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Training For “Active Shooters” To Take Place for Area Public Safety

[Harrisonburg, VA] – Each year the Harrisonburg Police Department works with other local law enforcement, fire department, rescue squads, local school staff and the Harrisonburg/Rockingham Emergency Communications Center to better prepare those involved in public safety of an active shooter situation. This important training allows participants an opportunity to learn in an environment that is forgiving of errors as opposed to a real life situation.

In past training scenarios, lessons on tactics, equipment, communication and command structure were identified and built upon. Captain Tom Hoover, Operations Bureau Commander for the Harrisonburg Police Department said, “In today’s world, learning is a continuous process in which honing the skills of the men and women on the front line is crucial for public safety.”

The training will take place this Thursday, August 4, 2016. Briefings will begin around 8:00 a.m. and should be finished by noon. There are three locations being utilized for this single incident: Harrisonburg Armory, Thomas Harrison Middle School and Waterman Elementary School.

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