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**CSU FULLERTON POLICE DEPARTMENT
GENERAL ORDER NUMBER 8-8**

CRITICAL RESPONSE UNIT

SUBJECT: Procedures for utilization and deployment of the California State University Critical Response Unit (CRU).

PURPOSE: The purpose of this order is to establish procedures for the activation, deployment, and coordination of CRU personnel; to establish criteria for the selection of officers to be assigned to CRU; and to identify special equipment issued by this Department to CRU personnel.

POLICY: It is the policy of this Department to request activation of CRU as a mutual aid support element for specialized law enforcement operations at California State University Fullerton. When it has been determined by the Chief of Police that assistance is needed to ensure the safety of the campus community and to protect university property, the CRU may be activated with approval from the Chancellor's office.

PROCEDURE:

I. Definitions

- A. Critical Response Unit (CRU) – A group of Police Officers from several different California State University campuses who have been trained together as a team to supplement campus police Departments for dignitary protection and prevention/migration of civil disorder, or when additional police resources are required to properly respond to an unexpected large scale gathering, unplanned event (on or near campus property), unforeseen staffing needs, potentially high profile or critical incidents where public safety or property damage may occur as a result of a large group or gathering, etc.
- B. Home campus – Any campus providing mutual aid assistance.
- C. Host campus – Any campus receiving mutual aid assistance.
- D. CRU Commander – The Commander should be a sworn CSU Manager (MPP) assigned to the CRU team who is responsible for executing the logistics and deployment of a team for training or an actual callout.
- E. CRU Chief – A Chief of Police who is responsible for overseeing the logistics, support and supply of the CRU team, as well as ensuring the proper training of members and record keeping of the team.
- F. Mutual Aid – An exchange of services, personnel, and/or equipment between law enforcement agencies during times of emergency, unexpected catastrophic incidents that may adversely affect or strain Department staffing levels.

II. Deployment of CRU

A. Activation

1. If CSUF needs to activate the CRU, the campus Chief will contact the CSU Police Coordinator so he/she can facilitate the process.
2. The CSU Police Coordinator will work with the campus Chief and the
3. CRU Chiefs to ensure staffing availability and the mission of the activation.
4. If CRU activation is approved, the Chancellor or his designee will advise the campus president and provide written authorization.
5. The CRU Chief will advise the CRU Commander of the call-out and determine the level of response required, including personnel and equipment.
6. Once the requesting/host campus has received authorization for the activation of CRU, the authorization will stipulate whether or not reimbursement will be included for the unit members' home campuses.

B. Coordination and cooperation between tactical teams and other operational components.

1. Chain of Command
 - a. The CRU operates internally through a typical chain of command; Officer, Corporal, Sergeant, Lieutenant or Captain, and Chief of Police.
 - b. The CRU Commander reports to the Chief of Police for the respective campus to which it is responding.
 - c. If CRU Officers are deployed as a unit, they will be supervised by CRU Commanders and be under the command of the Chief of Police. If CRU Officers are deployed individually, they will be supervised through the chain of command of the host campus.
2. Coordination and cooperation between CRU and the operational components of the host campus will be accomplished by ensuring that command and control of all operations remains with the Chief of Police for the host/requesting campus.

III. Selection of CRU Officers

A. Selection to CRU is a specialized assignment as noted in General Order 2-13. When openings occur, the Chief of Police will post a notice requesting letters of interest from eligible officers.

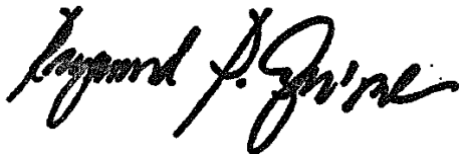
1. Officers must have completed probation and have good work records as evidenced by performance evaluations.
2. The Chief will make the assignment based on the skills, knowledge and abilities of officers expressing interest.

B. Physical Agility Examination (PAE)

1. Officers who wish to participate in CRU may be required to pass the PAE, as described by the CSU Chancellor's Office, prior to being selected for CRU.
 2. Once assigned to CRU, officers may be required to pass the PAE on a yearly basis.
- C. Rotation of officers assigned to CRU will occur on a staggered basis.
- IV. Specialized Equipment
- A. The following to CRU Officers equipment:
1. (2) Two-piece navy blue tactical uniforms with cloth name tag and badge, and large POLICE back patch letters.
 2. Nylon duty belt & gear to include:
 - a. Holster,
 - b. Gun Belt,
 - c. Handcuff case and 2 pair handcuffs,
 - d. Oleoresin Capsicum spray, 3 oz. container, and holder,
 - e. 36" riot baton and baton ring,
 - f. Pair of utility gloves,
 - g. Radio holder.
 3. Concealed body armor. Threat level IIIA.
 4. Black Kevlar "M-1" helmet with Lexan shield.
 5. Navy blue cap with POLICE on front in 1" gold letters.
 6. Black canvas bag.
- B. Additional support equipment for performing CRU missions may available
Examples of the equipment inventory include:
1. Gas masks;
 2. Soft body armor, riot type;
 3. Pair of shin guards, black with knee cup;
 4. Specialized communications (i.e. satellite phone, multi-band portable transceiver, bone mic/throat mic extender);
 5. Medical supplies;
- V. Training
- A. To ensure that Department members assigned to the Critical Response Unit maintain proficiency in the critical skills required by the Unit, they will attend all training when scheduled by the Chiefs.
- B. A training schedule is published by the CRU Chiefs every two years for quarterly training for the team.
- C. This training will be held at locations throughout the State and will include readiness exercises.

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