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MCOLES Mission

MCOLES executes its statutory responsibility to promote public safety in Michigan by setting standards for selection, employment, licensing, license revocation, and funding in law enforcement and criminal justice, in both the public and private sectors. Under its authority, MCOLES provides leadership and support to the criminal justice community throughout Michigan.

MCOLES meets its mission working in an atmosphere of open communication and trust in partnership with the criminal justice community, providing client-focused services. MCOLES regularly contributes to effective public policy by functioning as a leader in public safety innovation and as a solutions-facilitator for problems facing law enforcement and the criminal justice community.

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MCOLES Values & Key Responsibilities

Values

Respect

We value the unique and diverse skills, abilities, and perspectives of individuals.

Ethical Character

We are honest, ethical, and fair. Personal integrity and professional ethics guide all our decisions.

Leadership and Professionalism

We recognize our role as leaders in advancing the skills, knowledge, ethics, and attitudes necessary for achieving and maintaining professional excellence.

Accountability

We accept responsibility for our behaviors, decisions, and actions.

Commitment

We understand our mission and our individual roles in its accomplishment; we dedicate our energies and abilities to its fulfillment; and we are willing to make sacrifices in its attainment.

Partnership

We recognize that more can be accomplished when individual actions are taken in an atmosphere of trust and cooperation.

Communication, Consultation, and Shared Decision-Making

We value clear and open communication. We encourage involvement, information sharing, and collaboration in the decision-making process.

Our Partnerships:

- Law Enforcement Agencies
- Training Providers
- Criminal Justice Entities
- Professional Organizations

Our Clients:

- Citizens of Michigan
- Criminal Justice Professionals
- Law Enforcement Officers

Key Responsibilities

- Publishes standards for municipal, county, state, tribal, railroad, airport, public university, public college, and park law enforcement officers.
- Publishes curricula and administers a statewide law enforcement basic training delivery system composed of 24 academies.
- Approves and supervises basic police training programs, as well as pre-service college basic training programs.
- Administers a law enforcement pre-enrollment testing program operated by approved basic training academies.
- Develops, maintains, and administers the state licensure examination.
- Supports law enforcement training efforts through administration of the Training to Locals Fund, which reimburses local police agencies for a portion of the costs of basic law enforcement training.
- Maintains a statewide registry of Michigan's law enforcement agencies and licensed law enforcement officers.
- Administers the Stop Violence Against Women grant program for law enforcement.
- Verifies standards and licenses officers for law enforcement service in Michigan and conducts revocation proceedings to remove those who are unfit.
- Administers the Justice Training Fund which offers a competitive grant program and annual distribution of funds to assist law enforcement agencies with the costs of in-service training.
- Provides students with a waiver of tuition under the Police Officers and Firefighters Survivor Tuition Waiver Program.
- Certifies instructors and training programs provided by law enforcement entities pursuant to Michigan's concealed weapons laws.

Our Services

Manage the Justice Training Fund • Competitive Grants for Law Enforcement • Prosecution • Defense • Courts • Corrections • Law Enforcement Distribution • In-Service Training Registry • Training To Locals Funding • Recognition of Prior Training & Experience • Law Enforcement Licensing • Pre-Enrollment Testing • Develop & Maintain Selection & Employment Standards • Develop & Maintain Basic Training Standards • Accredit & Supervise Basic Law Enforcement Training • Private Security Police Licensing • Railroad Police Licensing • Criminal Justice Resource Center • Public Safety Officer Benefits • Law Enforcement Officers Safety Act • Basic Training Administration • Survivor Tuition Program • STOP Violence Against Women