

National Missing and Unidentified Persons Conference



About the conference

The 2022, 13th Annual National Missing and Unidentified Persons Conference, "The Art of Possibilities: Finding Solutions Through Innovation and Collaboration on Missing and Unidentified Persons Cases," focuses on identifying innovative and effective technologies, approaches and strategies in the search, investigation, identification, recovery and reunification of missing persons, regardless of the circumstances surrounding their disappearance. You will gain knowledge and proficiency in evidence-based, state-of-the art, and collaborative solutions, and explore tools and techniques for reuniting missing persons with their loved ones. The conference will also examine the complex and multifaceted nature of missing person cases and the unique needs of diverse and at risk population groups such as aging individuals, LGBTQ, persons with differing abilities, indigenous/native populations, victims of trafficking, veterans and active military, transient populations, and others.

This conference is designed to help you:

- Identify strategies to improve the outcomes of and responses to complex missing person cases and international disasters
- Examine current trends and risks related to the disappearance of vulnerable populations
- Apply critical tools and technologies to support missing person searches and investigations
- Acquire the necessary skills to effectively manage missing person searches during mass casualty events
- Gather best practices and tools for the recovery and identification of unidentified remains
- Explore techniques for first responder safety and wellness, as well as support for victims and families
- Explore strategies to improve coordination and collaboration among all emergency management partners

*Please see backside of flyer for 2022 highlights

Register TODAY at ncjtc.org/mupc

Dates

April 25 - 27, 2022

Conference and Lodging Location

Golden Nugget Hotel and Casino
129 East Fremont Street
Las Vegas, NV 89101

\$99/ night | Room block deadline is March 28, 2022

Registration

\$375 Individual Registration

\$275 NASAR Members, volunteer SAR professionals, non-profit and volunteer organizations

Conference Schedule

April 24: 5:00 pm - 9:00 pm (Reception and Registration)

April 25: 8:00 am - 5:00 pm (Registration 7:00 am - 8:00 am)

April 26: 8:00 am - 5:00 pm

April 27: 8:00 am - 5:00 pm

Contact us for questions

Please contact us at (888) 347-5610 or dcoffice@fvtc.edu



NCJTC has partnered with the National Association For Search And Rescue (NASAR) to bring you this national conference.



CONFERENCE PRESENTATION HIGHLIGHTS



The [Jayme Closs Abduction](#) and Double-Homicide

On October 15, 2018, 13-year-old Jayme Closs was abducted from her home in rural Barron County, Wisconsin. Just prior to the abduction, both of her parents were shot and killed by the suspect. Local, state, and federal law enforcement agencies worked for 88 days investigating the homicides and trying to locate the whereabouts of Jayme Closs. On January 10, 2019 Jayme heroically escaped her captor and was found by a citizen walking along the roadway near the suspect's residence in rural Douglas County, Wisconsin. Join us to take a closer look at how law enforcement agencies worked together to manage this comprehensive investigation including scene processing, digital intelligence, DNA analysis, managing the media, along with the many twists and turns that occurred throughout the investigation. Learn about the scene processing of the suspect's residence, suspect interview, the interview of Jayme and reunification with her family.

Presenters:

Joe Welsch, Special Agent, Sauk County Sheriff's Office, WI

Jeff Nelson, Detective, Barron County Sheriff's Department, WI

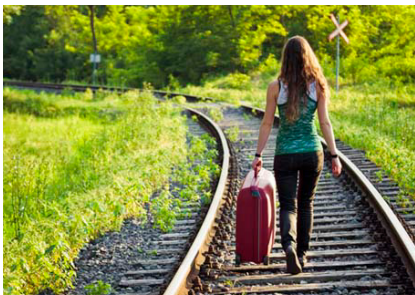
Strategic Planning for Forensic Investigation of Cold Cases: Guidelines to Maximize DNA Success with Old, Degraded, or Limited Quantity Evidence

Gain an overview of current and emerging forensic genetic tools for human identification, including massively parallel sequencing (MPS), forensic DNA phenotyping, biogeographic ancestry prediction, DNA mixture interpretation (for sexual assaults, homicides), familial DNA searching, and forensic genealogy.

Presenters:

Angie Ambers, M.A., M.S., Ph.D., Assistant Director, Henry C. Lee Institute of Forensic Science

Jason P. Moran, President, JEMM Consulting, LLC



From Missing to Murdered – A Runaway Case Study

Take a closer look at the investigation of missing and runaway juveniles from the initial report to closure. Learn about response and responsibility of patrol and the role of the primary investigator. Gather new investigative strategies, tools, tips, and resources.

Presenter:

John Witherspoon, Detective, Montgomery County Police Department, Maryland (MCPD)

IPAWS: A Tool for Communicating Crises and Emergency Information to Tribal Citizens

Gain an overview of what IPAWS is, when and how the system has been used. In efforts to support Tribal Nations to eliminate the longstanding issue of missing and murdered indigenous peoples, IPAWS can be an important tool in the toolbox when communicating to the public. When immediate police response is vital to ensure essential information is not lost and that all available resources are employed as soon as possible, there is much interest in understanding the capability to send geo-targeted alerts and its potential uses in Indian Country.

Presenters:

Antwane Johnson, Division Director & Program Manager, Integrated Public Alert & Warning System, Federal Emergency Management Agency

Pamela Holstein-Wallace, Program Analyst, FEMA National Continuity Programs, Integrated Public Alert & Warning System (IPAWS) Division, Stakeholder Engagement Branch

