# East Central Illinois Mobile Law Enforcement Training Team

**Course Announcement** 

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## **Interventions for Troubled Adolescents**

April 19th, 2021 0830 1630 Hrs **MTU 13 Police Training Center 3121 Dewitt Avenue** Mattoon, Il.

Submit enrollment to: Registration form at www.mtu13.com, ecimlett@gmail.com Or call 217-345-3344



#### **Purpose of Course**

This full day program has been designed with the purpose of addressing the five issues that are present in the vast majority of school shootings. It addresses how to intervene in a meaningful manner with troubled adolescents. For many adolescents, rebellious acts make perfect sense as a way to express freedom and pull away from the values society attempts to instill in them. To gain freedom in life, some rebel against the authority figures in their lives. Not all adolescents become violent shooters. For some adolescents this normal rebellion is elevated into the criminal behavior. The issue of troubled adolescents is very complicated, involving all arenas of society. This program will identify five components that exist in the majority of all adolescent shootings. The program will suggest how the community and law enforcement can identify and intervene.

#### **Course Description**

The news has been full of the incidents of troubled adolescents and the destruction they cause. Finding a solution is complicated and involves many areas of society, particularly law enforcement. The five areas that need to be addressed will be explored from a psychological standpoint and from a point of view that will effect law enforcement. The role of law enforcement is increasing in the issue of troubled ado-

**Observed Mandates Include:** 

Human Rights

Lead Homicide Investigator

**Mental Health Awareness** 

lescents. The entire complicated process will be explored as well as how all of the components interact with each other.



This course is funded by the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board.

### Gail P. Sullivan, MA Biography



Ms. Sullivan graduated from Loyola University (BA) and DePaul University (MA)) with honors. She has worked in the fields of psychology and criminal justice for the past three decades.

She has held the position of Executive Director of a premier children's

agency that was the first in Illinois to serve the needs of the sexually problematic child. She has consulted to numerous public and private organizations in the area of trauma based reactions of stress. As an expert, she has sat on the *States Attorney Task Force for the Mass Molestation of Children* and *The Cook County Child Death Review Team.* 

Ms. Sullivan is certified by the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board. She has developed curriculum that meets State requirements for the certification of juvenile police officers. Ms. Sullivan is a speaker throughout the mid-west, presenting law enforcement training to over 150 police jurisdictions. She is a trainer for the Cook County Adult Probation Department, presenting and developing mandated training. She has been a key note speaker for numerous law enforcement and criminal justice associations nationwide. She has been a much sought after conference presenter for law enforcement, corrections and probation conferences.

Ms. Sullivan lives in Chicago, Illinois with her son, continuing to write and present in the areas of trauma based interactions for law enforcement, cultural diversity, multigenerational communication, sex offenders, ethics, sexual harassment prevention, crisis intervention programs, female brain functioning and violence, and numerous other aspects of criminal justice. She has developed a stress reduction curriculum for correction officers that has been presented nationwide. She is currently exploring research directed at gender differences in stress as it relates in police and correctional officers. For further information please contact Ms. Sullivan at gpsllvn@yahoo.com.