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## What's Being Said About the ADVANCED TASER

**"I have always stated that the only way to guarantee a knock down of a human being is to shoot them in the central nervous system with a bullet. In my opinion the ADVANCED TASER comes extremely close to doing the same thing, but from a less-lethal perspective."**

*Sgt. Darren Laur, Victoria, BC Police Department*

**"I was hit with a fragmentation grenade in combat, yet I was able to continue my mission. The ADVANCED TASER is the first weapon system, lethal or not, which has ever stopped me from reaching my objective. I could not control my body."**

*Gunnery Sergeant Hans Marrero (USMC Ret.)  
(after being hit with the ADVANCED TASER)*

**"I never want to be hit by that thing again.  
Next time I will do whatever you tell me to do."**

*Drug induced suicidal suspect, taken into custody by Victoria PD  
(after being hit with the ADVANCED TASER)*

**"This is the wave of the future."  
"100% effective."**

**"It doesn't matter how much you want to fight.  
It is so strong that there is no way for your brain to tell  
your body to do anything. It renders you at the mercy of gravity.  
You are going to fall and stop doing everything. You have no choice."**

*Captain John Gonzales, Albuquerque Police Department*

**"Our goal is to have one available 24 hours a day."  
Lt. Larry Sonntag, Albuquerque Police Department**

**"This is something this department needs!"  
"I know of cases when this would have been good instead of  
having to fight the guy or use other force."**

*Albuquerque City Council Member Tim Kline, retired Albuquerque Police Dept.*

**"We think this is good for the police officers, the men and women in the field, and the men and women and children in the community—for the safety of everyone."**

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**"I think more non-lethal devices will become the focal point of policing in the coming years, and we are starting out at the front of the pack."**

*(548 Sacramento patrol officers now carry the ADVANCED TASER)  
Deputy Chief Albert Najera, Sacramento Police Department*

**“The whole point is for police to have more options to end a confrontation without further injury to the officer or the suspect.”**

*John Firman, Director of Research for the International Association of Chiefs of Police*

**“The addition of another non-lethal weapon to every officer’s arsenal is a good move.”**

**“The bottom line is it could save lives.”**

*Don Casimere, Director of Sacramento’s Office of Police Accountability*

**“This weapon, the first in a new class of electro-muscular disruption weapons (EMD), is different from any other less-lethal weapon in one key respect: this system is the only less-lethal weapon I’ve tested that will stop a focused, goal-oriented attacker. And it’s the only one that has stopped me.”**

*Sgt. Darren Laur, Victoria BC Police Department  
(after being hit with the ADVANCED TASER)*

**“That is a very good weapon!”**

*Emotionally disturbed suicidal suspect taken into custody by Fairfield PD  
(after being hit with the ADVANCED TASER)*

**"I could not move my body, my mind felt focused, and my gun dropped from right hand. I've been hit with stun guns and the M26 ADVANCED TASER is much more powerful and faster!"**

*Sgt. Robert Scarabini, Hempstead Police Armory  
(after being hit with the ADVANCED TASER)*

**"Total shut down of muscular function. All my thoughts were on the shock effects. A very effective weapon and no way to fight against it."**

*Trooper Joseph P Sumner, Florida Highway Patrol  
(after being hit with the ADVANCED TASER)*

**"The shock sensation went down the entire right side of my body. I was unable to remain standing. The effects of this less-lethal weapon are extremely incapacitating. Although only a short cycle was administered, it felt like forever. This is definitely a useful tool for law enforcement."**

*Senior Deputy Kirk Doty, San Francisco Sheriff's Department  
(after being hit with the ADVANCED TASER)*

**"I took a 1/2 second hit. Once I was hit, my entire right side went dead. I had no control at all and fell to the ground. I became a true believer of the ADVANCED TASER system. Very Effective!"**

*Officer Dennis S. Woessner, Glastonbury, CT Police Department  
(after being hit with the ADVANCED TASER)*

**"Immediate effect rendered all capabilities useless. Could not have fought back. Complete surprise without injury."**

*Lt. Buddy Williams, Undisclosed Police Department  
(after being hit with the ADVANCED TASER)*

**“Could not fight back! This was exactly one year to the week after a heart attack and double bypass surgery. Able to walk just a few seconds after being hit!”**

*Officer Kelvin A. Helmick, Chandler Police Department  
(after being hit with the ADVANCED TASER)*

**“Worked outstandingly well, a great improvement over the original TASER.”**

*Deputy Gary Burch, Yuma County Sheriff's Office  
(after being hit with the ADVANCED TASER)*

**“Strange effect. Could not even think about fighting back.”**

*Captain John Mills, Suwannee County Sheriff's Office  
(after being hit with the ADVANCED TASER)*

**“Very effective! It made me an instant believer.”**

*Rex Olson San Francisco Sheriff's Department  
(after being hit with the ADVANCED TASER)*

**“That bad boy smoke's ya!”**

*Charles Mullins, Dickson Police Department  
(after being hit with the ADVANCED TASER)*

**“It felt like sledgehammers pounding on me. No way I could fight.”**

*SAU Officer Dave Szenyes, Phoenix Police Department  
(after being hit with the ADVANCED TASER)*

**“There was no way I could be resistive. I came in a doubter, but I'm convinced!”**

*Officer Zack Hemontolo, Knox's County Sheriff's Department  
(after being hit with the ADVANCED TASER)*

**“When I meet the guy that can withstand that, I'll turn in my gun and my badge and become a florist!”**

*Officer, Bartow Police Department  
(after being hit with the ADVANCED TASER)*

**“While my desire to fight was still there, my ability to fight was destroyed. An awesome capability for law enforcement! I see this weapon saving countless lives on both sides of the fence.”**

*Brian Bunce, Bartow Police Department  
(after being hit with the ADVANCED TASER)*

**“It will assist us in [catching] a violent predator without serious injury. Our job, whether it is a victim or a suspect, is to save lives.”**

*Police Spokewoman Lt. Susan Slawson*

**“Stopping suspects without having to wrestle them to the ground saves injuries to officers and the people they're arresting.”**

*Sgt. Cornel Heitzman, Alubquerque Police Department*

**“We’ve found it’s been much more effective than the other less-lethal options we have available to us.”**

*Tactical Team Staff: Sgt Mike Ryan, Ottawa Police Department*

**“It’s like being stung by a bee.”**

*Lt. Robert Romero, Santa Fe Police Department  
(after being hit with the ADVANCED TASER)*

**“It rocks your world. It grabs your attention like it’s never been grabbed before- and when it’s over, it’s completely over.”**

*Sgt. Cornel Heitzman, Albuquerque Police Department  
(after being hit with the ADVANCED TASER)*

**“I’ve seen cases where officers have shot a suspect with a knife. With a Taser, they have another option. I think this is a super alternative. It helps us stay safe, to accomplish our mission, and has minimal impact on the suspect.”**

*Police Chief Jim Billings, Pueblo Police Department*

**“It’s like getting a really bad charley horse.”**

*Patrolman Scott Sheets, Martinsburg Police Department  
(after being hit with the ADVANCED TASER)*

**“I wished we had this 20 years ago. If I had that thing, it would have been used.”**

*Police Chief Paul Rumbley, Palm Bay Police Department*

**“This is a great tool. I’m glad we’re bringing this to the department.”**

*Sgt. Rob Nuttall, Reno Police Department*

**“I went down like a tree. The test was to see if I could pull my weapon and fire. I was determined not to fall down, but it became apparent real quick I was going to the ground. You literally freeze. I couldn’t have put my hand out to catch my fall.”**

*Officer Jim Stagmaier, Reno Police Department  
(after being hit with the ADVANCED TASER)*

**“Any time we have a tool that could help us resolve a situation with less force, it is going to help us. The Tasers can help us diffuse a situation before it escalates to the use of lethal force.”**

*Sgt. Bill Patten, Oklahoma City Police Department*

**“It’s like gritting your teeth. Now think of that going on in every muscle in your body.”**

*Lt. Philip Dacey, Pittsburgh Police Department  
(after being hit with the ADVANCED TASER)*

**“Tasers give officers another option without having to go straight for their firearms.”**

*Captain Jessica Cummins, Oklahoma City Police Department*

**“It just basically takes control of your body. And there’s nothing you can do about it.”**

*Steve Strange, Certified Taser Instructor  
(after being hit with the ADVANCED TASER)*

**“It gives us another tool in our toolbox. Rather than to use lethal force, we feel this is a better source.”**

*Captain David Lerch, Muscatine County Sheriff’s Department*

**“It makes you scream. You can’t help it. The sound just comes out.”**

*Officer, Bellevue Police Department*

**“Everything feels weak. There is a burning feeling right where you get hit.”**

*Officer Shinday Mathara, Wilson Police Department  
(after being hit with the ADVANCED TASER)*

**“Mentally, it disrupts your thought process. Physically, it just knocks you out.”**

*Lt. Raychel Houston, Lake Worth Police Department*

**“It gives us another intermediate tool to use without getting into a level of force where we’re going to cause permanent or disabling injury to somebody or risk ourselves.”**

*Const. Dave Henderson, Red Deer Police Department*

**“I think it’s a great tool. I’ve seen what it can do--man, woman, big or small.”**

*Deputy Tara Savercool, Daytona Beach Police Department*

**“It’s a more humane way to deal with violent suspects. We can minimize the injury to a violent suspect and minimize the injury to the deputy.”**

*Training Director: Chuck Habernehl, Volusia County Sheriff’s Office*

**“It’s a very effective tool when properly applied. It knocks you off your feet. I can’t say that it’s painful, but it’s very intense and overwhelming.”**

*Capt. Gene Deisinger, Iowa State University’s Department of Public Safety*

**“It totally immobilizes you, and everything you do is inadvertent.”**

*Sgt. Guy Parrinello, Boca Raton Police Department*

**“You don’t have a pain sensation. You have an immobilization sensation.”**

*Chief Criminal Deputy: Ray Hansen, Thurston County Sheriff’s Office  
(after being hit with the ADVANCED TASER)*

**“I was trying to move. My mind was very clear but I couldn’t really deal with it. With an impact weapon (such as a stub gun or pepper spray) you’d still be able to fight back, but you can’t with this.”**

*Officer Tim A. Silva, Waterford Police Department*

**“It is so strong that there is no way for your brain to tell your body to do anything. It renders you at the mercy of gravity. You are going to fall and stop doing everything. You have no choice.”**

*Capt. John Gonzales, Albuquerque Police Department, the Metro Division*

**“It felt like my knees were kicked out from under me. This is going to be a very effective weapon in the field.”**

*Officer Jessie Pollnow, Whittier Police Department*

**“It is definitely an innovative tool. I think it will give the edge back to law enforcement.”**

*Arson investigator with the fire department and certified police officer: Chip Shilosky, Lake Havasu City*

**“That was the longest five seconds of my life. Very painful. I thought it was never going to end.”**

*Officer Chris Barlow, Lake Havasu City Police Department  
(after being hit with the ADVANCED TASER)*