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NEWS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

OCJS Has Joined Twitter: OCJS, and the other divisions of the Ohio Department of Public Safety, recently joined the online networking site, Twitter, to provide timely information to both media and other partners. For more information, please visit: http://publicsafety.ohio.gov/links/MR2011/04_07_11Twitter.pdf

So what's the big deal about Twitter? What is it? Quite simply, it is a free online service that enables you to broadcast short messages to friends or people interested in your message. You can attach a link to a webpage to expand the information you'd like people to read. Whatever interests you have, there is someone "tweeting" about it. Or you can "tweet" to your favorite celebrity, sports athlete, musician or old friend from college (assuming they have twitter accounts). OCJS is using this powerful social networking tool to provide the public with the latest news regarding criminal justice and traffic safety issues.

How do you get started? Visit this link: <http://news.cnet.com/newbies-guide-to-twitter/> or go to www.twitter.com for additional tutorials and get started!

Human Trafficking Protocol: A protocol has been developed for emergency response and medical care for Survivors of Human Trafficking. This protocol was developed in August 2010 to provide Ohio communities with a template for responding to the needs

of human trafficking survivors. Because Ohio communities are diverse in their existing capacity to serve human trafficking survivors, this protocol was designed to be customized to fit the unique needs of each community. This protocol outlines a progression of services from the time a survivor leaves the trafficking situation until they reach self sufficiency.

Read more... http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?llr=jpasbrdab&et=1105244022625&s=868&e=0010Is1tYU9I7gHP6A7WKJgttFRI-YINCEdWhXhySeEYjtWEcl_kDU7CyPFOa1D-JMyUivJviY-RYBDaM0jJZGk-3MkBJ8mSKDldBQ-ZrHxYQnCTmYPBdEUcGn5Kk7LGHoUc5KBIGHdIX4Axu9mcf46MAOXh-p17tvWsRVEtb6fbYN5jRWzPxSE7BHEJhXv

Prescription Drug Abuse Topic of House Forum: The Congressional Caucus on Prescription Drug Abuse held a forum recently to highlight the growing problem of prescription drug abuse. Rep. Harold Rogers (R-KY), chair of the House Appropriations Committee, said that fighting the abuse of prescription drugs must include education, treatment, and the involvement of law enforcement. Also, because the problem crosses political boundaries, a solution must also involve the federal government. ONDCP Director Gil Kerlikowske and Deputy Director David Mineta described the challenges involved in stamping out drug

abuse, the importance of drug monitoring programs, the urgency of shutting down "pill mills," the utility of drug disposal programs, and the value of educational resources for parents, healthcare providers, and children.

Source: <http://ncja.informz.net/z/cjUucD9taT0xMTI0ODMzJnA9MSZ1PTc1OTk4NzY1MiZsaT00ODMxNjE4/index.html>

The Prosecutor's Encyclopedia: The New York Prosecutors Training Institute has launched the Prosecutors' Encyclopedia as a free resource to prosecutors that contains thousands of expert witness transcripts, including videos of actual testimony, case summaries, briefs, commentary from fellow prosecutors, and discussion forums. It also houses every federal and state criminal case since 1970 in a searchable database powered and updated by VersusLaw.

The key to this magnificent resource is that any prosecutor can add additional information to be shared across the country with two caveats: It is open only to prosecutors, and it cannot be edited anonymously.

To join the Encyclopedia, go to www.MyProsecutor.com

Source: <http://www.ndaa.org/>

TRAINING/RESOURCES

Free Grant Writing Seminars: OCJS is hosting free Grant Writing seminars in 2011. OCJS's grant trainings provide an overview of identifying grant sources, analyzing program objectives, creating a budget, seeking letters of support, and writing proposals. Federal and state grants available to criminal justice professionals are discussed. Attendees also re-

ceive the OCJS publication, *Grant Writing: Identifying and Applying for Funding in a Competitive Market*. Trainings take place on the following dates: **April 26, May 3, June 16, July 21, August 18, September 22, October 12, November 7 and December 14**. Please visit http://www.ocjs.ohio.gov/GrantTraining_2011.pdf to view class titles.

All trainings are held from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. in the Ohio Department of Public Safety's Motorcycle Classroom, located at 1970 W. Broad St., Columbus, on the first floor. To download and print a training registration form, visit: http://publicsafety.ohio.gov/links/ocjs_TrainingForm.pdf

TRAINING/RESOURCES CONT.

In Little Shoes - Domestic Violence and Chil-

dren: On May 6, 2011 in Cleveland, ODVN will be offering "In Little Shoes: Domestic Violence and Children." This training will address issues related to children and their response to living in an environment where they are exposed to an abusive person. The training will discuss different types of abuse and how they impact children, ways in which a child can be changed by violence in the home, characteristics of batterers as parents and how coercive control impacts parenting of the victim, myths and facts around child exposure to domestic violence, risk and protective factors, how domestic violence can impact development, safety planning with children and supporting the resilience of children. The training will also focus on ways in which to support the non-abusive parent and assist in healing parent-child bonds damaged by domestic violence.

5.5 CEU's are available for social workers and counselors.

To register, please go to: http://www.odvn.org/index.php?option=com_registrationpro&view=event&Itemid=12&did=3.

The cost is \$25 for members and \$60 for non-members.

Anna's Story: The Impacts of Adverse Childhood Experiences and the Implications for Women Across the Lifespan:

Presented by: Ann Jennings, PhD
Founder and Executive Director of The Anna Institute

When: Friday, April 29th, 2011
2pm Eastern- 1pm Central- 12pm Mountain- 11am Pacific

After participating in this webinar participants will:

- * Learn cumulative trauma's central role in development of health, behavioral health and social problems
- * Be able to trace the multiple potential impacts and serious disabling consequences of unaddressed adverse childhood experiences throughout an individual's lifespan
- * Gain an understanding of "symptoms" and "health risks" as manifestations of the neurological impacts of trauma and as attempts to cope with those impacts and with the emotional pain of trauma. Will be able to name 3 health risk behaviors used to cope with traumatic impacts

Register Now! <https://services.choruscall.com/links/womenshealth.html>

Cultural Competence for Coalitions - Working

with Urban Minority Communities: Thursday, May 26th
9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Drug-Free Action Alliance (Columbus, Ohio)
Only \$15 to register for this training
6.0 Prevention RCHs will be provided

To register: <http://click.icptrack.com/icp/relay.php?r=1020741032&msgid=5581308&act=1EYP&c=44803&destination=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.drugfreeactionalliance.org%2Fattachments%2Foccc%2F Culturalurbanminorities.pdf>

Description: This workshop will provide a structured understanding of Cultural Competence as it relates to working with urban minority communities. Attention will be given to methods which can be incorporated into an organization's workplace as well as the work of community coalitions. In addition, participants will learn to increase workplace performance and individual interpersonal skills through understanding and respecting the cultural differences existing in minority communities. Components of environmental strategies and how these strategies work within minority communities will also be discussed. This will be a highly interactive workshop.

Who Should Attend: Prevention specialists working with urban minority groups, community coalition members, urban minority neighborhood councils, networks and alliance members.

* If you plan to attend, but your \$15 registration fee will not immediately accompany your registration, please contact Karen Downing at 614-540-9985, ext. 10 or KDowning@DrugFreeActionAlliance.org

GRANTS/FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

FY 2011 DNA Backlog Reduction Program: <http://www.ncjrs.gov/pdffiles1/nij/s1000948.pdf>

DEADLINE: May 19, 2011, 11:59 P.M. Eastern Time.

OVERVIEW: The goal of NIJ's FY 2011 DNA Backlog Reduction Program is to assist eligible states and units of local government to process, record, screen, and analyze forensic DNA and/or DNA database samples, and to increase the capacity of public forensic DNA and DNA database laboratories to process more DNA samples, thereby helping to reduce the number of forensic DNA and DNA database samples awaiting analysis.

ELIGIBLE PARTICIPANTS: States and units of local government with existing crime laboratories that conduct forensic DNA and/or DNA database sample analysis and:

- Participate in external audits, not less than once every two years, to demonstrate compliance with the requirements of the Quality Assurance Standards established by the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.
- Are accredited by a nonprofit professional organization actively involved in forensic science

that is nationally recognized within the forensic science community.

- Participate in the National DNA Index System (NDIS) or have an agreement with an NDIS participating laboratory to upload their data.

AWARD INFORMATION: NIJ expects to award up to \$90 million under the FY 2011 DNA Database Reduction Program to states and units of local government that operate forensic DNA laboratories and/or state-designated DNA database laboratories.

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Paul Coverdell Forensic Science Improvement Grants Program:

<http://www.ncjrs.gov/pdffiles1/nij/s1000952.pdf>

DEADLINE: May 20, 2011, 11:59 P.M. Eastern Time.

OVERVIEW: NIJ seeks proposals for the Paul Coverdell Forensic Science Improvement Grants

Program (the Coverdell program), which awards grants to states and units of local government to help improve the quality and timeliness of forensic science and medical examiner services. Among other things, funds may be used to eliminate a backlog in the analysis of forensic evidence and to train and employ forensic laboratory personnel, as needed, to eliminate such a backlog. State Administering Agencies (SAAs) may apply for both "base" (formula) and competitive funds. Units of local government may apply for competitive funds.

ELIGIBLE PARTICIPANTS: States, including territories and units of local government. State Administering Agencies (SAAs) apply on behalf of states, including any state government entity.

AWARD INFORMATION: All awards are subject to the availability of appropriated funds and to any modifications or additional requirements that may be imposed by law.

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