ICAT: Integrating Communications, Assessment, and Tactics
An Introduction
Suspicious Person In Vehicle - Burnsville, MN
Each year in the United States …

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- 63,000,000 police contacts
- 10,700,000 arrests
- 3,000,000 UOF
- 1,000 deaths
Radio Traffic – St. Louis Incident
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Patrol Officer Response – St. Louis Incident
What challenges did these officers face?
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- Enough information from Dispatch?
- Person with a knife ... a potentially dangerous encounter
- Behaving erratically
- Non-compliant ... disregarded orders to drop the knife
- Officer and public safety
- Suicide by cop ... shouting “shoot me”
St. Louis Incident – Conclusion
On February 9, 2019, Vallejo Officers responded to a 911 call from a Taco Bell in the city regarding an unresponsive driver in the drive through lane of the restaurant. Upon arrival, officers discovered a car that was at the entrance of the drive through with a male in the driver seat of the vehicle. They also saw a gun on the lap of the driver. Officers called for backup.

Officers attempted to retrieve the gun from the driver’s lap, quickly and without disturbing the driver. However, the door was locked. Officers attempted to secure the driver’s car by placing a car in front and behind the driver to pin it in. While the second car was approaching to pin in the car, the driver awoke. Officers directed the driver to hold his hands up and show his hands. The driver was not cooperative to the orders. The driver then reached down for his gun and officers fired at the driver. He was then pulled from the car and officers began immediate medical procedures to save his life. Those efforts were not successful and the driver died.

There has been significant community interest in this officer involved shooting. Today, the Vallejo Police Department is releasing video footage of the incident to provide transparency and information to the public about what took place on February 9th.
These encounters are not easy ... Can we handle them more effectively and more safely ... for everyone?
This training is about …

Creating More Options
What this training covers …

- Skills you already use on a daily basis
- Pulls those skills together – applies them to non-firearms critical incidents
- Emphasis on teamwork
- Focus on persons in crisis, “suicide-by-cop” situations
What the training is not...

- Not telling officers to walk away or ignore dangerous situations
- Not telling officers they can’t use force – including lethal force – when reasonable
- Not about limiting options for officers ... rather, it’s about *increasing* options
Four key areas:

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- Integration of crisis intervention, communications & tactics – to gain voluntary compliance when possible
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  - Integration of crisis intervention, communications & tactics
  - Officer safety & wellness—physical, emotional, legal
Making the job of the patrol officer ...

Safe. Effective.

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Thoughts?
Questions?
Observations?