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Newsletter

2017 TIBRS Conference

The 2017 TIBRS Conference will return to the Music Road Inn and Convention Center in Pigeon Forge, TN. The conference dates are September 11th through the 13th. All persons planning to attend the conference are asked to complete registration prior to the conference. A packet containing complete conference registration and hotel reservation information was sent via listserv message during June. The packet contained information on registration. You can register at http://tibrsconf.tbi.tn.gov/.

Hotel Information: The reservation information for the Music Road Hotel and Inn is below. You can logon to their website to make reservations. The maximum number of nights you can stay at the conference rate of $95 is four nights. That time period is blocked in the reservation calendar on the website. Please be aware that if you wish to stay longer than four nights, the room rate will be at the normal higher rate.

The preferred method to make reservations is on the website. Please click on the following link to make reservations: www.musicroadresort.com. Select the Make a Reservation option, then click the GROUP LOGIN in the center of the page. The Group Code is 7151.

Conference Activities
The TIBRS User Group Officers will be holding a planning meeting in July to discuss conference activities. Last year one of the activities held was the "meet and greet" on Monday evening, The officers will be making decisions on this year's activities. Please contact a TIBRS User Group Officer if you have any suggestions on ways to interact with each other. Their contact information can be found on page 9.

New TIBRS Data Repository

We previously provided some information on the new TIBRS repository that in in testing. Once the system is fully operational, each user will have a unique login and password. We will provide login information when the system is ready for agency use. We anticipate starting the rollout to access the system in early September.

Until we provide login information to agencies, you will access your data on TnCrimeonline with the agency login and password.

Agencies using TnCOP - you will continue to enter your data into TnCOP and TBI will pull the file and process it. You will be able to login to the site after the "go live" date to see results including your error reports and data levels. You can currently see your results the next day at TnCrimeonline.

Agencies using Vendor RMS products - you will continue uploading your files at the TBI web site until you receive notification of the new site.

Once the new system is fully deployed, agencies using vendor RMS products will go to the provided link to upload your file. You will upload the file and then can stay logged into the site to watch your file process. After your file processes, you will be able to click the link on the status column to see any errors or warnings that were generated when your file processed.

If other files are in the queue to be processed, your file status will be "pending" until other files in front of yours are processed. You will only be able to see your agency's file and status. You can also upload your file and login later the same day to see your results.

If your vendor allows multiple file submissions to be created within a month, you can send the corrections to errors. The error rate for each month's file submission will be generated about the 11th of each month. If you upload your file around the first of the month, you can submit a file with error corrections by the 10th and effectively have no errors for the month if they are all resubmitted and corrected. This will be in effect when the new system goes live.

Testing

We are currently testing the new system with the FBI for NIBRS certification. We have achieved the error rate portion and are waiting on the data review to be completed by the FBI.

We will load data into our current and new systems for the next few months to continue the testing.

Errors

We have tested the new repository using data for several months and have provided resulting errors to your vendors. The new system is built to the FBI's NIBRS 3.0 Technical Specification like our current system. However, the new repository is also catching issues with Tennessee specific data that was not caught in the current repository. Your agency should have received the spreadsheet that caused errors in the new repository.

Please ensure that delete records have the same incident date as the previously submitted or resubmitted incident. We are seeing a lot of "duplicate incident" errors from the FBI because of different incident dates. This edit check is being implemented in our system so these errors will count in your error rate.

New TIBRS Data Repository Continued

<u>Grace Period</u>

Our goal is capture all the TIBRS data and to ensure the data quality remains good. We anticipate it will take vendors a few months to make any necessary changes so your data will meet the stricter requirements of the new TIBRS system. TBI will continue to provide your agencies with lists of incidents that need correction but will not send warning letters about high error rates. However, we will still adhere to the due date for the files each month.

Once you are provided the new link to upload files and your unique login credentials, you will be able to go to the site and view your errors and your error rate. Please remember that the error rate will not be final until the 11th of each month. If the 10th or 11th fall on a weekend, please adjust that final error date to the first working day after the files are due.

TnCOP Users Only

If you open an incident that was originally submitted using a previous version of TIBRS, please remember to close the incident instead of clicking "Okay". Clicking "Okay" will cause the incident to resubmit with your next TIBRS file. If the incident was originally submitted under previous TIBRS versions of the specification, it will probably will not pass edits which will impact your error rate. The other alternative would be to go through the incident in detail and make sure all required fields have correct entries – particularly the fields that had been added to TIBRS since the incident was originally submitted.

Remember – if you view an incident in TnCOP and do not want to make changes, simply close the incident and DO NOT SELECT OKAY. Viewing the incident and clicking okay will resubmit the incident even if the person viewing it does not have an entry role in TnCOP.

Six Month QC Data Review

We will send data for the time period of January—June 2017 in mid to late July. It is very important that you review any issues that are identified on the sheet accompanying your Crime in Tennessee page. Please pay close attention to any Hate Bias offenses identified with an "unknown" bias. Our staff has been asked to review your data more frequently and you may be contacted outside the normal data review time if issues are identified.

Additionally, the QC Exception report is available on the law enforcement webite so you can check your own issues and correct them or notify Ashley Anderson that the data is correct. Any correct data notifications are flagged in the repository so correct incidents will not continue to appear on the QC reports. **<u>You must notify us if an incident is correct or it will continue to appear on the QC report each month.</u>**

2017 TRAINING SCHEDULE

JULY		
Tuesday, July 11	Introduction to Data Collection	Training Room 3
Wednesday, July 12	TnCOP Software	TBI Computer Classroom
Thursday, July 13	Overview and Report Writing	Training Room 3
Tuesday, July 25	TIBRS Review	Training Room 3
AUGUST		
Tuesday, August 8	Introduction to Data Collection	Union University, Jackson
Wednesday, August 9	TIBRS Review	Union University, Jackson
Thursday, August 10	Overview and Report Writing	Union University, Jackson
Tuesday, August 15	N-DEx	TBI Computer Classroom
Tuesday, August 22	Introduction to Data Collection	Training Room 2
Wednesday, August 23	TnCOP Software	TBI Computer Classroom
Tuesday, August 29	TIBRS Review	Training Room 1
SEPTEMBER		
Tuesday, September 5	Introduction to Data Collection	Training Room 3
Wednesday, September 6	TnCOP Software	TBI Computer Classroom
Tuesday, September 26	Introduction to Data Collection	Roane State, Harriman
Wednesday, September 27	TIBRS Review	Roane State, Harriman
Thursday, September 28	Overview and Report Writing	Roane State, Harriman
OCTOBER		
Tuesday, October 10	N-DEx	TBI Computer Classroom
Tuesday, October 17	TIBRS Review	Training Room 1
NOVEMBER		
Wednesday, November 28	TIBRS Review	Training Room 1 & 2

To sign up for a TIBRS class please contact ZACK.FRISBEE@TN.GOV
Your email should include: First and last name of attendee(s); Agency ORI number; The date(s) you wish to attend. The training schedule is on the next page.

Please note the following when signing up for classes:

TIBRS Overview & Report Writing classes do not count toward initial or recertification training requirements for Reporting Agency Coordinators (RACs) or Alternate RACs.

TNCrimeOnline classes do not count toward initial or recertification training requirements for Reporting Agency Coordinators (RACs) or Alternate RACs; however, due to the many advantages of using TNCrimeOnline, we highly recommend that RACs and Alt. RACs attend the classes if at all possible.

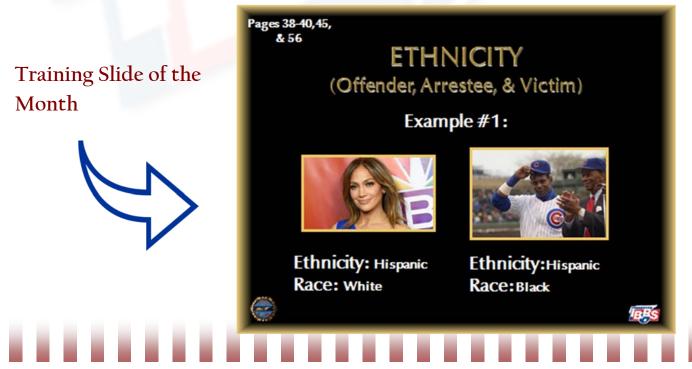**TnCOP Software** classes are for new users only due to limited seating.

THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN RACE AND ETHNICITY

Based on the definitions created by the Office of Management and Budget and the U.S. Census Bureau, the concepts of race and ethnicity are mutually independent, and respondents to the census and other Census Bureau surveys are asked to answer both questions. Hispanicity is independent and thus not the same as race, and constitutes an ethnicity category, as opposed to a racial category, the only one of which that is officially collated by the U.S. Census Bureau. For the Census Bureau, *ethnicity* distinguishes between those who report ancestral origins in Spain or Hispanic America (Hispanic and Latino Americans), and those who do not (non-Hispanic Americans). The U.S. Census Bureau asks each resident to report the "race or races with which they most closely identify."

White Americans are therefore referenced as *white Hispanics* and *non-Hispanic whites*, the former consisting of white Americans who report Hispanophone identity (Spanish Hispanic Latin America), and the latter consisting of white Americans who do not report Hispanophone ancestry

As of 2010, 50.5 million or 16.3% of Americans identified as Hispanic or Latino. Of those, 26.7 million, or 53%, also identified as white. Black Hispanics account for 2.5% of the entire U.S. Hispanic population. Most Black Hispanics in the United States come from within the Dominican and Puerto Rican populations. Aside from the Dominican Republic and Puerto Rico, large numbers of Black Hispanics can also be found in populations originating from Cuba, northern South America, and the Caribbean coast of Central America as well, including the Cuban, Panamanian, and Colombian communities, among others.

Training Slide of the Month

TIBRS AUDIT TIP: Drug Types and Amounts

A subject is arrested and he has in his possession the following narcotics:

Marijuana   3 grams
Hydrocodone   ½ pill
Xanax   10 pills
Naloxone   12 pills

Upon looking at these, you initially think you have 4 Drug Type entries to make; however, there are only 3. If 2 or more narcotics are in the same drug type category, you combine them as in the example below. *You do not do separate entries for drugs in the same category*.

In our example, Hydrocodone and Naloxone are in the same category, Other Narcotics-H.

Your entry would look like this:

Drug	Code	Quantity	Measure
Marijuana	E	3	GM
Hydrocodone and Na-loxone	H	12.5	DU
Xanax	P	10	DU

Let's take a look at drug measures. If a powder narcotic is found, such as cocaine or meth, even a "rock" of meth or crack cocaine, the measure will be the weight (i.e., gram, kilogram, ounce, pound) of the drug found, not dosage unit. Marijuana will also be by weight (i.e., gram, kilogram, ounce, pound) unless it is a growth operation. In a growth operation, it will be the number of plants found. If the narcotic is in pill, capsule, or tablet form, the measure will be Dosage Unit.

PRIMARY AND SECONDARY LOCATION CLASSIFICATION EXERCISE

In TIBRS, you have two fields for location type. The first, or primary location is mandatory. This field should include the most descriptive location category. The secondary location field is optional, but we highly encourage utilizing this field whenever possible.

Here's an example:

A subject attempted to fill a forged prescription at the pharmacy located inside the local Kroger's store. The primary location category for this incident would be Pharmacy. The secondary category would be Grocery/Supermarket. Capturing data for two location types gives us the ability to more closely pinpoint incident locations.

Good luck on the quiz! Answers will be sent out on the TIBRS listserv during the week of July 10th.

1.) A tombstone was vandalized in a cemetery on the property of a local church. Please select the incident's primary and secondary locations.

a) Field/Woods (P) and Church/Synagogue/Temple/Mosque (S)
b) Church/Synagogue/Temple/Mosque (P) and Field/Woods (S)
c) Cemetery (P) and Church/Synagogue/Temple/Mosque (S)

2.) A would be thief was caught stealing a book from the library on the campus of Middle Tennessee State University. Please select the incident's primary and secondary locations.

a) School – College/University (P) and Library (S)
b) Library (P) and School – College/University (S)
c) Library (P) and School – Elementary/Secondary (S)

3.) A fistfight involving two mutual combatants occurred in a Bar. After the fight, both offenders tried to leave, but were apprehended in the parking lot. Please select the incident's primary and secondary locations

a) Bar/Nightclub (P) and Parking/Drop Lot/Garage (S)
b) Parking/Drop Lot/Garage (P) and Bar/Nightclub (S)
c) Parking/Drop Lot/Garage (P) and Restaurant (S)

4.) A person hacked into another person's credit card account from his home. Please select the incident's primary and secondary locations.

a) Residence/Home (P) and Other/Unknown (S)
b) Cyberspace (P) and Residence/Home (S)
c) Residence/Home (P) and Cyberspace (S)

5.) A man was caught trying to enter a movie at Regal Cinema in Opry Mills Mall without paying. Please select the incident's primary and secondary locations.

a) Shopping Mall (P) and Movie Theater (S)
b) Movie Theater (P) and Shopping Mall (S)
c) Movie Theater (P) and Other/Unknown (S)

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