



BRYAN COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES CONDUCTS TACTICAL EMERGENCY CASUALTY CARE CLASS

RICHMOND HILL, GA – April 5, 2018 – Last week, Bryan County Emergency Services conducted a Tactical Emergency Casualty Care class at the Richmond Hill Police Training Center.

The nationally accredited course, taught by certified Rescue Training instructors, focused on procedures pertaining to tactical emergency critical care, which covers active shooter situations, SWAT operations, and high-risk law enforcement events. Among the teachers were medics who responded to two Florida shootings. Their experience on the ground proved useful to the Bryan County class participants.

“Bryan County Emergency Services is working on being proactive instead of reactive. Currently, we respond to dangerous events, including shootings and domestic violence,” BCES Deputy Chief Michael Dick said. “The idea for Bryan County Emergency Services is to be ready and trained in such an event.”

BCES employees’ role would be to strictly support local law enforcement, according to Dick, who stressed they would not attempt to take down a shooter.

“We are there to support our law-enforcement officers by means of rapid emergency care for them and the victims. In so many of these tragic events, critical care is late and the chances of survival is diminished,” the deputy chief said.

The class focused on emergency care such as extraction, bleeding control, and associated hazards. Dick and BCES Chief Freddy Howell say this course marked the beginning of a training process for their department, and they intend to continue educating first responders to maximize the personnel’s usefulness to law-enforcement officers in dangerous situations.

Bryan County Emergency Services delivers a full range of emergency services including fire prevention and education, emergency medical services and fire suppression to over 30,000 citizens and covers over 450 square miles.

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