# Northwest Illinois Criminal Justice Commission

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## Leadership for Reducing Organizational Stress in Law Enforcement

**DATE**: November 23, 2020

Registration Ends: October 16, 2020

**TIME:** 8:00 AM—12:00 PM 4 Hours

LOCATION: Distant Learning-Zoom

### **INSTRUCTOR:** Kent Williams, Breach Point Consulting

#### **COURSE CONTENT:**

This seminar will assist those attending with gaining a distinctly different perspective on the unique and potentially problematic consequences of performing well within a law enforcement culture. Executives, managers and supervisors will examine better ways to reduce their stress and simultaneously garner greater staff compliance with department standards. Leaders will address stressors encountered by the rank and file which influence the pivotal balance between professional and personal relationships. Emphasis will be placed upon executives, managers and supervisors, developing leadership practices and policies that recognize and encourage accomplishment of organizational goals while also taking better care of themselves and the people who serve under their leadership.

An experienced law enforcement executive and educator will guide supervisors and managers in understanding a variety of best practice approaches in addressing this problem. A theme of personal leadership will run throughout this seminar and those attending will have ample chance to share their views, develop decision-making models, and actually reflect on better ways to make decisions for themselves and those they lead.

Topics will include:

- Inspiring a new generation of Knights
- Removing classic frustrations encountered by all law enforcement officers & the consequences of rewarding cynicism
- How the dynamics of control and trust can negatively influence officer attitudes
- How to lead and inspire those who have been taught to anticipate the worst in everything
- Being an optimistic leader among a sea of professional pessimists
- Overcoming the damaging effects of "the rule bound" and stoic approaches to the job
- Recognizing the symptoms of stress and how police stress differs significantly from other jobs



- Developing a personal and organizational action plan to confront the issues
- Learning to help others overcome unhealthy organizational over-investment
- Why officers are at greater risk for alcohol abuse, divorce, isolation, depression and suicide
- Warning signs of distress and preventative programs to reduce and monitor it

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 MTU#1 website. Find Registration instructions here

#### THIS IS NOT A PUBLIC MEETING

This class has been approved to meet these mandates:
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)
Trauma Informed Response & Investigation of Sexual Assault & Abuse
Mandated once every 3 years (begin?)
Mental Health Awareness     Officer Wellness
Mandated 32 hours every four years after initial training
Lead Homicide Investigator training