



Law Enforcement Training Advisory Commission

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Financial Exploitation of the Elderly

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8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Richland Community College

CSI Classroom, Upper Level

North President Howard Brown Blvd., Decatur, IL

Meets the following mandated training requirements: Procedural Justice, Human Rights & Law Updates

Course Description: This one day, eight hour seminar will acquaint investigators and police officers with the various crimes types of financial exploitation of the elderly.

This seminar should be required training for all police officers. As our aging population grows, so will the crimes of financial exploitation.

Officers attending will gain a new insight into the crimes committed against the elderly and be instructed in the basic indicators of this crime.

While other issues capture more media attention and thus impact the mentality of law enforcement agencies more, the victimization of the elderly population continues to be experienced. It is felt that the increasing growth pattern of these types of crimes surpasses the increase growth of that segment of our society victimized. By attending this course officers will become more aware of the elderly victimization problem. Officers will also come to understand why this is the great unreported crime.

Course topics include:

- Understand the true scope of financial exploitation of the elderly.
- Recognize the individual types of financial exploitation.
- Understand the basics of how to investigate these types of crimes.
- Know why the elderly are known as the "perfect victim".
- Bank fraud
- Common confidence games
- Home repair frauds
- Fortune telling scams
- Gypsy and Traveler scams committed against the elderly

This course is ideal for those departments that are involved in the Illinois Sheriff's and Chief's Triad Program or those that have aging populations who are fearful of crime.

About the Instructor: Bruce Walstad was with the Franklin Park Police Department from 1975 to 2001. For the last 16 years he was an Investigator and Juvenile Officer.

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Since 1985 Bruce has been presenting training seminars to law enforcement throughout the country. Bruce has instructed for such agencies and law enforcement training providers as: The Illinois State Police, Louisiana State University, Denver Police Department, The Illinois Attorney General's Office, IPTM, St. Louis Police Department, The National Sheriff's Association, Mobile Police Department, St. Paul Police Department, FBI, New Hampshire Police Training and Standards Council, Lincoln Police Department, Connecticut State Police, Montgomery Police Department and the Chicago Police Department.

Bruce has also presented countless talks and seminars for various businesses, groups, clubs and senior citizen organizations. He has appeared on many local and national TV shows including: 48 Hours, Oprah, Justice Files, Inside Edition, FOX News, NBC News, Geraldo, The Today Show, Court TV, Discovery Channel, The Learning Channel, Dateline and CBS News.

Since retiring, Bruce volunteers for the NCMEC's (National Center for Missing and Exploited Children), Project A.L.E.R.T. program. In 2011, he became a Team Adam Consultant for NCMEC. Also in 2011, he became a member of NCMEC's Biometric Team.

Bruce is also the founder of the Alabama Bloodhound Search Team, Inc. which assists law enforcement with missing persons in Alabama and Florida.

Additionally, Bruce acts as a consultant to law enforcement in cases of missing children and adults.

Non-Member Tuition: \$80.00. Non-Member tuition shall apply to civilians, officers from State/Federal agencies, and officers from Local Law Enforcement agencies which are not a member of any MTU. Tuition will be invoiced to departments upon course completion. If a pre-registered student from a Non-Member agency fails to attend training, and the agency fails to provide advance notice within 7 days of the start date of that class, the agency will be invoiced the entire amount of the student's tuition.

To Register: Email registration to register@letac.org. You may also fill out and submit our online registration form through the website at www.letac.org or call 217-726-7014 to register by phone (be sure to include all pertinent information). MTU #10 local member department officers will be given registration preference until seven days prior to the date of class. After that date, registrations will be taken on a first-come, first-served basis, regardless of MTU status. We cannot accept registrations from individual officers. All registrations must go through your Chief, Sheriff, or department training office, even if you are attending class on your own time.

Cancellation: If a class must be canceled for any reason, every effort will be made to do so at least 2 weeks before the class is scheduled to begin. However, there are circumstances where last minute cancellation is out of our control. All officers who have been registered for training will be contacted at the email address given at registration, so please be sure to provide an email address which is checked often. Cancellations will also be posted to our mailing list and our Facebook and Twitter accounts.

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