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What's New on IACP Net?

The Quest-Response Recognition Program Continues!

IACP Net's Quest-Response Recognition Program has gotten off to a great start in February, with many members qualifying for the 2011 IACP Conference travel package to Chicago, IL. Each user can qualify again in March by responding to two or more Quests. Review the recently posted Quests, respond to a couple, and get your name in the drawing for up to \$1,000 in reimbursed travel expenses, as well as one paid conference registration up to \$350. For complete rules, please see the Quest-Response Recognition Program customer bulletin, available on IACP Net.

Share Your Annual Reports and Strategic Plans

Do you have a great annual report for your department? Has your department put together a strategic plan? If you're willing to share this information so other agencies can use it as a resource, we'd love to add it to the IACP Net database. Please send your either your department's annual report and/or strategic plan to us by e-mail at info@login-inc.com. We appreciate your cooperation and assistance.

CALEA Conference

Please visit us at the CALEA Conference in Bethesda, Maryland, March 23-24. Stop by to learn more about using IACP Net or to let us know how IACP Net helps you.

Equipment Maintenance

To enhance your user experience, we will be installing new state-of-the-art hardware with updated software. IACP Net will be unavailable starting Friday, March 4 at 10 p.m. CT through Saturday, March 5 at 9 a.m. CT. We will bring the service back online as soon as the maintenance is completed. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.

DATABASES

Social Media in Policing: Connecting Cops

Law enforcement agencies, especially at the local level, are implementing social media tools into their operations. But like many businesses, government groups, and other organizations, it's a slow adoption rate. Few of those agencies using the tools are leveraging them to their full capability and fewer still really understand how to incorporate the tools strategically into their agencies. But that's changing. Police at all levels of government, state, local, federal, use social media to engage citizens, recruit, enhance their reputations, and provide information. They also use it to prevent and solve crime. For hiring purpose, many agencies are leveraging the tools to perform very thorough background checks on potential new recruits. This document is located in the Core Database under document #615778.

Agency Organizational Structure

This directive from the Rapid City, South Dakota, Police Department Rules and Procedures Manual is designed to outline the department's organizational structure so as to ensure each member of the organization understands their role and position, knows whom they are responsible to, and for whom they are responsible. The department has established a formal structure, through which organizational components are arranged, defined, directed and coordinated. The full text of this directive can be located in the Policies Database under document #615761.

NETWORKING

Have You Posted a Quest Recently?

If you are a new IACP Net member or it has been a while since you last posted a Quest, get help from your peers by posting a Quest in the IACP Net Quest-Response service today! Recent topics include: Consolidation/Sharing of Police Service, Using Patrol Vehicles for Off-duty Personal Use, Non Sworn Parking Enforcement Officers, Budget Preparation, Department Use of Facebook, and more.

CURRENT AFFAIRS

Census Regions in Calendar

IACP Net's Calendar section now includes U.S. Census regions, allowing you to search for upcoming trainings and law enforcement events in your area. Of course, you can still search by state as well, but adding Census regions now makes it easier to find upcoming happenings in your area. Check it out today!

Target & BLUE Grant

For nearly two decades, Target has supported local law enforcement agencies across the country by sharing ideas and resources through Target & BLUE™, which is part of Target's commitment to innovative philanthropy and rooted in public/private partnerships that create safer communities. The Target team will review all requests and priority will be given to select law enforcement agencies and organizations. Grants average between \$250 and \$2,000. For more information on this and other grant opportunities, please visit the IACP Net Funding section.

Need Help?

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Using the Alert

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