

Faith-Based Security & Resilience Learning Series

Preparing For Outdoor Events

FIRST QUARTER 2023

Thursday, March 30th | 1:00 - 4:00 PM

Register by Tuesday, March 28, 2023 at:

<https://FBWebinarSeries.eventbrite.com>

The Pennsylvania Office of Homeland Security (OHS), in partnership with the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency, Pennsylvania State Police, the three Fusion Centers (PaCIC, WPAHFC, DVIC) across the Commonwealth, Faith-based Information Sharing and Analysis Organization (FB-ISAO), and the Anti-Defamation League (ADL), is offering a quarterly virtual learning series to faith-based organizations. This learning series will provide valuable information to religious leaders, security personnel, and members of the houses of worship to enhance security and resilience.

Public gatherings are increasingly vulnerable to violent attacks and criminal activity because of their relative accessibility and large number of potential targets. While remaining vigilant in the deterrence of traditional targets (i.e., national assets such as the electric grid and national supply chain) and high-profile events (i.e., Super Bowl and Presidential Inauguration), it's equally important to focus on securing public gatherings.

These locations are easily accessible and often have minimal security, increasing their vulnerability to a variety of security risks. Given the threats towards, and incidents against, public gathering locations or events, it is important to understand the potential operational impacts from a successful attack, as well as the corresponding protective measures that can be taken to enhance their security. By connecting with local authorities, developing plans to identify issues and support incident response, training staff and volunteers, and reporting concerns to emergency authorities, many incidents may be mitigated or avoided.

KEYNOTE PRESENTOR

Please join us for the first quarterly event on Thursday, March 30, 2023, with keynote speaker Kenneth Strish, Chief of Police, Borough of Berwick Police Department. Chief Strish will present an overview of a targeted vehicle-ramming incident during a community event and the lessons learned from it.

David Wood, Protective Security Advisor from the Cybersecurity & Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA), will also discuss important security procedures for the properties of our houses of worship, and how to best implement these procedures based on national best practices and potential funding sources.

Guidance and further resources will be provided via handouts, and there will be time set aside at the end for Questions & Answers.

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