



MIDWEST COUNTERDRUG TRAINING CENTER

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CRIMINAL STREET GANGS

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REGISTRATION

This course is restricted to US military law enforcement personnel along with other local, state, and federal civilian law enforcement employees to include criminal analysts, and corrections officers.

THERE IS NO COST TO ATTEND THIS COURSE.

COURSE DESCRIPTION

This gang training class explores the connections between street and prison gangs, transnational criminal organizations (TCOs), and terrorist groups.

It highlights how gangs work with cartels and terrorist organizations like Al Qaeda, ISIS, Hamas, and Hezbollah to traffic drugs, engage in extortion, and finance terrorism, posing a significant threat to U.S. national security.

The course covers how gang and TCO operations impact U.S. communities and security interests in regions like Mexico, Central America, and the Middle East. Attendees will learn strategies to disrupt TCO networks, limit their access to funding, and enhance interagency cooperation to combat these threats effectively.



FULL COURSE
DESCRIPTION



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