

LEL Academy Overview

Developing Passion for Purpose

LEL Vision	LEL Functions	Competencies	Competency Hours	Phase 1/Week 1					Phase 2/Week 2					Phase 3/Week 3						
				M	Tu	W	Th	F	M	Tu	W	Th	F	M	Tu	W	Th	F		
1. LELs will have the ability to diagnose and communicate areas of traffic enforcement need at the regional, state, and community level.	A. Understand and advance the basic LEL mission and role in implementing a comprehensive statewide program	Objective 1: LELs will describe the mission and history of the LEL program and the role of the LEL in assisting LEAs in developing traffic safety interventions.	2	2																
		Objective 2: LELs will compare and contrast the current status with the vision of law enforcement in road safety and how law enforcement personnel are involved in their state/region. LELs will understand the need for inter-agency cooperation and community involvement.	2	2																
		Objective 3: LELs will convey the importance of addressing the challenges facing law enforcement nationally and in their regions, potential next actions, and solutions. LELs will be up to date on available resources and technologies needed to address traffic safety and enforcement.	2	2																
	B. Advise on road safety as a public health issue	Objective 1: LELs will describe road safety epidemiology (injuries and death by geography, demographics, vehicle type, crash type, crash location, etc.) at the national, regional, state, and local levels.	3		3															
		Objective 2: LELs will describe the relationship between road safety and other public health issues.	1		1															
		Objective 3: LELs will articulate the overall public health impact of existing or newly implemented strategies that effectively prevent crashes, serious injury, and death.	3		3															
	C. Advise on the role of law enforcement in a comprehensive, community-based approach to road safety.	Objective 1: LELs will articulate the theory and principles of a comprehensive, community-based approach to road safety.	3			3														
		Objective 2: LELs will explain the fundamental role of law enforcement in a comprehensive road safety strategy.	3			3														
		Objective 3: LELs will recommend approaches to engage law enforcement agencies in a comprehensive, community-based road safety program.	1			1														
	D. Perform basic traffic safety assessment for law enforcement agencies	Objective 1: LELs will identify law enforcement agency strategies, policies, training, and approaches to traffic safety and enforcement.	3				3													
		Objective 2: LELs will use statewide databases, local police records, the NHTSA FARS system, hospital data, interviews, direct observations, and other sources to identify agency traffic safety and enforcement needs and outcomes at the regional, state, and community level.	2				2													
		Objective 3: LELs will interpret traffic safety data, assess traffic safety problems, and develop an individualized traffic safety plan with recommendations.	5				1	4												
2. LELs will recommend and communicate fair, consistent, and feasible methods to address identified traffic enforcement needs of jurisdictions in their state.	A. Advise on basic traffic safety tactics (roadway, vehicle, behavioral)	Objective 1: LELs will be up to date on common traffic safety tactics and interventions based on their use cases and understand the situational awareness necessary for affecting change locally, regionally, and at the state level.	8						5	3										
		Objective 2: LELs will support law enforcement agency efforts to improve their current approach; making recommendations using supporting data, known strategies, and resource opportunities. LELs will share strategies that other jurisdictions have found useful for implementing changes in traffic safety planning & operations.	8							4	4									
		Objective 3: LELs will identify performance indicators to measure the success of intervention plans. LELs will communicate the agency level of success to larger audiences for opportunities for greater impact.	8								3	5								
	B. Advise on advancing consistency and fairness in traffic enforcement	Objective 1: LELs will communicate the value of pursuing community-based enforcement plans to address traffic safety with an understanding of the implications of infrastructure investment, population considerations, and differences in resource accessibility among communities.	3									2	1							
		Objective 2: LELs will be proficient in identifying and engaging key stakeholders in implementing traffic safety and enforcement plans.	1										1							
		Objective 3: LELs will have the ability to leverage the diverse experience of stakeholders to suggest comprehensive plans that have broad engagement and support.	2										2							
3. LELs will connect local law enforcement agencies to resources to assist in improving traffic enforcement and advise on strategies to engage with the community to implement recommended strategies.	A. Advise law enforcement agencies on public engagement strategies	Objective 1: LELs will describe community policing and its components, which include traffic enforcement.	1											1						
		Objective 2: LELs will identify the localities within their jurisdictions that would most benefit from the implementation of increased community policing practices.	1											1						
		Objective 3: LELs will create a plan to approach law enforcement agencies about how to put public engagement strategies into action.	2											2						
	B. Perform effective mentoring to local departments	Objective 1: LELs will know the principles and techniques that are effective when mentoring local police departments.	1											1						
		Objective 2: LELs will identify when mentoring is most appropriate and make a plan for implementing mentoring practices.	2												2					
	C. Advise on networking possibilities with other law enforcement agencies	Objective 1: LELs will know how to identify, track and monitor traffic enforcement capacity and accomplishments in agencies across the state.	3												3					
		Objective 2: LELs will evaluate opportunities for encouraging networking among agencies in their region and identify connections and information sharing where it might facilitate progress.	3												2	1				
		Objective 3: LELs will create an action plan to address challenges and bring law enforcement agencies together to collaborate and improve traffic safety.	2													2				
	D. Advise on public information operations	Objective 1: LELs will describe the principles for effective media relations and identify the public information resources in their jurisdictions.	2													2				
		Objective 2: LELs will identify at least three areas to improve public information operations in their jurisdictions and suggest approaches to bring about these improvements.	3													2	1			
	E. Advise on traffic safety authorities and resources	Objective 1: LELs will outline divisions of road and vehicle safety authority from the federal level to the state highway safety office (SHSO) level to the local level.	4														4			
		Objective 2: LELs will compile a list of available grants and resources for their law enforcement agencies that are specific for identified needs.	3														2	1		
		Objective 3: LELs will advise on who has the authority to intervene on complex issues. For example, local officials and not NHTSA have the jurisdiction to address tinted vehicle windows.	3															3		
					90	Phase 1 Total Hours					Phase 2 Total Hours					Phase 3 Total Hours				
						30					30					30				