

International Public Safety Association Statement A Year After 1 October

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One year ago, an act of horrific violence occurred on the strip in Las Vegas. It was the deadliest mass shooting event in U.S. history. Tragically, 58 individuals lost their lives, several hundred were physically wounded and even more are emotionally scarred.

Local first responders acted quickly to protect the public and neutralize the threat. Hospitals treated hundreds of patients in the immediate moments, hours and days afterward. Everyone across the U.S. felt the tragedy and observed from afar the days and weeks following this devastation. While some survivors continue to heal physically, most are in the process of recovering emotionally.

It is incumbent on us, the International Public Safety Association, to learn from this event and identify ways in which we can provide timely and relevant education, training, services and aid to all first responders and the communities they serve. We must all continue to learn from the response and recovery, and we must continue to provide support to everyone impacted by 1 October.

Next month, on November 14 and 15, we are hosting an educational training event in Washington D.C. on mass casualty incidents. We encourage everyone who is available to attend. https://www.joinipsa.org/Fall-2018-Registration

About the International Public Safety Association

The International Public Safety Association, a 501(c)3 non-profit organization, was established in July 2014 in the State of Arizona to bring the public safety community closer together by offering opportunities to network, cross-train and build a stronger public safety community capable of an effective joint response to all incidents. <u>www.joinipsa.org</u>

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