

## Government Training Institute (GTI) and Delaware Law Enforcement Community Announce Joint Partnership Agreement

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SMYRNA, DELAWARE / June 25, 2009 - Government Training Institute, Inc. (GTI), a leading military and law enforcement training organization, and Delaware Police Chief's Council have announced a joint partnership that will allow for the delivery of standardized, DHS approved training to state and local law enforcement officers in the northeast region of the United States. The partnership comes in response to the nation's security needs in Delaware, New Jersey, Philadelphia and New York.



"This project represents a long term commitment on the part of the Delaware Law Enforcement Community's long-term commitment to citizens and safety," said project planner and Delaware State Police Officer Kurt Reuther. "Our partnership with GTI ensures that police officers and specialized law enforcement teams receive the best tactical training available."

The partnership is the result of a three-year long research and development project in which Delaware Law Enforcement Community planned and designed a facility to house a state-of-the-art training system, Mobile Tactical Trainer (MTT). In collaboration with GTI, the system was designed by State and Local tactical team commanders with a focus on creating statewide interoperability based on Department of Homeland Security recommended criteria. The system was manufactured by General Dynamics Information Technology and funded with a \$428,000 Department of Homeland Security Grant.

Located at the Delaware State Police Range, MTT allows the use of live fire training ammunition and is instrumented with a variety of visual, audible and olfactory effects to create realistic law enforcement scenarios. MTT records training activities using electronic media so that students can review their tactics and conduct immediate, instructor facilitated, after action critique. The MTT insures that officers assigned to patrol activities receive standardized training for events such as active shootings and general law enforcement tactics.

"This partnership exemplifies the highest level of multi-agency cooperation in the standardization of law enforcement tactics, training and procedures," said GTI President Chadd Harbaugh. "I applaud Delaware's statewide law enforcement training initiative, dedication to emergency preparedness and commitment to the safety of its citizens and law enforcement officials."

The partnership identifies GTI as the sole source vendor for curriculum delivery of Advanced Typing System I-III SWAT Operations for Terrorist Environments and Immediate Action Teams for Rapid Law Enforcement Tactical Response to Violence and Terrorism in the School Setting. GTI trainers will

provide instruction at Delaware's facility on a quarterly basis through the year 2011. These courses can be located in the Federal Emergency Management Agency National Preparedness Directorate National Integration Center Training and Exercise Integration Secretariat Training Operations State Sponsored Course Catalog and curriculum is available for download on GTI's website:

- ID-004-RESP: [Immediate Action Teams: Rapid Law Enforcement Tactical Response to Violence and Terrorism in the School Setting](#)
- ID-001-RESP: [Type III Advanced SWAT Operations for Terrorist Environments](#)
- ID-002-RESP: [Type II Advanced SWAT Operations for Terrorist Environments](#)
- ID-003-RESP: [Type I Advanced SWAT Operations for Terrorist Environments](#)

### **OPEN HOUSE / MEDIA TOUR**

A ribbon cutting ceremony event will be held at 2:30PM EST, June 25, 2009 at 850 Clark Farm Road, Smyrna, Delaware 19977. The event will include: Opening remarks from Col. Thomas MacLeish and Chief William Topping, Multi-agency demonstration by tactical teams followed by a Q&A session and facility tour.

### **About Government Training Institute (GTI)**

Founded in 2003, GTI is a center of excellence for law enforcement officers and military personnel whose mission is to train the nation's first responders. GTI's staff comprises 400 years of operational military and law enforcement experience and combines traditional classroom work, research-based training and real-world field exercises to address the requirements of government and law enforcement agencies. GTI delivers more than 30 highly-specialized training programs in the fields of anti-terrorism, terrorism countermeasures, police sniper operations, specialized patrol, high-risk policing activities and a host of law enforcement and military topics relevant to the post 9/11 world. GTI's Improvised Explosive Devices (IED) Awareness, Rapid Law Enforcement Tactical Response to Violence and Terrorism in the School Setting, Type III Advanced SWAT Operations for Terrorist Environments, Type II Advanced SWAT Operations for Terrorist Environments, Type I Advanced SWAT Operations for Terrorist Environments and SWAT: Law Enforcement Tactical Operations for Terrorism Response (Basic Concepts and Tactics) curricula are approved by the Department of Homeland Security's (DHS) grant funding program. In 2008, GTI relocated its training facility from Boise, Idaho to South Carolina. The company is headquartered in Eagle, Idaho.

### **About Delaware's Law Enforcement Agencies**

The state of Delaware has 45 full service police agencies. Of these 45 agencies 10 have officers that are tactically trained totaling 170 which will benefit from the tiered training.

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