



SVCJTA

Training Announcement

Course Description

CRISIS INTERVENTION TEAM TRAINING FOR JAIL/CORRECTIONS

The Southwest Virginia Criminal Justice Training Academy will be hosting a five-day, forty-hour (40) Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) training from January 10 through January 14, 2022. The course is open to current corrections/jail officers, mental health professionals, and other specialist's integral to the recognition and treatment of mental illness.

Highlights:

- Learn from mental health professionals and experienced law enforcement officers from local agencies on how to recognize and deal with people experiencing mental health crises.
- Verbal de-escalation skills: CIT teaches skills for officer safety – the words, approach and body language that convince a person to get help or defuse a potentially violent encounter.
- Familiarity with community resources: Site visits to community locations that offer help and assistance to those experiencing mental health crises.
- Scenario-based training on responding to crises. With the help of trained experienced officers and mental health workers, students practice their skills in common crisis situations, and get immediate feedback from instructors and classmates.
- And much more

Training Fee: Free to jail/corrections agencies as well as local mental health and health care agencies.

In-service- 34 hours of career development
4 hours of legal
2 hours of cultural diversity
40 hours total

Course taught by members of Highlands Crisis Intervention Team as well as multiple community partners.

Course Registration: Complete academy registration form and forward to academy.

Date and Time	Location	Agency Contact
January 10 through January 14, 2022 8:00am – 5:00pm	SVCJTA 330 Bonham Road Bristol, VA 24201	Darrell Dickenson ddickenson@bvu.net (276) 645-3700 (276) 645-3719 Fax