

# ***NEWS RELEASE***

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## **New Smyrna Beach Police and Fire Train for Critical Incidents with Neighboring Agencies**

**Date/Time/Location of Incident:** March 14, 15, 16, 2017 / 1:30pm-5:30pm  
New Smyrna Beach High School

**Synopsis of Incident:**

The City of New Smyrna Beach Police and Fire Departments are hosting a 3 day active shooter joint training exercise with the City of Edgewater. The training will occur March 14<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, and 16<sup>th</sup> at the New Smyrna Beach High School during their spring break.

The joint training exercise will cover Swift Assisted Victim Extraction (SAVE) methods for first responders who would be responding to an active shooter incident. The training will focus on the movement and actions of law enforcement and medical personnel within a chaotic, dangerous and unpredictable environment with an objective to save lives.

Department Training Officer David Williams of the New Smyrna Beach Police Department is trained as an instructor in the SAVE methodology that will be employed at the training.

“We want to provide real life training to our officers,” Chief Mike Coffin stated.

The staged training sessions have been underway in the past week with didactic classroom training for both fire and police. The on-scene training continues next week for three days to ensure the maximum use of resources. Information will be provided to the public through our Facebook page and Twitter feed.