SECURITAS ELECTRONIC SECURITY'S EXPERTISE IN FIRE AND LIFE SAFETY GOES BEYOND MINIMUMS TO DELIVER ENTERPRISE LEVEL RISK MANAGEMENT FOR BUSINESSES

Risk Mitigation through Uniform Standard of Care

With fire and life safety programs, consistency is critical. Even if third-party regulations differ among a company's facilities, any variations in standards, technologies and even equipment placement from location to location can increase risk.

A Standard of Care methodology eliminates variances and looks beyond minimum standards and equally protects all employees, customers and visitors from foreseeable risks. Working with all types of businesses, Securitas Electronic Security (SES) has provided comprehensive, company-wide, uniform Standard of Care across all its facilities, eliminating inconsistencies and creating efficiencies in fire, security operations and response plans.

Duty of Care for Employees, Customers & Visitors

Companies that implement fire protection programs following the old adage of "because we have always done it this way" may be increasing their risks. In addition, merely following fire codes without considering the level of fire protection a company implements at its other facilities overlooks the responsibility of Duty of Care. A Duty of Care approach provides a more comprehensive and uniform approach to protecting employees, customers and visitors.

Case Study: SES Implements Fire & Life Safety Program for National Funeral Home

One of the nation's leading funeral homes was struggling with managing fire and life safety requirements in its new construction projects across the country. Its business is trusted to provide protection and safety to the loved ones of families using its services. The company's new construction management team faced the daunting task of meeting the different fire and life safety requirements for each city and state. Additionally, the significant variance in local fire codes and requirements caused wildly fluctuating budget results for the team. The funeral home engaged SES to implement a company-wide fire and life safety program that included union standards for fire alarm equipment specifications, 24-hour fire alarm monitoring and on-going testing and inspections. By having SES implement a comprehensive and unified fire & life safety program, the funeral home established a Standard of Care that went beyond minimum standards, and equally protected all its employees, customers and guests.

> **WITH SES'S HELP, ORGANIZATIONS ARE IMPLEMENTING SUPERIOR STANDARD OF CARE AND DUTY OF CARE PROGRAMS THAT ARE PROVIDING EXCEPTIONAL PROTECTION TO THEIR PEOPLE, ASSETS AND BUSINESSES.**

Case Study: National Financial Institution Partners with SES to Upgrade Fire & Life Safety for 250 Locations

A leading national financial institution had over 250 existing and acquired locations without fire and life safety systems. Working with SES, the bank's security department engaged its risk management team to address the problem. All parties understood that by fire and building codes, the 250 locations did not require fire and life safety systems; however, the risk of not implementing a fire and security program that addressed Standard of Care and Duty of Care would open the company to significant risks, liabilities and cost implications.

Utilizing the National Fire Protection Association standards for system design, installation and maintenance, SES worked with the bank to implement its desired company-wide fire and life safety program that included union standards for fire alarm equipment specifications, 24-hour fire alarm monitoring, and on-going testing and inspections. By providing fire protection in all locations, regardless of code requirements, the bank has established a Standard of Care that goes beyond minimum standards, and a Duty of Care that equally protects all its employees, customers and guests from foreseeable fire and life safety risks. By implementing a systematic risk mitigation and life safety program, the bank is protecting its people, assets and business, and is protecting itself in the event of a disaster.