

Texas Police Trainers LLC Mental Health Officer Course (#4201)



<u>Course Description</u> This class is designed to certify an individual to be a statewide resource as a mental health officer (MHO), per Texas Occupations Code 1701.404, and the TCOLE Rule §221.11. An MHO assists responding law enforcement officers determine, if and what, actions can be taken regarding the individual(s)'s 4th Amendment rights, due to the individual(s)'s incapacitation caused by their mental health crisis. This course certifies an individual on how to identify applicable situations for intervention, appropriate local resources for the demographics of the jurisdiction, and best practices on building resource/community connections.

This course does not certify the applicant as a mental health care expert or mental health care service provider. This class is to achieve a voluntary and elite designation. The requirements to achieve this elite and voluntary designation reflect the gravity of the duties.

Topics covered:

Unit 1: Background and Context Unit 2: Legal Responsibilities

Unit 3: Resources and Networking

Who should attend: Texas Peace Officers or Jailer

<u>Student Pre-requisite</u>: De-escalation (TCOLE Course #1849) AND Crisis Intervention Training (TCOLE Course #1850) OR Mental Health for Jailers (TCOLE Course #4900). Peace officers who completed the Basic Peace Officer Course after 2019 (BPOC 1000667, 1000696, 1000720), will have both 1849 and 1850 and meet the enrollment requirements.

Course information:

Host Agency: Idalou Police Department

Training Location: Idalou Community Center, 202 W. 7th Street. Idalou, Texas 79329

Course Date: September 23-25, 2024

Time: 8:00 am – 5:00 pm

Length of course: 24 hours (Training hours will be reported by CLEAT)

Cost per attendee: \$150.00

Student Equipment: This class requires a laptop or table and a usb drive.

To register, <u>click here</u> or go to <u>https://texaspolicetrainers.com/?p=32738</u>. You can also give us a call at 512-766-0659 to pay by phone or to receive an invoice.

Hotel: Holiday Inn Express & Suites Lubbock Central - Univ Area, 2115 Marsha Sharp Freeway, Lubbock, Texas 79415. **Please make your hotel reservations through Texas Police Trainers to receive our Corporate discount.**

<u>Instructor</u>: Wendy Sheriff

Wendy Sheriff is a retired Garland Police Officer, honorably retired 2021. Wendy was assigned as the Homeless liaison with the Garland Police Department's Homeless Taskforce where she accepted the part time position as a Deputy Marshal for the City of Garland, again working as the assigned Homeless Liaison. In 2022 Wendy was asked to return to full-time duty as the Homeless liaison with the Garland Police Department, thus making her tour of duty with the City of Garland a total of twenty-eight years.

Wendy is a Master Peace Officer and is certified in Critical Incident Stress Management, a certified Mental Health officer and holds an Advanced Instructors Certificate. As a Garland Police Officer, Wendy has held the positions of Patrol Officer, Neighborhood Patrol Officer, School Resource Officer and Sexual Assault and Family Violence Detective.

Wendy is certified and currently teaches Crisis Intervention, De-Escalation, Mental Health for Jailers, Mental Health Officer, Citizen Interaction Training, Active Shooter, Taser, OC spray, E.N.D.S., Traumatic Brain Injury, Juvenile and Racial Profiling, Interacting with Drivers who are Death and Hard of Hearing, Hazardous Material, Implicit Bias, Arrest and Control, Legislative Update, Teen Dating Violence, and Drug Introduction.

Wendy is also an Adjunct Professor for Dallas College Law Enforcement Academy where she teaches for the Basic Police Academy.

Wendy is a United States Army Veteran, having served for nine years with tours in Panama, Honduras, Germany, Desert Shield and Desert Storm. Wendy is the owner and Real Estate Broker of record for New Home Connections Real Estate Company, Owner and CEO of Sheriff Consulting Services LLC and Pose In Motion Photography LLC. Wendy is also the founder and president of Minding The Gap a 501(c)3 Non-Profit Organization that serves the unhoused Community.







