

COUNTY OF SUFFOLK



OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF

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Suffolk County Sheriff's Office Security Assessment Program

Sheriff Errol D. Toulon Jr. has established a Security Assessment Program for area schools and colleges. This program allows schools and other organizations to have an assessment performed by a certified Crime Prevention Specialist at no cost. The Security Assessment helps to improve the security level of their premises to help prevent property damage and intrusion. The assessments offer site-specific safety tips on how to reduce incidences of crime. Using *Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design* (CPTED) principles, specially trained Deputy Sheriffs will check the property, identify vulnerable areas, and provide recommendations to enhance the security.

Efforts to determine the current level of preparedness are based on the premise that effective programming requires an understanding of risks and the balancing of four critical elements:

1. Security technologies that are designed, purchased, and installed based on an assessment of need, and are properly utilized, monitored and maintained.
2. Organizational policies, procedures, and processes that address specific needs that are well written, complied with, routinely audited, and kept current.
3. Professional management and staffing of the safety and security functions that serve the organization.
4. Stakeholder training and participation in safety and security programming efforts.

The first step in the process of managing security risks is to identify and analyze the threats and the vulnerabilities facing an organization by conducting a Security Vulnerability Assessment. The Security Vulnerability Assessment is a systematic process that evaluates the likelihood that a threat against an entity will be successful - and considers the potential severity of consequences to the organization, or facility itself, and to the surrounding community. The process varies in time but may require several visits at different times of the day.

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