

Civil Disturbance TEMS



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Impetus...



Team History

- January, 2017
- Six original members
- Now 12 members
- Approximately 52 callouts

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Team Composition

- Professional Firefighters
- All EMT
- HazMat Contingent
- Tech Rescue Contingent













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Selection

- EMT
- Competitive application
- Can't have a history of voicing controversial viewpoints publically
- Need to have good political and situational awareness
- Need to overcome a different kind of fear and discomfort

MayDay 2017





Equipment

- Unarmed
- Premium equipment
- “Ruck, truck” model
 - MAR off the body
 - CH in the truck
- Vehicles
 - Near-BLS MEDEVAC
 - Diagnostic equipment
- Radio templates
 - Communications templates

Training

- TECC familiarization via Target Solutions
- RRT Basic Course
- Tactical medical training
 - Crisis Medicine
 - DHS/FLETC
- Outside agencies and military

Good TEMS Medics=Good EMTs

- Importance of constant training, especially fundamental medical skills
- Difficulty maintaining these skills in Portland/PF&R
 - Numerous hospitals
 - Paramedic on every apparatus
 - Non-transporting agency



Notable Hazards

- Sticks and stones
- Elevated threat
- Contaminated environment
- Access/Delayed evacuation
- Inability to evacuate
- Direct action devices
- HF exposure
- Molotov cocktails



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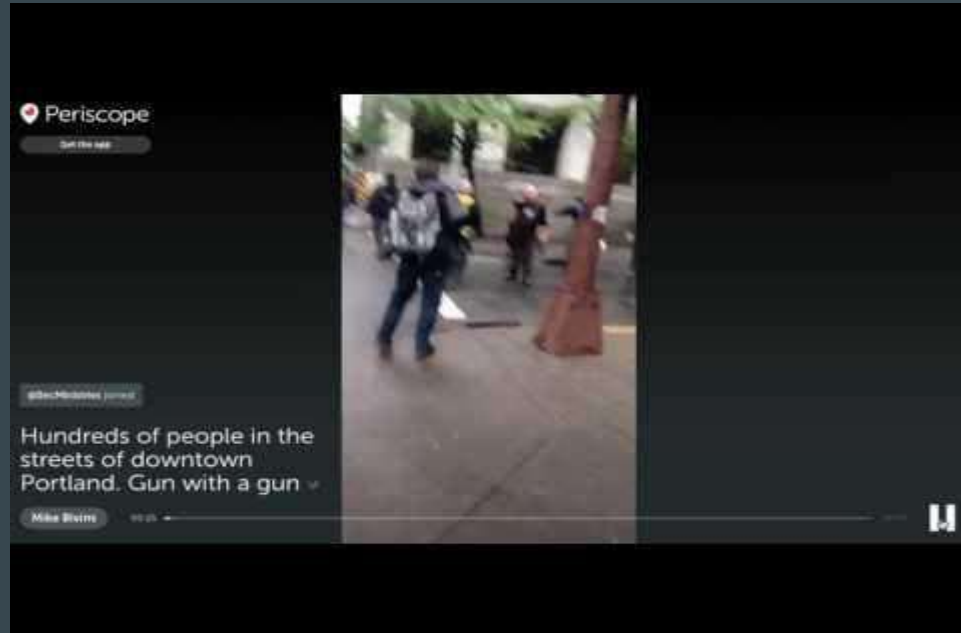
Unexpected Hazards

- Sport Concussion Assessment Tool (SCAT3)
- Rehabilitation
 - Environmental illness
 - Fatigue
- Lack of medical screening/monitoring of LEOs

Medical Threat Assessment & Planning

- Team embraced role in event planning
- Advocated for medical intelligence reports
- Significant appreciation from LE and political leadership

Weapons Turn Scared and/or Angry into Deadly



Boundaries of TECC

- There's no 'shoot, move, tourniquet' if you can't move

Civil Unrest TECC

- All-hazards approach
- Tire fire
- Tree lighting
- Festival patrols
- Natural disasters









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