BASIC NARCOTICS INVESTIGATIONS TWO-WEEK COURSE

MARCH 15-26 , 2027
PUYALLUP, WA

Course Description

This course is designed to give new narcotics investigators an overview of the major responsibilities that they will need as narcotics investigators. This course is designed to be hands on, with students conducting practical exercises on; Informant Handling, Investigative Interviewing, Physical Surveillance, Undercover Operations, and Warrants. This course will better help a new narcotics investigator handle an investigation from beginning (intelligence) to end (prosecution.)

Topics Include;

- Drug identification and recognition: measurement, pricing, and slang
- Current narcotic trends and threats as relating to Transnational Criminal Organizations
- Operating in a multi-jurisdictional environment
- Informants: vetting, development, management, control, and use of informants
- Tactical operational planning
- Intel Planning and collection
- Writing search warrants and conducting warrantless searches
- Micro lab investigations
- Physical and Electronic surveillance
- Narcotics crime scene management: report writing, evidence inventory
- Conducting consensual encounters and searches
- Basic drug enforcement operations

Course Length: 80 Hours / 8am to 5:00pm (M-F for two consecutive weeks)
This training is provided at no-cost to the attendee or their home agency.
Northwest HIDTA does not cover cost of travel, lodging nor meals.
Course will be co-hosted by the Puyallup Police Department.

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