## The High Cost of Not Protecting Employees

# Against Workplace

About 2 million American employees report being victims of workplace violence every year, including assaults, stalking, threats and emotional abuse.

Source: Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA)

### In our recent report,

**27%** of healthcare administrators said they **experienced workplace violence within the last two years**.

#### Victims of workplace violence miss

## 1.8 million

days of work every year, and the annual cost of workplace violence for employers is about

# S121 billion.

The average workplace is

## 10 times

more likely to experience an incident of workplace violence than a **fire**.

Source: DOJ and the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH)

Source: DOJ

The average out-of-court settlement for workplace violence is about

## \$500,000

Negligent lawsuits average about

### \$2 million

The average jury award is approximately

\$3 million

Sexual harassment claims settled out of court can cost companies between \$75,000 and \$125,000. If a case goes to a jury trial, companies can expect to spend between

# \$175,000 to **\$250,000**

Source: Workforce

Source: Mediate

Businesses can also face OSHA violations if they don't keep their employees safe at work. Penalties



and increase to



for willful and repeat violations.

Source: OSHA

### Protecting employees also extends to when they're traveling.

Only

FAVA

of traveling workers know they'll be contacted in an emergency

would consider legal action if they weren't properly protected

Source: Global Business Travel Association



Employees in healthcare, education and professional services are unsure about their employers' preparedness plans for workplace violence.

- 31% of education personnel aren't aware of their school's emergency plans and drills are rarely performed
- 31% of healthcare employees are unaware of their employers' emergency plans
- 32% of professional services staff **members** feel their employer doesn't prioritize their safety, up from 24% in 2018
- Half of professional services respondents aren't sure what their employer's emergency plan is

Source: Rave Mobile Safety

#### How can you keep your employees safe while protecting your bottom line?

Find out how you can alert your employees in a moment's notice, as well as offer them tools so they can reach out during an emergency and have instant two-way communication with your security personnel.

#### **Download the eBook**

### Workplace Violence

Why Improving Emergency Communications Is Key to Employee Safety



