance Centers
- Victim Identification and Notification
- Community Behavioral Health
- Criminal Justice Victim Support
- Resiliency

**Customized Sessions**
- Available based on need and request
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