

SEARCH: THE NATIONAL CONSORTIUM FOR CRIMINAL JUSTICE INFORMATION AND STATISTICS LAW ENFORCEMENT HIGH TECH CRIME INVESTIGATIONS TRAINING PROGRAM

Cybercrime affects all members of society, including the most vulnerable—our children and the elderly. To protect individuals, the nation, and critical infrastructure against this ever-changing threat, law enforcement must have the proper technical training and technical assistance to investigate cybercrime.

The Office of Justice Programs' Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA), in partnership with SEARCH, the National Consortium for Criminal Justice Information and Statistics, offers training designed to provide investigators with the skills they need to stay ahead of criminals in the fight against high-tech crime. The Law Enforcement High Tech Crime Investigations Training Program uses a multi-pronged approach to develop technical skills in investigating high-tech crimes through hands-on training; onsite technical assistance; in-depth research; online resources; and informative documents.

This program provides training to officials from local and state agencies and federal partners like the Federal Bureau of Investigation, U.S. Secret Service, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, and U.S. Postal Inspection Service. Officers new to Internet and computer forensic investigation, as well as those familiar with advanced digital media investigation, benefit from the training curriculum. The program provides law enforcement and justice agencies with:

- Training for agency personnel to quickly implement skills and techniques in investigating cybercrime.
- Timely assistance and solutions on technical aspects of cybercrime investigation.
- Critical information and research findings.
- Assistance and guidance on the adoption of sound information security policies.

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