

# **Setting Up a Crime Analysis Unit and the Basics**

## **Functions of an analyst**

Which of the types of analysis you be doing?

Who will you be serving?

## **Where Does Crime Data Come From?**

## **How Accurate is the Crime Data?**

## **What is Crime Analysis?**

Types of analysis

In-depth explanation of what each type involves

## **The crime analysis process**

Three types of analysis

Tactical

Strategic

Administrative

Who are the customers?

## **Five stages of Crime Analysis**

Collection

Collation

Analysis

Dissemination

Feedback/Evaluation

## **Crime Bulletins**

Their role in crime analysis

How often, what kind, what to put in them, what not to put in them

## **“What is Crime Mapping?”**

Mapping as a powerful tool in crime analysis

Available programs

Resources & training

## **How To Get Started in GIS**

## **Identifying resources**

Networking

Internal and external

Getting help from the outside

## **Internal Resources**

GIS, reports, fif/fic cards, IT unit, Pawn Info, Media, etc

Patrol scheduling

Tactical crime programs (demonstrate them)

Other specific applications that can help a crime analyst

## **External Resources**

CMRC, IACA, IALEIA, CMAP, SEARCH, etc

Exploring internet sites.

List servs

Internet sites

Books/articles

Training available

## **Location of unit-organizationally**

### **Location of the Unit-physically**

Centralized or de-centralized

Advantages and disadvantages of each

The solution?

### **Managers and employees**

How many?

Types needed to make the unit successful

Personality, background, skills, etc

Civilian vs. commissioned

Volunteers-getting them, using them

### **Site visits**

Where? Why?

How to justify

### **Relationship with command staff**

Command staff needs

How to develop a "contract" with the command staff

Telling the command staff what you need.

Getting people, money for hardware, software and training.

Designing the unit to meet command staff needs

### **Hardware/Software**

Identify current equipment

What do you have?

How can you use it?

What else do you need?

Where can you get more training on the equipment you have or are going to be using?

### **Crime Analysis Programs Available**

Types of software that is available for use in crime analysis

Commercial

Government owned

Shareware

### **National/State/local/regional assistance**

Setting up an association (locally, regionally, statewide)

Benefits of sharing ideas

Federal funding available