

Northwest Illinois Criminal Justice Commission

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Transnational Gang Identification & Gang Interdiction

DATE: April 2-4, 2019

(Formerly Criminal Street Gangs) Registration Ends: March 13, 2019

TIME: 8:00 AM—4:00 PM 24 Hours

LOCATION: Stewart Centre West, 2900 W. Pearl City Road, Freeport, IL

INSTRUCTOR: Lou Savelli, retired NYPD Det. Supervisor of Terrorist Interdiction Unit/ investigated the attacks of the World Trade Center

This training is offered via the **MIDWEST COUNTERDRUG TRAINING CENTER**- Ft. Dodge, IA Attendance is limited to 50 / Law Enforcement/Corrections personnel only

Course Description

According to the FBI's National Gang Intelligence Center, Gangs are the primary distributors of illicit drugs and are responsible for the majority of crime in jurisdictions across the United States. Gangs are supplied with drugs by transnational criminal organizations (TCO) such as drug cartels and terrorist organizations. They work closely with TCO's by trafficking and selling drugs, murder, kidnapping, extortion, terrorist operations, narcotics and terrorist financing, human trafficking and other activities that threaten national security.

Street gangs, prison gangs, and organized criminal organizations work hand in hand with TCO to achieve their own goals as well as the goals of the TCO. TCO include groups such as Al Qaeda, ISIS, Hamas, Hezbollah and other nefarious non-state actors. Gangs and their many partners pose a significant threat to the citizens of the U.S., as well as national security interests in the Western hemisphere (Mexico, Central America, Colombia and Peru). Profiteering for terrorists directly threatens U.S. troops in the Middle East.

This unique gang training class exposes a variety of gang issues and their connections to terrorism as well as the financing of terrorist operations that significantly contribute to the insurgency and corruption of Afghanistan and Iraq. This class will illustrate the street level gang members and their terrorist and transnational organized crime partnerships. In turn, students who attend this class will be able to impact upon the influence of TCO and trafficking networks within the U.S. This includes layered, coordinated approaches that disrupt the operations of TCOs, limit their access to funding, reduce their assets, and raise their costs of doing business. This class will increase intergovernmental cooperation to build capacity of agencies to counter the narcotics threats and enhance or develop cooperative mechanisms with law enforcement agencies. It will maximize both the impact and efficiency of DoD contributions to combating drug trafficking and TCO that pose a national security threat.



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Topics Included

- The partnerships between gangs and Transnational Criminal Organizations (TCO)
- Gangs as a financial threat to US security
- Gangs supporting drug cartels and terrorists
- Deciphering gang graffiti
- Gangs and Officer Safety

Partial funding provided by Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board and MTU#1's request for certification of this course has been approved by the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board

REGISTRATION:

All registrations are received on the <u>MTU#1 website</u>. Find Registration instructions <u>here</u> **THIS IS NOT A PUBLIC MEETING**

MCTC Overview

Midwest Counterdrug Training Center is one of five Department of Defense funded Counterdrug training schools. MCTC is administered by the Iowa National Guard Counterdrug Task Force. Since beginning operations in 2003, MCTC has trained over 150,000 local, tribal, state, and federal law enforcement officers, military members and prevention and treatment professionals across the United States.

MCTC trains local, state, and federal law enforcement officers, as well as prevention, and treatment professionals with an emphasis on small and rural agencies. MCTC maintains a lean staff and uses federal contracting procedures while providing the highest quality of training.

Instructor Biography

Lou Savelli spent 25 total years in Law Enforcement. He retired from NYPD as the Detective Supervisor of the Terrorist Interdiction Unit where he and his detectives investigated the attacks of the World Trade Center (9-11-01) and interdicted planned terrorist attacks targeting NYC. He created NYPD's first citywide gang unit called CAGE (Citywide Anti-Gang Enforcement) which was awarded the National Gang Crime Research Center's Award for the Most Effective Gang Unit in the US.

Lou Savelli has performed duties in Gang Interdiction and Investigation, Narcotics Investigations, Undercover Operations, Surveillance, Robbery Investigations, Firearms Trafficking, Criminal Investigations, Street Crimes, and Terrorist Interdiction.

Lou Savelli worked in a variety of proactive street and investigative units and was the commanding officer of several joint multiagency task force operations involving firearms and gang investigations and terrorist interdiction investigations.

Lou Savelli has also worked as a corrections officer in Broward County, Florida and a Police Officer in Hollywood Florida prior to his 21 years with NYPD. He has been conducting law enforcement instruction in his spare time since 1995 and has been providing training classes full time since his retirement from NYPD since 2004.

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This class has been submitted to ILETSB for approval in meeting mandatory training for: Mandated Annually Law Updates Use of Force (must include scenario based or similar approved Mandated once every 3 years (begin 1/1/16) □ Civil Rights Constitutional and proper use of law enforcement authority □ Cultural competency □ Procedural Justice Human Rights Mandated once every 3 years (begin 1/1/17 all/ within 2 yrs. for investigators) Sexual Assault Trauma Informed Response Sexual Assault Trauma Informed Investigator Mandated once every 3 years (begin?) Mental Health Awareness Mandated 32 hours every four years after initial training Lead Homicide Investigator training