

JANUARY 8 - 12, 2018

# TRAINING LOCATION

Brazoria County Sheriff's Office 3602 County Road 45 Angleton, Texas 77515

### **TOPICS COVERED**

- Drug Enforcement Strategies
- Ethics
- Drug Recognition
- Search & Seizure Laws
- Writing Drug Search Warrants
- Development & Control of Informants
- Critical Issues of Working Undercover
- Raid Planning
- Courtroom Testimony

# **HOTEL**

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The Texas Narcotic Officers' Association East Region along with the DEA Houston Field Office and the Brazoria County Sheriff's Office will host a 40-hour (5-day) training course entitled "BASIC NARCOTICS INVESTIGATIONS" provided by the Regional Counterdrug Training Academy (RCTA) in Angleton, Texas. Registration is OPEN through RCTA. TCOLE hours will be reported by BCSO Training Division.

Check in will begin at 0715 hours and the course will start promptly at 0800 hours on Monday, January 8, 2018.

#### COURSE OVERVIEW

Narcotic trafficking has become more lucrative and complex, and law enforcement agencies are under pressure to reduce drug activity in their communities. This course is an introduction to officers new to drug investigations as well as a refresher for those who want to become familiar with current trends. It provides a foundation of investigative techniques from which officers can safely and ethically conduct drug investigations.

The course includes the identification of current illicit street drugs, common terms, and the Uniformed Controlled Substance Act, as well as local and national trends. Students will receive information on topics such as informant handling, consent searches, operations planning, and controlled buys. Officers will be instructed on the importance of accurate and ethical documentation, testimony and evidence presentation for successful prosecutions. The course will culminate with a hands-on practical exercise.

Students are required to attend all 5-days to receive the full 40-hours credit.

## **TUITION**

This is a tuition **FREE** course and is open to all law enforcement officers and U.S. Military. To register you must have an agency point of contact register your agency with RCTA prior to individuals registering for the course. *Please follow the below steps to register your agency's Point of Contact. Contact Sgt. Davis at RCTA to determine if your agency already has a Point of Contact* 

Any questions regarding this course or registration should be directed to Arthur Hitchins at 713-693-3699 or <a href="mailto:Arthur.m.hitchins@usdoj.gov">Arthur.m.hitchins@usdoj.gov</a> and East Region Training Director Jerry McClain at 281-808-5929 or <a href="mailto:jmcclain@houstonhidta.net">jmcclain@houstonhidta.net</a>

# ALL AGENCIES MUST REGISTER FOR A NEW USERNAME AND PASSWORD. Even if you have had an account before.

1. If no agency point-of-contact has already been established with the RCTA or a change needs to be made, fax a memo on your agency letterhead appointing you (or someone) as your agency poc, signed by the Chief, Sheriff, Commander or someone of equal authority.

- ✓ 2. It must include the following:
  point-of-contact's first name/last name
  rank
  agency address
  agency phone number
  fax number
  cell or pgr number
  \*e-mail address
- \*Make sure to include your email address so that we can send you a link to register your agency online.

**3.** Please fax to the registration section at 601-679-2006 or you may scan and email the memo to krys@rcta.org.

**4.** After the fax of scanned memo is completed, you will receive a return e-mail which will include a link to our Online Agency Registration form.

**5**. After completing the online form you will receive an e-mail containing your new USERNAME and PASSWORD.

NOTE: \*\* Please ensure ALL requested information is included in the body of the memo because information faxed in the letterhead is sometimes unreadable or incomplete. If the memo is being faxed in order to make a change, please list who the new POC is replacing.

\*If you have any questions or problems you may contact Krystyna Davis at:

krys@rcta.org 601.696.8899

TOLL FREE: 1-877-575-1435