

## Free or Low Cost Training Providers for Texas Law Enforcement

### Federal and National Organizational Training Resources:

FBI 19 minute Video presentation on the FBI National Security Branch and law enforcement operations including the Terrorist Screening Center. [http://www.fbi.gov/about-us/nsb/train\\_vid](http://www.fbi.gov/about-us/nsb/train_vid)

FBI Terrorist Screening Center can provide training tools and publications for field patrol officers including Terrorism Quick Reference Cards to keep in squad cars. <http://www.fbi.gov/about-us/nsb/tsc>

FEMA NIMS On-line Training at <http://training.fema.gov/IS/NIMS.asp>

FEMA ICS Resource Center, forms, checklists, etc.  
<http://training.fema.gov/EMIWeb/IS/ICSResource/index.htm>

The United States Deputy Sheriff's Association provides some free training in a number of areas including Defensive Tactics for Patrol. <http://www.usdeputy.org/>

The Center of Domestic Preparedness in Anniston, Alabama offers free Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD) training to first responders throughout the country. The training is sponsored by FEMA, United States Department of Homeland Security. The current schedule and course descriptions can be viewed on our website, <http://cdp.dhs.gov> along with more information about the Center.

National Center for Missing and Exploited Children – Free CEO Training with all travel expenses covered to DC.  
[http://www.missingkids.com/missingkids/servlet/PageServlet?LanguageCountry=en\\_US&PageId=404](http://www.missingkids.com/missingkids/servlet/PageServlet?LanguageCountry=en_US&PageId=404)

IACP Leadership Institute for Domestic Violence – All travel covered  
<http://www.theiacp.org/PublicationsGuides/Projects/ViolenceAgainstWomen/InstituteonViolenceAgainstWomen/tabid/615/Default.aspx>

REMI (Rural Executive Management Institute) through University of Arkansas held various locations around country – All expenses covered by a Federal grant they receive. <http://www.cji.edu/ncrle.html>

IACP Leading by Legacy Program (for smaller agencies)  
<http://www.theiacp.org/PublicationsGuides/Projects/LeadingbyLegacy/LegacyTraining/tabid/717/Default.aspx>

The IACP also has:  
<http://www.theiacp.org/LeadershipandTraining/GrantFundedCostFree/tabid/145/Default.aspx>

Some of the HIDTA groups offer free training. The Houston group has a website advertising it, some of the others do as well. The San Antonio HIDTA offers classes but only advertises through an email distribution. The contact for the San Antonio HIDTA is Shane Bonnette [sbonnette@stx.hidta.net](mailto:sbonnette@stx.hidta.net)

The Houston HIDTA is  
<http://training.houstonhidta.org/default.aspx/MenuItemID/610/MenuGroup/Training+Home.htm>

This is the web link to New Mexico Tech's free training which is fully funded by The Department of Homeland Security. It is highly specialized and difficult to get in to.

<http://www.emrtc.nmt.edu/training/>

#### **State and State Organizational Training Resources:**

TML offers free training programs to agencies on safety and risk management. Many of these courses will meet standard 4.10 on Accident and Injury Training. <http://www.tmlirp.org/tmlirp/trncours.htm>

TML also offers on-line training courses free for member agencies.

<http://www.poweredbyu.com/products/learn/?t=tmlirp>

School District Facility Security and Safety Audit checklists and report templates.

<http://www.txssc.txstate.edu/K12/safety-audits>

The Texas Police Association offers courses periodically throughout the state. Check their online calendar at <http://www.texaspoliceassociation.com/i4a/calendar/?pageid=3286&showTitle=1>

The Texas Council on Family Violence goes to every region of the State through their Criminal Justice Response Program and offers domestic violence and other select topics free. You can get with them to get their schedule each year or volunteer to host classes. <http://www.tcfv.org/training/>

While sometimes at odds with police chiefs throughout the state, the TMPA does offer lots of courses at very reasonable costs. [http://www.tmpa.org/events/event\\_list.aspx](http://www.tmpa.org/events/event_list.aspx)

#### **University and University Associated Training:**

Advanced Law Enforcement Rapid Response Training is in San Marcos, Texas. They provide a number of free courses on Patrol Rifle and Rapid Response but the agency is responsible for travel and lodging expenses. <http://alerrt.org/Training/Course-Catalog/>

The St. Edward's University Police Department often sponsors or hosts training for local law enforcement at little or no cost to agencies in the Austin area. The training is TCLEOSE certified and conducted by TMPA, the Austin Police Department, the Travis County Sheriff's Department and the St. Edward's Police Training Division. For more information contact Sgt. Nic Delgado for a calendar of upcoming training to be offered.

Tarrant County College District offers some free in-service training at their campus. Please feel free to contact them at 817-515-7760 or our web site: [www.tccd.edu](http://www.tccd.edu) with our direct link to the criminal justice training center web link at

[www.tccd.edu/Campuses\\_and\\_Centers/Criminal\\_Justice\\_Training\\_Center.html](http://www.tccd.edu/Campuses_and_Centers/Criminal_Justice_Training_Center.html)

The Rice University Police Department is a TCLEOSE Licensed Training provider. We have a full time Training Sergeant and provide a variety of TCLEOSE mandated and other profession development and skills classes throughout the year. The Training Sergeant is Clemente Rodriguez and he may be contacted at [crod@rice.edu](mailto:crod@rice.edu) or by telephone at 713-348-4896.

TMPA/SAFVIC based in Austin offers “three” different courses that are free of charge.  
SAFVIC is Sexual Assault/Family Violence Investigators Course- ( 3 day class)  
Cyber Crimes- ( one day class)  
Impaired Driving Among the Youth- ( one day class)  
Contact: MCINTOSH, DANNY [DANNY.MCINTOSH@tccd.edu](mailto:DANNY.MCINTOSH@tccd.edu)

### **Local and Regional Area Training:**

New Braunfels Police Department offers a host of training programs at their facility. To get a copy of their training calendar and courses, contact training officer Randy Bryan [rbryan@nbtexas.org](mailto:rbryan@nbtexas.org)

The Middle Rio Grande Regional Law Enforcement Academy in Uvalde Texas is offering free classes to law enforcement agencies that operate in the 9 county COG area. The courses are mainly Intermediate or required courses and are available tuition free due to a grant obtained by MRGRLEA. Contact Academy coordinator Lloyd Dragoo for further details.

Midlothian Police Department offers free or low cost training to surrounding agencies. Contact Karen McCoy at Midlothian PD.

The San Juan Police Department regional Tactical Unit offers free SWAT training for agencies in the Rio Grande area. Training Calendar and info at <http://www.sanjuanregionaltacticalresponseunit.com/index.html>

The Arlington Police Department occasionally provides free training and often provide low cost training on basic and intermediate course. There is also a yahoo group for all Texas Training Coordinators (over 200 members) where training opportunities can be posted. Contact Sgt. Salinas if you have any questions. [www.arlingtonpd.org](http://www.arlingtonpd.org) Sgt. Jimmie Salinas at [jimmy.salinas@arlingtontx.gov](mailto:jimmy.salinas@arlingtontx.gov)

Conroe now has a training academy which offers in-services courses to other agencies. There are times that they charge a small fee to cover the guest instructor if he or she is very expensive. They have a police academy starting in June that will cost an agency less than \$500 to send a cadet. Contact Conroe Police Department.

The Guadalupe County Sheriff's office has received their contract training providers license. They have been offering no or low cost training as well for agencies in the area. The contact is Kelly Kistner [kelly.kistner@co.guadalupe.tx.us](mailto:kelly.kistner@co.guadalupe.tx.us)

Fort Worth PD occasionally offers classes at no charge to other officers, check the [www.FWPDATU.com](http://www.FWPDATU.com) website. Contact Sergeant Mark Wilson, Advanced Training Unit Supervisor, Fort Worth Police Department; Training Division, 817-871-6500

### **Private Training:**

Classen Buck Seminars provides between 10,000 and 13,000 TCLEOSE hours a month to Texas Officers for a low cost training solution. On line courses available. They provide intermediate Peace Officer, Dispatcher and Jailer courses. <http://www.classen-buck.com/>