

Security Task Force – Progress report

Structure of Safety & Security

Recommendation 1: Transition from current unarmed public safety to a hybrid armed non-sworn department.

No progress awaiting approval.

Joint Training

Recommendation 2: Establish close working relationships with local police departments in Santa Ana and Orange by training together whenever possible.

Active Shooter Training scheduled at SAC for August 15th with Santa Ana Police was a great success. There is a meeting with Orange Police on October 28th to organize similar training.

Recruitment of additional officers and increase supervisory coverage

Recommendation 3: Recruit additional officers to provide graveyard coverage at SCC and create supervisory positions to support Lieutenants in their roles and recruit accordingly.

No progress, awaiting approval.

Environment Safety and Emergency Services

Recommendation 4: Recruit a part-time Environmental Safety and Emergency Services position

No progress, awaiting approval.

Community Policing

Recommendation 5: Formalize training in Community Policing for Safety and Security Department.

All officers were trained in Community Policing methods at recent training days over the summer. Along with this we carried out training on dealing with people with mental health issues. This training will be the first of more regular training for the officers.

Written Policies and Formal Agreements

Recommendation 6: Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) and Mutual Aid to be developed with both local police agencies (SAPD and OPD) for planning, training and responding to a need for local law enforcement services on RSCCD property.

Some discussions have been held with Santa Ana Police regarding formalizing and improving our understanding, in regard to training and cooperation. Meeting with Orange Police at the end of October to address these issues.

Interoperability

Recommendation 7: The Director of RSCCD Security should work with local Police Chiefs to gain access to their existing 800 MHz radios systems in the event of a shooting on campus or an emergency.

Unfortunately, we are unable to get access to the existing radio system. In order to get access we would have to a sworn police dept.

Media and Public Relations

Recommendation 8: Establish a close working relationship with the PIO's of both SAPD and OPD. Develop a marketing plan for the administrators, faculty and students to be aware of what to do in case of an emergency such as an Active Shooter.

Some discussions have been held with PIO at Santa Ana Police Department at recent active shooter training.

Mass Communication

Recommendation 9: Purchase a single sign on mass communication platform to use in the event of an extreme emergency. Also make it an 'opt out' system so that all the campus community is automatically signed up when registration takes place.

Emergency communication software purchased and implementation has been completed.

Coordination Plans

Recommendation 10: RSCCD campus Safety & Security and local police from Santa Ana and Orange must coordinate with each other in order to be prepared to respond to critical incidents such as an Active Shooter.

Active Shooter plan has been written and circulated to Santa Ana Police. The plan will be given to Orange Police at our initial meeting.

Orange County Police Chiefs and Sheriffs Association

Recommendation 11: It is strongly recommended that the Director of Security for RSCCD become an associate member of the OC Chiefs and Sheriffs Association.

Unfortunately, only former chiefs can become associate members of this association.