Tennessee Bureau of Investigation

Crime Statistics Newsletter

Highlights from the 2010 TIBRS Conference

Almost 300 people were in attendance at the recent TIBRS Conference held in Pigeon Forge. The conference provided 8 hours of POST certified training that will fulfill the annual TIBRS training requirement for existing/continuing RACs and Alt-RACs.

Long time officers Rick Belcher – President, Johnson City Police Department, and David Carter – West TN Representative, Jackson Police Department did not run for re-election to their respective offices. We wish to thank them for their many years of service to the TIBRS User Group.

The User Group held an election and the officers for the current year are as follows: (Contact information located on page 5)

President	Patrick Twele	Memphis Police Department
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West	Amy Ferguson	Memphis Police Department
College	Lisa Lynch	Volunteer State Community College

New Class: TIBRS Overview and Offense Definitions

TBI staff have begun offering a new class designed for **officers, deputies, and supervisors**. There is one class remaining this year. The class will be held at TBI Headquarters, Nashville on October 21st. Space is limited. Please call Dale King 615-744-4026 or Steven Jancarek at 615-744-4024 to reserve space.

This class does not count toward initial or annual training requirements for RACs or Alternate RACs.

TIBRS Conference Synopsis

Session 1: TIBRS Trifecta

Training material was provided in a three-part presentation.

Part 1: Facts surrounding the D.B. Cooper skyjacking incident (1971) were used to illustrate the reporting of Robbery, Kidnapping and other classification issues such as property, location, etc.

Part 2: A detailed discussion using scenarios to illustrate the reporting of Burglary, Vandalism and Trespassing.

Part 3: Several video clips were shown. Participants then classified various aspects of each video.

Session 2: TIBRS Data Quality Issues: By The Numbers

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This session was provided to attendees to demonstrate some of the Quality Control issues that are recurring in the data submitted to the TBI. The session covered current and previously submitted data. Some of the issues reviewed included: the offenses of Aggravated Assault and Simple Assault submitted with a weapon type of None, LEOKA data being submitted with unknown demographic information for the departments' officers, Incident locations submitted as Unknown, and Property submitted in the category of Special. Another objective for this session was to encourage the agencies to become more proactive versus reactive when the FBI sends biannual reports to the TBI that are then sent to the agencies as needed. The instructor for this session was Steven Jancarek.

Session 3: TnCrimeonline.com: Using Your System

A demonstration was presented to the attendees providing instruction on how to access the TnCrimeonline website, run reports and identify quality control issues that are associated with each user's agency. A new report was also created.

To access current incident data, each agency must establish an account with a login and password. This account will provide the agency information on the data submitted by their agency to the TIBRS program including the most recent data file that was loaded into the statistics database.

Session 4: N-DEx Update

Ms. Sarah Wilson, Training Instructor for the FBI's Law Enforcement National Data Exchange (N-DEx), updated the attendees on the N-DEx program including contributors and data levels by contributing agency. She showed how to search the N-DEx dataset; how to run a link visualization analysis on a particular incident; federal records were displayed and discussed. The attendees were also informed that even though Tennessee does not currently submit, there is still useful information in the system from federal agencies as well as other states that can be searched.

Session 4: N-DEx Update cont.

Ms. Jackie Vandercook discussed Tennessee's current status with N-DEx. Data has been successfully mapped to the N-DEx schema and test data submitted and accepted. Tennessee was waiting on approval by the Tennessee Fusion System Governance Board and for additional testing to be completed. After those tasks are completed, Tennessee will be submitting data that currently resides in the CRMS. Ms. Vandercook also stated that law enforcement staff could gain access to the system by completing the core Computer Based Training modules for N-DEx and completing and submitting an N-DEx application along with the five CBT certificates. TBI will submit all applications to the FBI for approval. Watch for an email from the TIBRS Listserv announcing the availability of the N-DEx Computer Based Training (CBT) Modules.

Session 5: Classifying Trailers

Participants viewed video trailers from 17 different "Drive-In" movies from the 1950s. They were asked to classify various aspects of each video for TIBRS.

Session 6: Dramatic Crimes

Mr. J. Kevin MacFarland, NIBRS Training Instructor for the FBI, Steven Jancarek and Dale King performed several skits depicting various crimes. Between each skit, Lisa Capps led attendees in a discussion that included offense classifications, property classifications and other TIBRS-related information.

Session 7: Consolidated Records Management System (CRMS)

Ms. Jackie Vandercook discussed the current status, data levels, number of agencies, etc. She discussed a tentative time table for the remaining law enforcement agencies and colleges who currently use the TBI TIBRS software to be cut over to the TnCOP system.

Ms. Lisa Capps demonstrated two of the three computer based training modules (CBT) that have been developed for CRMS training. The two modules were the User CBT and the Search CBT. All training modules may be found at www.tbi.tn.gov .

Plan on joining me in the mountains for the 2011 Conference

Session 8: TIBRS Jeopardy

The conference ended once again this year with TIBRS Jeopardy. Three contestants (selected in a random drawing) participated in the game. The game was enhanced this year by the addition of a "buzzer" system donated for use by the Eastern Region 4-H Club office (thanks Denise Routzahn!).

John David Anderson, Bristol PD, finished in third place, winning a leather TIBRS duffel bag. Second place went to Ryan Meeks, South Pittsburg PD. Ryan came on strong in the second half and won a great gift basket. Our grand prize winner this year was Kim Burton, Millersville PD. Kim won a blue-ray player which was donated by the TIBRS User Group. Congratulations to all of this year's contestants!

Required Training Hours

TBI staff has reviewed the training hours for each agency to ensure all agencies have at least one person who has received the required training during calendar year 2010. A letter will be mailed to all agency administrators and RACs that need to obtain training. If the current RAC has not received training during 2010, they must obtain the training by the end of 2010. An existing RAC or Alt-RAC who met the training requirement last year will only need to have 8 hours of training for 2010. Attendance at all sessions of the conference fulfilled the annual training requirement. If a RAC will not be able to meet the training requirement for this year, the agency should identify and send another staff person to obtain training before the end of 2010 based upon the training schedule. **If the person who will be obtaining training this year did not have any TIBRS training in 2009, they will be required to obtain 16 hours in 2010.**

Remaining RAC/Alternate RAC classes in 2010:

Introduction to Data Collection (Union University, Jackson, Oct. 14)

TIBRS Review (Union University, Jackson, Oct. 15)

Introduction to Data Collection (TBI, Nashville, Oct. 28)

TnCOP Software (TBI, Nashville, Oct. 29) * Class is Full *

TnCOP Software (TBI, Nashville, Nov. 8)

TIBRS Review (TBI, Nashville, Nov. 19)

Introduction to Data Collection (TBI, Nashville, Dec. 9) * New RACs \ Alt. RACs **ONLY**

TnCOP Software (TBI, Nashville, Dec. 10) New RACs \ Alt. RACS **ONLY**

Space is limited in the above classes. Please confirm that space is available before coming to a class.

New Sheriff or Staff Changes

If your agency has a new CLEO, RAC or Alt. RAC your agency should inform your respective LEIC as soon as possible in writing on department letterhead bearing the signature of the CLEO. If a new CLEO has been appointed, please provide, mailing address, phone number and email address. If a new RAC or Alt. RAC is appointed please supply the person's name, phone number, driver license number and email address. Please forward a copy of the correspondence to the Nashville Office attention Steven Jancarek.

All new RACs must meet the necessary training requirements. If you have questions concerning the training please contact Dale King or Steven Jancarek. CSU's contact information is located on the last page of this newsletter.

If your agency is using TnCOP and any personnel named on the MOU contact page changes, a new contact sheet should be completed and submitted to CSU. Your LEIC can assist with this process.

Not receiving emails from TIBRS Listserv? Send your email address to Jackie.Vandercook@tn.gov. The vast majority of TIBRS communications are sent via email.

FBI's Law Enforcement National Data Exchange (N-DEx) Program

The TBI is now approving N-DEx access for law enforcement personnel in Tennessee. N-DEx is the FBI CJIS Division system that provides law enforcement agencies (LEAs) with a powerful investigative tool to search, link, analyze, and share criminal justice information such as, incident/case report and arrest data, booking and incarceration data, probation/parole data, and expanded DOJ data sources on a national basis to a degree never before possible. N-DEx allows participating Law Enforcement Agencies (LEAs) to detect relationships between people, places, things, and crime characteristics, and link information across jurisdictions. N-DEx has been developed in collaboration with the law enforcement community, and is accessible to authorized users within law enforcement and criminal justice communities.

Tennessee will be contributing data to the N-DEx system but law enforcement personnel may obtain access before TBI contributes data. The system currently houses federal data from other states that may be searched for investigative purposes. Access is subject to audit and the CJIS Security Policy.

Certain requirements must be met before TBI staff will approve the access applications and forward them to the FBI.

Each user must obtain training for the N-DEx system. This can be accomplished in one of the following two ways: Complete the five core Computer Based Training (CBT) Modules that are on the TBI web site, or attend one half-day session of the hands-on training provided by the FBI at TBI Headquarters the week of February 8-10, 2011. Each class is limited to 27 participants.

The class schedule for the training at TBI Headquarters is:

Session 1: Tuesday, February 8, 1:00 – 5:00

Session 2: Wednesday, February 9, 8:00 – 12:00

Session 3: Wednesday, February 9, 1:00 – 5:00

Session 4: Thursday, February 10, 8:00 – 12:00

Session 5: Thursday, February 10, 1:00 – 5:00

If you take the five core CBTs on the TBI web site, you must print the certificate at the conclusion of each module and fax those certificates with the N-DEx application to (615) 744-4662. Additional information and the forms can be found at http://www.tbi.tn.gov/law_enforcement/law_tibrs.shtml and then click on the link for N-DEx on the page. Userid – lawenforcement, password – Tennessee1 (case sensitive)

If you choose to attend the N-DEx training at TBI Headquarters, please complete your N-DEx application with all signatures and the code word and fax to (615) 744-4662 by January 10, 2011.

Other requirements include an active account with Law Enforcement Online (LEO) which can be accomplished using the N-DEx application form. More details are provided at the website listed above.

Please note – all N-DEx applications should be submitted to TBI. The FBI will not process any applications without TBI approval.

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Benton	Gibson	Humphreys	Perry
Carroll	Hardeman	Lake	Shelby
Chester	Hardin	Lauderdale	Stewart
Crockett	Haywood	Lawrence	Tipton
Decatur	Henderson	Lewis	Wayne
Dickson	Henry	Madison	Weakley
Dyer	Hickman	McNairy	
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Bledsoe	Giles	Montgomery	Trousdale
Cannon	Grundy	Moore	Van Buren
Cheatham	Jackson	Putnam	Warren
Clay	Lincoln	Robertson	White
Coffee	Macon	Rutherford	Williamson
Davidson	Marion	Sequatchie	Wilson
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Campbell	Hamilton	Monroe	Sullivan
Carter	Hancock	Morgan	Unicoi
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