Law Enforcement, Mental Health & CIT in the News - August 2015

Active Shooter incidents: A discussion with Collier County Sheriff Kevin Rambosk
Naples Herald
Most of our deputies have gone through Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) training, and I have made a commitment that 100 percent of our deputies will...
August 2015 CIT in the NEWS

Taunton Police Department to receive state grant to expand crisis intervention training
Taunton Daily Gazette
... internationally recognized Crisis Intervention Team model as well as support Mental Health First Aid training, CIT training and innovative programs...

Fairfax County trying to reduce number of mentally ill people in jail
FairfaxNews.com
An ongoing program of Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) training for local law enforcement personnel, led by the Fairfax County Police Department in...

Senator Cornyn Introduces Ambitious Plan to Reduce Mass Incarceration Related to Mental Illness
Benzinga
Promote crisis intervention team training (CIT) for law enforcement. These teams consist of officers who are trained to respond to calls involving mental...

Mental health remains a priority
Sanford Herald (registration)
This exercise is one of the many segments of an annual Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) training — to be held August 24-28 this year — that focuses on...

More Arlington police are completing crisis-intervention training
Inside NoVA
More than half of Arlington's police officers have completed training and received certification as part of the Crisis Intervention Team, or CIT. According...

Modern policing: CIT Montana trains officers to help mentally ill
The Bozeman Daily Chronicle
The schizophrenic simulation is just one part of the 40-hour Crisis Intervention Team training that Anderson, as part of CIT Montana, helps...

Fairfax County Launches Program To Reduce Number Of Mentally Ill Inmates At Jail
The Washington Post (8/9, Jouvenal) reports that "Fairfax County is launching a program to reduce the number of mentally-ill inmates at its jail by diverting non-violent offenders experiencing crises into treatment instead of incarceration." The Post reports that the program, which is called Diversion First, "is scheduled to begin Jan. 1 and will take about three to five years to implement if full funding can be secured."

Police Departments Train Officers On Mental Health Encounters
Livermore Independent
Police Departments Train Officers On Mental Health Encounters ... a result of violent incidents of police interacting with people who may be mentally ill, ...
One person who has worked with the Oakland police training sessions is Mark...
CIT program expanding at APD

KFDA
Amarillo, TX - The Amarillo Police Department is nearly doubling the size of a lesser-known unit in the force. The APD's Crisis Intervention Team...

Officers graduate crisis training

Xenia Gazette
The local training is put on annually by CIT (Crisis Intervention Team) International and the Mental Health & Recovery Board of Clark, Greene and ...

"San Antonio's Sheriff Personal Fight to Fix Broken System"

"Prior to our mental health unit receiving Crisis Intervention Training, law enforcement officers used physical force taking into custody individuals in mental health crises at least 50 times annually," writes Bexar County Sheriff Susan Pamerleau. "In the more than five years since the training, our department has only used force three times." READ IT ALL...

Lakeview Trains Police To Respond To Mental Illness

WUWF LISTEN
She says the program was created after an incident police had with a mentally ill person in Memphis in the late 1980s. There was after public outcry...

Wakefield receive grant to expand mental health Crisis Intervention Training and Jail Diversion ...

Woburn Daily Times
Wakefield receives grant to expand mental health Crisis Intervention ... develop the internationally recognized Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) model as...

Robert E. Griffin: Reduce ‘suicide by cop’ cases by providing police with extra mental health training

Wilkes Barre Times-Leader
One very promising effort in this direction is the Memphis Tennessee's "Crisis Intervention Team" model, or CIT. Police officers can volunteer to receive ...

Guest Commentary: When mental illness and police collide

The Denver Post
Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) training is vital to helping equip officers with the tools they need to ensure the safety of people who may be struggling ...

Training helps officers deal with mentally ill

Meridian Star
Mississippi Crisis Intervention Team Instruction Coordinator Wade Johnson said the CIT course was conducted by specially trained law enforcement ...

APD Crisis Intervention Team works to help those in a mental health crisis VIDEO

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I do communicate a lot with Texas Panhandle Centers and their Mobile Crisis Outreach Team," said Jensen. Jensen says that oftentimes, CIT...

New River Valley Community Service expands crisis intervention team to Radford VIDEO

WDBJ7
Crews are working to turn a former auto repair shop into the New River Valley Community Service's Crisis Intervention Team center. A team will...

Christian Costello's Struggle With Mental Illness Opens Up Dialogue About Mental Health In OK VIDEO

news9.com KWTV
The officers are a part of the department's crisis intervention team (CIT). If you call 911 for help, ask the dispatcher to send a CIT officer if you fear for...
Sheriff Dart, Advocates: Restore State Funding For Police Mental Health Training
Progress Illinois
Bruce Rauner and state lawmakers on Wednesday to reinstate funding for Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) training, which was frozen after the state...

Calif. cop shoots suspect dead after being attacked with chain

‘Hope through help’
Visalia Times-Delta
Through the Suicide Survivors (LOSS) Team, volunteers are on hand to ... Durick said law enforcement go through the Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) ...