

**U.S. Department of Justice**

United States Attorney

Western District of Pennsylvania

U.S. Post Office & Courthouse

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July 26, 2010

Dear Colleague:

The fifth annual Regional Gang Awareness conference will take place on September 16 & 17, 2010, at the Regional Learning Alliance Center at Cranberry Woods, located at 850 Cranberry Woods Drive, Cranberry Township, PA. The conference is co-sponsored by the U.S. Attorney's Office, Project Safe Neighborhoods, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, the Pennsylvania State Police, the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency (PCCD), the Boys & Girls Clubs of Western Pennsylvania, the Pennsylvania National Guard Counterdrug Program, the U.S. Marshals Service, and MAGLOCLIN.

Topics will include Street Gangs, Motorcycle Gangs, White Supremacists groups, Forensics for Street Gang Shootings, Eastern and Western Pennsylvania Influences on Gang trends and Re-entry programs.

Because of the sensitivity of some of the intelligence, the first day, September 16, 2010, is reserved for law enforcement officers. All participants registered to attend the first day will be required to present law enforcement credentials.

The second day of the conference, September 17, 2010, is open to all, including educators, human service professionals and law enforcement.

Registration begins at 8:00am on each day, with conference presentations beginning at 8:30am. A complimentary continental breakfast and lunch will be served on both days. Thanks to Project Safe Neighborhoods and PCCD funding, we are able to offer this conference free of charge.

Enclosed is a registration form. Please complete the form and return to Gail McLaughlin at the address above. You can also e-mail your registration form to [usapaw-gangconf2010@usdoj.gov](mailto:usapaw-gangconf2010@usdoj.gov) or fax to (412) 644-2644. The deadline to register is Monday, September 6, 2010. Registration is limited to 225 participants and will be conducted on a first come first serve basis.

Hotel accommodations are available at the Marriott Hotel, Pittsburgh North at Cranberry Woods, 100 Cranberry Woods Drive, Cranberry Township, PA 16066 (724) 772-3700, Fax (724) 779-4219. Hotel accommodations are the sole responsibility of the individual. Directions to the Regional Learning Alliance Center and Marriott Hotel are enclosed.

We look forward to seeing you at the conference. Additional information is available by contacting Gail McLaughlin, U.S. Attorney's Office at (412) 894-7400.

Sincerely,

ROBERT S. CESSAR

Acting U.S. Attorney

GAIL MCLAUGHLIN

Assistant Law Enforcement

Coordination Manager

Enclosures

REGIONAL GANG AWARENESS CONFERENCE

September 16 & 17, 2010

Regional Learning Alliance Center

Cranberry Township, PA

**REGISTRATION**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Agency: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Office Phone No. \_\_\_\_\_ Office Fax No. \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Participant is registering to attend:

September 16, 2010: \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No

Participant is a law enforcement officer: \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No

September 17, 2010: \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No

**Registration deadline is Monday, September 6, 2010.**

## **DRAFT AGENDA**

SEPTEMBER 16, 2010

8-830 Registration

830-9 Welcome/Pledge of Allegiance/Moment of Silence

MAIN AUDITORIUM 9-11 Street Gangs, Detective Santana

or

SMALL AUDITORIUM 9-11 Forensics of Street Gang Shootings, ATF Chemist Greg Klees

11-12 White Supremacist Groups, Chris Magyarics, ADL

12-1 Lunch

1-2 White Supremacist Groups continued

MAIN AUDITORIUM 2-430 Motorcycle Gangs, Larry O'Neill, MAGLOCLEN

or

SMALL AUDITORIUM 1-3 Forensics of Street Gang Shootings, SA Greg Klees

3-430 Western PA Gang Trends, Sharon PD/Mercer County Probation

SEPTEMBER 17, 2010

8-830 Registration

\*\*MAIN AUDITORIUM 830-1030 Re-entry Program, Probation Office

or

SMALL AUDITORIUM 830-1030 Forensics of Street Gang Shootings, SA Greg Klees

1030-1230 Street Gangs, Detective Santana

1230-130 Lunch

130-230 Street Gangs continued

\*\*230-4 PIRC

and possibly Chief Fazden, Pgh Public Schools

The times for these may change since they have not been finalized yet.