



VALOR Digital Dispatch provides officer safety-related articles, resources, upcoming VALOR trainings, new resources added to the VALOR Web Portal, and results of research studies that are relevant for the law enforcement community. The Dispatch is provided to all members of the VALOR Web Portal, www.valorforblue.org. We encourage you to share this e-mail with other members of the law enforcement community.

Contact valor@iir.com to submit an article for consideration in the VALOR Digital Dispatch.

Current Events



Active Shooter

[Texas Police Chief on Active-Shooter Training and Protecting Civilians](#)

National Public Radio's David Greene talks with Brownwood, Texas, Police Chief Terry Nichols about the repercussions of the attack in Dallas. Nichols is a founder of ALERRT, which researches best practices for active-shooter events. [Read more](#)



Training and Preparation

[Local Law Enforcement Officers Speak on Importance of Training in Response to Dallas Shooting](#)

Being a law enforcement officer is certainly a profession that takes a special person, someone who is willing to give up his or her life for a complete stranger in order to keep peace. Law enforcement officers willingly put their lives on the line on a daily basis. In order for law enforcement officers to best keep the public safe, they must work in unity with members of the community, who can provide crucial information on potential threats. [Read more](#)



Tourniquets

The Most Urgent Need: Stop the Bleeding

One of the biggest lessons since Columbine has been the value of the tourniquet. This article discusses some of the lessons learned since Columbine and how training and proper application of tourniquets save lives in mass-casualty events. [Read more](#)



Vest Wear

South Carolina Officer Shot in Standoff, Saved by Vest

North Charleston, South Carolina, Police Officer Wayne Pavlischek was shot during a standoff with a suspect who had previously tried to run over a pedestrian. Officer Pavlischek, who was wearing a bullet-resistant vest, was shot from a second-story window. He was taken to a hospital, where he was treated and released. [Read more](#)



Changing Tactics

Dallas Shooting Prompts National Change in Police Tactics

This article discuss what some departments are doing to prevent a Dallas-type event from happening in their communities and the difficulties faced by departments implementing these changes to police tactics. [Read more](#)

Register for Training

- [VALOR Essentials | July 20–22, 2016 | Harlingen, Texas](#)
- [VALOR Conference | August 2–4, 2016 | Raleigh, North Carolina](#)
- [VALOR Essentials | August 10–12, 2016 | Blackwood, New Jersey](#)
- [VALOR Essentials | August 16–18, 2016 | Nashville, Tennessee](#)
- [VALOR Essentials | August 30 – September 1, 2016 | Billings, Montana](#)

Save the Date!

- VALOR Essentials | September 2016 | Wilmington, Delaware
- VALOR Essentials | September 2016 | Detroit, Michigan
- VALOR Essentials | October 2016 | Wichita, Kansas
- VALOR Essentials | October 25–27, 2016 | Milwaukee, Wisconsin
- VALOR Essentials | November 2016 | Hartford, Connecticut
- VALOR Essentials | November 15–17, 2016 | Kansas City, Missouri
- VALOR Essentials | November 29 – December 1, 2016 | Parma, Ohio
- VALOR Essentials | January 2017 | Miami, Florida
- VALOR Essentials | January 2017 | Georgetown, Texas
- VALOR Essentials | February 2017 | Albuquerque, New Mexico

New on valorforblue.org



Several new **VALOR Voices podcasts** have been added to the VALOR Web Portal. Visit the [VALOR Voices](#) section to listen to these podcasts that discuss a variety of safety and wellness topics, including **officer resiliency, de-escalation strategies, and the benefits of sleep.**



Spotlight on Safety—Active Shooter

The BJA VALOR Team introduces a new Spotlight on Safety focusing on active shooters. This spotlight strives to prepare you, as a law enforcement officer, for active-shooter events. Highlights of this campaign include:

- Article—*Active Shooter: Officer Safety Considerations*
- Bulletin: *Active Shooter*
- Previously Recorded Webinar: “Exploring Active Shooter Response and Training”
- Posters
- Other resources for law enforcement and the community



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