

WOFT - A Different Voice In The Big Picture

WOFT is a world class education center for real life scenario, safety and instruction. Scenario Safety teaches everyone the skills necessary to handle real-life encounters. The goal of WOFT is to empower people to deal with the potentially harmful, everyday situations that can happen.

However, the WOFT of today is not what it was when things began.

First, the answer is “yes.” WOFT is an acronym. Originally it was West Orlando Firearms Training. When WOFT started out it was a multifaceted firing range for tactical training that worked with individuals who were highly focused on the use of firearms. An example of this would be law-enforcement personnel looking to expand and/or sharpen their firearms skills.

Yet, just like Philip (*Philip Toppino, CEO/Founder*) has evolved, so has WOFT. Today, it is so much more than the original acronym would state. It has developed from a basic tactical training space into a world-class education center, simply called WOFT.

There are many aspects to why WOFT has evolved, but the underlying heart of the matter is the need. The need in our society, and specifically the need for people, everyday people who want to be safer, while being responsible gun-owners as well as those who don't want to carry firearms at all. So while assessing everything he was learning from his own training, Philip started to think about what he could do. How he could make a difference; how to make real change.



Philip Toppino, CEO/Founder

It first began while listening to all the passionate debate, regarding the issue of violence that exists in our lives today. It's a hard truth; a hard reality that we all want to ignore. However, no matter who you are, no matter where you live, this harsh fact reaches all of us. It is continually in the day-to-day lives of everyone, everywhere.

Next — look at the facts.

It's critical to begin with the statistics; the real numbers. Sadly, women bear the brunt of this painful reality. According to Victim Statistics on RAINN, about 80% of juvenile victims were female. In addition, women from ages 18 to 34 are at the highest levels of risk to experience sexual assault. Altogether there were a total of 1,313,105 violent crimes in the US in 2020, an increase of 5% or 62,712 violent crimes from 2019. Violent crime statistics include aggravated assault, robbery, rape and homicide.



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This all led to the questions; What to do? Is there a solution? This is why WOFT has developed into what it is today. Not to debate; not to argue, but simply empower everyday people, in their everyday lives to deal with these very dire situations should they occur. Subsequently, WOFT has absolutely no agenda beyond the goal of helping everyone; enabling everyone, to deal with any situation should it arise. If we can help even one person, if we can spare even a single woman from the trauma and pain that comes from violent assault; we believe it's absolutely worth every bit of our effort.

Solution — Scenario Safety.

And yes, the first question almost everybody asks is: "What is Real-Life Scenario, Safety & Instruction?" Answer; It's something quite different and therefore a little challenging to explain without any existing reference.

So, think of it like this...

Everyday; everyone of us; enter and exit scenarios. We go to coffee shops; We go to gas stations; We go to hair salons, restaurants, movies and more. These are all scenarios. A simple part of our everyday lives. And most of us enter and exit these scenarios, quite "oblivious" to our surroundings. And with the advent of cell phones, many are completely distracted.

Generally, it's not a problem. Most of the time, it's all quite civilized. We're here to talk about the moments, when it's not.

What happens when a stranger approaches you?
What happens when someone starts to follow you?
What happens when someone becomes aggressive?

And now your "scenario;" has become a "situation."

What would you do? — What should you do?





Question – “How does it work?”

All of us at some point or another have probably seen a "behind-the-scenes" video about how movies are made. This is a good way to think about how WOFT works. Imagine us as a backlot for a movie studio, but here you're the featured player.

Like any sound stage, each space is a blank canvas that can quickly be transformed into whatever is required for your scene. We can set up an indoor space for example, that can function as a Parking Garage. Then the same space can be transformed into a Classroom. Exterior spaces can be staged as a functioning Gas Station. Then the same space can be transformed again into a Park Setting, where someone may go to walk their dog or be out for a stroll with a baby carriage.

Yet, these are simply stages. A construct for scenes; a place where they can be played out. The real transformative dynamic occurs when you, our students are put into real-scenarios.



A typical Scenario Safety class will start with education and awareness. Then we teach you both, what to do and how to do it, should a situation occur. Then, the real magic happens - We first set the stage, then put you in the "scenario."

An example of this might be where the Directing Instructor says, “Okay Jane, your car is over there. Go ahead, walk to your car and get in just like you always do.” What Jane encounters along the way will be her “experience.” She may have an encounter; she may not. It's all part of the program. And it's all tailored to each individual.

This is how you gain Real Experience.

It's all based on being in Real Situations; with real dynamics, which produce transformative outcomes and very, very real, life changing results.



Real-Life — There is no substitute.

A critically important thing to understand is there is no substitute or virtual method for a Real-Life Scenario experience. There is no substitute for how you feel, for how you think, for how you will react; when a very real stranger approaches you. Someone you've never met before suddenly appears; you don't know what they might do or what's going on or what's going to happen.

When you put this all together; when you add up all the education, the awareness training, the sets, settings and instruction; When all of this is customized to each and every individual. It's almost impossible to calculate the value it brings into the lives of everyday people. It's almost impossible to quantify the benefit of a real life scenario experience. All of which is being conducted in a safe, sound environment.

And because each scenario is customized to each individual, it creates a real time dynamic that's adapts to each and every person. Regardless of their background; regardless of their experience; regardless of their profession.

Scenario Safety gives you, customized education, personalized training with real-life experience that will make You, Your Family, Your Colleagues, Safer, Smarter and Stronger.

No one else offers this... and nothing else is like it.

An experience where you'll be empowered for the everyday situations we all face, in our very real everyday lives.

What about firearms?

Many of the Scenario Safety experiences that are conducted at WOFT do not incorporate firearms. That said, we can not state how valuable it truly is; how totally transformative it can be; to see, to learn and to be immersed in a real-life "Live Fire" Scenario Safety experience at WOFT.





In life, many of us talk about how “Well, I would do this” or how “I would just do that” should the situation ever arise. And thankfully, most of us will never have to experience an actual live-fire situation. Realistically however, those odds are changing. So having a "real" opportunity, where you can gain "real" scenario experience, all while learning in a safe controlled environment; is invaluable beyond measure.

Because the fact is; you don't know! No one knows! No one can say what they would actually do or not do; What they would actually feel or not feel. How they would actually be or not be. Not until you are there, in the moment; not until it is “real.”

This is why we call it Real-Life Scenario, Safety and Instruction. And nothing is more "real" than having a stranger who you suddenly notice is agitated; a stranger who is behaving erratically; threatening; and then you see that stranger has a gun - and you're caught in the same space with that person.



Again; What do you do? What should you do?

The truth is you will never truly know until you're there. At WOFT we put you there! At WOFT we put all your theories to the test.

This is why at WOFT, we engage a wide range of learning experiences, training and exercises that can be readily incorporated into Safety Scenarios. Mindset and method is the objective — This is the transformative goal for everyone in the WOFT Scenario Safety Experience.

Some ask “What makes WOFT so different from regular self-defense courses?”

It's hugely valuable to understand the enormous differences between military or tactical style training experiences, versus the immersive, real-life scenario experiences at WOFT. When doing a tactical/self-defense style training; the inevitable starting point is that you are



already in the fight; you're already at war. So now, that's what your training is all about. Making you into a fighter, regardless of whether you want to be a fighter or not; because that's their program. That's how they operate.

At WOFT, we're focused on the real lives of everyday people. Everyday stuff. Everyday scenarios. The things that are much more likely to happen in your life. And Real Life, is much more complex. There are a huge number of variables. And a huge number of potentially catastrophic results. Not necessarily to just life and limb, but legal consequences as well as long-term harm to yourself, loved ones and others.

And now you're asking "So what does all this cost?"

As we've talked about, we put considerable emphasis on the in-person Scenario Experience and the real importance of being there.

We should also note;
There is virtual method for a real-life scenario.
No substitute for how you'll feel;
No substitute for how you'll think;
No substitute for how you would react;
No substitute for a very real, stranger approaching you.
No substitute for that adrenaline dump.
You don't know what they might do;
You don't know what's going on;
You don't know what's going to happen...

When you put this all together; when you add up all the sets, all the instructors, all the support staff, the education, the safety and awareness; all the background; all the experience and all of this is then customized to each and every individual. It's almost impossible to put a price tag on it all. How do we quantify the transformative value for a real-life scenario experience? A learning experience that holds the potential to save your life and/or the lives of your loved ones?

That said; we have to try -





A good jumping off point is that a single Full Day at WOFT is \$1,750 USD.

Generally, we begin here because a considerable portion of our guests travel from distant places. Investing the time and expense for travel can be considerable, so guests naturally want to pack in as much as they possibly can during their experience.

We couldn't agree more. That's why we pack in as much as we possibly can for each guest.

Also, there are a huge number of variables, all of which can affect costs.

Whether a student will have firearms training or not; this is a variable.

Whether a student is coming as a single individual or part of a family; this is a variable.

Whether a student is part of a larger group experience or not; this is a variable.

And all these variables can significantly impact costs.

This is why we always want to talk.



Everything is custom tailored for each individual and/or group. Until we talk, it's almost impossible to say exactly what your individual cost might be. However, for a full day; for a single individual; who does both scenario safety and firearms instruction is \$1,750 USD.

Typically this includes;

All Classes

All Personal Instruction

All Firearms (FA) when provided by WOFT

All Ammunition (highest rated/frangible)

All FA Accessories

All FA Scenario Equipment/Accessories

Breakfast/Lunch/Beverages

Days run from 7:30 am. to 5:00 pm.

(sometimes a bit longer...)



Conclusion? — We Should Talk.

When you go to our website you'll find many places that provide a link to - "Call for a personal consultation."

This is another aspect of how we customize your individual experience at WOFT. We talk to everybody. We ask questions of everyone. We do this, to learn from you — so you in turn, can best learn from us.

Everybody's different! Everyone responds differently. Subsequently, we've developed methods that adapt to how everyone learns differently. And the differences from one person to the next can be astonishing. This is why the customized education, the personalized training and coaching at WOFT is so special and very, very unique.

Education and learning through an immersive experience like WOFT is difficult to describe unless you've had that experience. We work hard to help guide people through their first experience at WOFT. The goal of this is to make everyone, their best possible selves.

And it all begins by talking.

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