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# LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING



*South Dakota*

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REPORT

## Mission

“To promote excellence in public safety through development of professional standards, delivery of high quality training programs, and embracing the community policing philosophy, thereby producing a highly trained and ethical professional who will respectfully serve the citizens of South Dakota.”

## Values

### **Partnerships**

Work in a continuous spirit of cooperation and collaboration to address areas of common concern to all of those who serve in the profession of public safety.

### **Respect**

Create an environment where all people are treated with respect.

### **Integrity**

Always maintain a high standard of conduct. Never compromise your word.

### **Dedicated Service**

Our customers are the public safety community and the citizens of South Dakota, and we will be respectful and responsive to their needs.

### **Ethics**

Maintain a high ethical standard in our daily conduct.

To be the leading organization in the state for establishing professional standards for public safety.

Provide research and resource information and encourage the exchange of ideas, which promote professionalism.

To provide a foundation of skill and knowledge for students attending the Basic Certification Course, upon which they will continue to build and enhance their job performance.

Deliver the highest quality training possible to all those we serve so they may perform their jobs safely and successfully.

Increase the overall effectiveness of public safety by assuring an attitude of professional excellence based on high ethical standards and achieved through quality training.

## Vision

## MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR



October, 2018

The Honorable Dennis Daugaard  
Governor of South Dakota

and

Members of the South Dakota Legislature:

The annual report of the Law Enforcement Officers Standards and Training Commission, as required by SDCL 23-3-33, is hereby submitted.

2018 marks the thirteenth year in which Law Enforcement Training is operating from the George S. Mickelson Criminal Justice Center. Law Enforcement Training is continuing to improve and expand its programs in order to better serve the needs of local law enforcement agencies throughout the state.

The continuing support of the Commission, Governor, and members of the legislature is very gratifying and will result in improved law enforcement service throughout the state of South Dakota.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bryan Gortmaker".

Bryan Gortmaker  
Director, Division of Criminal Investigation  
Chairman, Law Enforcement Officers  
Standards and Training Commission





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## STANDARDS AND TRAINING COMMISSION

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## LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING STAFF

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## FY 2018 OVERVIEW



In FY 2018, Law Enforcement Training was filled with a number of changes and challenges. LET hired Janelle Keller as a basic training coordinator. Janelle is currently in the National Guard and brings a training background to LET. The basic academy has been filled to capacity, which can be a challenge with limited resources and manpower; however, we stay committed to our vision to provide a foundation of skill and knowledge for students attending the Basic Certification Course, upon which they will continue to build and enhance their job performance.

A Job Task Analysis (JTA) was completed two years ago on the Basic Academy. This JTA continues to guide what is taught during the 13-Week Basic Academy. The JTA was compiled after a questionnaire was sent to all law enforcement departments in South Dakota. The following changes were approved by the Law Enforcement Officers Standards and Training Commission (LEOSTC) and implemented into the FY 18 academy sessions:

- Traffic Accident Investigation was reduced from 34 hours to 16 hours, and the focus was changed to Accident Response and Reporting;
- Street Gangs and Outlaw Motorcycle Gangs were eliminated – two hours each;
- Ten hours were added to Search & Seizure – two of those ten hours requires a student to write a warrant;
- Two hours were added to Building Searches to focus on active shooter response;
- Six hours were added to Mental Health/Crisis Intervention for a total of 16 hours. Course name changed to Response to Persons in Crisis; and
- A new class was added – Concealed Carry/Firearms Laws – two hours.

We appreciate the participation we received from the law enforcement agencies who helped complete the JTA.

Three Basic Certification Sessions were held in FY 18. We had 128 officers graduate from the Basic Academy. There were four academic dismissals, one resigned from their employing agency while attending the academy, two withdrew from the session, and one was dismissed for disciplinary reasons.

This year was a big year for South Dakota Drug Abuse Resistance Education (DARE). Law Enforcement Training trained 18 new DARE officers during the DARE Officers Training in July 2018. DARE America released the new High School Curriculum Real Messages, MyPlaybook, and Celebrate Safely. In 2017, South Dakota piloted all three programs in Aberdeen, SD. After a successful trial in 2017, South Dakota presented high school curriculums in three additional school districts and continues to get requests for the training from educators. South Dakota also sponsored BIA Officer Amber Johnson to attend the 2018 Mentor Officer Training course, and she is now a DARE Mentor for our State. Amber is a school resource officer and DARE officer at Cannon Ball Elementary in North Dakota. Amber has partnered with South Dakota and is helping with research and development of a DARE Curriculum and Drug and Alcohol Abuse statistics on reservations and tribal schools. South Dakota has led a national effort and will present the new material at the 2019 DARE International Conference.

## FY 2018 OVERVIEW

The Law Enforcement Officers Standards and Training Commission (LEOSTC) did not have any personnel changes throughout FY 18. LEOSTC approved a new Administrative Rule concerning the current K9 rules. These rules now define how South Dakota will train and certify canines and canine officers. LEOSTC also had several hearings and took action on several law enforcement officers' certifications. The commission revoked two law enforcement officers' certifications and suspended the certification of one officer. Three officers voluntarily signed over their certificates to the commission.

Law Enforcement Training offered three Basic 911 Telecommunicator courses with a total of 44 telecommunicators receiving certification. Advanced 911 courses were also offered to include Limited Access and Emergency Medical Dispatch classes. The Basic 911 course continues to use a great deal of hands-on training, and students are required to pass a practical exam on the simulators, which helps prepare them to be successful when they return home to their respective agencies.

Law Enforcement Training continued a very aggressive schedule of providing 80 advanced training courses with over 2,400 officers receiving training. These numbers include officers trained on-site at the training academy, out in the field, and on-line. Due to the continuing need for mental illness training, we have expanded opportunities to departments to apply for funding for local mental illness training. In addition, we are developing on-line mental illness training which gives officers the option to take just one block of training, and apply that toward their continuing education requirement or take all blocks of training, which also allows them to become certified in Crisis Intervention Training.

As we close the books on FY 18, LET will continue to focus on our mission, "To promote excellence in public safety through development of professional standards, delivery of high quality training programs, and embracing the community policing philosophy, thereby producing a highly trained and ethical professional who will respectfully serve the citizens of South Dakota."

We wish you a safe and healthy year and look forward to serving all of our customers in the years to come. The following pages contain a summary of FY 2018 for your review.



## ACTIVE OFFICERS

### STATE – COUNTY - TRIBAL

All full-time and part-time law enforcement officers are required to be certified within their first year of employment, including elected officials. As of June 30, 2018, there are 1,946 active full-time and part-time certified law enforcement officers in South Dakota.



## EXPENDITURES

Total expenditures for fiscal year 2018 were \$2,683,030.03. This includes all academy training, field training, in-state and out-of-state training. The money for the South Dakota Law Enforcement Training Program is derived from a portion of the fines paid by violators of the law. The amount of money derived from fines is allocated to the individual program by statute and made available through legislative appropriation.

## CANINE TEAMS

46 canine teams have met their certification or re-certification requirements for 2018.



## RESERVE UNITS

There are 24 reserve units in South Dakota:

Sheriff's Office - 10 units

Police Department - 11 units

Division of Criminal Investigation - 1 unit

2 units joint with Sheriff's Office and Police Department

There are a total of 183 reserve officers, 140 officers have received their reserve certification.



## DISPATCH/TELECOMMUNICATOR



There are 332 active certified 911 telecommunicators in South Dakota, 303 full-time telecommunicators, and 29 part-time telecommunicators.



## COLER ~ WILLIAMS MEMORIAL AWARD

This award is given in memory of Agents Coler and Williams who made the ultimate sacrifice ... their lives. The award is based on academics, leadership, ability, and general conduct during the Basic Certification Course. It is the most distinguished award given at the academy.



Recipient Tyrel Minor South  
Dakota Highway Patrol  
Attorney Marty Jackley  
SDPOA Representative Mark Jandt  
165<sup>th</sup> Session  
August 21 - November 17, 2017



Recipient Armando Barsch  
USD Police Department  
Attorney Marty Jackley  
SDPOA Representative Mark Jandt  
166<sup>th</sup> Session  
November 27, 2017 - March 2, 2018



Recipient Logan Gooch  
Sioux Falls Police Department  
Attorney Marty Jackley  
SDPOA Representative Mark Jandt  
167<sup>th</sup> Session  
March 12 - June 8, 2018



End of Watch  
Thursday, June 26, 1975

## WILLAM DAVIS TOP GUN MEMORIAL AWARD



This award is given by the family of William 'Bill' Davis in memory of Deputy William P. Davis, Moody County Sheriff's Office, who made the ultimate sacrifice on November 3, 2003, while serving the people of his community. Deputy Davis was killed by a passing motorist while he was making an arrest at an accident scene. His memory will live on in the hearts of those who carry on his proud tradition

Recipient Jason Roeder  
Minnehaha County Sheriff's Office  
Attorney Marty Jackley  
165<sup>th</sup> Session  
August 21 - November 17, 2017



Recipient Jacob Vukovich  
Brookings Police Department  
Attorney Marty Jackley  
166<sup>th</sup> Session  
November 27, 2017 - March 2, 2018

Recipient Bryan Schreur  
Marshall County Sheriff's Office  
Attorney Marty Jackley  
167<sup>th</sup> Session  
March 12 - June 8, 2018



End of Watch  
November 3, 2003



## INSPIRATION AWARD

This class member has exemplified direction in creating an inspiring atmosphere moving others toward professional and personal achievement. Additional attributes include maintaining morale, encouragement, respect, and class service throughout the session.



Recipient Bryon Reff  
Huron Police Department  
Attorney Marty Jackley  
165<sup>th</sup> Session  
August 21 – November 17, 2017

Recipient Adam Neal  
Sioux Falls Police Department  
Attorney Marty Jackley  
167<sup>th</sup> Session  
March 12 – June 8, 2018



Recipient Armando Barsch  
USD Police Department  
Attorney General Marty Jackley  
166<sup>th</sup> Session  
November 27, 2017 – March 2, 2018



## OUTSTANDING STUDENT AWARD

The Outstanding Student award, sponsored by the South Dakota Peace Officer's Association, is based on academics, leadership ability, and general conduct during the Basic Certification Course.



Recipient Miranda Graves  
Brown County Communications  
56<sup>th</sup> Session  
September 25 – October 6, 2017



Recipient Natalie Reiman  
Pennington County ESCC  
57<sup>th</sup> Session  
February 26 - March 9, 2018



Recipient Levi Smith  
SD State University Police  
Attorney General Marty Jackley  
58<sup>th</sup> Session  
June 4 - 15, 2018

## BASIC CERTIFICATION SESSIONS

165<sup>th</sup> Session  
August 21 – November 17, 2017



166<sup>th</sup> Session  
November 27, 2017 - March 2, 2018



167<sup>th</sup> Session  
March 12 - June 8, 2018



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56<sup>th</sup> Session  
September 25 - October 6, 2017



57<sup>th</sup> Session  
February 26 – March 9, 2018



58<sup>th</sup> Session  
June 4 - 15, 2018

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ADVANCED CRASH INVESTIGATION	17
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## ADVANCED TRAINING COURSE ATTENDANCE



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The Standards and Training Commission approved grants to three departments resulting in **182** individuals attending training session.



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**TOTAL ADVANCED TRAINING ATTENDANCE . . . . 3,261**

## OFFICER MEMORIAL



END OF WATCH

*Chad*

### "IN THE LINE OF DUTY"

I NEVER DREAMED IT WOULD BE ME,  
THE BADGE NO LONGER ON MY CHEST,  
MY NAME FOR ALL ETERNITY.

I SLEEP NOW IN ETERNAL REST,  
RECORDED HERE AT THIS HALLOWED PLACE.

MY SWORD I PASS TO THOSE BEHIND,  
ALAS MY NAME, NO MORE MY FACE,  
AND PRAY THEY KEEP THIS THOUGHT IN MIND.

"IN THE LINE OF DUTY" I HEAR THEM SAY:  
I NEVER DREAMED IT WOULD BE ME.

MY FAMILY NOW THE PRICE WILL PAY,  
AND WITH HEAVY HEART AND BENDED KNEE:  
MY FOLDED FLAG STAINED WITH THEIR TEARS.

I ASK FOR ALL HERE FROM THE PAST,  
WE ONLY HAD THOSE FEW SHORT YEARS.

DEAR GOD, LET MY NAME BE THE LAST!

GEORGE HAHN

