

Meth in Indian Country

- ▶ Meth is destroying reservations throughout the Western United States
- ▶ Meth treatment is depleting already under funded tribal child protective services and tribal health programs
- ▶ Meth is overwhelming tribal law enforcement, tribal courts and tribal treatment facilities

DRUG TASK FORCE



DRUG TASK FORCES vs. GANGS

- ▶ Law Enforcement Agencies:
 - Tribal
 - Local
 - State
 - Federal

DRUG TASK FORCES vs. GANGS

- ▶ Wind River, Wyoming Task Force
 - Sagaste-Cruz Drug Ring
- ▶ Chickasaw Indian Nation, Oklahoma
 - 700 Ranch Round-Up, Satan's Disciples
- ▶ Lac Courte Oreilles Drug Task Force, Wisconsin
 - Latin Kings
- ▶ Jackson County Drug Task Force, Wisconsin
 - Black Gangster Disciples
- ▶ Menominee Reservation
 - Mexican Drug Trafficking Organization
- ▶ Lac Du Flambeau
 - Native Mob, Sovereign Native Warriors

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NADGI
Native American Drug and Gang Initiative

Comprehensive Threat Assessment

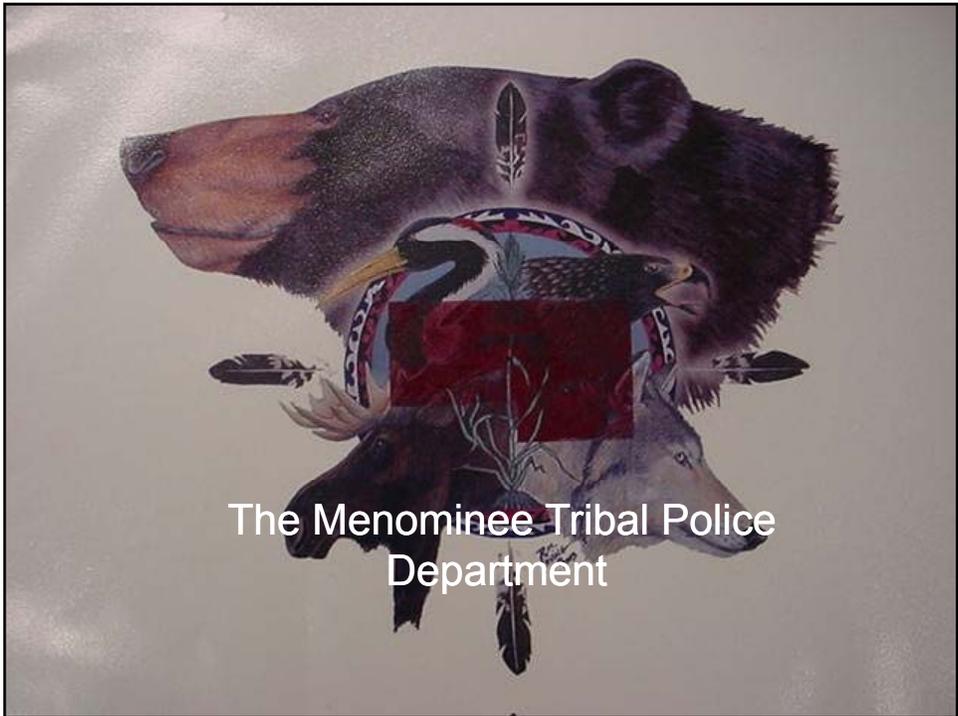
- Lac du Flambeau
- Menominee
- Lac Courte Oreilles
- Bad River
- Oneida
- St. Croix
- Red Cliff
- Stockbridge-Munsee



Leadership



► Homeland Security Since 1492





Patrol

- ▶ 16 Patrol Officers cover 650.11 Miles of Roadway inside of two counties
- ▶ 235,523 acres in Menominee County with a Population of 4,562, there are also 1,200 acres in Shawano County (Trust Land)



Wisconsin Tribal Police Departments

Menominee Tribal Police
Lac Courte Oreilles Police
Lac du Flambeau Police
Oneida Police
Red Cliff Police
St. Croix Police
Stockbridge/Munsee Public Safety
Bad River Police

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*The only place **SUCCESS** comes before
TEAMWORK is in the dictionary.*

Cooperative Law Enforcement

Jason O'Neal
Chief of Police
Chickasaw Lighthouse Police

the Chickasaw Nation

- 7,648 Square Miles
- National Average – 200+ Officers



Why cooperate?

- 9-1-1 Call
- Dispatcher: *"9-1-1, do you need police, fire, or medical assistance?"*
- Citizen: *"Help! There's a dog chasing kids and it just bit one bad. Send someone to Fourth and Jackson Streets."*

Why cooperate?

- Dispatcher: *"Yes, ma'am, I'll have Tribal police, deputies, and an ambulance on the way. Do you know if it's an Indian or non-Indian dog?"*
- *Even for experienced law enforcement officers there remains a great deal of confusion when working in areas within and adjacent to Indian Country.*

Why Cooperate?

- Lack of jurisdiction has led to criminal cases being dismissed
- Back-up, Officer Safety
- What about public interests???

Operation: 700 Ranch Round-Up



Chickasaw Lighthorse
Police



DEA

U.S. Attorney's Office



OSBI



District 20 Drug Task
Force



Ardmore Police
Department



Carter County Sheriff's
Office



OBNDD



Gainesville Police
Department

Carter County District
Attorney's Office



Oklahoma Highway
Patrol

ATF

Operational Details

- Ten months of exhaustive Investigative efforts
- Sophisticated network of persons involved in drug trafficking identified

May 2005

- Investigators determined that methamphetamine was being supplied by a violent Chicago based criminal gang, the Satan's Disciples, to South Central Oklahoma and North Texas.
- Officers in both states conducted surveillance, made undercover drug purchases, and used other investigative techniques to gather the information needed to justify a DEA MET Team.

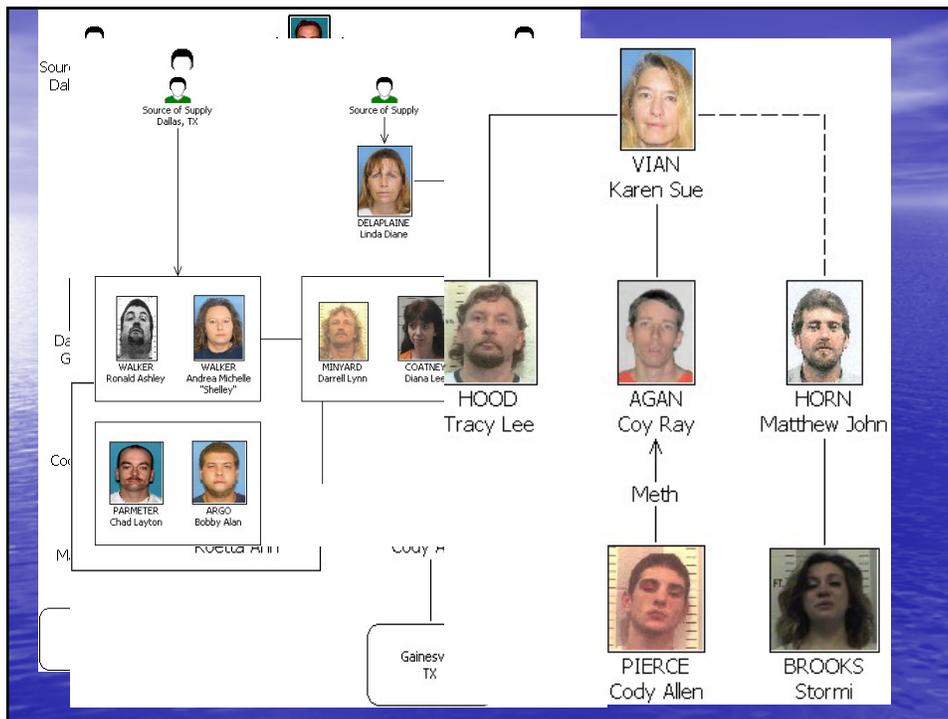
DEA MET

- The Mobile Enforcement Team is deployed at the request of local communities to combine federal, state and local resources to dismantle drug trafficking organizations. The teams were established in 1995 to assist local agencies that lack the staff, money and prosecution strength to arrest and convict those involved in sophisticated narcotics operations.

Gainesville, Texas Satan Disciples Gang

- Leaders
 - Rocky SALAZAR
 - Elijah SALAZAR





Objectives

- Dismantle the Gainesville, TX branch of the Chicago based Satan's Disciples criminal gang.
- Convict the distributors of methamphetamine between Ardmore, OK and Gainesville, TX.
- Verify a link between Chicago Satan Disciples and the Gainesville Satan Disciples.
- Verify the use of Indian casinos & property as a distribution point of methamphetamine and prosecute those involved.

Attainment of Objectives

- Equipment & personnel
 - More than 30 Confidential Informants and sources of information
 - Undercover Agents
 - Pen registers
 - Pole cameras, surveillance
 - Search warrants, traffic stops
 - Investigative and intelligence analysis

March 7th, 2006 – D-Day

- Raids in Texas and Oklahoma
- More than 200 Tribal, Federal, and local Law Enforcement Officers combined for a mass arrest effort



Outcome of Investigation

- 108 defendants
- 15 Federal Grand Jury Indictments
- 88 Texas/Oklahoma Indictments



Outcome of Investigation

- Seizures
 - More than 100 controlled drug purchases resulted in the seizure of 167 exhibits
 - 19 pounds of methamphetamine
 - 2,650 grams of marijuana
 - 572 grams of cocaine
 - \$166,880 in U.S. currency



Outcome of Investigation

- Seizures
 - 64 Weapons including Assault Rifle



Indian Casino's

- Suspect were found to frequent the Casino's
- Surprisingly no organized operations at the Chickasaw Nation Casino's.

How did the LPD cooperate?

- Intelligence
 - From Tribal Casinos
 - From Citizens
 - Law Enforcement Reports
- Access to Tribal Casinos
 - Availability to place undercover employees
 - Access to video surveillance from hundreds of cameras

Why is cooperation important?

- In 2004 State and Federal authorities completed a similar operation "Hell on the Border"
- Authorities busted a methamphetamine group that was utilizing a Choctaw Casino as a base
- A total of 34 federal and state arrest warrants were issued as the result of a five-year investigation.

Was it cooperation?

- "Hell on the Border"
 - Five year investigation
 - Netted 34 Federal and State Indictments
- "700 Ranch Round Up"
 - Ten Month investigation
 - Netted 103 Federal and State Indictments

Letter to the Indian Police from D.M. Wisdom, U.S. Indian Agent, dated November 1, 1894

"I hereby direct you, with or without warrant, to arrest all outlaws, thieves, and murderers in your section and if they resist, you will shoot them on the spot and you will aid and assist all U.S. Deputy Marshals in the enforcement of the laws and make yourselves terror to evil doers. If afraid, turn in your resignation and I'll appoint better men in your place. This is no time for cravens and cowards to hold official positions and wear badges of office."

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Working Together As Partners to Prevent Crimes Against Children in Indian Country



Amber Alerts Protecting Our Children



Law Enforcement Partners

- Tribal
- Local
- State

Missing Children Homicide Investigation Study

U.S. Department of Justice,
Office of Juvenile Justice
and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP)
and the
Washington State
Attorney General's Office

Dramatic Findings:

- 44% died within the first hour.
- 74% died within the first three hours.

What is an Amber Alert?

- Emergency child abduction alert
- Purpose -- **SAVE THE LIFE OF A CHILD**
- The plan is a collaborative partnership between law enforcement agencies and broadcasters to alert the public with critical information about an abducted child

What happens when an Amber Alert has been activated?

- Radio and television stations interrupt programming to broadcast information about the abducted child using the Emergency Alert System (EAS)
- The EAS will broadcast information on the abducted child, who is believed to be in danger of serious bodily harm or death

Amber Alert Criteria

- **The Child is believed to be ABDUCTED!**
- Child should be 17 years of age or younger
- Child must be in danger of serious bodily harm or death
- There must be enough descriptive information about the child, suspect(s) and suspect vehicle(s) to believe an immediate broadcast alert will help locate the child

Amber Alert Criteria

- Note - Not be used for:
 - Runaways, Family Abductions
 - Unless child's life is in immediate danger

Amber Alert

- Investigative tool
- Good police work
- Technology
 - Cell tracking
 - Thermal imaging
 - Computer
 - Analyst
 - Clearinghouse



WhiteHorse Family

Missing Children Law

- Mandates immediate NCIC & LE system Entry (eliminates waiting periods)
- Requires “appropriate investigative response”
- Requires case information to be sent to State Clearinghouses
- Requires that local Law Enforcement Agencies liaison with the NCMEC

How Many Native Americans Missing?

- Children 17 years old and younger:
 - Arizona: 134
 - California: 67
 - New Mexico: 25
 - Nevada: 17
 - Colorado: 19
- Adults 18 years old and older:
 - Arizona: 121
 - California: 87
 - New Mexico: 35
 - Nevada: 7
 - Colorado: 3
- Total Missing:
 - Arizona: 255
 - California: 154
 - New Mexico: 60
 - Nevada: 24
 - Colorado: 19

NCIC

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Wisconsin Clearinghouse for Missing & Exploited Children

- The Wisconsin Clearinghouse Missing and Exploited Children was established in 1994, in response to concerns regarding missing and exploited children in Wisconsin.
- The Wisconsin Clearinghouse is located in the Division of Criminal Investigation, within the Department of Justice.

Wisconsin Clearinghouse Resources and Services

- Assist tribal, local, state, and federal agencies and families searching for missing and exploited children and adults.
- Actively assists in **Amber Alert** activations
- Collaborates with the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children and 50 other state clearinghouses and the District of Columbia.
- Located within law enforcement agencies

Wisconsin Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force

- One of 46 Regional Task Forces

Wisconsin Clearinghouse Resources and Services

Toll-free hotline (in-state only):

- 1-800-THE-HOPE
- 1-800-843-4673

Wisconsin Clearinghouse Resources and Services

Creates and disseminates posters/flyers.

- Locater Computer System

Creates and disseminates posters/flyers.

- Critical Reach System (TRAK Computer System)

MISSING CHILD
Endangered Runaway
Tiffany Reid



Age: 18 DOB: 12/02/1987
Sex: Female
Race: Am. Ind.
Hair: Black Eyes: Brown
Height: 5'3"
Weight: 115

Missing From: Shiprock, NM
Missing Since: May 17, 2004
Tiffany was last seen at home on May 17, 2004.
She may still be in New Mexico or she may have
traveled to Arizona or Mexico. She has a scar
under her right eye and a scar on one of her arms.
Her nickname is Kay-C.

Navajo Department of Public Safety
Shiprock District
New Mexico
505-368-1350



Wisconsin



LOCATER
1-888-233-6273
11/08/2006

Wisconsin Clearinghouse Resources and Services

- Acts as a liaison between victims, parents, law enforcement and state and federal agencies.
- Provides victims and parents of victims with information and referrals.
- Assists victims and their families in securing services from other agencies.
- Arranges transportation and lodging for victim families to be reunited with their children.
- Assists in reunification.

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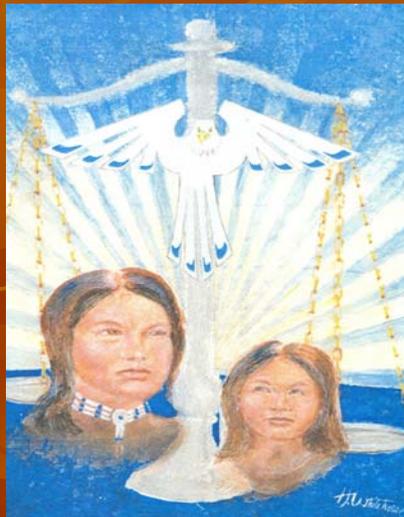
Public Awareness:

- Gives presentations on missing and exploited children and internet crimes against children:
 - schools, community groups
- Participates in law enforcement events
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- Disseminates education material.

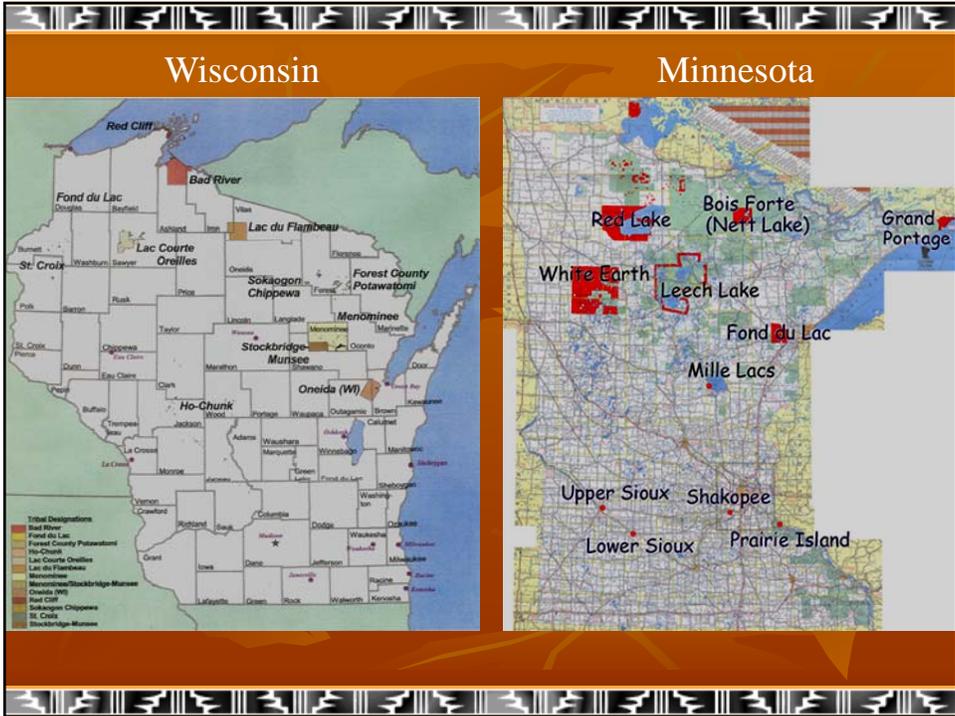
Working Together As Partners to Prevent Crimes Against Children in Indian Country



Avery Lee Stately



Tristan Anthony
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3rd Annual Multi-Jurisdictional Approach to Crimes Against Children in Indian Country



Dates & Location
March 4-6, 2008
 Ho-Chunk Hotel & Casino
 Baraboo, Wisconsin

Who Should Attend

- Tribal/Non-Tribal Law Enforcement
- Administrators and Supervisors
- Investigators and Prosecutors
- Patrol and Community Policing Officers
- Judges and Court Administrators
- Victim Service Coordinators
- Youth Correctional Officers
- Probation/Parole Officers
- Sex Offender Monitors and Re-Entry Staff
- Social Workers
- Peer Counselors

To Register
 To register or for additional information, please visit www.fvtc.edu/youth.

For questions regarding this conference or to have a form mailed/faxed to you, please contact Nancy Ruddy at (888) 370-1752 or e-mail cjgrants@fvtc.edu.

Save the Dates! March 4-6, 2008

Target Audience

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- Employee Assistance & Community Service Providers
- Youth Service Organization Staff
- Teachers, Principals, School Superintendents
- Criminal Justice Instructors
- Peer Counselors

Working Together As Partners

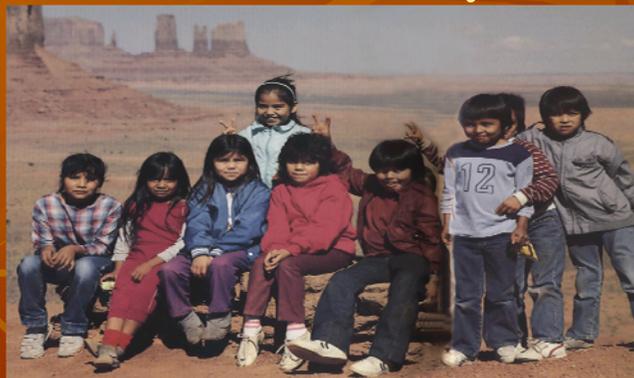
- Southern Ute Tribe
- Red Lake Nation
- Ho-Chunk Nation

“A family is a source of personal identity, a loving community, a place of joy, and a cause for celebration.

A fierce sense of protection toward kin and nation is second nature when trouble threatens.”

Sioux proverb

**Working Together as partners to
Protecting Our Children
In Indian Country**



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