

**FREE TRAINING on threat assessment for houses of worship, presented by the U.S. Secret Service**



## *Preventing Targeted Violence in Faith Communities: A Behavior-Based Approach*

Acts of targeted violence against houses of worship are an unfortunate reality in the United States and a top priority for Illinois Attorney General Kwame Raoul. For more than 20 years, U.S. Secret Service National Threat Assessment Center (NTAC) has conducted research on the thinking and behaviors of those who commit acts of targeted violence, in an effort to prevent future acts from occurring. These attacks have impacted communities in the places that we live our daily lives, including houses of worship.

### **These presentations will include:**

- Findings and recommendations from NTAC's research examining mass attacks in public spaces
- Recommendations to use a multidisciplinary approach to identify, assess, and intervene with individuals that exhibit concerning or threatening behaviors
- Resources that faith leaders can access for more information, in the event of a threat
- Information on educational, technical, and financial support to prevent terrorism and targeted violence from DHS Center for Prevention Programs and Partnerships
- When and how families and law enforcement can petition the court for Firearms Restraining Order to prevent gun violence
- Case studies that highlight relevant past incidents

This is a FREE virtual training. The material presented will take into account the unique considerations of faith leaders as they address both the spiritual and safety needs of congregants and the surrounding community. This is NOT active shooter response training.

For questions or to request reasonable accommodations, contact the Illinois Attorney General's Conference Registration Line at 866-376-7215 or email [special.events@ilag.gov](mailto:special.events@ilag.gov).

### **Event Details**

Date: October 26, 2022  
 Time: 9:00 am - 12:00 pm  
 Platform: ZOOM (Link provided after registration)  
 Registration: Email [special.events@ilag.gov](mailto:special.events@ilag.gov) with your full name, title, organization, and email address.

### **Intended Audience from Illinois**

- Clergy
- Church Staff
- Church Safety and Security Personnel
- Mental Health Professionals
- Law Enforcement
- Anyone involved in risk detection or risk management

**Register by October 21, 2022.** Note: Registration prior to the deadline noted does not guarantee a space at the training. The Attorney General's Office may limit the number of attendees that an organization or geographical area may send.