



## Resource Guide for Faith-Based Communities

The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) developed this comprehensive list of resources across the federal government to equip NGO stakeholders, community members, and organizations serving Faith-Based communities with the necessary tools and information to enhance their security posture and ensure the safety and resilience of their operations.

### Resources in this Guide:



#### Cybersecurity Resources

Guidelines and best practices for safeguarding technology and information from threats.



#### Grant Opportunities

Information and resources for grants and funding opportunities aimed at enhancing security needs and capabilities.



#### Joint Federal Initiatives

Resources from the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), Department of Justice (DOJ), and others tailored to specific needs.



#### Physical Security Resources

Guidelines and best practices for safeguarding physical premises from threats.



#### Targeted Violence Resources

Resources and tools tailored to prevent targeted violence and exploitation threats.

### Maximizing these resources

- 1. Prepare**  
Learn how to recognize suspicious activity indicators, develop security plans, and respond to threats.
- 2. Coordinate**  
These resources encourage stakeholders to connect with local first responders and officials dedicated to strengthening community security.
- 3. Drive Action**  
These resources empower stakeholders to take action to enhance their personal, organizational, and community physical and cyber security posture.

### Key Contacts

For further information please reach out to the following DHS points of contact:

- **Non-governmental Organization (NGO) Engagement** at [NGOengagement@hq.dhs.gov](mailto:NGOengagement@hq.dhs.gov)
- **The Office for Civil Rights Civil Liberties (CRCL)** at [crcl@dhs.gov](mailto:crcl@dhs.gov)
- **The Office for State and Local Law Enforcement (OSLLE)** at [OSLLE@hq.dhs.gov](mailto:OSLLE@hq.dhs.gov)
- **Academic Engagement** at [DHSAcademic@hq.dhs.gov](mailto:DHSAcademic@hq.dhs.gov)
- **Office of Public Affairs (OPA)** at [mediainquiry@hq.dhs.gov](mailto:mediainquiry@hq.dhs.gov)



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### ✓ Faith-Based Resources

- [Houses of Worship Security Self-Assessment](#): A security-focused self-assessment to understand potential vulnerabilities and identify options for consideration in mitigating those vulnerabilities.
- [Protecting Houses of Worship](#): Products, tools, and videos to help faith-based communities mitigate the threat of targeted violence. Many resources are [translated](#).
- [Protecting Houses of Worship: Perimeter Security Considerations Infographic](#): Provides security considerations for the outer, middle, and inner perimeters of your house of worship.
- [Resources for Leaders of Faith-Based Communities, Organizations, and Institutions](#): Resources that may be helpful to leaders of faith-based communities, organizations, and institutions when facing heightened threats of targeted violence and terrorism.
- [Swatting Calls and Hoax Threats Targeting Faith Communities](#): Provides information on swatting calls, proactive steps to take to prepare for, respond to, and recover from a related incident.

### ✓ Cybersecurity Resources

- [Cyber Guidance for Small Businesses](#): Resources and action plans specifically tailored for small businesses.
- [Cyber Volunteer Programs by Region](#): Find cybersecurity support by unpaid volunteers and students in your area.
- [Cybersecurity Resources for High-Risk Communities](#): Resources intended to help communities at a heightened risk of being targeted by cyber threat actors because of their identity or work.
- [Healthcare and Public Health \(HPH\) Cybersecurity](#): Key cyber resources for HPH Sector organizations.
- [Project UpSkill](#): Free how-to guides and resources for individuals, organizations, and communities to enhance digital protection.
- [Resources for Individuals on the Threat of Doxing](#): Guidance on protecting personal information and steps to prevent unauthorized publication of private or identifying details.
- Additional cybersecurity topics may be found at [cisa.gov](https://www.cisa.gov)

### ✓ Finding Local Resources

- Center for Prevention Programs and Partnerships (CP3) [Regional Prevention Coordinators](#)



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### ✓ Finding Local Resources (cont.)

- [Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency Regional Support](#): Includes Protective Security Advisors, Cyber Security Advisors, Emergency Communications Coordinators, Election Security Advisors, and Chemical Security Inspectors.
- [Federal Bureau of Investigations Field Offices](#)
- [Federal Emergency Management Agency \(FEMA\) Regional Contacts](#)
- [Homeland Security Investigations Field Offices](#)
- [State Administrative Agency](#) Contacts: State representative for the grant process.
- State and major urban area [Fusion Centers](#): Provides information sharing and analysis.

### ✓ Grant Resources

- [FEMA Nonprofit Security Grant Program](#): Provides funding for physical security enhancements to nonprofit organizations at high risk of terrorist attacks.
- [Targeted Violence and Terrorism Prevention Grant Program CP3](#): Provides funding for initiatives to prevent targeted violence and terrorism by enhancing community capabilities.
- [Grants.gov](#): Find information on grants and resources for applying.

### ✓ Physical Security Resources

- [Active Shooter Preparedness](#): Products, videos, and tools to prepare for, respond to, and recover from active shooter incidents. [Translated](#) resources.
- [Active Shooter Preparedness: Access and Functional Needs – What You Should Know](#): This video provides insights into developing an active shooter preparedness plan for individuals with access and functional needs.
- [CISA Tabletop Exercise Packages](#): Tools for stakeholders to conduct exercises on a wide range of threat scenarios.
- [Conflict Prevention Resources](#): Includes the [Power of Hello](#), [De-Escalation Series](#), Insider Threat Mitigation, and the Pathway to Violence to empower and educate individuals to identify, react, and report suspicious behavior. Available in many [languages](#).
- [“If You See Something, Say Something”](#)<sup>®</sup>: DHS campaign effort to encourage public vigilance and reporting of suspicious activities. [Campaign materials](#) tailored for every state.
- [Office for Bombing Prevention \(OBP\)](#): Provides essential resources and guidance to enhance physical security measures and protect against bombing threats.



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### ✓ Physical Security Resources (cont.)

- [Patron Protection Resources](#): Security recommendations for businesses during public demonstrations, outdoor eating, and holiday shopping.
- [Preventing Workplace Violence: Security Awareness Considerations Infographic](#): Provides actionable recommendations and resources intended to prevent and mitigate workplace violence by cultivating a culture of awareness and support in the workplace.
- [Resources for Swatting and Hoax Threats](#): Guidance and tools to address and mitigate swatting and hoax threats, where false reports are made to provoke emergency responses.
- [Securing Public Gatherings](#): This site includes the [Mass Gathering Security Planning Tool](#), and [Personal Security Considerations Action Guide](#).
- [Security Planning Workbook](#): This resource is a fillable PDF to assist with the development of a foundational security plan.
- See CISA's [Physical Security](#) resources for additional products, tools, and videos including vehicle ramming mitigation and the Be Air Aware™ program.

### ✓ Preventing Targeted Violence and Exploitation Resources

- [Blue Campaign](#): DHS campaign to combat human trafficking through public awareness and education.
- [Center for Prevention Programs and Partnerships \(CP3\)](#): CP3 seeks a resilient America where communities are united to help end targeted violence and terrorism by working with the whole of society to establish and expand local prevention frameworks.
- [Prevention Resource Finder](#): For tools to prepare for and prevent acts of targeted violence.
- [Combating Gender-Based Violence](#): Definitions and resources for recognizing and combatting gender-based violence.
- [Know2Protect](#): DHS initiative focused on preventing online child sexual exploitation & abuse.
- [FBI Transnational Repression Resources](#): Information and support for individuals who are intimidated, silenced, coerced, harassed, or harmed by foreign governments within the United States.
- [Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties](#): Resources and support for securing civil rights and civil liberties from the Department of Homeland Security.
- [U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement's \(ICE\) Victims Engagement and Services Line \(VESL\)](#): Comprehensive and inclusive support system for all victims, regardless of immigration status or the immigration status of the perpetrator.



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### ✓ Faith-Based Resources

- CISA Tabletop Exercise Package: [cisa.gov/resources-tools/resources/physical-security-scenarios](https://cisa.gov/resources-tools/resources/physical-security-scenarios); Faith-Based Organizations (FBO) Fact Sheet: [cisa.gov/sites/default/files/publications/CTEP%2520Fact%2520Sheet%2520FBO\\_01%252006%25202022%2520v3\\_508%2520PDF.pdf](https://cisa.gov/sites/default/files/publications/CTEP%2520Fact%2520Sheet%2520FBO_01%252006%25202022%2520v3_508%2520PDF.pdf); FBO Situation Manual: [cisa.gov/sites/default/files/2023-01/faith-based-organization-ctep-situation-manual-iseb-508-052022.docx](https://cisa.gov/sites/default/files/2023-01/faith-based-organization-ctep-situation-manual-iseb-508-052022.docx)
- FEMA Faith-Based and Volunteer Partnership Resources: [fema.gov/emergency-managers/individuals-communities/faith-volunteer](https://fema.gov/emergency-managers/individuals-communities/faith-volunteer)
- Houses of Worship Security Self-Assessment: [cisa.gov/houses-worship-security-self-assessment](https://cisa.gov/houses-worship-security-self-assessment)
- Protecting Houses of Worship: [cisa.gov/topics/physical-security/protecting-houses-worship](https://cisa.gov/topics/physical-security/protecting-houses-worship) (translated resources: [cisa.gov/topics/physical-security/protecting-houses-worship/translated-resources](https://cisa.gov/topics/physical-security/protecting-houses-worship/translated-resources))
- Protecting Houses of Worship: Perimeter Security Considerations Infographic: [cisa.gov/resources-tools/resources/protecting-houses-worship-perimeter-security-considerations-infographic](https://cisa.gov/resources-tools/resources/protecting-houses-worship-perimeter-security-considerations-infographic)
- Resources for Leaders of Faith-Based Communities, Organizations, and Institutions: [dhs.gov/faith-based-tv-resources](https://dhs.gov/faith-based-tv-resources)
- Swatting Calls and Hoax Threats Targeting Faith Communities: [dhs.gov/sites/default/files/2024-10/24\\_0930\\_opa\\_swatting-hoax-threats-targeting-faith-communities-final.pdf](https://dhs.gov/sites/default/files/2024-10/24_0930_opa_swatting-hoax-threats-targeting-faith-communities-final.pdf)

### ✓ Cybersecurity Resources

- Cyber Guidance for Small Businesses: [cisa.gov/cyber-guidance-small-businesses](https://cisa.gov/cyber-guidance-small-businesses)
- Cyber Volunteer Programs by Region: [cisa.gov/audiences/high-risk-communities/cybervolunteerresourcecenter](https://cisa.gov/audiences/high-risk-communities/cybervolunteerresourcecenter)
- Cybersecurity Resources for High-Risk Communities: [cisa.gov/audiences/high-risk-communities/cybersecurity-resources-high-risk-communities](https://cisa.gov/audiences/high-risk-communities/cybersecurity-resources-high-risk-communities)
- Healthcare and Public Health Cybersecurity: [cisa.gov/topics/cybersecurity-best-practices/healthcare](https://cisa.gov/topics/cybersecurity-best-practices/healthcare)
- Project UpSkill: [cisa.gov/audiences/high-risk-communities/projectupskill](https://cisa.gov/audiences/high-risk-communities/projectupskill)
- Resources for Individuals on the Threat of Doxing: [dhs.gov/publication/resources/individuals-threat-doxing](https://dhs.gov/publication/resources/individuals-threat-doxing)
- Additional cybersecurity topics may be found at [cisa.gov](https://cisa.gov)



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- Center for Prevention Programs and Partnerships (CP3) Regional Prevention Coordinators: [dhs.gov/regional-prevention-coordinators](https://dhs.gov/regional-prevention-coordinators)
- Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency Regional Support: [cisa.gov/about/regions](https://cisa.gov/about/regions)
- Federal Bureau of Investigations Field Offices: [fbi.gov/contact-us/field-offices/](https://fbi.gov/contact-us/field-offices/)
- Homeland Security Investigations Field Offices: [dhs.gov/hsi/contact/sac-offices](https://dhs.gov/hsi/contact/sac-offices)
- State Administrative Agency Contacts: [fema.gov/grants/preparedness/about/state-administrative-agency-contacts](https://fema.gov/grants/preparedness/about/state-administrative-agency-contacts)
- State and major urban area Fusion Centers: [dhs.gov/fusion-center-locations-and-contact-information](https://dhs.gov/fusion-center-locations-and-contact-information)

### ✓ Grant Resources

- FEMA Nonprofit Security Grant Program: [fema.gov/grants/preparedness/nonprofit-security](https://fema.gov/grants/preparedness/nonprofit-security)
- Targeted Violence and Terrorism Prevention Grant Program: [dhs.gov/tvtpgrants](https://dhs.gov/tvtpgrants)
- [Grants.gov](https://Grants.gov)

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- Active Shooter Preparedness: [cisa.gov/topics/physical-security/active-shooter-preparedness](https://cisa.gov/topics/physical-security/active-shooter-preparedness); Translated Resources: [cisa.gov/topics/physical-security/active-shooter-preparedness/translated-products-and-resources](https://cisa.gov/topics/physical-security/active-shooter-preparedness/translated-products-and-resources)
- Active Shooter Preparedness: Access and Functional Needs – What You Should Know: [youtube.com/watch?v=bzsGCgxp1iE](https://youtube.com/watch?v=bzsGCgxp1iE)
- CISA Tabletop Exercise Packages: [cisa.gov/resources-tools/services/cisa-tabletop-exercise-packages](https://cisa.gov/resources-tools/services/cisa-tabletop-exercise-packages)
- Conflict Prevention: [cisa.gov/topics/physical-security/conflict-prevention](https://cisa.gov/topics/physical-security/conflict-prevention); Power of Hello: [cisa.gov/topics/physical-security/conflict-prevention/power-hello](https://cisa.gov/topics/physical-security/conflict-prevention/power-hello); De-Escalation Series: [cisa.gov/resources-tools/resources/de-escalation-series](https://cisa.gov/resources-tools/resources/de-escalation-series); Translated Resources: [cisa.gov/topics/physical-security/conflict-prevention/power-hello/translated-resources](https://cisa.gov/topics/physical-security/conflict-prevention/power-hello/translated-resources)
- If You See Something, Say Something: [dhs.gov/see-something-say-something](https://dhs.gov/see-something-say-something); Campaign Materials: [dhs.gov/see-something-say-something/campaign-materials-your-stateterritory](https://dhs.gov/see-something-say-something/campaign-materials-your-stateterritory)
- Office for Bombing Prevention (OBP): [cisa.gov/topics/physical-security/bombing-prevention](https://cisa.gov/topics/physical-security/bombing-prevention)
- Patron Protection Resources: [cisa.gov/resources-tools/resources/patron-protection-resources](https://cisa.gov/resources-tools/resources/patron-protection-resources)





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- Resources for Swatting and Hoax Threats: [dhs.gov/publication/resources-swatting-and-hoax-threats](https://www.dhs.gov/publication/resources-swatting-and-hoax-threats)
- Securing Public Gatherings: [cisa.gov/topics/physical-security/securing-public-gatherings](https://www.cisa.gov/topics/physical-security/securing-public-gatherings); Mass Gathering Security Planning Tool: [cisa.gov/resources-tools/resources/mass-gathering-security-planning-tool](https://www.cisa.gov/resources-tools/resources/mass-gathering-security-planning-tool); Personal Security Considerations Action Guide: [cisa.gov/resources-tools/resources/personal-security-considerations-action-guide](https://www.cisa.gov/resources-tools/resources/personal-security-considerations-action-guide)
- Security Planning Workbook: [cisa.gov/resources-tools/resources/security-planning-workbook](https://www.cisa.gov/resources-tools/resources/security-planning-workbook)
- Additional CISA Physical Security Resources: [cisa.gov/topics/physical-security](https://www.cisa.gov/topics/physical-security)

### ✓ Targeted Violence and Exploitation Resources

- Blue Campaign: [dhs.gov/blue-campaign](https://www.dhs.gov/blue-campaign)
- Center for Prevention Programs and Partnerships (CP3): [dhs.gov/CP3](https://www.dhs.gov/CP3)
- Prevention Resource Finder: [dhs.gov/prevention](https://www.dhs.gov/prevention)
- Combating Gender-Based Violence: [dhs.gov/combating-gender-based-violence](https://www.dhs.gov/combating-gender-based-violence)
- Know2Protect: [dhs.gov/know2protect](https://www.dhs.gov/know2protect)
- Transnational Repression Resources: [fbi.gov/investigate/counterintelligence/transnational-repression](https://www.fbi.gov/investigate/counterintelligence/transnational-repression)
- DHS Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties: [dhs.gov/office-civil-rights-and-civil-liberties](https://www.dhs.gov/office-civil-rights-and-civil-liberties)
- U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement's (ICE) Victims Engagement and Services Line (VESL): [ice.gov/vesl](https://www.ice.gov/vesl)