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makes a difference by training
law enforcement personnel
to prevent, detect, and solve crimes.

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Providing innovative and technology-based
training and services to law enforcement
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The University of Tennessee Law Enforcement Innovation Center (LEIC) provides training and technical assistance to law enforcement personnel and the communities they serve. Through partnerships with local, state, and federal agencies, LEIC improves capabilities of law enforcement personnel nationwide.

Organized in 1997, LEIC is an agency of UT's statewide Institute for Public Service. LEIC relies primarily on federal and state grants to provide its training. Most notable are grants from the U.S. Department of Justice Bureau of Justice Assistance, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, the State of Tennessee Department of Homeland Security, and the State of Tennessee Department of Education.

This funding allows the LEIC to bring in world-class instructors and provide the most technologically-advanced training available. LEIC programs reach beyond Tennessee, as participants either come here for training or LEIC instructors travel nationwide to provide courses.

No matter the LEIC program, law enforcement professionals get practical, hands-on experience—training that keeps them at the forefront of emerging technologies and promises more secure communities for us all.

FUTURE

LEIC serves Tennessee and the nation by

- Providing resources and expertise to help crime scene investigators **solve cold cases**
- **Working with teachers** and counselors to reduce tobacco, alcohol, and drug use in Tennessee's schools
- Providing nearly **4,000 training hours** each year to more than 1,700 participants, including nearly 300 personnel from states other than Tennessee
- Helping public school officials **examine their schools' security** and reduce vulnerability to theft, vandalism, abductions and violence
- Enabling law enforcement officers and city employees to **communicate** with the Latino population by teaching them the Spanish alphabet and key phrases
- Teaching **first responders** to recognize potential terrorist indicators, including symbols and behavioral characteristics of extremist groups, and how to protect themselves from attacks



The university's LEIC is recognized nationwide for the following programs and initiatives.

CYBERCRIME INVESTIGATION

Center for Cybercrime Investigation Training—Training law enforcement across the Southeast to recognize how computers are involved in various crimes such as child exploitation and network intrusions.

HOMELAND SECURITY

Center for Homeland Security Training—Offering training programs for initial responders, scene commanders, law enforcement, and other executives responsible for the safety of the populace. Specialized courses train response teams and law enforcement officers nationwide to detect, prevent, mitigate, and react to the threat of terrorist attacks, while other training initiatives prepare school administrators to identify and adopt best practices in school security and emergency preparedness.

COMMUNITY EDUCATION

Community Education Services—Training teachers, counselors, and administrators in Tennessee's schools about drug awareness, emergency preparedness, and youth concerns. Initiatives include the Tennessee School Safety Center, Yes2Kids, and LifeSkills Program.

FORENSIC SCIENCE

National Forensic Academy—A nationally-acclaimed training program for crime scene investigators. CSIs from 43 states and the District of Columbia—plus one foreign country—have completed the 10-week program that enables investigators to improve their skills in evidence identification, collection, preservation, and submission for analysis.

COMMUNITY POLICING

Regional Community Policing Institute—Community policing strategies focus on reducing crime and social disorder through traditional law enforcement, prevention, problem solving, community engagement, and partnerships. Funded by the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS), training is offered throughout Tennessee, Arkansas, and Georgia. Program courses include ethics and integrity, leadership, crime analysis, Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design, introductory Spanish, domestic violence, and DNA evidence identification.

LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

Southeastern Command and Leadership Academy—Preparing officers for increased responsibilities in senior law enforcement positions by providing them with the knowledge and skills necessary for successful leadership—not only in their agency, but also in their community.

