



## American Council on Criminal Justice Training

As a potential public safety partner, you may have several questions regarding our organization. The following are the most frequently asked questions by potential government and non-profit public safety partners:

### **What does the ACCJT do?**

The ACCJT is a non-profit public safety education and training organization. We provide free public safety presentations and training courses to educational institutions, members of the general public, private businesses, private and public organizations, and for profit and non-profit corporations. Also, we provide free or low cost criminal justice training.

### **Who provides the instruction?**

All of our Public Safety Education Instructors are full-time, former, or retired police, corrections, or parole/probation officers. Criminal Justice officers deal with crime, hostility, and violence throughout their workday. Consequently, criminal justice officers are experts on public safety issues and strategies. Our instructors bring real world application and experience to our public safety presentations and training courses.

### **What is your public safety education curriculum based on?**

Our public safety-training curriculum contains the same information, techniques, and strategies as taught to criminal justice officers at their training academies or during their in-service investigative and survival skills training. For example, the techniques and strategies that are offered in our "Effectively Dealing with Hostility and Violence in the Workplace" presentation are the very same techniques and strategies taught to officers at the Oregon Public Safety Academy to defuse hostility and protect themselves from violence while on patrol or providing security in the correctional facility. The techniques taught in our "Self Defense Tactics for Women" training course are the same self defense techniques that are taught to and used by officers in over eight hundred criminal justice agencies nationally and internationally.

### **How is the public safety education program funded?**

The ACCJT is funded through private donations, business and corporate sponsorships (donations), and foundation grants. There is no cost to any person, group, business, organization, or corporation for our public safety education training.

### **Will the ACCJT collaborate or form a partnership with another non-profit organization?**

Yes, we will collaborate and enter into partnerships with government agencies and other non-profit organizations to promote public safety.

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## **What is the benefit of partnering with the ACCJT?**

The ACCJT specializes in developing and providing public safety education. Furthermore, because we develop and conduct criminal justice training, we have as a resource professional criminal justice officers who are experts at protecting the public from theft to violent assaults. The ACCJT has the experts and instructional resources to meet your public safety educational needs.

## **How do our organizations formalize our partnership?**

The ACCJT legal staff will draft a Letter of Understanding that defines the commitments, expectations, and obligations of each organization. As an alternative to the Letter of Understanding, a personal services contract may be used to define the agreed upon commitments of each organization.

## **If my organization needs public safety education or training for my clients, how can the ACCJT help me?**

We can contract with your organization to provide one public safety course or a series of public safety related courses. Or, we can manage your entire public safety-training program for you. If your organization provides the funding, we will provide the expertise.

## **Will the ACCJT accept a foundation grant from our organization?**

Yes, if your organization provides us with a funding grant, your organization will be given recognition and credit as a sponsor at each of our public safety education or criminal justice training courses.

## **What other donation programs does the ACCJT offer?**

The ACCJT has two additional donation programs. ***The Police Dog Donation Program.*** In this program the ACCJT works in partnership with the state's law enforcement associations and the state's association of mayors to identify a police department or sheriff department that lacks the funding to purchase, equip, and train a patrol or narcotics detection police dog. In addition to providing the police dog to the law enforcement agency, the ACCJT provides the completely equipped Police K9 patrol vehicle and the required safety equipment to provide on-going training for the K9. Businesses and corporations who donate to this fund receive recognition of their support at the public Donation Ceremony.

The second additional donation program is the ***Peace Officer Memorial Fund.*** In collaboration with the state's Chiefs of Police, Sheriff's, and Peace Officers associations, the ACCJT selects an officer who has fallen in the line of duty to recognize and memorialize that officer for his or her ultimate sacrifice for public safety.

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Donations to this fund are used to provide criminal justice training seminars, instructor courses, and an annual conference in the fallen officer's memory. In addition, the fund provides the surviving children of the officer with college scholarships. Businesses and corporations who donate to this fund receive recognition of their support at all the seminars, instructor courses, and at the annual conference.

### **How does my organization make a donation to these additional programs?**

Contact our Oregon PSE Donation Coordinator, Jennifer Gambill at (541) 310 - 9320 or via email: [jgambill @www.accjt.org](mailto:jgambill@www.accjt.org).

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