**East Central Illinois Police Training Project MTU 12**

**TO:** Law Enforcement Administrators

**FROM:** Kevin Koontz, Police Training Director

**DATE:** August 13, 2024

**RE:** Training Announcement

***Autism and the Law Enforcement Response: De-Escalation Skills for Individuals with Autism*** will be held on **October 21st, 2024** at the ILEAS Training Center.

This course is currently pending certification by the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board for the following mandates:

* Constitutional & Proper Use of Law Enforcement Authority (1.0hr)
* Crisis Intervention (4.0hrs)
* Use of Force – De-Escalation Techniques (2.0hrs)
* Use of Force – Officer Safety Techniques including cover, concealment, and time (1.0hr)

***Course Description:***

This course will provide law enforcement personnel with a basic understanding of autism and how individuals with autism behave, communicate, and react in various situations.  Furthermore, it will address high-risk and crisis incidents, and provide tips and effective strategies to defuse and de-escalate potentially volatile situations.  Additionally, it will address how to conduct interviews involving victims, witnesses and suspects who have autism.

This course is instructed by Retired Coral Gables PD Commander Bart Barta. Bart is currently the president of Autism Safety 101, Inc.

Please register officers via online registration at MTU12.com **by October 7th**.

**Department Sign-Up Sheet**

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Department Training Staff:

Please use this sheet as an inter-department sign up sheet for staff who are interested in registering for the course. Then, after determining staffing levels, department needs, etc… please visit [www.mtu12.com](http://www.mtu12.com) and register those who will be attending.

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**October 21st, 2024**

**Autism and the Law Enforcement Response**

**De-Escalation Skills for Individuals with Autism**

* Typical law enforcement contacts
* Crisis intervention techniques
* Interview techniques
* Missing persons
* Arrest and restraint
* De-escalation techniques
* Tools of disclosure
* Available resources

**LOCATION:** ILEAS Training Center **HOURS:** 8:00 am - 4:00 pm

1701 East Main St. **TUITION:** - 0 -

Urbana, IL 61802

**INSTRUCTOR:**

**Bart Barta, Police Commander (Ret.)**

Autism Safety 101, Inc.