

Protecting Places of Worship

Four-step approach to enhance security

Step 1: Understand Risk

- Keep apprised of national and local threat landscape
- Identify vulnerabilities with Security Self-Assessment Tool

Step 3: Develop and Exercise a Plan

- Create security and/or emergency action plan
- Test capabilities through exercises

Step 2: Implement Protective Measures

- Leverage layered security approach (outer, middle, inner perimeters; cyber)
- Implement no- to low-cost measures to reduce risk

Step 4: Reduce Risk Through Non-Confrontational Techniques

- Identify potential suspicious behavior and take appropriate action
- Empower non-security staff

