Active Shooter Training in Santa Clara County

Fire departments and law enforcement agencies in Santa Clara County have been working together to train on joint response to an active shooter event. While law enforcement agencies constantly train and refine tactics, this training gives law enforcement officers the ability to escort Firefighter-Paramedics and Firefighter-Emergency Medical Technicians into the "warm zone" to render medical treatment to victims during an evolving active-shooter incident. Traditionally, Firefighters are restricted to treating patients in the "cold zone" which is further away from the scene of shootings. This delays treatment to patients and injured law enforcement personnel. With this training, Firefighters will be able to provide immediate medical care and safely remove the victims from the scene. This collaborative effort by both law enforcement and fire department agencies will help ensure rapid and effective medical treatment to patients in the event of an active shooter situation.