Public Safety News Information Sheet

What is Public Safety News?

Public Safety News, often referred to as PSN, is the monthly newsletter produced by the Montgomery County Department of Public Safety. It has been published since 2002 and is now in its 18th year in print.

Public Safety News contains important announcements from the Department of Public Safety for municipal responders, as well as training announcements, career opportunities, and other significant updates.

What are the Monthly Notices?

The Monthly Notices are formatted as a merged PDF that includes announcements for community events, training/education opportunities, fundraisers, and job offerings. Some content is provided by the Department of Public Safety, but most is received from municipalities and partner agencies. The notices are posted on the Department of Public Safety website along with PSN.

How do I receive alerts when PSN is available?

PSN and the Monthly Notices are typically made available on the department website on the last business day of each month. An email alert is sent to subscribers as soon as the newest editions are posted. The email contains a link to access the newsletter, as well as a listing of articles in the current edition. If you would like to begin receiving alerts, please contact us using the information below.

How do I access past Public Safety News or Monthly Notices?

Past editions of the Public Safety News and Monthly Notices are available on the following webpage: https://www.montcopa.org/1527/Public-Safety-News.

My organization or department has something to share. How do we do it?

The Department of Public Safety has a lot of information to share, but we are always looking for news from our municipal responders! If you have a story, training or career opportunity, or newsworthy event, please contact us using the information below.

I have some additional questions. How do I contact you?

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Department of Public Safety Training Programs
## TRAINING ANNOUNCEMENT

### EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN (EMT)

**July 22, 2019 to August 23, 2019**

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<th>COURSE REGISTRATION NUMBER</th>
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| COURSE PREREQUISITES & OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION | *Internet Access required  
*You must have a laptop/tablet available for class  
*You must have health insurance |
| CLASS TIMES | Monday through Friday  
8:00am – 4:00pm  
3 Saturday’s TBA |
| CLASS LOCATION | Arcadia University  
450 S. Easton Road  
Glenside, PA  19038 |
| COSTS | $150.00 non-refundable registration fee  
$ 600.00 EMT course fee  
*MONEY ORDERS ONLY- PAYABLE TO MCEMS |
| HOW TO REGISTER | Register online at emstrainingcenter.org  
Send payment to:  
Public Safety Training Campus  
EMS Training Institute  
1175 Conshohocken Rd  
Conshohocken, PA  19428 |
| REGISTRATION DEADLINE | July 1, 2019 |
Chief Don Abbott “Project Mayday”

&

Chief Dennis Rubin and Lt. Steven Kindred

“Hazard Zone Accountability”

Project Mayday. This two-hour program provides students with the information developed during research on the cause and the response to firefighter maydays as well as recommendation on communications, command/operations, response, rescue, training and follow-up.

Hazard Zone Accountability: Chief Dennis Rubin and Lt. Steven Kindred will present Upper Merion’s Hazard Zone Accountability System. This two-hour presentation includes two practical applications: one presented in the classroom and the other a field application of the Passport Accountability System.

There is no fee for this four-hour program, offered both afternoon and evening, but you must register. To register email Cindy Myers cmyers@montcopa.org and provide your name, fire company and email address.

Date: Wednesday, September 18th, 2019.
Time: 1:00 PM to 5:00 PM
&
6:00 PM to 10:00 PM
Location: Montgomery County Public Safety Campus1175 Conshohocken Road
Conshohocken, PA 19428
General Announcements and Information
FIRST and FDSOA are Taking Safety Culture to the Street

The Fire Department Safety Officers Association (FDSOA) and the Center for Firefighter Injury Research & Safety Trends (FIRST) at Drexel University have partnered to help you FOCUS on your safety culture. The Fire Service Organizational Culture of Safety (FOCUS) survey is the first safety culture tool developed specifically for the fire service through the FEMA Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) R&D Program and will provide your fire department with objective data to assess your safety culture. FOCUS is a validated and reliable tool that allows an in-depth look into your department’s safety culture and its effect on job satisfaction/moral, engagement, and burnout in your department. To date the FOCUS survey has been administered in over 400 fire departments.

Through the AFG FP&S Program, FIRST is now enrolling up to 1,000 fire departments -- career and volunteer -- interested in administering the FOCUS survey on a first-come, first-served basis at no cost.

Participating departments will receive:
- Customized data showing your safety culture at department and station levels
- A comparative analysis of your safety culture to similar participating departments
- Objective evidence to inform safety related policy decisions
- Eligibility to send two members to FOCUS Culture Camp: a two-day intensive training on safety culture, the FOCUS survey, and how to interpret your results

Interested in learning more about administering FOCUS in your department?

Visit the FIRST Center: http://www.drexel.edu/dornsife/FIRST/our-projects/FOCUS or FDSOA’s Website: https://www.fdsoa.org/

Please direct any questions to FIRST Team members:

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Senior Project Manager
aly25@drexel.edu, 267-359-6059

Lauren Shepler
Outreach & Communications Manager
ljs326@drexel.edu, 336-309-1411
The Pennsylvania Voluntary Rescue Service Recognition (VRSR) Program developed through the collaboration of the Bureau of EMS, and the Office of the State Fire Commissioner to recognize those rescue services that wish to meet the requirements.

The VRSR program in Pennsylvania was designed to provide statewide standards of rescue service equipment, personnel training and staffing, communications, reporting, and operations.

Recognition by the Department means that a Rescue Service has met the requirements defined by this program, deserving the privilege of displaying the “Seal of Recognition” decal.

By meeting/exceeding these requirements, it helps enable them to perform vehicle and other types of rescues in a safe and efficient manner.

Phase I-Vehicle and Machinery Rescue Level-Safely and efficiently perform rescue operations on the expressways, highways, and roadways

Phase II-Swiftwater/Flood Management Level-Establishes standards for water rescue and flood evacuation services

When the rescue agency applies and attains the recognition, they are recognized as meeting the requirements that are set in the Voluntary Rescue Service Recognition (VRSR) document which follow the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) standards and the Federal Resource Typing Criteria.

After filing an application, there is an on-site inspection to review equipment operation, maintenance records, communications capabilities, and applicable personnel and operational records including standard operating procedures (SOPs). Once the inspection is complete, the application and inspection documents are forwarded to the Department of Health.

First Response Level units have basic hand tools and equipment with a minimum of two personnel trained to undertake basic rescue operations.

Operations Level units have basic hand tools, some power tools and equipment with a minimum of four personnel to respond to calls with training to undertake basic through moderate rescue operations.

Advanced Heavy Rescue units have basic hand tools and multiple power tools and equipment with a minimum of six personnel to respond to calls with training in basic through complex technical rescue techniques.

Recognition shall be effective for three (3) years from the date of issuance, subject to renewal inspection to re-recognize the agency upon completion of a renewal inspection.
Residents and visitors can be proud when they see the fire/rescue apparatus with the rescue seal, that their firefighters are trained and ready to respond to vehicle rescues and other types of rescues and work side by side with EMS to rescue the patients when every minute counts.

For more information please contact Montgomery County EMS

Tim Dunigan  Tdunigan@montcopa.org
Phone  610-278-5233 or 610-278-2666

Visit the State Fire Commissioner Web page

https://www.osfc.pa.gov/State%20Fire%20Academy/Certification/Pages/Voluntary-Rescue-Service-Recognition-Program.aspx

Pennsylvania State Fire Academy

Tracey Young-Brungard  tyoung-bru@pa.gov
Phone  717-247-3743
Exposure to lead can seriously harm a child’s health:

- Damage to the brain and nervous system
- Learning and behavior problems
- Slowed growth and development
- Hearing and speech problems

This can cause:

- Decreased ability to pay attention
- Lower IQ
- Under-performance in school

Reduce Your Child’s Risk:

- Talk with your child’s doctor about a simple blood lead test. **All children should be tested twice before age 2.**
- Houses built before 1978 are likely to contain some lead-based paint. Chipping and peeling paint pose the highest threat.
- Renovate safely. Common renovation activities can create hazardous lead dust.
- Other sources of lead exposure include imported folk medicines, food, cookware, toys and cosmetics.
- Parents, whose jobs or hobbies involve working with lead-based products such as construction work, stained glass, battery plants, making bullets or using a firing range, can also be a source of lead poisoning for a child.
- Regularly wash children’s hands and toys. Remove recalled toys and discard appropriately.

For More Information: www.health.montcopa.org
HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE
2019 MONTGOMERY COUNTY PA RESIDENTIAL EVENTS
9:00 am – 3:00 pm

DATES:
Saturday, April 27
Boyertown Middle School East
2020 Big Rd. • Gilbertsville

Saturday, May 4
Indian Valley Middle School
130 Maple Ave. • Harleysville

Saturday, May 18
Temple University–Ambler Campus
enter at 1431 E. Butler Pike • Ambler

Saturday, June 15
Norristown Area High School
1900 Eagle Dr. • Norristown
(enter at Whitehall Rd.)

Saturday, June 22
Abington Junior High School
enter at 2056 Susquehanna Rd. • Abington

Saturday, September 28
Spring-Ford 9th Grade Center
400 South Lewis Rd. • Royersford

SUNDAY, October 20
Lower Merion Transfer Station
1300 N. Woodbine Ave. • Penn Valley

Free residential collection events are held outdoors from 9am-3pm. Residents may attend any Household Hazardous Waste event held by Bucks, Chester, Delaware, Montgomery, or Philadelphia Counties.

For additional information and in case of severe weather:
Please visit MontcoPARecycles.org, email recycling@montcopa.org, or call the recycling line at 610.278.3618. Please do not contact the host sites, as they are not affiliated with the events.

In case of severe weather, call 610.278.3618, option 6 for event status.
HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION INFORMATION

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* Take off lid, dry out paint, discard can without lid; or pour paint into plastic bag with absorbent material (clay based kitty litter, saw dust, rags) place bag and can without lid, in trash. Paint hardener can also be purchased at hardware stores.

DROP OFF GUIDELINES

- BUSINESSES AND CONTRACTORS WILL BE TURNED AWAY, commercial/industrial generated hazardous waste will not be accepted.
- Bring all substances in original containers with labels. Items must be identifiable. Do not mix materials.
- Gas containers returned upon request.
- Tighten lids on all containers. If containers are leaking, pack in larger container with newspaper to soak up leaks.
- Maximum amount accepted is 25 gallons or 220 pounds. No 25- or 50-gallon drums.
- Event workers will unload your materials so please remain in your vehicle.
- There are no permanent drop off locations in the region for household hazardous waste, only the listed collections.
LEAD IN THE LEGAL SYSTEM

You're a busy criminal justice professional. You don't have time to spend years pursuing a graduate degree. Only Delaware Valley University offers the master's in criminal justice that you need.

- Accelerated Format: the opportunity to complete your degree in as little as 5 semesters
- Hybrid Learning Model: 50% learning online, 50% learning in the classroom to accommodate your busy schedule
- Cohort Structure: provides mutual support and professional networking
- Features faculty who are expert leaders and administrators working in the criminal justice field
- Competitive Tuition Rates: tuition discounts for professional partnerships, county employees, and cohorts from the same organization
- No admissions testing

You'll be taught by criminal justice experts – practitioners working in the field. From criminological theory and research methodology to professional ethics and administrative functioning, you'll be educated to assume leadership roles in such areas as law enforcement, corrections, probation and parole, security, and other parts of the judicial system. DelVal's M.A. in criminal justice is also great preparation if you're considering a doctoral degree or law school.

ABOUT DELVAL

Delaware Valley University, an independent, comprehensive university of more than 1,000 acres in Bucks and Montgomery counties, features individualized attention and emphasizes experiential and interdisciplinary learning. Located in Doylestown, Pennsylvania, DelVal offers more than 25 undergraduate majors, six master's programs, a doctoral program, and a variety of adult education courses.

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CORE CURRICULUM

- **SECURITY THREAT GROUPS**
  This course will examine domestic and international drug cartels, religious extremists and gangs both on the streets and in prisons. Attention will be given to the philosophical, sociological and structural influences that encourage the creation of various threat groups and the tactics agents used to monitor, intervene and control threat group activity.

- **ADVANCED CRIMINOLOGY**
- **AMERICAN PUBLIC POLICY** *
- **POLICE AND THE COMMUNITY**
  This course examines relationships between the police and the various communities they serve. Particular attention is given to the manner in which crime is addressed and quality-of-life issues. Community is examined as a geographical space made of multiple and diverse publics sometimes requiring different strategies and attention. A distinction is drawn between public relations and police community partnerships.

- **CRIMINAL LAW AND PROCEDURE**
  This course examines the nature, purpose, function and substance of criminal law and criminal procedure in the United States. Specific focus is placed on the constitutional limits of the criminal sanction, the principles and scope of criminal responsibility, and elements of an offense. Attention will also be paid to the rights of the accused and the application of protections afforded to individuals under the United States Constitution.

- **DIVERSITY AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE SOCIAL POLICY**
  This course identifies and analyzes minority issues relating to our criminal justice system and the resultant polices and laws that have been established. A comprehensive, critical and balanced examination of the issues of crime and justice with respect to race and ethnicity will be presented. Procedures and policy in a pluralistic and multicultural society are examined relative to law enforcement, courts and corrections environments.

- **PROBLEMS IN CONTEMPORARY CORRECTIONS, PROBATIONS AND PAROLE**
  This course introduces you to contemporary issues of American corrections and fundamental theories of punishment and treatment. Emphasis will be placed on polices, practices, issues and controversies within the correctional system. The incarceration of various criminal populations in jail and prisons, alternatives to incarceration (e.g. probation and parole), and the public policy issues surrounding the expansion of community-based corrections will also be discussed.

- **COMMUNITY-BASED RESEARCH METHODS** *
- **ETHICAL LEADERSHIP AND ACCOUNTABILITY IN THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM**
  The purpose of this course is to explore the presence of authority, power and discretion in each of the sub-systems of the criminal justice system. Administration actions and ethical issues permeate the criminal justice system. We will analyze the importance of ethical leadership, as well as the tension between deontological ethical systems and teleological or “means-end” ethical analysis. Discussion topics may include police corruption, prosecutorial misconduct, ethical issues in sentencing, prison corruption and ethics in the creation and implementation of crime-control policy.

- **CRISIS COMMUNICATIONS** *
  From Deflategate to the BP oil spill to Target’s information security breach, organizations deal with communication before, during and after events that threaten their future success. Whether it’s an issue that gains national attention or negative posts on social media, how business leaders leverage communications throughout the process can spell the difference between the life and death of their brand, reputation and organization. You will learn the evolution of crisis communications, steps to avert a future crisis, and how to create internal and external communication plans that are adaptable for organizations of all sizes in the changing media landscape.

* THESE COURSES WILL BE OFFERED IN THE TRADITIONAL FACE-TO-FACE FORMAT.
M.A. in Criminal Justice FAQ

What are the admissions requirements for the program?

All Delaware Valley graduate program applicants are required to have a bachelor’s degree from an accredited institution in the U.S. Alternatively, applicants may furnish proof of the equivalent from a foreign college or university. Students must have also earned a minimum 3.0 cumulative grade point average (GPA) on a 4.0-point scale. Applicants earning lower GPAs may be considered for admission on an individual basis, and may be required to submit additional information. [https://www.delval.edu/admission/graduate-admission](https://www.delval.edu/admission/graduate-admission)

- A completed application for admission with the $50 application fee (application fee waived for the first cohort Spring 2019 and for DVU Alumni)
- Official transcripts from all previously attended academic institutions
- Three professional or academic recommendations with information about the candidate's potential and capacity for graduate study on the form provided
- A minimum 500-word personal statement that includes personal and career goals, interest in the chosen DelVal graduate program, and a summary of strengths and areas for growth
- A comprehensive and current professional résumé

How long does it take to complete the program and how many courses do students have to take?

Our accelerated format can get you your master’s in as little as 5 semesters. There are 10 required courses that are strategically mapped out for your convenience so there is no guesswork involved in scheduling. We set you up to be successful from the start. [https://www.delval.edu/academics/graduate-academics/criminal-justice-m.a/course-descriptions1](https://www.delval.edu/academics/graduate-academics/criminal-justice-m.a/course-descriptions1)

What is the cohort model?

Our cohort structure builds in stability and mutual support among you and your classmates. The focus is on small groups that promote active and engaging learning in a personalized setting where students know their faculty and faculty know their students. You are not just a number.

What is the hybrid model?

Our hybrid model is designed to accommodate your busy schedule. Each course alternates between classroom and online sessions every other week to ensure maximum flexibility. One week one course will be face to face while the other course is online and then the next week it will flip. This structure provides students with a balance that many working professionals find necessary and attractive.
Is there an exit exam or capstone?

Graduating students are required to complete a final comprehensive exam OR current criminal justice professionals can request the option to complete a capstone project in place of the final comprehensive exam provided advanced notification and approval from the Academic Director.

What can you do with the degree?

The Masters in Criminal Justice is designed for working professionals looking to enter or advance into leadership roles across a wide range of career paths in the criminal justice field. This degree is designed to provide the opportunity for promotion within current profession/organization, position graduates to take on roles in leadership and administration, change careers, and to prepare future teachers of criminal justice professionals. **Examples include but are not limited to:** Correctional Officer Supervisor, Police and Detective Supervisor, Forensic Psychologist (anticipated job growth of 14% between 2016-2018 and average salary of $77,030 UDS/year), Clinical Specialist/Director, Criminal Profiler, Fraud Risk Analyst, Criminologist, District Attorney or Attorney General Investigator, Supervisory Criminal Justice Investigator, Forensic Examiner, Emergency Management Director, Security Management, Information Security Analyst, ICE Agent, Forensic Anthropologist, Executive Paralegal, Forensic Accountant, DEA Agent, CIA Analyst, CIA Officer, US Marshall, Air Marshall, Computer Forensics investigator, Border Patrol Agent, Victims Advocate, Youth Correctional Counselor, Substance Abuse and Behavior Disorder Counselor, Correctional Treatment Specialist (average annual salary of $45,628), teacher of Criminal Justice (median wage of $68,980 according to 2017 data).

Who will be teaching courses and are they relevant to today’s needs?

You will be taught by criminal justice experts-practitioners working in the field. From Ethics and Administrative Functioning to Advanced Criminology, you will be educated and prepared to apply what you are learning directly to relevant real world situations. The courses are designed to position professionals to assume leadership roles in such areas as law enforcement, corrections, probation and parole, security, and other parts of the judicial system. DelVal’s M.A. in Criminal Justice is also great preparation if you are considering a doctoral degree or law school.

How is a master’s program different from an undergraduate program?

As an undergrad, you would/should have learned how to remember and understand general criminal justice concepts. As a graduate student, you will now be asked to analyze, evaluate, and create policy and procedure by applying what you learned as an undergrad. There is less focus on memorization and more emphasis on examining and applying the existing data that is used to support policy, practice and administration in today’s fast paced criminal justice arena.

But...I haven’t been to school in years...

It all happens in incremental steps. We recognize that some learners have been out of the classroom for a decade or more and it takes time to transition. We have grad school specific resources to assist you in pursuing your master’s degree.

Are transfer credits from another graduate program accepted?

Transfer credits from another graduate school are considered on an individual basis by the Academic Director of the Masters in Criminal Justice program. Students are encouraged to complete an application and submit all supporting documents in order for transfer credits to be considered and evaluated.

How much is tuition and how do students pay for graduate school?
Tuition for the M.A. in Criminal Justice is $739/credit. Please review the Tuition for Graduate Students page for more specific information on Financial Aid and the Masters in Criminal Justice tuition structure at https://www.delval.edu/offices-services/bursars-office/tuition-for-undergraduates/tuition-for-graduate-students
External Training Programs
L954: All-Hazards Position Specific Safety Officer

Monday, August 26, 2019 through Thursday, August 29, 2019
8:00am to 4:00pm

TRAINING LOCATION:
Norristown State Hospital Building # 33
1001 Sterigere Street, Norristown PA 19401

Training Sponsored by:

Pennsylvania DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

Course Description
This course provides local- and state- level emergency responders with a robust understanding of the duties, responsibilities, and capabilities of an effective Safety Officer (SOFR) on an All-Hazards Incident Management Team (AHIMT). These responsibilities fall into two categories:

1) Responding to the incident and the safety needs of the incident
2) Effectively fulfilling the position responsibilities of an SOFR on an AHIMT

This course is an instructor-led training that supports learning through discussion, lecture, and active participation in multiple exercises that provides a realistic, scenario-driven approach to mastering the skills required of a SOFR. Exercises, simulations, discussions, and a final exam enable participants to process and apply their new knowledge.
Required Pre-requisites

- E/G0300, ICS-300: Intermediate Incident Command System for Expanding Incidents;
- E/G0400, ICS-400: Advanced Incident Command System for Command and General Staff—Complex Incidents;
- IS-0100.b, Introduction to the Incident Command System, ICS-100;
- IS-0200.b, Incident Command System for Single Resources and Initial Action Incidents;
- IS-0700.a, National Incident Management System, An Introduction; and
- IS-0800.b, National Response Framework, An Introduction

Target Audience

NIMS ICS All-Hazards training should be completed by personnel who are regularly assigned to Functional, Support, or Unit Leader positions on Type 3 or 4 AHIMTs, or by those persons who desire to seek credentials/certification in those positions.

Registration Information

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: July 29, 2019

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<td>To Register:</td>
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<td>Cost:</td>
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Participation by all individuals is encouraged.

In order to provide accommodations for persons with severe allergies, as well as access and other functional needs, please contact David Zarnick at dzarnick@pa.gov a minimum of 2 weeks prior to the start of course. Advanced notice of your needs will help us provide better service.
School and Workplace Violence Course
Hosted by Hatfield Township, PA, Police Department
Monday-Tuesday, August 5-6, 2019
8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Join the Hatfield Township Police Department for this School and Workplace Violence course for law enforcement, school, and business professionals dealing with preparing for and responding to incidents of mass violence. All participants will begin classroom instruction together; the law enforcement attendees and the school/business attendees will then separate for continued instruction along tracks suited to the roles of each group. All participants will reunite for the practical application to allow for integration of their respective roles during field exercises. The following topics will be among those covered: threat analysis, the application of physical security systems and procedures to incidents of mass violence, emergency plan development and assessment, and law enforcement response issues. Special emphasis will be given to lessons learned from past incidents. Attendees must commit to attend both days of this two-day training.

Location: Pennfield Middle School (in the auditorium), 726 Forty Foot Rd, Hatfield, PA 19440.

To register, please visit: Online Registration (https://training.ntoa.org/CourseRegistration/default.asp?num=20193330)

For questions, please contact:
Hilary Burgess and Dominique Burton at CRITAC@theIACP.org or 800-THE-IACP.

The delivery of this training by the IACP’s Collaborative Reform Initiative Technical Assistance Center (CRI-TAC) is funded by the Department of Justice, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services. CRI-TAC delivers targeted technical assistance directly to local law enforcement and provides quick access to resources by the field, for the field.

For more information about the CRI-TAC visit www.CollaborativeReform.org.

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Tactical Communications: The Art of De-Escalation

The Upper Providence Township PD is hosting this course presented by ILEE (Institute for Law Enforcement Education) on October 29th, 8 a.m.-4 p.m.

This training is FREE.

Law enforcement officers, probation officers, and treatment professionals are frequently tasked with dealing with a variety of differing personalities when encountering the public. Some of these encounters can be characterized as negative in nature. Most violent encounters begin with a breakdown in the communication process between the law enforcement or treatment professional and the individual they have encountered. Many times, these incidents begin with non-verbal cues indicating an attack is about to occur. What is said and done during these critical moments can many times determine whether the outcome is a positive one or the situation erodes into a physical encounter and, quite possibly, a civil liability concern.

This course delves into the communication model, taking a detailed look at what communication is while examining each step in the process. We look at verbal skills, non-verbal behaviors, and effective intervention techniques that are instrumental in defusing conflict situations. In addition, we identify and discuss pre-attack indicators that enable law enforcement and treatment professionals to recognize when a conflict is about to escalate into a use of force situation. This will allow the individual professional to acquire necessary information from individuals while ending the encounter on a positive note, thereby minimizing the danger posed by uncooperative or hostile citizens. The topics covered also enable the individual to deal with conflict involving fellow employees and superiors more effectively, creating a healthier work environment.

Specific topics covered include effective methods of communication, barriers to communication, non-verbal communication, de-escalation techniques and pre-attack indicators. The course is designed to cover each of the topics mentioned while also delving into other areas such as proxemics and kinesics and how each is involved in defusing escalating situations. In addition, we discuss conflict resolution as it applies to interactions involving verbal abuse, and touch on characteristics exhibited by suicidal or mentally disturbed individuals as well as subjects exhibiting signs of excited delirium. These tactical communications and de-escalation techniques are being presented to enable departments and individuals to learn skills designed to prevent potential conflicts from spiraling out of control, stressing that a positive outcome is the desired goal of each citizen interaction.

When trained in communications and de-escalation techniques, the environment that we work in improves and the threat of conflict, violence, and civil litigation is greatly reduced.

To register, please go to [https://www.education.pa.gov/Postsecondary-Adult/ILEE/Courses/Patrol/Pages/Tactical-Communications-The-Art-of-De-Escalation.aspx](https://www.education.pa.gov/Postsecondary-Adult/ILEE/Courses/Patrol/Pages/Tactical-Communications-The-Art-of-De-Escalation.aspx)
Training for First Responders
“First Responders understanding our Veterans: Mental Health and Suicide Prevention”
Location: Bucks County Police Training Center
1760 S. Easton Rd. Doylestown, Pa 18901
Date: July 12, 2019
0800-1600 hrs.

Learning Objectives:
- This training aims to improve first responders' engagement with Veterans in crisis.
- This training teaches audience about post Deployment issues combat vets may experience upon returning home.
- The training will focus on mental health issues including: Post Traumatic Stress (PTSD) and Suicide Prevention
- Participants will learn practical tips and when responding to a veteran in crisis
- The training will also provide information on resources that are available through the VA and community

TOPICS COVERED:

Morning Session: Presented by Police Officer (also Veteran): Issues facing our Veterans
- Introductions adjustment considerations, discussion
- PTSD and other clinical issues
- De-escalation and practical tips, real life scenarios
- Stigma & suicide prevention with veteran population
- Help for First Responders under stress
- Treatment, VA programs & resources

LUNCH: provided

Afternoon Session: Presented by Clinician: More In-Depth Discussion re: clinical issues and causes.
- Symptoms, Risk Factors and Suicide Statics
- Law Enforcement Risk
- Suicide by Cop, Psychosocial Factors and Stressors
- Law Enforcement Response to Ongoing Suicide Attempts
- Non-VA programs and resources; question and answer period

Brought to you in cooperation with: Department of Veterans Affairs Law Enforcement Training Center in a coordinated effort between the Office of Security and Law Enforcement, VETERANS Health Administration, and VASDHCS.

TO REGISTER, EMAIL: policetraining@buckscounty.org
Career Opportunities
The Montgomery County Fire Academy is looking for experienced fire service personnel to fill the role assistant fire instructor and/or ignition control officer.

Preferred Qualifications:
- Firefighter I & II, Fire Instructor I
- 250 hours documented structural fire training
- 5 years fire service experience and 23 years of age
- Educational Methodology (within 1 year of employment)
- Current First Aid, CPR, and HazMat Ops

Please submit a resume and applicable certifications to:
Tom Garrity, Deputy Director Fire Programs
Email tgarrity@montcopa.org
PART-TIME JOB OPPORTUNITY

Per Diem Police Community Service Specialist

Posted Date:  
6/11/2019

Due Date:  
7/12/2019 04:30 PM

Per Diem Police Community Service Specialist ($22.00/HR)

Details:

Per Diem Police Community Service Specialist ($22.00/HR): We are seeking a competent individual with excellent communication and interpersonal skills to work a flexible schedule under the direction of the Chief of Police and/or Deputy Chief of Police. Duties include answering phones and assisting callers; preparing police reports; monitoring prisoners; perform various clerical duties; transport stray animals; maintain, repair and/or replace parking meters/kiosks; collect money from parking meter/kiosk and make bank deposits; assist with traffic control for major events; data entry in Law Enforcement databases/programs and operate police radio. **Must have a high school diploma or equivalent; prior experience as a Police Tele-communicator, Police Officer, or Community Service Officer with a Law Enforcement agency** require; valid PA driver's license; knowledge of Law Enforcement systems JNET and CODY; must be able to pass criminal, motor vehicle and fingerprinting checks. Reside in Township or in an approved community. EOE, ADA.

To apply, you have the following options:

- Complete an application in person at the Cheltenham Township Administration building located at 8230 Old York Road. Elkins Park, PA 19027

- Send your resume and cover letter to careers@cheltenham-township.org

**RESPOND BY: July 12, 2019**

HRO  
Cheltenham Township  
Administration Building  
8230 Old York Road  
Elkins Park, PA 19027

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Sunday, September 29, 2019

Doors open 11:00 am  Game begins 1:00 pm

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$35.00 at the door (if available)

For advanced ticket purchases VENMO to
username @svfc100th

To reserve a table contact svfc100@gmail.com

**Jackpot Bingo is a Louis Vuitton Speedy 35 Valued at $1,040.00**

**Jackpot bingo cards sold separately, not included in cost of admission.**

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