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Conference Updates - Stay in the Know

National IoT Conference

The NCJTC team, along with conference partner NW3C hosted hundreds of professionals in law enforcement, forensics, crime analysis, probation and parole, crime tech and more gathered together in Las Vegas for 3 full days of interactive workshops, networking and learning about the newest trends in IoT.



Be sure to follow us on [LinkedIn](#) for 2026 IoT conference details!

Upcoming NCJTC Conferences

Through our conferences, we are proud to provide comprehensive training from a variety of subject matter experts and valuable networking opportunities with other participants. **REGISTER NOW** for one of the 5 remaining NCJTC-hosted conferences available in 2025!

- ✓ **Court Safety and Security Conference**
March 11 -13 | Appleton, WI | [REGISTER HERE](#)
- ✓ **National Missing and Unidentified Persons Conference**
April 15 - 17 | Las Vegas, NV | [REGISTER HERE](#)
- ✓ **School Resource Officer Training Conference**
June 10 - 12 | Appleton, WI | [REGISTER HERE](#)
- ✓ **WI Law Enforcement Administrative Professionals Conference**
June 18 - 20 | Appleton, WI | [REGISTER HERE](#)
- ✓ **WI Serving Victims of Crime Conference**
August 19 - 21 | Green Bay, WI | [REGISTER HERE](#)



CONFERENCE ATTENDEES SAY...

"Being in search and rescue for 46 years, I have attended countless training events and the National Missing and Unidentified Persons Conference was very helpful in my professional development. I took copious notes, brought home a stack of resources and made contacts from areas of my particular interests in SAR."

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You can inspire others and earn NCJTC perks by taking part in our Tell Us Your Story series?

ncjtc.org/tellusyourstory

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750K+

We have provided training and technical assistance to over 750,000 criminal justice professionals over the course of 30+ years (and counting!)

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8:00 am - 4:30 pm CT (M - F)



A Call to Child Protection Professionals

Register now for the 2025 National AMBER Alert and AMBER Alert in Indian Country Symposium!

 FEBRUARY 25-26, 2025

 WASHINGTON, D.C.

[REGISTER NOW!](#) 




Set for February 25-26 in Washington, D.C., the **National AMBER Alert Symposium** is designed to bring together over 200 State and Regional AMBER Alert coordinators, Missing Person Clearinghouse Managers, tribal leaders, public safety, emergency management and federal officials to collaborate, share best practices, and discuss the latest developments in the field. Train with other child protection partners to improve response and recovery of endangered missing and exploited children. This DOJ-approved event is happening in just a few weeks; [REGISTER NOW](#) to secure your seat!

AMBER Alert Awareness Day - January 13



Each year on January 13th, we observe National AMBER Alert Awareness Day in remembrance of Amber Hagerman, a 9-year-old girl who was abducted while riding her bike in Arlington, Texas, and brutally murdered. NCJTC's [AMBER Alert Training and Technical Assistance Team](#) is committed to honoring her legacy—and that of countless families who have faced the unthinkable—by equipping professionals with the training, resources, and collaboration needed to protect and safely recover missing and abducted children across the nation.

We work with law enforcement, child protection professionals, tribal partners, families and other community members to:

-  Enhance response strategies for missing and abducted children.
-  Deliver specialized training tailored to tribal and rural communities.
-  Provide resources to improve child safety and recovery efforts.

AMBER Alerts work. As of December 31, 2024:

1221

children have been recovered because of AMBER Alerts

195

...with nearly 200 due to Wireless Emergency Alerts (WEAs).



View upcoming training and learn more about the [AMBER Alert Program](#) and our [AMBER Alert in Indian Country TTA Program!](#)

Safer Internet Day is February 11

Established in 2013, Safer Internet Day has been focused on educating adults and children about using the internet safely. While the internet offers opportunities for learning and interaction, it can also be used to exploit children, facilitate human trafficking, and engage in harmful behaviors such as sextortion and cyberbullying. At NCJTC, we offer training opportunities to protect children online and educate about using internet resources in investigations.



[Protecting Children in a Digital Age](#)

March 4 | Live Online

[Criminal Connections: Child Exploitation Material and Child Sexual Abuse](#)

May 19 - 20 | Newport, OR

[Internet of Things Criminal Considerations](#)

March 19 | Live Online

[Internet of Things Privacy Concerns: What Communities Need to Know](#)

March 20 | Live Online

[VIEW ALL!](#)

NCJTC Impact

A New Resource for Siblings of Missing Children

We are honored to share that the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, has released the 2nd Edition of an incredibly important resource guide for siblings of missing children: *“What About Me? Finding Your Path Forward When Your Brother or Sister Is Missing.”*

Our AMBER Alert Training and Technical Assistance Program (AATTAP) project team coordinated development of the guide’s updates and enhancements by working closely with a powerful group of sibling contributors, some of whom also worked on the 2007 1st edition. Words cannot fully express the impact their wholehearted commitment and courageous sharing throughout the process had on everyone involved.

Read or download the *Sibling Guide*, along with its companion *Family Survival Guide*, updated and released in 2023 at familysurvival.amberadvocate.org/. You’ll also find video libraries there for both publications, where you can consider the important information shared through the voices of the family members themselves.

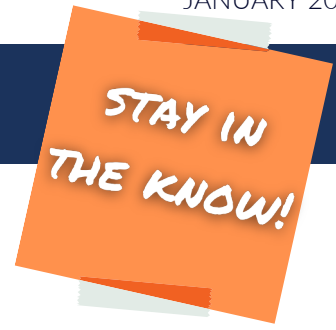


“We consider it a high honor to have worked with these siblings and their family members over the past two years in updating both the Sibling and Family Survival Guides, and it has profoundly strengthened our understanding of, and empathy for, anyone experiencing the nightmare of having a missing family member. The guides’ contributors cannot be sufficiently thanked for their heartfelt work. It inspires us to strive even harder to bring their experiences, lessons learned, and other important messages to those who most need it: helping professionals.”



Janell Rasmussen
Program Administrator
NCJTC - AMBER Alert
Training and Technical
Assistance Program

What's New at NCJTC?



New NCJTC Sponsor Webpage

It's now easier than ever to learn about Conference sponsorship!



Check out the new NCJTC Sponsorship webpage to learn how you can elevate your brand by promoting your products and services at one of our 6 NCJTC conferences! Visit ncjtc.org/support for more.

Tell Us Your Story - Episode 01 is NOW LIVE!

Watch Missing Child Center-Hawaii's story of impact at ncjtc.org/episode-1-mcch

Each episode of our *Tell Us Your Story* series is short, yet powerful (~10 minutes long), and is designed to **showcase our customers' stories and impact**. Don't miss the opportunity to learn from those who face similar challenges in public safety – [watch Episode 01](#) featuring Amanda Leonard, MAILE AMBER Alert Coordinator for the state of Hawai'i.



After you watch, please [SUBSCRIBE](#) to the NCJTC YouTube channel. We will be posting future episodes, training tips, behind-the-scenes insights and more!

BONUS "Story-Behind-the-Story," on this episode [linked here](#).



Submit your NCJTC training success story TODAY!



Interested in learning about **upcoming training opportunities**? Scan the QR code to sign up now or visit ncjtc.org/signup!

Did you miss the last issue of the NCJTC Compass? [Read the December issue!](#)



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