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To: State Board of Fire Services

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SUBJECT/AGENDA ACTION ITEM:
Active Shooter Incident (ASI) Training Program

Recommended Actions:
Information/Discussion

Background Information:

Active shooter incidents (ASI) are occurring in California and elsewhere in the nation. Past practice for fire department operations is to wait for law enforcement to enter, secure an area, and declare it safe, allowing fire/medical operations to begin. This can lead to considerable delay in saving lives. Many departments within California have initiated local procedures and training programs with local law enforcement to deal with these incidents. California lacks a single approved training program within the state.

Analysis/Summary of Issue:

The Statewide Training Education and Advisory Committee (STEAC) met on October 18, 2013 and discussed the issue of a single statewide ASI training program. Firescope developed guidelines and several local agencies are developing training program. The California Firefighter Joint Apprenticeship Committee (CFFJAC) is in the process of developing an ASI program, funded through a grant facilitated by Cal OES. Accordingly, STEAC recommended that CFFJAC, in accordance with mission alignment would continue the process of developing an ASI program for statewide distribution. State Fire Training has assigned DSFM Mike Garcia to monitor and assist CFFJAC in the development process.