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SAALT Responds to Tragic Shooting in Kansas City

SAALT is deeply saddened by yesterday's tragic shootings at a Jewish Community Center and assisted living facility in Overland Park, Kansas on the day before Passover. While the alleged shooter's motives are still being investigated, it appears that anti-Semitic sentiment may be at the root of this horrible incident. Every community in our nation is affected by such senseless incidents of violence, and we extend our support and deepest condolences to the Jewish community of Overland Park and the Kansas City area as well as those affected around the nation. Yesterday's tragedy underlines the importance of a concerted, proactive, and multifaceted national conversation on hate crimes and violence. SAALT stands ready to join and support this conversation.