



Albany County Sheriff's Office Critical Incident Emergency Management Unit

May 2021

Critical Incident/Emergency Management Unit

This is the third of what will be a monthly newsletter for the Albany County Sheriff's Office Critical Incident Emergency Management unit. Please feel free to send us your comments and suggestions.

The Critical Incident/Emergency Management Unit consists of the following:

- Office of Emergency Management
- Capital Region Forensic Hazardous Materials Unit
- Community and Emergency Services
- Office of the Fire Coordinator
- Search and Rescue Team.

The unit also acts as the administrator of the Four County Hazardous Materials (HazMat) Group covering Albany, Rensselaer, Saratoga, and Schenectady Counties.



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Office of Fire Coordinator Recruitment



The Sheriff's Office had the Tactical Training Trailer at Raider Fest at South Colonie High School. It was used as part of the Recruitment effort.

Contact the Fire Coordinator's Office to reserve this trailer.



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Recruitment and Retention car

The Recruitment and Retention car is back in service, to reserve it for your station please contact Deputy Fire Coordinator Bob Stevens at Robert.Stevens@albanycountyny.gov



Haz-Mat

The Albany County Hazmat Team can be activated by contacting the Albany County 9-1-1 Center either directly or through your own dispatch center. The team has members available for consultation via telephone and/or on scene response. We are lucky to have some of the most experienced hazmat professionals at our disposal.

The Albany County Hazmat Team consists of *Photo from the 4 county Haz-Mat drill in October of 2020*
Albany Fire Department, West Albany Fire Department, Watervliet Arsenal Fire Department, Maplewood Fire Department and the Albany County Fire Coordinator's Office.

Our deputy fire coordinators assigned to hazmat are ; Car 3 - Gerry Morigerato (also chief of the Forensic Hazmat Team) and Car 10 – Tom Remmert, Capital Region Hazmat Coordinator. Chief Fire Coordinator Gerald E. Paris, Jr. is also notified of all requests for the County Hazmat Team.

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NYS Fire Training Classes.

OFPC has undertaken changes regarding the administration of their training registration process. Students will now be required to enroll directly through the state Learning Management System (LMS) Portal. The State Fire Instructors and Fire Coordinators Office will maintain control of final enrollment through the portal, ensuring that Albany County Firefighters receive preference to training that is taught within the county.

Our past practice of registering students directly through the email address training@albanycounty.com will no longer be our process. Students that request registration through the county email will be redirected to OFPC LMS.

I have attached 2 links below to the LMS. The first link is the home page for the LMS portal. Students that have setup and account will be able to register for classes through this page. The second link will assist new students with the process of setting up an account. Going forward it will be in the best interest of all firefighters to register for the portal as soon as they join your departments.

[NYS Division of Homeland Security & Emergency Services Learning Management System](#)

[OFPC LMS-Student-Guide](#)

Current schedule can be accessed at the link below:

<https://www.albanycounty.com/home/showpublisheddocument?id=14098>

Grant Opportunities

The Volunteer Fire Assistance grant is now open for applications (see link below) this grant is open to Departments/Districts that cover rural areas and it requires a 50/50 match. The application deadline is June 30, 2021

<https://www.dec.ny.gov/regulations/2364.html>

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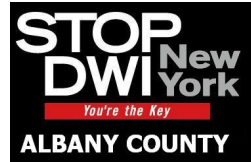
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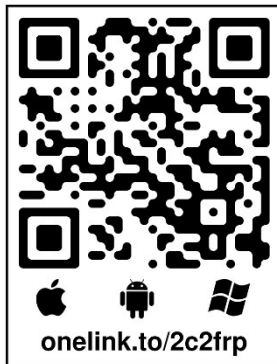
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The Albany County STOPDWI Unit would like to take this opportunity to remind everyone that sober driving is the only way to operate a motor vehicle. Alcohol and drugs not only impair motor skills, but also impair judgement and reasoning. Even if someone thinks they can make it to their destination, the slightest bit of impairment can cause a delayed reaction or poor vehicle operation. Please....always plan ***BEFORE*** going out! Law Enforcement Agencies in Albany County will be out this Memorial Day Weekend to keep our roadways safe from those who make the unfortunate choice to drive impaired.

Use your mobile device to scan the QR-code and download the HAVE A PLAN App sponsored by New York State STOP DWI and the New York State Governor's Traffic Safety Committee for more information on impaired driving and set up your trusted contacts to call.



Upcoming DWI Enforcement Details

Memorial Day	May 28th—June 1st
July 4th Holiday	July 2nd—July 5th
Labor Day	August 20th—September 6th

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