

Patrick Joseph Hoy



Surviving an active shooter incident might seem unbelievable for many people. But not for those who are mentally prepared and have sharpened their wits for just such an event. That is the belief and mission of Patrick Joseph Hoy; *to help people keep from being victimized by an armed killer whose only goal is to vent his maniacal rage through the violent deaths of many innocent people before taking his own life.*

Born and raised in the small farming community of Falls City, Nebraska, Patrick's heroes were his dad and everyone who stood for "truth, justice, and the American way." This perspective led him into a life of military service where he chose to become an officer in the United States Air Force and an A-10 attack pilot and tactics development test pilot.

Following retirement from the Air Force in 1994, he came to realize that the "warrior spirit" was still alive and thriving in him. During his tenure as the Emergency Management Specialist for the Billings Clinic organization, a co-worker's simple request for Patrick to develop a survival response to an active shooter assault on a hospital led to a multi-year research project culminating in the development of his Active Shooter Defense briefing and consultancy work. Over the last five years, Patrick has provided more than 160 training sessions for thousands of employees in healthcare, television, federal government (BLM), local government (Carbon and Yellowstone Counties), and the textile industry.

Patrick truly believes that most people – even those who are "RIGHT THERE!" when it starts – can survive the attack of an active shooter if they are mentally prepared for such an incident and have developed their own individual response plan. In his Active Shooter Defense briefing, Patrick outlines his research findings and provides considerable information for his audience to use in developing their own individual plans. In his presentations, Patrick is passionate about spreading a message of *hope and empowerment*.

Patrick and his wife, Jan, make their home in Billings, Montana, and are the parents of two grown children. In his spare time, Patrick enjoys umpiring Little League Baseball and volunteering with the Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts.