

# East Central Illinois Police Training Project

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## ***Police & Minority Relations***

**Identifying and Understanding the Problem**

**Overview of Movements and Group Protests**

**Preparation for Hostile Encounters**

**Use of Force and Community Perceptions**

**Tactical De-Escalation Techniques (Overview)**

**Understanding DOJ Consent Decrees**

**Racial Profiling and Biased Policing**

**Communicating More Effectively with Minorities**

**Building Community Trust**

**True Officer Safety Considerations**

**DOJ Principles for Promoting Police Integrity**

**LOCATION:** ILEAS Training Center  
Auditorium  
1701 E. Main Street  
Urbana, Illinois

**HOURS:** 8:00 am - 4:00 pm

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### **INSTRUCTOR**

***Byron Boston, CEO***

*Professional Law Enforcement Training  
Dallas, Texas*

*(Narcotics Detective, Dallas Police Department)*

## About the Instructor



**Byron Boston** is a twenty-year veteran of the Dallas Police Department who has spent over 14 years assigned to the Narcotics Division as an undercover officer. For five years, Byron was assigned to the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) as a Task Force Officer (TFO) to investigate Transnational Criminal Organizations impacting the Southwest Border of the United States. Byron began his law enforcement career with the Dallas Police Department in May 1996. In January of 1998, he was selected to join a Uniformed Drug Task Force. While on this task force, Byron participated in numerous Knock & Talk operations, conducted surveillance on chronic drug house complaints, and made hundreds of felony drug arrests.

In September of 2003, Byron was selected to work on a violent crime task force with ATF. While assigned to the task force, he was the lead undercover officer on numerous long-term narcotics and firearms investigations. Byron also worked undercover on two DEA wiretap investigations during his tenure on the ATF Task Force.

In December of 2010, Byron was selected to join a newly created Mexican Drug Cartel Task Force led by the FBI to investigate Transnational Criminal Organizations impacting the Southwest Border. During his tenure on this elite task force, the unit seized over 100 kilograms of cocaine, 200 kilograms of methamphetamine ICE. The unit also seized over two million dollars of U.S. currency and assets. Hundreds of suspects directly linked to Mexican Drug Trafficking Organizations were arrested, indicted, and convicted in the Dallas-Fort Worth area.

In 2014, the City of Dallas witnessed several drug-related overdose deaths involving North Texas teens. Byron and his partner were tasked with conducting an undercover operation to target the sources of those narcotics. Using unconventional undercover techniques, Byron and his partner infiltrated several Rave/Club Drug organizations and arrested dozens of suspects responsible for the death of the teens. As a result of the investigation, Byron and his partner were nominated for Dallas Police Officer of the Year in July 2015.

Byron is currently assigned to a mid-level enforcement unit within the Narcotics Division where he continues to investigate and arrest drug dealers impacting North Texas. He is a certified law enforcement instructor and has presented training courses to thousands of military, federal, state, and local law enforcement officers in the United States and Canada.

## State Mandates

This course meets state guidelines for the following mandated training areas:

- Use of Force (annual)
- Civil Rights (every 3 yrs.)
- Constitutional & Proper Use of Authority (every 3 yrs.)
- Cultural Competency (every 3 yrs.)
- Procedural Justice (every 3 yrs.)

There is no tuition fee for this program. Registrations from out-of-region agencies are welcome and will be accepted on a first come, first served basis.

### TO REGISTER CONTACT:

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