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Kent County Administrative Complex Will Open at 10AM on Wednesday, April 10

Dover, Del. – In a joint effort coordinated by the Kent County Department of Public Safety and City of Dover Police, Kent County employees in the Kent County Levy Court Administrative Complex will go through a refresher violent intruder training exercise on Wednesday, April 10. Because of this, the County's Administrative Complex at 555 Bay Road in Dover, will open for business at 10 a.m. rather than its normal time at 8 a.m. Business hours on April 10 will be from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. and traffic will not be allowed to enter the County Complex without first entering a checkpoint.

Employees recently completed a refresher training on a nationally certified Avoid/Deny/Defend program. The training is designed to reinforce what County employees have previously been trained on how to react, who to call, where to go, and how to respond when a violent intruder enters the workplace. Also, the exercise provides employees the opportunity to experience the sights and sounds of a simulated armed intruder situation. The management team is confident that the training will help employees make correct decisions for their own personal safety, as well as that of their co-workers.

In late March, City of Dover Deputy Police chief Tim Stump, visited each office to offer assurances to employees and share his experience conducting numerous exercises at various locations including Kent General/BayHealth and the Dover Mall.

A debriefing will follow the exercise so that employees can review what went well and what can be improved.

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