

**NATIONAL TRAINING AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE CENTER  
BASIC CRIME PREVENTION COURSE AGENDA  
24 HOURS TOWARDS NCPA CRIME PREVENTION CERTIFICATION**

This course provides an introduction to opportunity based crime prevention.

**DAY 1**

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| 8:30 - 9:00 a.m.   | <b>Welcome and Introduction</b>   |
| 9:05– 10:00 a.m.   | <b>Crime Prevention History and Theory</b><br>Participants will learn about the development of crime prevention in the United States and will acquire an understanding and working knowledge of the principles of crime prevention. Participants will learn the types of crime prevention and the appropriate crime prevention techniques for a variety of crime types. |
| 10:00 – 10:15 a.m. | Break (on your own)   |
| 10:15 – 11:15 a.m. | <b>Emerging Crime Trends</b><br>Participants will learn of emerging crime trends (national and international) projected for future years and the crime prevention strategies to address them  |
| 11:15 - 12:30 p.m. | <b>Neighborhood Watch and Other Community Programs</b><br>Participants will learn the requirements for establishing crime prevention programs such as Neighborhood Watch, Crime Watch or Block Watch. Participants will learn strategies for soliciting and maintaining citizen involvement in crime prevention programs.   |
| 12:30 – 1:30p.m.   | Lunch (on your own)   |
| 1:30 – 2:30 p.m.   | <b>Senior Safety</b><br>Participants will learn the latest information on senior safety including tips to address financial crimes, property crimes, elder abuse, and violent crimes against seniors  |
| 2:30 – 3:30 p.m.   | <b>Frauds and Scams</b><br>Participants will learn about the types of criminal fraud and the programs and measures they can provide to the public to detect and prevent them  |
| 3:30 – 3:45 p.m.   | Break (on your own)   |
| 3:45pm - 5:00 p.m. | <b>Cyber Safety</b><br>Participants will learn about how new technologies are being used to commit fraud. They will learn about the types of internet fraud and steps the public can use to protect them from these types of crimes.  |

**DAY 2**

- 8:30 - 9:30 a.m.      **Personal Safety**  
Participants will learn about the types of threats to personal safety and personal practices which can reduce those threats. Participants will explore personal safety recommendations, carrying weapons or other personal safety devices and self-defense training
- 9:30 – 10:30 a.m.      **Safe or Unsafe** (exercise discussing environmental cues)  
Participants will view a series of photos and be asked to state which photos make them feel safe or unsafe and why. Particular attention will be devoted to identifying the subtle physical cues in the environments depicted in the photos that make them feel safe or unsafe.
- 10:30 – 10:45 a.m.      Break (on your own)
- 10:45 – 11:45 a.m.      **Overview of Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED)**  
Participants will learn the concepts and principles of Crime Prevention through Environmental Design (CPTED) and will examine practical strategies for using architecture, community planning, maintenance and other strategies to plan and manage safer environments.
- 11:45 – 12:30 p.m.      **Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED)**  
Participants will examine practical strategies for using architecture, community planning, maintenance and other strategies to plan and manage safer environments.
- 12:30 - 1:30pm      Lunch (on your own)
- 1:30 - 3:00 p.m.      **CPTED Security Surveys**
- 3:00 – 3:15 p.m.      Break (on your own)
- 3:15 - 5:00 p.m.      **Business Crime Prevention**  
Participants will learn about the different types of criminal threats that businesses face. Participants will be provided with information about prevention strategies and tactics that can be used by business people to reduce the chances of robbery, assault, burglary, credit and check fraud, shoplifting, employee a theft and other crimes.

**DAY 3**

- 8:30 - 10:00 a.m.      **Children and School Safety**  
Participants will learn about crime prevention strategies to address the crime threats faced by young children in the home, school, in the community and on the internet. Participants will also learn about strategies to make safer schools and in particular the school safety assessment process
- 10:00 – 10:15 a.m.      Break (on your own)
- 10:15 – 11:15 a.m.      **Campus Crime Prevention**  
Participants will discuss basic crime prevention issues and resources needed for crime prevention services in university and campus settings to foster relationships with partners and necessary personnel to enable their crime prevention plan to be successful.
- 11:15 –12:30 p.m.      **Why Youth Join Gangs and the Risk Factors Associated With Youth**  
Participants discuss the various factors that lead to the successful recruitment of youth and young adults into gang membership. Participants will discuss the five major domains associated with delinquency and the increased likelihood of youth to join gangs.
- 12:30 –1:30 p.m.      Lunch (on your own)
- 1:30 - 2:15 p.m.      **Girls and Gangs**  
Participants will explore the issues and challenges that exist between the increase in the number of girls involved with gangs and the public perception of the role of girls in gangs. Discussion includes why do girls join gangs, profile of female gang members, what attraction do gangs offer girls, how do girls become gang members, the role of girls in a gang, and some Identifiers of girls in gangs.
- 2:15 – 3:00 p.m.      **Hybrid Gangs**  
Participants will discuss the emergence of hybrid gangs and the impact that these gangs have on the community.
- 3:00 – 3:15p.m.      Break (on your own)
- 3:15 – 4:00 p.m.      **Developing a Gang Strategy for Your Community**  
This module is designed to introduce concepts to assist the community to develop a gang prevention strategy through the creation of an action plan with goals, objectives, and identified community resources.
- 4:00 – 4:45 p.m      **Crime Prevention Resources and Best Practices**  
Participants will review best crime prevention practices from around the country and resources available from the National Crime Prevention Council, the U.S. Department Justice Services, and other crime prevention organizations
- 4:45 – 5:00 p.m.      Closing Remarks